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Arabic program loses only lecturer in cuts

By Jordyn Haime
STAFF WRITER

Beginning the search for a new job was the last thing that UNH's lone Arabic lecturer Ruwa Pokorny expected to have to do when she checked the mail on Jan. 16 at her home in Durham.

"I'd been waiting, waiting, waiting, waiting for my reinstatement, I had completely taken it for granted that my three-year contract would be renewed," Pokorny said. "So I just went to get the mail on the 16th, and I saw the letter."

After 11 years of teaching Arabic at UNH and building the program from the ground up, Pokorny learned that her contract isn't being renewed.

She said that there was "absolutely no warning whatsoever" that her job would be in danger.

Pokorny's husband, who was diagnosed with a rare autoimmune disease two years ago, is no longer able to work. Her children, her sister and her nieces and nephews all live in the area.

"So suddenly, we are likely going to be forced to sell our house and relocate," Pokorny said. "And all of that happened

literally overnight on the day of the 16th of January with no prior warning to at least get prepared, to start thinking of possibilities."

Pokorny is one of the 16 COLA lecturers who were notified last month that their teaching contracts would not be renewed.

COLA Dean Heidi Bostic said in an email that the cuts were due to "a variety of reasons including declining enrollments,

the need to keep a UNH education affordable, a desire to strengthen programs and a need to retain faculty whose expertise most closely aligns with the current and future needs of programs." She added that "no academic programs are being eliminated as a result of the

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(Left) Abigail McIntosh makes a card to send to armed forces who are veterans and active-duty service members during the Martin Luther King Jr. (MLK) Day of Service. (Right) A student makes a bracelet to donate to children.

Wildcats pursue community service projects for MLK Day of Service

By Alison Eagan
CONTRIBUTING
WRITER

Martin Luther King dedicated his life to educate others on the importance of human rights

and community involvement. Some people use this inspiration and pass it on to others in many forms.

For UNH Civic Community and Engagement coordinator Megan Brabec, that would mean providing community service op-

portunities, the most recent being the Martin Luther King Jr. (MLK) Day of Service.

Students from around the UNH community came together on the morning of Feb. 10 to take partake in this opportunity, part of the greater MLK celebration.

Brabec gathered the volunteers together to listen to a few Martin Luther King advertisements that had been aired during the Super Bowl. Then they were asked to discuss the significance within small groups. Following the discussion, they were encour-

aged to think about what the significance of this day of service means.

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Parents Association increases grant money by over \$25,000

By Madison Neary
STAFF WRITER

The Parents Association granted \$64,601 to 31 different student groups on campus, increasing their allotted grant money by over \$25,000 from last academic year.

According to the Parents Council President Pam Vossler the Parents Association is the leadership group of the Parents Association, a group comprised of every UNH students "parents and family." The council, Vossler said, serves to support students in raising the bar for themselves and fulfilling their potential. For Vossler, the Parents Association grant does just that.

"The grants we give out are all to support different student ini-

tiative... above and beyond what they might be getting through activities fees," Vossler said. "It's all about expanding what students are able to do beyond the classroom at UNH to add to what they're learning in school, to add to just themselves in terms of their personal development..."

The grant money comes from the Student Enrichment Fund, an endowment established in 1995, according to Vossler. She credits the increase of available grant money to an additional endowment that was "repurposed" to the Student Enrichment fund. As a result, the Association was able to fund 31 grants ranging from \$500 to \$4,000, as opposed to last years' 21.

According to Dean of Students Ted Kirkpatrick, his office

worked closely with the Parents Association, providing "administrative" and "moral" support. Kirkpatrick hopes these grants will become "an annual set of awards."

"I couldn't be more pleased with the partnership of the parents to support the outstanding work of these terrific students," Kirkpatrick wrote in an email correspondence.

Senior business administration major and member of the UNH Dance Team Hayley Siemering, said this year is the teams' third time receiving a grant from the Parents Association. According to Siemering, the money granted from the Association "takes a huge weight off of our [the dance teams'] shoulders" in regards to fundraising, as the cost

of attending Nationals in Daytona Beach, Florida, exceeds the "limited" funds the team receives from Campus Recreation.

"Competing against fully-funded dance teams requires gear and performance wear to look the part," Stiemering said. "The grant has provided us with the funds to update our gear and focus on preparing our dance for Nationals. Each and every team member appreciates their gift to us in so many ways."

The UNH Lunabotics (LunaCats), according to Wildcat Link, promotes interest in space exploration and robotics. Senior mechanical engineering major and LunaCats member Zhangxi Feng

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The Hamel Fund recently donated millions of dollars in merit scholarships.

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non-renewals,” and the decisions were made “in the best interest of our students.”

Bostic also clarified that though there were originally 18 non-renewal notices, one was made in error, and another was planning on retiring in May, making a total of 16 non-renewals.

Pokorny is the only full-time lecturer of Arabic, according to the Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures’ website. She earned her bachelor’s degree in communication disorders from UNH, and then went on to work in speech and language therapy in public schools, then later as a translator and interpreter. She began teaching at UNH in 2007, just a year after the Arabic Studies program was introduced. Over time, she climbed the ranks to senior lecturer and built a three-year Arabic Studies program with the help of Fulbright scholars that was written about in the Concord Monitor and International Educator Magazine.

“This is really what I’m very

proud of, not just that I built the entire Arabic program, but why it has become so successful all these years, and that is because of all of the sweat equity that I’ve put into it because I care so tremendously for my students,” Pokorny said.

Despite high praise in annual evaluation letters from the Dean’s office that said Pokorny “exceeded the high expectations of instruction in the College,” her not having a Ph.D. was another factor in the non-renewal of her contract.

Bostic said that although Ph.D.s are not a requirement for all lecturer faculty, “the college has determined that one way in which we can strengthen certain programs and provide the highest level of education to our students is seeking faculty members with terminal degrees.”

“Never once, over the years, was I ever told, ‘Because you don’t have the terminal degree that we’re looking for in a lecturer, your job is at risk unless you get one,’” Pokorny said. “Shouldn’t the ability to teach effectively and to gain your students’ confidence and love and appreciation and above all being a very effective

teacher, shouldn’t that matter for something?”

This year, the second semester of third-year Arabic was cut due to low enrollment, according to chair of the Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures, Holly Cashman. Languages, Literatures and Cultures received several of the lecturer cuts, according to Cashman. Cashman said the first semester of third-year Arabic will still be available next fall, but the second semester is still not guaranteed and keeping student interest in the upper levels of languages has been a challenge.

Sophomore psychology and justice studies dual major with a minor in Middle Eastern studies, Jenna Hannafin, said it wasn’t fair for the second semester third-year Arabic option to be taken away from students, especially international affairs majors, she added, who are required to take a language up to the advanced level. She is currently in her second semester of intermediate Arabic with Pokorny.

“I was hoping on petitioning for third-year Arabic this semester, but now we are petitioning to

just have our professor and our program back,” Hannafin said.

Hannah Lawrence, an alumnus who graduated in 2013 with a dual degree in political science and justice studies and a dual minor in middle eastern studies and women’s studies, took Arabic with Pokorny for two and a half years. She said Pokorny was the reason she was able to conduct research in Egypt and received a full language merit scholarship to get her master’s degree at New York University.

“I am appalled and disheartened by Dean Bostic’s decision,” Lawrence said. “A Ph.D. does not equal excellence...The gift of teaching is rare; it’s an art form that cannot be taught. Ruwa possesses this art form.”

Cashman said the cuts “shouldn’t be seen as an indictment of [lecturers’] teaching record,” and decisions were made based not only on performance, but department needs, program goals and increasing budget pressure.

According to Bostic, the Arabic program will continue without Pokorny, and COLA plans to begin advertising for a position in

the Arabic department soon.

On Feb. 4, Student Senate passed a resolution condemning the non-renewal of the 16 lecturer contracts, citing a lack of transparency from the university and the negative effect the cuts would have on students’ education, according to last week’s Student Senate update in The New Hampshire.

Students have also organized a solidarity rally in support of the lecturers to be held this Friday, Feb. 16 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Murkland Hall courtyard.

Pokorny said she will attend, and she’s proud of the activism and support that has come from her students. Hannafin is planning on speaking on behalf of her classmates in support of their teacher.

“And despite all that, this is the really, really big hard part of it all. I have to get up every day in the morning...I have to go to my classes four days a week to teach three classes a day with a smile on my face, as if nothing has happened. But I’m also a human being,” Pokorny said. “I’m heartbroken.”

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said the Parents Association grant money will enable the team to travel to the Kennedy Space Center for the NASA Robotics Mining Competition, as well as purchasing parts for the team’s robot.

According to Feng, the teams robot has seen “the most progress to date.” Feng credits this to the “never-before-seen” amount of underclassmen that are part of the team that not only provide assistance, but also enable upperclassmen to pass down competition knowledge and experience so fu-

ture teams will “not have to start fresh.”

According to a list of grants detailing recipients and their allocated funds, the UNH Dance Team received \$2,200 this year and UNH LunaCats received \$1,000.

According to Vossler, the grant is available for undergraduate “students/groups” and applications are due in mid-November.

“I think it is the single best thing that the Parents Council does is gives this money away,” Vossler said. “In a similar way that a parent would support an extra effort of a kid. It gives us a way to truly do what we hope to achieve for our kids.”

She organized this event to accommodate the availability of the students at UNH. It served as a more convenient opportunity for the students to give back, as they were not on campus during January for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

“It’s very rewarding to do service with other people,” sophomore Madeline Pentecost said. “I think it’s very important to be involved with these things and to remember Black History and

MLK for the great activist things he did, so we could come as far as we have.”

After volunteers finished with their projects, they were encouraged to go into a room reserved for reflection down the hall. The room was lined with posters containing different quotes; the purpose being to walk around and look at the quotes, standing next to the one that resonated with them.

For Brabec, this was one of the most important components of the day. It’s important to her that the volunteers have the opportunity to step away from their projects and bring the focus back on why they are there and what it means the community.

“[Giving back to the community] has a positive impact on the community, not just at UNH but the nearby towns,” junior Paige McKibben said.



Photo courtesy of Zhangxi Feng

Parents Association grant money will enable the UNH Lunabotics (LunaCats) team to travel to the Kennedy Space Center for the NASA Robotics Mining Competition, as well as purchasing parts for the team’s robot.

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the work that’s been done in the past, and the work that needs to keep being done to honor MLK, and to continue fighting for the dream that he was working towards,” Brabec said as she concluded her introduction.

There were five events the students could choose from: sending letters to armed forces who are veterans and active-duty service members, making trail mix for the Cornucopia Food Pantry, volunteering at the Waysmeet Center, making superhero capes for children and Project Linus, which involved students making no-sew blankets for children across the seacoast.

“I think it’s a great opportunity to come together and connect with the students,” said senior English Teaching major Madeline Pierce.

The specific projects that the volunteers did are not directly correlated with MLK or the African American community; rather, they simply serve as a chance to reflect on the importance of community service and remembering those who are less fortunate.

“Martin Luther King’s whole life was about service and social change, so this is our way to be a part of that,” Brabec said.

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UNH offers “block housing” and gender-neutral housing next year

By **Rachelle McKeown**
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“Block housing” just might be a new reason for students to stay in on-campus housing. As a pilot program that’s being implemented for the fall 2018 semester provide an alternative living situation for students who want to live near their friends.

According to UNH Housing’s website, block housing allows groups of 6 to 12 friends to select a “block” of dorm rooms that are close to each other. While Housing cannot guarantee that groups with more than 12 people will be accommodated,

they promise to try their best to accommodate everyone. Because block housing is a new initiative, it is only available in the Upper Quad, Stoke, Hetzel, Richardson and Hunter. These five locations were chosen because they are spread out around campus, have a variety of room offerings (triples, doubles, and singles) and don’t have high levels of returning students, according to UNH Housing Assistant Director of Assignments and Occupancy Management Victoria Wilson.

Gender-neutral housing is another new UNH Housing initiative that allows students of either gender to live together as long as the request is mutual. Only a handful of students cur-

rently live in gender-neutral rooms.

“A small number of current students on campus have gender inclusive assignments by working directly with housing on such requests. Because same-sex room assignments are not appropriate or comfortable for everyone, gender inclusive housing seeks to provide an opportunity for students to select their own assignments without having to request it through our office,” Wilson said.

By introducing gender-inclusive housing options in Stoke, Devine and Richardson, Housing hopes to make the process of finding a same sex roommate easier for people who desire one.

Wilson said that Housing can’t ask an individual why they are choosing to find gender inclusive housing, but that UNH strongly discourages the use of gender neutral housing for romantic couples.

The three dorms that participate in gender-inclusive housing also participate in block housing.

Despite the fact that block housing wasn’t intended to appeal specifically to those seeking gender-inclusive housing, Wilson says that Housing would be happy to see groups seeking gender-inclusive housing within the context of block housing.

At the end of the day, both options seek to make the residential community at UNH more

inclusive. Block housing allows students the conveniences of dorm living along with the social aspect of living in a suite or apartment. Wilson said that block housing is “a great alternative to living at on-campus apartments or trying to select a suite during room sign-ups.”

“We know that housing is not one-size-fits-all,” she added.

Fifty to 60 students have already indicated interest, Wilson said. The deadline to apply is Feb. 19, so these numbers are not final either. As far as gender neutral housing goes, Wilson said that the biggest concern is expanding gender inclusive options to other buildings on campus.

What do you think about block housing?
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Super Bowl '18 final arrest numbers released

By Ian Lenahan
STAFF WRITER

Downtown Durham was full of action following the Patriots' Super Bowl loss to the Philadelphia Eagles on Feb. 4, with about an hour of rioting in the streets ensuing postgame. The numbers were miniscule in comparison to last year's Main Street riots, with only one arrest that night after a student threw a bottle at a state trooper. However, after a few days of investigation and looking over storefront camera film and security tower footage, Durham police are prepared to announce two more arrests this Friday. Both of the suspects, one of whom is a UNH student, are male and have pleaded guilty to their charges.

"I don't know if the loss affected people, and we were discouraged to say the least," Durham Detective Sergeant Jack Dalton said. "I guess they just needed to blow off some steam. However, it was expected. Arrests are forthcoming."

Durham Police Deputy Chief Renee Kelley was on the scene that night monitoring

crowd

control as the events transpired, getting a first-person perspective of who was doing what in the crowd. Within three to four days after retrieving film taken along the street, Kelley said they were 100 percent positive they had found the suspects before their individual confessions.

In addition to law enforcement, UNH Dean of Students John T. Kirkpatrick was in the crowd that night with about 11 other UNH officials— all dressed in red coats. These "redcoats" were used over the course of the second half of the game to anticipate the action to come, despite the Patriots potentially winning or losing. With the loss unfolding and a mixture of New England and Philadelphia fans filing out of a multitude of downtown spots, Kirkpatrick noted how the atmosphere of the situation made it feel worse than last year's riots, even with considerably less damage in comparison.

"Even though last year we had two students jump onto cars and there was other damage done, the celebration after the Patriots winning the Super

Bowl was one of the top three moments of the year for me," Kirkpatrick explained. "Despite the arrests, it was a sheer moment of jubilation between all New England fans and a unifying experience for all Wildcats. This year was cold, rainy, and depressing, and it seemed a lot of people had a lot of energy but no place to go besides downtown."

Deputy Chief Kelley echoed Dean Kirkpatrick's remarks on Super Bowl Sunday soon after the crowds of students had dispersed, adding that the law enforcement officials on duty did an excellent job of letting students unleash their raw emotions for a bit.

"I commend the officers and troopers faced with this challenging situation. They were all confronted by many angry people, some of whom were throwing things at them. I'm very frustrated that it came to that, but in addition very proud of the work they did that night," he added.

In all, the police and Dean Kirkpatrick are content with the minimal damage that occurred downtown this year. They all



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Police presence was notable downtown following the Super Bowl. The surveillance tower can be seen to the right.

shared similar messages about how the riots following major sports championships in the past few years have prepared them for the next celebration of a sporting event. Kirkpatrick knows there will be more rioting, saying how lucky we are as New Englanders to be spoiled by the recent

success of the Patriots, Red Sox, Celtics and Bruins.

"With all of us going out, we do what we can to try to minimize the risk of long term jeopardy for young people," Kirkpatrick said in closing. "We'll all continue to go out and do the same in the future."

Millions donated to merit-based scholarship

By Gates MacPherson
STAFF WRITER

An \$8 million donation to the Hamel Scholarship Fund by various benefactors, including the founder of the scholarship, Dana Hamel, who donated \$5 million, is moving the scholarship program forward in being able to provide more scholarships and support for students at UNH.

UNH Alumnus '84 J. Morgan Rutman and his wife Tara partnered with the Jane and Daniel Och Family Foundation to donate \$3 million to the fund. Also, alumnus Brian McCabe '91 and his wife Loren who graduated in '90, and '91 as a graduate student donated \$400,000, according to a press release written by the UNH Media Relations Director Erika Mantz.

The Hamel Scholarship program was founded in 2007 and has since been a merit-based scholarship program for students in New Hampshire. Students can receive the Hamel Scholarship upon entering UNH, or they can be inducted to the program later, typically after their sophomore year according to the scholarship page.

"Over the last 10 years more than 180 students have benefited from their generosity. In total, Hamel has donated more than \$22 million to the initiative," Mantz wrote in the press release.

Once a Hamel Scholar, students must attend monthly meetings and participate in volunteer projects throughout the year. Students also have the opportunity to take specialized honors classes and go to meetings with members of the UNH and New Hampshire

community.

"It's definitely given me opportunities that I wouldn't have been able to have," senior mechanical engineering major Brittany Marshall said in reference to the scholarship.

While those requirements may seem daunting on top of schoolwork and extracurricular activities, sophomore biomedical science major Bryan Gagnon said that he values the experiences he's had through the scholarship.

"It's allowed me to focus on my academics as well as community involvement, campus involvement, instead of having to work 20 hours a week in order to just be able to afford to be in school," she said.

According to Marshall, the donation will go a long way in expanding the number of scholars and making a broader impact in UNH and New Hampshire.

"All these people want to make a change within the state and one way or another, we're all very different, but we have a similar interest of all trying to make a difference," Marshall said.

"I love that they look to ask more of you, to be a leader, instead of just saying 'here's some money for the things you've done in the past,'" he said.

"A gift to UNH and its students is an investment in the state of New Hampshire," Hamel said in the UNH press release.

"We are all very thankful to this family who has done so much for us and that just really drives us to give back which is what we spend most of our time doing," senior Political Science and International Affairs dual major Krysta Gingué said.

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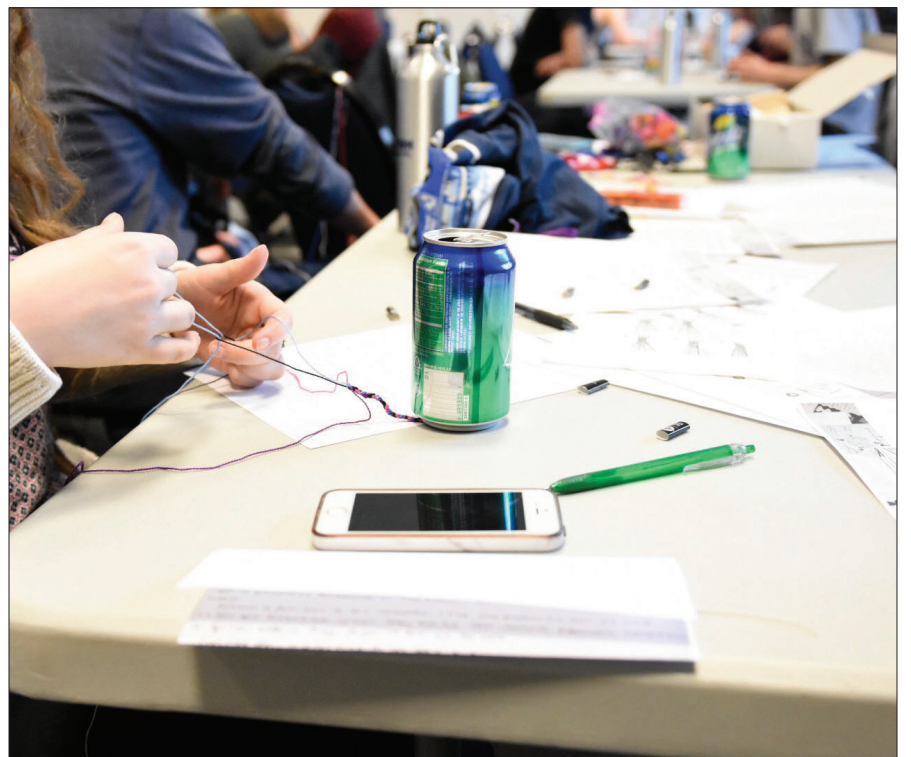


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NH Youth Movement seeks to create hub at UNH

By **Adrienne Perron**
STAFF WRITER

The creators of the New Hampshire Youth Movement (NHYM) encouraged members of the UNH community to become involved with the organization at their launch event on Thursday, Feb. 8. The event took place from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Freedom Café and featured guest speakers as well as members of NHYM sharing personal anecdotes as well as advocating for political action through membership in NHYM.

The New Hampshire Youth Movement was started by UNH students previously involved in Divest UNH, an organization that called upon UNH to divest from fossil fuel companies. NHYM is a statewide organization that mobilizes students in New Hampshire to elect representatives that stand for these students and their values. The students officially created this organization this past summer in response to the most recent presidential election.

Junior and NHYM outreach organizer Julie Settembrino stated that the outcome of the election made the members of Divest UNH want to expand their focus from just climate change related issues to many other issues that they felt needed representation.

"Just after the elections we said, 'Wow, we need to do a lot more than just work on climate change... if we want to get anywhere we have to work on all these issues all at once,'" Settembrino said.

Settembrino organized the event at Freedom to start a UNH "hub" for the organization.

"It's ironic because we came away from UNH, but the whole point of the organization was to mobilize students on campuses," Settembrino said. "We wanted to start outside of UNH so that we can reach out to all of these different schools... this is us reaching out to UNH and seeing if there is potential for students that want to start another part of NHYM here."

Settembrino stated that the current members of the NHYM would give the UNH hub members all of the resources that they have, support them and be at the same events, but the UNH hub would have the freedom to focus on the political issues that they are most passionate about.

Settembrino said that a few

examples of issues the NHYM focuses on are wealth inequality, more accessible education, more accessible health care, renewable energy, better access to help for people with opioid addiction and the creation of harder gun policies in New Hampshire.

Junior and member of NHYM Ben Kremer explained to the attendees of the event how members of NHYM make their voices heard in the political system. He explained that members engage in something referred to as "bird-dogging," which is when activists approach elected officials and speak with them about their future decisions. During this process, the interaction is recorded with a video camera so that elected officials may be held accountable for what they may promise to act on, such as opposing or passing a bill, during the interaction.

Kremer recounted his experience bird-dogging with New Hampshire governor, Chris Sununu, to the attendees of the event, and stated that he has footage of Sununu agreeing to oppose a bill on camera. This footage will be used to hold the governor accountable for his promises.

"We need your help, and there is a lot of work we can do right now," Kremer said about getting involved in NHYM and in the act of bird-dogging.

NHYM's launch event featured speakers including Dylan Carney, M.K. Kilcoyne, and Helen Barkworth. These speakers shared their personal experiences and related them with political issues that they felt passionately about.

Carney spoke about his experience growing up in Washington Valley surrounded by poverty and an opioid epidemic. Less than half of high school graduates in Washington Valley move on to four-year universities. He explained how many people whom he grew up with did not attend college for fear of taking out loans and being in debt for the rest of their lives.

"I went on to take that debt, and it wasn't too long after I'd gone to college that I started receiving text messages and phone call from other friends from high school... saying who is addicted to heroin, and who has been getting into morphine, and who just overdosed last night, and who is passed away and who is arrested," Carney said. "I knew they were intel-



Adrienne Perron/ TNH Staff

Jenna Small, Holly Proulx, Madison Small and Olivia Anderson hold a sign to trend the hashtag #TransbillNH.

ligent kids who were too scared to take on the risk of a loan."

Carney went on to advocate for access to free education and for health care as a human right, using his experiences as a basis for the promotion of these proposed changes in government.

Kilcoyne also advocated for an affordable health care solution, using their experience fighting Hodgkin's Lymphoma and being in debt from various cancer treatments as a basis for this proposition.

"Cancer's hard enough, you should really only have to worry about the person, not the payment," they said.

Barkworth shared her thoughts about the LGBTQ+ community and how many members struggle with fighting prejudice every day. She used her own experiences being bisexual to exemplify this prejudice and to advocate for the rights of all members of the LGBTQ+ community.

Barkworth encouraged attendees to visit the NHYM Facebook page and sign a petition calling for a bill regarding trans rights to be signed.

"It's a long road ahead," Barkworth stated. "Baby steps... we need to band together, if you'd like to join me... sign the petition because it's the first step of many that we need to take in order to get people the

rights that they should have had all along."

Settembrino stated that she hoped that these featured speakers made people think about their own reasons for coming to the NHYM launch event.

"We wanted to start out with speakers talking about these issues to get people thinking about why you came out tonight... we all have a different reason for being here, and that's what makes us a movement that has variety and can fight from every side of every cause," Settembrino said.

Settembrino then encouraged attendees to talk with one another about why they attended the event and what issues speak to them, personally.

"Coming to college has opened my eyes to all of the differences in the world," freshman Holly Proulx said. "I would like to learn more about how different issues are affecting not only the community around me, but also myself, and I think this is a good place to start."

Jenna Small, 18, of Dover, New Hampshire, attended the event with Proulx.

"To actually be going to events like this... and hearing other people's stories... is the only way to absorb information that is true," Small said. "It's [a way] ... to open myself up to new people and new things, and being able to help the country

and help other people."

Small's sister, Madison Small, 15, of Dover, New Hampshire also attended the launch event.

"I'm only a sophomore in high school," she said. "But for me, I've always been really passionate, and I want to be more aware of people still not being equal whether it's [about] their gender, race or sexuality... I've never really understood why everyone isn't just equal at this point."

Settembrino expressed that her hope for the event to inspire others in getting involved with the organization.

"I really hope that [this] opened people up to realize the severity of the issues that are going on right now," she said. "It's really easy to talk about it in a lighthearted way... but we wanted to take it back a little bit more and talk about the severity of the issues and get people coming into the movement because they care about it... and hopefully they will want to start their own NHYM hub at UNH."

NHYM will be holding a bird-dog training and button making event on Tuesday, February 20 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in MUB 332. To get more involved in NHYM can visit their Facebook page and send them a message, or email them directly at nhyouthmovement@gmail.com.

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Rev. Sekou encourages truth telling through his music

By **Jordyn Haime**
STAFF WRITER

Rev. Sekou is rather short and thin in his fitted black suit and wide-brimmed fedora that casts a thin shadow over his eyes, but that shouldn't fool attendees to his events. When he takes the stage, he exerts pure power.

Sekou, a nationally-renowned activist, theologian, filmmaker, musician and author, performed backed by a four-piece band (including an old-fashioned organ) to a nearly-full Strafford Room on Thursday. He is also a member of an organization called the Truth Telling Collective.

The Truth Telling Collective is an organization of activists, educators and organizers who work toward racial justice and encourage non-violent change, specifically through storytelling as a radical act, according to their website. Activists from the Collective, Asia Dorsey and Kristine Hendrix, will be leading events and workshops during their month-long residency at UNH to improve race relations on campus.

At Thursday's concert, Sekou invited community members to listen to and participate in his form of truth telling: music and spoken word.

His songs, a harmonious combination of blues, soul, gospel and country, called longingly

for justice and freedom, looking ahead as much as looking back on what brought him here. He sang for the mothers of the murdered, for Charlottesville and for Ferguson, where Sekou himself was arrested multiple times in protests.

"I spent about six weeks in Charlottesville when Nazis marched on the streets of the United States of America...I watched Heather Heyer take her last breath," Sekou said before performing "Bury Me," a song that became the "anthem of Charlottesville."

"Bury Me" honors lives lost to "the struggle for freedom," Sekou sang, "Michael Brown. Sandra Bland. Philando Castile. Heather Heyer. Say my name."

A seasoned preacher, pastor

and social activist, Sekou knew how to conduct an audience. When he told the audience to clap, they clapped. When he told them to rise, they rose. When he called out, the audience responded, and when he ordered the entire room to hold hands with their neighbors and feel the music, they did.

"There was almost a spirituality that came with the performance, how he told us to stand up, to clap our hands, how we were singing back and forth, so it was very engaging," senior sociology major and art minor Joval Mejias said. He co-emceed the event with chaplain and executive director of the Waysmeet Center Larry Brickner-Wood. Brickner-Wood introduced the

performance, and he is very involved in diversity events on campus.

Mejias leads UNH's multicultural Bible study on campus and thinks events like these shouldn't be exclusive to Black History Month.

"There is a big need for diversity awareness on this campus. Especially with what happened last year with the whole Cinco de Mayo thing," he said, "All it is to reach one person. If they've reached one person, then they've done their job."

The next public event with the Truth Telling Collective activists will be on Feb. 15 at the Freedom Cafe. It will feature activists in residence Asia Dorsey and Kristine Hendrix.

Echo Thrift Shop promotes inclusion, offers sales

By **Jessie Stelter**
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

In the spirit of Valentine's Day, Echo Thrift Shop recently had a 50% off sale on all items pink and red leading up to Feb. 14. Customers may have stopped by for the bargain, but this shop is offering a lot more than just cheap prices.

Echo Thrift Shop, located in the Community Church of Durham, is partnered with an organization called Friends in Action, a nonprofit geared toward creating social and recreational opportunities for community members with disabilities.

Executive Director of

Friends in Action Heidi Chase started the organization in 2000, but partnered with Echo Thrift Shop in May of 2015.

According to Chase, the goal of the partnership was to have a space that allowed for those with disabilities to work in the shop, while engaging with each other, as well other Friends in Action participants.

Chase said that "many people with disabilities come home from school or work, have very little social interaction, and can be very socially isolated."

"Social connections are what make people happy," Chase said. "Our goal is to have created environments where these important social connections can happen for people with disabilities."

Friends in Action participant Sam Cousins said that she likes having responsibility at the shop.

"I hang up clothes and put them on sale racks," Cousins said. "I price purses and put them away. I do it with my friends."

Many volunteers who work with the organization are UNH students, and are each partnered up with participants with disabilities, Chase said.

UNH junior Krista Mastrogiacono is one of about 15 student volunteers with the program. She said she learned about the opportunity through the college's community service coordinator.

"I work with participants to help them do whatever part of the job they're capable of do-

ing," Mastrogiacono said. "I've become friends with everyone there."

Organization staff member, Sarah Gartska, who helps to manage the project, emphasizes that although the program may help to give participants work experience, the primary focus is purely to build friendships.

Echo Thrift Shop was originally a small operation put on by the church as a means of engaging the community and earning money. Since their partnership with Friends in Action, sales have tripled, according to Chase.

Half of the profits made from the clothes sold at Echo go toward Friends In Action, while half goes to the church, which puts their share of the money toward their own choice of non-

profit organization and causes.

Chase said that Echo Thrift shop has been successful in reaching its goals of being a platform for lasting social connections, but that the next step is to increase traffic and sales in the shop, so they can maintain the program.

Echo Thrift Shop customer and UNH student Colleen Costello said she is an avid thrift shopper and came to browse after class. She said that she thinks some people know about it, but definitely not as many as she would like.

"There is a massive market for thrift shopping, and once people know a bit more about the charity aspect, they'll want to come even more," Costello said.

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Student Senate update: February 11, 2018

By Benjamin Strawbridge
STAFF WRITER

This past Sunday, Student Senate faced a sharp divide over a resolution designed to allow a farmers' market to operate on campus grounds, which resulted in a two-week vote postponement.

The motion in question, specifically Resolution R.39.23, titled "Allowing the Seacoast Growers' Farmers' Market to Operate at the Campus Crossing Visitor Lot" and introduced by External Affairs Chairperson Hayden Stinson, called to "urge" UNH administration to grant the aforementioned organization weekly access to campus grounds, specifically one of its visitor lots, to allow it to hold its annual June to October farmers' market. The resolution cited, among other core reasons in favor of the event, the need to favor "increased interaction" between the farmers' market and UNH in favor of strengthening their "symbolic relationship" for

the benefit of both sides.

Among the positive consequences of the motion, if passed, would include a successful break in the "disconnect among the students" between the "perception of Durham as a not only a college town" and a "prosperous family community," as well as the ability to showcase the "vibrancy of the local community" and "increase the accessibility and turnout for the event" to accommodate the institution's "cultural and economic interests."

In addition, the bill resolved to "urge" UNH to provide "as substantial a discount as possible" to cover any possible rental fees and reduce "barriers" that could potentially limit the impact of the event on campus grounds until Oct. 1.

Chairperson Stinson, who is working with the Durham Town Council, explained that the bill proposed aid to the farmers' market. Stinson said that "part of the reason students misbehave in this town is because they don't realize that it's a family community, and they

do things here they would never do in their hometown because they're just not aware of how big and how great of a community Durham is."

The overarching goal is to "incorporate" the town into the sustainment of the event as a way to further unite the town and its populations.

Despite the resolution's benefits and community-oriented goals, numerous questions emerged from a number of present members concerning dates, details and locations. Amendments were suggested about the bill's language, including one from non-resident Senator 6 Katie Clark, to remove a mention of "tension and unease" between the University and the town of Durham due to it not being "incredibly necessary."

Criticism arose from members questioning differences between the presented version of the bill and the version presented to the Student Senate Judiciary Committee prior to the Feb. 11 meeting.

According to Stinson, Associate Vice President of Busi-

ness Affairs David May has so far suggested areas, such as Lot A, Section 4, as potential locations for the event, while blocking the Campus Crossing as a prospective site, and desiring to move the end date to Aug. 25.

After nearly 10 minutes of debate about language, as well as a total of 50 minutes of little progress, Director of Public Relations Nick LaCourse urged the body to vote on the bill's postponement. While he commented that both the original and amended language of the motion was "fine," LaCourse asserted that further nitpick-level deliberation over the resolution was "only going off on a limb" and that detail-specific amendments and their objections were only "wasting the body's time," arguing the conversation was "straying into frivolous" territory.

The amendment about language ultimately passed with four nays and five abstentions, while the resolution as a whole received a motion to postpone until Feb. 25.

Aside from R.39.23, procedural business filled out the

remainder of the session, including the removal of Non-Resident Senator 4 Joseph Schiedler and non-resident Senator 1 Brendan Mooney (who were replaced by Lindsay Collins and Cailee Griffin, respectively), as well as the addition of Max Schoenfeld, Caelin McMahon, Cody Belanger and Nick Crosby as new members of the Judiciary Committee, for the remainder of Session XXXIX.

In spite of the split amongst the body, Student Senate Speaker José Calvo insists that such fervent debate is normal and is "glad that we are having more discussion during these meetings." For him, the lack of a definitive passing vote on R.39.23 illustrates that "people are actually opposing one another and having these debates," which he labeled as both "controversial" but also "welcome in a democracy." And as for the fate of Stinson's farmers' market bill, Senate Speaker Calvo simply stated "outcomes weren't as expected, but we will see in two weeks when the resolution comes up again."

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LOVE letters

I heard someone say,
 "I like you and I love
 you,"
 And it made me think.
 -Katie Lesnyk

Love can be described as a
 mountain and its peak;
 Those who refuse to com-
 mit to the climb are weak;
 But those who can thrive
 through both the valley
 and the hill,
 Are those who are worthy
 of respect and free will,
 And thus inspire the rest to
 continue the streak.
 -Ben S.

I know I've been away for
 a while,
 but I hope that you haven't
 given up.
 Not on me, not on you, but
 on us.
 We are different than you
 or me
 We can feel the same pain,
 the same love,
 can feel each other stretch-
 ing out inside
 like a child in the womb.
 Get comfortable with me
 and I'll get comfortable
 with you.
 I want to feel your heart-
 beat,
 and feel the way you move.

As I get older and experience the small day-to-day pleasures
 of real life, I see that non-romantic gestures can be swoon-
 worthy too.
 And we can be happy and autonomous individuals in an
 equal and loving relationship
 And not fall into each other's arms after a near-death experi-
 ence like in a cheesy romance drama film,
 But rather from laughing until we have tears rolling down
 our faces because of a meme.

This is for Alycia:
 Roses are red,
 Newspapers are grey
 Alycia makes me smile
 every day.
 Love, Madison

B. Burns.
 A year ago today I first wrote to you. Now, that
 I know more about you, I see that it's not grav-
 ity that goes to work when you smile, but the
 energy that surrounds you. Although you claim
 you didn't know what to say that one night, your
 actions spoke millions. I finally got to see myself
 in your eyes. Your heart is worth loving even in
 silence. Never let anything hold you back in life
 and remember; never give up on what you love.
 -Anita



UNH hosts “What’s Cooking?” classes every Wednesday

By **Rachelle McKeown**
CONTRIBUTING
WRITER

Imagine being in the live studio audience of a cooking show. Except after the show is over, the chefs share the food they make with the audience. UNH’s “What’s Cooking?” classes come as close as most college students will get to ever having such an experience. Put on by Nourish UNH, a Nutrition Peer Education Group at UNH, “What’s Cooking?” classes are offered every Wednesday from 4:10 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Hamel Recreation Center Kitchen.

According to Laila Ham-

man, a Nutrition Educator/Counselor at UNH and the supervisor of Nourish, the “What’s Cooking?” program was founded on three concepts: healthy, easy and budget-friendly. The program is beneficial not only for students, but also for members of Nourish, as they get to practice educating students about nutrition.

The teachers of each class rotate so that everyone in Nourish gets a chance to teach. This week’s class was taught by Emily Bukovich and Elise Lacasse, both Nourish Peer Educators. In honor of Valentine’s Day, the class focused on foods that were heart-healthy. The meal of the day was spaghetti squash with a homemade tomato sauce and dessert involved making a pre-

made oatmeal cookie mix in a mason jar. Bukovich and Lacasse, both senior Nutrition and Dietetics majors, began their cooking demo by giving tips for cutting a spaghetti squash, such as perforating the exterior and microwaving it for a few minutes before attempting to cut it.

As they went about cooking and explaining what they were doing, they talked about the nutrition content of the food they were preparing. Because the focus was on heart health, Bukovich explained that the fiber in spaghetti squash is good at “taking up” cholesterol and therefore, good for your heart. One of the girls also mentioned that an alternative to cutting up peppers and onions for the sauce is

to buy frozen vegetables, a useful tip for college students who are pressed for time. They also offered alternatives by saying that one can often use a blender for the same purposes one would use a food processor for.

Once the sauce was slowly simmering and the squash was baking, Lacasse and Bukovich showed students how to assemble their cookie mason jars and answered any questions they had about both the food they were making and nutrition as a whole. After the squash was done, the girls invited everyone up to help them prepare the squash. Everyone happily ate their food and commented on how good the sauce tasted.

While spaghetti squash may

not be for everyone, the menu varies from class to class. Bukovich says that some of her favorite meals from past classes include sushi and quinoa bowls and some of Lacasse’s favorites include a cauliflower crust pizza and mason jar salads.

Reflecting on the experience, Lacasse says that classes are “a great opportunity to connect with students on a personal level. It’s a great way to spread knowledge of nutrition.” Bukovich seemed to share this sentiment, as she was quick to offer nutritional tips such as “eating a lot of different colors.” This nutrition advice, combined with a simple meal, should keep students satiated for hours.

Bill to tighten animal cruelty laws

By **Adam Urquhart**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AMHERST, N.H. (AP) — A Bedford-based company launched a unique initiative this week that caters specifically to veterans.

Jack Child, of Amherst, said his company - G-FORCE - specializes in pavement maintenance and parking lot striping. In August 2017, he created an opportunity available exclusively for veterans, active guard or reserve members to work for and own a G-FORCE franchise.

“We really built the brand and imagery around today’s returning veterans, something they can take pride in ownership of,” Child said.

As a veteran himself, having been in the Army for three years and being involved in the Air Force for seven years, he knows what it’s like to make that transition back home.

It’s low-cost in entry, and the total investment can start as low as \$25,000.

Being a franchise that’s selling exclusively to veterans, Child said, “It makes it a little harder in some ways, because we’re narrowing our potential prospects, but I also think it becomes a magnet and shines a brighter light on what we’re trying to do for veterans.”

He hopes that once franchises are set in place around the country, that they too will hire other veterans to make an even bigger impact on the veteran community.

“We’ve got several prospects from around the country expressing serious interest,” Child said.

Everything about the G-FORCE brand has a military-type look to it, from the logo to the name, and even their trucks and trailers have a camouflage wrap.

“The crews wear camo pants, branded shirts and things like that to project a professional image,” Child said.

He said he’d like to expand and grow the franchise to reach the major metropolitan areas of the country, such as targeting areas like Texas, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Florida and Georgia.

However, right now, the company itself is focusing on parking-lot striping and covers most of New Hampshire and a good bit of Massachusetts.

“We are the folks who either put down new parking lot markings on new pavement or we restore old, worn out markings that have been there for a few years,” Child said.

With most every public parking lot requiring these markings, G-FORCE lays down paint for anything from parking spaces, reserved spots, arrows, fire lanes and much more. They also install parking-lot signs, like handicap signage.

“Our primary service is pretty straight forward. We also offer hot rubber crack sealing, and we work with other contractors to provide sealcoating, other paving repairs and other major asphalt repairs,” Child said, adding that, “We are using that business to help fund our expansion into putting veterans into the business around the country.”

Child said he has a soft spot for veterans who’ve been serving over the past 12 years or so that have had multiple tours.

“The military has been asked to do a lot, and when they return, they haven’t always been able to transition and find meaningful work or get into a business,” Child said.

With his own military background and understanding of the challenges of transitioning from military to what he said they call “the real world,” he looks to help

others do the same.

“I have some experiences in my background that put me in a position to help them with their transition and show them how to get into business,” Child said.

The company will take care of a lot of things for the veterans such as creating a website, for example, to free them up to start up and grow their business.

“As an instructor-pilot, I’d take a pilot who had not been in an airplane or experienced the task at hand, and it was my job to transfer my knowledge to them so I could set them up to succeed,” Child said.

He said that they would fail and make mistakes, but that he’d use it as a learning tool and try to pre-empt those mistakes.

“Even though I’ve started many businesses over the years, I still know what it’s like to be on day one, thinking of getting into a business and how it feels to launch. I can try to steer them in the right direction to help them succeed and not make the mistakes I’ve made over the years,” Child said.

Having much experience under his belt, he said he thinks they’ll be able to get 50 franchises established over the next three to five years.

Child and his partner Bill Putnam, operations manager for the local striping business, take on a sort of military mindset of being in uniform and showing up and getting the job done.

Child said in November 2017, the company’s business model was recognized in Massachusetts as the best of 18 entries in a veteran entrepreneur series pitch competition. He said they made the final five, then took first prize and were given \$5,000 to put toward the business.

NH Briefs

Man gets 20-40 years for murder

NASHUA, N.H. (AP) — A man has pleaded guilty to killing two New Hampshire women 30 years ago and been sentenced to 20 to 40 years in prison.

David Caplin was brought from Canada in 2015 to face murder charges in the case, and he agreed to return there permanently after serving his sentence.

He pleaded guilty Wednesday to two counts of second-degree murder in the deaths of 48-year-

old Charlene Ranstrom and 32-year-old Brenda Warner. They were bound, beaten and stabbed to death in their Nashua home in 1988.

At the time, Caplin and Anthony Barnaby, both Canadian Micmac Indians, lived in the same building as the women. Charges against them were dropped due to suppressed evidence and mistrials. They were arrested again in 2011.

Barnaby’s scheduled for trial in August.

Driver accused of threatening passenger

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — Police in New Hampshire have accused a driver of threatening to kill his passenger and crashing his vehicle into a home before trying to run away.

Police on Tuesday night charged 47-year-old Paul Loukedes, of Concord, with attempt to commit murder, driving while intoxicated, criminal threatening, and other charges.

Police said Loukedes was involved in a domestic dispute with his passenger

and made comments that he was going to kill that person. They said he accelerated the vehicle and drove into a home, damaging both property and the vehicle.

Police eventually arrested Loukedes, who was scheduled for a court appearance Wednesday afternoon. It wasn’t immediately known if he had a lawyer and a phone number couldn’t be found for him. The passenger was injured and was taken to a hospital.

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Pam McPhee, Fireside Experience Program advisor, worries about Fireside extinction. (Ed Sawyer photo)

Fireside program may be cut due to UNH budget problems

Not considered an academic priority

By Ben Zipkin
Staff Reporter

Due to budget cuts and a sizable decrease in funding, the University of New Hampshire's Fireside Experience Program, an outdoor learning environment club, is in serious jeopardy of being eliminated next year.

Fireside, which was founded in 1979, receives \$10,000 per year from the University, which constitutes the bulk of the program's finances. In the coming fiscal year, however, the money may be reallocated, and Fireside might cease to exist.

Control of the orientation program, which contains Freshman Camp and the Fireside Program, was transferred last year from the Student Activities office to the Academic Affairs office. Dr. Walter Eggers, vice president of Academic Affairs, said academic, rather than extra-curricular activities, will be given funding priority in the orientation program.

Eggers said Fireside was not seen as a viable academic affair, and because of sizable budget cuts this year, there is no money for the program. Due to funding cuts, many of the University programs, both academic and extra-curricular, are being scrutinized by the University administration, said Eggers.

Eggers also stressed that his view was in no way meant to criticize the Fireside program, rather it reflected the priorities for funds at his disposal.

Fireside was established to promote both orientation and retention for incoming freshmen. The organization establishes a learning environment, which emphasizes community involvement and participation. Firesiders participate in outings in the wilderness, as well as in the community.

Fireside advisor Pam McPhee is not giving up hope. She is encouraging all past Firesiders to write letters to Eggers expressing the importance and value of the program. A successful rally was held on Feb. 6, she said.

McPhee said the Fireside staff is exhausting every option in preparing their rebuttal. "The Fireside program is important to a lot of people. It eases the college adjustment for many people, and this

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Threat to a tradition

By Gina DiGregorio
News Reporter

As Pam McPhee, Fireside Experience Program advisor, begins to reflect on her twelve years working with Fireside, she hesitates to think about the future of the program.

The future is that the UNH Fireside Experience Program, begun in 1979, is being cut from the UNH budget and faces extinction next year.

Fireside is part of the physical education department at UNH. One of the major goals of Fireside is to provide a place for students, faculty and staff to participate in a vigorous learning environment.

According to McPhee, the entire Fireside Program is based on

both orientation and retention. Fireside aides the University by retaining students said McPhee. The program helps students realize that they do not have to have everything all together. That is why they are at UNH said McPhee. "We (Fireside) celebrate the whole questioning attitude," McPhee said.

Sara Woodward and Tammy Mack, Fireside staff members, both agreed that Fireside helps students develop peer relationships.

According to Mack, Fireside allows people to learn about themselves and take a lot of risks in an atmosphere filled with trust.

"It (Fireside) is such a good

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Admin. scrambles to salvage budget

By Katelyn Randall
News Reporter

In response to Gov. Judd Gregg's proposed plan to roll-back funding for the University System of New Hampshire (USNH) to numbers lower than 1987 levels, USNH Trustees and Chancellors met in Concord yesterday with the House Appropriations Committee to explain why USNH can not undergo these cuts and continue at its present level of quality.

On Wednesday, Gov. Gregg proposed in his state budget to cut USNH 1992 funding by \$2.9 million dollars to \$51.3 million and then in 1993 to return it to the 1991 level of \$54.2 million.

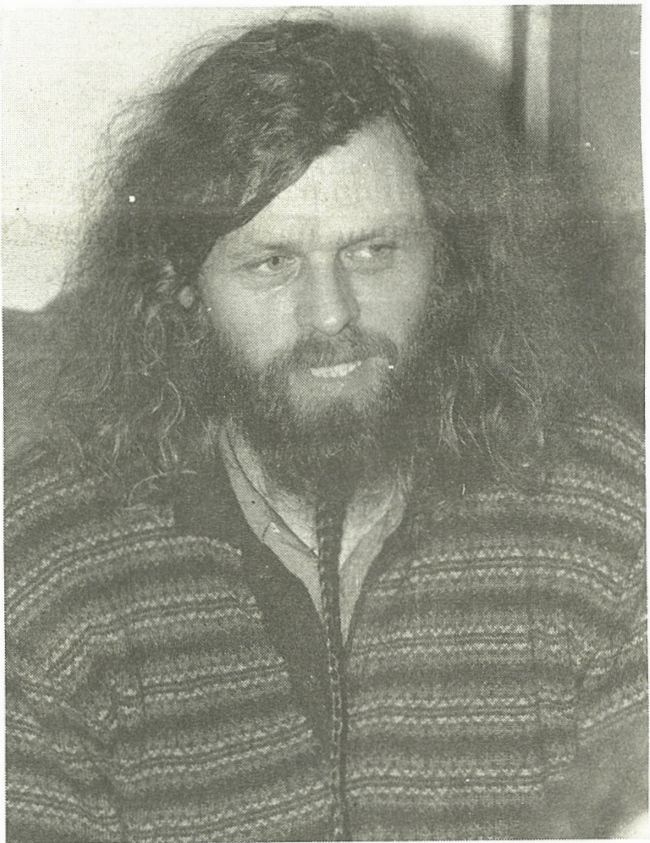
Raymond Buckley, D-Manchester, who sits on the House

Appropriations Committee said that both Chancellor Claire Van Ummersen and Trustee Terry Morton "should be commended for their response to the brutal attack on USNH by Gov. Gregg."

According to Buckley, because Gov. Gregg came from a privileged background, he never had to attend a public institution of higher education. He doesn't understand the importance of USNH, said Buckley.

"I feel confident that elected officials will reject the proposal (made by Gov. Gregg) and will restore the requested funds," said Buckley. According to Morton, if Gregg's proposal passes there

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Jacob Holdt hitchhiked 118,000 miles of America. (Ed Sawyer photo)

American Pictures paint a dark image

By Gail Leach
News Reporter

After only two years of high school, Jacob Holdt decided to leave his home in Denmark and travel around America. However, his travel plans were very different from most. Holdt planned to hitchhike around the country with only \$40, a camera and the desire to photograph the American underclass. If you were one of the people who got into line early on

Monday night, then you were able to listen to and see the haunting pictures that Holdt captured. These were pictures of racism, oppression and suffering.

Holdt, a distinctive man with long hair and a longer braided beard, came to the University of New Hampshire Monday to show *American Pictures* to a sold out crowd of 350 in the Memorial

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The ARTS

Are you sick of seeing people happily with their significant other? Don't worry, this is the only page that deals with love. Other than that, you can read about upcoming rap projects and an interesting lecture on art history!

15 February 2018

Happy day after Valentine's Day, 'Cats!

By Andrew Simons, ARTS EDITOR

Have a lonely Valentine's Day? Have no fear, so did a lot of other 'Cats. In order to further try to explain the crazy thing we call love, I've made a few poems based off the Missed Connections section of Craigslist...

(the following poems were created by chopping Missed Connections posts into pieces and piecing them together... each new line represents a different post.)

*We should try
me on you and you on me.
You are luscious.
to the point my chapped lips bleed.
I know we were meant to be
but have always been afraid.*

*Are you that stupid that you can't remember?
Empty promises
indecision
Next time we see each other tell me
your dishonesty and thievery
really hurt*

*This cougar played with you like a catnip toy.
I was driving all over town
to land what I was looking for
and I know you seen me see you
you were in the X-ray waiting room
sucking on a lollipop
Next time we see each other tell me
I haven't seen a flower
like yours in a long time*

*It was just a momentary glance, a walk past
You smiled at me and told me
I wish I could be
blue*

*To the "person,"
I played with your beard
twisted it in my hand
I have so many questions
I hope you can help.*

*ocean on a stormy day
really hurt,
like you.*

*I'm not trying to start anything, but
after catching a glimpse of you
I wanted to keep looking so I
opened Pandora's Box
And I
smell and lick
what's inside*

Sidore Memorial Lecture Series welcomes Professor James Cuno

By Aaron Soroa
STAFF WRITER

“We live in dangerous times, and the more that we understand that we all have a stake in the preservation of the world’s cultural heritage as our common heritage, that any and all forms of cultural expression produced at any time and any part of the world are all of ours to be identified with and to be inspired with, the better off our world will be.”

-James Cuno, the president and CEO of the J. Paul Getty Trust

“The power and authority of cultural heritage lies in its integrity as evidence of the continuing, inspiring, genius of humanity, as a source of local communal identity and as an instrument of civil society,” Professor James Cuno, the president and CEO of the J. Paul Getty Trust, said when talking on the importance of protecting culture in conflict zones.

Since 1965, the University of New Hampshire has hosted the Saul O Sidore Memorial Lecture Series, which is sponsored by the University of New Hampshire Center for the Humanities. The College of Liberal Arts’ website reads, “The purpose of the series is to offer the University community and the state of New Hampshire programs that raise critical and sometimes controversial issues facing our society.”

This year, the Sidore Memorial Lecture Series is titled “Who Owns the Past?” The series is made up of six lectures each talking on the subject of

the importance of history, culture and why it is important to preserve cultural artifacts.

The fourth part of the Sidore Memorial Lecture Series, titled, “Cultural Heritage in Conflict Zones: Protecting the Past for the Future,” was held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday in the Memorial Union Building Theater two. Cuno was invited as the guest speaker. According to the Getty Trust’s website, “The J. Paul Getty Trust is the world’s largest cultural and philanthropic organization dedicated to the visual arts.” Before working at “The Getty,” Cuno was the Director of The Harvard Art Museum and the Art Institute of Chicago.

The lecture focused primarily on the Middle East, more

specifically, the damage that the destruction of culture has caused. Cuno began his talk by showing those in attendance before and after pictures of important historical monuments in the Middle East. One picture he showed was of Palmyra, Syria, which was once an oasis.

“The reason [Palmyra] was so important was because it brought these cultures into contact with each other and then transmitted the artistic qualities and cultures across the silk road, it was where east met west,” Cuno said.

Palmyra was an oasis that was untouched by the rest of humanity. Therefore, the people of Palmyra were able to cultivate their own culture. Today, Palmyra is no longer the

place it was, it is torn with destruction, and the monumental mosque and statues that once stood tall are no longer there. The fall of Palmyra represents what happens when humanity fails to work together to preserve culture.

According to Cuno, it is essential to protect the cultural heritage of states because it is a way for them to maintain their own sovereignty. He gave a list of reasons as to why it was important to preserve cultural heritage.

“The people affected by civil war and jihadist violence, themselves, care about the loss of Cultural Heritage,” Cuno said. “[Cultural Heritage] is something defining of them and who they are as a people.”

Cuno concluded with, “we live in dangerous times, and the more that we understand that we all have a stake in the preservation of the world’s cultural heritage as our common heritage, that any and all forms of cultural expression produced at any time and any part of the world are all of ours to be identified with and to be inspired with, the better off our world will be.”

Cuno’s hope of the lecture was to make sure those in attendance understood that world culture is human culture, and that all humans, those who are far from the geographic, emotional and personal cultures, are just as important in preserving culture as those who are the closest.



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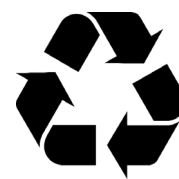


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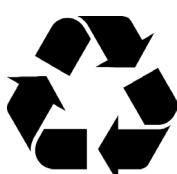
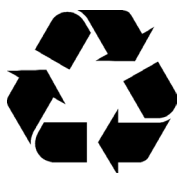
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Three Hip-Hop Albums to Look Forward to in 2018

By Caleb Jagoda
STAFF WRITER

There's no debating that 2017 was a great year for hip-hop. Whether it was an unlikely abundance of Grammy nominations or seeing a handful of underground albums get the recognition they deserved, 2017 was an all-around fantastic year for rap. It saw legends like Eminem and Jay-Z come out with late-career projects, as well as receiving pleasant surprises from newcomers like J.I.D. and MIKE.

That being said, 2018 has even more promise. With a large amount of big name MCs and experimental rappers alike having releases slated to drop this year, hip-hop and rap fans have a lot to look forward to.

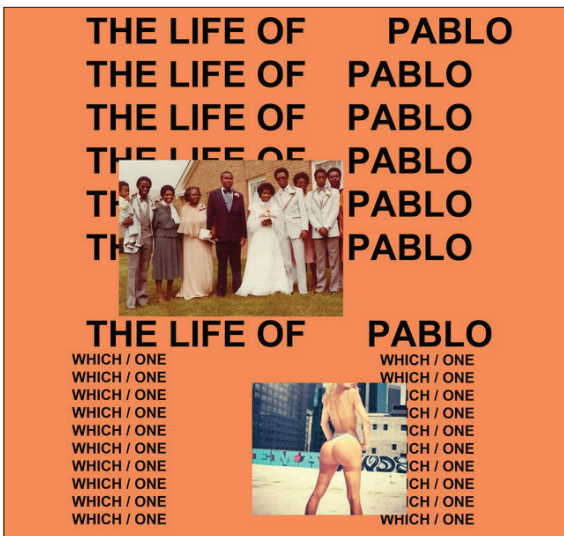
Let's take a look at the most anticipated hip-hop album releases of 2018.



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Anderson .Paak

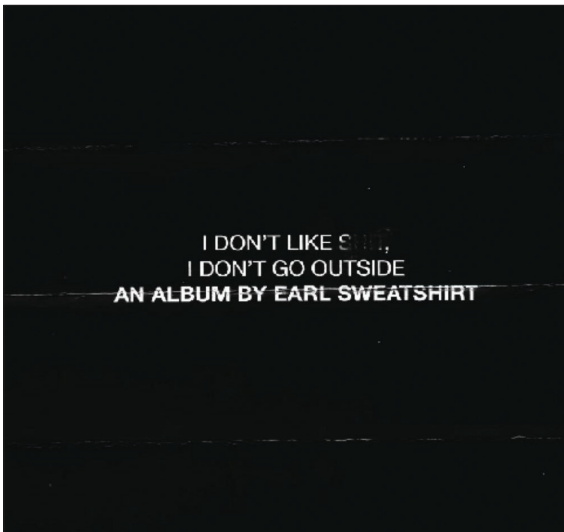
After having a riveting 2016, Anderson .Paak was relatively quiet (as far as solo work goes) for all of 2017. While he did have a slew of guest features last year, there wasn't any word on a new album. 2016 saw the Oxnard, California native release two critically-acclaimed albums (a solo album in "Malibu" and his collaboration with producer Knxwledge "Yes Lawd!") and receive two Grammy nominations. All of the praise was well-deserved, as .Paak is debatably the smoothest man on the planet. His impressive drumming skills, his mind-boggling vocal range, and his affinity for pulling off strange hats time and time again are all what make the R&B crooner so fun. In a recent interview, he stated that he wouldn't give an official release date yet, but to definitely expect an album on the way in 2018. If it's anywhere near as fun as "Yes Lawd!" or "Malibu" were, then we should be in for a treat.



Courtesy Def Jam, GOOD

Kanye West

What's next for Kanye? The polarizing musician is almost two years removed from his last album, "The Life of Pablo," and after having such a successful career, what more could we want out of him? He's 40 years old, has given us anywhere from three to five classic albums (depending on who you ask), has changed the soundscape of hip-hop numerous times, and is a massive influence on one of today's biggest budding stars in Chance the Rapper. We really can't ask for much more out of Mr. West. That being said, Kanye is as hard-working and innovative as they come. After hearing several reports that he's been trying to remove himself from Hollywood in an effort of creative seclusion, and knowing that that's exactly what he did when he recorded the majority of "My Beautiful Dark Twisted Fantasy" in Honolulu, Hawaii, we can't help but hope for 'Ye to give us just a little bit more magic. After all, he is one of the most influential musicians of this century, so it's completely fair to expect another masterpiece from one of the most capable rappers alive.



Courtesy Tan Cressida, Columbia

Earl Sweatshirt

Earl Sweatshirt is an enigmatic, eclectic individual and sometimes it can make his fans (un-justly) mad. While the MC is known for releasing very little music, yet always supplying insanely high-quality, dense material, he is routinely heckled by fans on Twitter to drop a new album. While I would never want to rush his creative process, I'm starting to get a little bit antsy for a new Earl release. Come this March, it will have been three years since his last official music came out (somberly titled "I Don't Like Sh--, I Don't Go Outside"), and while the project was met with both critical praise and fan admiration, it looks like it's about time for Earl to end his hiatus. While he hasn't formally announced a new album quite yet, he recently took to Twitter to tell fans, "new chunes 2018, don't think i wasn't at work." The reclusive 23-year-old rapper is poetic, grim and still very young, and it will be interesting to see how he's evolved as an artist over the course of the past three years.

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Letter to the editor

The situation is more complex

The points Professor Dusek makes in his editorial last week convey what can occur when UNH administration acts in an otherwise indecent manner. One should, however, further expand on his statements due to the complexity of the issues. Regarding the Entomology Department, it appears he and I refer to different committees as the report of the UNH Planning Council that reached President Nitschke's desk in 1993 suggested dissolving the Entomology Department, the Undergraduate Social Work Program, and the Consumer Studies Department. Even if the former Vice President was heavily biased against those departments, President Nitschke could overrule the recommendations of the committee. Such a veto did occur in his decision regarding the Social Work Department and – to a certain extent – the Consumer Studies Department which was combined with another major to form Human Development and Family Studies.

As for the attempt to abolish Chemical Engineering, there is no denying that such an effort was due to impropriety on the part of the administration. It is possible that similar reasonings were in mind when those overseeing the current cuts considered terminating those lecturers who were integral to the formation of the existing contract between the Board of

Trustees and the Lecturer chapter of the AAUP. Others have accused the administration of union busting as recent as April of last year; it is, therefore, reasonable to consider that such measures could be happening now.

Regarding Professor Dusek's mention of the late Robert Morin, one should note that UNH has allegedly taken advantage of those who make their contribution intentions public. The information available regarding the money that Morin left to the university, however, suggests that such actions did not occur in this case. Records suggest that his contribution was a surprise to those involved. It appears that UNH bought the scoreboard before knowing they would receive the endowment from Robert Morin. While one can argue that it may not have been the most responsible investment, the money that did go to the payment of the scoreboard was not earmarked for specific items. If the administration was aware of Mr. Morin's intentions and purchased the scoreboard in anticipation of his passing, that information is not yet public.

The original editorial that Professor Dusek responded to meant – in part – to provide possible justification for those cuts that are occurring due to concrete reasons (e.g., low student enrollment). While he admits that his analogy of six-hundred students

to one teacher is extreme, he avoids mentioning the cuts that are occurring for such reasons or that some – though, admittedly, not many – measures do exist in the current Lecturers' contract to avoid an overwhelming student to teacher ratio for certain types of classes. Class sizes do increase due to a lack of faculty, and that may happen with the cuts that have occurred, but it is important to discuss both the possible increase of classes as well as the minimal protections that do exist.

Finally, as stated two weeks ago, students and faculty can seek change on the matter of the ongoing cuts. Work-to-rule efforts, student protests, and the threat of a student strike proved incredibly effective in both overturning certain aspects of the cuts that occurred nearly thirty years ago and furthering the discussion of the contract dispute between the Board of Trustees and the Tenure Track Faculty chapter of the AAUP. Tomorrow's rally in front of Murkland Hall affords students a similar chance to come together to speak out against the current cuts. For those who feel strongly about what is currently happening at the university, follow the example made by those of the past. Join together and fight for what you believe will make a better UNH.

Tyler Anderson

Thumbs *up* Thumbs *down*



Thumbs up to White Out the Whitt.



Thumbs down to losing to Maine.



Thumbs up to Shaun White winning a gold medal.



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Thumbs down to TNH not publishing again until next week.



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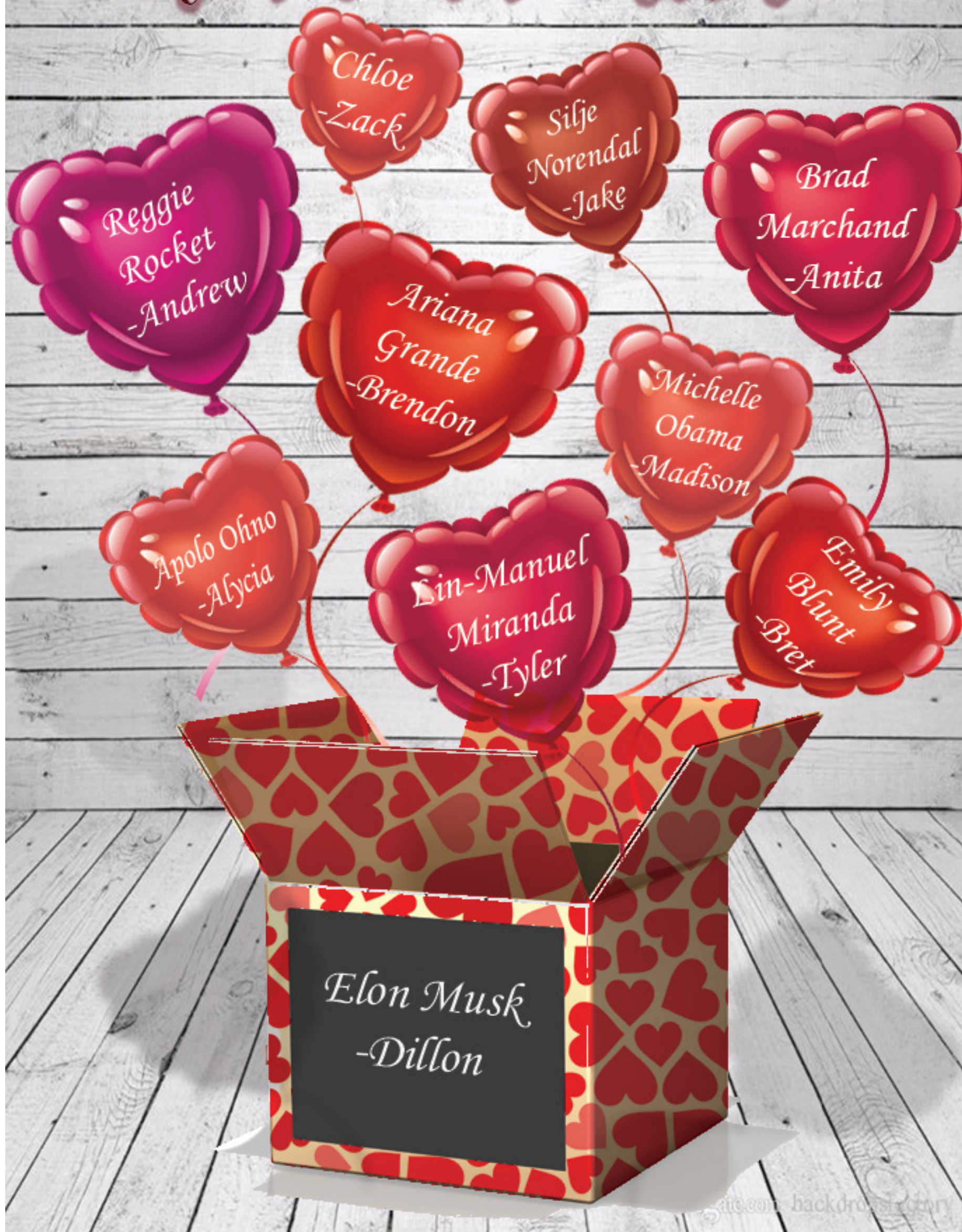
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From the *Editor's Desk...* Various Valentines

Happy Valentine's Day, Wildcats! If you're reading this, it might be the day after Valentine's Day, but nonetheless I hope it was a good one. This is a special day to celebrate those you love, and this affection can take on a multitude of forms. Although it is most commonly celebrated with a significant other, there are plenty of reasons to show affection and people to express gratitude to on this day, and all days.

I truly believe that Valentine's Day is about showing affection to the people who have made you more thoughtful, caring and considerate individuals. It's about expressing gratitude to those who push you to be the best you can be, and it is with these people that you can surpass incredible milestones and produce incredible things together.

This Valentine's Day, I find myself feeling incredibly grateful for those who surround me. Currently, on this Valentine's Day eve, we at *The New Hampshire* are in the process of creating your source of news. Although working past midnight on a day meant for celebration may not seem preferable, for me the newsroom is a rational fit. My coworkers and friends on the editorial staff teach me every day how to be the best version of myself, which, in many ways, is what a significant other is supposed to do.

I truly believe that Valentine's Day is about showing affection to the people who have made you more thoughtful, caring and considerate individuals. It's about expressing gratitude to those who push you to be the best you can be, and it is with these people that you can surpass incredible milestones and produce incredible things together. These are oftentimes successes that are not as easily achieved on your own, and

so it is critical to acknowledge the people in your life who help you to achieve such greatness.

For me, my TNH family does just that. Together, we are a team and each play an integral role in the production of something incredible; a student-run newspaper. Without our staff and contributing writers, we wouldn't be able to deliver you all newsworthy content. Without my content editor, news editors, and arts editor, the content may lack

thoroughness, variety and objectivity. Without my design editors, formatting the paper would become a daunting task. But, because we at *The New Hampshire* have a passion for news and delivering it to consumers just like you, we pour our affection for the truth into

I hope some of you can look around and humble yourselves in the truth that the relationships in your lives are very much like a team. These teammates are the ones who have made you into the incredible people you all are, and continue to be. Be it your professors, coaches, family or friends, there is no day like today to make your appreciation known.

hours of reporting and editing, and together we create something incredible.

Throughout my years on staff, I have learned the importance of transparency. In any relationship, being open and honest is the best and only

way to maintain a healthy and fair relationship, and in the news it is the only way to obtain credibility. My coworkers have taught me the importance of patience and understanding when an unexpected circumstance may arise. It is difficult for me to imagine a better Valentine than my TNH family.

I hope some of you can look around and humble yourselves in the truth that the relationships in your lives are very much like a team. These teammates are the ones who have made you into the incredible people you all are, and continue to be. Be it your professors, coaches, family or friends, there is no day like today to make your appreciation known. For some of you, this appreciation will be shown in the Solidarity Rally for Lecturers this Friday. Moving forward, I hope that for all of you, making your appreciation known will become a part of your everyday duties. May you uphold your healthy relationships, work on becoming the friend you are most grateful for, and just remember you have a due diligence in being a teammate worth relying on.

Alycia Wilson
Executive Editor

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first meeting vs. Hartford],” Lai said after the win. “We just used that as energy for today, I mean all of us were thinking about what happened down in Hartford.”

Lai and company tore apart the Hawks’ defensive pressure that gave the ‘Cats fits in the first meeting. Hartford led 32-31 at halftime of Wednesday’s game, but the ‘Cats rallied to outscore Hartford 45-26 in the second half.

“We learned very much the hard way at their place. We let that pressure really affect us, not so much the full court pressure, but the half court,” head coach Maureen Magarity said after the win. “We had to break down that film and watch, it wasn’t so much what they were doing, it was what we were doing.”

The Wildcats had already avoided a dismal 1-6 stretch and three straight losses – what would have been the second time in a month – with their win over University of Maryland Baltimore County on Sunday, Feb. 11, 51-46, on the Retrievers’ home court.

Pogue led the ‘Cats with 16

points and two key free throws to solidify the victory over UMBC. With support from teammates Olivia Healy and Lai, who recorded 14 and 11 points, respectively, and the ‘Cats recorded a desperate win needed to remain in the conference’s top four.

Having fallen to the University of Maine on Thursday, Feb. 8, in their second largest blowout loss of the season (46-77), and with the end of the regular season nearing, the Wildcats shifted into must-win territory.

“It’s been a very interesting season, a very inconsistent season,” Magarity reflected after the UMBC win. “Our outside shot has been upside down. But a win’s a win, and we found our way to come back and win, which means we’ve got others stepping up.

“After the [Maine] loss we needed a confidence boost. Just feeling good knowing we only have three games left until the tournament, knowing what Hartford did to us the first time around, that’s important.”

Their win against UMBC positioned the Wildcats to start strong in Wednesday’s rematch with Hartford in Lundholm Gym-



CHINA WONG/TNH STAFF

Senior guard Brittnei Lai finished with 13 points and eight assists in Wednesday’s 76-58 victory over Hartford.

nasium. Giving up just six turnovers and ripping nine steals from the Retrievers set in motion the ‘Cats’ success model necessary to compete with a dangerous Hartford squad. Protect the ball and beat the press, then work from there.

And they did just that.

The ‘Cats play Stony Brook University next on Saturday, Feb. 17, for Senior Day then take to University of Massachusetts Lowell for their final regular season game on Feb. 22. The ‘Cats sit in fourth place in America East at 8-6, with Stony Brook on their trail at 7-6.

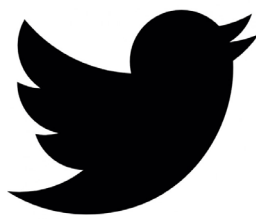
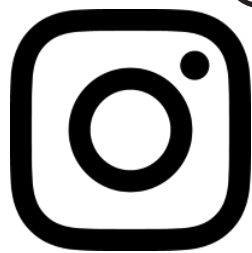
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Junior forward Ara Nazarian celebrates after his second period goal Saturday night against Vermont.

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Nazarian, freshmen Charlie Kelleher, Benton Maass and Eric MacAdams and senior Shane Eiserman all recorded assists for the ‘Cats.

Maine proved that the old hockey cliché “a two-goal lead is the hardest to defend” stays true, as the Black Bears scored twice in the last eight minutes of the game to force the game to over-

time. All three games between the two squads this season went to extra time, the first two games resulted in ties.

“That was as bad as it gets, losing that game,” Umile said. “That’s what has gone on all season.”

Maine freshman Mitchell Fossier, after a mad scramble for a loose puck, buried the game-winner with 21 seconds left in overtime leaving the Whittemore Center stunned as everyone in the

building thought the ‘Cats had the game wrapped up.

“It’s like we don’t want to win, we just don’t,” Umile said. “We just give [games all season] away.”

Prior to the mid-week showdown, the ‘Cats battled fellow Hockey East opponent University of Vermont in a two-game home series. UNH dropped the first game, 2-1, with Nazarian being the lone goal-scorer for the Wildcats.

In game number two of the weekend, the ‘Cats skated to a 2-2 tie against the Catamounts. Nazarian scored again for his second of the weekend and junior Marcus Vela added the equalizer early on in the third period.

After the three-game stretch, UNH’s record sits at 10-15-6 overall and 5-11-5 in Hockey East play. The loss leaves UNH in 10th place in the conference standings, one point behind the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

UNH will make the short trip to Merrimack College, who sits in last place in the conference, for a one-game stand on Friday, Feb. 16, with a puck drop at 7 p.m.



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TRACK & FIELD

Purrier breaks her own UNH mile record

By Nick D'Aloia
STAFF WRITER

The UNH men's and women's track and field teams participated in two split-squad meets on Saturday, Feb. 10. Half of the Wildcats' squads traveled to Orono, Maine to compete in a tri-meet against the University of Maine and Husson University, while the other half participated in the David Hemery Valentine Invitational at Boston University.

The weekend's meets were highlighted by senior Elinor Purrier's breaking the UNH mile record and claiming the second-fastest indoor mile time in the history of the sport.

"In her sport, she's the second-fastest, ever, all-time, out of every school. UCLA, Oregon, you name it, any of them," UNH women's coach Robert Hoppler said. "She is one of the greatest athletes UNH has ever had, by far."

Purrier previously held the UNH record for the indoor mile at 4:29.44. This Saturday she finished at an incredible 4:26.55, which puts her number one in the nation this season in the indoor mile and just under a second away from the current all-time NCAA indoor mile record of 4:25.91.

In addition to breaking her own record and having the second-fastest indoor mile time in history, Purrier received the NCAA Division I Woman's National Athlete of the Week award by the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA).

Purrier was also presented with her third consecutive American East Women's Track Performer of the Week award, marking her fourth time receiving the honor this season.

"She's an other-worldly, once in a generation athlete," Hoppler said. "In the state of New Hampshire sports, she has to be way up there. You have Olympic winning athletes like Bode Miller, of course they're going to get the nod, but what she's accomplished, it's one of the top achievements at UNH and certainly in the whole state. What an amazing run."

Purrier wasn't the only Wildcat to experience success at the Valentine Invitational in Boston. Graduate student Michael Shanahan took first place, once again, in the weight throw with a distance of 71-feet, two inches.

"Believe it or not, we're still waiting for a big throw from [Shanahan]," UNH men's coach Jim Boulanger said. "We feel he has been very consistent between 70 and 72 feet, but we both know, we've seen it in practice, that there's one big throw waiting in there and hopefully he can get it out in the next few weeks."

Sophomore Zachary Astle took third place in the shot put with a throw of 52-feet, 8.25 inches, while senior Joel Nkounkou also finished third in the long jump with a distance of 22-feet, 11 inches.

In Saturday's tri-meet in Orono, Maine, the Black Bears edged out both the UNH men's and women's track and field teams. The women's team scored

125 points compared to Maine's 130, while the men's finished with 112 to Maine's 114.

"It was a good little meet and it was very competitive coming down to the last shot put event," Boulanger said. "Everyone was cheering each other on and it was a great battle, so on that side of the coin, we got the team atmosphere we want and are trying to develop within the program so when we get to the conference we act as a team."

One of the most notable finishes on the women's side was senior Dana Rose Brown, who finished first in the 500-meter run, with a time of 1:22.56.

In the women's 60m dash, freshman Kelly Crawford and senior Carly Orlacchio finished just 0.01 seconds apart. Crawford took first place in 8.17 seconds, while Orlacchio took second in 8.18 seconds.

In another one-two finish, Wildcat freshman Cayla Barretto won the 1000m with a time of 3:05.91, followed by sophomore Michaella Conery finishing in second with a time of 3:06.97.

Closing out the women's track events, freshman Cassie Shea won the 3000m in 10:37.31, followed by sophomore Morgan Sansing placing third with a time of 10:39.85.

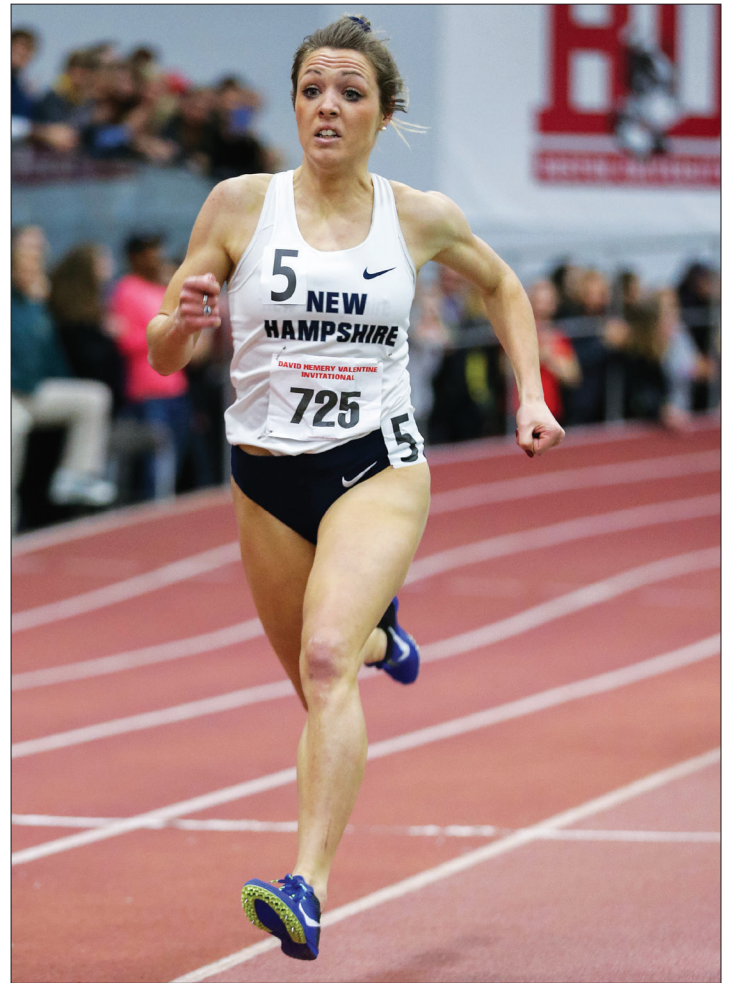
The men's team saw similar success in the field and distance events, highlighted by freshman Jordan Buckmire placing first in the triple jump with a jump of 43-feet, 11.75 inches. UNH freshman Ryan Dutile also scored in the event, taking third with a jump of 39-feet, 9.25 inches.

On the track, freshmen Aiden Sullivan and James Wilkes finished one-two in the mile run with times of 4:27.61 and 4:27.65, respectively.

In the men's 400m dash, junior Rob Franger took first in 53.51 seconds and freshman Scott Hinds finished in second with a time of 54.09. Sopho-

more Christian Ehlers placed first in the 500m run finishing in 1:08.47.

The Wildcats have the next week off as they prepare to travel to Boston University for the American East Indoor Track and Field Championships on Friday, Feb. 23, and Saturday, Feb. 24.



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Senior Elinor Purrier broke her personal record on Saturday.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

'Cats rout Sacred Heart in season-opener behind Schafer, Vogt

By Will Sirbono
STAFF WRITER

UNH opened the season with a win, 14-2, on Saturday at Bremner Field against Sacred Heart University. Senior Krissy Schafer led the way with five goals in what was total domination on the Wildcats part from start to finish. On defense the 'Cats swarmed the Pioneers, only letting them get off seven shot attempts compared to UNH's 35.

Coming off an underwhelming 3-14 season in 2017, UNH looks to bounce back this year and the Wildcats got off to a good start on Saturday.

In 2017 the Wildcats didn't taste victory until April 1 against the University of Vermont. A nightmare 0-10 start put the team in a tough position entering conference play, but this year the 'Cats got their first win out of the way early.

In the beginning of the game UNH got off to a hot start, scoring four goals in the first 10 minutes of play and deflating Sacred Heart's hopes from the get-go. The Pioneers did score a goal in the first to stop the bleeding momentarily but UNH answered right back with a



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Junior Anna Vogt fights off two Sacred Heart defenders in an effort to get open. She recorded three goals in as many shots during Saturday's 14-2 win over the Pioneers.

goal from junior Catherine Sexton less than two minutes later.

UNH would then go on to score two more goals, including one right at the buzzer of the first half that was confirmed after review. It was Schafer's third goal

of the half which put the 'Cats up 7-1 heading into the locker room.

Schafer finished the afternoon with a team-high five goals. Junior Anna Vogt was second on the team with three goals, while Sexton finished with two and a

team-high four assists. Senior goalkeeper Kate Clancy wasn't particularly busy, but finished with three saves and only two goals allowed.

UNH did have a lot of scoring but if it wasn't for the Pio-

neers' sloppy play, this game could've played out differently. Sacred Heart had 22 turnovers leading to plenty of time in the offensive zone for the Wildcats.

On the other hand, the Wildcats did the small things well, which carried their offense over the top. They had a higher clear percentage, had more draw controls, more caused turnovers and less total turnovers. All of these factors kept UNH in control, and Sacred Heart out of reach, which in turn gave UNH the overwhelming win to start the 2018 season.

The Wildcats look to get their second win of the season as they travel to Cambridge, Massachusetts to take on the Harvard University Crimson at 12 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 17. Then UNH continues its Ivy League road trip with a battle against intrastate rival Dartmouth College on Wednesday, Feb. 21, at 3 p.m. in Hanover, New Hampshire.

Last time the 'Cats played Harvard they lost by a score of 18-11. If they can bring the same type of offensive and defensive prowess that they showed against Sacred Heart, they'll put themselves in great position to potentially grab another key victory.



Hockey Preview

UNH vs. Merrimack College

Friday at 7 p.m.; Lawler Rink in North Andover, Massachusetts

UNH is 10-15-6, 5-11-5 in Hockey East

Merrimack is 8-17-4, 5-13-2 in Hockey East



Weekend Forecast

Hockey East Standings

- 1. Boston College **28 pts**
- 2. Providence **26 pts**
- 3. Northeastern **25 pts**
- T-4. Boston U. **23 pts**
- T-4. Maine **23 pts**
- 6. UConn **21 pts**
- 7. UMass Lowell **20 pts**
- 8. Vermont **17 pts**
- 9. UMass **16 pts**
- 10. UNH **15 pts**
- 11. Merrimack **12 pts**

By Sam Rogers
STAFF WRITER

With just three games remaining in the regular season, it is officially crunch time for the Wildcats. With only six possible points on the board, the 'Cats are going to need to end the year on a hot streak if they want to move up in the Hockey East standings.

UNH will only have one game this weekend as they make the short trip to North Andover, Massachusetts to take on Merrimack College on Friday, Feb 16, at 7 p.m.

The Warriors took the first game of the season series at the Whittemore Center by a score of 4-3, on Dec. 10, the second game of the UNH 12-game winless streak.

The two sides are not only separated by a short drive, but they are also only separated by three points in the conference standings. UNH at the 10 seed has 15 points in Hockey East play with a 10-15-6 record and 5-11-5 in conference play.

Merrimack is right behind the 'Cats at the 11 seed and the Warriors are 8-17-4 overall and 5-13-2 in conference play.

Both teams are going to try to make their way up the standings as the season winds down. The University of Massachusetts Amherst holds a one-point lead over UNH with 16 points, and University of Vermont, as the eighth seed, has 17.

If the Wildcats want to make a jump, they may need help from other teams, but the biggest thing they need to do is close out games. UNH in its past



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Coach Dick Umile was honored this past weekend for his commitment to UNH hockey for the past 28 years.

three home games went 0-2-1, which was a missed opportunity as two of those games were against Vermont and the 'Cats only managed to get one point.

UNH battled rival Maine in the annual "White out the Whitt" game which resulted in maybe the biggest collapse of the season.

The Wildcats held a 3-1 lead with eight minutes remaining but fell 4-3 in overtime. Truly a summation of UNH's season thus far: great start, but a grueling finish.

Now, the 'Cats need to win on the road to end the season on a positive note. UNH is 4-5-4 on the road this season but matchup wise this can be favorable for the Wildcats.

Merrimack is 1-6 in its last seven games, which included a five-game losing streak, two to Vermont, two to Boston University and one to Maine.

With a home-and-home matchup with Northeastern next weekend, UNH has to treat this Merrimack game almost like it is a must-win.

The 'Cats need more points to get a home playoff game and being so close to other teams in the standings, a win before the final weekend can put UNH in control of its own destiny.

A loss would force UNH to fight for as many points as possible against the Huskies, who are coming off their first Beanpot victory in 30 years and have one of the best offensive attacks in the nation.

Goaltender Danny Tirone in his final season with UNH has proved his legacy and his legitimacy as one of the best goalies in the conference but his defensemen and forwards in front of him need to find the magic they had in the beginning of the season if UNH wants to host a home playoff game this season but more importantly have some momentum going into the conference playoffs.

Wildcat Stat Leaders

Goals	Assists	Points	Blocked Shots
Ara Nazarian	Michael McNicholas	Michael McNicholas	Dylan Chanter
9	18	23	52

Stat of the Week

4-5-4

The Wildcats are 4-5-4 on the road so far this season. They are winless in their last six road contests, with the last road win coming on Dec. 6.

TNH Picks

Zack Holler Sports Editor	Tyler Kennedy Celebrity Guest	Bret Belden Sports Editor	Brian Dunn Managing Editor	Alycia Wilson Executive Editor
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WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Wildcats stun No. 3 Boston College in Chestnut Hill

By Will Sirbono
STAFF WRITER

On Friday evening, UNH travelled down to Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts and defeated the No. 3 Boston College Eagles, 2-1. The Eagles were 14-1-1 at home going into the game.

Freshman goaltender Ava Boutilier held the Eagles to only one goal, which is only the second time this season BC has scored one goal or less.

This is the second ranked opponent UNH has beaten this season, and it couldn't have come at a better time. With this win the 'Cats hold fourth place in the Hockey East standings hoping to secure home-ice advantage for the first round of the Hockey East playoffs.

"It gives us a lot of confidence that we can beat anybody when we play together and have one common goal," head coach Hillary Witt said about her team's confidence. "I'm just really proud of our team, they played great."

The result backs up her claim, although the nation's leading point getter, BC freshman Daryl Watts, added to her total with BC's lone goal.

However, they prevented the rest of the team from seriously affecting the game.

UNH's goals were scored by sophomores Meghara McManus and Carlee Turner. On the defensive side of things, the spe-



CHINA WONG/TNH STAFF

Sophomore Carlee Turner scored the game-winning goal with 7:35 left in the second period of Friday's 2-1 victory. It was Turner's ninth goal on the season, tied for third on the team.

cial teams killed off two powerplays and Boutilier had 34 saves.

Boutilier came up big, yet again, against another tough opponent.

In her last two games

against ranked opponents she has only let up one goal. Witt had high praise of for the freshman goaltender as she boasts a 12-9-7 record with a .927 save percentage.

"You just play a looser game, you play with more confidence so knowing she's back there I think gives our offense confidence to score," Witt said after the win.

"It gives our defense confidence to have the puck on their stick longer and make good plays instead of panicking," she added. "I think you put toughness, competitiveness and skill and ability together and you can have a great goaltender and that's what [Boutilier]'s done for us this year."

But a win like this isn't just about the players. It takes an A-plus effort from everybody and, while UNH hasn't had much success this season against ranked opponents, this game was most likely the highlight of the season for Witt.

"You just hope the players come out and stick to the plan and do what they're supposed to do and play with confidence and have a little fun and when they do that it's fun to coach those games," Witt said.

After this big win, UNH looks to finish the season strong against the Boston University Terriers with a two-game home-and-home series on Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 17-18.

If the Wildcats can stay in fourth place, they will host a Hockey East Quarterfinal series at the Whittemore Center next weekend, Feb. 23-25.

Now that they've gotten past the goliath that is BC, the Wildcats will look to wrap-up the regular season with a couple big performances against the other college hockey power in Boston.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Leissner becomes all-time leading scorer in home loss

By Zack Holler
SPORTS EDITOR

History was made Sunday afternoon in Durham, but the Wildcats weren't exactly celebrating following a 68-59 loss at the hands of the UMBC Retrievers. The loss drops UNH to 6-6 in America East play and 10-16 overall.

Senior forward Tanner Leissner led the Wildcats in scoring with 16 points. Fellow seniors Jordan Reed and Iba Camara each added 11 while freshman guard Josh Hopkins scored 13 off of the bench.

Leissner became the program's all-time leading scorer with a free throw with 5:41 remaining in the first half. He passed Al McClain's 34-year-old record of 1,860 career points. Leissner now sits at 1,871 points with at least five games left in his Wildcat career and has an outside shot at being the first UNH player to hit the 2,000-point milestone if the 'Cats can make a run in the conference tournament.

"I never really thought about it my first few years," Leissner said about the scoring record. "I'm very blessed, I have great teammates and a great coach that put me in this great position."

It was a tight contest

throughout. In the first half neither team led by more than five. The 'Cats shot 5-13 in the half and outscored the Retrievers in second chance points 9-0, allowing UNH to head into the half-time locker room with a 31-29 lead.

The Wildcats struggled offensively in the second half, shooting 31.3 percent overall and 26.7 percent from three-point range. Hopkins scored seven of his 13 in the second half, including a quick five-point burst that propelled the 'Cats to a 48-45 lead with 8:25 remaining.

"I think [Hopkins] gonna be a great player, I really do," head coach Bill Herrion said about the freshman. "He's a 6-5 two-guard and once he puts on 10-15 pounds I think he's gonna be an all-conference type player in this league."

Over the final eight minutes the Retrievers outscored the Wildcats 23-11, continuing a trend of UNH letting games slip away in the final minutes.

Graduate student guard Jairus Lyles finished with 18 points in the win, with eight of those points coming in the final 8:25. Senior guard Jourdan Grant finished with 14 points off of the bench for UMBC, shooting 5-5 and providing an offensive spark that ultimately made the difference.

The Retrievers did their best to take away the 'Cats' main strength, interior scoring, and battled UNH on the inside all afternoon. When the final buzzer sounded, UMBC had out-rebounded UNH, 33-30, and outscored the Wildcats in the paint, 34-16.

"What's been an issue in a lot of our losses is, and this is probably my fault as a coach for not recognizing this and maybe being stubborn, we just can't guard the ball," Herrion said following the loss. "It's our inability on the perimeter to be able to guard the basketball and contain it and keep it in front of us. It's a major, major issue."

The Wildcats now hit the road for their next three games, starting with a meeting against the first-place University of Vermont Catamounts on Thursday, Feb. 15, at 7 p.m. in Burlington, Vermont. The Catamounts are 11-0 in America East play and went a perfect 19-0 in conference play in 2017 en route to an NCAA Tournament berth.

UNH will then head to Stony Brook, New York to take on the Stony Brook University Seawolves on Sunday, Feb. 18, at 2 p.m.

The 'Cats wrap up the road trip with a game against the University of Hartford Hawks on Wednesday, Feb. 21, at 7 p.m.



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Senior forward Tanner Leissner broke the UNH career scoring record with this free throw with 5:41 left in the first half.

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MEN'S HOCKEY

Maine blacks out the Whitt

Black Bears come back from 3-1 deficit in final eight minutes to stun Wildcats



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(Left) Senior forward Jason Salvaggio battles for the puck during Wednesday night's 4-3 overtime loss. Salvaggio scored the first goal of the night for the Wildcats. (Right) Junior forward Ara Nazarian attempts to evade a Maine defenseman.

By Sam Rogers
STAFF WRITER

In the biggest game of the season the Wildcats blew a 3-1 lead over their rival, the University of Maine Black Bears. The 'Cats allowed two goals in the third period to send the game to overtime.

With 21 seconds left in the overtime period, Maine found the back of the net to steal the win.

"That was pathetic on our part," head coach Dick Umile said in his potential final game coaching against Maine. "I have no answers, it was awful what happened in the third period."

As the fans were still filling into their seats in the Whittemore Center the action was already in full swing. Maine scored just 28 seconds into the game but UNH responded 38 seconds later as the student section began their "I Believe in UNH" chant.

Senior forward Jason Salvaggio was the first goal-scorer, as he ripped a snap-shot from the slot after a great defensive possession by the Wildcats, to even the score at 1-1.

Sophomore forward Liam Blackburn scored the second goal for the Wildcats in the middle of the first period. Fellow sophomore Anthony Wyse was the third goal-scorer for the 'Cats after a beautiful two-on-one with junior Ara Nazarian put the 'Cats up 3-1.

Maine responded with a rebound goal with six minutes remaining in the third period, and tied the game at the end of the final frame.

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WOMEN'S BASKET-

Pogue, 'Cats get sweet revenge against Hawks

By Bret Belden
& Zack Holler
SPORTS EDITORS

Behind a powerful offensive attack, led by seniors Brittini Lai and Carlie Pogue, the Wildcats improved to 8-6 in America East with a 76-58 win against the University of Hartford Hawks.

Pogue started the game 11-11 from the field, finishing with a season-high 29 points and a team-high nine rebounds. Lai ran the offense to near-perfection in the second half, accumulating a game-high eight assists and 13 points. Senior forward Kat Fogarty contributed to the win by grabbing seven rebounds and scoring 17 points on 8-14 shooting.

The Hawks handed UNH its worst loss of the season back on Jan. 31, a memory that the Wildcats didn't soon forget.

"I think we were all embar-





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Head coach Maureen Magarity addresses her team during a timeout on Wednesday afternoon. Senior Carlie Pogue (far left) finished with a season-high 29 points for the Wildcats.

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SCORE CARD



MEN'S HOCKEY (10-15-6)

	
UNH	Maine
3	4
Durham, NH	

MEN'S HOOPS (10-16)

	
UNH	UMBC
59	68
Durham, NH	

GYMNASTICS (4-4)

	
UNH	Towson
195.775	193.975
Durham, NH	

WOMEN'S HOOPS (17-10)

	
UNH	Hartford
76	58
Durham, NH	

WOMEN'S HOCKEY (14-11-7)

	
UNH	BC
2	1
Chestnut Hill, MA	

WOMEN'S LACROSSE (1-0)

	
UNH	Sacred Heart
14	2
Durham, NH	

Stat of the Week

29 Senior forward Carlie Pogue scored a season-high 29 points in Wednesday's win.