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Twenty-year history of underage drinking at UNH

By Caleb Jagoda
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Full beer bottles whizzed by the heads of a packed crowd. Chunks of wood, debris, couches and chairs flew with reckless abandon. Fire danced alongside wooden telephone poles. And in the middle of it all, a bonfire raged on Main Street in Durham.

What sounds like a war scene borne from political unrest occurred in a normally idyllic New England town with a population just under 15,000 people. And it all began after an overtime hockey game played 3,000 miles away in Anaheim, CA. On that evening in 1999, the hometown University of New Hampshire (UNH) Wildcats lost 3-2 in overtime to arch rival University of Maine in the NCAA Division I Men's Ice Hockey National Championship.

"It was really a bad scene..." said Dave Kurz, the chief of police for the town of Durham for the last 24 years. "It was just deeply concerning. We had never seen anything like this, and we were just quite surprised at how it got out of our hands. What's interesting is, we had subsequent events after that, but never anything as violent."

According to Kurz, the mayhem caught the university and town's police forces completely off-guard. With dumpster fires, injuries and intoxicated college students running amuck, Kurz

and Chief Paul Dean of the UNH Police Department were forced to call in back-up from a number of surrounding towns.

"We had state police, some on horseback, and just all kinds of people," said UNH Dean of Students and Senior Vice Provost for Student Life John "Ted" Kirkpatrick. "We tried to close in on the students, and—it was just chaos."

Afterward, town and university officials knew they needed a change to prevent any sort of destructive incident from spiraling out of control again. What followed were countless meetings, policy changes and a new agenda that would redefine how UNH policed underage drinking, altering the party culture of the university over the course of the following 20 years.

"That was the impetus for why all these things were put in place," Kurz said.

Following the chaos of the 1999 Frozen Four loss, the town and university's police forces worked closely with UNH's administration to alter both the college's disciplinary system and police department procedure. Kirkpatrick, Kurz and Dean cited a handful of major administrative and policing modifications following 1999: a new policing philosophy to arrest intoxicated minors opposed to issuing court summons, the Weekend Walkers program, the advent of statute 179:10, the Red Coat program, and the Three-Strike policy,

among others.

According to Kurz, one of the biggest departmental changes rested not in the sheer number of officers he employed – although the Durham department did begin shifting more of their staff to patrol Durham on Friday and Saturday nights – but in the strategies the officers utilized when policing campus. Before 1999, intoxicated students under the age of 21 would be issued a summons to appear in court at a later date and be left to continue their night. Following the departmental changes, Durham police would now arrest intoxicated minors on the spot, bring them into the station and book them.

"(That was a) philosophy we created back in 1999," Kurz said. "If we arrested someone in front of you, and you were an observer, that your behavior would be changed. You would not engage in that behavior that would cause you to be arrested."

Along with putting his new-found philosophy to practical use, Kurz published an article in Police Chief Magazine with Justice Studies Program Ph.D. Donna M. Perkins in which they detailed the effectiveness of the new strategy. "It was more costly because it takes time to bring someone down here and book them and photograph them," Kurz said. "But, as the research showed... (the strategy's



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Courtesy of UNH Police

On the Spot: New hall director Shanti Scott

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Shanti Scott ('14) is a woman of many interests.

Scott is the new hall director of Scott Hall in the Fishbowl on campus. She enjoys both working and doing activities outdoors, she's a yoga instructor, she loves to garden and she claims to have the "travel bug" ever since she took a trip to France during her junior year of high school.

While attending the University of New Hampshire (UNH), Scott majored in women's studies and minored in both nutrition and psychology. She interned for Health & Wellness, was involved in PAWS and the Alternative Break Challenge, studied abroad in a community health and social policy program in South Africa that she described as "life-changing." After her program ended, she traveled to Namibia, Botswana and Zimbabwe.

Scott grew up in Townsend, MA and has an older sister and

two younger brothers. Growing up, Scott enjoyed playing games outside, climbing trees, and playing sports such as soccer, basketball, field hockey and track.

This love of the outdoors has translated into her adult life as well, as she has worked in the fields of outdoor education and wilderness therapy. On her first post-college job in outdoor education, she said, "[I] loved the outdoor component, loved facilitating working with students. In outdoor ed you tend to do very short, two to five days. So, I wanted to work with students longer. That led to wilderness therapy, and that had more of a therapeutic realm." She noted the woody aspect of this; that they are without phones and cook their own food, among other things. She noted her unique ability to "bow-drill," which she described as "a primitive form of fire-making." Scott explained that this a quick turnaround job, so after about a year, she transitioned to a new job at a residential treatment center for adolescent boys.

While mainly indoors, this role still had an outside component. Scott was able to take her students mountain biking, rock climbing and hiking.

"I actually broke my wrist playing basketball... there's a company in the White Mountains that doesn't allow their employees to play basketball because more employees are hurt playing basketball," she said.

Following this, Scott spent a year and a half leading international youth exchanges. She took a group of American students to South Africa, and then worked with international students from the Caribbean and South America. They focused on topics such as "social justice, civic engagement and cultural immersion."

Scott began her role as hall director in mid-December.

"I have been nomadic since I left college. I graduated in 2014, I lived in California, I moved to Ohio, I lived in Brooklyn, New



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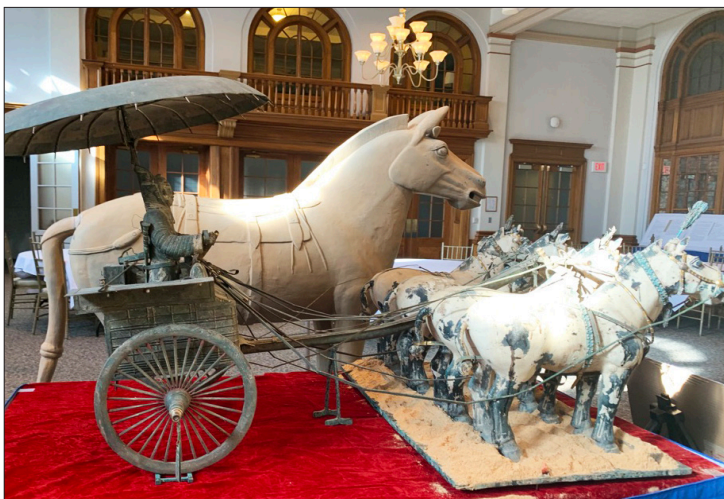


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Alongside the Nov. 14 print version of the article "UNH and Durham officials speak about safety with alcohol", there are two photos of Libby's Bar and Grill in downtown Durham, but *The New Hampshire* is not implying that Libby's is directly connected with the content of the article.

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effectiveness) proved to be true.”

The article, titled “Research in Brief: Reducing Public Display of Negative Alcohol-Related Behavior in a College Population,” conducted research with Perkins and a group of her graduate justice studies students. The article does not cite arrest numbers before and after the philosophy was put into place, nor do Kurz or Dean have these numbers readily available. According to Kurz, the Durham and UNH police departments began collecting such data in 2005.

The article cites that “the majority” of students that experienced an alcohol-related arrest reported a “positive behavior change due to their arrest” without citing statistical evidence. The article also cites that witnessing the arrests of other students had a “positive effect on their behavior when consuming alcohol” for the majority of respondents without reporting detailed data.

The UNH and Durham police departments also began sending letters to the home addresses of arrested students, hoping to spark a family conversation about the conduct of the student.

“We don’t have the opportunity to talk to your parents and figure it out,” Kurz said, “so we send a letter to mom and dad. All we’re saying is it’s public information and just letting you know your child was arrested.”

Additionally in 2003, both police departments started a grant to fund a program known as “Weekend Walkers” that had university faculty walking throughout campus on weekend nights as means of encouraging safe behavior. According to Cliff Brown, an associate professor of sociology at UNH, the program sat poorly with university faculty.

“A lot of faculty members were like, ‘That’s not really my job to be enforcing student behavior rules, outside of classes and at night and stuff,’” Brown said. “But I do think there was this kind of push to have a greater faculty presence during some of these flashpoint events.”

Memorial Union and Student Activities began funding the Weekend Walkers after their grant money became completely expended. A few years later, UNH’s Sexual Harassment and Rape Prevention Program (SHARPP), in tandem with the Student Senate, started running the program. According to the Weekend Walker’s current coordinator, Zachary Ahmad-Kahloon, the program focused

on reporting alcohol use among students during its years under the police grant, but after being taken over by SHARPP, aimed to have “another set of eyes on the street.”

“Our goal is to be more of an observer and to get help when help is needed,” Ahmad-Kahloon said.

From talking down an intoxicated student from lighting off an armful of fireworks, to dissuading two students from participating in a plastic saltshovel fight, the Weekend Walkers identify risk situations and persuade students to disengage, according to Ahmad-Kahloon. If students do not take their advice and a situation gets out of hand, the Weekend Walkers notify authorities.

Ahmad-Kahloon said the Weekend Walkers mainly deal with alcohol-related incidents, although they no longer record data on the number of open containers they witness as they once did under the police grant. Yet with the induction of statute “179:10 Unlawful Possession and Intoxication” by the New Hampshire state legislature in 2002, underage people could now be arrested for consuming a single alcoholic drink.

Chief Paul Dean of the UNH Police Department described the specifics of statute 179:10, which states anyone under the age of 21 who is found to be intoxicated by the consumption of an alcoholic beverage “shall be guilty of a violation and shall be fined a minimum of \$300” for a first offense, and a minimum of \$600 for every subsequent offense. The blood-alcohol limit for a violation is 0.02.

“The statute allowed for the same penalty for consumption and intoxication as possession,” Dean said. “Intoxication for someone under 21 is much lower than an adult.”

With the 2002 statute, and the departments’ philosophy to arrest students rather than ticket them, Kurz insisted that their goal wasn’t to “arrest our way out of any of these incidents.”

“We’re a small town, and we simply cannot afford the resources that it would take to do that,” Kurz said. “We have to be more creative.”

With the numerous policing changes following UNH’s Frozen Four loss in 1999, the university also made strides in changing how it dealt with alcohol violations among its students—and even had its administration on the front line with its Red Coat program.

The ongoing Red Coat program – separate from the aforementioned Weekend Walkers

program – places 12 to 15 academic deans donning signature red coats in downtown Durham. The members, consisting of the associate deans of UNH’s eight colleges and senior-level university administrators, aim to provide an authoritative, adult presence to the campus atmosphere and to “keep students out of harm’s way,” said Kirkpatrick, who is a member of the Red Coats.

“For example, the town is very concerned that students will break lamp posts by climbing them, or those little trees by Main Street that students will climb,” he said. “So, often Red Coats are basically saying, ‘Look, that whole street is on video, so you do something bad in this... moment of celebration, it has a life beyond the moment.’”

While the Red Coat program hopes to curb bad decisions before they begin, the Three Strike policy attempts to help arrested students understand the potential consequences of further mistakes.

If a student gets arrested, they receive their first strike and have a meeting with the associate dean, according to Kirkpatrick. Their ability to study abroad and eligibility for merit-based scholarships are also affected. After their second arrest, another strike and meeting. And following the third offense, the academic deans file a complaint in the conduct system to seek the removal of the student from the university. Kirkpatrick said that the goal isn’t to discipline the student, but rather show them the potential lasting effects college mistakes can have on their adult life.

“Look, I’m no better or no worse than you as a human being,” Kirkpatrick said. “I know that I’ve made my own mistakes. But our job now is try to help young people not do permanent damage to their record while they’re here at UNH, or create safety risks for themselves. If you’re still doing that, after all of the interventions, I don’t think you’ve got the game right.”

Kirkpatrick said the upside of arresting students and putting them through the “brutal” adult legal system for underage drinking is that the re-arrest rate is inordinately low.

“The likelihood that you will be rearrested is very, very low because it’s such a hassle,” he said. “You’ve got to go to court, you’ve got to hear what the outcome is, you’ve got to pay a fine and it’s public record. So, all of those strategies have actually produced a welcome dividend: a very low re-arrest rate.”

Despite the various shifts in administrative discipline and

police ideology over the last 20 years, “celebratory disturbances” still occur, according to Police Chief Dean. These instances often take place following big games by New England professional sports teams, when university students flood the downtown area, win or lose. Following the New England Patriots Super Bowl LIII win against the Los Angeles Rams last February, and the Boston Red Sox World Series win against the Los Angeles Dodgers in October of 2018, UNH students filled Main Street in downtown Durham. These celebrations can sometimes culminate with rioting, which, according to Professor Brown, is the combination of several factors within the maturing mind of a young adult.

Brown said that when people gather in large groups, whether to celebrate a victory or anguish over a loss, anonymity and a redefinition of social norms play a big role. A large crowd makes individuals feel as if their identity is masked and their own actions won’t receive the same scrutiny if they were alone.

“If you’re part of a group of 500 people, and you throw a brick or a bottle, the person who’s taking that action, they think, ‘Well, no one’s going to see that it’s me,’” he said.

If people witness an ordinarily abnormal act, this lowers their barrier for what’s considered acceptable, Brown said. In turn, this can convince others that violent actions are allowed and encouraged in that particular context. Combined with lower inhibitions from inebriation, the “perfect” storm of angry, and sometimes violent, college students can culminate after a big sporting event.

Kirkpatrick explained that following 1999’s chaos, administration and police completely altered their crowd control techniques. He said that police and university staff circled around and closed in on the mass of students during the 1999 incident, only furthering the violence and destruction that had already occurred.

“They’ve gotten very, very good at containment,” Kirkpatrick said. “When I’ve been on the mean streets of Durham in the last three years with the Super Bowl, it’s a ghost town—we’ve removed everything from downtown. There’s no parking. And then instead of closing in on people, it’s just like, look, let this celebration occur as long as there’s no damage done. And then, you know, after it goes about an hour, everybody just leaves. It’s just knowing how to do that so that everybody comes out okay.”

In the 2019 academic year

up to Oct. 21, UNH and Durham police made a combined 243 arrests. According to Kurz, this is a 32 percent decrease in arrests among both departments for the academic year up to this point. And this isn’t without reason. Kirkpatrick explained that starting again in 2019 for the first time since before the Frozen Four riot of 1999, UNH and Durham police began issuing court summons to intoxicated minors as opposed to immediately arresting them. While this will likely result in both a similar number of court appearances in Durham and disciplinary measures within the university, it’s expected to continue to drop the arrest numbers. Students under 21 no longer will be taken to the station and booked, but instead handed a court summons and left to continue their night.

“It’s still a police contact. It still counts as a strike within the Three Strike policy,” Kirkpatrick said. “But it’s a little less invasive.”

Fewer students in incoming classes also contribute to the lower arrest numbers. Two classes of UNH students of around 3,200 students graduated, while the most recent first-year class was around 2,750 students.

In the 2018 calendar year, both the UNH and Durham police departments made a combined 830 arrests, with 74 percent of those arrests being people under the age of 21. Of those under-21 arrests, 91 percent accounted for alcohol-related charges, which equals approximately 559 arrests.

For comparison, the University of Vermont (UVM) Police Department made 86 total arrests in 2018 (compared to the UNH Police Department’s 576 arrests in 2018) but had a total of 375 disciplinary referrals for liquor law violations. In the state of Vermont, underage possession of alcohol is a civil violation—not a criminal violation as it is in New Hampshire. A civil ticket may be issued for underage possession, but an individual would not be arrested for this violation. Thus, there were 184 more alcohol-related violations at UNH’s Durham campus compared to UVM’s Burlington campus. UVM also had 2,249 fewer students enrolled in the 2018 fall academic semester than UNH.

Kirkpatrick said that regardless of arrest rates and fluctuating statistics, the topics that deans of students across the nation worry about most often are mental health, sexual violence, and diversity and inclusion. Alcohol, Kirkpatrick said, is the other big concern.

“It’s the drug of choice on this campus,” said Kirkpatrick.

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York, Vermont, and I lived in Keene,” she said when asked about her decision to apply for this job. Scott said she had always been drawn back to the seacoast area. She explained that though she had never worked specifically in residential life, her past experiences and skills, such as “direct student contact and fostering of academic curriculum,” have

helped her prepare for this role. “It’s been really cool to step in and see where it goes,” she said.

Scott, who lives in an apartment in Scott Hall, has several goals for herself and the dorm.

“I definitely adore this building and this community,” she said.

She is hoping to complete a Master’s program while she is at UNH, likely in either adolescent development and family studies, or the Carsey School of Public Policy program in community

development.

She described a curriculum she has been working on for a while, called “Adulting in Action.”

“It combines leadership, social and emotional learning, financial literacy, social justice, and really ‘What does it mean to adult?’ And how to transition from adolescence effectively. The curriculum we do here is completely aligned in it and I am looking to get that going and see what could be developed,” she

said.

She said the best part so far has been her department, particularly how kind and inclusive they have been. She appreciates that they are a group of people working for a similar mission. She said because of this support, she has “been able to show up for my students and for my RAs and know the logistics on all the moving criteria.”

There is no “typical day” for Scott, as each day is different, from meetings with potential

future RAs to meetings for the Sophomore Summit committee that she is part of. She also works in her role as advisor to the Hall Council. With all of this going on, Scott mentioned the importance of “balancing and scheduling self-care.”

Looking to the future, Scott plans to stay in her role as hall director for the next couple of years, at least the next year and a half. Her next trip will be to Peru and Bolivia this summer.

Confucius Institute hosts Terracotta Warrior exhibit

By Jenna O'del
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Life-size statues of ancient Chinese warriors, from archers to generals to chariot drivers, and a horse, stood in the ballroom of Huddleston Hall and in the lobby of Dimond Library this past week and a half. The statues were replicas of the famous Terracotta Warriors. The Confucius Institute, a partnership between Chengdu University and the University of New Hampshire (UNH) housed in Huddleston Hall, brought the replicas.

The replicas are made of select statues of the 6,000 warriors currently known from an archaeological site in Xi'an, China, UNH Confucius Institute Director Yige Wang said.

The warriors were discovered in 1974. "It was discovered by accident...by a farmer trying to dig a well," Wang said. "The whole entire village had to relocate."

The warriors are to protect Qin Shi Huang, who started the Qin dynasty and was the first emperor of China, in the afterlife. Wang compared the warriors and the scale at which they were built to the great pyramids of Egypt, made for Egypt's pharaohs.

Over 750,000 people over the course of 38 years, he said, worked on these warriors and the burial site.

"They basically hollowed out an entire mountain," he said. The warriors, each unique in features, are housed in pits in the

mountain, and though 6,000 are currently known, "this is an ongoing excavation," Wang said. "All modeled after the actual soldier."

Aside from life-size statues, the UNH exhibit included tables for workshops related to the exhibit, smaller replicas and a half-size chariot with four horses. Wang remarked that the chariot was half size, at 400 pounds, because of the sheer weight of a full-size chariot being near a half ton and thus not practical to transport into Huddleston.

The exhibit in Dimond Library served to make people aware of and attract people to the Huddleston exhibit, containing both a display case of related materials the library owns, and unique statues, which Wang highlighted. The chariot and the statue in the library had spots of gold and red paint on them, reflecting the paint that was originally on all the statues and has since faded and worn away. The replicas were made by experts at the Hubei Provincial Museum, in Wuhan, "hand copied" from the original statues.

Each year, Wang said, the Confucius Institute works to put on an exhibit for the public to provide education about an aspect of Chinese history or culture. The Institute decided to bring the Terracotta Warriors because this year is the tenth anniversary of the Institute being at UNH.

The statues were bought by a grant and commissioned by the Institute.

"We were able to make it happen at minimal cost...and we're happy to see the end re-

sult," Wang said. He noted that a variety of universities from the region are interested in hosting the exhibit, which attracted significant regional media attention.

This interest is despite ongoing controversy over Confucius Institutes at universities, including this one, and that these Institutes encourage propaganda and values not supported in American academia, as reported by New Hampshire Public Radio (NHPR) and others. According to NHPR, these values do not seem to be an issue at the UNH Confucius Institute.

Nor were they an issue for people attending the exhibit: the Confucius Institute reached out to local schools, such as Bow and Merrimack High Schools, which brought classes to the exhibit, along with a lunch at Holloway Commons.

"We're very open...whatever we do is always free and open to the public," Wang said, in emphasizing how interested the Institute was in education and spreading knowledge to all ages, as well as a strategic priority proposed by UNH President James Dean at the 2019 State of the University Address. "This is very much in alignment with President Dean's new initiative of 'Embracing NH & Serving the Community,'" Wang wrote in an email towards the end of the exhibition, referring to the "Embrace New Hampshire" strategic priority.

Wang noted lectures that also accompanied the exhibit, and that in planning exhibits like these, the Institute uses a "very transparent

process" in preparing for each upcoming year.

The Institute reached out to departments in the College of Liberal Arts (COLA) about the exhibit. A philosophy course was slated to visit the exhibit, particularly another part of the exhibit: the Qin dynasty bamboo strips.

Along one wall and in the Dimond exhibit case were replicas of and informational materials on these bamboo strips. The bamboo strips were from a Qin official. The strips were buried with the official, and when his coffin "was unearthed in 1975 it was still legible," Wang said.

The strips themselves were small and thin—approximately a centimeter wide or less. The characters on the strips documented the laws of the Qin dynasty, which, Wang said, was known for its harsh laws and consequences for breaking the laws, such as steep fines, and physical and lethal punishment. The laws were part of the legalism philosophy of the dynasty.

Despite these punishments, "the Qin dynasty is very influential in Chinese history...it unified Chinese writing," and standardized other elements of society, such as road widths, Wang said. The Qin dynasty "conquered every city-state, created [the] emperor...this really laid the foundation for China...to always come back together...you belong to the same nation."

Since the "characters are the same," he said, "this is what kept China together." He said that despite the thousands of years be-

tween when the strips were written and the present day, because of this "unified" writing, he could still understand what the strips said.

These bamboo strips were brought in to help explain the Terracotta Warriors.

"We can show the Terracotta Warriors, but what about the stories behind them? We thought the bamboo strips can really tell the story," Wang said.

Wang hoped that the exhibit could impose some of the grandeur of seeing the Terracotta Warriors in Xi'an. "It's a surreal experience [in Xi'an]...we certainly can't recreate that here," he said, adding that with the replicas, visitors could imagine 6,000 warriors in pits below their feet.

And many were eager to imagine so: "We are happy to report it has been overwhelming: we have had people driving an hour and a half in wheel chairs coming to see the exhibition and thanked us for fulfilling their dreams (otherwise they won't be able to travel to China)...People have been emailing us to sign up constantly," Wang wrote in emails brimming with excitement, adding that the exhibit has likely seen almost 2,000 visitors, from school groups to residents of retirement homes.

The Dimond Library portion of the exhibit remains in place. Students wishing to get involved with the Confucius Institute can take courses in Chinese and study abroad in Chengdu, China.



Jenna O'del/TNH Staff

Photo album: Terracotta Warrior exhibit



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Former Gov. Lynch bets on Biden as Primary draws near

By Benjamin Strawbridge
STAFF WRITER

For Joe Biden, only 12 days remain until he must fight to confirm his much-touted primary frontrunner status – and momentum – in the well-worn battleground state of New Hampshire. In the eyes and minds of many voters, the numbers tell the story of a race still too close to call. In the eyes of former N.H. Gov. John Lynch, however, it's Biden's game to lose.

"I feel that strongly about the vice president and about this election," Lynch, who served as the state's governor from 2005 to 2013, told *The New Hampshire* on Jan. 29 during a visit to the University of New Hampshire (UNH). "I think it's the most important election in our lifetime and, as I've said, Joe Biden is the most electable of the candidates running."

The Hopkinton resident's support for the former vice president is nothing new: he endorsed him on April 25, 2019, the day he began his race for the White House. Lynch's support for Biden is the result of a longtime friendship with the former Delaware senator; in 2012, the Union Leader reported how Biden encour-

aged Lynch to run for governor for a fifth term that year. While he ultimately declined to seek that term, Lynch's local stumping for Biden eight years later could easily be seen as a symbolic returning of the favor.

Lynch, who called Biden a "caring, sympathetic individual," said his endorsement primarily stems from the candidate's campaign promises, such as fighting climate change alongside younger activists and securing healthcare reforms, as well as a potential redux of the Affordable Care Act, in an effort to "expand the middle class." Lynch, however, stressed that successful approaches toward education especially are key to shoring up support in the Granite State.

Specifically, Lynch explained that efforts to improve state-wide education, such as through raising student graduation rates and test scores, represented an extensive portion of his time as governor. He said that good state-wide education "provides the opportunity for young people to get good jobs, be able to provide for themselves and their families, to go on to higher education if that's what they choose to do, like you all have chosen to do."

Biden's current education proposal, per his campaign website, includes halving federal

undergraduate student loan payments through income-based repayment program reforms, providing two years of community college and other "high-quality training program[s]" debt-free, creating a new grant program to increase community college funding, and crafting "Title I" legislation aimed at helping postsecondary students at "under-resourced" four-year schools complete their degrees, among other promises.

Lynch stressed that Biden's efforts in the realms of education and other issues, should he be elected, would help the candidate "unite the country at a time when this country is incredibly divided," a mission Lynch says he can accomplish if he is successful in bringing Democratic, Republican and independent voters together into a "coalition" beyond traditional party lines.

"I trust that Joe Biden will be able to assemble a good group of advisors, and you're only as good as your team," Lynch said.

However, some both within and outside Biden's "coalition" have expressed numerous concerns about the 77-year-old candidate, ranging from his age and both alleged "mental gaffes" during past debates, to accusations of physical misconduct following claims from roughly seven women that he inappropriately

approached them with unwanted kisses and hugs.

When asked about such concerns, Lynch pointed toward his observations of Biden at debates, rallies and other campaign events, saying that Biden is "able to talk with incredible competence and experience" through voter dialogues. The former governor also touted the candidate's "progressive" side, citing examples such as his authoring of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) in 1994.

"I admire anyone running for president of the United States," he said. "...it's a grueling job running for president of the United States, having to be in all the different states raising so much money, so I admire anyone who does it."

Looking to the future, Lynch said Biden's biggest obstacle against his frontrunner status chances of winning New Hampshire is the result of running against candidates from neighboring New England states, including Sanders of Vermont and Sen. Elizabeth Warren of Massachusetts.

"It's always a challenge for somebody to run against elected officials from neighboring states in New Hampshire," he said. "Go back to 1992: lots of people think Bill Clinton won, but he didn't;

[former Sen.] Paul Tsongas won, who was from Massachusetts. Michael Dukakis in '88 won from Massachusetts, so it's always difficult..."

Despite that, however, the former governor believes strongly that Biden "knows New Hampshire really well, [and] cares about New Hampshire" enough to do well or even win the primary, and expresses confidence that Biden "is going to be able to restore a sense of ethics, integrity, decency and honesty to the White House" should he be elected.

Lynch himself, meanwhile, plans on continuing his role as a state-wide stumping "surrogate" for Biden, which he calls the "Live Free, Vote Joe" tour, over the next several days. He visited Concord, Manchester, Salem, Nashua and Wilton earlier in the week, and dropped by Dover, Somersworth and Rochester Wednesday in addition to Durham; Thursday saw Lynch tending to western New Hampshire with the northern edge of the state to follow in the coming days.

Regardless of his location over the next 12 days, however, one thing remains constant for John Lynch: he plans to support his political ally and longtime friend "anyway he wants me to."

His one condition: "I'll never leave New Hampshire."



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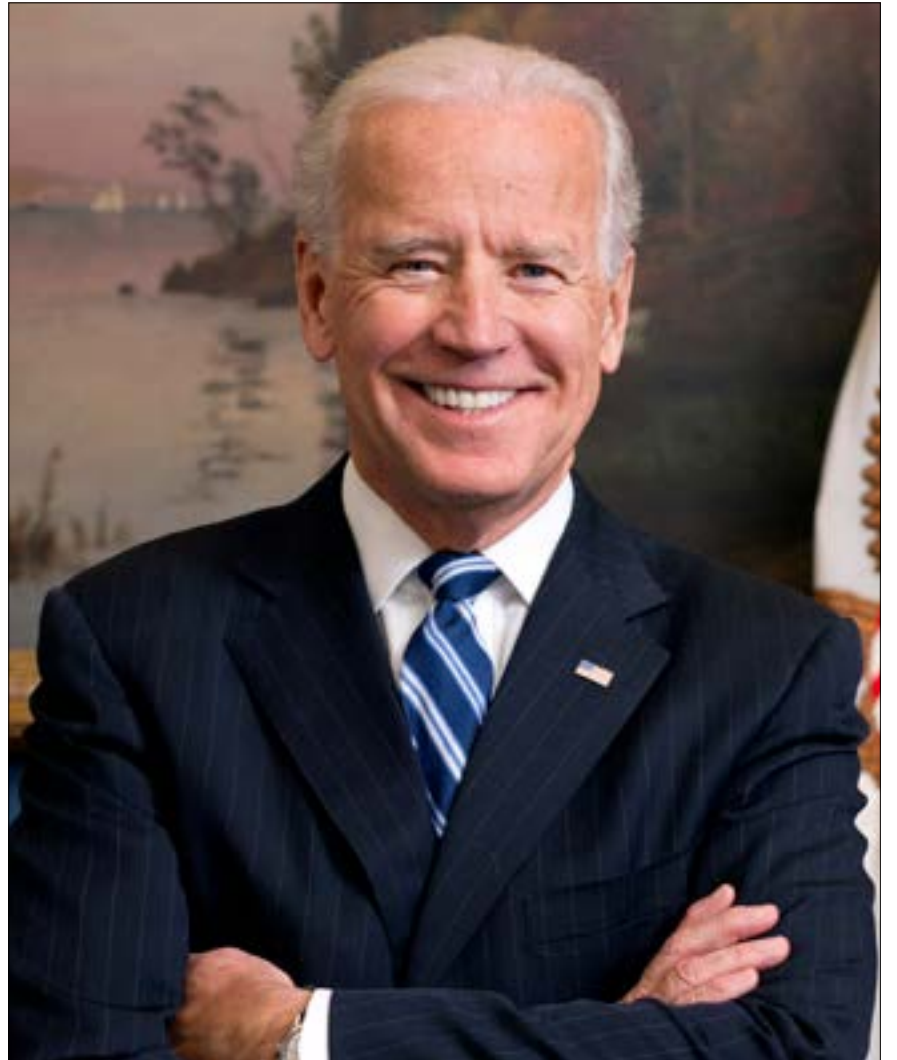


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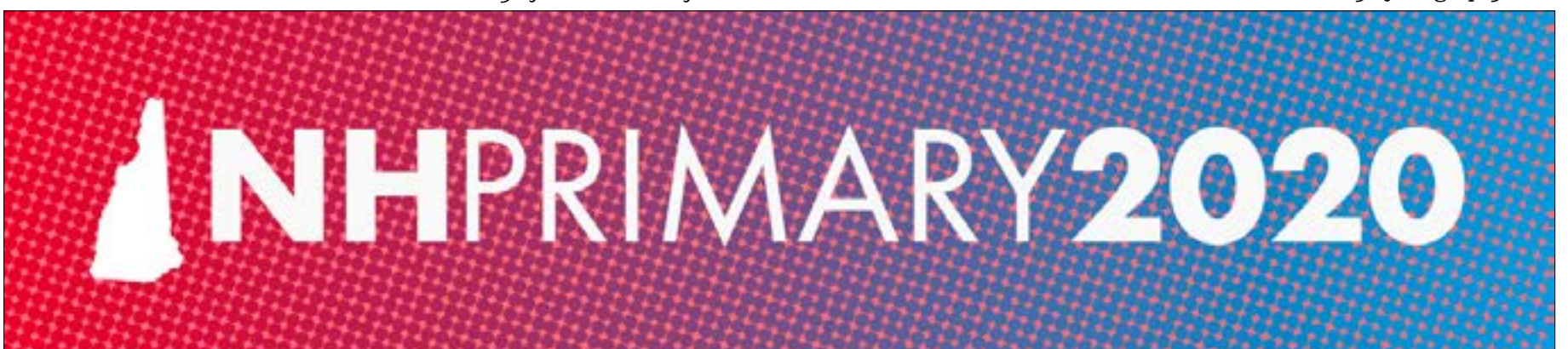


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Elder Bush, Clinton to speak at graduation

Helen Hocknell
Staff Writer

UNH Interim President J. Bonnie Newman announced yesterday that George H. W. Bush and William Jefferson Clinton will be the keynote speakers at commencement this May, and politically minded students couldn't be more excited.

"Sounds great!" said College Republicans Vice President Bill Hunt. "I know they've been working together for tsunami relief—it says a lot about Bush's character to be working together with Clinton after the solid defeat he gave him—he really had to swallow his pride there. He's taken bipartisanship to a new level."

After running against each other in 1992, Bush and Clinton joined together in 2004, at the request of President George W.

Bush, to visit areas in southern Asia to raise money for tsunami relief.

"I couldn't be more excited," said Senior Nick Christiansen, former president of College Democrats. "I think these are probably the biggest names they could have possibly recruited, and I'm glad they're doing it together."

"I think they've become sort of a couple," said Christiansen, laughing. "They really did work well together [on tsunami relief]." He added that it made sense to have it in New Hampshire, especially with all the recent emphasis political leaders have placed on putting aside ideologies and crossing party lines to achieve common goals. "We all know now that the elections are heating up... It's a strong message of bipartisanship."

Neither former president is new to the area: Then-Vice President Bush was the

keynote speaker at the 1987 UNH commencement, and Clinton campaigned frequently on campus during his presidential bids in the 1990s.

Last year's speaker was actor Mike O'Malley, a 1988 graduate of UNH and star of the CBS comedy *Yes, Dear*. A possible explanation for such high profile political figures this time around could be Interim President Newman's past work for the Reagan and Bush administrations. From 1989 to 1991 she served as Assistant to the President for Management and Administration, where she oversaw all administrative operations for the White House and Executive Office of the President during the transition and administration of George H.W. Bush.

Commencement is scheduled to take place on Saturday, May 19 at Memorial Field.

University pays tribute to Murray

Friends remember father of journalism department at UNH

Peter Jennings
Staff Writer

When Tom Osenton first saw Pulitzer Prize winning journalist and UNH professor Donald Murray, it was not in a classroom or while taking a tour of the Boston Herald. Instead, it happened in 1972 while Osenton skated on the ice as a UNH hockey player and glanced up into the crowd.

"He was jumping up and down while letting out a disturbing jungle cry: Woooooo!" Osenton said at Murray's memorial service, which was held this past Saturday at the PCAC. Murray died last month at the age of 82.

To see the effect Murray had on people's lives, one needed only to do a head count of the crowd at Johnson Theatre, which was filled to near capacity with family, colleagues, friends and admirers.

Although some tears were shed, the auditorium was often filled with laughter due to the anecdotes of the speakers.

Don Graves came to UNH in 1973 as an aspiring teacher and knew of Murray from an article he read entitled "The Writer's Cycle of Crap." Graves was agonizing over a research report he was trying to write and sought Murray's help.

Graves waited anxiously as Murray read the paper and then came back with a simple three-word response.

"This is s***," said Murray.

He then told Graves to sit down in front of a typewriter and write, without concern for punctuation, until he was done. One week later Graves had 120 pages and a lesson he would follow the rest of his life.

"He said, 'Don't look left. Don't look right. Don't read it. Just write,'" said Graves.

Those in the auditorium before the opening speaker took the stage were treated to an array of jazz and classical music, which was all taken from Murray's extensive music collection.

A slide show also precluded the speakers with photos ranging from an adolescent Murray sitting in a toy car modeled after the real car positioned directly behind him, to grandfather-Murray holding a

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Number one in the land



Associated Press

Trevor Smith and the men's hockey team moved up to number one in the national rankings Monday after the Wildcats defeated the Providence Friars, 2-1, on Saturday. UNH will face arch-rival Maine in a pair of games this weekend, including at the Whittemore Center Saturday Night. SEE BACK PAGE FOR DETAILS

Dude, where's my car!?

A candid profile of the man who probably took it away to the impound

Dean LeMire
Staff Writer

"You go to college to learn, right? You pay money to go to class and learn things, right? Right. Well consider this a \$180 class. You just learned not to park where you're not supposed to. It's the cheapest class you're going to get from this f***** college, I'll tell you right now."

If your car has been towed in Durham, you've probably dealt with "Ford." In the corner of a green-tiled women's bathroom-turned-office, the

38-year-old Durham native waits for your calls and money. For those who haven't had the pleasure, be sure to put your dukes down before walking into Smitty's Towing and Recovery, take out your notes, and heed the tow guy.

"I see crazy sh** goin' on, late night.. Kids walk by kicking beers off the cars in the morning -- that's great, that's impressive. There's a lot of downsides to living in this town, you know what I mean? There's the stupid college kids walking around -- and it never changes -- there's al-

ways a new group of dumb kids who come in. They're getting away from their parents for the first time, they go scream and yell, get drunk, throw up, go to the hospital, run into trees with their cars. You know it's a new batch every year!"

But how does he really feel?

"Oh I love UNH!"

Is it the sports?

"Sometimes the hockey, but I'm not a big sports guy. I think UNH is great. A lot of the kids are decent

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Students attend March for Life

By Rose Correll
STAFF WRITER

This past weekend, the Students for Life (SFL), a pro-life organization on campus, attended the March for Life and National Pro-Life Summit in Washington, D.C. The summit was split into various workshops that covered various aspects of the pro-life movement. One of the members of the Students for Life organization, Althea Ansah, attended a session on how to respond to common pro-choice questions. University of New Hampshire (UNH) student Kelsey Mercurio, went to a talk about making schools a more welcoming place for pregnant and parenting students.

“UNH SFL is hoping to make more serious strides to help make UNH more accessible for students who are parenting or facing an unplanned pregnancy,” Mercurio said. “Important areas include housing, financial aid, childcare, parking, knowledge about free services offered by pregnancy centers, knowledge about Title IX rights associated with pregnancy, and more.”

Kristan Hawkins, the president of the Students for Life of America, representatives from the Heritage Foundation and NFL Super Bowl champion Matt Birk all showed their support for the pro-life movement.

The overall goal of Students for Life at UNH is to create “a culture where all life is supported from conception to natural death.

We support pregnancy centers such as Options in Dover and initiatives to help pregnant and parenting students on campus. As an organization, we do not support abortion because not only does it kill the life of a developing and unborn child; the procedure places women at higher risk of physical, reproductive and psychological problems.”

In the fall of last year, the group had received backlash from some students, including their posters being vandalized and one sign being completely erased due to someone dumping coffee on it, several members said. A member of the organization was told by another student that her pins on her bag supporting pro-life should be taken off.

UNH student Katelyn Regan gave her thoughts on attending the summit.

“Being able to be a part of history by going to the first every national pro-life summit was truly a blessing,” Regan said. “It was amazing to be able to learn more about what I can do as a student on campus, learn tactics for supporting the right to life and hear from so many amazing people.”

This year was the first National Pro-Life Summit; it was previously called the Students for Life National Conference for 12 years. According to the national Students for Life official website, over 2,000 people were in attendance in 2019.



Clockwise from back: UNH students Katelyn Regan, Kaylee Lanczyki, Althea Ansah, Kelsey Mercurio and Avonlea Westhoff hold signs at the March for Life on Friday, Jan. 24. Photo courtesy of Kelsey Mercurio

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CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — A second flu death has been reported in New Hampshire, health officials said Friday.

WMUR-TV reports officials with the state Department of Health and Human Services said the adult victim was from Strafford County.

The first adult to die from a flu-related illness in the state this season was from Rockingham County.

Nationally, officials with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said there have been 6,600 flu-related deaths.

At least 39 kids have already died. No children have died in New Hampshire.

LEBANON, N.H. (AP) — Residents of Lebanon, New Hampshire, will vote in March on an ordinance that would make it an immigration "sanctuary city." City councilors voted 8-1 Wednesday to include what it calls the Welcoming Ordinance on the March ballot.

It would limit city employees and officials from working with or sharing immigration-related information with federal immigration authorities.

The city's lawyer questioned a section that would require the city to notify residents when immigration officials are present, noting that it could be considered obstructing federal authorities.

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — New Hampshire lawmakers are considering two opposing plans for bolstering state highway revenues.

Lawmakers heard two bills on Tuesday that propose new systems for vehicle registration fees in the state in response to a decline in gas tax revenue and road maintenance funding, New Hampshire Public Radio reported.

One of the bills would impose higher fees on more fuel efficient vehicles. The bill's sponsor, Republican Rep. Norman Major, of Plaistow, said officials need to find ways for vehicles that use less gas and generate less gas tax revenue to pay into the highway fund.

WASHINGTON (AP) — New Hampshire is getting its first campaign rally of the 2020 campaign season from President Donald Trump, and it will be held on the eve of the state's first-in-the-nation presidential primary.

Trump's Republican reelection campaign on Thursday announced a Feb. 10 "Keep America Great" rally at the SNHU arena in Manchester.

New Hampshire holds its presidential primary on Feb. 11. Democratic candidates competing for the nomination include former Vice President Joe Biden, Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders, Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren and former South Bend, Indiana, Mayor Pete Buttigieg, among others.

NORTH WOODSTOCK, N.H. (AP) — A New Hampshire woman says the operators of a seasonal attraction of ice structures failed to control runoff and flooded her basement with over 15,000 gallons of water — and she worries it will happen again this spring.

Kelly Trinkle alleges in a lawsuit against Ice Castles that last April, snow and ice melt from the attraction pooled in her backyard in North Woodstock and flooded her basement with 16 inches of water, New Hampshire Public Radio reported Tuesday.

Trinkle is seeking \$100,000 in damages but says her largest concern is not the lawsuit or the flooding, but what will happen this spring.

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — U.S. Sen. Jeanne Shaheen of New Hampshire on Tuesday commemorated the life of Christa McAuliffe, a Concord High School teacher who died in the space shuttle Challenger disaster 34 years ago.

McAuliffe would have been NASA's first designated teacher in space. She and six crewmates were killed when the Challenger broke apart shortly after takeoff on Jan. 28, 1986.

"For Granite Staters, and for teachers and educators across the United States, there will always be a special place in our hearts for Christa McAuliffe," Shaheen, D-N.H., said Tuesday on the 34th anniversary of the disaster. "Christa McAuliffe was on a mission to space, but as a teacher, she was also on a personal mission to educate and enlighten. Today, we remember and honor her bravery, her passion for teaching and her tremendous legacy."

NASHUA, N.H. (AP) — A man was arrested in connection with multiple gunshots fired from a moving vehicle that landed inside two occupied apartments, police in Nashua, New Hampshire, said.

No injuries were reported in the shootings last week. Police arrested Herman Rijos Calderon, 31, of Manchester, on Tuesday on an arrest warrant on a reckless conduct charge. Calderon was later charged with two more counts of reckless conduct and two counts of criminal mischief.

Police said Rijos Calderon has a previous felony conviction prohibiting him from possessing a firearm.

Rijos Calderon was jailed and was scheduled to be arraigned Wednesday at the Hillsborough County Superior Court in Nashua. It wasn't immediately known if he had a lawyer who could speak on his behalf, and a phone number couldn't be found for him.

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Kober kicks off new semester as opening night comedian

By Benjamin Strawbridge
STAFF WRITER

On the eve of a new semester, comedian Jen Kober scored a once-in-a-lifetime chance to welcome the 2020s for returning University of New Hampshire (UNH) students however she saw fit. She did it – how else – through comedy, achieved in an hour-long performance on Sunday, Jan. 20 at 9 p.m. at the Memorial Union Building (MUB) Strafford Room.

The event, sponsored by the MUB and LGBTQIAP+ student group Alliance, saw Kober – a native of Lake Charles, LA, best known for her roles in films like “The Purge” and television shows such as “Dead to Me” and “Diary of a Female President” – greet both students and members of UNH’s Leadership Camp Program and other attendees with fleeting gratitude toward New Hampshire, the supposed successor to “Old Hampshire” that she said was not “very fun at all.” And fleeting it was; immediately following her praise, Kober admitted that she was not a native of the Northeastern U.S. and, therefore, not the biggest fan of its cooler climate.

“I’m from Louisiana but I live in California among the beautiful people where I belong, and... it was 72 degrees when I left there this morning,” she explained to the crowd of roughly 70.

“Yeah, there’s a sun, you guys, there’s a sun.”

When she finally landed in Boston to begin her eastern university tour, however, that 72 degrees had fallen to 19, a number she called “a soccer score; that’s not even like a temperature.”

The one thing that threw Kober off even more than the lack of warmth: the abundance of Dunkin’ stores “on every f***** corner. I was literally standing at a Dunkin’ Donuts waving to another fat b**** in a Dunkin’ Donuts across the street! Like, is there a mirror here? What’s happening? Why does she have sprinkles?!?”

Kober also shared her equally frustrating experiences in more familiar environments, such as the set of Ru Paul’s “AJ and The Queen,” where Paul attempted to persuade Kober to shave her hair into a mohawk.

“I was playing a sheriff because this is what they look like... he thinks it [the mohawk] will be very powerful for the part, and I was upset because I was like, ‘Apparently Ru Paul wants everyone to look like a woman except me,’” she recalled. “I look like Bert from Ernie and Bert!”

While she ultimately got the mohawk – “because when Ru Paul asks you to do something, you f*****g do it,” she retorted – a sudden rainstorm forced Kober to wear a hat for the entire



Benjamin Strawbridge / TNH Staff

scene, making the entire scenario pointless.

Fitness was often equally maddening for Kober, as she recalled a time she received a Fitbit from her vegan wife for her birthday, a gift she called “house arrest for fat people,” in no part thanks to the watch sending over text messages to Kober’s wife showcasing her daily steps.

Kober at first expressed outrage that she was unable to reach a seemingly impossible goal of 10,000 steps a day, even when making walking her sole means of transportation and walking to and from the TV to change the channel. That is, until she discovered a cheat: moving her hand and fooling the watch, accomplished daily at 3 p.m. in her bedroom thanks to a little “ménage à

{mwah?}.”

“Laugh all you want, ladies; 9,872 steps.” Enthusiastic applause quickly followed.

The show took an unexpected turn, however, when Kober encouraged a student to take her spot onstage after stating they could be just as funny. The student’s ensuing two-minute found attendees laughing at jokes and jabs at Leadership Camp, which she was a part of, and her fellow students.

“So how is she as a standup comedian?” Kober asked following the student’s performance; one student yelled out, “She’s alright.”

Kober

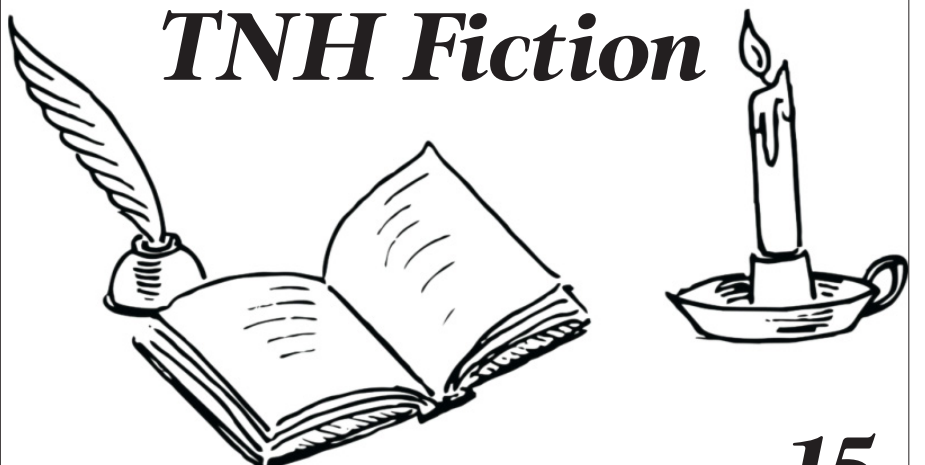
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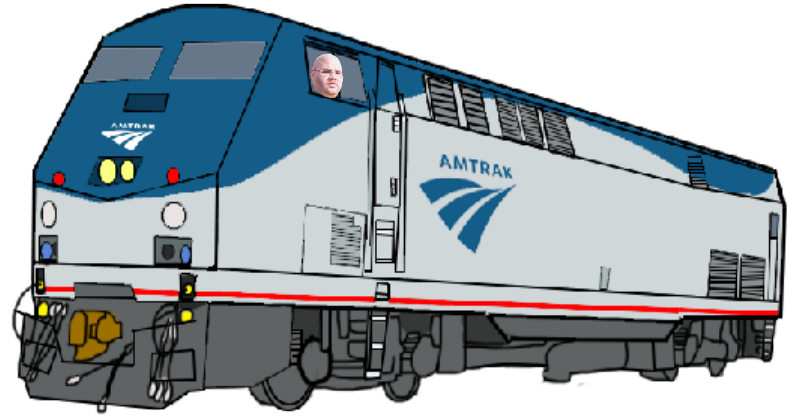
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AMTRAK DOWNEASTER: 5 THINGS TO DO NEAR EXETER



By Jenna O'del
STAFF WRITER

Exeter is a lovely New England town, and is probably one of the cheapest and quickest rides you can take on the Amtrak Downeaster. Much of the activity happens where Main Street becomes Water Street, near the Exeter River Reservoir about a half mile from the Amtrak stop.

1) Stillwells Riverwalk Ice Cream

Stillwells is one of the first businesses you will encounter on this stretch of Water Street, sitting in front of the river at 190 Water St. Though the ice cream is served in Styrofoam, the portions are huge. The prices are standard prices for an ice cream seller, and the many flavors – “over 60,” as the business claims – contain both standard and unique flavors.

2) Squamscott River and Clemson Pond

After visiting Stillwells and passing the boathouse of private school Phillips Exeter Academy, you can meander along Swasey Parkway. This parkway provides benches, walking paths and



grass to picnic on while watching the Squamscott River and the Exeter River Reservoir. Aquatic birds, including herons, like the river, both its shores and the water, and it is a good spot to sit and watch wildlife. Both sides of the river have walkways, and a walkway encircles Clemson Pond.

3) American Independence Museum

On the other side of Main Street, technically at 1 Governors Lane, is the seasonally open American Independence Museum, which reopens in

May. The museum consists of buildings hailing from the Revolutionary War era, and artifacts of the same time. Two buildings are on top of a hill, and those are old homes, while the one building at the bottom of a hill is an old tavern. The museum hosts many events throughout its season, including parades. A student ticket is only \$4.

4) Water Street Bookstore

Water Street Bookstore, located at 125 Water St., is open daily, and has books in a number of genres in a layout

made for browsing and getting lost in all the interesting books. The books aren't just the latest bestsellers either, as Water Street Books highlights indie books (books published by independent publishers instead of major publishing houses), though bestsellers can be found too. Local authors often come by, such as Dr. Kabria Baumgartner of the College of Liberal Arts, who will be visiting Water Street Books on Feb. 18 with her recently published book “In Pursuit of Knowledge.”

5) Green Bean on Water

Some of the restaurants in Exeter are not terribly fitting for a student budget, but the Green Bean on Water, a counter-order, sit-down restaurant of sandwiches, soups and salads, is a student-friendly place. The restaurant is near Water Street Bookstore at 33 Water St., has a gravel patio in front and truly sits on the water, with windows overlooking the reservoir. The Green Bean is popular with locals, and is filling with both typical food and unique but not out-of-the-world twists on standard menu items.

Political podcasts for the New Hampshire primary

By Anna Kate Munsey
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Do you feel like January flew by? It feels like just yesterday we were ringing in the New Year, but in reality, the first-in-the-nation New Hampshire Primary is quickly approaching—now less than two weeks away! If you (understandably) have been too busy to decide your vote in the presidential primary, you've come to the right place. Below are some podcast suggestions that are easy to listen to on the way to school or work, or while you are studying or making dinner. Embrace your civic duty and head into the primary feeling as politically educated as possible with this guide.

Just as a refresher, the following major candidates are left in the running on the Democratic side: Amy Klobuchar, Andrew Yang, Bernie Sanders, Deval Patrick, Elizabeth Warren, Joe Biden, John Delaney, Michael Bennet, Pete Buttigieg, Tom Steyer and Tulsi Gabbard. (Former New York City Mayor Mike Bloomberg is running, but will not be on the ballot for the New Hampshire primary). On the Republican side, the incumbent President Donald Trump is seeking reelection, with minor challengers Bill Weld and Joe Walsh. It is worth noting that in order to receive any of the 22 delegates in New Hampshire, Republican candidates must earn at

least 10 percent of the vote. Democratic candidates must receive 15 percent of the vote to receive any delegates.

WMUR's The Trail: From New Hampshire to the White House

Each episode of The Trail opens with, “Anyone who wants to be president has to come through New Hampshire first.” This podcast, hosted by Adam Sexton is a great way to get to know each of the candidates. There are around 75 episodes, with some repeats of candidates as they have become more serious contenders. Their “candidate cafe” segments tend to be fairly brief, usually around 10 to 20 minutes, while they have some longer episodes as well on topics such as Episode 47's “Sanders' staff shake-up; De Blasio's exit from race.” Sexton sits down with the candidates, talks about the issues, their positions and any recent news surrounding the candidate or the race in

general, such as an unexpected drop-out. To watch all of the episodes with each major candidate, it would take you between two and three hours. If you take just half an hour each morning, you would be through all of them in a week. And, you would be feeling prepared, maybe even excited about voting in the New Hampshire primary.

The Daily

This very popular podcast, produced by The New York Times, is a bit different than a traditional daily news podcast. Each day, it discusses a certain issue, topic, case or person. Interspersed with its regular content, it has been doing segments on the “top four” 2020 democratic hopefuls. The episodes are titled, for example, “The Candidates: Joe Biden,” and are around 40 minutes in length. These are in-depth looks at the lives of the candidates, at the pivotal moments that they feel have shaped their lives. They have done episodes

with Joe Biden, Elizabeth Warren, Bernie Sanders and Pete Buttigieg. Obviously, this podcast would ideally cover all of the candidates, from both sides and of all “rankings.” This might be a good one to listen to if you are deciding between two of these four, for example.

The NPR Politics Podcast

For those who have not been paying much attention to politics in general, this might be a good place to start. This podcast discusses the candidates often, but it also digs into the going-ons in Washington, foreign and economic policy, impeachment and much more. Some examples of episodes are “With a Debate Looming, Progressives Feud and Cory Booker Drops Out” or “Senate Impeachment Trial Begins with Partisan Rules Fight.” Before choosing your candidate, it is good to have some background info on current events and how candidates stand on these important issues. Most of these podcast episodes are only around 15 minutes in length, so it will not take long at all to brush up on political news and dive into learning about specific candidates.

As a final note, anyone who is domiciled in the state of New Hampshire is able to vote in the primary. Also, New Hampshire offers same-day voter registration, so there is truly no excuse for anyone over 18 not to participate in this election. Happy voting!



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“Oh, excuse me, b****, come up here and test me,” the student jokingly threatened.

“It’s harder than it looks, I’m just saying,” Kober said upon returning onstage.

Despite the laughs that formed the event’s core, Kober ended the night on a serious note as she sent out words of wisdom and encouragement to the audience.

“You’re college people and you have dreams, and maybe you’re going to feel like that dream cannot come true,” Kober said. “Let me tell you something: I tell jokes all over the world! This is what I wanted to do since I was 6 years old, and people pay me to do this, and it’s a f***** dream come true. Do not give up on what you want to do; all things can happen.”

Attendees, especially those from Leadership Camp, responded to the event, who expressed gratitude for the

chance to end their experience on a high note.

“I think it’s just a good way to bring people together,” sophomore exercise science major Kevin Cusik said. “Most of the people tonight were from Leadership Camp, but I feel like the bigger crowd helps bring people together.”

“We all know she’s a lesbian, so the gays; we’re here for the gays,” first-year mechanical engineering major Elena Chan added. “[This event] shows that minorities can get where they want and it’s not all just straight, white old men; it’s good.”

Sophomore computer science major John Snow, who occasionally “dabbles in comedy,” told *The New Hampshire* that comedians like Kober have helped inspire him to potentially establish a standup comedy club on campus and try out the artform for himself.

“I kind of think that I’m a philosopher; I try to pretend like I’m just smiling, like I’m not laughing, [and] I’m like, ‘Wow, that was clever,’” Snow said. “I’m one of those guys.”



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‘Circles’ is Mac Miller’s tender, contemplative send-off

Photo courtesy Warner Records

By Caleb Jagoda
ARTS EDITOR

This isn’t an album review. Personally, it feels wrong to review a posthumous album, given that its release is more so a tribute to that person’s life and passion for music than an artistic statement searching for critique. Instead, I just want to give some of my thoughts on how touching and sincere I find “Circles” to be, and how it’s such a promising artistic step for someone who will unfortunately never get the chance to explore further into the creative depths of his gifted mind.

“Circles” is Mac Miller’s sixth studio album and the first to be released following his death. Malcolm McCormick died on Sept. 7, 2018, of an accidental drug overdose in his Studio City home. While he had completed the majority of “Circles” before his death, his family explained that producer Jon Brion, who Miller had worked closely with during the recording of the album, would apply the finishing touches.

“Circles” is soft and cleansing, with a gentle pulse and an easygoing heart. It drifts from thought to thought, as Miller takes his final step of artistic evolution into that of an emotive, tender singer. If you were a fan of Miller’s previous work, it’s impossible not to emphasize with the breezy contemplations and soft production of “Circles.” What’s most beautiful is how far he had come – as both an artist and a human being – and how the whole world got to watch that maturation occur in real-time. From the “frat-rap” lighthearted jaunts of his early records (“Blue Slide Park,” “K.I.D.S.”), to the psychedelic, insular and intricate raps of his time living in Los Angeles (“Watching Movies With the Sound Off,” “Faces,”), to the piano-laden soulful harmonizing of his later years (“The Divine Feminine,” “Swimming”), we got to watch Mac morph into a variety of different versions of himself and try on a number of musical hats. And “Circles” finds Miller down yet another creative rabbit hole, singing more than ever over the most tranquil

instrumentation of his career.

“Circles” is the eloquent musings of an artist, and a human, breaching maturity and a new stage of adulthood. Miller is able to communicate this both lyrically and sonically, as he meanders through many knotted emotions with a focused and peaceful clarity. There’s the heart-ripping confessions of “Good News,” where he gracefully plucks each encroaching anxiety from his mind and lays them bare with a harmonized whisper over a gentle guitar melody. Then there’s the existential rattle of “I Can See,” where the late artist presents a polished, ripened version of the complex philosophizing that littered 2013’s “Watching Movies With the Sound Off.” Overall, “Circles” is somehow both simple and intricate, giving us an honest look at a man who spent all of his adult life embroiled within celebrity and its ensuing anxieties.

But this isn’t to say “Circles” is sad; rather, it’s emotionally tender, with moments of introspection, concern and affirmation, often all within the

same song. “Surf” finds Mac repeating over the hook, “I know we try / And the days, they go by / Until we get old / There’s water in the flowers, let’s grow.” Elsewhere, “Blue World” presents the fastest and most upbeat song on the entire album, with loose rapping over a chopped-up sample about refusing to let the devil in despite his presence just outside the door.

“Circles” is the touching celebration of Malcolm McCormick to be embraced by his friends, family and the many, many fans he touched throughout his musical career. I’ve held his music very close to my heart since the day I bought the CD of “Watching Movies With the Sound Off” my sophomore year of high school and became entranced by his down-to-earth relatability and wide-ranging musical talent. “Circles” offers one last send-off to the ever-evolving artist beloved by so many for his easygoing nature and kind heart. You will be missed dearly, Mac.



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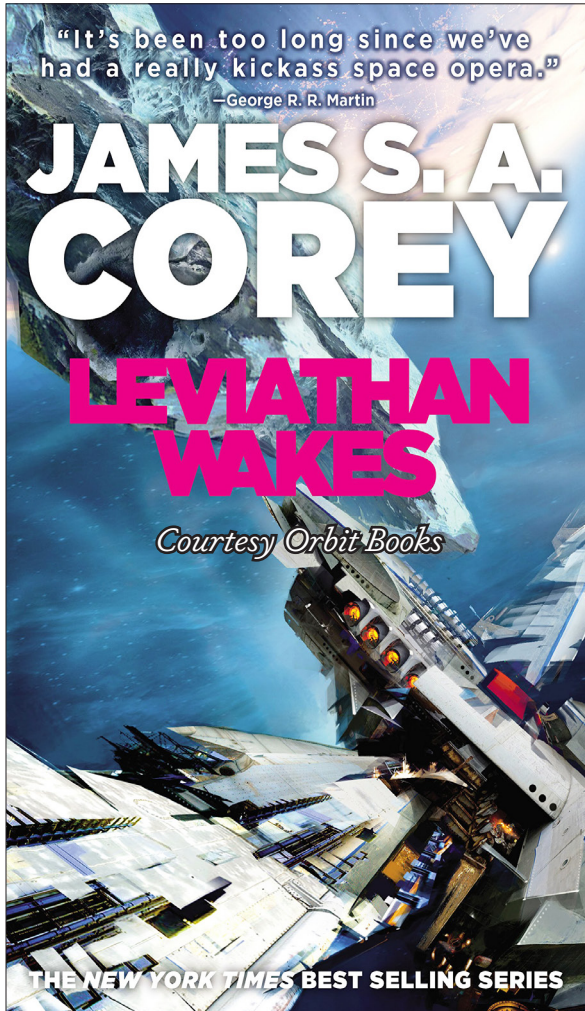
'Leviathan Wakes' by James S.A. Corey

By Madailein Hart
NEWS EDITOR

I was first introduced to "The Expanse" by my boyfriend in the form of a TV show on Syfy. I liked it but didn't want to get too invested. After I read the book, I wanted to go back and watch the show to see how closely they stayed true, and I was amazed at the detail they kept. The book, however, does fill in many small details that can be hard to convey in a TV show.

"Leviathan Wakes," book one of the Expanse series, takes place 200 years in the future. The prologue introduces Julie, hiding in on her ship from an unknown threat. After days of hiding, she comes out to find her abandoned ship, "The Scopuli," eerily quiet. This leaves the reader wondering "What happened to her, where did she go and who was she hiding from?"

The chapters from there on go back and forth between James Holden and Josephus Miller. Holden is the XO of an ice miner ship, "The Canterbury," which picks up a distress signal from "The Scopuli." This is a catalyst that changes everything for Holden and his crewmates. Detective Miller, at the same time, is trying to find Juliette Mao, the daughter of a wealthy Mars family. Both men are well-rounded in their character, and the author doesn't try to make them inherently good or evil, but rather men who are doing what they think is best while giving their point of view. Sometimes they make the right decisions, other times plans to awry, but the reader always knows the reasons and the morals behind the decisions. This gives the reader a chance to think for themselves, "Was that



right?" Since the reader gets both points of view, we are given a big-picture view at what this futuristic world looks like, in which humankind has colonized Mars and the asteroid belt.

What sets this book apart from other sci-fi stories is that the characters are all humans. Even though it is set in space, the technology is made to seem realistic, something mankind could achieve eventually. I was expecting aliens or space bugs, but every character is human which in turn, for the most part, makes them more relatable with actual human problems. The only things close to aliens are the people who have lived in colonies their entire lives, whose family has been on Mars or an asteroid for generations. These people are still described as people, even though they have never set foot on Earth and often have lived within the asteroid belt. "Belters" in particular are often taller, have different accents and languages, and although they can't withstand gravity, they are much better in 0 Gs than their Earth and Mars counterparts. This "new race," so to speak, was incredibly well thought out by the author.

The author, James S. A. Corey, reminds me of George R. R. Martin. Both men write long books with so much detail inside, giving readers a precise vision of what they want you to see. While Martin often wrote about objects and a time period we are familiar with, Corey has the added challenge of writing about futuristic technologies and ways of life in a way that keeps the reader engaged, and he definitely succeeds in this.

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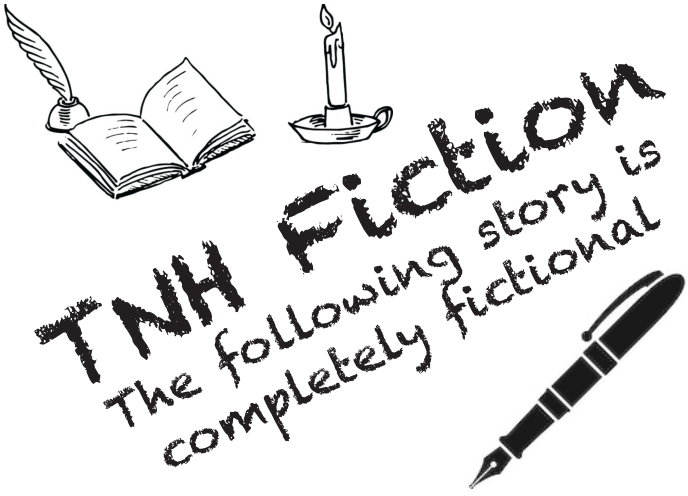
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The Adventures of Tracy and James!

Chapter 1: Open the Glovebox

By Zach Lewis
STAFF WRITER

"You want me to get into the car now?" James asks. He's on the sidewalk looking at the endless parade of vehicles. He commutes to school and to save money and make friends he decides to give carpooling a chance.

"Yeah, jump in, it's all good," Tracy responds. James sees her red Tesla rumbling as much as an electric car can rumble. Tracy and James met last semester and bonded over their mutual disdain for eating meat. James swings his messenger bag in front of him and slides inside and slams the door.

"Why so slammy?" Tracy asks.

"I'm sorry, I just, I feel weird getting into a car in the middle of the street," James says.

"It's not against the law officer 'I know the rules of everything,'" Tracy replies.

"I guess not but I don't like it,"

James says.

"Badge number 'forever a loser,'" Tracy laughs and then asks, "is there anyone behind us?"

"We're in the middle of rush hour, Tracy, everyone's behind us and in front of us."

"Just act cool." Tracy looks James up and down, noticing a coffee stain and crumbs from a sugar cookie on the lapel of his jean jacket. "If you can."

"What's that supposed to mean, I'm cool, not that I care what you think, and yeah I spilt some coffee. A squirrel popped out behind a trashcan in front of the library and I was startled. It looked angry, liked the world had wronged it.

They're bigger than cats those things and," James stops talking and takes off his aviator sunglasses. "Are you driving on the sidewalk?" James asks.

"Look behind you, genius," Tracy responds. James notices 10 large burlap and canvas bags. Each bag overflowing with American currency in denominations of twenties and fifties.

"Tracy, why do you have giant sacks of money in the back of your car? Can your Prius even handle the weight?" James asks.

"Calm down," Tracy says. "It's not a Prius, it's a Tesla. Also, I robbed a bank."

"I am calm," James responds. "I'm just wondering why and how you decided to rob what appears to be a bank from the 1850s. And did you draw money signs on the bag?"

"What I did or didn't do isn't important."

"You drew dollar bill signs on the bags you weirdo," James says as the screech of sirens screams toward their direction. "This is why you asked if there was anyone behind us. Watch out for the people!" Tracy swerves onto the grass and back onto the sidewalk.

"Look both ways people! Both ways! So," Tracy clears her throat and takes a sip from a straw that's lounging inside a glass Mexican Coke bottle and asks, "how was chemistry class?"

"It went well except that one kid in class who always asks 50 questions like, 'What day did God create the lanthanides?' Or, 'I have lye on my skin, why is it burning?' He kept trying to 'learn' so we only got out at the normal time. I noticed you weren't in class

today," James mentions.

"It's that keen observation that almost made me bring you along on the heist. Can you open the glove box for me?" The red Prius, I mean Tesla, is now on Route 4, outside of campus, and heading toward Concord. Six police cruisers are locked in behind them.

"Is there a gun in the glove box?" James asks.

"No. Well, yes. But that's not what I need. Just open it for me please," Tracy says. Her big gray eyes cause James to blush and he begins to move his arm forward. Tracy steps down on to the brake pedal. The red car stops. Six other police cars are blocking the path of James and Tracy. Muffled megaphone talk crackles underneath the screech of sirens outside. Tracy stops the car.

"James, you need to open the glove box right now," Tracy commands.

"Who are you, what am I even doing here. Help! Officers! I don't know this woman and I can very accurately pinpoint her in a line up," James yells. He reaches down to undo his belt buckle and Tracy grabs his wrist and opens the glove box with James' hand. "That's a violation!"

"Calm down," Tracy says. Cops in body armor carrying assault weapons surround the car as the fog from a smoke bomb begins to filter in through the car vents. "Don't fight it."

"The smoke, I—" Tracy silences

James. "Shhh," Tracy places a finger on her lips. "Relax." Green, red, blue and yellow lights spring out of the glovebox. "Everlasting Love" by Robert Knight reverberates from the tiny compartment

originally intended for gloves. An indeterminate amount of time passes and the lights, and the smoke, and the music slip away. "Open your eyes James."

"No." James shakes his head.

"Come on James, open your eyes, it's okay," Tracy says, and James slightly lifts his left eyelid. He sees Tracy's silver purple hair and gray eyes. He sees her smile. He smiles. James screams.

"Why are we in a desert?" Red clay dirt and red clay mountains stretch all around the red electric car.

"It's better than being surrounded by the cops, dummy," Tracy says. Tracy goes on to explain the extraordinary science behind their escape. "So, we beeped and we borped and now we're on another planet." James looks out the window, at Tracy, out the window, and then back at Tracy.

"Are you using really heavy, strange drugs Tracy? Did you give me some of your drugs? Am I a drug addict now Tracy?" James asks.

"No," She takes a pull of a joint. "This is just weed, anyways this was one of the features included in the car when I bought it from that Daft Punk looking guy behind Dimond Library last semester."

"Weed isn't an automobile feature," James says.

"No, the space boop do-hickey thing. We must wait 48 hours before we can blast off back to Earth. It's what Daft Punk told me."

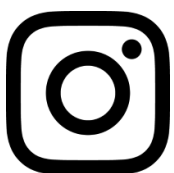
"Maybe we're in another dimension?" James asks.

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Letters to the Editor

According to its web site, Shields of Strength "provides fashionable, functional, and durable Christian fitness jewelry and accessories." Those items include military "dog tags" engraved with quotes from scripture and sometimes the logo of the armed forces branch the customer belongs to.

When the Military Religious Freedom Foundation complained, the Marine Corps Trademark Licensing Office ordered the company to stop combining scripture references and the Corps' emblem.

Most commentary on the dispute centers around "religious freedom" versus "separation of church and state," but those seem like side issues to me.

When I served in the Marine Corps, many of my comrades wore crosses, St. Christopher Medals, and other religious symbols on the same chains as their dog tags. As long as a Marine is paying to have his own custom dog tag made with such things incorporated in them rather than hanging separately, and as long as

that tag includes the relevant identification information, I just don't see the problem.

What IS the problem?

According to MCTLO, "[T]he USMC Trademark Licensing Program exists to regulate the usage of Marine Corps trademarks such as the Eagle, Globe and Anchor worldwide."

Even assuming the correctness of "intellectual property" claims like copyright, patent, and trademark, such claims don't past muster when asserted by the US government or its subsidiary agencies such as the Marine Corps. This is especially true of trademarks.

While the justifications for copyright and patent law have their own clause in the US Constitution ("to promote the Progress of Science and useful Arts, by securing for limited Times to Authors and Inventors the exclusive Right to their respective Writings and Discoveries") US trademark law is justified in terms of Congress's power to regulate

interstate commerce.

The Marine Corps isn't a private commercial entity. Nor should its symbols -- which date back to 1868 in current form, to 1775 in various forms, and ultimately to the British marines the US based its service's composition and mission on -- be treated as the Marine Corps' commercial property.

Just as written works created by government employees pursuant to their jobs fall into the public domain under copyright law, official government symbols should fall into the public domain under trademark law.

The Marine Corps logo is a piece of evolving history. It doesn't belong to the Marine Corps as an organization, or even to the individual Marines who make up that organization. It belongs to all of us.

Thomas L. Knapp

"Who are you going to vote for in the primary?" I repeatedly ask friends, relatives, and members of various groups to which I belong. With few exceptions, they respond that they do not know. Most have a favorite whom they feel would reflect their values and be good for the country, BUT they worry that he or she may not be able to beat Trump.

Voters and pundits alike incessantly discuss that issue and all

have an opinion, but the truth and past history show us that nobody knows. As it has been since the day he was elected, it is all about Trump. He has invaded our government, the media and our minds with his endless ego needs and multitudes of non-facts which replace reality.

Perhaps, it is time for us to throw off the shackles and use our common sense to vote for the candidate we feel is most quali-

fied to be president of the United States -- how satisfying that would be! Then we could all work like crazy to get the winner of the primary elected. That is the way our democracy is supposed to work. Let's make America normal again!

Cynthia Muse

"The Constitution," Alan Dershowitz claims, "allocates to the president sole authority over foreign policy (short of declaring war or signing a treaty)."

Dershowitz makes that claim by way of defending US president Donald Trump against conviction in the Senate on two articles of impeachment.

More specifically, he disputes the Government Accountability Office's claim that Trump violated the law when he used pending foreign aid to extort Ukraine's president into investigating a political opponent.

According to GAO, the Impoundment Control Act "does not permit the president to substitute his own policy priorities for those congress has enacted into law."

According to Dershowitz, the Act "does not permit Congress to substitute its foreign policy preferences for those of the president."

Where in the Constitution do we find the "allocation" Dershowitz refers to? He doesn't say, for good reason: The actual Constitution, unlike the one in Dershowitz's imagination, agrees with GAO.

The Constitution empowers Congress, not the president, to "regulate commerce with foreign Nations."

The Constitution empowers Congress, not the president, to

"define and punish Piracies and Felonies committed on the high Seas, and Offenses against the Law of Nations."

The Constitution empowers Congress, not the president, to "declare War, grant Letters of Marque and Reprisal, and make Rules concerning Captures on Land and Water."

The Constitution empowers Congress, not the president, to "provide for calling forth the Militia to ... repel Invasions."

The Constitution empowers the president to negotiate treaties -- but those treaties require Senate ratification.

The Constitution empowers the president to appoint ambassadors and a Secretary of State -- if the Senate approves of his choices.

The Constitution makes the president commander in chief of the armed forces, but only when they're "called into the actual service of the United States" by Congress.

And the Constitution allows the president to spend money only "in Consequence of Appropriations made by Law." That is, appropriations made by Congress, which the president may sign or may veto but may not "substitute his own policy priorities" for.

In Federalist 69, Alexander Hamilton -- arguing for the Constitution's adoption -- cites most

of the items above the president from a British-style monarch:

"The one would have a QUALIFIED negative upon the acts of the legislative body; the other has an ABSOLUTE negative. The one would have a right to command the military and naval forces of the nation; the other, in addition to this right, possesses that of DECLARING war, and of RAISING and REGULATING fleets and armies by his own authority. The one would have a concurrent power with a branch of the legislature in the formation of treaties; the other is the SOLE POSSESSOR of the power of making treaties. The one would have a like concurrent authority in appointing to offices; the other is the sole author of all appointments."

Dershowitz's "legal argument" (he's formally joined Trump's defense team) is that the Constitution means the opposite of what it says and what its framers said they meant, and that Trump is king, not president, of the United States.

Thomas L. Knapp

To the Editor:

After hosting several presidential candidates and with careful consideration, I have decided to vote for Vice President Joe Biden on Primary Day, Tuesday February 11th.

I like many things about several other candidates, but Biden tops my list. Joe Biden has vast experience with domestic and foreign policy. Joe is not afraid to say if he was wrong, unlike so many politicians who won't concede they made a mistake. Joe is empathetic to the needs and suffering of everyday citizens, a char-

acteristic sadly lacking in today's White House. Americans feel

Joe Biden understands and hears them, whether they are discussing illness and loss, health-care, discrimination, low pay and benefits, or their worries about educating their kids and their futures in this changing climate. Joe listens and Joe has a heart.

Joe Biden wants to create a better future for all, and so do I. Joe Biden has my confidence and my vote.

Richard Leonard

To the Editor:

The primary is almost here and I know who I am voting for. I am "riding with Biden" because he is a good man who has a solid record and reputation for helping people. President Obama chose Joe as his vice president because he knew Joe understands and cares about those of us who have had to work hard all of our lives to

get ahead, and would work for us. And sure enough, Joe Biden did exactly that.

I know he will do the same thing for us as our president. He will also make us all proud again. I hope you will join me in voting for Joe Biden for President.

Carol Perry

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From the *Editor's Desk...* A league of their own

Houston Astros ownership canned head coach A.J. Hinch and General Manager Jeff Lunhow earlier this month in response to confirmed cheating allegations against their 2017 championship team, despite the league's punishment consisting of a one-year suspension for each. Players were given immunity if they cooperated with MLB throughout the course of its investigation.

The Red Sox acted preemptively, deposing Alex Cora before Commissioner Rob Manfred began the investigation. The question reporters had of Red Sox ownership during the press conference – one which John Henry and company sidestepped completely – asked one thing: Did the Red Sox cheat en route to their 2018 title?

While Henry and new hire Chaim Bloom avoided the question, the players were apparently given the green light to refute these claims. If J.D. Martinez and others told the truth, and the Red Sox didn't cheat during their 108-win season, then ownership fired Cora for his involvement in the Astros' cheating scandal and nothing more. Otherwise, Martinez is confident the league won't find evidence of Boston stealing signs during its sweep.

In the second scenario, Boston's two most successful teams of the century will have been caught cheating to win a championship. At what point do their fans get tired of being called cheaters? There's not much the media or fans can do by way of holding the Sox and Patriots accountable, in which case you can bet with near certainty this will happen again.

In either case, I'm in the "did not cheat (2018)" camp because I can't believe Martinez, Rafael Devers and Xander Bogaerts lied before the results of the league's search came out. They're smarter than that. Had you asked me before they spoke up, when all we'd heard from the Sox' camp was "We're not answering that until the MLB has concluded its investigation," I may have held a different stance.

Early reports had asserted the investigation wasn't turning up much to support the allegations. By this time in the Astros probe, the same reporters had already doled out potential sentencing for Houston's leadership. It may be tough to do the same for Boston, considering both its GM and coach are no longer with the team.

Henry has no scapegoats left,

so if the league deems, he may have to dip into his emergency billions to pay some fine. If he was going to fire Dombrowski anyway, why not wait until Manfred hands out a suspension and clear house like the Astros did? There, he'd be absolved ("I don't get involved with the team's day-to-day clubhouse") and they'd be able to push hard reset.

The only scenario I can imagine explains Henry's strategy is that the team didn't cheat. If they did, though, and Boston ownership put themselves directly in the line of fire by firing Cora and Dombrowski as a precaution, they're dumber than they let on. The next few weeks will tell.

Until then, we get to sit by and watch as they trade a generational talent to retain cap space and avoid the luxury tax. I, for one, am ecstatic to see billionaire owners back up the brinks truck for Pablo Sandoval and Nathan Eovaldi but penny pinch when Betts demands what he's worth.

Bret Belden
 Executive Editor

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Forward Meghara McManus (above, 24) leads UNH in points (21) and goals (14). She ranks sixth in the Hockey East in goals and 14th in points.

WHOCKEY continued from page 23

The Wildcats started off playing well, and they controlled play early on. The first shift from all of UNH's three lines were all in the Crusaders zone. They also got some momentum by doing a really good job on their first penalty kill attempt. The Crusaders were unable to enter the zone in the first half of the period and then only registered one shot on goal from a poor angle.

The Wildcats dictated most of the play in the first period, but they were unable to get on the scoresheet until 17:15 into the game. They scored on a powerplay goal from Wenczkowski. Senior captain and defenseman Tori Howran skated the puck behind the net and tried a wrap-

around but Wenczkowski was in front of the net and slipped the rebound past the goalie for her fifth goal of the season.

There was no scoring in the second period, but there were a few quality scoring chances, each team with one high quality scoring opportunity. The Wildcats got their opportunity from their third line of senior forward Nicole Dunbar and junior forwards Grace Middleton and Ellie Sasaki, as they nearly increased the Wildcats lead to 2-0 after a big net-front scramble, but the puck managed to stay away from the net. A few minutes after that, the Crusaders would have their best scoring chance after forcing a turnover behind the Wildcats net. Harnett made a huge pad save on a point-blank shot to keep her team in the lead.

The game started to get chippy in the third period but there

was only one penalty called in the whole period.

"I just told our team to keep our heads, it's gonna be chippy and we don't want to retaliate and get penalties since that's just going to help them out," Wenczkowski said after the game. "I think it was important to stay calm and collected and just play our game."

The Wildcats scored again 12 minutes into the final period with McManus tipping a shot in the slot from sophomore defense woman Talli Warren for her 12th goal of the season. Berry was also credited with an assist on the goal.

With just under a minute left in the game, first-year forward Tamara Thierus scored an empty net goal, using her speed to blow by the defense and stuff the puck in the open goal for her third goal of the season.

The next day, the Wildcats

were the road team and won by three goals again, this time by a score of 5-2. Harnett made 21 saves on 23 shots, improving her record to 4-3-1. The Wildcats got off to a quick start, with Wenczkowski scoring just 32 seconds into the game, her sixth of the season. McManus and Berry assisted on the goal. Halfway through the first, the Wildcats scored on the powerplay. Witt said after the Friday game that the powerplay needed to be better and they pulled through with goals in back-to-back games. The goal was scored by McManus on an assist from Howran.

The Wildcats added another three goals in the second period, and the Crusaders tallied one. Middleton got the first one from Sasaki and Dunbar, her second of the season at 13:22. Shortly after, Thierus scored her fourth of the season. The goal was unassisted

at 17:30 into the period.

The Crusaders struck for the first time exactly one minute later to finally get on the board. The Wildcats responded by scoring their fifth goal with just one second left in the second period. McManus scored her second goal of the game and team-leading 14th goal on the season. The goal was assisted by Wenczkowski and Berry, the third time that weekend that trio all pointed up on a goal. The Crusaders were able to score one more with just 18 seconds left in the game, but it was too little too late.

The Wildcats will play their next two games in Maine against the Black Bears who sit one spot behind the Wildcats in the standings, but five points behind. Those games will be January 31 and February 1. They then will have a home game against Dartmouth on February 4.

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In their latest match, UNH traveled to West Virginia for a tri-meet to against WVU and Temple

this past Sunday. The 'Cats finished the weekend with one win and one loss. They finished with a score of 195.125, once again beating their highest score for the season. They beat Temple 195.125-191.925 and narrowly lost to

WVU 196.025-195.125. First-year gymnast Alyssa Worthington scored a career high 9.900 on the beam to win the event for the 'Cats. Weiner and Lui also had strong performances all around for UNH as well. This pushed

UNH's record to 3-2 on the year.

While they might not have the best record currently. The 'Cats and their young team continue to display their potential each week. Their next meet will be home this Saturday at 7 p.m. in

the Ludholm Gymnasium against EAGL rival Towson (4-1). They will look to improve their in-conference record to 2-0 in one of the biggest meets of the season so far.

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UNH looked to rebound Wednesday morning against conference foe UVM (9-12, 3-5), as they traveled to face the Catamounts in Patrick Gym.

The Wildcats started the game with more urgency compared to their performance against Binghamton, which set the tone for their eventual 59-51 victory.

On the opening possession of the game, UNH first-year guard Helena Delaruelle stuck a three-pointer on an assist from her senior backcourt mate, Caroline Soucy. This three was huge for the 'Cats because of the emphasis they put on getting off to a strong start according to UNH

head coach Maureen Magarity.

"We have to make a concerted effort to start better because that trickles down and affects the energy level and how we play the rest of the game."

Wildcats sophomore forward Maggie Ahearn followed up Delaruelle's bucket with a layup of her own to push the early lead to five. For the remainder of the quarter, the two teams traded baskets and UNH's lead was cut to one when UVM first-year forward Delaney Richason powered her way to a two-point basket with 47 seconds to go.

Both teams continued to stay locked in a tight battle throughout the latter part of the first half. UNH had led wire-to-wire until first-year Catamounts guard Emma Utterback sunk two free throws to tie the game at 27

apiece with 2:40 left on the clock. The Wildcats would soon relinquish their lead with a free throw from Torres, and they took a 32-2 lead into halftime.

The third quarter proved to be the Caroline Soucy show, as she netted nine of her team-high 18 points in the frame. UNH opened the quarter on a 6-2 run that ended in a fast-break layup by Soucy off a Catamount turnover. This run forced UVM head coach Alisa Kresge to take a timeout to stop the bleeding.

Kresge seemed to put a fire under her team in the timeout as they went on a run of their own to cut UNH's lead to 40-39, but Soucy responded with a longball of her own.

Wednesday's fourth quarter started out with a similar narrative as the previous three as the Wild-

cats were leading, but the last 10 minutes were nothing short of a rollercoaster.

To kick off the quarter, UVM's Utterback hit two free throws which cut the Wildcats lead to one. This slim 45-44 lead would stay glued to the scoreboard for the next three-plus minutes as a scoring drought hit both teams.

UVM sophomore guard Sarah Wells put an end to the dry spell and hit two free throws to give the Catamounts their first lead of the game. UNH's Gogolin made sure that the opponent's lead didn't stick as she responded with two free throws of her own.

UNH forced UVM into three straight turnovers after Gogolin's free throws and the Catamounts' play started to unravel at this stage in the game. This stretch

proved to be the deciding moment in the game, which left the 'Cats with a 51-46 lead.

From this point on, UVM only had one chance to get back in the game when they hit a three to cut the lead to four with 29 seconds to play. They decided to try and make UNH hit free throws while attempting three-pointers on the offensive end to make the game close, but Torres hit all four of her free throws to seal the Wildcats win.

UNH will look to get above .500 in America East play for the first time this season when they return to action against UMass Lowell this coming Saturday, Feb. 1, in Ludholm Gymnasium at 12 p.m.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

UNH hovers around .500 mark



COURTESY OF UNH ATHLETICS

Marque Maultsby makes a pass around UVM's Anthony Lamb in Wednesday night's game.

By Cameron Beall
SPORTS WRITER

The UNH men's basketball team kicked off their spring semester with a trip to western New York when they paid a visit to the Binghamton Bearcats.

The Wildcats got back above the .500 mark as the eight-point victory pushed their record to 10-9.

No side gained an edge in the opening minutes of the game; through the first five minutes neither team held more than a two-point lead, and the sides were locked at seven with 13 minutes to play in the opening half.

Junior guard Sean Sutherlin contributed five of the team's first seven points and added 10 the rest of the way, totaling 15.

Binghamton began to break away as they led by as many as seven points twice in the first half. A pair of three-pointers from senior guard Richard Caldwell Jr., and first-year guard George Tinsley gave their side the highest leads of the half.

A string of jumpers by UNH helped close the gap before heading into the locker room. The Bearcats carried just a 32-30 lead after twenty minutes.

Binghamton came out of the locker room hot as they pulled the lead to as much as nine points. Caldwell Jr. and first-year forward Brenton Mills sunk a pair of threes at the start of the half.

It wasn't until nine minutes into the half that UNH finally took the lead back by way of a Josh Hopkins three-pointer. The junior guard's jump shot extended the lead once more with seven minutes to play, as his three-pointer gave UNH a five-point cushion that wouldn't stray too far for the remainder of the game.

The Wildcats attempted eight free throws in the final minute of action propelling the team to an eight-point win before heading back home.

Hopkins led all UNH scor-

ers with 23 points and four rebounds. Sophomore guard Marque Maultsby, Sutherlin, and sophomore forward Jayden Martinez were among the other Wildcat scorers who netted at least 12 points; the trio totaled 16, 15, and 12 points respectively.

The Wildcats returned home on Wednesday night to take on the 15-6 UVM Catamounts.

UNH dominated Vermont on the defensive end early on, as senior Anthony Lamb and the offense looked distraught from the jump. UNH had trouble finding the bottom of the net in the first five minutes, only scoring four points by way of a Chris Lester three-pointer, and a Jayden Martinez free throw.

The slow offense continued past the 10-minute mark as it wouldn't be until 7:42 remaining in the first half that either side broke into double figures.

Defense was a clear point of emphasis for both sides as neither would give an inch for much of the first half. Players like Sutherlin and sophomore forward Nick Guadarrama who are most effective when charging towards the hoop were shut down.

The Catamounts began to catch fire towards the end of the half, taking an 11-point lead into the final minutes following a 12-0 run.

UNH head coach Bill Herrion was proud of how his team played defensively and attributed the UVM run to offensive mistakes leading to transition points for the opposition. 10 of the team's 15 turnovers came from their primary ballhandlers, Maultsby and Sutherlin.

Vermont head coach John Becker emphasized how his team's transition offense got them out of the early hole.

"We really wanted to play in transition with this group," said Becker. "Once we got the pace going [Ben Shungu] and [Bailey Patella] did a good job of getting out in transition."

UNH wasn't able to close the gap by much before halftime, the team went into the locker room down 16-25.

UVM got the lead up to 15 points within the first five minutes of the second half. The only UNH offense during the run came from a pair of Martinez threes.

The deficit for UNH wouldn't waiver much from that point forward, as UVM even brought it to as many as 18 at multiple points in the final half.

The Wildcats fell back to .500 by a final score of 43-56; stretching their record to 16-6.

"They're tough, they're very tough," said Herrion. "We aren't ready for them ... yet."

Herrion continued to stress the fact that this is only one game in a big picture but understood that this was a very winnable game against a very good opponent.

"If you had told me that they would only have 25 points at halftime, I would say that we're in great shape."

UNH's only true spark on the offensive end came from Jayden Martinez who shot a perfect four-of-four from behind the arc. Martinez led the way with 17 points, 11 rebounds, and two blocks.

Despite his slow start, Lamb chipped away at the UNH defense using his size to his advantage. Lamb netted 20 points to lead Vermont, while adding five rebounds and two steals.

Lamb praised UNH for their tough play, while adding that he didn't feel a need to take over the game offensively; simply taking what the defense was giving him.

"They're always a great team, well coached, and they always play hard for 40 minutes."

UNH will go south of the border on Saturday, Feb. 1 when they take on the UMass Lowell Riverhawks to try and get back to a winning record.

Kobe Bryant, the man

By Josh Morrill
SPORTS EDITOR

Kobe.

It's a name that so many have adored, cherished and celebrated since a young, 18-year-old basketball phenom got traded to the Los Angeles Lakers in 1996.

It's a name that would be shouted in debates about Michael Jordan, announced at the Oscars, and yelled when throwing a rolled-up paper ball into a recycling bin.

It's a name that was mentioned among the greatest basketball players to ever set foot on the hardwood.

It's a name that many despised.

On January 26, this name was given a weight of sadness that no one saw coming.

Kobe Bryant, his daughter Gianna, and seven other victims died in a tragic helicopter accident in Calabasas, CA.

When I was first told the news, like so many others, my heart dropped, words escaped my mouth and burning rage filled my organs.

"Why Kobe?...Why Gianna?...Why now?" I asked myself.

I have never met Kobe Bryant. I have never labeled Kobe Bryant as my favorite player. I'm a Celtics fan on top of it all. These factors didn't stop sadness from showering on top of me, and internally, I questioned my feelings for days.

Why did I care so much about a man that I didn't know and has had a questionable character in the past?

Was it his fadeaway jumper, his shoe line or his five championships? No.

Was it his epic battles in the finals with the Celtics? No.

What made Kobe so special was his commitment to be great. His perseverance and strive to be the best at his particular craft. He coined the "Mamba Mentality" and that became his legacy.

In a time where so many make excuses for why they didn't succeed, Kobe was determined to strive no matter what challenges or hardships were thrown at him. So many people across the world saw this determination and were inspired by it. They were inspired to lace their boots up and be better at whatever they were doing.

His reach was unimaginable. He affected so many people both directly and indirectly.

We saw Kobe grow up, and that featured all the good and the bad. Families across the world allowed him into their homes to display his creativity and resolve on the court, and a part of him is in so many of our sports memories over the years.

But, you cannot tell the story of Kobe Bryant without the event that transpired in 2003. Kobe was arrested and charged with sexual assault stemming from an incident in Colorado before one of his surgeries. The criminal case was long and controversial, but it eventually ended in a civil case, a settlement and a backhanded apology from Kobe. What he did in that hotel room should never and will never be expunged from his story.

As a society, we are suckers for feel-good success stories where the "bad" guy turns his life around and gets his act together. That's what Kobe's life was. When he was transitioning to the league, his maturity level was that of a teenager, which he was at the time. He had multiple blips on the radar, with the most egregious coming in 2003. But you look at him now and he has four beautiful daughters, a beautiful wife and he was doing everything he could to make an impact on as many lives as he can within the NBA and WNBA. Many loved him for that.

The dialogue about Kobe after his death has troubled me. Many are making the narrative of Kobe's death either a totally positive one or totally negative one. It is not a black and white situation. Kobe has touched people from all walks of life through his basketball career and philanthropic endeavors, but he also committed an act that can never be forgotten or forgiven.

Kobe Bryant was far from a perfect human, and that made him human. He should be remembered for what he was: An inspirational man that did evil, but did everything in his power to make amends and do good after it. He loved his family, loved his craft and inspired so many to be their best selves.

Kobe and Gianna, you will be missed.

Rest in peace to the nine victims of this tragedy.



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Bryant and his daughter, Gianna, taking in an NBA game.

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Track and Field dominates



COURTESY OF UNH ATHLETICS

Zachary Astle set two personal records in Saturday's meet.

By Will Sirbono
SPORTS WRITER

The UNH men's track and field team had a busy Saturday this past weekend. The team was split between a tri-meet with UVM and Maine, and the John Thomas Invitational at Boston University. The tri-meet took place here at UNH in the Field House on the Paul Sweet Oval indoor track, and the BU Invitational took place where the New England Regionals are held at: the Roger Lewis Track and Athletic Center.

The tri-meet was dominated by the Wildcats. Senior runners Joseph Hook and Nicolas Sevilla-Connelly took home first place victories in the 400-meter and 3000-meter runs respectively, while first-year runner William Curran took home the victory in the 1000-meter while setting a new personal best time of 2:32.59.

"The kids who were at home really battled and controlled their events," said head coach Jim Boulanger of his tri-meet athletes. "It's the kids that don't always get to run at the front of the race, so I was very pleased with the kids that we had and how they performed."

Outside of those first-place finishes, other Wildcats helped secure a victory by finishing right behind their faster teammates. Junior Jack Kennefick finished in second behind Joseph Hook in the 400 meter, and Alex Saveliev finished a minute and a half behind William Curran in the 1000 meter, earning UNH first and second place finishes in that race as well.

Switching events, sophomore Kevin McGrath and first-year runner Daniel Parker took first and second place finishes in the high jump. McGrath's first place finish was thanks to a jump reaching 6'4" while Parker's jump was a new personal best for

him, which reached 6'2". This earned him second place.

Senior Zachary Astle has had himself an amazing year so far as he has not lost a throwing event so far. That dominance continued into the tri-meet on Saturday as Astle swept the throwing events taking first place in both shot put (55') and weight throw (58'7.25").

"Zach came out of high school as one of the top New Hampshire kids... he has grown here and has gotten better in his throws. He's gotten strong in the weight room. He's very solid in the classroom. So, Zach has had a really good year," Coach Boulanger said.

"Next week we'll actually take him to the Millrose Games in New York... they'll have nine of the best collegiate throwers out of New England, New Jersey, and New York there... so he's ready to step it up another level."

When asked about the 10 players that were sent down to Boston University to represent UNH, Boulanger said "I thought they performed solidly... we've got some residual tiredness from cross country. The two jumpers Jordan Buckmire and Nathan Hobbs, they're very solid... I felt really good for Michael Monohan and Adam Spencer. They don't get a lot of chances to run a 60-meter because we only have 55-meter in the Sweet Oval."

Lastly, with the New England Regionals coming up this weekend, Boulanger elaborated on how his team in preparing.

"We have some new injuries so we may be scratching kids, but we'll go into it with a team atmosphere... it's going to be a chance for our kids to see how they stack up and how they'll do hopefully in 21 days for the conference championships."

MEN'S HOCKEY

UNH ties UMass in thriller



COURTESY OF UNH ATHLETICS

UNH goalie Mike Robinson won Hockey East player of the week honors this past week.

By Sam Eggert
SPORTS EDITOR

Following a shutout performance from junior goalie Mike Robinson, the UNH men's hockey team continued their defensive success in a 1-1 tie against No. 7 UMass Amherst. Entering Saturday's game, UNH ranked 31st in the country in penalty kill percentage (.833) oppose to UMass, who stood at eighth in the country (.938).

UNH got the scoring started courtesy of a Charlie Kelleher slap shot from the left face-off circle that snuck past sophomore goalie Filip Lindberg. The junior forward converted his sixth goal of the season on UNH's first power play of the night, after UMass's first-year forward Jeremy Davidson was issued a two-minute minor for slashing.

This was Kelleher's first goal since December 8's 5-2 victory against Merrimack. The goal was good for his team leading 22nd point.

At the end of the first period Robinson tallied seven saves in a period that held a lot of action in front of his net.

UMass had a few possessions that seemed to be never ending, resulting in them taking the lead in the shots battle. UMass ended up outshooting UNH 29-19 Saturday.

The penalty kill played a big role in Saturday's bid, as UNH was successful on all eight of their penalty kills, four of which came in the third period. UNH head coach Mike Souza was pleased with his team's effort of the penalty kill. "The players executed this weekend, and it was good to get (a goal) on the power play too."

Robinson came close to making it a historic weekend, as the last time a UNH goalie recorded back-to-back shutouts was in 2012 when Casey DeSmith did so against Maine and UVM. DeSmith actually had three consecutive shutouts, recording the third against UMass Lowell.

The hopes for that accomplishment faded when UMass's senior forward Jack Suter tied the game on a breakaway goal that found the upper stick side of the net. This was Suter's third goal of the season.

Robinson recorded 31 saves on Friday at UMass and recorded 26 saves at home on Saturday.

The Wildcats gained three points this weekend, moving them into a sixth-place tie with Northeastern (13-7-2, 7-6-1 HEA) in a tight-knit Hockey East. Souza commented on how competitive the Hockey East has been this season. "I know it's tight usually but this one is really unique," he said. "I think there is parody everywhere in hockey, but I'm happy in a way for our league. It's nice to see a lot of teams vying to get into the NCAA tournament."

Sophomore defenseman Ryan Verrier spoke on the importance of the penalty kill approaching UNH vs. UConn. "Special teams are huge for us. Five on five is the toughest way to score goal." UNH currently stands at 53rd in the nation in penalty kill percentage (.758) and 24th in power play percentage (.202).

UNH continues play next weekend with a home-and-home against UConn (9-12-4, 6-7-2 HEA). Friday's game will be in the Whittemore center with a 7:00 p.m. puck drop, and Saturday's game will have a 4:00 p.m. puck drop at the XL Center in Hartford, Conn.

GYMNASTICS

UNH loses despite stellar performance

By Zach Schneeloch
SPORTS WRITER

While UNH was on break the Women's Gymnastics team was hard at work preparing for their upcoming season. There is a lot of hype around the team this year as they are expected to repeat as the EAGL champions for the 2020 season. Also, newly appointed head coach Lindsey Bruck Ayotte has big shoes to fill as long-time head coach Gail Goodspeed departed last season.

To start the year, UNH took on Illinois State in Normal, Ill. The Wildcats would go on to win all four events, leaving no room

for error in their opening meet. Senior Emma Winer shined as she performed well on the vault, beam and floor. This marked Lindsey Bruck Ayotte's first win as head coach.

One week later the 'Cats traveled south to Pennsylvania to take on conference foe Pittsburgh. UNH continued to stay hot as they once again won all four events with a final score of 194.225-193.800. First-year gymnast Kylie Gorgenyi shined in this meet as she placed first on the bars and the vault, posting a career-best 9.800 on the vault. Senior Riley Freehling also performed well as she was the all-around champion with an overall score of 38.550.

The following week the 'Cats hosted their home opener against Southern Utah. They were unable to pull out the win, marking their first loss of the season. Sophomore Hailey Lui performed well in the match tying for first, and setting a personal best on the floor exercise, she also shared second place on the beam. Despite the loss, they still continued to improve achieving their highest score of the season with a score of 194.975. Southern Utah edged them out by scoring 195.400.

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WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Wildcats sweep Holy Cross in weekend series

By Sean Crimmins
SPORTS WRITER

In a home-and-home series against the Holy Cross Crusaders this past weekend, the Wildcats walked away with two wins as well as sweeping the season series. The Wildcats now sit at sixth in Hockey East with 21 points, just a single point behind Providence for fifth place. First-year goaltender Nikki Harnett started both games and won both. Senior forward Meghara McManus led the way with three goals and an assist on the weekend. Senior captain and forward Taylor Wenczkowski broke a long goal-scoring drought with two goals on the weekend and added an assist. Despite that, she is still second on the team in points with 18.

In Friday's game, the Wildcats won 3-0 and Harnett stopped all 17 shots she faced, which allowed her to earn her second ca-

reer shutout. She also picked up the lone assist on the final goal for her first career point. It was a quiet game in net for Harnett, but she was solid when she needed to be and came up with timely saves.

Special teams were important for the Wildcats as they killed off all five penalties they committed, and scored their first goal on a power play. The Wildcats have the fourth-best penalty kill in the country, killing off 93.5% of their penalties. The Wildcats were also missing one of their top penalty killers in senior captain, forward Carlee Turner due to illness.

With her out, the top line consisted of McManus, Wenczkowski and first-year forward Annie Berry. According to Wenczkowski, that was the first time they had all skated together but she thought they played well together.

"We moved the puck and saw the ice well... I think we did

well possessing the puck in the offensive zone," she said. She also thought the team as a whole played well and came together in the third period to cap it off.

Head coach Hillary Witt liked the way her team played, complementing both the goal scorers and Harnett with the shutout, but she also thought they did more than just score to help get the win.

"I was really impressed with the way we battled. It was great to get that first goal. Things that win the game for you are blocked shots like we did at the end and little things." The team blocked 12 shots in the game, with four players blocking two shots.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

'Cats beat UVM, lose to Binghamton



TAYLOR STARKEY/TNH STAFF
Junior guard Amanda Torres brings up the ball.

By Josh Morrill
SPORTS EDITOR

The University of New Hampshire women's basketball team (6-13, 3-4) looked to extend their winning streak to three this past Saturday afternoon against Binghamton (14-6, 3-4), but they fell short in a 63-53 effort.

Both senior forward Ashley Storey and junior guard Amanda Torres paced the 'Cats with 14 points apiece, and they both added three and five rebounds respectively.

Saturday's battle was a game of runs. In the opening three minutes of the first quarter, Binghamton dominated the play on both sides of the court and ran out to a 9-0 lead. Despite multiple comeback bids from UNH, the Bearcats would never relinquish their lead.

UNH Senior guard Caroline Soucy would help the Wildcats claw their way back into the contest as she hit an elbow jumper to stop the bleeding. After some back-and-forth action and a last second put back from sophomore forward Ivy Gogolin, the scoreboard read 20-12 at the end of the first frame in Binghamton's favor.

The beginning of the second quarter was much different than the first, as Torres and Storey led UNH to within four points of the Bearcats with five minutes left in the half, as they capped off an 8-0 run. However, Binghamton would spoil the Wildcat run by sinking a three-point shot to push the

lead back to seven and the UNH crowd's energy fizzled out shortly thereafter. The Bearcats finished out the half strong and they held a 32-21 halftime lead.

UNH made multiple efforts to climb back in the game, but Binghamton was determined to keep their double-digit lead. They outscored UNH in the third quarter 18-14 as they shot 5-10 from the field. Bearcats senior guard Kai Moon tallied 12 of her game-high 25 points in the third, and the Wildcats had no answer for her aggressive play.

The 'Cats made a surge that lasted throughout the fourth quarter, as Binghamton seemed to lower their energy level on both sides of the court. The game concluded with a score of 63-53 in favor of the Bearcats.

The loss wrapped up the first half of UNH's conference schedule, and they sport a 3-4 record, which is tied for fourth best in the America East behind Stony Brook, UMass Lowell and Maine.

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SWIM AND DIVE

Metzler paces UNH on senior day



COURTESY OF UNH ATHLETICS

Anna Metzler set a pool record of two minutes 2.59 seconds in the 200-yard medley.

By Shaun Petipas
SPORTS WRITER

The Wildcats returned home for their final home meet this year and the final meet in Durham for the three seniors, Corinne Carbone, Allison Stefanelli and Anna Burns. The Cats' won easily with the final score of 154-116 and are now looking ahead to the America East Championship.

The Cats' jumped out to an early lead taking first and second place in the 400 freestyle, then Stefanelli and Burns extended the lead as the Cats' never looked back. UNH head coach Josh Willman spoke after the meet about the seniors and Stefanelli coming back more specifically. "She couldn't compete in the fall; we're trying to be cautious with her, but she looked good out there. She's such a beautiful diver and has so much experience that she can rely on it.... Over the next couple of weeks, we're going to get her to work on her hurdle but be cautious about her injury."

Sophomore Anna Metzler had another strong performance after being the reigning America East Swimmer of the Week. Metzler broke a UNH record and is looking forward to the America East Championship and NCAA Championship. Willman commented on superstar swimmer's prowess. "She's really intensely motivated to make NCAA's this year, she's going to need to break 4:10 in the 400 IM and I think that's a really doable goal. She's going to have to break Katy Man's record in the process, and (Metzler) has the focus to do it."

Metzler was able to put up a 4:11 at the BU Terrier Invitational with minimal rest, which is a good sign as that is just a second off of the mark that she wants to beat. Metzler has a good shot to compete this year and is one of the stars to watch for UNH.

Now the Wildcats have a two week break as they prepare for the America East Championships in Worcester, Mass. Willman spoke on how they plan on preparing

for that. "We're resting right now, which is a process of reducing the yardage and intensity but trying to maintain the power and speed. It's more of a fun time of the year for them as we don't practice as hard and don't have any doubles and they'll feel less beat up on a regular basis." He continued to add "as the nerves start to set in, we try to make them feel comfortable because they all swam really well at BU so, it's just about settling them in so they can do their best times."

It's been a really good year for the team as they end the regular season with a 5-1 record having their only loss come to a tough Northeastern team by 4 points. They won a 75 out of 92 events this year in six dual meets. They are poised to put up a good fight and should have a number of swimmers coming out of the America East Championships and National Invitational to make a run at the NCAA Championships.

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AN OPEN LETTER TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF AMERICA, FROM TOM STEYER

Your concerns about climate are completely justified and on target. It's ridiculously unfair for you to inherit an uninhabitable planet because self-interested politicians refuse to stand up to corporations. But they can't dismiss you. Your voices rise with the conviction of truth and the willingness to act. You've called yourselves "the voiceless future of humanity," but you are not voiceless. For too long, members of my generation have chosen short-term profit over anything else, even people's lives. But you've broken through — using every tool at your disposal to demand a voice.

It's imperative for those in power to treat the climate crisis with the urgency it demands. **I'm the only candidate who will openly make fighting climate change my number one priority.** If it's not number one, it won't get done ... and it has to get done.

On the first day of my presidency, I will declare the climate crisis a national emergency and invoke the emergency powers of the executive office, including enacting power plant regulations, instilling stricter pollution standards on cars, and revamping building codes.

I will hold all corporate polluters accountable for their environmental crimes against humanity. No other candidate sees it this way, but we have no choice — we're running out of time. It's why I left my company a decade ago to start NextGen America, and worked with students all across the U.S. to mobilize the largest youth voter registration and turnout effort in American history. **Young people lead the charge; and in 2020 you'll vote out the most corrupt president this country has ever seen.**

Climate justice is at the heart of this struggle. Far too much pollution is located in communities that lack political agency, and especially in communities of color. My climate justice plan (tomsteyer.com/climate) focuses on bringing justice to those whose air and water has been poisoned by corporations over decades of discriminatory, environmentally racist policies. We must redress this historic and continued discrimination if we are going to build a better America and transform our economy safely and equitably.

When we put justice at the center of fighting climate change, we'll bring this country together and create millions of good, high-paying, green jobs in the process. **The future of this planet and our economic future can only be assured together.** We must turn the most powerful tool in history — the American economy — toward healing our planet, restoring our communities, and building a government that is truly of, by, and for the people.

This is the election that will determine the course of all our lives. Trump has made it clear that he is willing to destroy our health and our planet to please the oil and gas industry. We must stop him. We can safeguard our futures while restoring the health of the planet. We can become global leaders again through climate action. And together, we can win.

Regardless of who you're voting for in 2020, I know you'll show up. I know you'll speak out. I know you'll vote, because there's so much at stake — everything.

Let's save the world, and let's do it together.

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