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_A faculty reconstructed for 'future needs'

By Madison Neary STAFF WRITER

The University of New Hampshire's College of Liberal Arts (COLA) will not renew 17 of its lecturers' contracts for the upcoming academic year, according to Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, Heidi Bostic.

These decisions, Bostic said,

Graduate fair provides insight for students

By Alana Persson CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Whether interested in biology, business, public policy or something in between, the University of New Hampshire Graduate and Doctoral Program Fair highlighted countless programs that cater to each student's needs.

All professors and faculty members echoed a common sentiment that it is never too early to begin considering graduate programs. Instead of waiting until months before graduation to begin planning the next steps for the future, UNH career counselor Riannon Nute suggests that students start planning as soon as their sophomore year.

"At the Career Center, we encourage students to come and see whether graduate school would be a good fit," Nute said. "We'll sit down with students and prove whether you need a Master's degree for your desired field and if so, we'll help you start preparing for applications."

Although the application process may mean applying to other universities, representatives from the on-campus graduate programs shared various unique aspects to programs, which aim to draw students to stay for advanced degrees. Selling points range from fully-paid tuition, stipends and health insurance through the sociology program, to trips to the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. as part of the Master's in Public Policy program. The Master of Business Administration is another popular master's program, according to

desire to strengthen programs and "a need to retain faculty whose expertise most closely aligns with the current and future needs of programs." Despite these cuts, she said that no existing COLA programs will be eliminated because of "combining sections [of classes] or through other means."

are in response to a decline in

"some" program enrollments, a

In her email, Bostic ac-

knowledges the effects that these decisions will have on long standing faculty members, saying that she has met those who have reached out to her, and given them four month's notice of their nonrenewals before their contracts end in May.

President of the UNH Lecturers United, a chapter of the American Association of University Professors, Catherine Moran, finds the decision to make these cuts "shocking" because though the lecturers were at the end of their contracts, she said there was no expectation that the contracts would not be renewed.

According to Moran, the reasons given for the non-renewals are a "combination of budget constraints and strategic realignment of programs," a statement she finds lacks transparency.

"What we haven't heard or seen is one, a justification of that budget," Moran said. "If there really is a budget crisis or financial crisis, where is that, why did that happen, how did it happen?"

According to Bostic, there will be advertisements for terminal degree holding faculty for

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HB 372 seeks to change NH voting laws

By Gates MacPherson STAFF WRITER

Earlier this month, the New Hampshire State Senate passed a bill that says, "A person must be a resident of New Hampshire to vote or hold office in New Hampshire." House Bill 372 will change the voting process for out-of-state students by redefining residency standards and eligibility.

Republicans in the House may have proposed and pushed the bill forward, but Republican Gov. Chris Sununu has said that he would not support the bill in its current language. The bill is set to go back to the House for another round of voting.

Sununu is not the only person who is uneasy about the implications of HB 372. On Dec. 10, the University of New Hampshire Student Senate unanimously passed bill R21, introduced by Community Development Chair Elena Ryan, opposing HB 372.

"The gut reaction for anyone is 'wait, all students should be able to vote," Student Senate President Carley Rotenberg said. "[Students] pay a lot of money to go to school here, even if they aren't living here 12 months out of the year instead [of] nine."

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Mikayla Mallett / TNH staff Holloway Commons is one of many dining halls on campus to undergo changes in food station locations.

Dining halls undergo station renovations By Benjamin Strawbridge

STAFF WRITER

Unprecedented student demand in favor of the healthier options drove UNH Dining Services to implement allergen-friendly options at the beginning of 2018 spring semester instead of fall 2018, according to Holloway Commons Area Manager Deb Scanlon.

According to UNH Dining Hall Operations Director David Hill, past dining committee meetings that included members from the UNH Student Senate, ascertained that "there was a demand for more offerings that were [gluten-free], healthier and meet requirements for guests with dietary concerns" for both Holloway Commons (HoCo) and Stillings Dining Halls. The meeting also included student feedback from a number of dorm "visitations" conducted in October and November of last semester.

cations that "many foods" were "marked as gluten free...on the main lines" of both dining halls and that those foods were only "gluten-friendly," in danger of cross-contamination and consequently not suitable for gluten-free eaters. The resolution also revealed that "Philbrook Dining Hall is currently the only dining hall with an Allergen-Friendly station, which provides hot meal options for the eight main allergens, including gluten." It had become difficult for students who dined at the other two dining halls and who possessed celiac disease lacked the ability



Per the Student Senate Resolution R.39.03, which was introduced by Health and Wellness Chairperson Emily Cochran on Oct. 15, 2017, the two aforementioned dining halls lacked clear indi-

to easily seek out suitable foods.

As a result, both dining halls have taken measures to expand their audience and include options for special dietary needs.

According to Scanlon, Holloway Commons now boasts an "Allergen-Friendly" section that offers a "two-week cycle menu" presenting a combination of a vegan soup and two specially prepared salads and "allergen-friendly" proteins such as turkey

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of-state voters would have to declare residency in New Hampshire, give up residency in another state, register their motor vehicle and acquire a New Hampshire driver's license. Slate recently calculated the costs in an article about the new bill, and a driver's license costs \$50, initial registration and plate fees cost \$23 and

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UNH men's hockey looks to end the losing skid against Northeastern in Boston, Massaschusetts this Friday.

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"Long Eye" brings the Arctic to UNH

Art meets nature in the Museum of Art's newest exhibition "Long Eye," which centers around capturing the beauty of the Arctic.



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Community Health Nurse Judy Stevens discusses how students can prevent catching the flu on campus.



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"some" programs, however, programs will remain "robust" and opportunities like study abroad, internships and undergraduate research will be supported by this "prudent budgetary management."

In regard to university faculty, lecturers take on the largest teaching load when compared to clinical, research and tenure

track faculty. According to Moran, lecturers teach, on average, six courses an academic year that tend to be larger size classes of 75 to 80 students. Moran adds that the non-renewed professors have been teaching at UNH for an average of nine years and never had "the expectation of a terminal degree."

"A research degree, a Ph.D., doesn't necessarily prepare you to be a teacher," Moran said.

The Boston Globe published

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an article citing that the five departments in COLA receiving cuts are the French, Spanish, Arabic, English, history and political science departments, as well as "English-language learners."

The Department of Language, Literatures and Cultures Arabic Studies' webpage lists only one full-time lecturer. Bostic, however, assures that UNH's Arabic department will continue.

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the combination of state and municipal fees "can total several hundred dollars."

Rotenberg, a native of Rhode Island, looked into the process of becoming a resident and found that for the average student, the process would be time-consuming and costly.

"They say registering to vote should be easy and we all have that right to vote, and [the bill] is going to deter any student who has to go through all of those hoops," Rotenberg said.

Though the Student Senate bill highlights various concerns and oppositions about HB 372, Rotenberg said that the point was not to alienate students who may be in support of tighter voting regulations.

"It urges the House to deny the bill, which would mean outof-state students still have the right to vote, whether you're against it or not," she said.

Rotenberg emphasized that not everyone opposes HB 372, and she wants to make sure Student Senate hears those students as well.

The New Hampshire contacted the College Republicans about HB 372, but due to scheduling conflicts they were unable to respond in time for publication.

Dean of Students Ted Kirkpatrick said he does not believe the bill will be a deterrent for prospective students, noting that during the 2016 election, New Hampshire "had the third highest voter turnout in the nation."

ties, according to Andrews.

Even with many on campus programs offered, many students find that their conventional schooling is difficult after undergraduate degrees have been completed. To help curve this potential obstacle, the university has been expanding its online graduate programs rapidly, according to student success coach Heather Holland of UNH Online. New programs offered online include Data Science and Assistive Technology, which are among multiple others including an online Master of Business

ings' version of the "allergenfriendly" station is not as robust or exactly the same as Philbrook or Holloway Commons, Jacques emphasized his new ability to focus on "as much 'allergenfriendly' stuff over here as much as possible" as he highlighted lentil pasta with red lentils and rice, a lemon-herb salad dressing with red onions and other health-oriented creations that stress "high flavors, bold flavors, intense flavors [that] people are going to like.'

President of College Democrats Isabella Arms takes a different view.

"We're choosing to be here, we want to be here and the state benefits from students like us, but evidently they don't think we count when it comes to voting on local issues that directly affect us," she said.

In December, Arms along with Brendon Flaherty, a College Republican at Saint Anselm College wrote a bi-partisan op-ed to the Concord Monitor about how they both believe HB 372 would drive students away.

"If Republican leadership is serious about attracting and retaining a younger, well-educated workforce to move our state's economy forward, then they should reject HB 372, which will only serve to alienate us from New Hampshire," they say in the Concord Monitor op-ed.

Rotenberg says that the most important point of conversation should be making sure students are educated on their right to vote.

"Whether it's an abstention vote at home or getting something sent in, there will be a way at the end of the day that all students will have their voice heard," Rotenberg said. "As senators we can make sure that happens."

"Out-of-state students are drawn to New Hampshire and UNH by, among other things, the First in the Nation Primary, our incredibly accessible system of government and the state's reputation for civic engagement," Dean Kirkpatrick said. "I am confident that our high-levels of participation will continue."

"It's cool to learn about new things," first-year student Ben Desochers said, who is already considering future educational options. He felt as though the graduate fair was a good place to start.

Administration.

For more information about the graduate programs offered on campus, visit the website at www.gradschool.unh.edu/php/ pos.php or attend the upcoming Preparing for Grad School Program on Tues., Feb. 6 from 5 to 6 p.m. in MUB Room 338.

"looks solid," while senior psychology major and Stillings Student Supervisor Cynthia Peguero said that now there is "a lot more openness, [and] a lot more healthy options for the people who ask for it." She believes that the location of the new Wellness station gives it a lot more exposure to studentsThe revisions at HoCo have received similar praises from its guests. Junior music liberal studies major Marla Gordon describes the changes as a "great precaution to prevent dangers" for allergysensitive dinners for reasons such as cross-contamination, and that "it makes eating better for people."

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T. Paul College of Business and Economics. The Master of Business Administration program at the Peter T. Paul College of Business and Economics is currently ranked in the top 100 MBA programs in the nation and allows students to complete their degree in only one year. Students selected for this program are encouraged to not only make connections within the classroom, but in business settings off campus. As part of the program

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right side grill that changes each lunch and dinner, accompanied by gluten-free pastas, soups, dressings and breads is located at its nearby gluten-free area.

Scanlon emphasized that anyone can enjoy the new allergen-friendly options at HoCo, with the only stipulation being that students bring a "clean plate" to the station when self-serving their foods to avoid cross-contamination with incompatible foods. Stillings Dining Hall has contributed to the healthy eating trend by transforming its forstudents are taken on fully-paid trips to both Wall Street in New York City, and to two cities in China.

Programs do not need be as concrete as a M.A. in Business Administration of Public Policy, according to Todd DeMitchell, a professor of education and justice studies. In the case of the Master's in Justice Studies, students attend classes in multiple areas of study such as political science, education and even history

"We want students to get to go out and explore a wide vari-

mer two-sided dessert area into a Wellness station. According to Stillings Assistant Manager Steve Jones, the new section is designed to favor "flavor first and to provide alternative options for our dining patrons," with the majority of the new options exclude all of the "big [eight] food allergens that make up over 90 percent of food allergies in the United States." In its efforts to follow, a "flexitarian" diet, some meats and fish selections will be included along with "primarily vegetarian" options to expand the number of offerings to students, and that concerned eaters "should still consult a manager, chef or the dietician with

ety of programs to give a student a wide perspective that isn't just focused on their specific field," DeMitchell said.

Echoing this sentiment, Senior Lecturer and Graduate Program Coordinator for the political science department Tama Andrews, stated that the university has the "hidden gem" of graduate school programs in the Master's in Liberal Studies. Through this program students can create their own master's program according to their specific area of interest, which is not offered at many other universi-

questions."

According to Stillings Executive Chef Kevin Jacques at the Specialty Bar, which will offer a variety of offerings that change every lunch and dinner, will include a dumpling station and taco bar. In addition Jacques also expanded in terms of details on the Wellness" station, now offering foods that, following in line with the new program, promote improvements to body weight and metabolic health, among other benefits, and offers a variety of nuts, pasta, salads, whole grains and especially at breakfast, fresh fruits

While admitting that Still-

Sophomore business major Bryce Wydra agrees with the revisions and thinks the new healthoriented menu is "good" and



Past and present 'Cats to participate in Olympics

By Ian Lenahan STAFF WRITER

In just under two weeks, the 23rd Winter Olympic Games will kick off in Pyeongchang, South Korea after immense preparation and training by all involved. This will be the first installment of the winter games that will have over 100 medaling events, and after lots of deliberation, many countries have decided they will still participate despite growing concerns about tensions with the neighboring North Korea.

With that, the University of New Hampshire will be wellrepresented in Pyeongchang, as four former Wildcats will participate, as well as two former athletes who are currently Olympic coaches. In addition, current UNH freshman Noah Grove '21 will play for the UNH sled hockey team at the Paralympics in March.

All having graduated within the last decade, these athletes and coaches left their mark on UNH athletics throughout their time here.

Kacey Bellamy '09 is competing in her third Olympics for the United States women's hockey team, and after two silver medals from the two previous Winter Games she hopes to have a gold medal-winning campaign as team assistant captain.

Bobby Butler '10 was named to the United States men's hockey team after an illustrious career at UNH in which he was named an All-American and Hockey East player of the year in 2010.

Former UNH Nordic team MVP Claire Egan '12 will ski for the US biathlon team, becoming the 13th UNH skiing alumnus to take part in the Winter Olympics.

Two-time UNH team MVP and Annika Taylor '15 will ski for Great Britain's Nordic team.

Former UNH Nordic skiing teammates Tim Baucom '09 and Andrew Morehouse '09 will serve as a United States ski coach and a service technician, respectively.

Lastly, current student Grove will look to bring home a gold medal at his first Paralympics in March as the US sled hockey team looks to repeat as gold medal winners after their championship in the 2014 Sochi Games.

"We are justifiably proud of



Courtesy of UNH athletic communications

Top: Former UNH hockey foward Bobby Butler '10 was selected to play for the United States for men's ice hockey. Bottom: Claire Egan '12, will represent the United States in the biathalon event.



all our Olympians," UNH Director of Athletics Marty Scarano said. "The University of New Hampshire has a very rich history of sending winter Olympians all over the world and it's been that way for a long time."

Besides bringing home some hardware, the main goal for these former Wildcats is simple: enjoy the opportunity and bask in the moment. After the past few years of training and participating in competitions and tournaments, it is clear that the journey to being named a winter Olympian was long and tedious, but the reward is beyond gratifying.

"The Olympics is a true honor, and one that I take with deep gratitude and reverence, but when all is said and done, I'm still Annika Taylor," UNH chemistry graduate Taylor wrote in a text message. "I'm one who dreamt and worked with all she had and the opportunities that were given but would have failed if it weren't for previous coaches, teammates, family and community back home."

In addition to personal success, the athletes want to be seen as leaders by example to others, especially student athletes (as

well as the entire student body) here at the university.

Taylor said that UNH helped her to "round out as a person academically, physically, mentally, socially and spiritually." She also said that being a student athlete here helped to foster her love for academics and sports.

Baucom said that it was the UNH skiing program that helped him to see how much the sport is all about giving back to people, inspiring him to coach as well as being one of the reason for the immense national success in the sport. Most importantly, he wrote, "it's a job he loves and learns from every day, and to be rewarded with Olympic experience is a dream come true."

"Whether they medal or not, we couldn't be more proud of the accomplishments of our athletes," Scarano said.



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UNH gets caught in another "phishy" situation

By Aaron Soroa STAFF WRITER

Students, faculty and staff at the University of New Hampshire (UNH) have been receiving "phishing" attacks on their UNH email accounts for some time now. *The New Hampshire* (TNH) has met with the Chief Information Officer Stan Waddell at the university multiple times in order to stay updated on the school's strategic plans to fight the consistent phishing attacks.

In November 2017, TNH staff writer Nick D'Aloia sat down with Waddell in order to discuss the "phishing" attacks, which at the time were escalating into a bigger issue—more UNH community members were being attacked by scammers.

"Phishing emails are continuous things, I'd guess we get thousands of these types of messages every day and we filter thousands of them every day," Waddell said. "Phishing is really one of those situations where it can't be entirely prevented, so there is a lot of self-responsibility and accountability."

The only way to avoid phishing attacks is by being alert and not opening emails that are malicious.

Waddell said that the UNH Information Technology (IT) department has continuously worked to fight against the phishing attacks. In its latest attempt to filter out phishing attacks, UNH IT has begun tagging emails from outside the university system in an attempt to give warnings for potentially malicious emails.

"For any email that is coming from outside of the university that isn't one of our recwhite-list (a list of safe sources) the first line in the email reads [in red color], "caution external email", and what we want this to do is to trigger a thinking in our email users that when they see the email tag they should be suspicious of links and attachments, and not just readily click them," Waddell said. "The hope is that it will cut down on people opening malicious attachments."

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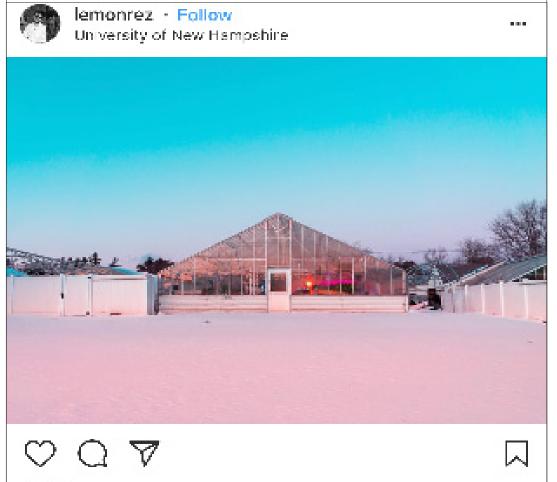
Waddell said that phishing emails tend to be tactical and deceiving, the attackers try to make people believe that the email that they are reading is urgent and needs to be replied to immediately.

"If an email is pressuring you to do something, that should be a red flag," Waddell said. "The bad guys want you to act on emotion, [the university] wants you to act on logic."

According to Waddell, students should watch out for emails that ask for immediate responses, have emails that are not "UNH" based and emails that contain structural or grammatical errors. Phishing emails tend to be obvious, but the better ones can be deceiving. It's crucial to read through all of the email before making an "impromptu" decision. Sometimes the emails have obvious signs of malicious activity, such as grammatical errors, while others are sly.

"As the industry gets better at deploying tactics we will deploy new technologies, so [the email tagging] isn't the last thing we are going to do and isn't the only thing that we do," Waddell said. "It's almost like an arms race, we roll out new protections and the bad guys figure out ways around these protections. It's a never-ending cycle."





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TNH Photo Album- **Dining Hall Changes** *Photos courtesy of Mikayla Mallett/TNH staff*

















Presidential search draws toward conclusion

By Doug Rodoski CONTRIBUTING WRITER

With University of New Hampshire President Mark Huddleston planning to retire on June 30, the work of the presidential search committee is almost completed.

Isaacson, Miller (Boston) is the executive search firm unanimously selected by the search committee to help organize the presidential search.

According to the Presidential Position Profile at Isaacson, Miller, "UNH will require a leader who embraces the university's public service role; can communicate well to a wide variety of constituents; and who believes deeply in the importance of transparency, collegiality, diversity, and high academic standards in the service of transforming the world through discovery and the education of students."

The profile emphasizes the need to encourage diversity on campus. Other key requirements for the position include that the applicant: be a strong external advocate for UNH, creatively build enrollment, ensure the campus is a place where diversity is embraced and celebrated as a core value, articulate and execute a distinctive vision, engage with businesses in the state and region, and build a team and lead externally.

The UNH Presidential Search Committee last met on Thursday, Jan. 18 to, narrow the pool to a group of candidates scheduled for in-person interviews this February. Finalists will be selected after these interviews; they will then be presented to University System of New Hampshire Board of Trustees for interviews and a final selection. Chairman John Small said that a final decision is expected in February.

Small is on both the USNH Board of Trustees and the UNH Presidential Search Committee.

"This presidential selection process, and finding the right person to lead UNH's future success, is the most important goal the trustees and our university community have this year," Small said..

The identities of candidates remain confidential.

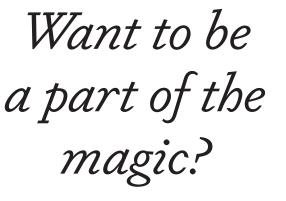
"Confidential searches are now the standard for most high profile private and public universities," Small said. "By respecting the confidentiality of the candidates throughout this process, we have been able to attract candidates who would not otherwise participate."

According to New Hampshire state law, the responsibility for the actual hiring of the next president falls upon the board of trustees.

The USNH Board of Trustees has full fiscal and programmatic responsibility for the four public four-year institutions in the University System of New Hampshire (the University of New Hampshire, Plymouth State University, Keene State College, and Granite State College).

An article posted on *UNH Today* stated that, "The 29 member USNH Board of Trustees is made up of the governor, 11 governor appointed members, six alumni elected members, two student elected members, the commissioner of education, the commissioner of agriculture, the presidents of the system's four colleges and universities, and the chancellor who is the chief executive officer of the university system, Speaker of the House and Senate President..."

Small recently thanked everyone in the UNH community who took part in the listening sessions last September. A total of 29 listening sessions involving community members, students, and faculty of UNH were conducted preparatory to electing a new president of the university.



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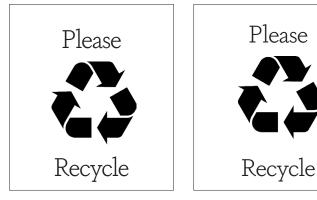
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Health and Wellness takes measures to combat flu season

By Alexander Heye CONTRIBUTING WRITER

This year's influenza strain has been reaching epidemic status across the United States, and UNH Health and Wellness community health nurse and wellness educator Judy Stevens discussed what students and community members can do to stay healthy.

She said that there have only been a few sporadic cases across campus during this year's flu season. She attributes the flu cases to the spread of flu awareness.

"We've done a great job, I think, of really marketing about how to prevent the flu and about marketing to get the flu shot out," she stated.

Stevens said that it is very

important for students to make sure they get their flu shots. She said that appointments can be made at Health and Wellness for those looking to get immunized by calling the Health and Wellness phone number provided on their webpage on the UNH website or filling out the online appointment form.

According to Stevens, the cost of the flu shot is included with student health fees.

Another way to reduce risk is to always make sure that you are always washing your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, Stevens said. She recommended singing "Happy Birthday" while washing.

Stevens said that other ways to stay safe include avoiding contact with those who may be sick, getting enough sleep and refraining from sharing personal

belongings with others.

If you do find yourself catching the influenza virus the best thing you can do for yourself is not go to class and stay home to rest, Stevens said. Going out can prevent recovery, as well as spread the illness to other people. Make sure to eat and stay hydrated. According to the Health and Wellness webpage, the sickness often can start with symptoms such as a sore throat, cough, congestion or headaches. It is important to see a health professional if fever, chest pain or vomiting start to occur.

To learn more about preventing the spread of the flu and treatment, visit the UNH Health and Wellness webpage about the flu at www. unh.edu/health/flu.



Photo by Alexander Heye

Putting out since 1911

Guided meditation offered twice a week

By Adrienne Perron STAFF WRITER

Director of Education and Support Services at Health and Wellness Kathleen Grace-Bishop said on Monday in the Health and Wellness Conference Room 2 that drop-in meditation practices have been offered by the university for years, but only since last fall have they been offered twice a week. Before last fall, they were only offered once a week for 30 minutes.

"We have been offering a different way to practice meditation for several decades," Grace-Bishop said. "Members of the staff have been practicing meditation for many years... and wanted to share it with students as a way of self-care."

Guided meditation is being offered by the Health and Wellness center to the UNH community every Monday and Thursday from 12:30-1:00 p.m. On Mondays, these sessions occur in Conference Room 2 of the Health and Wellness center, and

second floor of the Hamel Recreation Center. The drop-in meditation sessions are free, require no registration and are open to both beginners and experienced meditators.

This past Monday's session in the Health and Wellness center was a guided breath meditation led by Grace-Bishop. She led the session by giving instructions regarding how to sit, how have lead meditations," Grace-Bishop said.

In addition to offering meditation sessions for the UNH community to attend, Health and Wellness also offers information about meditation as well as helpful links to understanding different kinds of meditation on their website.

According to the section of Health and Wellness's Office of increase imagination and creativity [and] ability to focus on the present," Grace-Bishop said.

Health and Wellness' website states that in addition to drop-in meditation sessions, other options for meditation practice such as mindfulness and meditation groups, individual meditation sessions and biofeedback programs for meditation techniques are also available

"Meditation is a way of practicing wellness and self-care that has many benefits that can help students in various areas of their lives." Kathleen Grace-Bishop

to breathe, and what to focus the mind on. According to the UNH Health and Wellness Office of Health Education and Promotion webpage about meditation, breath meditations focus the mind on the rhythm of inhalations and exhalations in order to connect the mind and the body.

"These sessions are led by some members [of the] Health Health Education and Promotion webpage on meditation, meditation is "an experience of relaxing the body, quieting the mind and awakening the spirit."

"[Meditation] can help reduce stress, increase calmness and clarity, help improve focus and concentration, help build compassion and empathy, increases self-awareness, increase via appointment or registration.

Different types of meditations such as breath meditations, concentrative meditations and receptive meditations are described on the website with guided meditation videos attached to each style.

According to the webpage, concentrative meditations focus the mind on the breath and an imtions encourage mindfulness and attentiveness to feelings, sensations and experiences in order to become more fully present in the moment.

Grace-Bishop believes that the practice of meditation is one that could improve the lives of students and members of the UNH community.

"Meditation is a way of practicing wellness and self-care that has many benefits that can help students in various areas of their lives," Grace-Bishop said. "Offering services in this area provides an opportunity to learn and practice."

Grace-Bishop said that Health and Wellness is working toward making mindfulness and meditation more of a widespread practice at UNH.

"Health and Wellness has been working with others on campus including our Dean of Students, Ted Kirkpatrick, to expand the use of mindfulness and meditation, and we are planning on expanding this work on campus and within office," Grace-

and Wellness staff primarily, and acceptance, improve happiness, age, sound or objective, such as at times others on campus who increase patience and tolerance, a "mantra" and receptive meditaon Thursdays at Thrive on the

Bisnop said.

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On the Spot

with Phi Sigma Sigma President Kelsey Higgins

By Alexa Estrada CONTRIBUTING WRITER

After her first year at UNH, president of the Phi Sigma Sigma sorority Kelsey Higgins was considering a transfer out of the university, but nevertheless UNH had not seen the last of her, and now the UNH junior is very excited about continuing her involvement in the Seacoast community.

The 20-year-old psychology major with a business minor plays a huge role overseeing 20 executive positions in UNH's chapter of Phi Sigma Sigma, which she helped to found in the fall of 2016.

Higgins said that founding the chapter and "building something out of nothing" is her proudest accomplishment here at UNH.

"We basically built everything from the ground up," Higgins said.

The sorority has a partnership with the Kids in Need Foundation and is directly involved in a philanthropy that focuses on helping underprivileged kids and families. Last October, UNH student donors who created teams and Phi Sigma Sigma sisters gathered for a round-robin style kickball tournament as a fundraiser called "Kicks for Kids." According to Higgins, Kicks for Kids raised over \$6,000 last fall for Families First in Portsmouth.

The funds that Phi Sigma Sigma raised for Families First help to run programs at the family center such as free parenting classes, daycare services, free meals and more needs for underprivileged families.

Higgins said that a future philanthropy with Kids in Need are in the works for this semester regarding school supplies.

As an aspiring human resources worker, Higgins is getting practice through her leadership role by managing people in her organization and how to deal with crisis management.

"People are being the best they can be and the environment is safe and welcoming," Higgins said.

She said that she has

learned how to deal with all sorts of people, feel confident that she can be friends with anyone even if they do not necessarily share that much in common, and that she now has a "great confidence to carry around."

"I love giving back to the community," she said. "In the future, I see us creating our [unique] reputation, raising more money and gaining awesome members."

The Phi Sigma Sigma house will officially be ready for recruitment in fall of 2018 on 2 Brook Way just behind Stoke Hall, according to Higgins.

Higgins is also a member of Alpha Phi Omega, a community service fraternity which asks its members for 20 hours of community service per semester.

Higgins gave advice for any incoming freshmen who might want to follow in her footsteps.

"You should keep an open mind when it comes to sororities because the opportunities are endless," Higgins said. "I couldn't imagine my life without it."



Courtesy of Kelsey Higgins Kelsey Higgins is a junior psychology major and an aspiring human resources worker.

with Alpha Gamma Rho President Chase Coleman

By Zerina Bajramovic STAFF WRITER

Chase Coleman, a junior finance and economics dual major and the president of Alpha Gamma Rho, said that being on the executive board of the fraternity has enhanced his experience as a member overall by allowing him to take full advantage of getting involved and being a leader in the community.

Coleman, 20, originally from nearby Newington, transferred to UNH from Bryant University his sophomore year, and he said UNH's campus is what attracted him to the school. He resides at the Alpha Gamma Rho house on Strafford Avenue and now UNH and Alpha Gamma Rho are what Coleman calls his home. When asked what attracted him to Alpha Gamma Rho specifically, Coleman was quick to credit his older brother, who had previously been a member of the fraternity himself. Upon visiting him, Coleman realized his liking for the organization, and in just a few years became president of the fraternity.

various universities. A uniqueness that Alpha Gamma Rho brings to the UNH campus is that it's an agricultural fraternity. This means that an appreciation of the agricultural and life sciences fields within members is necessary; however, it is not a requirement that all members are involved in these majors.

According to Coleman there are about 40 members in the fraternity—a characteristic that Coleman said drew him towards choosing to join in the fall of 2016.

"I found my own little place here," he said. "I enjoy the environment and the small nature of this fraternity specifically." In fact, Coleman said the small size of Alpha Gamma Rho is what he thinks sets the fraternity apart from others on campus. academically."

As for advice for individuals looking to join a fraternity in the future, "it can never hurt to try," Coleman said. Coleman stressed the importance of visiting the different houses and getting to know the brothers in each fraternity in order to discover which one is right for each person.

Outside of academics, Coleman said his interests are working on and modifying cars and trucks. Coleman also has a love for dirt bikes and has been riding them since he was just five years old. Previously a motocross racer,



Alpha Gamma Rho is a national professional and social fraternity with 70 chapters across As for his interest in finance and economics, Coleman said that he has always been interested in business, especially the investment side of it.

"I like how they all kind of sit together and let you look at the market in different ways," Coleman said.

In addition to duties such as presiding over meetings and delegating jobs between the members, Coleman described his role as president as "ensuring that we're bettering ourselves personally and

Coleman still tries to find time to ride whenever he gets the chance. According to Coleman, the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society is the philanthropy that Alpha Gamma Rho fundraises donations for. In the past, the fraternity has raffled off tickets to a Boston Bruins game, which raised over \$1,000 for the health organization. In addition, Alpha Gamma Rho has volunteered at soccer games, with the UNH Woodsmen Team for a competition and with the Lee Police at the fair in Lee, New Hampshire, where they assisted in loading a tractor trailer with supplies for victims of Hurricane Harvey.

Courtesy of Chase Coleman Chase Coleman is a junior finance and economics dual major.

Granite Guarantee helps hundreds attend UNH

By Grace Hanley STAFF WRITER

According to UNH Media Relations, the University of New Hampshire's (UNH) Granite Guarantee program, now beginning its second semester, has helped 414 UNH Durham and Manchester students attend college tuition-free.

"The Granite Guarantee covers the cost of tuition for all first-time, first-year Pell-eligible New Hampshire students," UNH Executive Director of Media Relations Erik Mantz said over email. "The program bridges the financial gap between a Pell grant recipient's total federal and state aid package and the cost of instate tuition,'

"Pell Grants," according to the U.S. Department of Education's website, are federally-funded grants given to low-income students based on their families' ability to pay for college.

Mantz said that the average Granite Guarantee student receives \$15,400 between the Granite Guarantee and a Pell Grant. She said that Pell Granteligible members of the incoming class of 2022 will also benefit from the Granite Guarantee. Because the Pell grant and the Granite Guarantee are not loans, the Pell Grant and Granite Guarantee benefits do not need to be repaid after graduation.

While tuition is free, "nontuition expenses like fees, room and board and books are not covered," Mantz said.

The UNH Undergraduate Admissions Office's website estimates the cost of room and board for the 2017-18 school year to be about \$11,300. Full-time undergraduate mandatory fees, such as the Student Activity Fee, add up to \$3,297, according to the UNH Business Services website.

Freshman Raymond Zabkar is one of five siblings, three of whom are in college and two of whom are planning on attending college.

"When I received my acceptance letter from the Paul School, it was bittersweet, because I knew it would be a great education and provide more opportunities than attending community college, but I didn't think [my family] would be able to afford it," the Granite Guarantee recipient told UNH Today in October 2017.

"When we found out about the Granite Guarantee, you could have knocked me over with a feather. In fact, you could have knocked us all over. It was then that I decided to attend UNH for sure... Now that I am here, living on campus, I can't believe I almost missed this experience," he said in UNH Today.

According to Mantz, the Granite Guarantee was designed by "a number of [university] offices" to aid in-state students because [the university] hopes to not only help New Hampshire families but address the state's skilled workforce needs with graduates who remain in the state.

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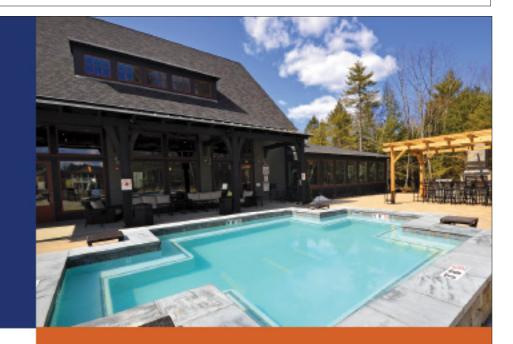
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Diversity at New Hampshire college grows

HENNIKER, N.H. (AP) — Six years ago, when Breana Ramirez arrived at New England College in small-town Henniker, the Paterson, N.J. native felt out of place.

"I was one out of 10 Hispanic and black students on this campus. So it was a big culture shock," she said. "When I went to Walmart I was looked at as if I was something different. Like I had six heads."

A lot has changed since. The college has aggressively recruited first-generation and minority students. Now, in a state that's 94 percent white, about 35 percent of NEC's students are people of color.

"We believe that our student population should reflect our country's population," said Michele Perkins, the college's president.

Thanks to the school's recruitment efforts - and, now that a critical mass of students of color are on campus, word-of-mouth recommendations - with every successive freshman class, the school has gotten more diverse.

"Now, I blend in," Ramirez said.

Students of color interviewed spoke positively about their experiences at the school, complimenting, in particular, the college's small classes, open forumsand faculty and staff who actually took the time to check in. But most could also rattle off a list of racially-charged incidents they'd dealt with since coming to New Hampshire, especially, though not exclusively, off-campus.

On Facebook, some of the town's residents openly said they don't like what they see.

"They are entitled, act like ghetto punks, have poor grammar and need to go back to where they came from," one woman wrote on a Facebook community page, grousing about poor tips from minority students when waitressing in town. "I get plenty of white kids who tip like crap too - but it's almost always the minorities who don't," she added in another post.

Another resident, Emily Houghton, flagged the woman's comments with the administrators of the group, which includes over 1,000 members, and asked them to address them. Instead, they kicked Houghton out.

"This behavior is not acceptable in any place, and to see it in

my backyard is unthinkable," she said.

Judging from students' experiences, that behavior isn't isolated.

Ramirez, who recently completed her master's degree, said people still give her funny looks at Walmart. Last year, while in the store's parking lot with three other students of color, a man even yelled the n-word while driving away in a pick-up truck. And while Ramirez was walking with black and Hispanic friends to an off-campus party, another group of party-goers, who were white, bemoaned out loud, she said, that "the black people are coming."

"They're like 'not you, Bre.' And I'm like, 'what are you talking about?" she said.

Jordan Bethea, another student, said she was going to a party with a group of friends when the people at the door turned them away, saying they weren't 21. Strangely, they said one member of the party could enter - incidentally, the lone white person.

Then, to make the insult explicit, they added this: "What you need to do is go back to the ghet-to," Bethea recalled.

But often, being a person of color, especially in an overwhelming white context, just means explaining the basics to people. Rhonda Bennett, a freshman, was volunteering at the White Birch Community Center when a child asked why her skin was black.

"I didn't really know what to say," she said.

Moments like these can be disorienting. But they're also opportunities to engage, students of color said, and educate their peers - or superiors.

Akila Sansculotte, a freshman, was struggling with what to write for a research paper when another student joked in passing that she didn't understand why it was considered offensive for white people to wear afros when black girls wore weaves.

That's when the concept of natural hair discrimination - when people of color are pressured into straightening their hair to appear professional - really clicked for Sansculotte. She researched the topic and wrote her paper on it.

"My comp professor was like 'Wow, I didn't realize there was such a thing as natural hair discrimination'," she said.

Nadiyah Roberts-Green, a

junior, grew up playing softball. She'd often get the same question from her white teammates: why did she need to put on sunscreen?

"Just coming to college, I thought it would be different. I thought everybody would know what's up. And they didn't," she said. But people will surprise you in different ways, too, she said. One of her teammates can do "cornrows better than my aunt."

"So you get a mix of everything here. Definitely, teachable moments do not stop," she said.

Listening to Roberts-Green's anecdote, Samelly Alejo, a freshman, perked up. She had grown up playing softball too, she said, and had been looking forward to playing in college. She was dissuaded from doing so, though, when several people told her the team wasn't welcoming to students of color.

"You can't play. Everybody's white. Everybody's white," she recalled people warning her. "So it's interesting that she says that. Because now I'm just like - oh yeah, so I could join?"

Despite the college's relative diversity, students of color often still find themselves being the only one in the room of their race and ethnicity. And just that fact alone is alienating.

In her business classes, Roberts-Green said she's consistently been one of the few, if only, black women in the room. That's often made her nervous about speaking up in class. And when it's time to do group work, she waits until everyone has sorted themselves and then just goes where there's an empty spot left. She assumes she's not entirely wanted.

"And this is not in my head, because I've overheard certain things that were not appropriate," she said. "I love NEC. But it's little things like that. Little teachable moments. Group projects to work on. I feel like people, lowkey, learn a lot from when they actually have a conversation with you."

And for Alejo, that's also why she's glad she's at NEC - because she knows just being there will make it more likely prospective students of color will choose the school.

"People are going to have the tour, they're going to see my face and they're going to be like 'okay, I see someone like me'," she said.

NH Briefs

NH needs help with opioid crisis

to deliver treatment resources.

(AP) — New Hampshire's Democratic congressional delegation reacting to President Donald Trump's State of the Union appreciate his efforts to take on the opioid epidemic, but say he hasn't done enough to get funding. Rep. Annie Kuster says declaring the opioid epidemic a national health emergency was the right thing for Trump to do, but without the funding, it's a meaningless gesture. Sen. Jeanne Shaheen says he must finally begin fulfilling his promise

CONCORD, N.H.

Trump also spoke of rebuilding highways, roads, and bridges. Sen. Maggie Hassan, a member of the Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, says she looks forward to working in a bipartisan way to evaluate the proposal and ensure it would meet New Hampshire's needs. Rep. Carol Shea-Porter says she's concerned Trump

says she's concerned Trump hasn't asked Congress to help improve veterans' access to quality health care.

Man dies in highway collision

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N.H. (AP) — New Hampshire State Police say a 63-year-old man died after his car sideswiped another vehicle on the Everett Turnpike. Police say Goffstown resident Gregory Tracy died at the scene of the Saturday afternoon crash. A preliminary investigation found Tracy's 2002 Volkswagon Passat sidewiped a 2006 Toyota Corolla, skidded into the breakdown lane and slid onto its roof. Tracy was trapped inside the vehicle. Fire and emergency paramedics said Tracy died from injuries he received in the crash. Emergency personnel brought the driver of the Corolla and her small child to a nearby hospital as a precautionary measure. Those with further information can contact New Hampshire State Police.

Keno sales exceed \$1M in New Hampshire

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — The New Hampshire Lottery says the new electronic bingo-style keno game has exceeded the \$1 million sales mark in the state.

Keno launched on Dec. 15 and is on sale at 45 restau-

Bill bans sobriety checkpoints

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — A legislative committee has recommended passage of a bill to ban police sobriety checkpoints in New Hampshire.

The Concord Monitor reports police have carried out the checkpoints since 2003. They block off stretches of roads and briefly detain drivers to determine their sobriety. The Fourth Amendment public safety. Police departments get a court order in advance of the checkpoints, but the House bill would stop that.

The House Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee recommended approval of the bill Tuesday. Bill supporters say the stops are intrusive and result in low arrest rates. Others are concerned about their cost. Those in favor

M in New Hampshire rants and bars statewide. Revenue from keno is used to fund full-day kindergarten in the state. Seven cities approved keno last year. Keno is expected to come up at a number of town meetings this year.



prohibits unlawful search and seizure, but the Supreme Court has exempted the checks in the name of of the stops say they're a strong deterrent against drunken driving.

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w Sound Express packed the MUB Pub last night, for a night of dancing fun. The Dj's there every Thursday night for dancing. (Charles E. Smith Jr. photo)

IH bill: more police power

We Mudgett and Ken Fish bill to be presented before New Hampshire legislature Id call for an expansion of powers of UNH campus te from part-time to fullpolice officers.

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The only difference between

certified police, such as Durham

police, and uncertified police,

according to Duprey, is the amount of time they spend training and studying at the

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off University property. New Hampshire Representative Richard Duprey (R-Nashua) said "we're trying to upgrade their powers as police, to recognize them as certified

In exam scam, WSBE boots eight cheaters

By Kris Snow

Eight students have received one-year suspensions and failing course grades after admitting they cheated on their Dec. 18 Economics 525/Administration 424 final exam.

The students confessed during interviews by Whittemore School of Business and Economics officials that they used an exam stolen from a locked office in McConnell Hall, said Raymond Erickson, vice president of academic affairs.

The penalty was determined by WSBE administrators, he said. Five of the students were enrolled in WSBE, two in the College of Liberal Arts, and one in the College of Health Studies.

Erickson said the disciplinary action will demonstrate that administrators "are going to take action" after any suspected cheating.

cheating. "Students will get the message," he said.

sage," he said. WSBE Dean Dwight Ladd said a master key may have been used to obtain the exam. But officials are still trying to de-

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Five finalists cap V.P. search

By Ed Garland

Applicants for the position of UNH's Vice President have been narrowed down to five people, according to Professor of History Donald Wilcox, chairperson of the vicepresident search committee.

"It will be a very hard decision." Wilcox said. "All have a wide range of experience and a strong commitment to education."

According to Wilcox, the search began in mid-October. Final selections will be made between February 13 and March 5 by a seven person committee headed by Wilcox for the position vacated by Gordon Haaland. Haaland is now president of UNH.

The applicants include the following: Myron S. Henry, dean of Arts

Myron S. Henry, dean of Arts and Sciences and professor of Mathematics at Central Michigan University; Donald F. Eckelman, dean of

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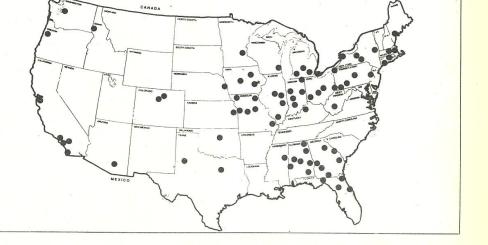
would be welcomed.

"I do not distinguish between Greek and non-Greek organizations...they should not be considered in this context," Kidder said.

The fraternity's first introduction to the campus will be via a mass mailing which will include a detailed letter and a reply card asking the student about their interests. The students will be asked to return the reply card if they feel interested in joining the fraternity.

The letters will be sent to all male students who are not yet seniors, according to Garrett. Delta Chi was established in

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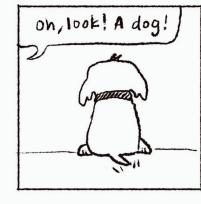


The map above shows the 116 locations of existing Delta Chi Fraternity chapters.



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Art meets nature in Museum of Art's latest exhibit

Stepping into the UNH Museum of Art's newest exhibition "Long Eye" is like entering a multi-sensory Arctic ecosystem. Visitors can hear the ethereal music that sounds like wind chimes – the product of clinking together 3,405 vials of thousand-year-old Antarctic glacier water in Anna McKee's installation, "Reliquary." Suspended by 678 silk panels and hung from the ceiling, the vials, also known as ampules, resemble icicles glistening in the library museum's artificial light.

But "Long Eye" goes beyond the Museum of Art's usual boundaries; it serves as an artistic component to the University Museum's new historical exhibition, "To the Ends of the Earth: New Hampshire's Connection to Polar Exploration and Research," in a collaboration that highlights recent university achievements in polar research.

The exhibit "To the Ends of the Earth," on display at the Dimond Library, celebrates New Hampshire's historical affair with polar research that continues today. The exhibit puts a focus on one Durham native, Stuart Paine, who played an essential part in the pioneering explorer Richard Byrd's second mission to Antarctica as a dog sled driver. It also features a section on UNH's achievements in polar research.

"The exhibit started here, with the history. I felt it was weird to have an exhibit about polar history knowing that there was all this science [university research] going on in the Arctic and the Antarctic," University Museum Curator Dale Valena said.

"It's relevant, it ties to university research, it supports university sustainability initiatives and it was a great opportunity to collaborate with the special collections in Dimond Library," Director of the Museum of Art Kristina Durocher said. "I wanted to do works of art that were all kind of more sensory, that weren't as didactic. I wanted pieces that were more atmospheric."

Contrary to traditional art mediums, pieces in "Long Eye" offer exhibition observers an immersive, interactive and multi-sensory experience that parallels the sights, sounds and sensations that only exist in the Arctic and Antarctic regions of the world. Wendy Jacob's "Ice Floe," for example, Pictured: Anna McKee's installation "Reliquary" includes thousands of vials of glacier water hung from cool-Ice, Ice, Baby colored silk. Continued on Page 15

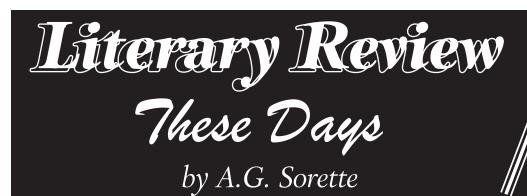


TNH Arts History Step into the TNH Time

By Jordyn Haime STAFF WRITER

Machine and take a look back at what was happening in the year 1998!





By Caleb Jagoda STAFF WRITER

A.G. Sorette has never been one to sugarcoat things. It's easy to see that after only flipping a few pages into his collection of poems, titled "These Days." The first poem, "Listen," immediately places the reader in a tense, whiteknuckled situation behind the wheel of his Honda CR-V. The desperation seeps through his words as he describes all of the guilt, strain, and mental confusion that goes along with drunk driving. Even more ironically, getting pulled over by a police officer who is the seemingly irresponsible father of one of Sorette's first grade students. Sorette details this despair spot-on, ending the poem with

a gut-wrenching plea to the officer. He writes, "I feel my stomach pulse. Suddenly my lap/ and steering wheel are painted with vomit. ... 'Listen, please, I f---- up.' I turn to/ look up at him. 'Don't f--- up too. For his/ sake'" (57-65). And just like that, Sorette's poetry book begins with a bang.

Much of the UNH alum's writing deals with the human condition. As opposed to using eloquent language to describe the struggles of everyday life, the poet tends to lean on influences such as Charles Bukowski and Raymond Carver to paint a much more stark, desolate and minimalistic picture, as he describes in a letter included with "These Days." With poems aptly titled "Beer," "Hungover," "Inven-

Cover art from A.G. Sorette's "These Days."

"...these journal poems have become therapy for me because I can reflect on all this broken-hearted stuff that life throws at you and either stitch it back up with humor or let it be and just let it bleed."

tory List from a Party" and "Rats," it's clear Sorette is making no attempt to hide his influences. That being said, instead of talking about bar fights and a general hatred of humanity, like Bukowski, Sorette takes a different, softer angle, choosing to depict the ironies and darkness in both his life and those of whom he has observed. "Aioli," for example, includes dialogue between an old man and a child, which can come off as a bit forced and unnatural. Despite this, the poem comes to an emotionally startling and unexpected end. If it were a Bukowski poem, the grumpy old man would probably end up fleeing to his dingy apartment to put away a few beers. Interestingly enough, Sorette puts the old-timer outside of a restaurant smoking a cigarette as a tear rolls down his cheek. The harsh, direct language the poet uses may not come off as aesthetically pleasing (and this is intentionally so), but the stories he tells are emotionally-arresting tales that are impossible to dismiss.

Sorette's imagery and his constant use of symbols are some of the stronger elements of his writing. Whether using them to describe strained relationships, depression, or the "vermin-like" mindset of college students (as he says in "Rats"), the writer effortlessly -A.G. Sorette, Writer and former journalist

Local poet and writer A.G.

Sorette recently came out with

a collection of his poems titled

"These Days."

slips them into his poems, making it hard to even notice that they're there. In "Hungover," Sorette writes, "The ashtray monument spoke volumes/ of how much time I spent/ to myself, letting my thoughts sour,/ pickled in a jar of booze" (14-17). This is one of the more potent examples of his imagery, giving the reader both the "ashtray monument" and his thoughts being "pickled in a jar of booze" to detail the anguish of the morning after and the effects it can have on one's mind, mood and relationships. In "Bad Houses," he experiences the same effects as he describes the silhouettes of people and furniture in the windows of houses from a dark street as "pupils" watching the drunken passersby. The variety of images Sorette presents makes each poem feel like its own unique story, despite covering many of the same topics. The writer brings a very refreshing quality to the table in his work in "These Days."

When asked about his writing process and how writing can be therapeutic for him during an email correspondence with *The New Hampshire*, Sorette replied that at first when he was also working in the journalism industry, he felt as if he were forcing his writing, merely attempting to push out a product to get published. Once he took a step back from that job, the writer was able to clear his mind of these pressures and simply create.

"I spent the whole year filling up three journals with these poem entries, and a lot of it I was actually really proud of," Sorette said. "Now, these journal poems have become therapy for me because I can reflect on all this broken-hearted stuff that life throws at you and either stitch it back up with humor or let it be and just let it bleed."

It's clear reading through "These Days" that Sorette uses a great deal of introspection to write his poetry, and whether he uses humor or letting it bleed, he reflects a great deal on past experiences and mistakes in a very mesmerizing way. As he says in the last poem of "These Days," titled "Take This Ride with Me," "So when I start up an unfamiliar engine once/ again,/ take this ride with me./ Please./ I promise you it won't be boring" (79-83). If it's anything like the ride through "These Days," it'll be anything but boring.

Sorette graduated from UNH and recently took over the UNH Alumni Instagram account to chronicle a day in the life of a writer during the publishing and process and to promote "These Days."

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is a sculpture that visitors can sit on and feel. White platforms placed on the floor emit vibrations that were converted from the sound of 4,000-year-old bubbles bursting when they were released from melting ice.

The exhibit's centerpiece, McKee's visual and auditory "Reliquary," was directly inspired by UNH research. Scientists like Mark Twickler, a researcher at UNH's Institute for the Study of Earth, Oceans and Space, were capable of seeing 68,000 years into the past through the study of ice cores at the West Antarctic Ice Sheet Divide (WAISDivide) research base on the West Antarctic ice sheet. In a presentation and scientist panel that occurred before the opening reception of the exhibit, Twickler explained that as snow accumulates on the glaciers over time, air becomes trapped in bubbles buried deep in the ice sheets.

Scientists drill into the ice sheets to extract cylindershaped ice samples, allowing them to study the trapped air

and changes in composition of the earth's atmosphere.

McKee saw poetry in the scientists' work. In 2009, she was given a grant through the National Science Foundation that supported her travel to Antarctica where she spent time at the WAISDivide research base observing UNH scientists.

She saw the ice cores as a metaphor for the "deep memory of the natural world." Each individual ampule of water from each meter of the ice core was hand-sealed and then sewn to the silk panels. Each ice core represents 100 years.

More than just an art installation, McKee's piece represents the "temporary nature of climate patterns that shift through time," she said at the talk, and "a silent and abstracted representation of 68,000 years of temperature," according to McKee's website.

"Long Eye" and "To the Ends of the Earth: New Hampshire's Connection to Polar Exploration and Research," are open in the UNH Museum of Art and the University Museum in the Dimond Library, respectively, until March 31.





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Top: Exhibiting artist Anna McKee (left) and UNH Research Scientist Mark Twickler (right) pictured in front of McKee's installation. Middle: UNH Dimond Library's exhibit "To the Ends of the Earth: New Hampshire's Connection to Polar Exploration and Research," shows the research and scientific side of the Arctic. Bottom: Museum goers experience Wendy Jacob's "Ice Floe"; a multi-sensory installation where participants can sit on and feel platforms putting out vibrations to resemble the sound of bubbles bursting when released from ice.



Newsroom Noise... Best jamz for syllabus week...

TOKYO by BROCKHAMPTON - Andrew



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ABBA - Tyler

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Be Gone by Dispatch - Zack

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You are currently directing Happy Days," by Samuel Seckett for the UNH Theater and Dance Department. When stheproduction scheduled for?

A: On Feb. 25, which is a Wednesday. It will run for eight performances. That Wednesday hrough the following Tuesday which is March 3. We will have evening performances on the Wednesday, Thursday and Friday (25, 26, 27) and a matinee

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Q: "Happy Days" is absurdium, correct?

A: That's what it's called, though I must tell you, Beckett did not like that term. A number of difficult to categorize plays were produced in the '50s and '60s, plays that did not have conventional plots, with a beginning, a middle and an end, and plays in which everything was not connected and not everything was explained, the way things were in previous plays by

I **can** say 'give a very affectionate look to the bag, caress the bag with your right hand, and then plunge your hand into the bag and pull out the toothbrush.'

- Professor David Richman, director of "Happy Days"

In fact, "Happy Days" was first produced that same year, 1961, so Beckett's plays have been called "absurdist." The label, I guess, makes sense, but Beckett didn't like it. Beckett didn't like being categorized and he hated being asked what his plays meant. H e would often respond with things like, "Everything I know about my creatures I put into script. If I knew more, I'd have put it into the script. If it isn't in the script, it means I don't know it." Then if you pressed him and you said, 'Now come on Sam, what does it mean?" he'd say, "What do you mean?"

The main character of the play "Happy Days" is a woman named Winnie, who is imprisoned in the Earth up to her waist. She can't move. So all you see is from her head down to her waist, her upper body, her arms so on and her face. We have no idea how she got there.

There's a wonderful moment when she's recalling and she's there forever and she has to manage to just live this terribly deprived situation because the alternative is to just stay there and die, which she doesn't want to do. And she hasher ways of coping and getting through and so forth. Q: I'm very interested in your directing techniques; there are obstacles that you are faced with.

made.

A: Sure, I'm going to tell you frankly, I've given lots of interviews on what it's like to be a blind director and one of the reasons I've granted this interview is because you're talking about this particular production.

I'm glad you're doing that. So this is not exclusively a blind director interview but I'd like to talk about it. It's a legitimate question.

So, I will tell you several things, and again I think you will get a good perspective from the students. I'm going to be very frank with you about my limitations and about the kind of things I can't do and perhaps some of the kinds of things that I can do. I obviously can't see, I do have a visual imagination. I did have vision at one time. I do have a sense of color. I do have a sense of object in relation to each other. It's possible for me to describe the action that I want a student to take, a student performer.

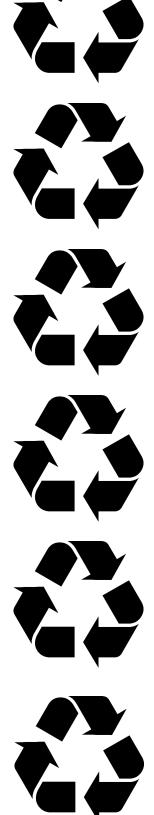
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Professor David Richman reads his Braille script in the Paul

Creative Arts Center where the set for "Happy Days" is being

What I can't know is whether the student performer is in fact doing what I asked them to do. So I can, for example, ask you to look to your left. There's a bag there on the floor, which is in fact one of Winnie's resources when stuck up there in the mound. She has this little bag of objects, a toothbrush, her glasses and stuff. She's very affectionate to it. I can say "give a very affectionate look to the bag, caress the bag with your right hand and then plunge your hand into the bag and pull out the toothbrush."

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Letter to the editor In defense of the UNH administration

New Hampshire announced that it is cutting 18 lecturing positions in the forthcoming 2018-19 Academic Year. These cuts will affect UNH's ability to provide educational resources to the UNH community. Media outlets have reported that many of the language departments will be affected by these cuts and that other consequences may occur that the public does not yet know. To show disapproval of these changes, many people have voiced their opinions on social media. Rhetoric frames UNH's administration's decisions as irresponsible at best and malicious at worst. Given UNH's history, these reasonings are unlikely.

It is no secret that the New Hampshire state government does not provide much funding to the University System of New Hampshire when one compares our budgets to other states. This lack of funding forces the University to make difficult decisions regarding cuts or alternate sources of monies nearly every year. For context, the current situation recalls events that occurred in the early 1990's

Significant budget cuts occurred at UNH during the early 1990's that affect many different departments. Two worth analyzing here include the Entomology Program and the Social Work Program. At the time, a committee existed to examine where cuts would have the least amount of impact. All departments that were under consideration were told well in advance that cuts may occur. The reasons the two majors

Recently, the University of mentioned here were on the chopping block were due to a lack of student enrollment or lack of tenured faculty. UNH eventually dissolved the Entomology Program. The Social Work Program, however, stayed on due to a successful campaign from students, faculty, alumni, and administration who felt that dissolving the BSW program would prove counterintuitive to UNH's mission because of the undergoing development of the MSW program. The efforts of students and faculty proved so successful that the Social Work Department saw an increase in their budget.

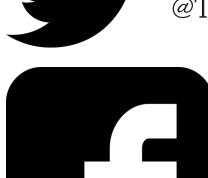
Tying an issue of the past to today, the reasons why programs are currently receiving cuts may be for similar reasons. In fact, the administration has been open that the reduction of lecturer positions results from a lack of student enrollment in the programs. Therefore, is it economically worthwhile or ethical for a University that continually faces budget issues to continue programs that lack the interest of the student body? If this is the case for the current cuts, perhaps they are justified.

To further defend the administration, there were also measures in the 1990s that UNH put in place to protect its current students and staff. One example included allowing students to finish their majors - such as those enrolled in Entomology - before dissolving the program. As suggested above, the administration also told departments about possible cuts well before announcing the cuts to the public. As much as the University may need the current cuts, the University has ensured that the announced changes would not go into place until the next Academic Year. Also, contrary to current reports, UNH's past efforts to protect those affected by cuts also bring into question the validity of claims that the administration did not tell lecturers in advance about the changes taking place next year. If UNH did not notify lecturers as they had in the past, then one could argue that UNH was irresponsible when comparing the current decisions to past situations. Even then, 16 weeks is a significant amount of time for the displaced lecturers to find another job.

In the end, students are capable of lobbying for their departments. The Social Work Department remains as one of the prime examples of this. Regardless, students should be wary of how they approach addressing any changes to UNH curriculum. The administration has proven before that they are extremely cautious in their examinations of how cuts could affect students, faculty, and staff. By no means are the administrators of UNH perfect. History shows, however, that UNH is continuously a victim of a lack of state funding and that administrators painstakingly do what they can to protect the interests of UNH students.

By Tyler Anderson





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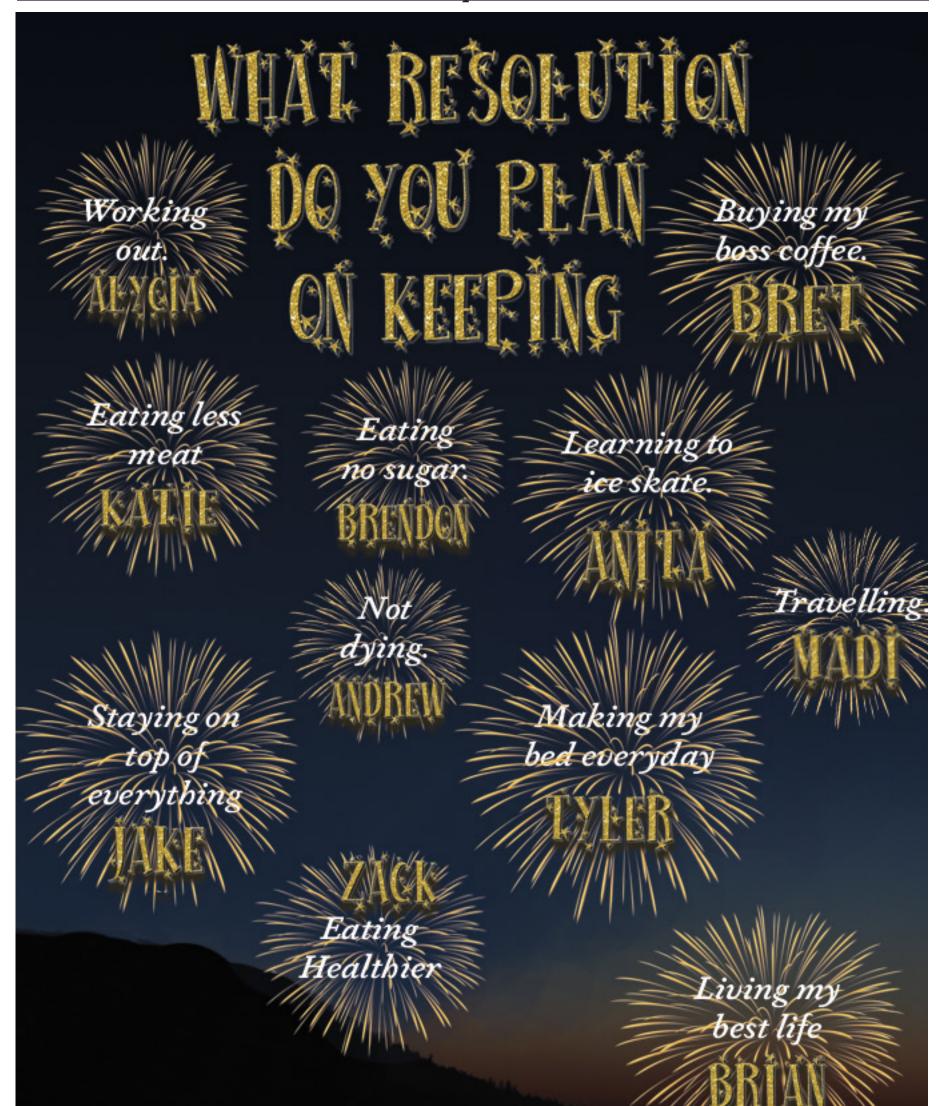
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A university should always have the best interests of their staff and students at heart. The University of New Hampshire's commitment to this has been questioned by the public at large ever since the media announced the non-renewal of the lecturers due to budget constraints and "program realignment." What has gotten students fired up, though, including myself, is the quality of professors being let go, and the irreplaceable value that their curriculums and ways of teaching have added into our lives.

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Although Bostic said that a list of names of non-renewed faculty was unable to be given due to "confidential personnel matters," many of us taking classes in COLA have either been directly told by the affected lecturers or by friends in their classes. And, though I would have loved to have the privilege of experiencing the content and admired lecturing of the other affected lecturers, I feel both lucky and disheartened to only see one lecturer that I had the pleasure of working with go.

As many have seen cir-

host family to finish my minor in Spanish.

had the opportunity to study

abroad in Costa Rica with him

as the program leader. This

past summer, with Profe act-

ing as the program leader, I set

off to spend six weeks with a

During my six week summer program, Profe turned my insecurities in my Spanish speaking abilities into excitement and ambition. I remember his love for the program being so evident that just the expression on his face was enough to convince me that I had made the right decision in going. Although he was in the midst of teaching his courses and preparing for finals week, he still made the time so meet up with me countless times to go over flight schedules and

Thank your teachers

⁻rom the *Editor's Desk...*

> culate around Facebook on "Humans of UNH," Professor "Profe" Hubbard of the Spanish Department received word that his contract would not be renewed. Though I never took a course at UNH with Profe, his commitment to the program and student's immersion into the curriculum took on a whole new persona when I

to check different airlines to ensure I got the best flight at the best price, in addition to answering the countless anxiety-ridden questions that I am known for.

While he went to extraordinary measures to ensure that I, along with other UNH students, arrived to Costa Rica comfortably, he also made

He played a vital role in assisting me to reach the next step in my life in receiving a Spanish minor, and I indebtedly know that whatever route he chooses beyond UNH will be a valuable step in his life, as well.

> sure to stick around during the next couple weeks, helping us transition to our new lives and always challenging us to go outside of our comfort zones. He played a vital role in assisting me to reach the next step in my life in receiving a edly know that whatever route he chooses beyond UNH will be a valuable step in his life, as well. I think I can speak on behalf of all of my fellow UNH friends who immersed in the "pura vida" life with me that we sincerely hope he will always know that he made us better students, friends, "costariccenses" and individuals.

> And that, yes, "pura vida" is not only a saying, but a way of life that we will always share with a beloved lecturer.

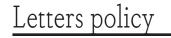
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Sports

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"A lot of our turnovers were just our top players being careless with the ball," head coach Maureen Magarity said after the loss to Maine. She hesitated, then shrugged: "I don't know. I guess that's why.

"[Maine's] post players snuck over and really forced those turnovers. Yeah, our shooting clogs things up in the middle and it definitely gives us the fitz in the post."

UNH allowed 17 points off turnovers against Maine. Then 17 again to Binghamton. Then a season-high 26 turnovers that led to 30 points last night, against Hartford. At 6-3 in conference play, Hartford doesn't dominate on the offensive end – and that should scare the Wildcats. Granted Hartford had a phenomenal night beyond the arc, shooting 43.8% from three-point range, better teams will shoot as well and take every opportunity handed to them.

And while another team's shooting remains beyond UNH's control – players will get open shots no matter how good the defense – the 'Cats can control what happens to the ball when in their possession.

Hoping to recapture their glory, the 'Cats return to Durham this weekend for games against University at Albany and University of Vermont – the former one of the conference's best.

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George Washington escapes Lundholm with narrow win



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The Wildcats did well on the track as Christian Ehlers took first in the 500m run with a time of 1:10.02. The men's team also swept the 4x400m and the 4x800m relays.

The women's team outran the competition on the track, winning eight track events and sweeping the jumping events.

"Saturday was certainly a good meet in a lot of ways," women's head coach Rob Hoppler said. "It's a great step towards the conference meet. We're always building toward the championship part of the season and that's definitely what our meet on Saturday accomplished."

Saturday, both the UNH men's and women's track and field teams "split their squad," sending a team to compete on Friday at the Terrier Invitational in Boston.

According to Hoppler, when considering the team's performance on Saturday, it is important to remember that other teams at the home meet were doing the same thing, sending half of their squads to compete elsewhere.

"It's certainly better to win and we're excited and happy with that result, but we'll see where everyone stands when we get toward the end of the season and everyone's competing with their best athletes," Hoppler said.

In the 200m, UNH's Ma-

ria Virga finished first in 27.17 seconds, followed by Kristen Bourque who finished in a close second at 27.21 seconds.

UNH also took first and second place in the women's 3000m. Caroline Mahoney finished on top with a time of 10:25.27, followed by Kayla Farren finishing in 10:27.95.

After winning the hurdles in Friday's Terrier Invitational in Boston, Emma Checovich picked up right where she left off on Saturday, winning the hurdles in 9.59 seconds. Virga finished behind her with a time of 8.92 seconds.

The women's team continued its dominance by finishing first in both the 500m and the mile run.

UNH also took first in women's pole vault, long jump and triple jump. Kari Murnane's 11foot, 5.75-inch vault landed her in first place. In the long jump, Carly Orlacchio placed first jumping 16feet, 8.75 inches, while Katherine Nash took second with a 16-foot, one-quarter inch jump.

Finally, in the triple jump, Nash came in first jumping 33feet, 5 inches and Kendra Kukulski took second with her 32-foot, 10.25-inch jump.

Both the men's and women's track and field teams hope to continue their success as they prepare for the New England Indoor Championship next weekend, Friday, Feb. 2 and Saturday, Feb. 3, hosted by Northeastern University.

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three-pointers. He was key in a 19-2 run that turned a 54-49 lead

into a 73-51 lead. The Hawks got off to a blistering start, hitting 11 of their first 12 shots en route to a 27-15 lead midway through the first half. The 'Cats responded with a more aggressive defensive approach, holding the Hawks without a field goal for the final eight minutes of the half and down just five, 39-34. Following its 11-12 start, Hartford went 1-10 to finish the half.

UNH grabbed an early lead in the second half, but Dunne and the Hawks quickly put the 'Cats to bed, dropping UNH to 5-4 in conference play. The Wildcats shot 28 percent from the field in the second half, where they were outscored 40 to 28.

"When he's off the floor, offensively we're obviously a different team. So [when he had to sit with three fouls in the second half] that obviously hurt us as a team," Herrion said after the loss.

Next up the Wildcats travel to the University at Albany to take on the Great Danes on Saturday, Feb. 3 at 7 p.m. Leissner would need 42 points in that game to become the all-time leading scorer at UNH but will likely have a good shot at claiming the record next Thursday, Feb. 8, at home against the rival University of Maine Black Bears at 7 p.m.



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Top: Junior Danielle Mulligan performs her floor routine as teammates cheer her on. Bottom: Freshman Laura Diggan took first place in the floor exercise with a 9.900.

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2018 Super Bowl Preview Staff Picks Said & Dunn: Will Patriots vs. Tale of By Zack Holler

SPORTS EDITOR

Did you see Nick Foles' beanie in his interview this week? Yeah, that guy isn't beating Bill Belichick.



By Nick D'Aloia STAFF WRITER

Brady is the greatest of all time and with Gronk coming back from concussion protocol, they will be unstoppable against Philly's 17th ranked pass defense. I have a better chance of becoming the starting quarterback of the Eagles than the Eagles have of winning this game.

Patriots "By a million"

By Sam Rogers STAFF WRITER

The key for both teams is going to come down to eliminating the other team's X-factors. For the Eagles that's their leading receiver, tight end Zach Ertz. Ertz is a big body and opens up the field for his running backs and other receivers. On the flip side, the Eagles need to watch the backfield. The most popular, and wildly unsuccessful, tactic to beat Brady is to pressure him. Sure, that sounds good in theory but Brady had a QBR of 90.3 when being pressured this season and it's all thanks to his running backs coming out of the backfield.



By Bret Belden SPORTS EDITOR

Philadelphia has one of the most well-rounded teams in the NFL, but I can't string together reasoning to support

Eagles live up to the hype?



By Brian Dunn

It seems that once again, planet NFL has made another full rotation around the sun and at the end, we find the New England Patriots back in the big game and going for their third Super Bowl championship in four seasons. This time, it is a rematch of the 2004 season's Super Bowl between the Philadelphia Eagles and the Pats. Even though this matchup is No.1 seed vs. No. 1 seed, I have to be honest: I'm having trouble really getting excited for this game.

I don't mean that literally. Of course I'm physically excited. Every Super Bowl brings that out in me, especially when the Patriots are in it, and I get prepared the minute after they clinch the AFC championship. This year seems different. This year seems like a Super Bowl that ended before it really started.

I get asked who is going to win, and my answer is the same as always. Pats win, but it's goes

Injury concerns limited

With Rob Gronkowski,

Hogan to nine regular season

games played, but he'll be a

dangerous weapon if the Eagles

Brandin Cooks and Danny

Amendola likely to garner a lot

of attention on Sunday, it could

be a big opprotunity for Hogan

working against lesser corner-

backs. He's shown he can make

big plays happen, scoring five

touchdowns in a four week

span in September-October.

don't treat him as such.

more like "yeah it could be a close game, the Eagles have a chance," which they do. It's just not the most exciting matchup the NFL could have had this year. My personal favorite would have been Patriots vs. Saints. Tom Brady vs. Drew Brees in a shootout would have been epic to see. Even Patriots vs. Vikings with the Super Bowl being in Minnesota this year - what could have happened where a team played a Super Bowl in their home stadium for the first time ever?

There's obviously the Super Bowl rematch we could have had with Pats-Falcons and Pats-Rams which would have been great options as well. Pats-Eagles doesn't necessarily get me as excited as in previous matchups. That's not to say the game itself won't deliver, it always seems to, just right now I look at that matchup and if it wasn't the Super Bowl, I wouldn't put much thought into

But who am I to complain right? My team is in the Super Bowl for the eighth time in my lifetime, so I'll leave it at that and move on to what I believe are going to be the biggest threats to Brady's pursuit of his sixth ring, and that is Philadelphia's pass rush and running game.

You can go back and watch all the highlights you want, the Patriots wins and losses in close

Under-the-radar players to watch for

matchups are heavily contingent on getting pressure on Brady. If he's not comfortable, then the Pats force themselves into holes with three-and-outs, and the defense all of a sudden starts to gain fatigue, and that is where the Eagles can take advantage if they play their cards right.

Former Patriots running back LeGarrette Blount can really do some damage to this lackluster New England run defense. If you didn't watch the NFC Championship game last weekend, go back and watch Blount's touchdown run, this guy will torch you north-south if you let him, and if he gets going, the clock starts to tick and Brady finds himself warming up instead of playing more and more as the game goes on. That's how the Jacksonville Jaguars (almost) did it.

It's a really simple formula. The Eagles, who have been the underdog in every playoff matchup this season as a top seed (Patriots -4 is the current spread according to ESPN), need to find a way to get to Brady, and keep him off the field. Without it, they don't stand a chance. I expect the Patriots to win and I'm really rooting for a close game, but I don't think my health can take another 28-3 situation.

Patriots 35 Eagles 30

the Tape **Patriots**

Points per game

28.6

Yards per game

394.2

Points allowed per game

18.5

Yards allowed per game

366.0

Eagles

Points per game

28.6

Yards per game

365.8

Points allowed per game

18.4

#15 Chris Hogan **#53 Kyle Van Noy**

Van Noy is the quintessential linebacker that Belichick pulls out of nowhere and turns into a game-changer. In 30 career games with the Detroit Lions, he totaled just 35 tackles. In the 2017 season alone, Van Noy has 58 tackles to go along with 5.5 sacks (second-most on the team).

His athleticism is key to his role on the defense and don't be surprised if he's in the middle of one of the biggest plays of the night.

#6 Ryan Allen

The Patriots are miles ahead of every other NFL team when it comes to punting. The strategy and time Belichick puts into special teams allows the Patriots to dominate field position.

Hopefully for Patriots fans the left-footed punter won't be called upon often, but when he is there's a good chance the Eagles will be starting from inside their own 10-yard line thanks to his precision and Matthew Slaters' hustle.

the Eagles' chances this Sunday night given Nick Foles' track record against pass rushing this season. But this won't be a blowout in either direction, nor will the scoring total reach particular heights, because of Philadelphia's smothering defensive line and its likely chances to keep Tom Brady off the field. But unless their offense shows up as it did against Minnesota a week and a half ago, this game will be played and won in the fourth quarter – when Brady straps in.





Clement is sort of the Eagles' version of James White, a playmaking receiving back that has a nose for the end zone. All eyes will be on Jay Ajayi and former-Patriot LeGarrette Blount, but Clement could be the most dangerous.

He has six touchdowns out of the backfield this year on far less touches than Blount. The undrafted rookie won't see a ton of snaps, but when he's on the field it'll be important for the New England defense to recognize it and shut him down.

#24 Corey Graham

The UNH alum has an opprotunity to grab the first Super Bowl ring of his 11-year career. In his first season in Philly, he was a major gamechanger in the NFC Championship game with his five tackles and interception of Case Keenum.

The former-Wildcat will likely see a lot of Gronkowski in coverage, while also helping out over the top when Brady looks to go deep to Cooks. The Eagles' secondary as a whole has a tall task in slowing down the Pats'. passing attack.

#82 Torrey Smith

Smith had a quiet 2017 season in Philadelphia, hiding behind the big plays of Alshon Jeffery, Zach Ertz and Nelson Agholor. But the speedy veteran is always a threat to take the top off the defense.

He found his chemistry with Nick Foles in the NFC Championship with a 41-yard touchdown reception in the third quarter, essentially securing the Eagles win. He received eight targets in that game and if Jeffery is slowed by New England than look out for Smith.

Yards allowed per game

306.5

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Hockey Preview

UNH vs. No. 11 Northeastern

Friday at 7 p.m.; Matthews Arena in Boston, Massachusetts

UNH vs. UMass Amherst

Saturday at 7 p.m.; Whittemore Center in Durham, New Hampshire

Weekend Forecast



By Sam Rogers STAFF WRITER

Disappointing, frustrating and missed opportunities. All things that have been an accurate description of the UNH men's hockey team for the past seven weeks. A 0-8-3 record in the past 11 games can have a huge effect on a team's morale and effort, but with the opportunity to host a home playoff game still in sight, how will the 'Cats respond?

Let's rewind. It's Nov. 5, UNH had just beaten the University of Massachusetts Amherst by a score of 3-0 on the road and things are great in Wildcat country. The 'Cats are 6-1-1, haven't lost in regulation, have their best start to the season in years, are nationally ranked and have two freshmen defenders, Max Gildon and Benton Maas, atop national leaderboards for point totals.

What happened?

A huge reason for this winless streak is the team's inability to pull out wins in close game. The 'Cats have had three ties and four one-goal losses in their winless streak, which proves that in most of the games in this stretch they just haven't been able to get over the hump.

One reason for that is the missed chances.

"We're missing scoring opportunities," head coach Dick Umile said Wednesday when addressing the media. "We're missing some really good scoring opportunities, and it's coming back, resulting in losses because those goals are obviously the reason that we tie or win games and it's been frustrating."

Junior forward Marcus Vela, sophomore defenseman Anthony Wyse and Umile all understood that the team needs to move forward, and the next task ahead for the Wildcats might be the toughest they've faced all year. UNH travels down to Boston to take on the No. 11 Northeastern University Huskies on Feb. 2 for a 7 p.m. game against the Hockey East-leading Huskies. Northeastern's offense is one of the best in the country and will provide a lot of problems for the 'Cats.

"They're very skilled," Umile said about the Huskies. "They have great offensive power, if they get on the power-play they're even greater. We're going to have our hands full, but we'll compete. There's no doubt in my mind that we'll be in the game, it's just a matter of how we can finish it."

The scoring solution has fallen on the top line of Vela, Ara Nazarian and Charlie Kelleher as the three have been the first unit for the past four games. The line has tallied 11 points during that stretch.

The second game of the weekend pits together the Wildcats against a scrappy and hardworking UMass Amherst team. The game will be Feb. 3 at the Whittemore Center at 7 p.m. UNH beat the Minutemen 3-0 earlier this season.

The question of starting goaltending has become a new thing in Durham as freshman Mike Robinson made his first career start against UConn last weekend. When asked if he would start this weekend, Umile laughed and said Robinson will get more action this season but offered no specifics.

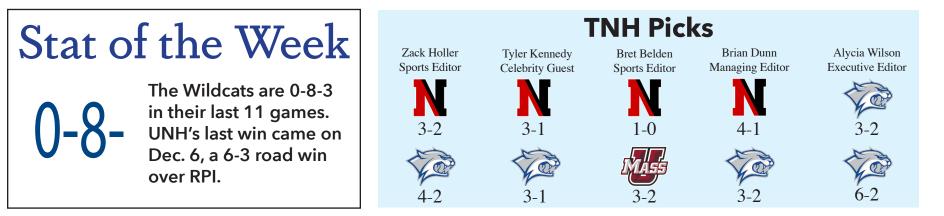
If the Wildcats can muster up at least one win this weekend it will be either over the best team they've played in Northeastern, or over a UMass Amherst team that is neck and neck with UNH in the conference standings. Either result still gives UNH hopes to host a playoff game.

If not, then the winless



streak carries over into month number two and drags on the worst stretch in Umile's 28-season head coaching career at UNH.

CHINA WONG/TNH STAFF Junior Ara Nazarian totaled one goal and three assists over UNH's three latest games. A top-line scorer, Nazarian's efforts haven't gone unnoticed during the 'Cats' strug-



MEN'S HOCKEY Huskies sweep Wildcats, UNH winless since Dec. 6

By Sam Rogers STAFF WRITER

The mid-season struggles continued for the Wildcats as they dropped a home-and-away series to the University of Connecticut. The 'Cats lost Friday, Jan. 26, 4-2 at home, and dropped the second game on Jan. 27 by a score of 3-2 on the road.

The 'Cats record now sits at 9-13-4 with a Hockey East record of 4-9-3. The winless weekend increased the brutal winless streak to 11 games. UNH is 0-8-3 in that stretch and its last win came on Dec. 6 against Rensselaer (RPI).

The first game against UConn tested the 'Cats early as they were trailing 1-0 at the end of the first period. UNH, however, responded with two goals in the second period to hold a 2-1 lead at the end of two.

Freshman Charlie Kelleher notched the first Wildcat goal in the middle of the period, and sophomore defenseman Anthony Wyse tallied the second. Wyse's goal came in the final minute of the second and was unassisted. Ara Nazarian and Max GIldon recorded the assists on Kelleher's goal.

Although the Wildcats had control on the scoreboard with 20 minutes left in the game, they let the Huskies back in it. After doing a great job halting their opponent's scoring attack for the first half of the period, UConn broke through.

UConn scored the equalizer with four minutes remaining in the game and then just two minutes later found the back of the net for the game-winner. The Huskies added an empty-netter to make the final score 4-2.

"We didn't handle them," UNH head coach Dick Umile said. "We didn't do the job in our



CHINA WONG/TNH STAFF Junior Marcus Vela scored his fifth goal of the season in Saturday's 3-2 loss at UConn.

own end. It's very frustrating, disappointing."

UNH had several great scoring opportunities including multiple odd-man rushes but simply couldn't convert the opportunities to goals.

"We didn't put the puck away when we had scoring opportunities, and we had some really good scoring opportunities," Umile said. "That comes back to haunt you in the third period."

Senior goalie Danny Tirone

made 24 saves in the loss.

Saturday night was yet another one-goal loss for UNH this season. This game marked the seventh one-goal loss for the Wildcats on the year.

Once again the Huskies took an early lead in the first period, but Marcus Vela scored in the final minute of the opening frame to send the teams to the locker rooms tied at 1-1. Senior captain Dylan Chanter and Nazarian assisted on the goal.



CHINA WONG/TNH STAFF

Freshman Charlie Kelleher celebrates with teammates after his game-tying goal in Friday's 4-2 loss.

UConn scored a power-play goal in the opening minutes of the second to take a 2-1 lead and held it throughout the period. Kelleher struck for the second time in the weekend early in the third to even the game at 2-2. Chanter and Nazarian again recorded the assists on the goal.

UConn scored halfway through the final period to take the lead and were able to ward off all Wildcat attacks to take the game 3-2, and the series sweep. Freshman goalie Mike Robinson made his first colligate start for UNH. Robinson, a San Jose Sharks draft prospect and Bedford, New Hampshire native, made 33 saves in the loss.

The 'Cats are back in action for an important weekend as they travel on the road to face No. 11 Northeastern University on Feb 2. The 'Cats return home the next night to play the University of Massachusetts Amherst Minutemen at 7 p.m.

woмеn's носкеч Turner nets two as Wildcats take both against Quinnipiac

By Will Sirbono STAFF WRITER

Coming off a strong weekend against No. 9 Providence, UNH got the weekend sweep against Quinnipiac with a balanced attack. In game one on Friday, after a scoreless first, the Wildcats exploded for three goals in the second period, led by two goals from sophomore Carlee Turner, propelling them to a 4-2 win. "[Boutilier]'s really given us a boost the last couple of weeks and we're just riding her back right now," Witt said following the win. Boutilier has only allowed five goals in the last four games, showing her ability to come up big down the stretch.

The Wildcats' season hasn't necessarily been spectacular, but they are starting to turn it around at the right time. Similar to their hot start at the beginning of the season, they're 4-0-1 in their last five games, this time before a fivegame stretch of conference play to finish up the season. "I think we'll go into next weekend with a lot of confidence, we're getting things from everyone, everyone's contributing, evervbody's doing something to help us win," Witt said. This statement definitely rings true with the stat sheet this season. The Wildcats have nine players in double digits for points this season and it will be important to have everyone contributing coming into the last five, and difficult, games of the season.

In the next few weeks UNH will be facing conference rival the University of Maine, who's had a successful season, as well as No. 4 ranked Boston College. BC boasts an impressive record of 24-2-3, having lost only one conference game in Hockey East and one at home.

Next weekend's games will be crucial for the Wildcats who



"Her line as a whole has been playing real well and it's given her a lot of confidence," head coach Hilary Witt said about Turner.

Points leader Meghara Mc-Manus also added to the second period scoring barrage, continuing her successful sophomore season. But it wasn't just the offense: UNH killed two Quinnipiac power-plays in the third period preventing the Bobcats from clawing their way back into the game.

Game two didn't light up the scoreboard as much due to a strong performance in net from freshman goaltender Ava Boutilier. will have to head down to Boston to face BC the week after. But there are a few things that almost guarantee success for the Wildcats.

When the 'Cats led after two periods they are 11-0-1. When they surrender less than three goals they are 11-0-6. If UNH can check these things off the list in its next few games, it will be putting the team in a great position to win.

The Wildcats are hot right now, as they look to finish the season on a good note. There is some great hockey ahead as UNH heads up to Orono, Maine, to face the Black Bears in a two-game series starting on Friday, Feb. 2, and ending on Saturday.

CHINA WONG/TNH STAFF Sophomore Carlee Turner scored two goals in Friday's win.

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By Zack Holler SPORTS EDITOR

ference showing cast doubt on whether the 'Cats could make

something of the 2017-18 season, UNH turned the corner at the start

of the new year with a 5-3 start in conference play. However, they

ran into a buzzsaw that was the

Hartford Hawks on Wednesday

points, bringing him 42 points

away from becoming UNH's all-

time leading scorer. The current record holder is Al McClain, who

scored 1,861 points from 1980-

following the game. "Credit Hartford they're a very good offensive

team... Our defense was really, really, really poor and I'd say non-

junior Jason Dunne catapulted Hartford to the easy victory in the second half. Dunne scored 19 second half points, including five

A shooting barrage from

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"We've tried to build this program and this team on tough, hard-nosed defense and we had nothing right from the opening tip," head coach Bill Herrion said

Senior Tanner Leissner led the way for the Wildcats with 16

night, falling 79-62.

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The New Hampshire

MEN'S BASKETBALL

'Cats can't slow hot Hawks shooting

Hartford hits 11 three's, shoots 55 percent in crucial America East game



CHINA WONG/TNH STAFF Senior Tanner Leissner scored a team-high 16 points in Wednesday's 79-62 loss to Hartford. He has 1,820 career points and is 42 away from breaking the all-time school

TRACK & FIELD

Men and women take first in home quad-meet

By Nick D'Aloia STAFF WRITER

UNH track and field swept the competition at Saturday's home quad-meet against Dartmouth, Maine and Vermont. Both Wildcat teams finished first in team scoring at the Paul Sweet Oval, with the women's team earning 220 points in the victory, and the men's team taking first place with 188 points of its own.

"Meets like the one on Saturday are all about trying to make the conference team," men's head coach Jim Boulanger said. "There are only 38 slots for competitors, so basically these meets are all about trying to push towards cracking those 38 people who have the possibility of scoring."

WOMEN'S BASKET-

Wildcats sliding as turnovers continue to mount

By Bret Belden SPORTS EDITOR

Following their first home loss to University of Maine last Wednesday, Jan. 24, which also snapped a four-game win streak, the Wildcats reeled and dropped two more to Binghamton University and the University of Hartford. The three conference foes outscored UNH by a margin of 195-147, the largest majority of which Hartford owns after decimating the 'Cats last night, Jan. 31, 85-49.

In fact, between the two matchups prior to Hartford, UNH fell behind by double digits just once and remained within striking range



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The men's team pushed towards Boulanger's goal, winning several field events, including the long jump, where Christopher Gansfuss took first with a 20-foot, 2.5 inch jump, trailed directly by fellow Wildcat Ryan Dutille jumping 19-feet, 11.75 inches.

UNH had another one-two top finish in the men's weight throw. Edward Speidel placed first with his longest throw of 55-feet, while Cullen Aubin finished in second with his 51-foot, one-half inch throw.

Freshman Jordan Buckmire was just under a foot shy of beating his personal best in the triple jump. Buckmire took home first place with a distance of 43-feet, 9 inches.

Boulanger says he is happy with Buckmire's performance despite falling short of the mark he set in December.

"I tell the kids, if they can come back from winter break or J-Term and be close to what they were doing prior to leaving in December, we're at a pretty good point for the next four weeks until the conference," Boulanger said. "[Buckmire] is a freshman and he will only get better."

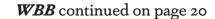
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throughout. By contrast, the Wildcats scored seven more points by the end of the game than Hartford had at halftime and never held the lead.

Should the downward trend extend beyond these next few weeks the Wildcats have bigger issues to worry about. Teams have started to expose UNH's inside game, but not because of any change on their end; UNH's exterior threat has lowered substantially as teams account for the low shooting percentage, which makes clogging the paint a sufficient strategy in defending New Hampshire.

On the other hand, if they make the necessary and controllable changes to their game in the immediate future they'll have a chance at restaging their dominance in America East. The first variable that comes to mind? Turnovers.

At first glance turnovers are the Wildcats' clearest dysfunction. It was an issue through the first half of the season but opponents took advantage sparingly on the other end of the floor. As teams adjust to their systems and develop higher efficiency in transition they've made the 'Cats' lives increasingly difficult.



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Senior Iba Camara is No. 1 in the nation in defensive rebounds per game, avergaing 8.68 a contest.

Freshman goaltender Ava Boutilier recorded 57 saves combined in the two wins over Quinnipiac this weekend.