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## Record turnout in Durham for State Primaries

By Ben Domaingue  
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In a record turnout, voters both went to the polls and mailed their no-excuse absentee ballots for the count in the state's primary election.

Durham, N.H., home to the University of New Hampshire (UNH), experienced a historic turnout of over 2672 individual votes cast on the Sept. 8 primary. Democrats cast 2233 ballots and Republicans cast 439 total ballots.

In contrast, on Sept. 11, 2018 primary, Durham residents cast 2358 votes over the course of a day.

That number exceeds the voting averages between 2008 and 2016, with an average of only 1,137 ballots cast during the primaries.

Durham faced a mechanical error with one of its ballot boxes, which failed to separate ballots with write-ins from ballots without write-in candidates. This caused a reporting delay, which was rectified within approximately an hour. Even with the minor mechanical error, Durham Town Administrator Todd Selig was pleased with the record turnout.

"This year, we appear on target to once again break Durham's state primary record," Selig said in a press release. "With approximately 1,640 absentee ballots in hand and more than 800 in-person votes by early evening, 2020 will once again be a year for the record books."

The Town of Durham released the preliminary results at midnight on Wednesday, Sept. 9.

In the Democratic gubernatorial primary, Executive Councilor Andru Volinsky claimed a comfortable victory of 1391 votes, with State Senate Majority leader Dan Feltes receiving 716 votes in the town of Durham. Statewide, Dan Feltes was declared the winner and Volinsky has conceded.

Incumbent Republican Gov. Chris Sununu won 92% of the ballots cast for the Republican gubernatorial primary.

For the United States Senate race, incumbent Democrat Jeanne Shaheen swept the field with over 90% of the ballots cast in her favor.

In a tight race, Republican U.S. Senate candidate Corky Messner claimed a narrow victory to Don Bolduc. Messner



Ben Domaingue / TNH Staff

to Bolduc's 176 in the town of Durham. Messner is slated to challenge Shaheen in the Nov. 3 general election.

Incumbent Rep. Chris Pappas ran uncontested in the Democratic primary for U.S. House District 1, and amassed 2087 votes in the D in the town of Durham.

ers will move on to challenge Pappas in the November 3rd General Election, with Mowers receiving 53% of ballots cast.

Republican Stuart Levenson won the Republican ballot in Durham for the Executive Council. Statewide, the race remains contested, with Jim Beard leading.

and Cinde Warmington remain in a contested race for the Democratic nomination for Executive Council. In Durham, Plunkett was declared the winner with 773 votes to Warmington's 612 votes.

Rebecca Perkins Kwoka

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## Large party at Theta Chi fraternity results in COVID-19 cluster

By Ben Domaingue  
STAFF WRITER

The University of New Hampshire (UNH) has reported its first coronavirus (COVID-19) cluster on its Durham Campus.

A COVID-19 cluster is a

single location with three or more confirmed cases.

Eleven positive cases of COVID-19 were discovered as a result of a Saturday, Aug. 29 party at the university-affiliated Theta Chi fraternity.

"As the result of a party of more than 100 people not wearing

masks Saturday, Aug. 29, there are 11 positive cases, including members of the UNH community, confirmed," according to an email to students from UNH Police Chief Paul Dean.

All members of the fraternity are currently in a 14-day quarantine.

The university is asking any guests of the party to immediately quarantine and contact UNH Health and Wellness. The Office of Community Standards is taking the fraternity through the student conduct judicial proceedings as a result of its COVID-19 policy violations.

The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (NH DHHS) has worked in conjunction with UNH to identify 11 cases of COVID-19 and provided testing information for students and community members who attended the party.

UNH President James W. Dean Jr. released a statement con-

demning both the gathering and the students involved.

"This is reckless behavior and the kind of behavior that undermines our planning and will lead to us switching to a fully remote mode," said President Dean.

An investigation with the Interfraternity Council was opened and the university is pursuing conduct charges against the organizers of the gathering, as well as every student who attended.

"Theta Chi is under interim suspension immediately, as well as any fraternity/sorority or other organization that behaves in a similar manner, while we conduct the investigation."

Dean announced a moratorium of any gathering of any size from any of these groups.

After the announcement from University Police Chief Paul Dean regarding the gathering, students expressed frustration over the fraternity's actions.

A video encouraging students

to join the fraternity, captioned "Big things to come join Fall 2020," was posted to the @thetachiunh Instagram page on Sept. 4, with many students expressing their anger and discontent at the fraternity in the comment section.

Theta Chi has not responded for comment to The New Hampshire.

As of the university's latest report on Sept. 2, the Durham campus has 44 active cases of COVID-19.

The university will begin distributing a second round of self-swab kits to students on Tuesday, Sept. 8. Students must reserve a time between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. between Tuesday, Sept. 8 and Saturday, Sept. 12 at the Whittemore Center.

Students are urged to continue to maintain a six-foot physical difference from others and limit close contacts as much as possible.



Photo courtesy of Theta Chi

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won the Democratic Durham State Senate race comfortably with two-thirds of ballots cast.

The Republican challenger, Sue Polidura, ran uncontested.

Durham and Madbury are represented by five state representatives, of which six ran for the nomination on the Democratic side. As of writing this article, Madbury had not reported their results. However, Marjorie Smith, Judith Spang, Janet G. Wall, Timothy Horigan, and Cam Kenney received the plurality of votes from Democratic voters.

They will move on to challenge Bonnie McDermot, Cliff Zetterstrom, Cheryl A. Lamoureux, Mark F. Racic, and James C. Ziegra for the New Hampshire House of Representatives

seats.

Democrat Mark Brave and Republican Paul Callaghan won their respective primary races for county sheriff in Durham.

On both ballots, local positions such as County Attorney, Treasurer, Register of Deeds, Register of Probate and County Commissioners remained uncontested.

With over 90% of ballots reported in New Hampshire, victors now looking to begin revving up their campaign for the Nov. 3 general election. As for Durham, the town is seeking volunteers for the upcoming general election. If you are interested in volunteering with the Town of Durham for the Nov. 3 election, contact Town Clerk Lorrie Pitt at (603) 868-5577.



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# UNH provides daily COVID-19 results, reports 71 active cases

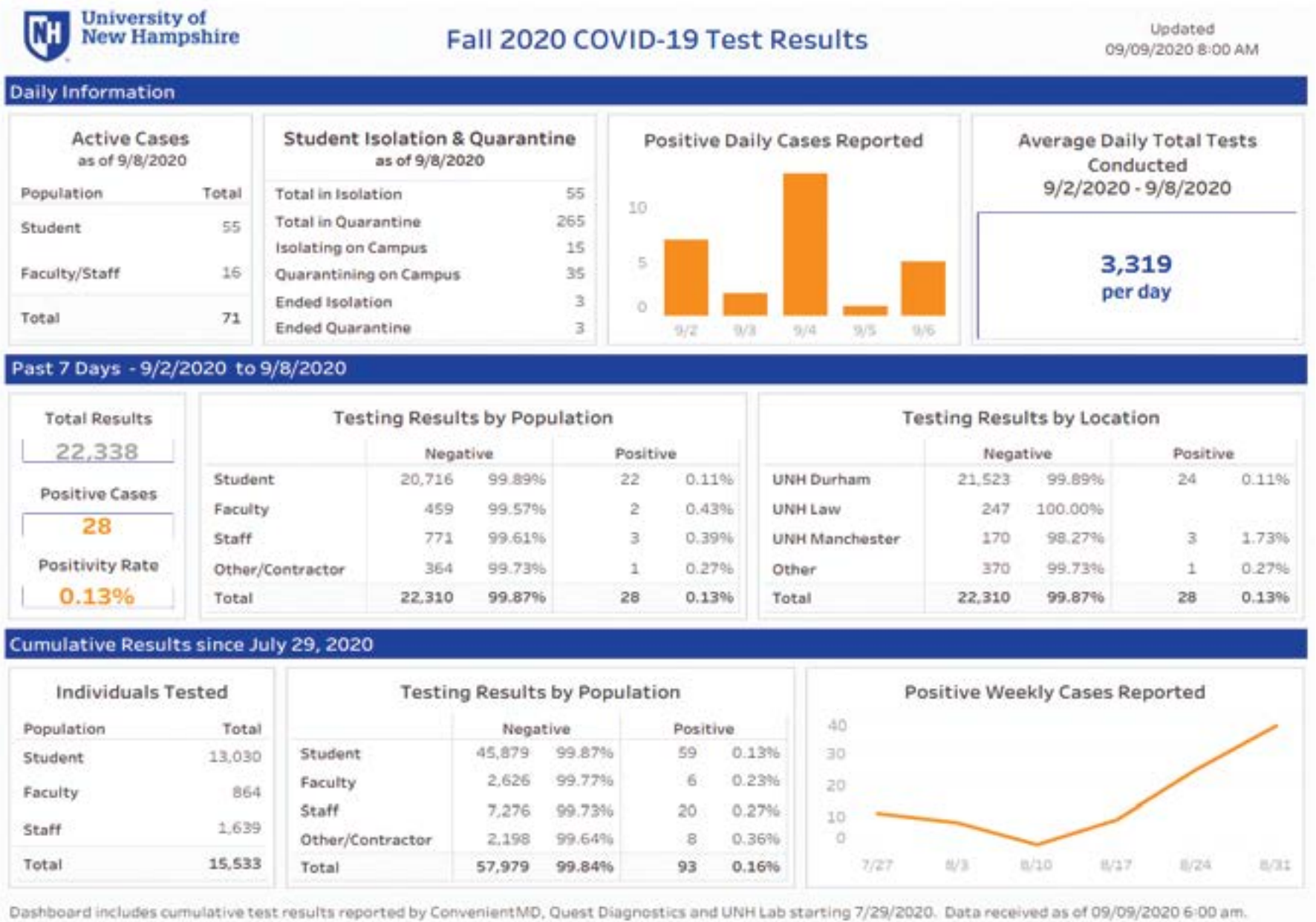


Photo courtesy of UNH

**By Shawn Latulippe**  
DESIGN EDITOR

The University of New Hampshire (UNH) currently has 71 active cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) with 55 people in total isolation and 265 people in quarantine. This is an increase in the number of cases reported in the past seven days. Students in quarantine do not necessarily have to have a positive test, but have been exposed to COVID-19 by close contacts.

The test results were updated

for the fall 2020 COVID-19 test results page on Wednesday Sept. 9. These results can be found on the UNH Coronavirus Website.

Of these active COVID-19 cases, 55 of the 71 active cases are students and 16 of the active cases are faculty or staff. There are 15 people isolating on campus and 35 people are quarantining on campus. Three people have ended isolation and three people have ended quarantine.

On Sept. 6, it was announced that some students in the UNH community were reportedly infected with the coronavirus at a

Theta Chi fraternity party on Aug. 29, where more than 100 people in attendance were not wearing masks or social distancing. UNH Chief of Police Paul H. Dean sent an email out to UNH students stating, "in partnership with the N.H. Department of Health and Human Services, the University of New Hampshire has confirmed that there has been a cluster reporting (three or more cases in one location) of COVID-19 cases at Theta Chi fraternity. As the result of a party of more than 100 people not wearing masks Saturday, Aug. 29,

there are 11 positive cases, including members of the UNH community, confirmed." He also warned that anyone at the party should be testing themselves and quarantine immediately in case they have been exposed to COVID-19.

The recent report also states that 3,319 COVID-19 tests is the average daily total tests that UNH conducted between Sept. 2 and Sept. 8. And in the past seven days from Sept. 2 to Sept. 6 there were 22,338 results, 28 positive cases and a 0.13% positivity rate.

The UNH Durham campus

in the past seven days had 21,523 negative tests, meaning that 99.89% of the tests in Durham were negative and 24 positive tests which means that .11% of tests were positive.

The cumulative results from July 29, 2020 total that there have been 57,979 negative tests (99.84%) and there have been 93 positive tests (0.16%). These results include multiple tests from the same individuals, and incorporate all cumulative test results reported by ConvenientMD, Quest Diagnostics, and UNH Lab.



# UNH student injured in Lodges shooting

By Anna Kate Munsey  
MANAGING EDITOR

The Durham Police Department (Durham PD) responded to a report of a shooting at an off-campus housing development early Thursday evening.

Durham police were called to the scene following a report of “a female resident who had been struck with an unknown projectile” at The Lodges at West Edge, according to a press release.

The projectile, later determined to be a bullet, had come through an adjacent wall when neighbor Brian Nguyen “accidentally discharged a handgun while he was in the process of dry firing it.”

The 22-year-old female victim and 24-year-old Nguyen are both University of New Hampshire (UNH) students.

The victim, whose identity is undisclosed, was treated and held for observation at Portsmouth Regional Hospital.

When officers arrived at the apartment, Nguyen was attempting to provide first aid to the gunshot victim.

Nguyen has been charged with one count of felony reckless conduct and was released on personal recognizance bail. His arraignment date has not been set.

The UNH Police Department, Durham Fire Department, and McGregor Memorial EMS assisted the Durham PD in this case.

The case remains under investigation, but no additional charges are anticipated, according to the Durham PD.

In an email to residents obtained by The New Hampshire, Abigail Donovan, Property Manager at The Lodges, discussed the event and said they shared residents’ concerns and were fully cooperating with the police.

“In light of this, we would like to remind everyone that possession of firearms is not allowed anywhere in our community. Violation of this policy by residents or their guests is in default of their housing contract and may lead to the termination of their lease among other actions,” Donovan wrote.

The disciplinary process has started, according to Peter Jakel of The Lodges’ media line.

*Design Editor Shawn Latulippe contributed reporting to this article.*



*Courtesy of the Lodges at West Edge*



Brian Nguyen was arrested and charged with one count of felony reckless conduct.

*Courtesy of Durham Police Department*

## Newsroom Poll

What’s your guilty pleasure?

“High School Musical (1, 2 and 3)”

-Josh

“Definitely the *Twilight* movies”

-Hannah

“Watching the Red Sox lose”

-Shaun

“*Harry Potter*”

-Anna Kate

“Korean dramas”

-Shawn

“*Moana*”

-Cam

“Gacha and rhythm games”

-Ciarra

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# COVID-19 self tests misplaced at UNH lab



Josh Morrill / TNH Staff

*Approximately 250 student tests were lost and went untested on Aug. 31. Students have been retested (self-tests) twice since the incident.*

**By Josh Morrill**  
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

On the first day of the University of New Hampshire's (UNH) coronavirus (COVID-19) self-testing program, numerous student-completed tests were misplaced.

The blunder comes just days after the arrival of thousands of UNH students to UNH's Durham campus, and on the day that the university opened their new, fully operational COVID-19 testing lab located at Health and Wellness.

On the night of Monday, Aug. 31, the day of the lab's inception, approximately 250 student tests were lost and went untested.

In a statement from UNH spokesperson Erika Mantz, she

explained that there was an issue with the transfer between the eight collection boxes on campus and the testing lab.

"We learned earlier today that a transportation and collection error Monday night led some samples to go untested," Mantz said. "More than 3,000 samples were collected and successfully processed yesterday...About 8% of the students who submitted tests were asked to re-submit a sample and more than half have already done so. We regret the inconvenience this caused for students but appreciate their quick response and cooperation."

All affected students were sent an email the next day, Sept. 1, by Vice Provost for Innovation and New Ventures Marc Sedam explaining the situation.

"We had a transportation and

collection error last night that led some samples to go untested," Sedam said. "We were just made aware of the situation and are asking you to re-submit a sample so we can generate information to you within the original results window. I apologize for the inconvenience and we are prioritizing this re-test."

In the email, Sedam instructed the students that they were required to go to the Whittemore Center from 8 a.m. to noon or to UNH Innovation from noon to 9 p.m. to get retested. They were provided with new test kits and labels and were not forced to use their existing sets.

One of the 250 students that had to get retested was UNH junior Keegan Demers. Demers is a part of the Paul College of Business and Economics, so his allot-

ted drop-off time was Monday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Between those times, he says that his experience with the collection box wasn't a positive one.

"Me and my roommate went to drop our tests off at Stillings... when we got there the woman told us to put our tests in the shoe box," Demers said. "The shoe box was on top of the actual drop off box for the tests, and it was already more than filled up with tests. When I went to put mine in the box, five others fell off and I had to put them back in."

Demers said that when he received the email to get retested, it was already around 2:30 p.m. so he had a limited amount of time to go to UNH Innovation before they closed. When he arrived, he said that he inquired about the exact reason for the misplacement

of the tests.

"I asked (a man) at (UNH Innovation) about what happened to my test and he said, 'Let's just say it was a glitch in the matrix and just leave it at that,' and that's all he said," Demers said.

UNH senior Jarod Emirzian, another student that had their self-test mislaid, had similar frustrations concerning the transparency of the university.

"There was no real explanation for why they lost (the test) or if it would happen again," Emirzian said.

Despite the student frustration, all 250 students have now been retested and there have been no more reports of lost student tests since the incident.

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# Students react to the new normal on campus



*Anna Kate Munsey/TNH Staff*

**By Aqeel Hisham**  
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Durham, NH - The University of New Hampshire (UNH) opened their doors back up to students for the fall semester amidst the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak that started earlier this year. There are many additional rules and regulations such as no large group gatherings, required face masks in class, and bi-weekly testing, and some students are struggling to adapt to this system that is considered the new normal.

Danielle Sinko, a finance major, is trying to make the most of her senior year at UNH. Sinko said that she felt safe coming back to campus after her first week of classes. "The protocols were well-followed by the professors in class and even though I do not like wearing a mask in class, I definitely understand why," she added.

Sinko is positive that students will not be sent back anytime soon. Even after a COVID-

19-related incident affiliated with Theta Chi Fraternity, Sinko believes that is a lesson learned for all students that UNH is taking the current situation seriously. "I feel that fraternities and sororities should definitely be more careful," she added.

When asked about what she looks forward to this semester, she said, "I have good roommates and we get along very well. We don't have to go to the bars or parties to have fun, we can have fun in small groups." However, Sinko is trying to be optimistic for her last semester in spring before she graduates.

Brandy Mauro, a junior neuroscience and behavior major said, "Most of my classes are online and the only physical classes that I have are labs." She further explained that it was really hard to focus in class due to the new rules, which have led to less-interactive labs. "Instead of actually doing these labs we are now only reading about it in class," she added.

Mauro was excited to be back at UNH at first, but with the

new rules such as the need to wear a face mask to go to the bathroom in dorms, she felt that it was strange to be back in an "alternate dimension."

Mauro, who is withdrawing from UNH this semester, said "I honestly feel that we should have not come back, it is a waste of time." She expects that the school will switch to online learning only in two weeks. "That is why I am withdrawing this semester; my classes are really strange, the number of positive cases is increasing every week, and soon if there is a case in one dorm, the whole dorm would have to quarantine," she added.

Despite plans to withdraw this semester, Mauro believes that UNH is doing the best they could with the situation. "I know the university is testing about 15,000 students but they need to give the test results back quicker," replied Mauro on the one thing she would change regarding UNH's testing policy. She added, "For example, we have only known about the Theta Chi incident one week after,

imagine the people that they have been in contact with."

For Madelyn Bronder, her sophomore year at UNH feels very confusing. "Some of my classes are through Zoom and some are online; one is even a hybrid, which I am definitely not used to," said the Andover native. Additionally, Bronder is also not happy with the pricing of the meal plans. "With the current situation at the dining halls, I think we are overpaying," she explained.

However, Bronder is glad to be away from home and be with friends, even with some restrictions. "I get bored easily at home and it is nice to see familiar faces," she commented. In terms of expectations for the coming week, Bronder expects more communication from UNH administration regarding the increase in positive cases.

Despite the fact that most returning students feel unsure about being back on campus, first-years Sean O'Neill and Henry Gorhan remained optimistic. "Most of my classes are online except for my

lab that has a rotating schedule; I am still adjusting but I will get the hang of it," said O'Neill. The two mechanical engineering students further explained how they were already used to remote learning since it was implemented during their senior year in high school. "I think UNH is doing a good job at catering everyone's best interest," added Gorhan.

Although O'Neill and Gorhan have not had the chance to experience college events such as U-Day, homecoming and Halloween, they are both happy to just be making new friends. "It is not an ideal way of starting my college experience by missing out on important events, but if we follow the rules, we will get through this and everything will be back to normal," commented Gorhan.

Both students felt confident that the school will be open until Thanksgiving break. "The number of cases will definitely go up, but not to the extreme," said O'Neill.

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# Anti-LGBTQ+ message displayed in bias incident at Congreve

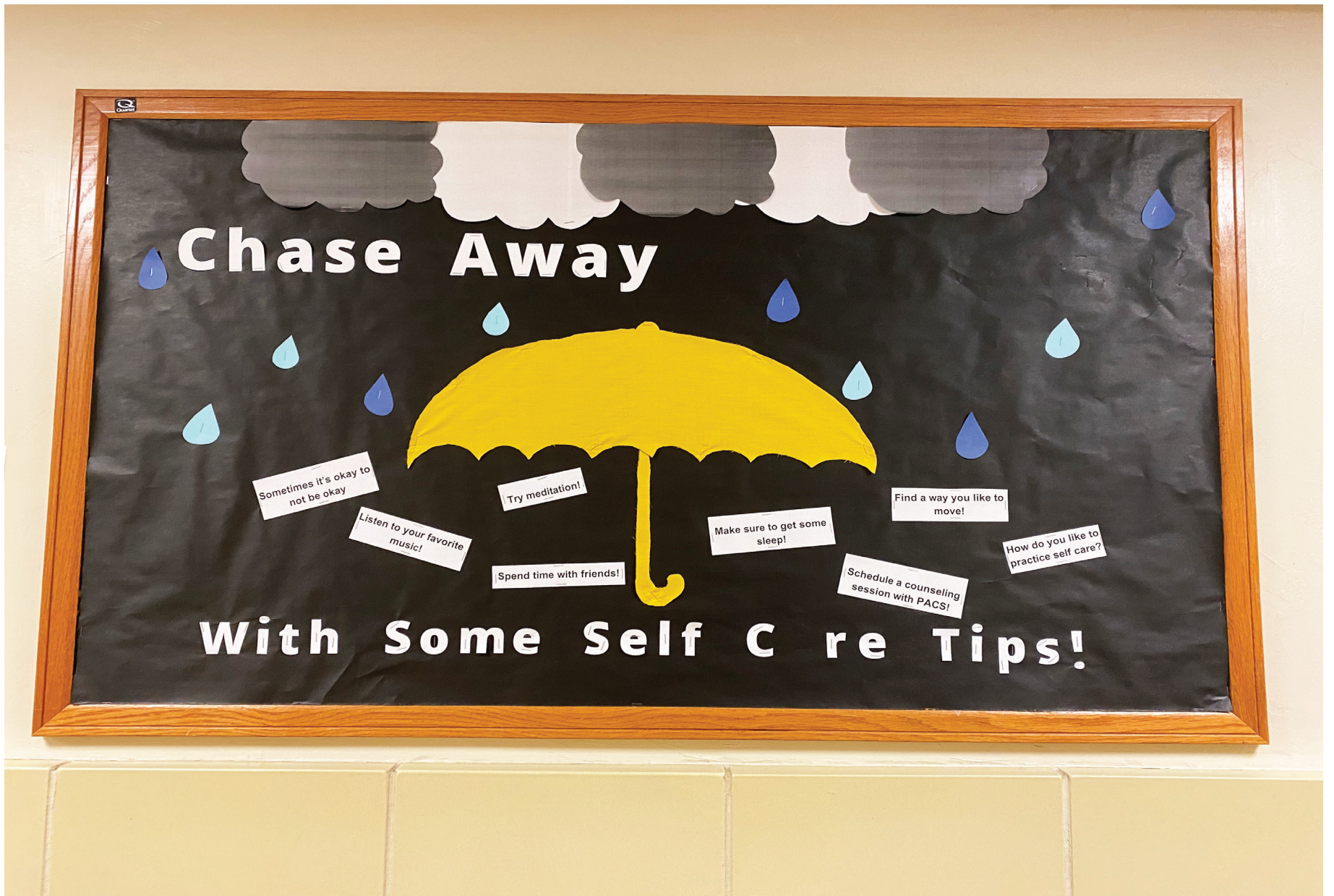


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Bulletin board in Congreve Hall pictured above displays the board after insensitive anti-LGBTQ+ message was taken down on Aug. 29.

By **Julia Stinneford**  
NEWS EDITOR

The University of New Hampshire (UNH) reported its first bias incident of the fall semester in Congreve Hall on Saturday, Aug. 29.

A bias incident is defined as a threat or act of harassment or intimidation directed against an individual or group based on their actual or perceived identity.

This bias incident consisted of damage to a bulletin board on the second floor of Congreve. The board originally displayed self-care tips with a rainy-day theme. The letters were rearranged to display an anti-LGBTQ+ message.

The news of the bias incident in Congreve was spread to the wider community by the Instagram account @lgbtqatunh, which seeks to highlight the experiences of LGBTQ+ individuals at UNH. A screenshot of an email from Congreve's hall director Danielle Miller was posted on this account, with the caption saying: "literally only took one day."

In Miller's email, she said that she was "disheartened by these events." She added, "Residential Life has a commitment to inclusion within our halls and in the work we do. It includes our commitment to cultivating an environment in our residence halls, that expects nothing less than a welcoming community in which civility and respect are fostered, and discrimination and harassment are not tolerated."

Darnelle Bosquet-Fleurival, assistant director of Residential Life, said that this bias incident was a typical one that Residential Life sees when it comes to the sensitivity of incidents. She has overseen bias incidents for the past four years, and said, "Most of our bias incidents are around passive things," such as white boards, bulletin boards, and door decorations. Last year, before the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, Bosquet-Fleurival said that Residential Life reported 29 bias incidents in residence halls, mostly around these "passive" objects.

"The hard thing is, for these incidents, is when we go around

and ask questions, we can never figure out who did what, who saw what," Bosquet-Fleurival said. "Our investigation kind of comes back to 'nobody knows anything.'"

This bias incident in Congreve has reached a similar result, according to Bosquet-Fleurival. "For this incident, the RA talked to people on the floor, [Miller] talked to people, and nobody saw anything, nobody knew anything."

"We're left at educating," Bosquet-Fleurival said. The process of educating the community about bias incidents, she said, is vital to combatting them. An example that Bosquet-Fleurival cited was from Miller's email to the residents of Congreve, which contained a definition of bias incidents, an explanation of their impact on the community and an attachment to campus support offices.

Bosquet-Fleurival said that Residential Life's goal is "totally to be transparent because we want to educate students." To that end, when asked why the details of the

bias incident were not circulated in Miller's email or anywhere else, Bosquet-Fleurival said, "The goal is that we don't want to re-offend, re-traumatize people in that community by an email that she wrote...Of course, if students say to [Miller], 'I actually want to know what happened...,' she would be able to give them that kind of trigger warning and then...share it with them in a meeting one on one."

"Our goal is we do not want further damage to the community," Bosquet-Fleurival said.

According to Bosquet-Fleurival, this applies to the immediate handling of bias incidents as well. "RAs are supposed to collect as much evidence as possible...and then they're expected to immediately take it down because we do not want a bias incident to stay up and to be negatively impacting more people coming by."

In this instance, Bosquet-Fleurival said, the bias incident was noticed during the RA's second round, at which point Miller was notified and the reporting process began.

"And then, of course, everything is sent to Affirmative Action," Bosquet-Fleurival said, adding that reports of bias incidents are also given to the Community Standards office and the police.

Besides education and investigations, Bosquet-Fleurival said that if bias incidents seem to be clustered in one building or another, she will go to a floor or building-wide meeting to speak directly to students. "In order for me to go to a floor meeting, I have to see three or more in the building," she said.

The Congreve bias incident is no longer the only incident this semester, with another occurring at Christensen Hall on Sept. 3. "Our goal is to...hold people accountable when we can and we know who they are, but also to educate the community on what's happened and how to move forward," Bosquet-Fleurival said.

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# Local podcast explores partisanship, “purple” middle ground

By Anna Kate Munsey  
MANAGING EDITOR

Red or blue? Donkey or elephant? Democrat or Republican? A new podcast explores the “purple” middle ground, focusing on the idea of partisanship and how it affects many aspects of daily life, not limited to situations involving politics.

Self-described as “objective, fact-based, and non-partisan,” The Purple Principle is “a podcast for independent-minded Americans.” It is produced locally by Robert Pease, the founder of Fluent Knowledge.

The Purple Principle team is made up of Pease, the creator and producer, Sarah Holtz, producer and senior editor, Emily Crocetti, reporter and researcher, Janice Murphy, director of marketing and senior editor and Kevin Kline, the sound engineer.

The podcast launched this summer with several episodes available so far including “Heard from the Herd: Psychology and Partisanship” and “A Blind Date with Dividends: Dr Elliot Smith on Polarizing Algorithms.”

Guests on the podcast include Jason Altmire, “a former three-term Centrist Congressman from Western Pennsylvania,” John Opdycke from the organization Open Prima-

ries, Myq Kaplan, a stand-up comedian and Dr. Charles Wheelan, the founder of Unite America.

“The people with power in this country are benefitting from politicizing everything they can so that they can fire up their constituents and maintain their power, but in the process, it’s really breaking down our society in a social way,” reporter and researcher Crocetti said in an interview with The New Hampshire.

She graduated from Dartmouth College with a degree in neuroscience and a minor in philosophy, which has helped her provide insight to the podcast. In college, she found a passion in media production and telling stories. She found she could still apply her studies of neuroscience and philosophy in the lens of politics and socio-politics, at which she believes the human brain is the center.

“A truth for all of this is that perception is reality... how people live their lives in this modern day society, mixed with this positive feedback loop of polarization, people getting more and more separated in their beliefs, plays into this degradation of shared reality and a shared sense of truth,” she said.

Crocetti’s role includes conducting interviews, voicework, giving feedback on different musical or artistic choices, marketing and



Courtesy of Emily Crocetti

social media, making videos, promoting episodes, background research and fact-checking and working on new topics for episodes.

Crocetti is particularly interested in starting a conversation about “what factors - psychological, sociological, technological - what factors have caused the two political parties to become so polarized that they focus more on competing and defeating each other than they do on working together

to actually solve problems.”

She sees some of the goals of The Purple Principle to be starting a dialogue about what it means to be an independent or unaffiliated voter, including what to do when someone does not identify with one of the “extreme partisan groups.” She thinks these conversations do not happen often enough.

The Purple Principle is avail-

able on Spotify, Apple, Google, Stitcher, and Pandora. Their website has a section to “share your purple tale,” talk about a political compromise, share experiences as a “purple peacemaker,” and more. Crocetti said any inquiry, comment, or story is welcomed and the team will get back to anyone who reaches out.

## New dining options: Café Central opens at the Whit

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Courtesy of the University of New Hampshire

Café Central is the new socially-distanced version of Union Court that utilizes a grab-and-go style of eating.

By Chloe Camelio  
STAFF WRITER

For the fall 2020 semester, part of the Whittemore Center Arena has been transformed into a café, called the Café Central. Since Union Court is closed this semester due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) and the inability to social distance, students will be able to enjoy a variety of foods while also staying six feet apart. Similarly to Union Court, Café Central will accept dining dollars, swipe plans, and meal exchange up to \$8.50 value.

This meal exchange program is for both students, faculty and staff and will be open Monday through Friday 11 a.m. until 2

p.m. UNH Dining Services recently added 30 additional meal exchanges to all meal plans, allowing more students to easily get food from Café Central.

The menu offers a wide range of food including different types of pizzas, burgers, beverages, and chicken such as wraps and tenders. Café Central also is proving the option of “Grab and Go” where students and faculty can grab candy, brownies, cookies and chips for a quick snack in between class. The full menu can be found on the UNH dining website.

Central Café can be found through door “E” of the Whittemore Arena at the concession stands. There will be multiple stands, each serving different

foods. The Corner Den will be serving different salads along with soups of the day. The concessions stands will be designated to chicken, burgers, and pizza, similarly to how Union Court was set up. Having separate concession stands in the Whittemore Arena makes it just as convenient to get the food you want, but also allows students and staff to social distance, unlike Union Court.

As for the dining halls, COVID-19 precautions are being taken to keep students safe and have multiple procedures in place. There is hand sanitizer available at the entrance of each location throughout the facilities, along with plexiglass in between each table as a protective barrier so students can feel safe while

eating without wearing a mask at their tables. Students and staff are required to wear a mask while walking around the dining halls. Tables and high touched surfaces will be disinfected at a minimum of every 2 hours.

The dining halls are no longer set up in a buffet style. Students are handed disposable containers but each of the menus at the three dining halls change daily to ensure students have a different variety of food each day. The State of New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (NH DHHS) guidelines do not allow self-serve options which means Dining Services cannot allow stir fry and salad bars, along with other customizable options such as sandwiches.

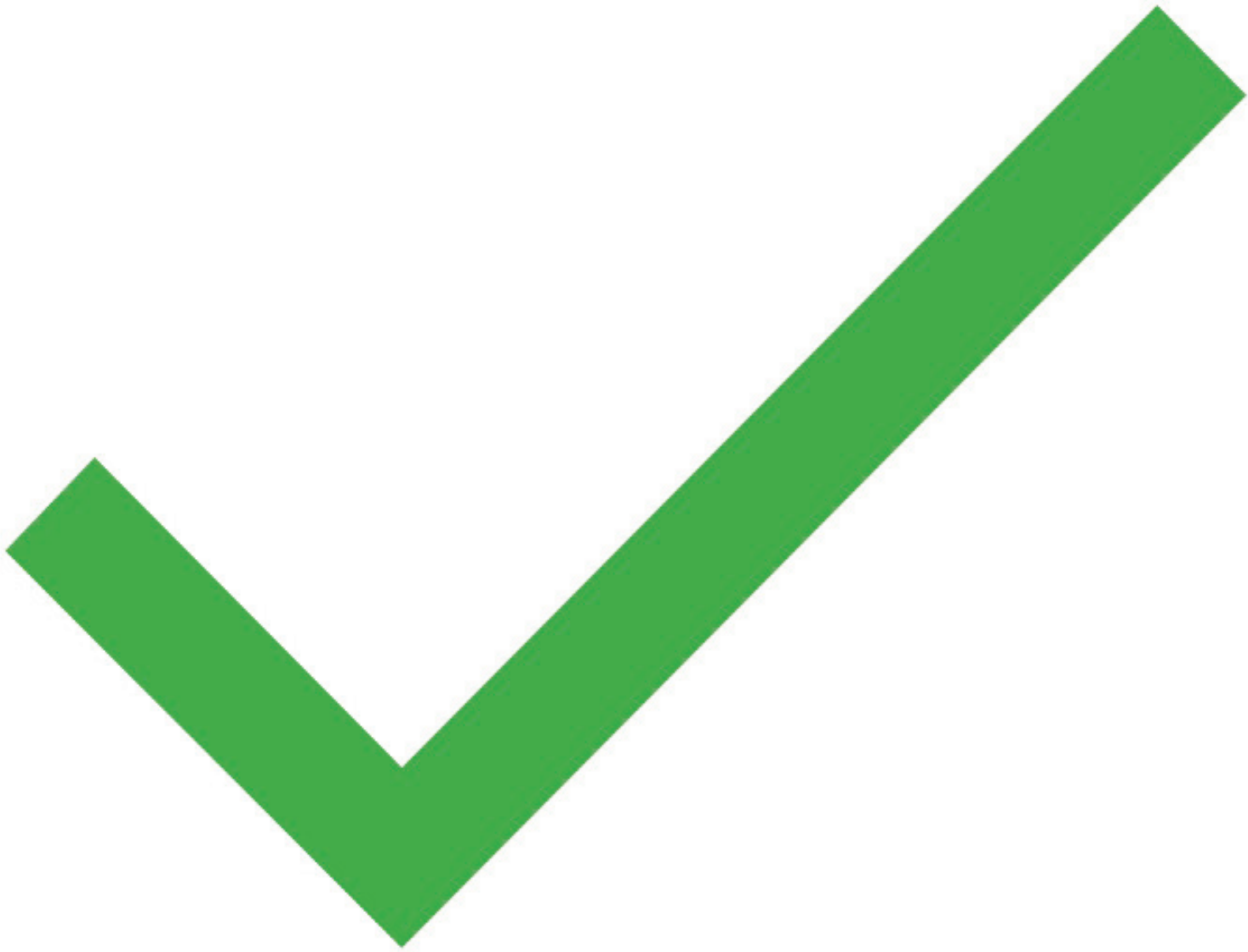
Seating is allowed but reduced to have six feet between each table.

Guest passes are now gifted to students from UNH dining but only allow for people that have met the requirements for building access. This means friends and family not properly cleared will not be allowed into any of the dining facilities.

UNH Dairy Bar, Wildcatesen, and Philbrook Café are open but students must order from GrubHub, which is a food ordering app. GrubHub is found in the app store and students should opt into Campus Dining in the app. GrubHub also allows students to use their meal plans on the app including dining dollars and Cats Cache.



# UNH implements COVID-19 compliance student portal



*Courtesy of University of New Hampshire*

**By Katie Hoppler**  
NEWS EDITOR

Students will need to have a valid Wildcat Pass when they enter buildings at the University of New Hampshire (UNH) in order to be compliant with the UNH coronavirus (COVID-19) requirements.

Wildcat Pass is a web-based portal UNH is using to ensure that students have complied with all the COVID-19 pre-arrival requirements. In order to receive a compliant Wildcat Pass,

students need a recent negative COVID-19 test, a completed informed consent form, completed quarantine attestation, and an updated COVID-19 profile.

The university sent out details about the Wildcat Pass on Aug. 30, the day before classes started, and informed students that “beginning Aug. 31, any university employee may ask you to show your valid Wildcat Pass. Some examples include when you go to class, meet with a professor, use Hamel Rec or enter the dining hall.” It is unclear how often

students will need to show their valid Wildcat Pass or if there would be any disciplinary actions for students who are unable to provide a valid pass.

Students are able to access their Wildcat Pass using their UNH log in. Once logged in, students either have access to a copy of their compliant pass, or they are given a list of requirements that need to be completed in order to receive a valid pass. There are links directing students to complete the COVID-19 profile, Quarantine Attestation, and

informed consent form for those students who still need to do so.

Students have expressed concerns about the efficiency of the Wildcat Pass system anonymously on the @covidatunh Instagram page. Some students claim that their Wildcat Pass shows they are missing a negative test despite sending the required documents. One student wrote, “I sent in a negative test results to UNH on Friday but now they are denying me a pass because they said they hadn’t received them...I can’t get any

questions answered because their phones don’t open until 8 tomorrow.”

According to the Wildcat Pass portal “It may take up to 4 hours for your pass to clear after submitting” any forms. Students do have the ability to apply for a temporary override of the portal by calling the UNH COVID-19 Hotline (603-862-2020), which will be open Monday-Friday from the hours of 8:30-5.

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## From the Wire

### Third party candidates campaign for presidency

By Crys Lewis  
The Daily Cougar (U. Houston)

(U-WIRE)HOUSTON— With the presidential election looming in the near future, the media seem to be bombarded with news and advertising about George W. Bush and Al Gore. But let's not forget that other candidates are running. The United States has a democracy, and while there are only two main parties, there are many, many smaller parties that hold their own ideologies and focuses.

This is just a brief overview of some of those parties and their candidates to give you a better view of the options available to you before it's time to vote this November.

#### Reform Party

Pat Buchanan is a name that has been tossed around in the public eye for quite some time. He tried to get the Republican nomination for president in 1992 and 1996. Failing there, he joined the Reform Party, where he was better received, in October 1999. Now, he has finally gotten his presidential nomination and will be running in the 2000 election. Buchanan has had a long history of political involvement: He was Vice President Nixon's executive assistant, and after Nixon received the presidency, became his speechwriter and senior adviser.

Buchanan's running mate is Ezola Foster. She was the Buchanan campaign's national co-chair before being selected for the ticket. Foster was not Buchanan's first choice, but critics say he hoped choosing an African-American woman would end rumors that paint him as a sexist and a racist.

Foster is the founder of the Americans for Family Values organization, which purports to restore traditional family values in public policy. She was a staunch supporter of California's Proposition 187, which would have banned illegal immigrants from receiving any public services. She believes that Southern states have the right to fly the Confederate flag over public buildings and that the nation's black leaders are "snake oil peddlers of the welfare state whose only wares are dependency, degradation and decay."

Buchanan and Foster are

both pro-life, pro-prayer in schools and anti-gay rights. He will receive matching federal funds from the Federal Election Committee.

#### Libertarian Party

Harry Browne was the party's 1996 candidate for president and is back for another shot at the office. After capturing enough votes in the last election to qualify the Libertarians for matching federal funds from the FEC, he will be a much bigger contender this year, although his campaign will still be much smaller than the two major parties' campaigns. Knowing that he realistically does not have a chance at the White House, he instead plans to use the election to promote libertarian ideals and attract more people to join the party. If just a few other candidates adopt a few of the party's views, then he has won.

Generally, Libertarians are socially liberal and fiscally moderate to conservative. They believe in "a free market economy of abundance and prosperity; individual liberty and personal responsibility; and a foreign policy of non-intervention, peace and free trade."

Art Olivier is Browne's vice presidential candidate. An engineer with Boeing and a freelance Web site developer, he also served as the mayor of Bellflower, Calif., for a time.

Browne will most likely be on the ballot in all 50 states, but will probably not be included in the televised presidential debates.

#### Socialist Party

David McReynolds has been involved in politics for quite a while: He was a Socialist Party nominee (write-in) for Congress in 1958, he's been active with the Peace and Freedom Party, and he was the Socialist Party's presidential nominee in 1980. He's been arrested more than a dozen times for participation in peace, civil rights and labor demonstrations. He is the only homosexual in a major third party and also differs from other candidates in that he's an atheist.

Mary Cal Hollis, McReynolds's running mate, is a special-education teacher. She was the Socialist Party's presidential nominee in 1996, making it onto the ballot in five states and capturing 4,300 votes. She's

been active for many years on behalf of numerous leftist and vegetarian causes. Before becoming a member of the Socialist Party, she was a Democrat.

McReynolds isn't likely to win the election, but he should get more votes than any Socialist candidate in recent elections simply because he'll be on the ballot in more states. In his 1980 run, he was the first openly gay person to win a party's presidential nomination and appear on state election ballots. Interestingly enough, his running mate then was a Catholic nun.

#### Green Party

Many people are familiar with Ralph Nader, a well-known consumer advocate. He is currently the presidential nominee for the Green Party, a group focused on environmental issues. Nader himself is more interested in having his campaign "emphasize the problems of, and remedies for, the excessive concentration of corporate power and wealth in our country, by highlighting the important tools of democracy needed for the American people as voters/citizens, workers, consumers, taxpayers and small savers/investors."

His running mate is Winona LaDuke, a leading Native American activist. The former high school principal started out her political involvement by fighting in a lawsuit to recover lands promised to the Anishinabeg tribe by an 1867 federal treaty. The case was dismissed four years later, but she continued to be active in such issues. She now serves as National Program Director of Honor the Earth and founded the Indigenous Women's Network and the White Earth Land Recovery Project.

Nader admits that he will most likely not win the ticket, but his goal is to win 5-6 percent of the vote so the Greens qualify for matching FEC federal funds in 2004. The American Reform Party — an anti-Perot faction that split off from the Reform Party USA in 1997 — has also endorsed him, though it didn't nominate him.

#### Natural Law Party

John Hagelin is a Harvard-educated quantum physicist with New Age ideas. The NLP's slogan is "bringing the light of sci-

### Meet the candidates:



Harry Browne



David McReynolds



Pat Buchanan



John Hagelin



Ralph Nader

Here is a line up of the third party candidates running for president.

ence into politics," and it advocates things like transcendental meditation, "yogic flying" and other such actions as solutions to national and international problems. The NLP was founded on the teachings of Indian guru Maharishi Mahesh Yogi, but a party spokesman claims many newer members have no ties to this philosophy. In the 1996 election, Hagelin was on the ballot in 44 states and expects to be on as many ballots this go-round.

His running mate is Nat Goldhaber, an Internet entrepreneur who founded the online Cybergold payment system and has a net worth estimated to be in excess of \$100 million. He was the former aide to Pennsylvania's Lieutenant Governor. Goldhaber also has close ties to the Transcendental Meditation

movement.

Though it is not on the ballot as of now, the NLP is interesting in that Hagelin filed a written notice with the Reform Party to seek its nomination for president. When the former Perot forces turned to him to prevent Buchanan's winning the nomination, he received a slight boost. At the national convention they staged a walkout and had a rump convention across the street from the official one, where they nominated Hagelin as the Reform candidate. Hagelin and his supporters plan to go to court and declare Buchanan's nomination invalid (most likely so that Hagelin will receive the matching federal funds), but Buchanan will most likely win the fight and keep the Reform nomination.

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## Durham's loaf-ly new bakeshop: Grit and Grains

By Caitlin Staffanson  
STAFF WRITER

Nicole Tocco Cardwell, the owner and baker of Grit and Grains views her bakeshop as a modern version of her grandparents' dream. Her grandparents immigrated to the United States from Italy and owned and operated their own bakery in the North End of Boston for over 50 years.

Grit and Grains bakeshop is a licensed Homestead Food Operation through the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services and is run out of Tocco Cardwell's home kitchen. She bakes everything from scratch, in small batches with responsibly sourced ingredients based on her customer's orders. Customers order in advance from the Grit and Grains website and during checkout choose which day to pick-up their breads and sweet treats from Tocco Cardwell's front porch. The pick-up process is contact free.

After Tocco Cardwell lost her job due to the coronavirus (COVID-19), for the first time in 15 years she had a lot of free time on her hands. With a passion for baking and extensive knowledge on how to make our food system environmentally and socially sustainable, she decided to create her own bakeshop.

"I had my dream job," said Tocco Cardwell. "Influencing sourcing decisions for a national, large buyer of food and helping employees and guests connect with the sources of their food and the social and environmental issues related to it. I managed a team of passionate, thoughtful, committed individuals based all around the country. For a long time, I have felt unsatisfied sitting at a computer for most of my days and working remotely most of the time. I wanted to do something more physical, more tangible."

Grit and Grains opened about two months ago and is a one-woman bakeshop. Tocco Cardwell, her husband, and 3-year-old daughter recently moved to Durham while her husband is enrolled in the accelerated Master of Nursing program at the University of New Hampshire. While experiencing the loss of her job and adjusting to her new hometown, she decided to start Grit and Grains. Tocco Cardwell found this new experience has allowed her to get closer with her neighbors and community.

"I went from feeling isolated to truly becoming part of this community," said Tocco Cardwell. "I've connected with more neighbors, community members and small business owners over the last two months than I ever could have dreamed."

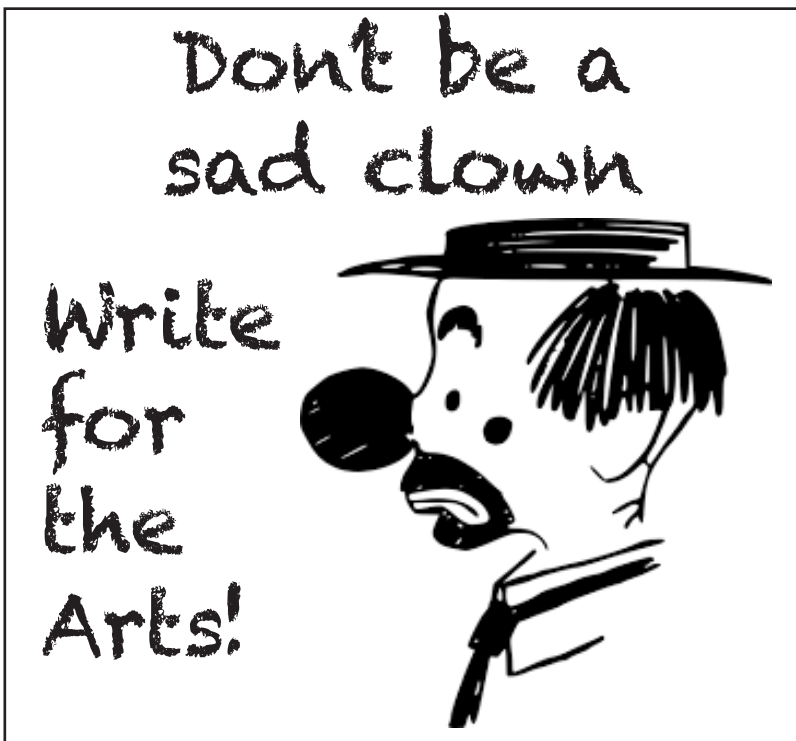
Tocco Cardwell has not thought too much about her long-term goals for her company and instead has been focusing on her short-term plans. She has been selling out each week and is working on keeping up with demand and maintain the high quality of her bakery items. She said her dream would be to renovate part of her home into a small conventional kitchen or potentially open her own bakery in downtown Durham.

"Starting this bakeshop was possible in part because I could do it without much investment," said Tocco Cardwell. "In the end, I realized that the two things I needed were determination (grit) and plenty of grains to bake with."

From sourcing responsible ingredients to making fresh baked goods, Grit and Grains offers the local community the chance to support a small business and eat well.



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By **Evan Edmonds**  
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It hasn't been easy for restaurants in the midst of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, and it isn't always easy for people to get out for a meal. In times like these, restaurants look to their customers for support, which is why The New Hampshire is putting together a series of Durham restaurant guides to keep customers informed on the food options on and around UNH campus, and to encourage students and locals to continue supporting restaurants, whether it's going in and enjoying a socially distant meal or helping the cause with takeout or delivery orders.

The first stop on this Durham food tour is The Big Bean Cafe. As far as breakfast places go, you can't go wrong with the variety of brunch options. They cater to the classic breakfast with eggs, meat, home fries and toast, with "The 420," but also offer plenty of breakfast and lunch twists that are a bit more unconventional: "The Smurfette" is an eggs benedict with basil pesto, tomato and veggie sausage. For something sweeter, the "Down East French Toast" is a massive plate of two thick-slices of

cinnamon swirl toast and maple walnut cream cheese.

The Big Bean is an affordable breakfast and lunch place for students with fair prices. It's not just a place students will enjoy though - it's a comfortable space that is welcoming to families too - the perfect place to bring parents visiting for the weekend. Although their walk-in cafe is opening this Saturday, it will only be open on the weekend. Still, The Big Bean does have some nice space outside for enjoying some breakfast in the sun during the week.

A student favorite - Hop + grind - offers the craziest combinations of scratch made burgers imaginable. There's a burger for every mood or craving, like the "Morning Glory," a breakfast burger with a hash brown, fried egg, bacon and truffled maple syrup. Feeling like some dumplings? Go for the "Karate Pig," a pork burger topped with house made kimchi, soy glaze and "dojo sauce." For pepper and pickle lovers out there, Hop + grind often comes out with new limited time burgers, like the "Peter Piper" chicken sandwich - brined in pepper juice, topped with pickle ranch dressing and fried pickled peppers (it sounds

like a mouthful and it literally is).

Hop + grind is a great student hangout, and they have plenty of craft beer selections available from local breweries. They offer cans and bottles if you want to take it on the go as well. Currently they are offering online ordering and they will bring the food out to your car for curbside pickup. They also have indoor and outdoor dining available. It's worth the visit, and don't worry, I don't think it's possible to leave Hop + grind without a full stomach.

Bamee is the perfect place to go if you want to try new types of Asian food. The Thai street noodle and Asian fusion at Bamee is a nice change of pace and they have a menu wide enough to serve any Asian food cravings. The crab rangoons, for example, are delightful, with a light and crunchy outer shell and the creamy filling boasting some of their Thai curry mixed in. They're so good it might even be worth getting two orders - sometimes six just isn't quite enough. The typical noodle or rice dishes at Bamee come with plenty of add ons - the crispy pork goes super well on top of a teriyaki rice bowl, while the crispy chicken compliments

the noodles, but both are solid options, and sometimes throwing on a fried egg does the trick too.

A personal favorite of mine is the Panang Curry. It's sweet and flavorful with a great amount of spice at the same time. One thing that truly shines about Bamee at times like these is how well their food translates to takeout. After having been takeout only since the pandemic ramped up, Bamee recently announced the opening of its patio for outdoor seating. It really feels like they want to treat their customers well, providing hefty portions for fair prices. Another reason why I like the curry: they give you a whole pint that you can save for two or three more meals after you're already full!

You can't go wrong with Wildcat Pizza. It's a campus classic that fits the bill when you need something delivered, or some good quality comfort food. Their pizza is a solid choice - a decent ratio of sauce and cheese and not too much grease. It's a great opportunity to stick with classic pepperoni, but they have a wide range of toppings to go with whatever your heart desires.

The calzones are where the place shines the most in

my opinion. Not only is there a wide variety of great ones, from chicken parmesan to steak and cheese, there are some under the radar picks that are very good as well - the pesto chicken for example - with alfredo and pesto sauce mixed together. For the amount of food stuffed into the calzone, a small is plenty for one person and they're all under \$12 dollars! It's definitely worth a try if you need a switch up from your usual. Wildcat Pizza opened back up on Wednesday, Sept. 9 for pickup orders.

Although there are plenty more Durham restaurants to share, they'll be included in a later edition of the series. Needless to say, the restaurants that aren't listed above still need the support from the local community - both students and Durham residents. Everyone has a role to play in continuing to bring business into Durham's restaurants to keep them afloat during these tough times.

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**"The Smurfette" and the "Down East French Toast" found at The Big Bean**



# Editorial: First-year student describes quarantine experience

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I've spent the first two weeks of my freshman year in quarantine. I spent a couple months and a 1,050-mile car ride anticipating these first few days of college, thinking of who I would meet and the new memories I would make.

It was my first morning on campus and I was with a few friends I met the day before when I received the call that I had to quarantine. To my surprise, the day before during my move in I was in close contact with someone who tested positive. This completely befuddled me, because I came to UNH not knowing anyone and everyone I had met on my first day did not receive a call.

Honestly, I did not take this news well. I understand the school's precautions, but as I thought about how I had my graduation, prom, last varsity soccer season, summer, and now my first weeks at school taken away from me, I became overwhelmed. I know in retrospect these seem insignificant but they are huge milestones. These are all important memories the freshmen class never got to make.

Thankfully though my parents were staying a few extra nights before heading home so I was able to stay with them before moving into Adam's Tower West. It was definitely not the way we wanted to say "see you later". They were very worried about me being alone and so far from home, which I don't blame them. I was nervous too. Soon after I moved into the room, and with a little help from my friends and family, I began to look on the bright side of the situation.

On-campus quarantine, no matter how you got there is not the best situation to be in. I would love to be quarantining at home, but like others that isn't an option for me so I have developed some ways to manage my time and stay sane.

I think the number one priority in this situation is maintaining health. Being in quarantine will affect your health mentally and physically. You're in a room alone and there is only so much screen time you can handle before you find yourself pacing in boredom. As an active person, the reality of not being allowed outside triggered a lot of anxiety inside of me. So, I decided to try and combat my boredom and anxiety with a routine.

Wake up, eat breakfast, go to class, workout, eat lunch, read, do homework, mess around with photoshop, journal, workout, eat dinner, FaceTime my friends and family, watch Love Island virtually with my cousin, and go to sleep. Of course, it feels repetitive and I don't do the same exact thing every day, but incorporating things I would do normally like working out, reading, and doing homework makes the time there feel a little more normal. At times I do find myself pacing the room in boredom, so I throw on some jams and get my steps in.

Staying positive is so crazy important, and hard. You will overcome quarantine and will come out stronger! For me, seeing people out and about and having fun on Snapchat or Instagram really dampens my spirit, the fear of missing out (FOMO) is real. Instead of fixating on the fact that I can't leave, I FaceTime my brother or my friends to cheer me up. If they are busy, I do something to distract myself. In my case I love to draw and do yoga so I fill up my time doing that. The point is, for the sake of mental wellbeing, stay away from things that will strike up sadness and anxiety and instead I strongly encourage doing something else like calling someone that will help keep the positive vibes strong and will be supportive. If there's no one to call, the school offers counseling and support so complete loneliness doesn't have to be an option.

Below are some suggestions and resources I have for those in

quarantine feeling similarly to the way I do:

## Packing for the Bubble

There are towels and bed sheets already in the dorm, so the rest is up to you. I suggest bringing a reusable water bottle, a warm blanket, cozy sweatshirts, school supplies, and basic toiletries. Besides that, bring things that will keep you busy like a yoga mat, books, speaker, etc. Whatever will help you when you're not in class or studying.

## Eating well helps

You get three meals a day from the dining hall where you can choose what you want prior but if you're hungry in between meals make sure to bring some comfort snacks to get you through. Also, not to sound like your doctor, but make sure to try and order some veggies and fruit. Eating well helps the body and mind function better, especially since you're out of your normal routine. Good food can also boost your energy, counteract the impact of stress, and positively affect mood related body chemicals. For example, some nutrients that play a role in combating depression include B12, folate, and omega 3 acids. So, eating foods like beans, spinach, broccoli, Brussels sprouts, or apples will definitely make a cognitive difference.

## Get fit

If you're familiar with yoga or Pilates the majority of those workouts are done on a mat. Mat workouts can easily be done in a small space which makes the temporary dorm a perfect spot. Working out is important during quarantine because you're not moving the same amount you would be on a normal basis so getting in motion will help maintain mental and physical health. Some free online workout classes I like to do include: [www.corepoweryogaonline.com](http://www.corepoweryogaonline.com)



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Peloton's free trial for a variety of mat strength and cardio workouts

## Tips for keeping your mind at ease...

Like I said earlier, all this time alone isn't healthy, so it's important to stay busy in the right ways. The right way means setting some time to address how you're feeling and build up self-motivation.

**Download Headspace!** It's a great meditation app that actually helps! They offer a student discount, tons of meditation packs, and mindful workouts.

**Study!** Take this time to get ahead in classes, organize yourself and relieve some academic stress by getting work done.

**Read!** If reading isn't your thing, try to do something else that will make your mind happy.

**Watch** some funny movies, TV shows, YouTube videos, and TikToks! A good laugh is much needed and will help a lot. (Some of my television shows on Netflix are Parks and Rec, New Girl, That 70's show, Tales by the Light, and Criminal Minds.)

**Relax,** don't forget to get good sleep and try to have a wind down routine to give yourself a sense of normalcy to finish off your day.

you will get through this. Writing down what's going on right now will not only help you feel less anxious it will help make sense of what you're feeling. It will also be an interesting read in the future.

**Podcasts!** A good podcast playing in the background when you're laying down or just looking out the window helps keep your mind from wandering. My favorite podcast is Ologies with Allie Ward on Spotify.

**Music!** Silence isn't a bad thing but too much of it can be overwhelming especially being alone. Throw on background music! From hype songs to lo-fi beats, listen to what will help your mind feel a little happier in that moment.

**Call your friends and family!** I can't say this enough, it helps with the need for human interaction and socialization. You could even set up a Netflix party with some buds.

Despite wearing a mask, testing negative, and doing everything "right," with a little bit of bad luck, quarantine can easily become a reality. Make sure you're being socially responsible, taking care of yourself, and considering others. If you're experiencing symptoms get tested and wear your mask so that less people will miss out on the college experience.

# Editorial: Your Rights Under Title IX Are Changing, But SHARPP's Services Are Not

Dear students,

You may have received an email from UNH a few weeks ago informing you of changes to Title IX. Title IX is a federal law set by the Department of Education prohibiting discrimination based on gender in schools, including sexual harassment and assault. It ensures a safe learning environment for all students, and requires schools to take seriously and investigate reports of sexual misconduct.

As a student, or a student survivor, you may be impacted by these changes or have some questions as to what they might mean for you. You may have been caught off guard by this change or feel worried that you may not get the support that you need.

First, we want to assure you that the Sexual Harassment

and Rape Prevention Program (SHARPP) will continue to be here to offer confidential support and advocacy despite these recent changes. Even though Title IX has changed, SHARPP's services have not. As a confidential campus advocacy center, we cannot report incidents of violence to the university or the police, as we are not a reporting office or entity on campus. However, if you choose to participate in any of these processes, SHARPP will continue to accompany and support you.

Here are a few things we think you should know about changes to Title IX:

1. The definition of sexual misconduct under Title IX has changed. Under the new regulations, the definition of sexual harassment has been heavily narrowed to incidents that are "severe, pervasive and objectively

offensive." Other misconduct like domestic violence or sexual assault does not have to meet that threshold. This may mean that some behaviors -- if they do not fit these narrowed definitions -- are no longer subject to investigation by UNH under Title IX rules. However, UNH can still respond to these incidents through other university policies.

2. UNH no longer has to investigate violence that happened off campus, even if all parties involved were UNH students. Title IX has narrowed the scope of which incidents of violence a school must investigate. If violence occurred outside of the university, even if both parties are affiliated with UNH, the university may not be required to investigate it under Title IX, however can still investigate under other university policies.

3. Accused parties now have greater rights to participate in Title IX proceedings. This means that a perpetrator's advisor or accompanying parties will be able to cross-examine the survivor, a process that could be re-traumatizing to survivors.

4. SHARPP advocates will continue to support survivors during Title IX proceedings and offer support as much as we can to survivors throughout the process. New guidelines do not change SHARPP's role in these processes, and survivors are still entitled to support regardless of whether they make a Title IX complaint or not.

If you have any questions about what these changes to Title IX may mean for you, or about SHARPP services, please don't hesitate to reach out via our confidential 24/7 helpline: (603) 862-

7233. SHARPP's services are free and confidential to the UNH community, and while our services may look a little different this semester, we are still here for you remotely or face-to-face.

Amid the current pandemic, our office hours are Monday-Friday 10am-4pm. Walk-ins are available, but appointments -- or even a phone call a few minutes before walking in the building -- will help us prepare a clean space for you. Our services are confidential, meaning we will not have to report incidents of defying social distancing or mask guidelines.

Advocates can also be reached via our live text and web chat services 9am-4pm Monday-Friday.

Best,

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# From the *Editor's Desk...*

## Young voters, use your voice

Following the N.H. state primary on Tuesday, Sept. 8, it was confirmed that state Senate Majority leader Dan Feltes (D) will be challenging incumbent Chris Sununu (R) to be the next governor of the "live free or die" state.

Feltes defeated N.H. Executive Council member Andru Volinsky by nearly 7,000 votes.

Now, the two candidates will look to the Nov. 3 gubernatorial election that will decide if Sununu gets to serve his third consecutive two-year term as governor of N.H.

The nomination of Feltes and the nomination of Senate hopeful Bryant "Corky" Messner (R) has ensured N.H.'s battle ground state title. Both the RNC and the DNC will have solid chances to control N.H.'s state government starting in November.

In Durham, Tuesday's primary (held at Oyster River High School) was a welcome sight to many. A record number of voters, 2672 to be exact, showed out at the polls.

According to a recent poll from NextGen America, the number of youth voters (18-35) in battleground states that "definitely" plan to vote has escalated to 77% in as recent as August, 2020. That was a 7% increase in a one month

span. The majority of those voters have also said that they are more motivated to vote than in past elections.

Hopefully Durham's encouraging voter turnout will be a microcosm of what the November general election has in store.

Ongoing racial tension and COVID-19 induced controversies have made the voting process more important than ever before. All political leanings aside, the time is now for young voters.

In recent weeks, the country has seen students at schools like the Eastern Michigan University and University of Missouri organize racial protests of up to 800 people.

It is efforts on campuses like these, that will bring both racial awareness and will force students to educate themselves on our political landscape.

Racial divide in the U.S. has arguably never been more publicized, and whether you think that is warranted or not, it will certainly prompt America's youth to show up to the polls.

If you are a young voter, please educate yourself.

Your parents' political ideals don't have to be yours, your grandparents' political ideals don't have to be yours and your

friends' political ideals don't have to be yours.

We have seen a pandemic decimate the health of many American citizens throughout the past seven months. Through that time, countless bills and legislative agendas have been carried out that affect each and every young voter.

On April 21, the current administration and U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos allocated \$6.2 billion to higher education relief across the country. This helped many young students that will be voting in two months.

Despite this, the administration has dropped the ball on many other facets of the situation, including the initial supply of COVID-19 tests and other "ammunition" to fight the war on COVID.

I say this because every young voter should know what they are and aren't voting for...so I plead to you, INFORM YOURSELF and vote for what YOU believe in. After all, it's your civic duty.

**Josh Morrill**  
 Executive Editor

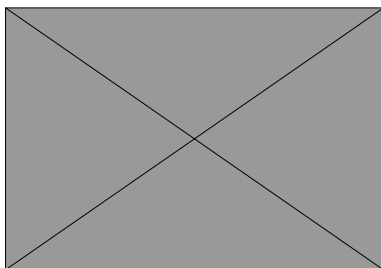
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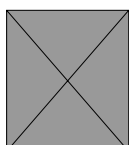
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# Bruins lose to Lightning, shift focus to offseason

By Shaun Petipas  
SPORTS EDITOR

With the Bruins losing this past week many fans and even some of the players are stuck wondering what's next?

Has their window for a Stanley Cup slammed shut in their faces?

It's not as simple as open or closed for the B's as they lie right in the middle with a core of aging veterans and a platoon of young talent coming up from Providence.

For Bruins General Manager Don Sweeney this is one of, if not, the biggest offseason of his career as the GM of the Bruins. With decisions in front of him with players like Zdeno Chara, Torey Krug and Tuukka Rask, Sweeney has his plate full.

The Bruins showed in their last playoff series that this team is not ready to win a Stanley Cup and can't hang with the Vegas Golden Knights and the Tampa Bay Lightning of the world. So, what can Sweeney do to keep their window open and have a chance at a cup?

Sweeney has built a decent roster but with a clear need for size in front of the net, on both ends of the ice, he needs to change some things. Not to say that he needs to go out and get a bunch of Pat Maroons or Nick Ritchies, but they do need some help with puck possession and someone who is willing to get their nose dirty in the middle of the ice.

On the other side of the

team the Bruins have huge questions around their defensive core as two of their top four defensemen – Chara and Krug – are in contract years. For the 43-year-old captain Zdeno Chara, he has stated that he wants to keep playing.

"I'm positive I can still play and contribute to this game," the B's captain said in a Zoom call. "I want to be in Boston. I'm committed. We'll see what's gonna happen next."

The 6-foot-9 giant has made it known that Boston is his home and he doesn't want to play anywhere else and his affinity for the city.

"I love Boston, I love the city, and I think we have the best fans in the world. I have no plans to move on or go anywhere else."

So, Sweeney and the Bruins need to decide what they want to do with Chara because his legs were clearly slowing down and he couldn't stand up against top-end talent during 5-on-5 play. What the Bruins could do is bring him back as a third defensive pairing with Connor Clifton or Jeremy Lauzon and have him as a penalty killing specialist.

Chara recorded a plus 28 while he was on the ice this season marking that as the eight best in all of hockey and he was the most used penalty killer in Boston and third in the whole league. So, he's still got some tread on the tires and some gas in the tank for at least another year, but the Bruins will have to be smart as to when they use him.



Courtesy of John Tlumacki  
*Bruins defenseman Torey Krug (left) hits Blues forward Robert Thomas (right).*

For Krug, it looks like it is coming to an emotional end for him in the black and gold as he appears to be on his way out to go and get a new juicy contract. Krug has been one of the best offensive defensemen in recent memory to come into the league, especially at his size of 5-foot-9. He knows the kind of contract he is going to be offered is somewhere north of \$7 million per year and that's a number the Bruins can't match considering they still need to sign Jake Debrusk,

Matt Grzelcyk, Karson Khulman and Chara. There's been thought of Krug maybe taking a one-year bridge deal at least until they can clear Krejci and Rask off the books for \$7 million each, but Krug has voiced his opinion in opposition of it.

"Yeah, I'm very opposed to that, I've bet on myself and I've taken shorter term deals for less amount of money for my whole career now," said Krug "This is my time in terms of my value at its peak. I'm in a position now where I need to

make the most of it. I've done it long enough now and that's the situation I'm facing."

If it is the end for Krug in Boston, the undrafted, 185-pound defenseman brought his all every game. The Bruins are going to miss his feisty personality and his offensive production but Boston will always have the memory of him skating down the ice in the Stanley Cup Finals, no helmet, hair flowing, to lay a crushing hit on Robert Thomas.

# Patriots welcome a new face at Quarterback

By Cameron Beall  
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In a year where everybody has had to get used to things looking a little different than they normally do, the New England Patriots are no exception. Tom Brady, Don't'a Hightower, Patrick Chung, Phillip Dorsett, Josh Gordon, Kyle Van Noy, Elandon Roberts and Jamie Collins highlight just some of the team's absences since their Wild Card Weekend loss to the Tennessee Titans.

When Brady made the divorce official and signed with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers it seemed all but certain that the keys to the castle were going to be handed to 2019 fourth-round pick Jarrett Stidham. After not drafting another quarterback in April and only bringing in Brian Hoyer to compete, Stidham was the clear choice – until June 28.

As Bill Belichick has done so often, on June 28 he lit the football world on fire by bringing in a former superstar on the cheap as a reclamation project. Whether it be Reggie Wayne, Stephen Jackson, Josh Gordon, or more recently Antonio

Brown, Belichick is not afraid to take a shot in the dark if he can get a player on his terms. This offseason he took a stab at 2015 MVP Cam Newton to compete with Stidham to be Brady's successor.

The media immediately questioned the fit of Newton – who plays as much energy and flash as anybody in the NFL – and Belichick whose buttoned-up, team first mentality has taken him to six Super Bowl titles in New England. To the chagrin of some Boston media the "Cam Newton experience" appears to be seamless to this point. Newton even went as far to say that he and Belichick have been a "match made in heaven" in a recent interview on WEEI.

In this same radio appearance Newton gave his two cents as to why the pair seemed so unlikely at the time of the signing.

"Honestly? We going honest?" asked Newton. "It's because I'm a black athlete ... I've been unapologetic, carried myself in a way that the media hasn't gave me my just due."

The issue of racism in Boston sports has been looming over the city since the days of

Tom Yawkey with the Red Sox and Bill Russell with the Celtics. More recently former MLB players Adam Jones and Torii Hunter have come forward to explain the negative experiences they've had in Fenway Park. Hunter even noted that he negotiated a no-trade clause to the Boston Red Sox in every contract he signed.

Newton may not have been accepted the fan base or the media at first, but he's done everything he could to try and win over the hearts of New England.

Bill Belichick held back praise of Brady following his fourth quarter heroics in the 2018 AFC Championship Game where he came back to beat the Jacksonville Jaguars with 25 stitches in his throwing hand, but when it comes to Cam Newton Bill is loving what he's seeing.

"Nobody works harder than Cam does," explained Belichick. "You know, some players like to work on things that they're good at, like if you're strong on a bench press, then you just keep throwing more weight on the bench. But Cam is the type of player that works on things that he's not as good

at and really tries to improve on a daily basis and that is something that I really respect about him.

The team's 2019 first-round pick N'Keal Harry co-signs with the head coach. Harry noted that he has never seen the newest starting quarterback go directly home after practice. The statement from the wideout supplements what Newton has been sending out on his Instagram stories as of late. Posting himself at the Patriots facility before 6:00 a.m. regularly.

The same day that Belichick named the former MVP the starting quarterback he was also announced as one of the eight team captains which are voted on by the players.

Now that he was won over the locker room and beginning to turn the tide on the fans and media, the team now needs to worry about how he'll fit on the field. Brady was as traditional of a pocket passer as they come during his two decades in Foxborough; Newton is a bit of a change of pace.

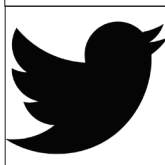
Even though it will be different, a more mobile quarterback may be what Belichick had been looking for in a suc-

cessor. He's been on the record while Newton was in Carolina saying how tough it is to defend a player with that much versatility. Defensive-minded coaches like Bill know what is more difficult for a defense to plan for, and a quarterback who can throw, scramble, and run the ball on his own is about as difficult as they come.

While this all sounds great on paper, it won't be that easy. Although all the reports show that Newton looks to be at 100 percent in camp, he doesn't have a lengthy injury history. Not to mention that Julian Edelman is his only proven target on the outside.

The Patriots are bracing themselves for a reality check after 20 years of success, but if Newton can stay on the field it could be something fun to watch.

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## CROSS-COUNTRY

## Men's cross-country adjusts to new routines



COURTESY OF MICHELLE BRONNER

University of New Hampshire's Nicolas Sevilla-Connelly (77) competes with runners from Holy Cross and Providence College in a 2019 race.

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DURHAM, NH – As students get used to the new normal at the University of New Hampshire this fall, athletes face an even larger adjustment. Athletes can normally count on the structure of a season and the support network that a team provides. The COVID-19 pandemic has taken that away this fall and UNH's student-athletes now must adapt to unprecedented circumstances.

Forest Mackenzie is a sophomore on the UNH men's cross-country team. He has seen his fall season postponed after already losing his spring track season earlier this year. He knew the postponement was coming but the pain of a lost season still caught him off guard when he and his teammates were told in mid-July.

"You don't really expect it to hurt that much even though you knew it was coming," Mackenzie said.

He noted that the pain of the lost season was hard for him but the hardest on seniors.

"Now I'm never going to be

on a cross-country team with those guys ever again. It's tough. It's like secondhand pain for them, there's pain for everybody but it's really painful for them. It's like your dog dying. You know it's coming and when it happens, it sucks. No matter how much you prepare."

The student-athletes will not lose any eligibility this semester, but Mackenzie said that for many seniors it's not as simple as just coming back for another year.

"People aren't going to come back because they've already done five years, or they don't have their major here. It's just like, there's so many complications that you can't just say, I'll give you another year of eligibility."

Jamie Wilkes is one of those seniors as well as a captain on the men's cross-country team. He is now forced to grapple with the loss of his final season at UNH while trying to lead a team that can't truly be a team. Wilkes said that he and the other seniors have become close and would often think ahead to their senior season.

"It doesn't get to play out the way that that you plan it

or talk about it. So emotionally, it just takes a toll." The team continues to run and practice in small groups but according to Wilkes motivation can be hard to find. "...there's nothing really in the future to kind of see what you're showing up to practice for. So, it's just a lot of waiting. Which... I guess it's just emotionally draining."

The NCAA has announced that it will work on potentially hosting fall championships in the spring. For Cross-Country this would potentially mean a season starting in Feb. or March ending in time for the spring track season. Wilkes hopes this can be successful but isn't holding his breath.

"I think like anything that's happened in the past six months, you've kind of just got to wait, hope for the best. Kind of realize that the worst is a possibility."

Mackenzie is blunter with his assessment.

"The probability of that happening for us is just ludicrous. There's no way we can have a season when it's zero degrees up here. It's really a southern idea. The Midwest? there's no way they'd be

able to do it. So, it's nice that they're trying to do stuff. But it just kind of seems like it's a wash at this point."

Wilkes has been put in the position of trying to lead a team he can't see in person.

"So, with the freshmen, we don't have a ton of contact info. So especially for those really young guys with their first year, it's hard to reach out and say, 'hey, come over we'll go on a run' you know?"

The team can't practice or run all together as they have been instructed to only do so with those they live with. This has led to a lack of unity amongst the team and most heavily impacted the freshman.

"I feel for them because I know my freshman year, it really helped having the seniors, the upperclassmen, the captain's give words of advice. Even just like showing running routes around Durham. You don't even have that kind of capability when you're stuck in small groups."

Mackenzie said the team environment he's used to is no longer there.

"You kind of just see bits and pieces of the team. So, until we see the full team,

it's still like, a part of you is broken. It doesn't seem real, like some guys even deferred this semester because what's the point, you know?"

Mackenzie gives credit to the seniors and Coach Boulanger for hosting Zoom meetings so the team can at least be together virtually.

"That's the only time we've seen everybody."

Unfortunately, Zoom calls are a far cry from the experience Mackenzie had his freshman year.

"It's weird because last year, you'd eat dinner, everyone together. Lunch, everyone together. Breakfast, everybody together. Go practice, everyone's together. Weekends, everybody's together. And now it's like you're all alone. Yeah, It's a different world, totally different."

UNH will allow the cross-country team to begin practicing in slightly larger groups this week and Wilkes is optimistic.

"Hopefully we'll be able to talk to those younger kids and kind of help them with the transition. This is not an easy transition from high school to college, athletics and just school in general."

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