President Huddleston delivers final address

Before he steps down as president in late June, Huddleston has served as UNH's president since 2007, which will mark him as the longest president the university has ever had.

In transition, Huddleston noted a few university achievements that have occurred recently out of past events. He said an example of past events was in response to the outrage over students’ discriminatory actions last Cinco de Mayo, over 1,500 UNH employees took diversity training courses. He said that in addition to other “acts of discrimination on campus last year, over 1,300 students have taken part in UNH Safe Zones, programs that prevent hatred towards LGBTQIA+ issues and focus on inclusion.”

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UNH community members gathered in Murkland Courtyard to stand in solidarity with lecturers with non-renewals.

By Ian Lenahan STAFF WRITER

A large crowd from the UNH community gathered in the Memorial Union Building (MUB) Granite State Room on Tuesday afternoon for UNH President Mark Huddleston’s last “State of the University” address that carried a little extra emotional weight.

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By Jordyn Haime STAFF WRITER

More than 100 students, faculty, alumni, and members of the greater University of New Hampshire community crowded the courtyard outside Murkland Hall on Friday to stand in solidarity with the 16 lecturers in the College of Liberal Arts (COLA) whose contracts weren’t renewed this year, as well as the five UNH Facilities workers who recently lost their jobs.

The rally was organized by a group of six students who are calling themselves UNH Solidarity. According to junior social work and women’s studies dual major and rally organizer Jordan Baird, “The Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures (LLC) is hiring five new lecturer faculty members in Spanish, French and Arabic, according to Holly Cashman, chair of the LLC department. The development comes after 16 lecturer con- tracts in the College of Liberal Arts (COLA) were not renewed for the next academic year, with six of the cuts affecting LLC, according to Cashman. Two Spanish lecturers, two French lecturers, and one Arabic lecturer will replace those lost in each language. Holly Cashman, chair of the LLC depart- ment, said that the only program hiring fewer lectur- ers than the number lost in Spanish, where there were three non-renewals and one retirement this year. The net loss of faculty for Spanish is two with a total loss of six Spanish classes.

The University System of New Hampshire (USNH) website does not currently list the job openings and Cashman said she is unsure of when they will be listed. “I think that the situation is obvious concern- ing to a number of students, whether they’ll get the language that they want and whether there will be enough classes,” Cashman said, but these kinds of con- siderations “will just make it a stronger program going forward, fiscally.”

COLA Dean Heidi Bos- tic has told The New Hamp- shire that the cuts were due to “the need to keep a UNH education affordable, a de- sire to strengthen programs and a need to retain fac- ulty whose expertise most closely aligns with the cur- rent and future needs of pro- grams.” Cashman said the mini- mum degree requirement for applicants will be a Ph.D. and all faculty hired will be lecturer faculty.

“There are several lec- turer faculty members in the Department of LLC who have Ph.D.s, and there are many more across the Col- lege of Liberal Arts,” Cash- man said.

COLA Dean Heidi Bos- tic did not respond in time for publication.
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in mind, he was sure to ad-
mit that the tides could turn just as quickly in the future after his de-
parture. Though he does trust the com-
mittee to pick a new president who will surpass expectations, he said that he has some concerns going into the future.

“Even with this recent suc-
cess, I can’t leave the story there,” Huddleston told the crowd.

“It could be beautiful and successful today but entirely different tomorrow.”

His four major concerns for the university going forward sur-
round the potential that outside forces could play in future en-
deavors. First, Huddleston spoke about the four programs at the uni-
versity are changing as school popu-
lation declines, citing a need to keep students in-state rather than attend outside universities.

The topic segued into his second concern regarding outside compet-
tition, as 60 percent of New Hamp-
shire high school graduates who attend college go out-of-state. He also mentioned how some people don’t opt for college degrees but find work in non-degree creden-
tial programs.

Thirdly, Huddleston noted how this past year was extremely fiscally-challenging, as the main source of revenue was through student tuition and fees while money from the state has de-
creased as employees were given a per-
cent in the past six years.

Huddleston said that the uni-
versity goal is to always spend three percent less than they take in, and while Huddleston assured the audience that it’s not a crisis, he said that “it’s never easy to crunch the numbers in a fair and flexible way. Lastly, his final concern is regarding the national wide decrease in college atten-
dance rates.

He said that a study from 2016 showed that only 42 percent of Americans thought that receiv-
ing a college degree was essential, compared from 55 rally over a de-
cade before that. With this seem-
ingly nationwide “war on col-
education” he believes that the uni-
versity would over-
come any obstacle in the future with the help of these decisions always put in. On the contrary, he even gave his five focal points to improve upon to help some of these states. He spoke about counteracting competition from other universities by deepening ties between liberal arts and pro-
fessional programs, adding that undergraduate general education courses need to be reexamined from ground up. He added that those in the liberal arts are more versatile in the work force in comparison to those who are more STEM-inclined, proving that they are just as valuable.

Huddleston has challenged the fiscal is-
ue with notes on how to fix the financial management system and learning to be more flexible in their department programs and schedules. In terms of hav-
ing more students want to attend UNH, he added that, while cur-
rent university marketing tactics are great, there needs to be even more focus on it. Finally, in just the past six years, four new great shape and feel for the thriving campus environment, Huddleston pleaded for mea-
sures to ensure and inclusion within the student body. He stated that with these things, the university will continue to carry on and suc-
ceed.

To close, Huddleston re-
marked on the need for uni-
versity to renew lecturer contracts were made “in the best interest of the students,” Eva Ford, another UNH Solidarity organizer and a junior with the Facilities Construction Team will be assumed by the Facilities’ Operation D team. For Williams, this decision was “sized to meet the current de-
fmand from the university com-
nents and will also assist with pre-
ventative maintenance tasks if time permits.

For Williams, this decision came “out of the blue” and ac-
cording to Williams, there is no plan for the outsourcing of money hiring outside employ-
nees.

“[They] outside contractors pay their employees more than UNH does, [and] they are not as familiar with the campus as we were,” Williams said.

This is a developing story that will be updated in a later issue of The New Hampshire.
The UNH Student Senate announced in a press release on Sunday that José Calvo would be resigning from his post as Student Senate Speaker, effective immediately.

Speaker Calvo, who was elected as Speaker in Dec. 2017, per the Feb. 18 press release, is leaving the Senate for “personal reasons,” and his post will be filled in the interim by Student Senate Parliamentarian Douglas Marino; SAFC Chairperson Al Alexander Brown was unanimously selected to fill Calvo’s position.

The Student Senate took the time to thank Speaker Calvo’s accomplishments and commitment to the institution during his tenure, including praise for his efforts to lay down “the groundwork for a successful 2018 General Election with an overhaul of election policies,” especially those targeting campaign corruption. In addition, the body commended the outgoing Speaker for his “reforms to its public relations and communication” to strengthen ties between the Senate and the student body as a whole.

The press release noted that both the Senate and Speaker Calvo are “sadened” by the “unexpected” resignation, but also that Calvo will continue to be a “resource to students” for the next several months. As announced at the Feb. 18 Student Senate assembly, the election process has begun to select a new Senate Speaker, with the final selection being made on Feb. 25. As of Feb. 22, Interim Speaker Marino, Health and Wellness Council Chairperson Emily Cochran, Academic Affairs Council Chair Audrey Getman, Campus Structure Council Chair Ethan McClanahan and former SAFC Member Shannon O’Hara are the current eligible nominees for the position.

By Benjamin Strawbridge
STAFF WRITER

Students Senate Update: Provost discusses lecturers

A visit from Provost Nancy Ryan, who explained to Provost Ryan that among other concerns, the latter had been “scapegoat” the lecturers’ union and doing only the “bare minimum” through “snail mail” in terms of keeping the affected professors in the loop about their potential unemployment status.

Targett maintained throughout the forum, “These are hard decisions, they’re not easy decisions and no one likes to make those decisions.” Targett maintained throughout the forum, despite calls of criticism from various members of the Senate.

And yet, in leadership positions you’re between a rock and a hard place, and you are called to make those decisions, and it’s fun to have people misrepresent and misquote you” despite working in what she called “the best interests of the institution.” Following Targett’s visit, the Senate began seeking nominations for the body’s next Speaker, whose position has been left vacant since José Calvo’s resignation on Feb. 18. According to the Senate’s bylaws, read by Interim Senate Speaker Douglas Marino, the speaker, whose term ends April 30 of the academic semester, is required to have been a “member of Student Senate for no less than 75 percent of at least two academic semesters,” and is prohibited from running, or endorsing candidates, for any other Student Senate office during their term.

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As part of a long-time running joke, Interim Senate Speaker, Interim Parliamentarian Jake Adams humorously offered to nominate former Student Senate member Gabriel Hoffman as Speaker, who is ineligible due to being a graduate student. Interim Speaker Marino turned down the proposal.

In other Senate proceedings a resolution scheduled to be voted on that night, brought up by Academic Council Chairperson Ethan Adams, was pulled from the agenda for further revisions; External Affairs Chair Hayden Stinson gave an update on last week’s postponed Farmers’ Market resolution, in which Associate Vice President of Business Affairs David May was in the process of granting the Seacoast Growers’ Farmers’ Market access to the “Fishbowl” area on campus for their summer festival; and Fairchild Student Senator Alexander Brown was unanimously removed from his post with, as of Feb. 22, no immediate successor in place.

By Benjamin Strawbridge
STAFF WRITER

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The Candy Bar sales see increase after hot chocolate broadcast

By Zerina Bajramovic
STAFF WRITER

The Candy Bar & Creamery in downtown Durham has seen an increase in sales since its hot chocolate was featured on an episode of “New Hampshire Chronicle” just last week, according to owner Chris Guerrette.

The Candy Bar was one of the four hot chocolate-making businesses featured in the episode. While each of the businesses possesses unique hot chocolate, at Guerrette’s shop there are 17 flavors of the much-liked late, at Guerrette’s shop there are 17 flavors of the much-liked late, at Guerrette’s shop there are 17 flavors of the much-liked late.

According to Guerrette, his business was chosen in part because of the media presence. Photos of the unique hot chocolate flavors found on Instagram were shared on Facebook, capturing the attention of “New Hampshire Chronicle.”

While The Candy Bar has had hot chocolate on the menu prior to Guerrette’s acquired ownership in December of 2014, he said some people were still surprised when they saw the name on “New Hampshire Chronicle.”

“It’s been here, we just expanded,” Guerrette said. “The timing of the episode was interesting,” according to Guerrette. The episode aired two days before Valentine’s Day, one of the busiest times of the year for chocolatiers. This year at The Candy Bar, some people were buying cups of hot chocolate for themselves along with their chocolate purchases.

“It was a lot of fun,” Guerrette said about the filming process. “It was kind of crazy because they called me the night before and said they’d like to come in at 11 the next morning. It was to be shared on the day and they still came,” he said.

According to Guerrette, the entire process of filming the short segment took about an hour and a half. During that time, Guerrette showcased three out of the 17 flavors. On the show, he demonstrated how he makes the toasted marshmallow, a fan favorite.

According to Guerrette, making the marshmallow cream from scratch is “key” and he says it is the secret to his success.

Student orgs come together to celebrate social justice

By Adrienne Perron
STAFF WRITER

Members of the UNH Community representing various student organizations came together to celebrate World Day of Social Justice at the Waysmeet Center in Durham this past Wednesday for a dinner that was organized by UNH GENUN, which allowed student organizations to celebrate their dedications to social justice and share information about their organizations over a pot-luck style dinner.

According to the United Nations’ (UN) website, World Day of Social Justice was established by the UN and occurs on Feb. 20 of every year. The website says that social justice stands up for the rights of all people, no matter their race, religion, age, gender, ethnicity, culture or disability.

Carolyn D’Olympio, a senior occupational therapy major from Wakefield, Massachusetts and president of GenUN, said that GenUN reached out to certain organizations on campus that are social justice-oriented to come to this dinner to celebrate World Day of Social Justice, to share the social justice issues that are important to them, and to talk about what they do within their organization. GenUN works with D’Olympio hoped that the dinner would help in recognizing the organizations for the hard work they do.

“I feel like right now it’s easy to get discouraged because there are so many social justice issues,” D’Olympio said. “But we should also be highlighting and celebrating the work that is being done, so that is what tonight is all about.”

D’Olympio also stated that a goal of the dinner was for GenUN to be able to share its purpose with student organizations, and to discuss how the organization is engaged in the community, and in order to make this second semester as a recognized student organization. GenUN currently has nine members of which many are also involved with the UNH student organization Model UN, including D’Olympio. According to D’Olympio, Model UN is an organization that simulates the UN and is more academically based than GenUN.

“GenUN is different because we carry out community-based projects that align with the goals of the UN,” D’Olympio said.

D’Olympio said that GenUN is indeed involved in organizations like Amnesty International and UNH Students for Global Health in order to help them in the work they do.

“Most of the stuff we talk about in Model UN... isn’t really hands-on,” MacDonald said. According to D’Olympio, the decision to have the dinner at the Waysmeet Center was influenced by the fact that the mission of the center is based off of social justice oriented ideas.

“We thought it would be a fitting place to be,” she said.

Larry Brickner-Wood, chaplain and executive director of the Waysmeet Center, stated that the center is a place where people can visit to find common ground and express their opinions.

“Our communities need to be places of justice and equity, even in our diversity, and beloved communities and peace. And what are issues...” Brickner-Wood said. “We try to model that beloved community in small and large ways and really try to believe and stand for a community and a world that is peaceful and sustainable.”

During the dinner, representatives of the present organizations spoke about the focuses of their organizations, how they are related to the topic of social justice, and about upcoming events that each organization will be holding in the near future. Organizations represented at the dinner included WILACTS, Delta Xi Phi, UNH Students for Global Health and the Student Organization of Social Work.

Ciaro Blanchette, a sophomore nursing major from Erie, Colorado, was one of a few representatives from UNH Students for Global Health.

“World Health... affects everyone. We are advocating for people whether they are in our own community or abroad,” Blanchette said on the topic of social justice and her organization. “Different cultures, different languages, different races, different ethnicities... what are issues these people are facing and how can we best get those people to stand up to what they need?”

According to D’Olympio, the next GENUN event being organized is a celebration of International Women’s Day on Thursday, March 8.

GenUN hopes to encourage UNH students to wear purple to celebrate this day, and they hope to hold an event in the MUB near Union Court where organizations that represent the recognition of women’s or women’s rights will be encouraged to “table” and share information about their organizations with passersby.

Also, this spring, GenUN is bringing the US Youth Observer to the UN, Muna Khalif, to speak on campus.

GenUN meets on Mondays from 7.8 p.m. in MUB room 321, and according to D’Olympio, members talk about international celebration events related to the UN that they want to focus on for each semester, brainstorm what issues they want to focus on, and talk about what speakers they want to bring onto campus. All are welcome to attend GenUN meetings.
TNH Photo Gallery - Standing in solidarity for lecturers

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Fulbright Scholars Program brings 21 Argentinian students to UNH

By Aaron Soroa
STAFF WRITER

There are 21 Argentinian students who are spending time at the University of New Hampshire this semester through the Fulbright Scholars program.

The Fulbright Program was established on Aug. 1, 1946, after President Harry S. Truman signed a bill drafted by Senator J. William Fulbright, calling for the promotion of “international good” through academic exchange programs for students. According to the Fulbright Program website, “Approximately 325,400 Fulbrighters, 122,800 from the United States and 202,600 from other countries, have participated in the Program since its inception more than sixty years ago.”

The international exchange was arranged and prepared by UNH’s Global Education Center. According to an article from UNH Today, “The Argentinian students are older, between 20-24,” director of global initiatives at the Global Education Center, Gregg Orifici said.

“It’s amazing how all of the different majors and students of different interests come together and create this community. It’s like nothing I’ve ever seen,” Ariana Giselle Seuert, student in the program and well into their majors. As a result, they were steered toward taking 600 and 700 level classes.

The students were not accepted by UNH faculty, but by the highly competitive and selective Fulbright Program. “The students selected are the best and the brightest in Argentina,” Orifici said.

While the Argentine students are in Durham for academic purposes, the program offers much more than academics. For example, students have been matched with an American student through a “buddy program.”

“They get together a couple of times a week [with their buddy]; they go to hockey games together, the dining halls together and I’m sure that they go out in Portsmouth and Durham together,” Orifici explained. The hope of the program is to “have them understand what the U.S. education system is like, so that they can consider U.S. schools for graduate school,” Orifici said.

Students are taking two required classes: one through the English as a Second Language (ESL) program, and the other Spanish 526, titled “Latin American Civilization and Culture.”

“It’s an enriching experience for them and the American students because they learn how to collaborate on a project with someone from another country,” Orifici explained.

According to students from Argentina interviewed by The New Hampshire, the impact that the Fulbright Program has had on them can be described as a positive one.

“It’s amazing how all of the different majors and students of different interests come together and create this community. It’s like nothing I’ve ever seen,” Ariana Giselle Seuert, a student participating in the program, said.

“The whole experience of staying on campus and being part of a campus community, I will never forget,” Nicolás Pablo Gilassi, another student, said.

The students arrived at UNH on Jan. 18 and are set to return back to Argentina on March 10. They don’t receive grades for their classes but receive a certification for participating in the program. It’s also important for UNH students to know that the Fulbright Program is offered for American students to go abroad.
On the Spot

with Alpha Epsilon Delta President Kelsey Hatter

By Gates MacPherson
STAFF WRITER

Kelsey Hatter, senior Occupational Therapy major with a minor in anatomy and physiology, kinesiology and disability studies, is president of the preprofessional health honors society Alpha Epsilon Delta (AED), and is also a member of the Red Cross Club and the Student Occupational Therapy Association. However, there was a time when Hatter wasn’t sure how involved she would be when she joined last year.

“I usually am not a public speaker,” she said, “I’m not really very social, so getting out there and being the president was a big decision for me.”

AED is comprised of students that have majors within the College of Life Sciences and the College of Health and Human Services who meet an overall and major GPA requirement of 3.2. Meeting once a month, Hatter says she has tried to make the meetings longer and more social than they have been in the past.

“When I started as a member, the meetings were very short; 15-20 minutes. A lot of times people are running from the library or another meeting or work;” she said. “So this semester we tried to make the meetings a little more social and a little longer just to get people out and moving and have more fun.”

Throughout each semester, members of AED plan various volunteer-based events with other health-focused student organizations. This semester, Hatter is pushing for more collaboration with other organizations on campus.

“We did an event last semester with the College Diabetes Network [and] we helped volunteer at the walk they had. We do a lot of walks in the community. We do a walk for Multiple Sclerosis, Making Strides Against Breast Cancer, juvenile diabetes [and] juvenile arthritis,” she said, noting that those are just some of the few causes the organization works to raise awareness for.

Hatter said that not only is it good for members of AED and other organizations to volunteer and take a break from rigorous and demanding academic schedules, but it also helps to prepare them for what they’ll be doing in the future.

“Whether they’re going to be a physician’s assistant or if they want to be a nurse, they’ll be working with people who have these types of illnesses. It’s great to [get] awareness as well as raising money for research,” she said.

Reaching out to other clubs on campus was something that initially intimidated Hatter, but since she’s been president of AED, she said that she’s realized how accessible and interconnected student organizations on campus are, regardless of how different their clubs may be.

This semester, Hatter said that AED is planning to put on a larger version of a doctor panel they have within the club, where healthcare professionals from hospitals in the area come to a meeting and answer questions about the healthcare field. This semester, Hatter wants to open it up to the entire campus.

“There are so many people who want to be in a health care major and haven’t switched yet, or they’re curious and not in the organization, so we just want to open it up to everyone and get representation from different areas of health care,” she said.

Hatter also wants to focus on asking the panel what their educational experience was like, and how they found their way to health care.

“Getting those stories of real-world experience gives you that perspective that you don’t exactly get in the classroom,” she said.

Hatter is going to be in UNH’s OT graduate program next year and says that the reason she left her home in Long Island, New York to come to UNH is because of the opportunities for involvement that she has been able to take advantage of.

“If you want to be part of something, just take little steps and go to one meeting or talk to someone who’s in it. Reach out, there’s so much support here and you have so many opportunities.”

with Sigma Chi President Samuel Howard

By Elizabeth Seidman
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

“Sigma Chi has introduced to me what brotherhood really means,” junior sociology major Samuel Howard said. “The men in my chapter are men that would do anything for me and I would do anything for them.”

Howard, from Henniker, New Hampshire, chose UNH because he moved to New Jersey his sophomore year of high school and wanted to reconnect with his home state. When he toured UNH, he felt an instant connection and was hooked. UNH’s chapter of the Sigma Chi fraternity recently took on Howard as its new president this spring semester. Howard chose Sigma Chi out of all the other fraternities on campus because a lot of his friends were already in Sigma Chi. He was able to observe the whole process of becoming a member and admired how the fraternity shaped his friends into the best people they could be.

He explained that he witnessed a lot of his friends go through the recruitment process into Sigma Chi and saw it change them into more genuine, outgoing people. Howard found out that his grandfather also was in Sigma Chi, which made him realize that it was the right place for him.

Howard explained that he shares a strong bond with his whole fraternity, and they would go long lengths for each other.

Howard said that the fraternity has opened up many opportunities that he feels he would not be able to access anywhere else, such as a position on the executive board of Sigma Chi. He served as risk manager last semester, which included responsibilities such as assigning sober monitors to all social events and formulating risk and crisis management plans for the chapter. It was his job to care for the overall safety of his fraternity, and to make sure no one was at risk for any endangerment. If there were issues with this, they would be brought to him, and he would sort the situation out in an appropriate manner, he said.

After this position, he wanted to continue to positively represent this fraternity in a larger way. Howard wanted to become president because he cares so much about his chapter, and wanted to continue to improve Sigma Chi. As president, it is his job to run all chapter meetings, inspire younger brothers to follow his qualities of leadership, form strong relationships with UNH and the campus community and overall truly represent what it means to be a Sigma Chi.

According to the UNH chapter’s website, the core values of the fraternity are friendship, justice and learning.

Howard describes himself as a “courageous” leader so this opportunity was perfect for him, as he explained. He explained that leadership is something that is very important to him, and that he proudly represents Sigma Chi with passion and confidence.
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NH BRIEFS

RECORD TEMPERATURES FOR NEW ENGLAND

Enjoy the warmth — it’s about to vanish.

Northern New England experienced record and near-record temperatures on Wednesday.

The National Weather Service says in Concord, New Hampshire, and in Portland, Maine, the all-time record high temperature for the month of February has been broken. It reached 72 in Concord and 64 in Portland before 3 p.m.

In Burlington, Vermont, it was 61 on Wednesday morning, already breaking the record for the date. But there were flood warnings issued for Vermont rivers, including the Lamoille, the Missisquoi and the Winooski.

Typical winter weather is returning Thursday, with highs in the 30s and a chance of light snow or rain by Taboola

STUDENT ALLEGEDLY MADE THREAT AGAINST HS

SOMERSWORTH, N.H. (AP) — Police in New Hampshire say a student allegedly threatened to commit a mass shooting at Somersworth High School.

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Mom with 3 kids: Expanded Medicaid program is her 'rock'

By Holly Ramer

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — A single mother who works part time while attending college and cares for her three kids says she relied heavily on the state-run Medicaid program for years but change its structure will impose new work requirements on enrollees and use 5 percent of liquor revenues to cover the state's cost as federal funding decreases.

The state would seek other federal money to continue the services that money currently funds.

Sen. Deb Bradley, R-Wolfeboro, called it "a good compromise."

"People are gonna need to stretch a little bit to get by, yes, because that's what compromise is all about," Bradley said. "It's something that fits the 50,000 people, helps the providers, helps the employers in the state through a healthier workforce — it's just good for the state of New Hampshire."

Those who spoke at the hearing were overwhelmingly in favor of continuing the program, though some raised concerns about the work requirements, including a provision that a single parent is subject to the requirements once a child reaches age 6.

"The idea that a 7-year-old can be left alone un-supervised for up to 25 hours a week all summer long when school is out or in the evenings or on weekends when the parent is working is not what we want to be as a state," said Rep. Cindy Rosenwald, D-Nashua. "Kids are going to get hurt, they're going to get in trouble, and child welfare is going to be involved."

Dr. Gary Woods, a retired surgeon representing the New Hampshire Medical Society, argued that the work requirement is punitive because rather than helping someone get more care it provides a mechanism to delete people from the rolls. He rejected the argument that getting people to work will make them healthier.

"You get someone healthy, and then they can work, that's how it really works," he said.

Several hours into the hearing, the only opponent was the group Americans for Prosperity.

Greg Moore, state director for the conservative group, said the program has failed to stabilize the individual market, failed taxpayers and failed to move participants toward self-sufficiency.

He also said the work requirement proposal includes too many exemptions.

Judge considering dismissing lawsuit

By Michael Casey

ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASHUA, N.H. (AP) — New Hampshire officials on Tuesday urged a judge to dismiss a lawsuit challenging a state law that allows providers additional documentation from voters who move to the state within 30 days of an election, suggesting it wasn’t bringing anyone.

The state Democratic Party and the League of Women Voters filed lawsuits against the state last year, claiming the SB3 law was confusing, unnecessary and invalidating.

A judge in September allowed the law to take effect but blocked penalties of a $5,000 fine and a year in jail for fraud and said further hearings were necessary. The lawsuits have since been consolidated.

The law was passed after President Donald Trump alleged widespread voter fraud in New Hampshire, but the evidence has never been in evidence to support that.

Democrats challenged the measure during legislative debate, but Republicans contend existing state laws create the potential for fraud.

On Tuesday, lawyers for the state argued the lawsuit failed to allege any injury from the law. They said the plaintiffs had no trouble voting, arguing two were already registered voters and a third eventually voted in a local election.

"Under SB3, everyone gets to vote. No provision of SB3 prevents a person from registering to vote, voting in an election," Assistant Attorney General Anthony Galdieri told the court.

A lawyer for the League of Women Voters, Bruce Spiva, argued the law creates an atmosphere of confusion in which people would be dissuaded from voting and places a burden on the state which now must spend money to educate voters and encourage them to endure the long lines and Republicans worked to expectantly accompany it.

"This law, with all its byzantine and cross checked threats of criminal penalties if one checks the wrong box, is certainly in open conflict with the League’s mission," Spiva told the court.

Spiva said the League wants the court to order the state to notify all voters of any changes they are making to voter data.

"This data is full of very sensitive information, poses unique security risks," he said.

The judge said he would take the request for the additional documents under consideration.

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Man accused of assaulting child

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — Police in New Hampshire say a stranger has been accused of breaking into a home, taking off his clothes, and assaulting a sleeping child before he was restrained.

Police say the man entered the Concord home shortly after 4 a.m. Monday. He made his way into the child’s bedroom and disrobed. Police say he then assaulted the child, who was able to run away and alert family members.

A man who lives in the house was able to restrain the man while other household members called police. Police arrested 28-year-old Miles Anderson, of Concord, on charges of burglary, indecent exposure, and simple assault.

Anderson faced arraignment Tuesday; it wasn’t immediately known if he had a lawyer.

Drug recovery centers closing

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — A New Hampshire organization that helps people with drug and alcohol addiction is closing four of its five locations due to mounting costs.

Hope for New Hampshire Recovery Executive Director Melissa Crews says the outreach and support in Manchester has been strong, but that hasn’t been duplicated in other communities. The majority of the organization’s funding sources have been Manchester-area businesses, organizations, and donors.

The board of directors voted to close satellite centers in Franklin, Concord, Claremont, and Berlin by the end of the month.

Last year, Manchester-based Serenity Place, one of the state’s largest drug treatment centers, was put into receivership due to financial problems. The state is working with Families in Transition, which was appointed to oversee Serenity Place, to ensure services aren’t interrupted.
This day in TNH history...
February 22, 2002

By James J. Allen
Staff Writer

It was advertised as the biggest thing that has ever been. The Sterling and Reid Bros. Circus rolled into town Thursday to put on two shows that promised flying trapeze, the human cannon ball and the highlight of it all—a giant parade of clowns, performers and three rings of exotic animals.

While the circus was being set up beneath the Whitmore Center big top, demonstrators from the Student Environmental Action Coalition (SEAC), the UNH Animal Rights Alliance (ARA), and other area animal rights activists from around the area staged a picket parade of their own. The group protested the frequent violations of the animals’ treatment, the circus’ misrepresentation of the animals to “children of all ages,” and the University’s irresponsibility in staging such an event.

The Sterling and Reid Bros. Circus has had a string of U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) violations in the past three years.

Written USDA violations incurred by Sterling and Reid include mistreatment in a variety of areas including structurally unsound animal enclosures, insufficient resting space and failure to provide shelter from the elements. Among the most repeat violations have been citations for not having written programs for veterinary care and failure to provide veterinarian-approved diets for the animals.

Sterling and Reid Bros. Circus has also been cited for mishandling of their animals as many as two times in one month.

Between April 8 and 9 of that year, there were reports of the “catic” cats being hit with hockets sticks across the body and face. Later, on April 15, 1999, it was reported that the cat trainer pistol, prodded and kicked the animals. During that day’s USDA inspection, they were accused of animal cruelty.

Sterling and Reid Bros. Business Manager Mike Gorden said that the reports were “a mix of different stories.”

“the trainers have a big job, too, she says. "I don’t think it would be a big deal," she says.

She said that her search efforts came up short. Gorden turned to a temp agency where she has been employed since last summer. She’s been around between dozens of different jobs, she says. Hoping to find more stability and growth potential, Gorden is planning to return to UNH for her MBA, which she hopes will make her “more marketable.”

 parece como que el artículo se refiere a una historia de "TNH" y habla sobre un circo llamado Sterling & Reid Bros. que ha recibido varias denuncias por maltrato animal a lo largo de los años. La universidad ha sido criticada por su ausencia de responsabilidad en la gestión de estos eventos. El artículo también menciona la presencia de manifestaciones y protestas contra el circo.

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No help wanted
Soon-to-be graduates search for jobs for no avail

By Shanan Goff
TNH Reporter

Jill has gone on five job interviews, but has received no offers. Erik sends out five resumes a week but has received no offers. Both are having trouble finding work in their field of study. garlic and is currently looking for a job in graphic design. But despite his intense efforts to find work, he has received no offers. The two are struggling to find work in a competitive job market.

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By Chelsea Cough
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The suspension follows a series of violations by the fraternity, including hazing, alcohol abuse and academic dishonesty. The University has been working with the fraternity to address these issues, but the fraternity has failed to comply with the terms of its probation.

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"Drowsy Chaperone" inspires laughter... not snores

By Grace Hanley
STAFF WRITER

Mask and Dagger Dramatic Society’s production of "The Drowsy Chaperone," billed by the student organization as "a musical within a comedy" opened Thursday night to a standing ovation and peals, hoots and snores of laughter.

Mask and Dagger’s Wildcat Link page describes the group as a “completely student run organization” that seeks to “provide a safe and fun environment where anyone can feel welcome to get involved as much as they want in helping create professional quality theatrical performances for the UNH community.”

Director Amanda Giglio said that “Drowsy,” with five non-theatre and dance majors in the 14-person cast, was unusually diverse for a Mask and Dagger production.

“Normally we don’t get too many non-majors in the show, just because of time commitments,” she said.

Giglio, a senior theatre and dance

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UNH EDMC schools in the art of DJing

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major, said this production of “Drowsy” took risks in terms of venue, budget and song choice.

The madcap musical unfurled in the intimate black box Hemingway Theatre, located in the Paul Creative Arts Center (PCAC). The black box theater looks and feels much as the name implies: a room painted black, with snugly spaced seats on three sides of a stage that’s much lower to the ground than in a traditional theater.

Giglio said that in this production of “Drowsy,” the black box works to create a greater connection between the audience and the actors.

“Traditionally, it’s a very, very big show with a lot of money needed,” she said. “But, we managed to scale it down, and I think that black box helped.”

Giglio said that she chose the play and applied to Mask and Dagger to direct, choreograph and stage it because she really loves the show. She hopes that audience members leave the show realizing the importance of the art and realizing that “it can move you, it can heal you. I just want the audience to see themselves in the Man in Chair, whether they’re a theatre person or they’re not,” Giglio said.

The Man in Chair, Sam Empey, is both the narrator of and the central character. He starts the show by breaking the “fourth wall,” inviting the audience to “disappear into the decadent 1920s” with him as he puts his favorite record (yes, an actual record) on.

As the needle drops, the “musical inside a comedy” begins. The characters from a fictional 1928 musical, also called “The Drowsy Chaperone,” take over the stage and proceed to sing and dance in the style of the Jazz Age. Or, in the case of the titular chaperone, musical theatre senior Molly McKay, stumble drunkenly, martini glass in hand, instead of doing her one job of keeping the bride and groom, senior musical theatre major Branwyn Ritchie and sophomore musical theatre major Nick Hall, apart until their wedding.

All the while, the Man in Chair commentates from his armchair on the sidelines, alternately praising and skewering the early Broadway tropes. He’s the first to admit that the plot, if you can call it a plot, is ludicrous. The action centers on an on-again-off-again wedding, disorganized crime, and the overconsumption of “ice water” (that’s Prohibition speak for vodka).

“It really makes fun of old musicals in just such an ingenious way,” Giglio said in reference to “Drowsy.”

From a banana used as a phone to outrageously exaggerated moustaches, the production was full of farcical touchés.

Giglio said her mindset during rehearsals was, “‘All right, I don’t know if anyone else is going to find this funny, but I personally think it’s hilarious’… there were times when I’d say something and the cast would be like, ‘Are you serious?’”

Giglio and Molly Fenn, the assistant director, also had to make more serious decisions. “Song of the Nightingale” out altogether, Giglio said that although some productions cut “Song of the Nightingale” out altogether, she “knew that [she] wanted to keep that in there,” because it exposes important truths about the history of the art form.

“The show takes place in the ’20s, and a lot of musical theatre from that era was not politically correct at all… vaudeville evolved from blackface, and musical theatre evolved from vaudeville, so [the song is] really pointing out, ‘Remember that thing? That was bad. We’ve learned from it, and we’re not doing that anymore in musical theater.’”

Giglio said that when the song started, she and Fenn “were just kind of like griping our seats, because you don’t know how that’s gonna be taken.”

The risk-taking tied in with Mask and Dagger’s mission statement, which was printed in the “Drowsy” program and reads in part: “It is the goal of Mask & Dagger to use these works of theatre to provoke thought, test ideas, and broaden perspectives on the UNH campus.”

The audience seemed on board with the risk-taking elements in the production, applauding enthusiastically at the end of every number. The loudest moment of audience appreciation came when Hall, as Robert, moment from tap dancing to successfully executing a full split, bringing whoops of appreciation.

House manager Kayla Cortina, a musical theatre junior, was responsible for counting attendees at the door, said that about 70 people came to the performance opening performance.

Mask and Dagger meets on Thursdays at 12-40 p.m. in Memorial Union Building Room 203.
Electronic Dance Music (EDM) is considered to be one of the most popular music genres in the U.S. According to fastcompany.com, there were 2.7 million albums purchased and 24.7 million tracks by EDM fans in 2015. There are lots of EDM communities throughout different colleges in the U.S. UNH also has one named UNH EDMC. The club holds DJ school events biweekly where they teach ordinary people the art of being a DJ. UNH EDMC has existed for two years, but the DJ School was just founded last year and has been running for about three semesters. Teachers in this school are giving lessons in music mixing, beatmatching, phrasing skills and lessons how to feature tracks using DJ controller. The purpose of these events is to promote EDM in the UNH community, help people develop their DJ skills and to raise interest among UNH students.

The process of learning by itself is not that hard. There is a DJ controller from which the songs are mixing. Using this machine, musicians can change the speed, sound or the excerpt of the two songs playing. To do this one only needs a controller and a DJing program on their computer. The most important thing in this is to match the beats because otherwise the mix would sound unhappy. It is also important to turn on the right register of the song at different points so it would sound more melodiously. Most of the job is practicing and mixing the songs to get skills and perform at events. Usually, most of the DJs use some common techniques to mix songs. However, big artists have their own techniques to do this.

Another important thing in the process of mixing songs is an application used for mixing tracks. The two most popular programs are “Virtual DJ” for beginners and “Serato” for more advanced users.

To get more information about the background of the committee who run these events and about the organization as a whole, Kirk Sandstrom, a senior studying Information Technology here at UNH, was able to speak on behalf of the club. Sandstrom’s interest in EDM came to him in high school when he heard the music genre of dubstep. He found a video of dubstep artist MT EDEN on YouTube and was hooked. But he didn’t start practicing DJing until sophomore year in college. At some point, he went to a house party and saw a DJ there and liked it very much. After this guy started to mix songs in his bedroom, having no idea how to do in the beginning. Then he joined EDMC to find more people interested in electronic music and get some DJing skills for himself. After this he started to perform in the basement of the Memorial Union Building (MUB). His future plan is to perform at Libby’s and other local clubs and bars.

Interest in EDM music came to UNH after Kygo’s concert who was performing at the school a couple years ago. After this, people started listening to songs of this genre and got more interested. So, it can be said that UNH is following interest in electronic music. Unfortunately, DJ classes are not popular now. There were only two students including a representative from The New Hampshire, who came to get skilled in the art of DJing. Despite this fact, it can definitely be said that guys who run it are almost professional DJs.

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Please Recycle
The MUSO Open Mic: An Accepting Outlet for Student Creativity

By Caleb Jagoda  
STAFF WRITER

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Once a month, MUSO puts on an open mic for the UNH student body, inviting all students to come and say, well, whatever is on their minds. There are no constraints or restrictions put on performances, rather the mic is open to any and all self-expression. There were two headlining acts last Tuesday Feb. 19, Josh Velez and Julie Maduro, but aside from this, nothing was set in stone. The floor was happily open to any and all acts.

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Having a background in poetry or music is absolutely not necessary to attend a MUSO Open Mic night. Any student who wants to relax, have a few good laughs, and observe some well-performed poetry should definitely consider attending, even if they decide not to step up and take ahold of the mic. They do occur only once a month though, so if you’re feeling bold, there’s plenty of opportunities to have all of the attention focused on you, even if it’s only for a couple of fleeting minutes.
Comedians are the most underrated actors; and here’s why. They’re not afraid of performing in front of people, entertaining others is their passion, they make some of the best story tellers and they don’t mind getting laughed at. In fact, laughter is their goal. Of course, not all acting happens on a stage, but there are always certain amounts of people on a movie set that will watch you perform the scene.

What separates comedians from other entertainers, especially improvisation comedians, is that they’re more skilled at impressions. When someone acts, they’re taking on a role; a whole different personality. Improv comedians usually have a lot more practice taking on different personalities, as well as having a broader range of them under their belt. Being able to ad-lib on the subject matter in a split-second is something you learn in stand-up.

In addition to being able to ad-lib, comedians are able to know how to best tell a story, in whatever way they want the audience to interpret it. Mediocre comedians play up the comedy; great ones play the situation.

Being a comedian also takes courage, which is helpful when it comes to acting. Not every role will be comfortable for the actor but after multiple shows in random bars all over, they’ve built up a thick skin. Nothing anyone says, whether it is a casting director or audience member, doesn’t hurt the comedians feelings; compared to something that a random drunk said to them during a show. Doing stand up on a regular basis helps comedians prepare for any audition, and even teaches them how to nail them. Another plus for doing stand up is that they learn to be himself or herself. Often times at an audition, the casting director says to “just be yourself.” Actors often times just focus on how to develop their characters and don’t really pay attention to who they are and developing their own personalities. Comedians are able to get more in touch with themselves since that’s what they spend the most time doing on stage.

Lastly, one of the biggest reasons that comedians make great actors is that it’s impossible to dislike someone that makes you laugh. In order for someone to laugh with you, they have to give themselves over to you even if it is for a moment. When you make someone laugh, they like you. Making someone laugh so hard their sides hurt, guarantees that they’ll want to see you again. Even if the role wasn’t comedic, someone who makes the casting director laugh is more likely to get called back and be more memorable; compared to the others who auditioned.

With that being said, don’t be afraid to try out acting if you’re the one in your friend group who always leaves everyone crying tears of joy. You might just unveil a hidden talent.

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By Will Sirbono

STAFF WRITER

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The Wildcats will now face off against Northeastern University in the Hockey East quarterfinals. The Huskies won two of the three meetings against the Wildcats earlier this season.

By China Wong

STAFF WRITER

The本 week’s Sports section continued from page 24 at the end when we found out we were champions and I’m proud of every single person on the team,” Kaillith Cahill, one of the team’s senior captains, said. “This team was very down to business and going into conference we knew that we wanted to win and that it was going to be a fight, but how people performed under the pressure was just remarkable.”

Senior Liza Baykova led the ‘Cats in the fight and won all three sprint freestyle events. Baykova wrapped up her America East career by breaking two meet records, anchoring UNH’s two winning relays and winning both Outstanding Swimmer of the Meet and the Dave Alexander Coaches’ Award. The award is given each year to the swimmer who has accumulated the most points during her America East Championships career.

“I absolutely love the program and feel honored to be a part of it for the past four years,” Baykova said. “We had lots of fun mixed with hard work and it all paid off.”

Two Wildcat sophomores also recorded winning swims, as Corinne Carbone won both individual medley events and Milana Evsten took gold in the 100-yard breaststroke.

Diving played a major factor in the victory with UNH sweeping crowns in both the 1-meter and 3-meter events. Senior Hailee Miller placed first in the 1-meter and fifth in the 3-meter to win the Outstanding Diver of the Meet Award for the second year in a row. Sophomore Allison Stefanelli bounced back from a failed dive that kept her out of the 1-meter finals by winning the 3-meter competition on the second day.

“I think I over-thought the dive and for a split second lost concentration during my hurdle,” Stefanelli said of her 1-meter performance. While she was disappointed with the result, she expressed great pride in her team-mates’ performances throughout the meet.

Junior Erin Cullather was a podium finisher on both boards, finishing second on 3-meter and third on 1-meter. Sarah Haggerty wrapped up her career with an eighth-place finish in the 1-meter, and first-year diver Anna Burns, who was competing for the UNH gymnastics team a year ago, placed ninth on both boards.

Depth ended up being the deciding factor as the points piled up, and UNH’s senior class guided the team with gritty performances. Bridget Miller improved from sixth-place in the prelims to get silver in the 100-yard freestyle. Cahill and co-captain Emily Giambastini recorded season-best times to score points in multiple events, and the team’s younger swimmers followed the seniors’ lead. The Wildcats consistently shaved time in the morning preliminary round to earn the right to swim again in the scoring heats each night.

“I think that has a lot to do with why we won,” Cahill said. “Some people weren’t happy with their morning swims…but when they had another chance to swim at night they placed higher and scored more points for us and I think this shows how determined our team is and how badly we wanted this championship.”

The season will continue for a limited number of swimmers and divers, who will head to Rutgers University on Feb. 23 for the ECAC Championships.

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MEN’S HOCKEY

Wildcats’ slump continues in 3-2 loss at Merrimack

By Sam Rogers

The Wildcats made the short trip to North Andover, Massachusetts to take on Hockey East opponent Merrimack College in their one test on the weekend. UNH was unable to follow up their tough loss to the University of Maine with a win, as they lost to the Warriors 3-2.

Once again, the ‘Cats held a lead in the game but were unable to finish it off for a victory. Most recently, UNH blew a 3-1 lead with just eight minutes left in the game against Maine, when they ended up losing in overtime.

Senior Shane Eiserman and sophomore Liam Blackburn scored in the first period to give UNH a 2-0 lead at the halfway point of the opening frame.

Merrimack responded with two first period goals of its own, one being scored with two minutes remaining in the period, the other beating the buzzer to tie the game as time expired in the first.

The Warriors were the only team to find the back of the net in the final 40 minutes as they tailed a goal midway through the second while on a power-play. The 3-2 lead was all they needed to take home the win.

Junior Frankie Cefalu has two goals and two assists in his third season for the Wildcats.

Giving up power-play chances was something UNH needed to work on, as giving up extra-man opportunities was a huge factor for blowing leads in games.

UNH had five penalties against Merrimack including a five-minute major, and a penalty that gave Merrimack a power-play chance where they scored the game-winning goal.

Freshman goaltender Mike Robinson made the start for UNH and made 31 saves, including 15 in the second period, in the loss.

Head coach Dick Umile made remarks following the loss. "The one point in the Maine loss was exactly what the Wildcats need to work on, as giving up chances was something UNH needed to do better."

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Junior Anna Vogt led the scoring effort with three goals. However senior Krissy Schafer, who had an outburst of scoring against Sacred Heart with five goals, was nowhere to be found on Saturday, only getting off one shot.

The Wildcats’ offense was one of the bright spots in game two against Dartmouth. Suffering their second loss by nine or more in a row, the ‘Cats have found themselves in somewhat of a skid.

The ‘Cats were in a tough position being down 10-0 at the end of the first half. They did not help their cause by letting up a goal just 2:12 into the second half, making it 11-0. The Wildcats would only come within nine goals of the Big Green for the rest of the game.

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Schafer found her way onto the scoreboard against Dartmouth, but it wasn’t nearly enough as her only other teammate to score was senior Rebecca Sennott, who scored one goal. One of the team’s other important offensive weapons, Vogt, had only two shots on goal, and that was most likely a direct result of her team-leading five turnovers.

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Ivy League hands UNH two losses

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Against Harvard, UNH showed up to play, leading in three important stat categories in shots, ground balls and draw controls, but couldn’t consistently get the ball in the net.

At one point in the first half, Harvard was up 6-1 but UNH eventually cut into the lead and made it 7-4 early in the second half. Harvard scored immediately after that and it was all downhill from there point on.

Harvard’s senior goalkeeper Olivia Gundrum was a brick wall on Saturday, making 14 saves. It is clear the ‘Cats couldn’t figure her out; they had plenty of opportunity but never executed.

On the other hand, the goalkeeping for the Wildcats was less than stellar, letting up 14 goals on 21 shots on net.

Junior Anna Vogt led the scoring effort with three goals. However senior Krissy Schafer, who had an outburst of scoring against Sacred Heart with five goals, was nowhere to be found on Saturday, only getting off one shot.

The Wildcats’ offense was one of the bright spots in game two against Dartmouth. Suffering their second loss by nine or more in a row, the ‘Cats have found themselves in somewhat of a skid.

The ‘Cats were in a tough position being down 10-0 at the end of the first half. They did not help their cause by letting up a goal just 2:12 into the second half, making it 11-0. The Wildcats would only come within nine goals of the Big Green for the rest of the game.

The Wildcats were outplayed in nearly all aspects. They were outshot 37 to 12, they had five more turnovers, six less ground balls and only three draw controls, 10 less than Dartmouth.

Schafer found her way onto the scoreboard against Dartmouth, but it wasn’t nearly enough as her only other teammate to score was senior Rebecca Sennott, who scored one goal. One of the team’s other important offensive weapons, Vogt, had only two shots on goal, and that was most likely a direct result of her team-leading five turnovers.

UNH begins a four-game homestand against Central Connecticut State University at Bremner Field on Saturday at 7 p.m.

This homestand might be exactly what the Wildcats need to bounce back from these tough road losses.
Hockey Preview

UNH vs. No. 11 Northeastern

Friday at 7 p.m.; Matthews Arena in Boston, Massachusetts
Saturday at 7 p.m.; Whittemore Center in Durham, New Hampshire

UNH is 10-16-5, 5-12-5 in Hockey East
Northeastern is 19-8-5, 13-6-3 in Hockey East

Weekend Forecast

By Sam Rogers
STAFF WRITER

The Wildcats close out the regular season with one last home-and-home series against No. 11 Northeastern University.

The first game will be played on Friday, Feb. 23, in Boston, and game two will be played Feb. 24 at the Whittemore Center.

Both games begin at 7 p.m. The final home game of the season will also mark the annual Senior Day for the Wildcats and will also be a celebration for head coach Dick Umile as he is coaching in his 28th and final year at UNH.

“We’re playing one of the best teams in the country,” Umile said. “[Northeastern] has one of the best top lines in the country, the best power-play in the country.”

The Wildcats are in an interesting position before their final test of the regular season. Two weeks ago, the ‘Cats had a chance to make some serious moves in the Hockey East standings as they were tied with the University of Vermont for eighth place.

With a two-game matchup against the Catamounts, UNH had the chance to steal two wins or at least one, and jump ahead of UVM in the standings and hold a serious threat to host a home playoff game.

Instead, UNH only grabbed points from this weekend.

They will take on the Huskies of Northeastern, one of the hottest teams in the country.

They sit third in the Hockey East standings, just three points back of first and, after a 30-year draught, they won the annual Beanpot tournament in Boston.

“We have to play good defense without the puck, and definitely stay out of the penalty box,” Umile said about the matchup.

The Wildcats need a lot to happen this weekend, most importantly two wins and a lot of help from other teams, but the most important thing they need to do is build confidence heading into playoffs.

“At this point [Northeastern] is the best, it’s all about getting ready to see where we end up [in the playoffs] and depending on what happens with one win we can host a home playoff game,” Umile said.

UNH’s scoring parade that everyone witnessed in the beginning of the season is gone as the ‘Cats dropped their goals scored per game from 4.0, to 2.7, and their defense that started the year strong has solid since been average.

UNH may not be playing for a home playoff game this weekend, but they need to play well against one of the country’s best to get some traction heading into the Hockey East playoffs.

Hockey East Standings

1. Boston College 32 pts
2. Providence 30 pts
3. Northeastern 29 pts
4. Boston U. 25 pts
T-5. Maine 23 pts
T-5. UConn 23 pts
7. UMass Lowell 20 pts
8. Vermont 17 pts
9. UMass 16 pts
10. UNH 15 pts
11. Merrimack 14 pts

Wildcat Stat Leaders

Goals

Ara Nazarian/Liam Blackburn 9

Assists

Michael McNicholas 19

Points

Michael McNicholas 24

Blocked Shots

Dylan Chanter 54

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Stat of the Week

The Wildcats have been outscored by 10 goals in the third period and overtime combined this season. They’ve outscored opponents by 10 in the first two periods.

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The Wildcats fell to the Stony Brook University Seawolves midday Saturday, Feb. 17, in the last home game of the season.

UNH honored its seniors with a pre-game ceremony, and head coach Maureen Magarity saw it to each of them played significant minutes – only one non-senior, freshman Amanda Torres, played for the ‘Cats in their 56-62 loss.

Senior Carrie Pogue won America East Player of the Week honors following the 11-point, seven-rebound performance.

The Wildcat seniors started the game hot, connecting on four straight shots, one a three-pointer by Brittni Lai to take a 9-6 lead before the first round of substitutions.

They maintained the lead on a semi-consistent basis throughout the half and started the third quarter ahead, 33-29.

After exploding for 5-8 from the field and 2-4 beyond the arc in the first half, Lai tacked on an additional eight points when her team needed production in the fourth quarter. Stagnant in the final 10 minutes, the ‘Cats remained within striking range thanks to Lai’s scoring. But it wasn’t enough. UNH let up 16 more than seven points.

“IT was very emotional, with our seven seniors [playing],” she said. “We wanted to come out as strong as possible with our seniors here, with everyone’s parents here. It’s just a shame we couldn’t.”

And despite the loss in front of parents and alumni, Magarity provided hope for the future.

“There is a tomorrow,” she said. “It comes down to whether we can clean those things up, in the end.”

The end, regardless of the Wildcats’ playoff performance, draws near. The furthest the ‘Cats could go this season is March 9, the America East championship game. But they want to focus on the first round which starts on Saturday, March 3, in Portland, Maine.

Before then, the Wildcats will head to UMass Lowell tonight, Feb. 22, at 7 p.m. to wrap-up the regular season. UNH is 8-7 in conference play and a win, or a loss, could play largely into their seeding.

Stony Brook spoils Senior Day as Lai scores 20

By Bret Belden
SPORTS EDITOR

The Wildcats are once again sliding in the wrong direction. Following Wednesday night’s 65-56 loss at the University of Hartford, the ‘Cats are 6-9 in America East play and 10-19 overall.

Senior guard Brittni Lai scored 20 points in her final home game, while Hartford junior guard J.R. Lynch led the Hawks with 17 points, while three other Hartford players finished with double-figure scoring. The Wildcats couldn’t execute down the stretch and the Hawks pulled away in the final minutes.

Graduate student Jacoby Armstrong came off the bench to add 11 points and six rebounds for UNH, but didn’t supply enough offense to put UNH over the top in another crucial America East game.

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Wildcats fall to 6-9 in conference play with road losses

By Zach Holler
SPORTS EDITOR

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Senior forward Tanner Leissner finished with 12 points and four rebounds. Freshman guard Elijah Jordan led the Wildcats with 14 points of his own. It’s the second-highest point total for Jordan this season, only trailing his 19-point performance against Niagara University on Dec. 5.

UNH had the score tied 56- 56 with two minutes remaining, but Hartford junior guard J.R. Lynch scored the next five points to propel the Hawks to victory. A clutch three-pointer was followed by a Leissner turnover, and a Lynch layup at the other end gave Hartford the cushion it needed to hold on.

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Down to the wire
Seniors lead UNH to first America East crown since 2014 in dramatic fashion

By Andrew Yourell
FORMER SPORTS EDITOR

The air seemed to shake from hundreds of cheers as Vermont’s Sierra Sexton, UMBC’s Brittany Driscoll and UNH’s Brittany Moffatt tore through the last leg of the 400-yard freestyle relay on Sunday night. Their hands hit the wall in quick succession and the roar of the crowd died as eyes turned to the results flashing across the scoreboard. After a heartbeat of uncertain silence, the Wildcats and their fans erupted in celebration.

“We really didn’t know we’d won until we saw that Vermont won the 400 relay,” head coach Josh Willman said of his team’s narrow victory in the 2018 America East Swimming and Diving Championships.

Vermont’s win in the relay sealed the victory for the Wildcats, who outscored second-place finisher UMBC, 794-789.5. Vermont finished in a distant third with 652 points.

UMBC, the three-time defending champions, staged a furious comeback attempt on the final day of competition, but needed to win the freestyle relay to unseat the Wildcats, who entered the final race with a 6.5-point lead. Instead, Vermont’s team out-touched the Retrievers by .45 seconds.

“I was so overcome with joy...”

(Courtesy of Andrew Yourell)

(Top) The Wildcats celebrate in the pool after clinching their first America East Swimming and Diving Championship since 2014. (Bottom) Graduate student Emily Giambastini competes in the 100-yard backstroke on Sunday. Giambastini finished 16th in the event.

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UNH captured its seventh America East Swimming and Diving title this weekend (first since 2014).