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# Maine Campus

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Black Bears settle for a draw versus Vermont

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## Maine Sea Grant Director Search Narrows

Dr. Gayle Zydlewski speaks in front of faculty and staff about running for the position of the director for the Maine Sea Grant program. The speech took place on Nov. 30 in Norman Smith Hall.

Ian Liggett, Staff

**Jack Barber**  
Staff Writer

The Maine Sea Grant, a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) grant program, has narrowed down applicants for Director of the Sea Grant to three finalists. NOAA awards roughly \$1.2 million a year to the Sea Grant, according to the job description.

The chosen finalist will replace the former director, Paul Anderson, who has stepped down as director for a position at the Maine Center for Coastal Fisheries.

"Approximately 50% of the NOAA funds are distributed for research and education projects, awarded through a biennial peer-reviewed competition, with

the remainder supporting management, outreach, and education programs," according to the the job description for the director position.

The position is on the seventh band of the salaried pay schedule and therefore pays between \$61,535 and \$102,560 a year.

Dr. Gayle Zydlewski, associate professor of marine science at the University of Maine; Dr. William G. Ambrose, Jr., professor of biology at Bates College; and Dr. Michael C. Rubino, director of the Office of Aquaculture at NOAA are the three finalists.

The finalists are required to give a presentation on their vision for the future of the Sea Grant. Zydlewski, whose research focuses

on sea-run fish, presented her vision on Nov. 30. Ambrose, who has taught biology at University of Oslo, Norway; East Carolina University and Williams College presented on Dec. 1. Rubino, who has 25 years of experience in agriculture, aquaculture and Marine resources management, will present on Dec. 4.

Zydlewski worked at the University of Maine as a postdoctoral research associate from 1996 to 1997, according to her curriculum vitae. She returned to UMaine in 2012 after holding positions at UMass Amherst, the Conte Anadromous Fish Research Center and the Abernathy Fish Technology Center.

"I look at this as an opportunity to have an impact

beyond the impact my science is making," Zydlewski said at her presentation.

During her presentation, Zydlewski said expanding the scope of the Sea Grant and finding new sources of funding was one of the goals for Sea Grant projects.

"I know the funding atmosphere is really difficult," Zydlewski said.

Zydlewski also said the Sea Grant should focus on the relationship between the land and the sea, such as the Penobscot watershed and dam removals. Zydlewski suggested hiring an extension agent for the Penobscot River estuary area.

Ambrose received his Ph.D in marine sciences from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, ac-

ording to his curriculum vitae. Ambrose worked as the Chairman of the Department of Biology at Bates, and received awards such as the Alexander von Humboldt Memorial Prize and the Kroepsch Award for Excellence in Teaching at Bates. Ambrose also graduated magna cum laude from Princeton, and has advised over 50 students during his career.

In 2015, Ambrose was appointed to a one-year term as the program director for NOAA's Arctic Observing Network (AON), where he managed over \$12 million according to a Bates News article by Kent Fischer. The AON uses buoys and satellites to observe environmental change in the Arctic.

Rubino received his

master's degree in economics and his Ph.D in natural resources from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Rubino's current role at the NOAA aquaculture program requires him to manage a \$9.3 million budget and coordinate the administration of at least \$10 million a year in grants, according to his curriculum vitae.

Rubino has worked for the Carbon Finance Unit of the World Bank, the International Finance Corporation and the Palmetto Aquaculture Company. In 1987 he co-founded the aquaculture company Bluewaters, Inc.

## LePage discusses Medicaid bill

**Hailey Bryant**  
Contributor

In early November, Maine citizens voted to expand Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act. According to a New York Times election poll, Maine is the first state in the country to solve the Medicaid question via a referendum. Though 58.9 percent of the state voted in favor of expansion of access, Governor Paul LePage has stated that he will not implement the expansion.

As of mid-November, LePage has vetoed Medicaid expansion bills five times. Finances are a major concern, because the federal government will not fund it entirely. During the January session, Maine legislators will have to create a new budget to cover

the cost of Medicaid coverage for 80,000 people. A recent Politico article cited Maine's health agency, who said that by 2020, expansion of Medicaid will likely cost the state \$97 million.

Until 2016, the federal government fronted the cost under the Affordable Care Act, colloquially known as Obamacare. Over time, however, state governments will have to pay higher percentages of the cost, starting with five percent and moving up incrementally to 10 percent over the next two years. Because of the high cost, LePage is hesitant to implement the expansion, even though the majority of Maine voters are in favor.

In January 2017, the American Academy of Pediatrics released a report that said children make

up 40.9 percent of Maine's Medicaid population, or 114,000 children. Medicaid costs just over \$3,500 per child each year, and just over \$5,400 per adult. The report also highlighted the loss of federal funding for cutting state funding — for every \$1 Maine removes from the state Medicaid budget, it loses \$1.81 in federal funds.

Most states, according to the Kaiser Family Foundation's annual Medicaid budget survey, use general state funds to cover expansion costs, and some tax health care providers. Maine has until fiscal year 2019 to finalize state funding.

In 2016, the Bangor Daily News published an article regarding the laws

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## UMaineGOLD to Develop New Online Graduate Course Standards

**Jack Barber**  
Staff Writer

The University of Maine Graduate School is creating a framework for a new standard of online graduate programs. The initiative, called UMaineGOLD, will allow current graduate programs to achieve the UMaineGOLD label if they reach specific benchmarks.

The UMaineGOLD initiative is being created by the Graduate School, the Division of Lifelong Learning and the University of Maine. Programs have the option of applying for the UMaineGOLD label.

On Nov. 29, Vice Presi-

dent for Research and Dean of the Graduate School, Kody Varahramyan; and Associate Provost for the Division of Lifelong Learning, Monique LaRocque; held an open meeting to discuss UMaineGOLD in Room 57 of Stodder Hall.

Varahramyan laid out the goals of the initiative. He said that increasing revenue and growth is vital, especially due to a downward trend of graduate enrollment over the last decade. This trend has reversed somewhat in 2016 and 2017, according to the fiscal year 2019 General and Education Budget materials, but enrollment is still far below what it was in the early

2010s. Varahramyan also expressed the need for these online programs to meet state, national and global needs, and increase research capabilities and interdisciplinary work.

One goal of UMaine through the UMaineGOLD initiative is "to be the Premier Provider of graduate education" in the state, according to Varahramyan.

UMaine will implement a revenue sharing model for programs that qualify for UMaineGOLD. The model will allocate \$200 per student enrolled in a three-credit course

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# Maine minimum wage set to increase

**Taylor Abbott**  
Contributor

On Nov. 8, 2016, the citizens of Maine voted to increase the minimum wage to \$9 in 2017 and to \$12 by 2020 from the previous \$7.50 per hour. On Jan. 1, 2017, this policy was of-

ficially enacted and went into effect.

The Maine referendum will raise the minimum wage in the state to \$9 in 2017 and then continue to increase it by \$1 every year until 2020, when it will be tied to inflation, according to an article published

by the Bangor Daily News (BDN).

For workers that rely on tips, the goal is that their hourly wage will be at \$12 by 2024, which raises concerns from those in the restaurant business. To achieve this, food prices will need to increase and

workers fear that this will deter guests from leaving an appropriate tip. Also, some businesses fear that they may not be able to stay open with wages increasing. For these tipped workers, the referendum states that their minimum wage will be set at \$5 in

2017 (it was previously at \$3.75), and then increase by \$1 until 2024.

The vote came as a surprise to many on both sides of the political spectrum. However, the result of this election sets Maine up as a state with one of the highest minimum wages in the

nation. Three other western states also voted for minimum wage increases.

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surrounding referendums. Referendums passed in

November go into effect in January, but the legislature can propose and vote on amendments after the fact. LePage has a history of altering referendums, includ-

ing last year's marijuana legalization. Though there is pushback, the state government legally can make changes.

However, Maine has no

laws regarding how soon an issue can appear on the ballot again, so if a referendum is changed too much or is vetoed, it can be voted on again the following

year. While LePage has stated that he will not allow this to be implemented, his vocal opposition to the expansion of Medicaid is currently based in financial

considerations. It is likely that by the time the budget has to be finalized, legislators' fears will be quelled.



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The University Of Maine Graduate School holds a meeting to lay out the future of the online degree program

Evan Loignon, Staff.

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toward an account for the department.

The model differs from the normal budget in that a fraction of tuition revenue is allocated more directly to the department based on the department's success in boosting enrollment. The model will be implemented the semester after programs achieve the standards

LaRocque explained how the online degrees must also be flexible for working professionals with difficult schedules.

"Our goal really is to provide access," LaRocque said

LaRocque went on to discuss the efforts of the Division of Lifelong Learning team working on UMaineGOLD The team has been investigating the needs of the state and the needs of potential students, which often differ, according to LaRocque

Another topic of concern is ensuring that UMaineGOLD students have access to Fogler Library and tutoring. The team is also considering ways to help UMaineGOLD professors with their technology needs.

LaRocque also expressed that she hopes every UMaine graduate program will apply for UMaineGOLD The Center of Innovation in Teaching and Learning will assist faculty from existing online courses in achieving the standards

necessary for UMaineGOLD status.

"We wanted to make sure there was an incentive for our existing online Programs," LaRocque said.

The University and the Division for Lifelong Learning expect existing online programs that apply this year to be ready to be labeled UMaineGOLD between December 2019 and January 2020.

Some of the criteria that departments must meet include an orientation toward

professional degrees, roughly 30-credit programs and interdisciplinary work. Departments must also provide data on the market demand for their course.

UMaineGOLD will include an internal grant program to support the implementation of UMaineGOLD programs.

The grants will cover a nine-month maximum period and award \$15,000 for online graduate certificate programs, and \$30,000 for online graduate degree pro-

grams. The team is moving forward "with the hope that the program will be ready to launch... in nine months," LaRocque explained.

LaRocque expects the grants to run annually until all the current online programs achieve UMaineGOLD status.

The UMaineGOLD initiative team expects to publish the specific metrics of their standards on a UMaineGOLD website in the next two weeks.

# #MeToo panel discussion raises awareness of the social media movement

**Bria Lamonica Contributor**

On Nov. 29, a panel discussion was held around the ongoing social media hashtag #MeToo. The discussion took place in the Bangor Room of the Memorial Union and included five panelists offering different perspectives, finishing with a question-and-answer session. The discussion was sponsored by the UMaine's Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Program (WGS) the Rising Tide Center, and the Feminist Collective.

Each of the five members of the panel shared their own experiences with the #MeToo movement, both in the work environment as well as personal environment. As well as discussing sexual assault and harassment, the

speakers brought their own perspectives and views of the hashtag

One of the members of the panel, Amy Blackstone, professor at UMaine's Sociology department, spoke about her encounters and experiences with the #MeToo hashtag. She also stressed sexual harassment as a pressing and prevalent issue on college campuses throughout the country. Attorney Dan Monahan provided a legal perspective of the hashtag, speaking about helping the survivors of sexual violence and how it is done so in practice Cara Courchesne, member of the Maine Coalition Against Sexual Assault, gave insight on the ongoing advocacy work as well as sharing her experience in dealing with harassment.

Two student panel-

ists, Lori Loftin, and Olivia Pennington shared their views on the hashtag and the impacts of the social movement on campus. Loftin, co-director of the Women's Resource Center spoke about the sexual assault and violence prevention policies that exist on campus She shared that improvements need to be made to these policies and programs in order to make the campus a safer place

Pennington discussed her class experiment which involved standing out on the mall with a group of students with red handprints painted on their bodies This exhibit meant to demonstrate how prevalent and pressing sexual harassment and abuse is on campus and around the area.

"As a woman on a college campus, knowing that

there are groups and programs out there to help women cope and deal with these kinds of problems is something really important. It makes me feel safer and more comfortable walking around on campus," Morgan O'Donnell, a fourth-year student, said. "Hosting panel discussions and talks are a great way for the school to reach out to students and bring awareness of this issue to our campus."

The hashtag #MeToo was created by Tarana Burke in 2006 as a way to bring women together and empower them through a hashtag that would connect women with others who have been sexually harassed or assaulted. The movement has since then grown and spread throughout multiple social media platforms and websites,

creating a massive social media response that is ongoing Women reveal their experiences and struggles with sexual harassment on these sites and include the hashtag as a way to bring the community together Women are using #MeToo to share their stories of harassment, abuse and assault, or to just signify that it has happened to them to.

The #MeToo panel discussion was the third one in a series of "pop-up" discussions on campus Other issues discussed in these panels include other social media trends, social issues and topics, as well as professional development. The WGS program also hosts a number of professional development activities with staff to help teachers navigate and talk about difficult topics in the classroom in order to create an inclusive

learning environment.

"Our goal is to work toward creating an environment where people can peacefully disagree with each other, and learn about perspectives that might differ from their own," Susan Gardner, director of the Rising Tide Center and WGS, said "These discussions and events give students a chance to learn from each other and talk about controversial topics that they might not be very familiar with, and learn more about them from professionals and experts."

If you would like to learn more about the Rising Tide Center and the WGS program here on campus, or give new ideas for future panel discussions, please visit [umaine.edu/womensgenderandsexuality-studies](http://umaine.edu/womensgenderandsexuality-studies).





# Weekly Updates

## This Week in Student Government

### Weekly recap of decisions made by the UMaine Student Government General Student Senate

**Ryan Cox**  
Contributor

#### New Senators and Officer Appointments

Senators Lucia Guarneri and Zoe Thomas have resigned.

#### Club Maintenance

The American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), Steel Bridge Club, the Institute of Management Accountants and the Army ROTC 20th Maine Honor Society have been officially reactivated.

Clubs on probation include the Sociology Club and the South Asian Association of Maine.

#### Executive Reports

President Mary Celeste-Floreani thanked those who attended the Senate Thanksgiving dinner, and requested input for the upcoming renovations for the Wade Center.

Vice President Logan Aromando reminded first time senators to re-submit their paperwork by Friday, so they can be sworn in at the beginning of the next term. Next week's meeting will be either business casual or holiday wear.

Vice President for Financial Affairs Song-Ping 'Ryan' Wong reported \$251,579.26 in unallocated

funds.

Vice President for Student Organizations Jacob Wood explained to first time senators the status of clubs on probation. New forms for the clubs to keep have been completed.

Vice President for Student Entertainment Jared Dumas is still unable to discuss plans in detail. Next semester, the Senate will hear about a panel for a new alternative event in February.

#### Periodic Reports

The board of trustees is watching three bills entering State Legislation. The first would shorten the time to qualify for in-state tuition, which would reduce the money the University gains from out of state. The second would extend the National Guard's public education tuition waiver to private education. The third would allow guns on campus, but only if secured in vehicles. This did not pass the legislative council.

Their Vision for Tomorrow fundraising campaign has thus far raised \$121 million.

The Fall enrollment report showed a decrease in undergraduates, but an increase in graduates.

Maine Department of Transportation wants to



build a roundabout at the Park Street entrance. The university has given the land, worth \$255,000 to the department. The roundabout will cost \$3.4 million, and be completed by late fall 2018.

Finally, the Board has authorized the university's ability to award degrees.

Legal Services is looking to expand employment insurance. Sean O'Mara hopes to get a quote soon.

The Army ROTC is preparing for the Black Bear Battalion Dining event. A dodgeball tournament is in the works during the early months of second semester.

#### Representative Board

#### Reports

The Honors College Student Advisory Board will begin nominations for elections in Balentine Hall on Thursday at 5:30 p.m., followed by a game night from 6 to 8 p.m. Plans for the Maine Day meal pack-out are underway.

The Interfraternity Council held its Greek Gala Wednesday night. Officer inductions to follow.

Panhellenic Council held its last meeting Thursday, where it will also hold inductions.

The Student-Athlete Advisory Committee has set days for their upcoming Dodge for a Cause and talent show events. They are looking for someone to fill

the vacant Vice President position. The Women's Ice Hockey Team hopes to raise funds for the Ashley Wade Foundation, a non-profit organization meant to "enrich the lives of children suffering from chronic illnesses," during their match against the University of Vermont on Saturday.

#### Community Association Reports

The Student Heritage Alliance Council is throwing their Hunger Banquet Dec. 8.

The Feminist Collective held Feminist Career Night last night. Tomorrow they will be holding auditions for the Vagina Monologues.

Wilde Stein is grateful for those who attended Gay Thanksgiving. Elections are being held during this meeting.

#### Allocation

The Dressage Club requested \$570 for arena rental, judge fees and registration for the Intercollegiate Dressage Association Show on Saturday. Due to weather concerns, they opted to have two shows in the fall, rather than one each in fall and spring. Motion passed.

#### New Business

The Black Student Union

made a request for \$2,000 for their Martin Luther King breakfast on Jan. 18, 2018. With no representative, the resolution was tabled for next week.

The Honors College Student Advisory Board requested \$1,000 for 300 stickers and 15 pullovers bearing their new logo, designed by a New Hampshire-based graphic design company for free, and produced at a discounted price. Motion passed.

The Asian Student Association requested \$1,235 for Buchanan Alumni House rental, refreshments, decorations and a photographer for their Multicultural Formal on Dec. 8 from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Motion passed.

Institute of Management Accountants requested \$210 for their end of semester dinner in the DPC building next Monday. Outages and vacations over the course of the semester interfered with their fundraising efforts. Motion passed.

#### Special Orders and Announcements

The Senate moved to an Executive Session from 6:34-6:40 p.m.



Please drink responsibly



## Winter Session

All courses offered online

Dec. 27, 2017–Jan. 16, 2018



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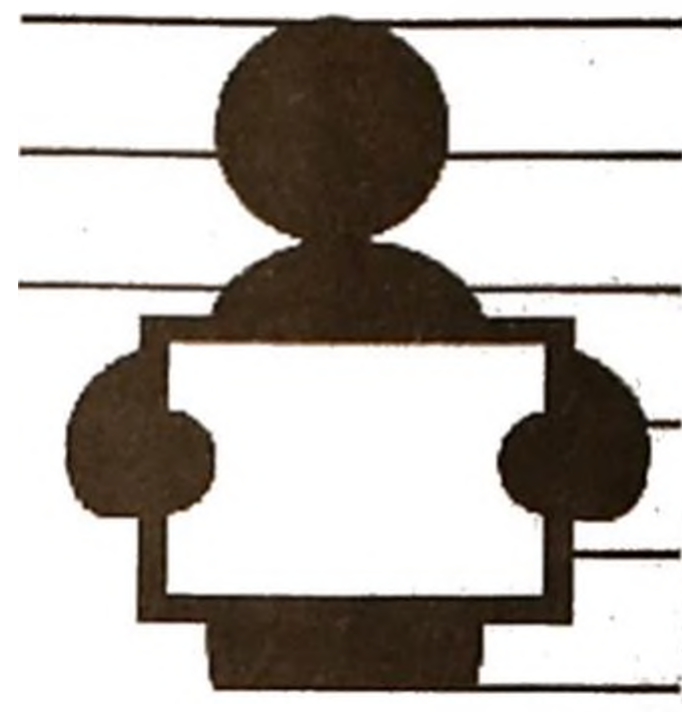
### Winter Session 2017–18 Course Offerings

Course	Title
AST 109	Intro to Astronomy
ANT 120	Religions of the World
BUA 325	Principles of Management and Organization
BUA 490	Special Topics in Business Administration – Alternative Dispute Resolution
CHF 201	Intro to Child Development
CHF 351	Human Sexuality
CMJ 100	Intro to Mass Communication
CMJ 119	Humor and Diversity in the U.S.
COS 103	Intro to Excel (1 credit)
ECO 120	Principles of Microeconomics
ECO 121	Principles of Macroeconomics
ECO 190	World Food Supply, Population and the Environment
EHD 203	Educational Psychology
ENG 205	Intro to Creative Writing (2 sections)
ENG 229	Topics in Literature: Vampire Literature
FSN 101	Intro to Food and Nutrition
HTY 103	United States History I
KPE 376	Kinesiology
KPE 490	Nutrition for Sports and Exercise
MUL 101	The Art of Listening to Music
NAS 101	Intro to Native American Studies
PAX 250	Peace and Pop Culture
POS 100	American Government
PSY 100	General Psychology
SOC 101	Intro to Sociology
SOC 201	Social Inequality
STS 232	Principles of Statistical Inference (2 sections)
WGS 101	Intro to Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies



# Police Beat

The best from UMaine and Orono's finest



**Jordan Houdeshell**  
Editor in Chief

**University of Maine Police Department (UMPD)**  
Nov. 17

**8:54 p.m.**  
Two males were referred to conduct when officers on patrol heard loud noises in Cumberland Hall. Half a gallon of vodka and an open can of twisted tea were found.

**9:59 p.m.**  
UMPD was called to Alpha Tau Omega fraternity house by the brothers. Eighteen-year-old Bentley Simpson was found intoxicated and the University Volunteer Ambulance Corps (UVAC) was called. Simpson was very unruly and was kicking, flailing his arms and spit-

ting on everyone including officers, UVAC and hospital staff. He was transported to Eastern Maine Medical Center, summonsed and referred for possession of alcohol by a minor and four charges of assault.

**10:23 p.m.**  
UMPD officers responded to a Resident Assistant (RA) complaint of alcohol. Two female students and one male in Hancock were referred for possession of alcohol by a minor. Officers found a 1.5 liter bottle of Barefoot Merlot.

**Nov. 18**  
**5:17 a.m.**  
Officers responded to Beta Theta Pi fraternity house for a noise complaint.

The brothers reported having heard firework-like noise from the Steam Plant lot, but the report was unfounded and no fireworks were found.

**10:20 p.m.**  
UMPD received an RA complaint after they saw 20-year-old student Taidgh Robinson from Kittery, Maine smoking a bong through the window in Colvin Hall. He was summonsed and referred for possession of drug paraphernalia.

**10:45 p.m.**  
A male student was transported to St. Joseph's after being found unresponsive, lying facedown on a futon in his own vomit.

**11:07 p.m.**

Nineteen-year-old Connor Donahue was found intoxicated in the bathroom of Somerset Hall. He was determined to be a visitor and was summonsed and referred for possession of liquor by a minor.

**Nov. 28**  
**11:42 p.m.**

A UMPD officer in the Hilltop lot saw a stationary car playing loud music. When he got to the car there were marijuana and paraphernalia in plain sight. Two students, 19-year-old Robert Lillis and Kaylen Ottmen, were issued summons for possession of marijuana and paraphernalia.

**Orono Police Department:**

**Nov. 17**  
**9:48 a.m.**  
An officer patrolling on College Avenue pulled over 20-year-old Holly Peterson from Hampstead, N.H. After running the license the officer found that it was suspended and charged Peterson with operating without a license.

**Nov. 18**  
**12:49 a.m.**

Officers were running radar on Park Street when they

saw a vehicle speeding toward Old Town. When they stopped the vehicle they saw a marijuana pipe and talked to the driver, 19-year-old Dante Voyou from Orono. He was charged with a civil violation for possession of drug paraphernalia. The passenger, 18-year-old Gregorios Dimoulas from Orono, was found to be out on bail with the condition of not using drugs or alcohol. The officer determined that he had consumed alcohol so he was arrested for violation of release conditions and taken to Penobscot County Jail.

**Nov. 19**  
**5:34 p.m.**

Officers were dispatched to Thriftway for the suspicion of a fake ID. Officers interviewed 18-year-old Chandler Waldron of Yarmouth, Maine, who had an ID from Delaware that was believed to be fake. He was summonsed for a civil violation of a false identification.

**Nov. 26**  
**1:57 p.m.**

Officers were patrolling on Main Street going toward downtown when they saw a vehicle going the wrong way

on Harrison Avenue. The driver was 22-year-old Jacob Lester from Pittsfield, Maine, who was determined to be driving under the influence. He had bloodshot and glassy eyes and was put through field sobriety tests. He was brought back to the station and put through an intoxilyzer test as well as extra tests by a Drug Recognition Expert and was determined to be driving under the influence of marijuana. He was brought to Penobscot County Jail.

**Nov. 28**  
**11:17 p.m.**

An officer on Park Street saw a vehicle parked at Orono House of Pizza. The officer thought the car to be registered to someone who was out on bail with the conditions not to possess or consume alcohol or drugs with a suspended license. The officer went in and interviewed 22-year-old Tayvon Hall of Old Town, and summonsed him for violation of a conditional release for his consumption of alcohol and operating a vehicle with a suspended license.

# Briefs

Quick news from around the country

**Haley Sylvester**  
News Editor

**Trump offends with latest tweet storm**

An FBI official was recently taken off Robert Mueller's team after being found to have sent anti-Trump text messag-

es. President Donald Trump tweeted about the incident Sunday morning, calling the agent "tainted (no, very dishonest)"

"After years of Comey, with the phony and dishonest Clinton investigation (and more), running the FBI, its reputation is in Tatters — worst in History!"



But fear not, we will bring it back to greatness," Trump said on Twitter.

Trump's former national security advisor, Michael Flynn, pleaded guilty to lying to the FBI after last year's election. He admitted to speaking to the Russians on orders of Trump transition team officials.

Trump insulted ABC News on Twitter as well, singling out Brian Ross for his false report that Trump had directed Flynn to reach out to Russia.

**Local NY man starts widespread fires**

A local man in a small New York town started a fire that engulfed three blocks after imitating a sword-forging scene he saw on television. John Gomes from Cohoes, N.Y. was trying to bend metal in an imitation of the TV series "Forged in Fire"

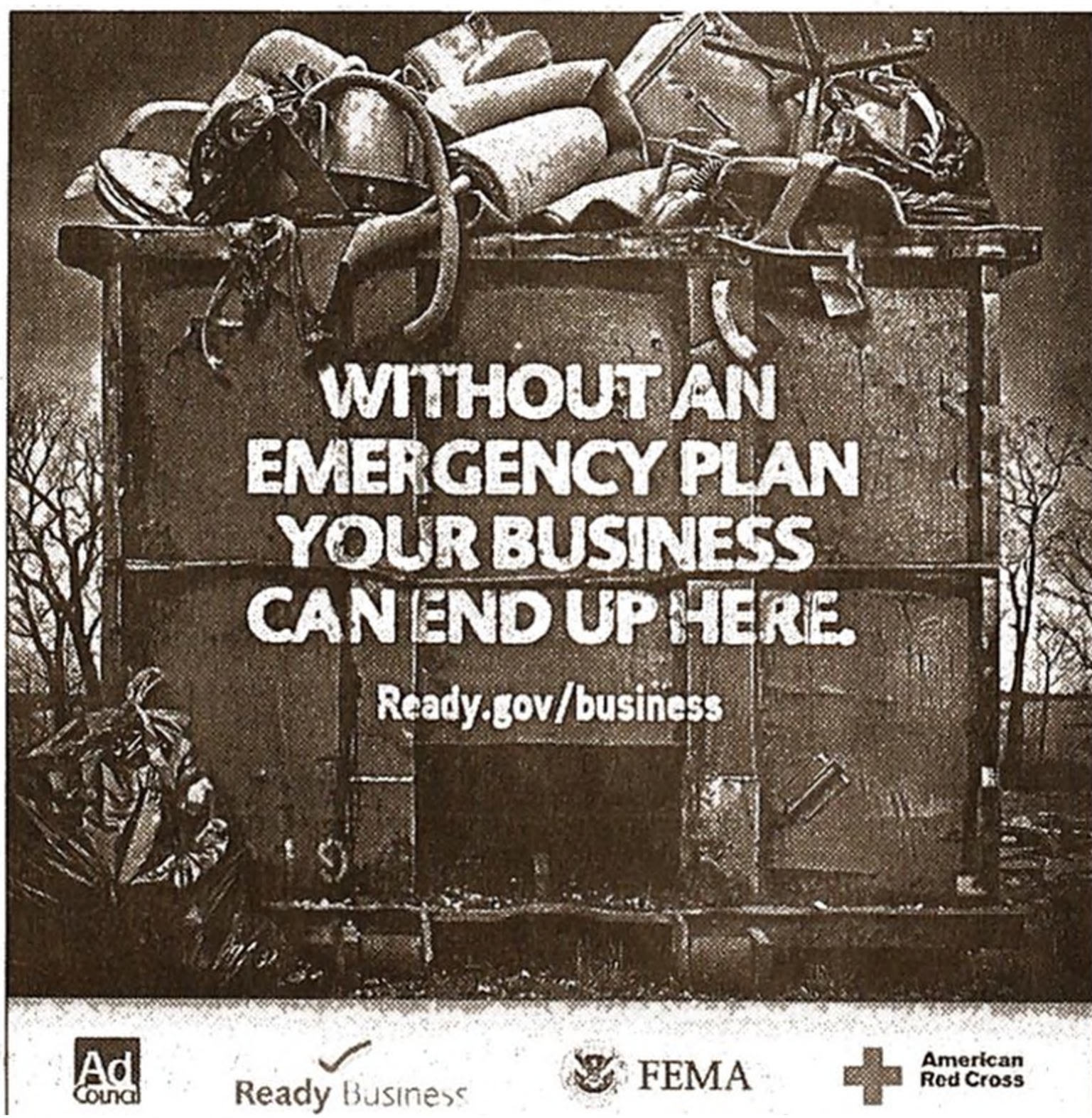
The television series shows professional blacksmiths making "history's most iconic edged weapons." The flames destroyed three buildings and damaged 18 others. The fires were put out in about three hours but started up again almost an hour later.

A firefighter was taken to the hospital and 20 people were displaced with the outbreak of the fire. Gomes was charged with reckless endangerment and arson and is in custody

**Brawl outside NY bar kills one, injures five**

A car drove deliberately into six people during a fight outside a New York bar early Sunday morning. The driver killed one person and injured five before fleeing the scene.

One of the people hit was in critical condition and four others were stable. Two people in the fight were stabbed. The driver was driving a white Hyundai Sonata. The incident is still under investigation.



# The World This Week



**Dec. 1** - Explosive device defused at Christmas market in Germany in suspected militant attack.

**Dec. 1** - 13 killed after gun attack at a university in Peshawar, Pakistan.

**Dec. 2** - Suicide bomb attacks at market in Nigeria kill 17.

## This week at UMaine...

What's happening this week at UMaine

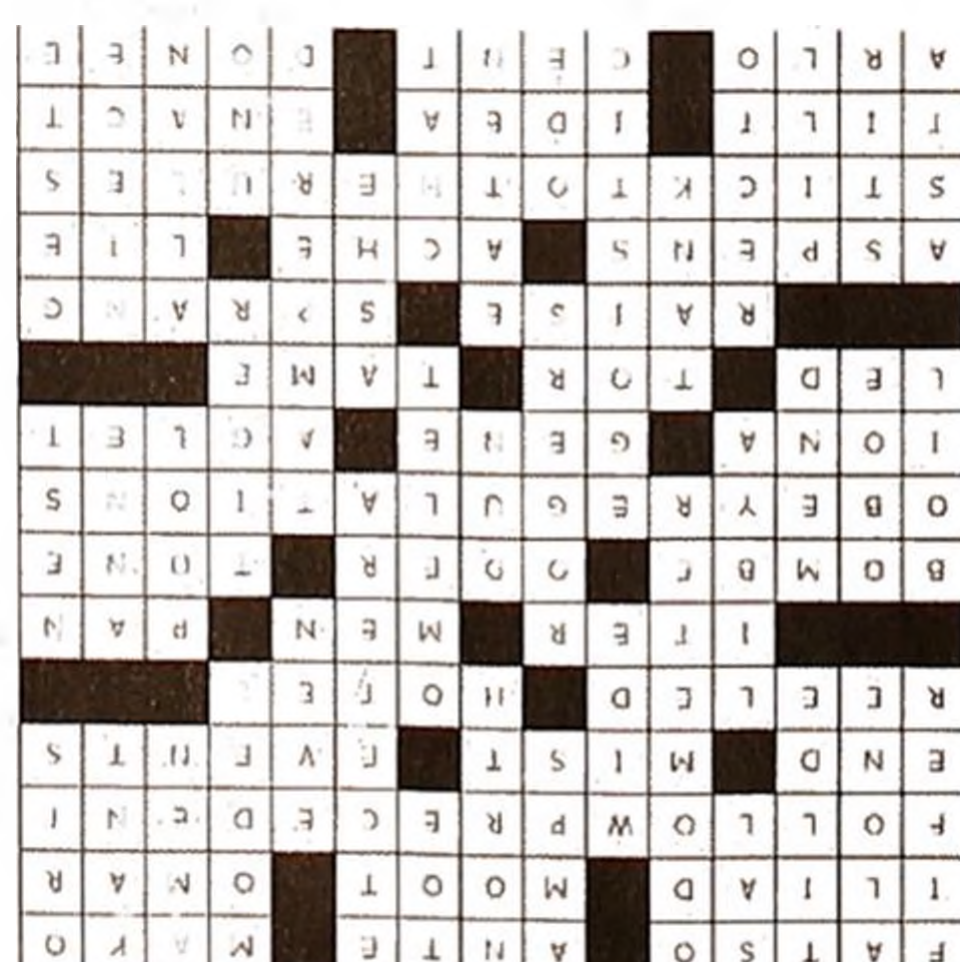
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<p><b>Fourth Cooking Baking</b> Wilson Center 5 p.m.</p> <p><b>Karaoke Night</b> Margaritas 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Natalie Macmaster &amp; Donnell Leahy</b> CCA 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Nibbles &amp; Nous</b> Department of Philosophy The Maples 10:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>Dr. Samuel Hanes:</b> "Origins of a Blue Revolution" 354 Aubert Hall 12 p.m.</p>	<p><b>End of Semester Vegan Potluck</b> Totman Room, Memorial Union 4 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Golden Oaks</b> Minsky 9 p.m.</p>	<p><b>2017 Maine Indian Basketmakers Market</b> CCA 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.</p>

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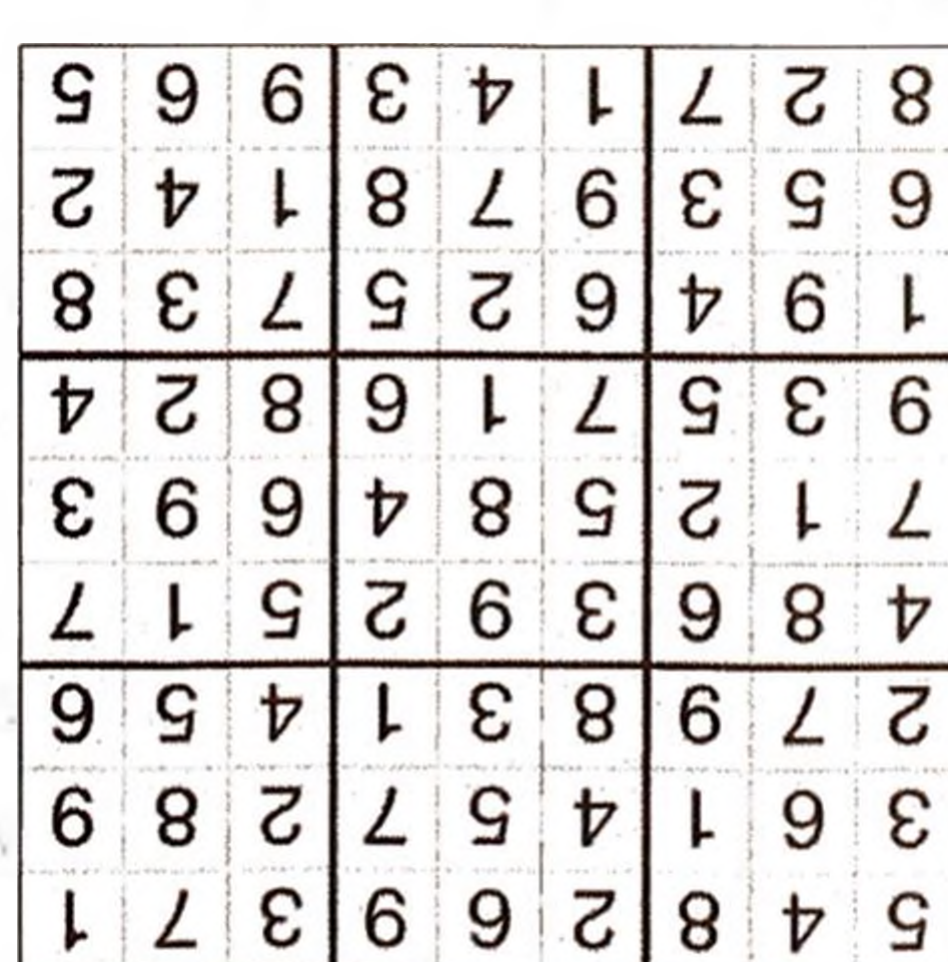
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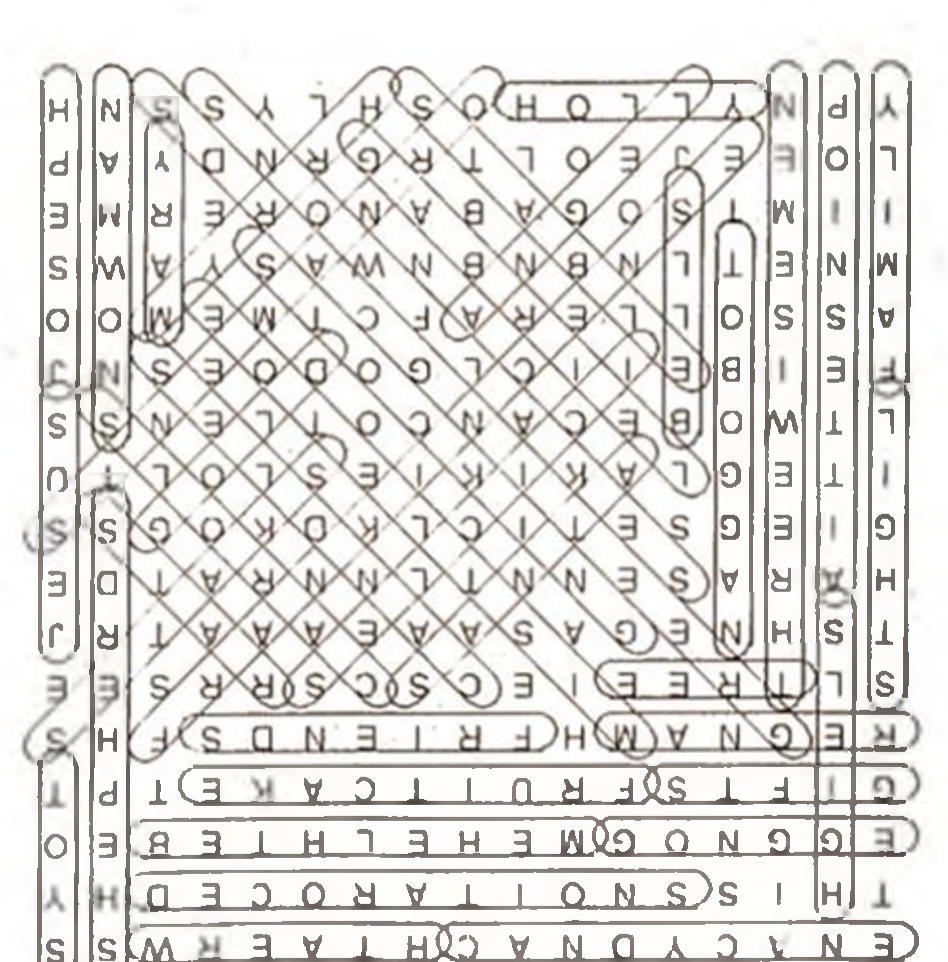
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# Opinion

Monday, December 4, 2017

## Editorial: The end of affordable graduate school

**Sarah Allisot**  
Opinion Editor

As 2017 winds down, United States politicians have turned their attention to long-promised tax reform. In the early morning hours of Saturday, Dec. 2, the Senate passed the GOP-proposed tax reform bill with a 51-49 vote. The bill received nearly unanimous Republican support, and zero Democratic support. People from all sides of the political spectrum have taken issue with the proposed reform for varying reasons, but one area is especially pertinent to college communities — graduate student stipends and tuition waivers.

Our current tax code exempts “qualified tuition reduction” from higher education institutions from adding into taxable gross income. This allows a majority of graduate students to pursue Master’s degrees and Ph.D.s tuition-free, in exchange for teaching services or research contributions. The tax reform plans to eliminate that section of tax code. The Washington Post summarizes that this one edit would “imperil graduate education in the United States.”

Tax code is complex, but the elimination of the aforementioned section would essentially add the entire sum of tuition onto graduate student stipends,

making their taxable income much higher than it is now. David Walsh wrote for The Washington Post that this decision would add \$49,500 onto his taxable income, and result in him being taxed for “about \$81,000 in gross income” when his pay is “less than half that” in reality.

This change is devastating for graduate students, both those currently enrolled and those seeking higher education in the coming years. Adding tuition into taxable income doesn’t reflect the reality of how much money graduate students have coming in and out of their hands. An article in The Chronicle of Higher Education states

that many college leaders believe that taxing tuition waivers is “nonsensical and would deeply discourage enrollment in graduate school.” As it stands, the reform will increase taxes for graduate students to triple or quadruple what they’re paying now — more than enough reason to stay away from higher education programs.

Furthermore, the bill would erase a \$2,500 tax deductible for people paying their student loans. It would also consolidate three higher-education tax credits into one, smaller credit, and limit the credit for students in their fifth year or more of schooling. This only intensifies the

pressure on graduate students and whittles down the safety measures in place for a manageable taxation.

The tax reform bill hasn’t been signed into law yet, though it is near the end of its due process. The bill now seeks the consideration and approval of Senate-proposed amendments by the House of Representatives. If the reform passes through that stage, it will be given to the president for signing or vetoing. Nothing is set in concrete, therefore, but projections are bleak for the future of graduate students.

The Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities said in a statement

about the issue: “The current tax code helps reduce the cost of college for good reason — not just because a college education benefits individuals, but because it benefits society at large.” This tax reform is the antithesis of furthering society. We have thousands of rising leaders interested in essential fields of study nationwide. These students are seeking higher education to contribute to research and betterment of life. But this bill will cripple them when it should be lending a helping hand.

## The disappointment of Justin Trudeau

**Sam Tracy**  
Contributor

In November, the Canadian government offered \$85 million to the victims of Canada’s “gay purge” which started in the 1950s. The purge, which targeted LGBTQ persons in the Canadian government and military systems, was a government program conducted by Canadian Mounties. They did surveillance, made threats, shamed and punished gay people.

According to the New York Times, the program “...lasted for more than 30 years and ended only in the 1990s, caused thousands to lose their jobs and sometimes face prosecution because of their sexual orientation. The policy affected Canadians in the military, the public service and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.” Trudeau apologized for the program and “Canada’s role in the systemic oppression, criminalization and violence”

when presenting the compensation.

This is just the most recent of many very liberal, feel-good political moves by Canada’s much-loved prime minister. In July, Rolling Stone featured Trudeau on the front page with an article titled “Why Can’t He Be Our President?” Many Canadian citizens, however, do not share the same love for their prime minister as Americans seem to.

Many initial supporters of Trudeau are frustrated by his neglected campaign promises and how he dodges issues. According to Huffington Post, Canadians “have expressed frustration over his stance on oil pipelines, his decision to scrap a key promise on electoral reform,” and some of them aren’t putting up with it any longer. Canadian citizens Alex Ayton and Kathleen Olds, two students at Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia, asked Trudeau for a group photo when they saw him at a coffee shop.

As the three posed, one of the women asked Trudeau about implementing the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, one of this campaign promises. The UN declaration recognizes indigenous peoples’ basic human rights, as well as their right to self-determination, land, language and equality. When Canada officially declared support for the declaration in 2016, it was a huge win for indigenous and First Nation communities and activists.

As predicted, Trudeau dodged the question with a quick “absolutely, yes, for sure” before leaving. This was in February, when Canada’s Prime Minister boasted approval ratings around 48 percent.

The New York Times describes Trudeau’s popularity as follows: “Trudeau has charmed the U.S. media, making it easy for Americans to long after the handsome and eloquent

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## Don’t like journalists? Try to imagine a world without them

**Liz Theriault**  
Contributor

“Disgusting.” “Sick.” “Horrible.” “Tremendously dishonest.” “Total waste of time.”

These are all words that the president of the United States has used to describe the news media.

President Donald Trump has decided that the press is an enemy of the nation and the people living in it. He sent out a hateful tweet to his 43 million followers in February 2017, and has only continued his war on the media since. He has mocked journalists, discredited objective and honest work, and attempted, and continues to attempt, to undermine the dependence that American people have on the news.

It cannot be stressed enough how dangerous this is to America and its democracy. While the president claims that he doesn’t believe the press

should be limited on what they write about, he did say that it’s “disgusting the way the press is able to write whatever they want to write.” But take that as you will. He is still insinuating that what is written, reported and published has the purpose of deceiving and tricking its readers and watchers.

This makes it increasingly easy for individuals who simply disagree or do not like what organizations are reporting to denounce an issue as “fake” or “biased” and decide to reject the news entirely. If we continue down this path of distrust and repulsion, we could eventually reach the extreme of ending the press, or at least the desire for it, in the United States. This cannot happen.

The purpose of journalism and news in a democracy is to give the people information and knowledge it needs to be free and self-governing. Without

journalism, there is no way to connect people across the nation with common knowledge of how they are being governed, the decisions being made for them, and the events happening in the world around them. To take away this common knowledge is to take away the security of Americans.

Try to imagine a world without news. Your doorstep is empty of a newspaper. Your TV plays cartoons of cats chasing mice in the morning. Your social media feeds are void of political arguments. While the thought of this might evoke the sense of “finally an escape!” at first, the feeling of discomfort will eventually start to creep in. Suddenly, nothing is informing you of the new tax bill being passed in Washington, and you have no idea how it might affect you and your family. Nothing is informing you of the sexual predation

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# Taylor Swift's complicated relationship with streaming services

**Kalli Kirkpatrick**  
Contributor

At midnight on Friday, Dec. 1, Taylor Swift finally released her new album "Reputation" on streaming services worldwide. Prior to this, the album had only been available for purchase in full from wherever you choose to buy your music. But why did she wait weeks to put her new material on Spotify and Apple Music? Some people will tell you it's because she's greedy and can make more money only selling full albums. However, if you take a minute to read

up on the history of Swift's relationship with streaming services, you'll see a much bigger picture.

On June 4, 2015, Taylor Swift wrote an open letter to Apple (who had at the time just announced Apple Music), outraged that the new streaming service expected artists to give over rights to their music without any compensation. Within 24 hours, Apple changed its policy to ensure that artists would be paid more than the industry standard, even if users weren't paying anything.

By the way, the industry

standard for paying artists per stream is minuscule. According to an article in Time, artists typically make between \$0.006 and \$0.0084 per play of their songs on Spotify, with similar payouts for other streaming services.

Roughly a year before the open letter to Apple was written, Swift wrote an op-ed for the Wall Street Journal explaining the removal of her music from Spotify on similar grounds: unfair payment for an artist's work. Her music wasn't seen on Spotify for three years, until it was unceremoniously re-released

early this summer.

There is no doubt that Swift is a savvy businesswoman. Her decision to put her full musical library back on Spotify was one of necessity, rather than a change of heart. According to an article on Forbes, the streaming data Spotify gives to Billboard each week is so powerful that it's difficult for a song to become a chart-topper without it. Swift and her team acknowledged this, as well as the anticipation of her upcoming album this past summer when they chose to re-introduce the music.

Then why didn't she release her album on streaming services on the same date it was released everywhere else? To encourage her fans to buy the album in full. I can't remember the last time I bought a full album on iTunes, let alone bought a physical CD. Because "Reputation" wasn't available to stream on Nov. 10, I went out and bought the CD even though the only way I could listen to it was in my car. It wasn't a logical purchase by any means. If delaying the streaming release of "Reputation" led me, and countless others, to uncharac-

teristically buy her album in full, then clearly this decision was an incredibly lucrative one for Swift.

So maybe Swift does want to make more money. Who doesn't? If artists were even paid one cent per stream, she would be making millions. But other independent artists and others who aren't nearly as popular deserve to be paid fairly for their work too. Think about how big a difference a nearly 200 percent increase in payment would make in their lives.

# Why an open alcohol policy would help UMaine

**Brawley Benson**  
Contributor

My three years at the University of Maine have taught me that whenever alcohol is involved in a situation, you don't involve the cops. Period. Many students think the same way. This is a very dangerous idea, this lack of trust in those who are sworn to protect us.

The difference between policy and practice is problematic. The University of Maine Police Department (UMPD) is in fact quite good, and I think as far as university officers go, we have some of the best. More often than not they do let the small stuff go

What they are ultimately concerned about is student safety. Every intervention of UMPD in our lives, even in the middle of a good time, is motivated by an obligation to keep us safe. I can't get mad about that, and you shouldn't either.

Really the problem is students. No, I don't mean because we drink alcohol.

Our inherent issue — and that of any college population — is a fear of speaking out. When things go too far and someone has had too much, we are rarely the ones to call for help — at least when it is still a manageable issue.

At that point, before things get out of hand and someone is seriously hurt,

it is 99 percent of the time a Resident Assistant (RA) or police officer who intervenes: people whose job it is to handle these situations. Calling 911 is a last resort. By the time that number is begrudgingly called, the situation is already out of hand and people have gotten hurt or ill.

That's a huge problem for our community. Students should feel comfortable with sitting back to let the professionals deal with drunk people.

Now part of that problem is sub-par education on how to help someone who has had too much. (What do you do when your friend is throwing up blood at a party? For example.) How-

ever, a much larger part of it is our fear — completely rational — of confronting a situation in which we could be reprimanded for calling UMPD to help.

And I will reiterate: UMPD usually ignores the small stuff when there is a bigger safety issue at hand. The sad thing is, that means nothing when university policy specifically threatens those who would be complicit in a situation they solicit help in.

Take party hosts for example. UMaine Alcohol Policy, section seven, subsection A, 1.c: "Students of any age, including over the age of 21 CANNOT furnish a place for students under the age of 21 to consume

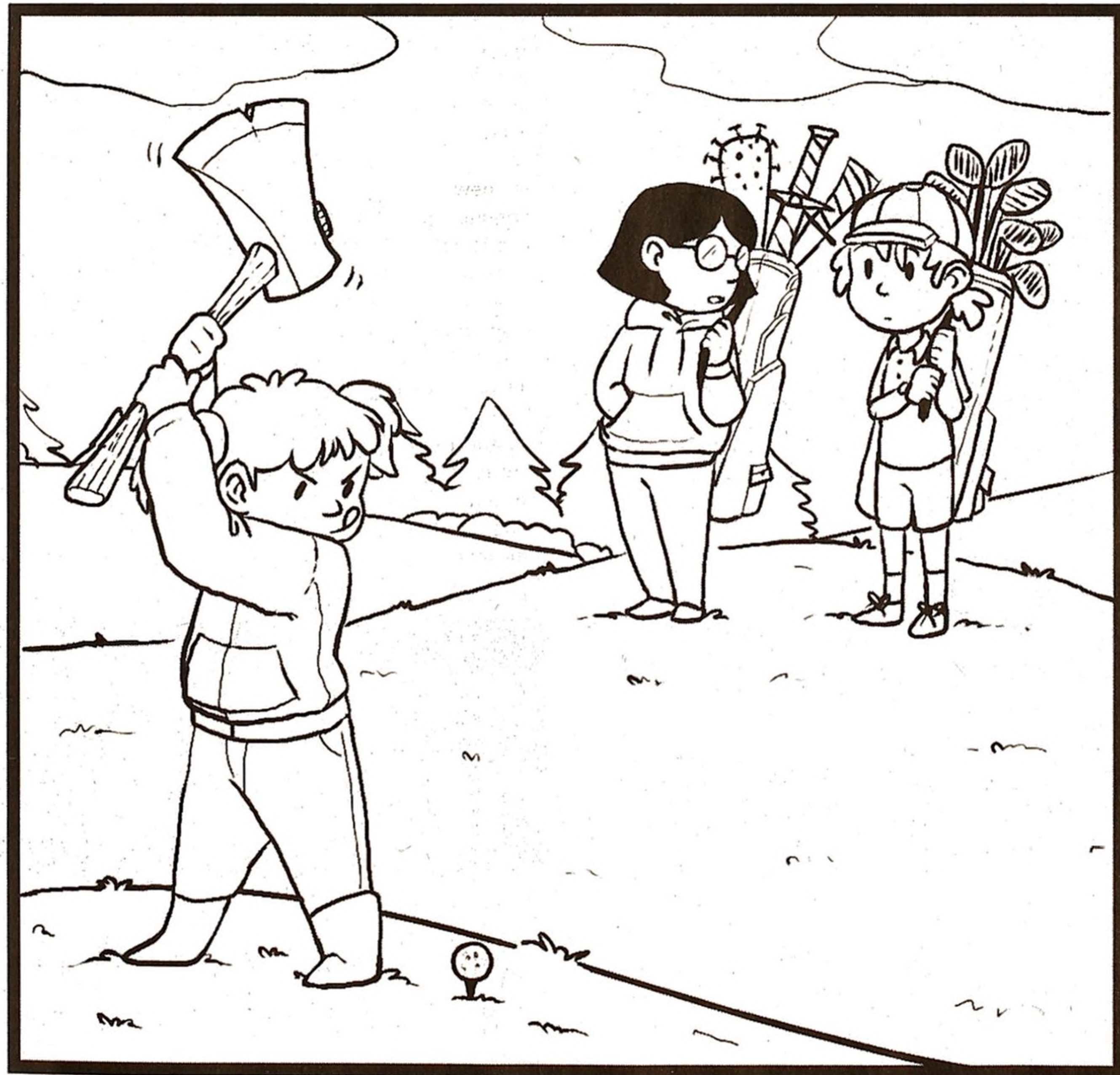
alcohol."

Yes, that's the law and providing a place for underage drinking definitely should be discouraged. But, this provision dissuades anyone who hosts a party from calling 911 when a guest is messed up. In most cases, the ones hosting bear the burden of hospitality, and they are in fact the ones most likely to look after guests.

The rest of UMaine's alcohol policy is similar, in that clauses, while appropriate in their denouncement of illegal or dangerous activities, refrain from saying what to do when those activities get out of hand. They imply the only way to stay safe is to avoid

these things — the same argument in line with "abstinence is the only 100 percent effective birth control."

The solution is to first recognize that a policy outright denouncing all interaction with alcohol will never stop college students from drinking. Second is to mend the policy so that it is more in line with reality, so that students know they will not be punished for requesting help. Right now, it only unnecessarily propagates fear.



"Just trying to spice things up, that's all."

Caitlyn Burman | Cartoonist

**Journalist**  
from A6

tors littering Hollywood and Washington and their

reign of terror gets to continue. Nothing is informing you of the natural disasters occurring half way across the world, and you are in no way prepared for what to expect if a disaster like

that would hit you.

We would be a nation in the dark, more afraid and untrusting than ever. Because despite Trump's endless claims of dishonesty and malicious agendas, the

purpose of the news media is a professional one, devoted to give America the information and knowledge they rightfully deserve, to keep them out of the dark.

**Trudeau**  
from A6

statesman... But critics of Trudeau will point out that he's gone back on his campaign promises to reform the country's electoral system, prompting protests in Toronto."

Many Americans love Trudeau because we only hear about the big PR campaign events that his administration organizes

Canada's compensation for the LGBTQ community hurt by past policies is a nice step in the right direction, and a perfect comparison to how poorly the U.S. is handling issues of discrimination and systematic oppression. And yet, the American love for Trudeau is unwarranted. Trudeau and his administration need to buckle down and start making good on campaign promises before he loses his chance

## THUMBS UP DOWN

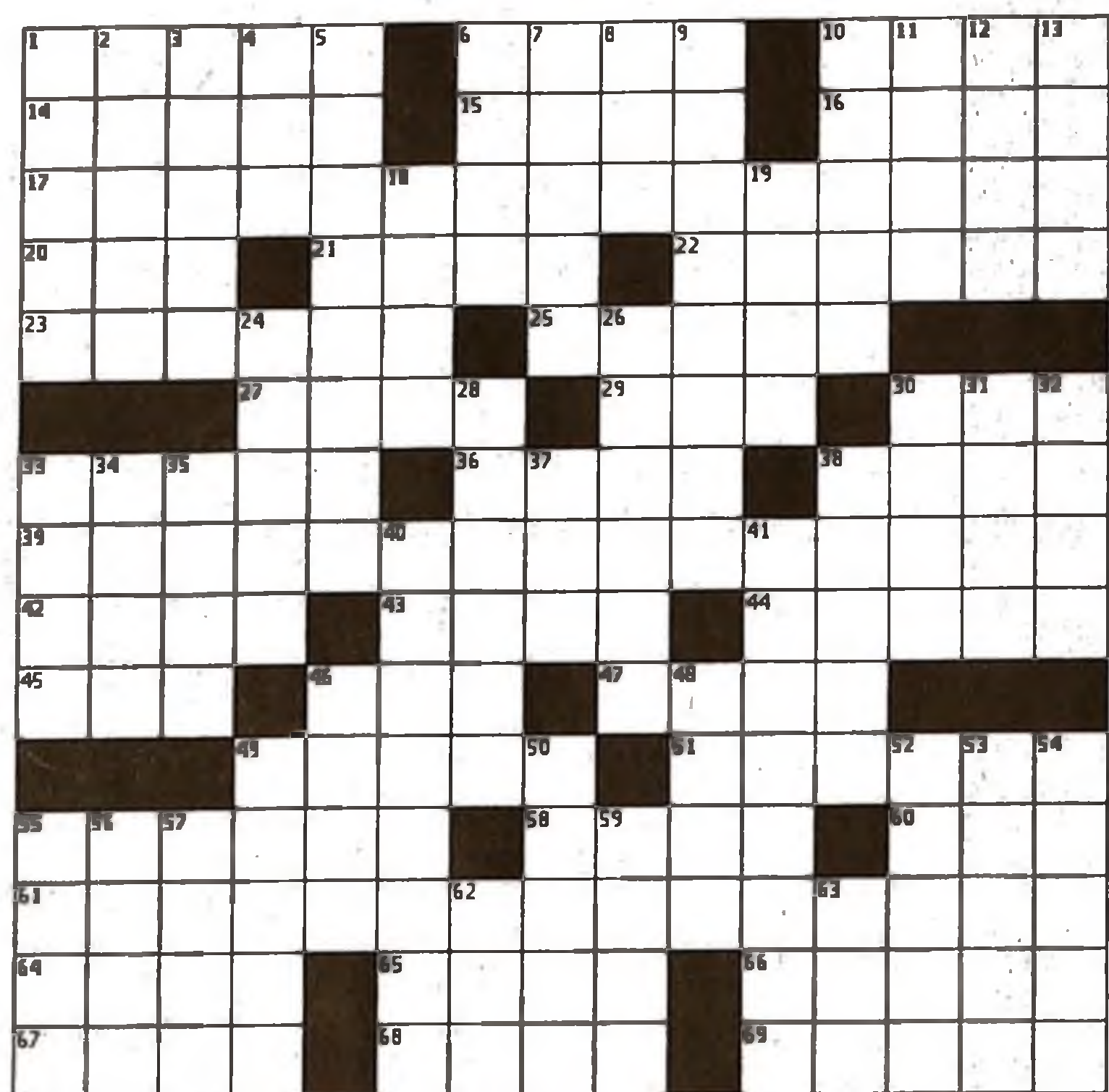
Elvis Costello	Silver Bells
Thotty Christmas	Naughty Christmas
North Pole	South Pole
Christmas music	Folk music
McDonald's regular chicken nuggets	McDonald's buttermilk chicken tenders





# Diversions

## Crossword



### Across

- 1. 1980 DeLuise title role
- 6. Cost of cards
- 10. Mackerel shark
- 14. Story of Achilles
- 15. Like some points
- 16. First name in the "Doctor Zhivago" cast
- 17. Go by the book
- 20. Offensive one
- 21. Rain forest feature
- 22. Happenings
- 23. Displayed one's dizziness
- 25. It has its reservations
- 27. Anatomical pathway
- 29. Nearly half the world
- 30. Part of a dehumidifier
- 33. Dome-shaped dessert
- 36. River through Opole
- 38. Conversational nuance
- 39. Go by the book
- 42. Inner Hebrides island

### Down

- 1. Flute player
- 2. Forsaken
- 3. Diacritical mark
- 4. Gal of song
- 5. You'll travel far before
- 43. Trait determinant
- 44. Shoelace part
- 45. Spearheaded
- 46. Rocky hill
- 47. Docile
- 49. Poker players' ploy
- 51. Leapt
- 55. Some quakers
- 58. Throb
- 60. A little bull?
- 61. Go by the book
- 64. Engage in a joust
- 65. Aftermath of a brain-storm
- 66. Establish by law
- 67. Woody's boy
- 68. Monetary unit
- 69. Recipient

### it turns over

- 6. There were many at Woodstock
- 7. What's up with Rand McNally?
- 8. Golf club head part
- 9. Catchall phrase
- 10. Catalog illustration
- 11. Line of parishioners?
- 12. "Critique of Pure Reason" author
- 13. Table scraps
- 18. Capacious
- 19. No longer one-sided
- 24. Tripoli's country
- 26. Brunch order, perhaps
- 28. "The King of the Cowboys"
- 30. Combine
- 31. Mrs. Shakespeare
- 32. Tree house, of sorts
- 33. Cookbook instruction
- 34. Shawm's follower
- 35. Repair
- 37. Demand payment of
- 38. Type of lily
- 40. Devoted to one's own interests
- 41. Fiddled (with)
- 46. Kind of top
- 48. Former Davis Cup coach
- 49. Right-hand page
- 50. Corroded
- 52. Detective Pinkerton
- 53. Extended family member
- 54. "Beau \_\_\_"
- 55. Hammett's terrier
- 56. Awaken
- 57. Rx unit
- 59. Gabfest
- 62. Pindar specialty
- 63. Crazy eights cousin

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## Word Search: Christmas

- ANGEL
- BELLS
- BETHLEHEM
- CANDLES
- CANDY CANE
- CAROLS
- DECORATIONS
- EGGNOG
- FAMILY
- FRANKINCENSE
- FRIENDS
- FRUITCAKE
- GABRIEL
- GIFTS
- GOLD
- GREETING CARDS
- HOLLY
- ICICLES
- JESUS
- JOSEPH
- LIGHTS

- MANGER
- MARY
- MISTLETOE
- MYRRH
- ORNAMENTS
- POINSETTIA
- SANTA
- SHEPHERDS
- SKATES
- SLEIGH spacer
- SNOWFLAKES
- SNOWMAN
- STABLE
- STAR
- STOCKING
- THREE WISE MEN
- TOBOGGAN
- TOYS
- TREE
- WREATH

E N A C Y D N A C H T A E R W S S  
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 Y P N Y L L O H O S H L Y S S N H

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## Sudoku

Each row, column and 3x3 square must have numbers 1 - 9 in any order, but each digit can only appear once. There is only one correct answer.

Difficulty level: Medium

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## Word Scramble: Christmas

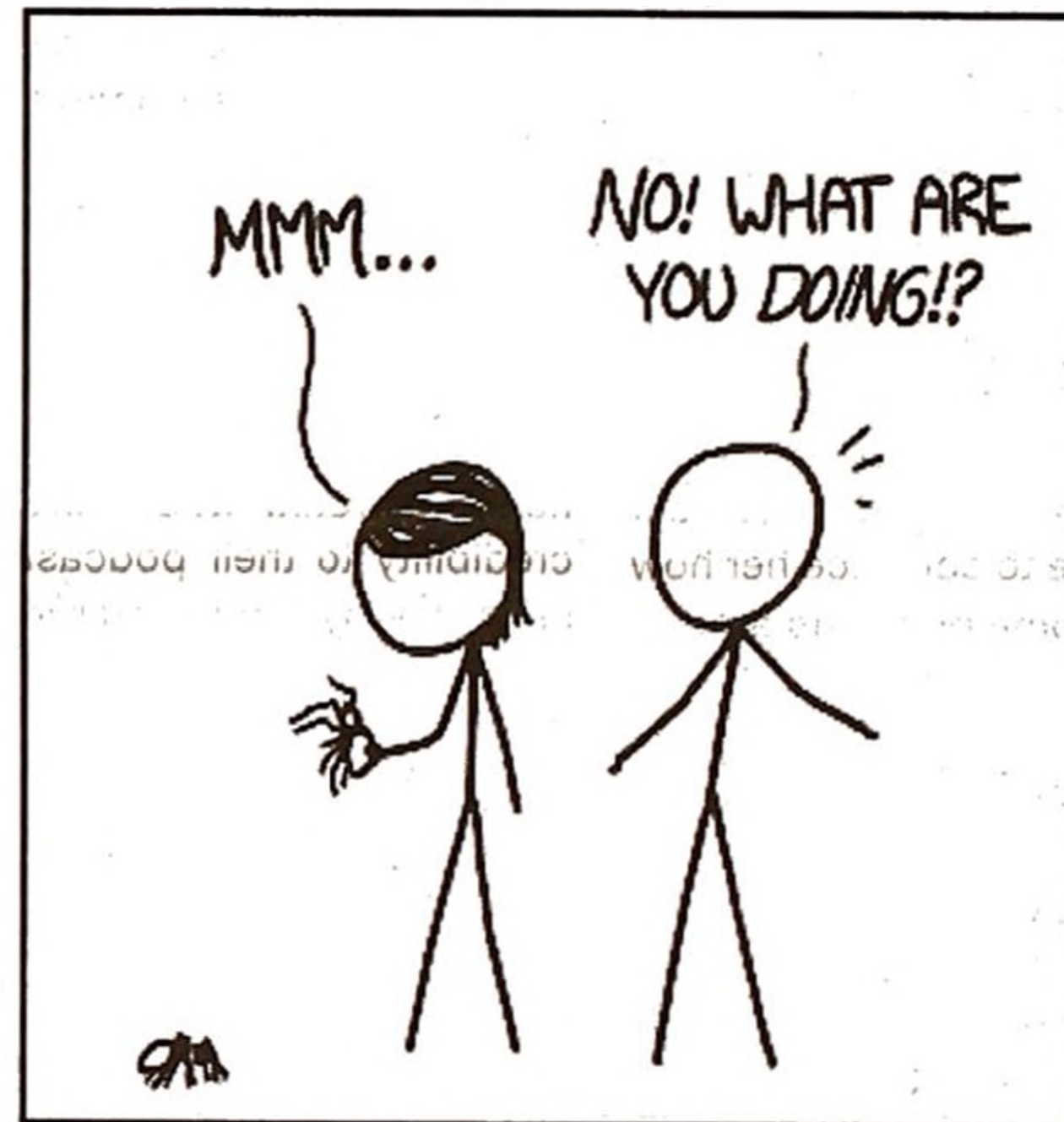
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- 2. nkgsciot
- 3. glhist
- 4. edrnerie
- 5. ncday cnae
- 6. niehcym
- 7. cebmeDer
- 8. lseev
- 9. oospwhkr
- 10. rnetmsoan

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XKCD

By Randall Munroe

IMAGINE YOU WERE TRANSPORTED TO AN ALTERNATE UNIVERSE JUST LIKE YOUR OWN, EXCEPT PEOPLE OCCASIONALLY ATE SPIDERS. YOU CAN'T CONVINCE ANYONE THIS IS WEIRD.



THIS IS HOW I FEEL ABOUT LOBSTER.

xkcd.com

Meme

When it's December 31st and someone says "see you next year!"



Flip this page for puzzle answers



Santa stocking, lights, reindeer, candy cane, chimney, Decem-ber, elves, workshop, ornaments

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# Reviews

## PODCAST

### "Stuff You Should Know" but do they know?



WITH JOSH AND CHUCK  
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## MOVIE

### "Lady Bird" Movie Review



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## RECIPE

### Baked Spaghetti Squash Lasagna Style

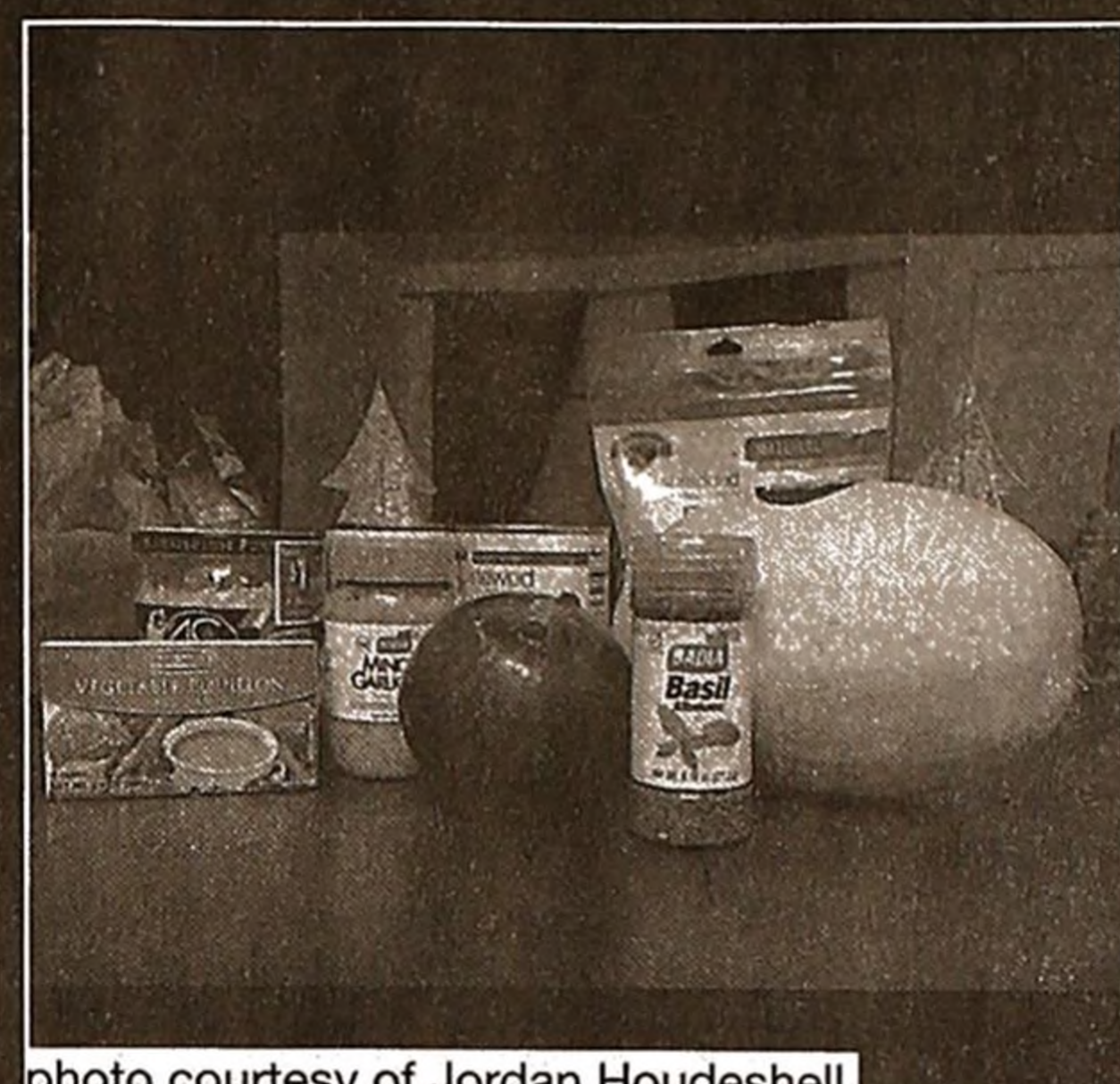


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**RATING** ★★☆☆☆☆

**Jordan Houdeshell**  
Editor in Chief

Over Thanksgiving Break, I attempted to introduce my mom to podcasts, hoping that she would love them as much as I do. Maybe it was my podcast choices, but it was an unsuccessful mission. When she wasn't sold on "S-Town", one of my personal favorites, I decided to try one that has never been my favorite, but is usually interesting. "Stuff You Should Know" was definitely not the best choice to convince her how awesome podcasts are.

For anyone who listens to this and loves it, I'm sorry. I love the idea of it and some of the topics they choose are super interesting and always pull me in. But when it's all said and done, they are pretty boring.

The premise of the podcast is that the hosts, Charles (Chuck) Bryant and Josh Clark, are investigating topics and producing a podcast that informs the public about this topic for 30 to 50 minutes. The topics they choose are awesome and super diverse. Some of the ones I have listened to are about organ donation, swearing, daylight saving time, empathy and filibusters. Many of these, I had started but simply couldn't finish.

One of the big problems I have with the podcast is the fact that they rarely, if ever, call on experts to help them discuss these issues. All the information they get is based on information they research and find. For the podcast that I showed my mom on daylight saving time, there was so much uncertainty. They seemed very unsure about how exactly it worked and I ended

up finishing the podcast more confused than when I started it.

The problem with these podcasts for me is that they seem like they should be cool. And they could be if they called in other people. There are so many opportunities to reach out to people in related fields or even people who have more knowledge than these two do. While there are some topics they are super knowledgeable about, it never hurts to bring in an expert in the field. It would add more credibility to their podcast as well. Why would you run a podcast all about organ donation and not try and interview someone who works in the medical field and has experience with it? Maybe it's the journalist in me, but how do we know where they are getting all their information from and whether it is actually complete and accurate?

Another issue I have with the podcast are the hosts themselves. They have their funny moments, but it usually just seems like two friends hanging out and talking about their issues. Sometimes they will bring up inside jokes between the two of them or talk about parts of their personal life that we, listeners, know nothing about. Maybe if you have listened to more of the podcasts you know more of these comments, but as an occasional listener, it made me lose interest.

If you are looking for a riveting podcast that will keep you awake on your ride home, I would not recommend "Stuff you Should Know." It may well be the stuff we should know, but this podcast is not the best place to get it from.

**RATING** ★★★★★

**Finn Bradenday**  
Contributor

The newly released "Lady Bird" follows a high school girl's path through her senior year of Catholic high school, including her tribulations with religion and her overbearing mother. I'm a male, was raised as an atheist and went to public school for most of my life, and have a great relationship with my mom. There aren't many Americans who relate less to the life of Christine "Lady Bird" McPherson and I am the wrong person to be reviewing it, but nonetheless, I'll give it my best shot.

Lady Bird, played by Saoirse Ronan, has ambitious dreams of getting out of Sacramento, Calif. to go to college on the East Coast "where culture is, like New York, or at least Connecticut or New Hampshire, where writers live in the woods," as she says during a college visit car trip with her mother. Her family lives on the self-described "wrong side of the tracks" in the lower-income section of Sacramento. Laurie Metcalf plays Lady Bird's mother, Marion, a psychiatric nurse struggling to provide for the McPhersons after the father, Larry (Tracy Letts), is fired.

"Lady Bird" is Greta Gerwig's second directorial gig, and by all accounts, she knocked it out of the park. This movie captures the crisis of the American teen in its rawest form, the characters are not beautified, and their inner workings are laid out graphically. Gerwig manages to cover almost every challenge a woman may face in the latter years of high school, while preserving "Lady Bird" as a single-track film.

The magic of "Lady Bird" is in its normalcy. Lady Bird is one of millions of women with similar stories, including my 18-year-old sister, who is in her senior year of high school, and experiencing the same trials of getting into college. There is nothing special about the story, but it stands out as one of the most unique movies I've ever seen.

The cinematography does its job of placing "Lady Bird" in 2017. Many of the shots are cast in soft orange light, almost vintage. Ultimately, it's not original, and the artistry of the filming takes a back seat to strong acting and dialogue.

Inspiration for Lady Bird's last year of high school comes in the form of the drama club. Along with her best friend, Julie (Beanie Feldstein), she joins the club with the hopes of finding a way to entertain themselves for a lackluster year. Lady Bird falls for Danny, a sexually ambiguous Irish Catholic boy in the theater group and goes through some of the standard firsts, before falling into the rich crowd and struggling with figuring out how to deal with her newfound popularity.

"Lady Bird" is uncomfortably recognizable as a cross-section of the American teens, sometimes striking so close to home that my sister had to retract into her hoodie in embarrassment, for minutes at a time. It's also hopeful. While the audience doesn't know if Lady Bird will be classically successful in her life, we know that she finds peace with her beginnings in Northern California. Gerwig makes the optimism of Lady Bird's story clear from the beginning.

**RATING** ★★★★★

**Jordan Houdeshell**  
Editor in Chief

This week I was looking for a dish that was nice and easy to make, but that I could also potentially make over winter break to woo my family with my amazing cooking skills. The recipe I selected was Baked Spaghetti Squash Lasagna Style, which I found by searching for a holiday recipe. The recipe is available with the full article at mainecampus.com.

Although this recipe probably won't be the one that I make to impress my family, it was one of the most delicious recipes I have ever made by myself. The one downside was that it was much more hands-on than I expected.

The recipe says that the prep time should have been 30 minutes and it took me another hour and 15 minutes to cook. What the recipe didn't say was that the time it took to cook was also the time that you would have to be doing things. Cooking the spaghetti squash was easy, I knew what I was doing because I've done that before.

The hard part was making the sauce to put in the lasagna, which required almost constant stirring. First you had to saute the onions and garlic until they were golden, which took close to 20 minutes. Then I added the tomatoes, basil and vegetable bouillon to make the sauce and let it thicken, which took close to 20-30 minutes. By this time, the spaghetti squash was done and I could pull it out and make the actual lasagna. At that point, all the hard work was done and I could just put it in the oven and wait 20 minutes for it to be all done. It was worth the taste when I put it all together, but it would have been much easier to just use store-bought sauce.

One thing that was convenient about this recipe was that it was gluten-free and vegetarian. As someone who is gluten-free, it was really nice to have a recipe that I didn't have to buy special things for to make it gluten free. That was part of the reason I chose to make it. Since it was vegetarian, it was also a good lasagna option for my vegetarian friend.

It was also a reasonably cheap recipe, that would leave me with leftovers for a couple days if I made it for just myself. I spent less than \$15 on the ingredients for the recipe and it made four lasagna servings and two more with just spaghetti squash as well as cheese and sauce, making it affordable for a college-student on a budget.

Despite the cook time, I would consider making the recipe again. Having never made homemade sauce, I was surprised at what a difference it made in the taste. The sauce was much more flavorful and fulfilling than the typical sauce that I use with my pasta. It went very well with the cheese and spaghetti squash, which surprised me as I usually find red sauce to be too heavy for spaghetti squash, but it all went together beautifully. I should mention that I did leave the olives out, but if you are an olive lover, that would just add more flavor to the recipe as a whole, which was one of the things that I felt the recipe lacked.

With the colder weather coming, lasagna is the perfect food to come home to at the end of the day; spaghetti squash makes it a lighter option. All in all, this recipe is perfect if you have a simple homework assignment or something you can

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## Miss Maine from A12

"I think she will be very successful in whatever she does," Stormer said. "She works very hard, is disciplined, and has standards for herself. Those basic qualities are key ingredients to being successful. She is going to be great."

A week after winning the competition, Gray, still in shock, is gearing up to compete in the Miss USA pageant set to be held in late May of next year. Within three days of winning her title, Gray has gotten in contact with Deshauna Barber, a

captain in the United States Army Reserve and Miss USA 2016. Both Gray and Barber share the experience of being in the military.

Her advice to current UMaine students would be to focus on the relationships they are building.

"College goes by super fast, and friendships you make there will be important to you in the future," Gray said. "And never be afraid to go to York dining for buffalo chicken on Wednesdays, even if you're a senior, because you will miss it."

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# From whiskey podcasts in Scotland to Thanksgiving in Italy

**Griffin Stockford**  
Contributor

The opportunity to show some foreigners around Aberdeen (often referred to by me, myself, and I as the Paris of Scotland) finally presented itself when my family came to visit for the entirety of Thanksgiving week. From Saturday to Wednesday they got the full Scottish breakfast and then from Wednesday to Sunday we toured around Rome, Italy.

Saturday afternoon required, of course, a trip to Pittodrie Stadium to see the beloved and unbe-

lievably frustrating Dons lose to Motherwell, 2-0, in frigid temperatures. The game was capped off by a postgame trip to the bathroom trough, where, before urinating, a mid-70s Aberdonian chose my (already urinating) dad to get very close to and to be the recipient of his postgame rant about how he "could pass better than that" and how he's "quicker than those lazy bastards." Death, taxes and uncomfortable levels of intimacy at the trough.

The next day we went to nearby Stonehaven, a lovely little coastal town that

is only a 20-minute drive from Aberdeen. The town is home to Dunnottar Castle, which was built in the middle ages and was once captured by William Wallace. My favorite feature of the castle was the den where the Earl Marischal once kept his pet lion, which he of course had to get rid of due to the fact that its roaring was keeping the Countess awake — classic 14th century relationship problems.

We then continued to the Glenfiddich and Royal Lochnagar distilleries, which are increasingly toward the north of Scotland.

The drive was scenic, at times mountainous, and rewarded by a few drams of Scotland's finest. The poorly produced whiskey podcasts my dad was playing (and somehow found? I can't imagine the whiskey podcasting industry is particularly active or sought after) during the car rides were a bit easier to take in with a few drams sitting in my tummy.

While Thanksgiving in Rome meant tortellini instead of turkey, and cannolis instead of cranberry sauce, the family dysfunction found a way to make the trip. Nevertheless, we

saw a lot in three days — the Pantheon, the Coliseum and the Vatican, to name a few. You learn a little bit about Roman history in school, but being there and seeing the size and magnitude of the buildings, as you're listening to a tour guide list unbelievable dates of when they were built, really puts it in perspective.

Although there are too many differences to count, one of the biggest differences we noticed between Scotland and Rome were the cab drivers. In Rome they just want to get you where you need to go. No

questions asked, and they seem startled if you want to engage them. In Scotland, they'll quiz you about everything from your middle name to your secret shame. Perhaps there is a bit of a language barrier, but the Roman cab drivers seemed to be all business whereas the Scots are quite the opposite.

Final exam preparation beckons, and so does a box of your finest wine — ahhh the effects that Rome has on one's sophistication levels. Until next time, Black Bears.

## UMaine dance community prepares for a breathtaking Fall Showcase



UMaine Dance Showcase is set to be held on Dec. 7, 8, and 9 at 7:30pm in Hauck Auditorium of the Memorial Union.

Maggie Gautrau, Photo Editor.

**Sarah O'Malley**  
Staff Writer

Before the end of every semester, the University of Maine School of Performing Arts puts on its bi-annual Dance Showcase. The event offers a stunning insight into all the hard work each dancer puts toward perfecting a range of different dance styles, and the final product never fails to wow its audience.

Unbeknownst to many UMaine students, the showcase has already started prepping for the final stage, with a full tech rehearsal taking place last Saturday, Dec. 2, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Fifteen pieces are planned for the final show, and many dancers are participating in more than one.

Amanda DeBaker, a third-year psychology and sociol-

ogy student and President of UMaine's Dance Club, is in eight pieces for this showcase, as well as choreographing two of her own. She is happy to support her fellow dancers, and was cheering them on from the audience as they performed.

"We are like a big family," she explained, "we spend hours and hours every week together, sometimes up to six hours a day." DeBaker has been dancing for 11 years, and incorporated that passion into a dance minor here at UMaine. She is especially excited for this fall's showcase, as "there's an interesting mix of veteran dancers with some new dancers as well, some of whom might never have been on a stage before."

When asked if she had a favorite piece this semester, she replied that it's difficult to

choose because she feels so attached to them all. DeBaker admitted to favoring the piece she choreographed herself which was influenced by the hit HBO show "Game of Thrones." The piece features a large group of dancers configured into a human throne, and passionate contemporary dancing is mixed with fluid movements across the stage. Her creativity shines through as the dancers interact with each other in unique ways that complement each performer's strengths and weaknesses.

Another veteran dancer, a fourth-year kinesiology and dance student Shanay Gilbert, is performing in five of the dances and expressed excitement to show the audience her skills come show time.

"I've been dancing since I was two years old and my

mom owns a dance studio, so dance has always been a big part of my life."

Gilbert has mini solos within some of the pieces, showing off her flexibility and hair flipping skills.

Olivia Jernigan, a fourth-year studying mechanical engineering, is also performing in the showcase. She noted that participating in the event is a huge time commitment, especially at an already hectic time of the year. But "it's so worth it," she says, "it's so much fun." You can find her tapping in the Evolution of Tap Dance performance put on by the Tap Club.

Some dancers have decided to participate as much as physically possible, like third-year students Willow Beccia and Emma Jandreau. Not only are they officers of dance club (Beccia is president of hip-hop club

and Jandreau is president of Celtic club) but each of them are featured in 10 of the 15 pieces. The two have always been passionate about dance, both minoring in dance, and they prepare for the showcase all semester long.

Fourth-year bioengineering student Cassandra Dechaine can relate to feeling passionate about dance. Although the commitment takes about eight hours every week from her busy schedule, Dechaine still looks forward to rehearsals and performances.

"I love dancing, it is my outlet. I need an outlet from the stress of my academic life, so that's what dance is for me," Dechaine said.

The 15 featured pieces range in style, performers, lighting and music. The dance styles include tap,

hip-hop, Celtic, contemporary and a little bit of ballet thrown in here and there. The music choices are bold and will be sure to capture your attention from start to finish, but the real center of attention lies with the incredible dancers. Their talent and passion shines through in each piece. UMaine students should be sure to check it out before they leave for winter break. It is a great way to support the arts and your fellow UMaine students.

The Fall Showcase will have three showings, starting Thursday, Dec. 7 in the Hauck Auditorium. The second show will take place the following day on Friday, Dec. 8 and the final show on Saturday, Dec. 9. All shows start at 7:30 p.m. (be sure to come early to get a seat) and tickets are \$9 or free with a valid MaineCard.

### ART from A11

there is such a variety in opportunity."

Linehan has had many phases in his career as an artist. While teaching art for 40 years, 35 of which he taught at University of Maine, Linehan's focus on personal art has varied "You'll have seasonal

moments in your career," Linehan said.

Linehan hopes that this capstone will prepare his students for the next phase of their careers. He believes that an artist is also a small business person. While the students have spent the past few years refining their work, this course aims to equip them with the knowledge needed to further their careers.

"It's absolutely essential to have this kind of experience. Some will go to grad school, some will be artists, some will work in museums, but this is the heart of it all. The course answers the question 'Ok big shot, now what?'" Linehan said.

The exhibit will be on display until Feb. 2, 2018 but the experience will stay with the students involved.

"Students need to have confidence, and through this project everything begins to seem real," Linehan said. "This class helps them see themselves as professionals."

The exhibition is free and open to the public. The Lord Hall gallery is wheelchair accessible, and open Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

### Brooks from A11

school and in the seven years that followed, the collection has increased steadily.

"I only have a couple bowties," Brooks said.

Despite these two interests being fairly diverse, Brooks has played football

and attempted to make Tie Tuesday a trend here at UMaine, which he will continue to do after he leaves UMaine this December after finishing his degree in marketing.

"Everything I do, I do at my best ability."



# Gallery provides essential experience to Studio Art Majors



The Annual Senior art Exhibition is on display at Lord Hall Gallery until Feb. 2, 2018.

Jack Barber, Contributor.

**Olivia Shipsey**  
Contributor

On Friday, Dec. 1, the Lord Hall Gallery held an opening night for the annual Senior Art Exhibition. Titled "Polychrome," it is the culmination of a studio art capstone course that hoped to teach students the essential professional practices needed to work in the visual arts after college.

The gallery is filled with 99 works produced by 16 students. In addition to

creating the pieces, the students were in charge of every element involved in making the exhibit happen. While every piece told its own story, the exhibit as a whole seemed to celebrate the work done over the academic careers of the artists.

Polychrome means to be of many and various colors. Through the diversity in its pieces, the exhibit reflects its title. Organized by the flow of the visual content rather than by artists, the show melded

the variety of artistic mediums and styles. The artists themselves have different concentrations and backgrounds, creating an exhibit which appeals to varying audiences.

The project helped Orië Lafeyers, a fine arts student featured in the exhibit, understand how complex the process can be.

"It has opened my eyes to the fact that there are so many pieces that go into opening an exhibit. It's insane how many people it took, and how many jobs

there were. There were students in charge of lighting, floors, even feng shui," Lafeyers said.

While her pieces in the exhibition depict many natural and spiritual scenes, a lot of her art is inspired by her service in Afghanistan. When her battalion discovered her passion for the arts, she became the designated battalion artist. She was placed in charge of taking photographs, drawing commissions and designing tattoos for her fellow soldiers.

"Many of my best drawings were done in my spare time with a pencil and some printer paper," Lafeyers said.

Lafeyers shared that the tranquility and nature found in her exhibit pieces is inspired by her grandmother.

"My grandmother, Pat Thurston, does a lot of Maine landscapes in different mediums. She has always supported me in art and she is the one who taught me what to strive toward," Lafeyers said.

While Lafeyers' passion

for art is shared by her family, for many art students it's not uncommon to be questioned about their chosen field. Jim Linehan, professor of art and the official curator of the exhibit, believes that now more than ever is the time to

study art. "There is more need for artists today because of the digital age," Linehan said. "Almost every business has to have some sort of art department, and

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my visit. I thought I was going to do a lot here," Brooks said.

Having started playing football his first year of high school, Brooks' football career won't end with his final season of UMaine football. He has plans to try out for professional football teams.

"I live football, I don't like it, I live it. It's what I grew up to, it's what I have been doing. What I am good at," Brooks said.

Aside from football,

Black Bears may know Brooks better for Tie Tuesday. Since his freshman year of college he has been wearing ties every Tuesday.

"At first I was nervous. I wasn't as confident as I am now. I was braced for the questions people might ask."

He originally started it as a way to leave a legacy so that people remember him for something special. He had also noticed how good people look when they are dressed up.

"It's good to be different because usually people come to school wearing sweatpants and the same

old clothes. I wanted to do something special so that people remember me. Just leave a legacy here and change people's lives."

After doing it by himself for a while, he is now trying to make it a campus-wide event where people wear ties every Tuesday.

"They always asked me, what are you so dressed up for. I would be like, 'Tie Tuesday just to look nice.' Be the change you wish to see."

One of the factors that made Brooks want Tie Tuesday to be observed by others was the boost of confidence he noticed

when he was dressed up.

"When other people did it, they felt better about themselves. They felt more confident. It just makes you feel good. You feel good and you look good," Brooks said.

Depending on the weather and his mood, Brooks will wear anything from a full suit to just a pair of khakis and a tie. But picking the tie is quite a decision. He has a tie collection of 100 ties with ties for every holidays and color. He started collecting ties his junior year of high

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Isaiah Brooks shows off one of his 100 ties

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## UMaine graduate, Marina Gray, wins Miss Maine 2018



UMaine graduate Marina Gray accepting the Miss Maine 2018 title on Nov. 26, 2017.

Photo courtesy of Creative Sparks Imagery

**Aliya Uteuova**  
**Culture Editor**

On Nov. 26, a Trenton native Marina Gray was crowned with the title of Miss Maine USA. Gray is a 2017 graduate of University of Maine with a degree in interpersonal communication and a minor in psychology.

This was Gray's first time competing in a pageant. At the age of 16, Gray emancipated herself from her parents due to the adversities she faced growing up.

"Having to be an adult so quickly, I never focused on beauty in my life. I wanted to maximize that experience by doing the most extreme thing I thought was possible — competing in the super bowl on pageantry," Gray said.

After graduating from high school a year early, Gray joined the United States Army National Guard where she currently holds the rank of a Sergeant. Gray received the 2015 Soldier of the Year and a 2017 Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year award in her unit.

"It is a sacrifice that I am committed to do and I have to stand by my commitment," Gray said about her duty. "It is an honor to serve the military and represent the state of Maine and our country through pageantry."

She believes that her military career played a key role in shaping her character.

"It wasn't necessarily because of my beauty that I won the title, but because of the hard-working mentality that the military training

gave me. Being a good soldier has nothing to do with my size, gender, or the way I look, and I learned that nothing can prevent you from being as strong as you feel."

Gray prepared extensively for the pageant for over two months, and the most challenging part of the training was learning how to confidently walk in heels. Another obstacle she had to overcome was her doubt.

"Sometimes you don't think you're worthy of the good things in your life so it's important to take everything as it comes," Gray said. "I had to learn to truly believe in myself, and 100 percent feel that I was worthy of the title. Why would I compete if I wasn't a good candidate? I tried to remind myself that I

was a good candidate, and that's not the easiest thing to do."

An avid hiker and a skier, Gray seeks inspiration from nature and most importantly, from her younger self.

"I want to fulfill the dreams of my younger self and never look back to wish that I'd done anything differently."

While competing for the Miss Maine title, Gray made an active effort to enjoy every moment of it, and make lasting connections with the people she met.

"Meeting amazing, strong people in the industry of pageantry was the most rewarding part of it," Gray said. "It is an extremely supportive industry, which is important to me; I didn't have a family system grow-

ing up. There are people who want the best for you and everyone works together to help out outside of the industry. I've found the most like-minded people in the universe and I know that they are the friends I will have for the rest of my life."

Chair of the Communication and Journalism department Nathan Stormer is one of the people at UMaine who helped Gray grow as a student.

"He always had faith in my abilities as a communicator and I thank him for always seeing that in me," Gray said.

"Marina [Gray] was an excellent contributor. She always had sharp comments and thought beyond what we were reading and discussing," Stormer said

about having Gray as a student. "Marina [Gray] elevated the class with her participation. She has a very agile mind and thinks freely, making connections across different courses and material. She was always trying to learn fully, not just nail down what she needed to score well enough on assignments. That makes all the difference."

With her new title, Gray is eager to use her voice to shift people's perception of pageantry.

"This wasn't the path that I thought I would take, but this crown is an opportunity to spread a positive message and make a difference in the community, state and our country."

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What's happening in and around Orono this week

Dec. 5 - Dec. 6

**Renter's Fair Memorial Union**  
9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Free

Tuesday, Dec. 5

**Tuesdays at the IMRC - Visiting Artist Lecture Series: Becca Albee**  
IMRC Center  
7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.  
Free

Tuesday, Dec. 5

**Earth, Moon, and Sun**  
Emera Astronomy Center  
10 a.m. - 11 a.m.  
Ticket Price \$5

Thursday, Dec. 7

**Kinky Boots**  
Collins Center for the Arts  
7 p.m. - 10 p.m.  
Tickets start from \$34

Dec. 7 - Dec. 9

**Fall Dance Showcase, Hauck Auditorium**  
7:30 p.m.  
Free with a MaineCard

## #YouMaine: Isaiah Brooks works to make Tie Tuesday a campus-wide event

**Jordan Houdeshell**  
**Editor in Chief**

Everyone has their own thing that makes them unique. For fifth-year student Isaiah Brooks, there

are two things that he is known for around campus: Tie Tuesday and football. Both of these aspects played a significant part of his college career.

Brooks recently finished

his last season as an offensive tackle and guard on the University of Maine football team.

"We didn't finish it the way we wanted to, but everything good must come

to an end," Brooks said of his final season playing for UMaine.

Brooks was recruited by UMaine from his hometown of Bloomfield, Conn. A few well-known athletes

come from his town, including Dwight Freaney of the Indianapolis Colts, Matt Lawrence from the Baltimore Ravens and Nykeshia Sales, who plays professional women's basketball.

"I had other options but I chose here. I liked the coaches and the players, and I thought it was nice and quiet when I came for

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# Sports

Monday, December 4, 2017

## UMAINE RESULTS

12/2	Men's Track @ UNH	Loss	74-102
	Women's Hockey vs. Vermont	Win	2-0
	Men's Basketball @ Fordham	Loss	66-67
	Men's Hockey vs. Vermont	Win	6-2
12/3	Women's Basketball @ No. 8 Ohio	Loss	70-83

Conference scores, standings and upcoming schedule on B4



**WOMEN'S HOCKEY**  
**Black Bears blank**  
**Catamounts**  
*Women's hockey finishes weekend with a win and a tie*  
**B2**

**SWIMMING**  
**Swim travels**  
**to Bowdoin**  
*Men and Women travel to Bowdoin placing fourth and third respectively*  
**B3**



## Black Bears settle for a draw versus Vermont



Bears go 1-0-1 against the Vermont Catamounts, improving 6-7-1 on the season with 20 games left.

Evan Loignon, Staff

### Taylor Mannix Contributor

The men's hockey team returned home after an abroad trip to Ireland that saw the team drop a tough one to Providence and bounce back the next day in a win over Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. Their first weekend series back in the United States, the University of Maine Black Bears (6-7-1, 4-4-1) took on the University of Vermont (UVM) Catamounts (4-10-2, 1-6-2), tying in Friday's game 2-2 after a third period collapse, but winning Saturday's matchup with a convincing 6-2 score at home.

In the first game of the double header fourth-year forward Canon Pieper and second-year forward Pe-

ter Housakos netted third period goals for the University of Maine, but UVM second-year winger Ross Colton scored two of his own to spoil Maine's return home. First-year goaltender Jeremy Swayman did amazing things in overtime to salvage a 2-2 Hockey East tie on Friday night at Alford Arena. The Black Bears came out of the gate with a full head of steam, peppering UVM second-year goaltender Stefanos Lekkas, who stood on his head at times to keep the Catamounts within striking distance. One of his best moments came when second-year forward Chase Pearson for Maine sent a pass across the ice to first-year forward Eduards Tralmaks. Tralmaks fired a one timer at the right of the cir-

cle but Lekkas was there to slam the door shut. Swayman flashed his leather a few times too, making some great saves throughout.

Things didn't pick up until the third after two scoreless periods. It was Housakos who got things started for the Black Bears, scoring his second goal of the season at 5:36 into the third to provide Maine with a 1-0 lead. The turnover in the neutral zone was picked up by fourth-year center Cedric Lacroix who carried into the Vermont end. Lacroix fired the puck on net and Housakos was in the right place at the right time to tip the puck out of the air and into the back of the net to light the lamp for the first time on the night. The goal ignited the crowd and gave Maine momentum.

Moments later (four minutes to be exact) Pieper joined the two-goal club, finding the back of the net for his second of the season to extend Maine's lead to 2-0. First-year forward Tim Doherty battled on boards, gaining possession of the puck and finding Pieper, who had it on his stick at the right faceoff dot. Pieper put a nifty move on his defender walking in and sending a beautifully placed shot past Lekkas with 9:11 left in the game.

Unfortunately, Maine struggles to hold two goal leads late in games, and this one was no exception. Vermont's Colton, who entered Friday's action with five of his eight goals coming on the power plays, added to his resume 13:26 into the third. Third-year forward Craig

Puffer sent a pass across ice to O'Donnell who found Colton at the top of the faceoff circle for a one-timer that found its way past a screened Swayman.

The Catamounts weren't done and with 1:48 to play, they pulled Lekkas to add an extra attacker. The move paid off for Head Coach Kevin Sneddon as Colton tied the game on his 10th goal of the season. Third-year forward Brian Bowman won the faceoff to Swayman's left. Second-year forward Derek Lodermeier sent a fancy backhanded pass to Colton, who lined up the puck to fire a one-timer from the top of the right faceoff circle, tying the game with 1:43 remaining.

The Black Bears and Catamounts showed their

fatigue in the overtime, but managed to take a combined nine shots in the five minute overtime period. Neither team could get the game winner and the final horn sounded with a score of 2-2.

Maine outshot Vermont (43-24) but Vermont held a slight advantage in faceoffs (37-31). Swayman, a fourth round pick by the Boston Bruins in this year's draft, finished with 22 saves while Lekkas, who played out of his mind all game, finished with 41.

### Maine Bounces Back, down Catamounts 6-2

The Black Bears were seeking redemption after squandering the first game versus the University of Vermont. After a slow

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## Women's Basketball falls to The University of Toledo

### Emma Lindblad Contributor

The University of Maine women's basketball team (4-4) traveled to Toledo, Ohio to take on the University of Toledo Rockets (5-1) on Thursday, Nov. 30. The Black Bears lost a close game, 65-64. This was the second time in history that the Black Bears and Rockets have squared off, with Toledo leading the series after a championship win in the Miami Holiday Tournament back in December 2007.

In the first quarter, Maine got on the board first when redshirt third-year guard Tanesha Sutton made a layup after a steal. The Black Bears continued the scoring early, putting them up 8-1 with 8:04 remaining in the quarter. The Black Bears continued to

press when they increased their lead; however, the Rockets also found some momentum, making the score 10-4.

After 10 minutes of play, the Black Bears led the Rockets 28-13. Second-year guard Julie Brosseau had 14 points in the first quarter for Maine. Maine led in field goal and three-point percentage. They also led in steals and rebounds, and forced seven turnovers.

In the second quarter, Brosseau continued to bring the heat when she made a jumper to increase her point streak to 16 points and to increase the score to 30-18. After 20 minutes of play, the Black Bears continued to lead the Rockets 35-26. Maine held the edge in field goal and three-point percentage. They also continued

to lead in steals, 9-3 and in rebounds, 19-12.

Brosseau continued to lead the Black Bears with 16 points, followed by second-year Blanca Millan with 8. For Toledo, fourth-year Jay-Ann Bravo-Harriott led with 8 points.

Maine struggled to get anything to fall in the second half, as their total shooting percentage and three-point shooting percentage were both under 20 percent. This allowed Toledo to come storming back after a slow start.

In the third quarter, Maine still continued to press and lead the Rockets. Sutton started off the scoring with a dribble to the hoop. At the end of the quarter, Maine led Toledo 42-36. Toledo started to gain some ground but Maine continued to lead in field goal and three-point

percentage. However, the teams were tied for free-throw percentage. The Black Bears continued to lead in steals, 11-6. Brosseau continued to lead in points with 17, followed by Millan with 10 and Sutton with 7.

In the fourth quarter, Maine increased their lead to 10 with 4:31 remaining in the game when Brosseau hit a left-handed buzzer-beater. However, Toledo cut the deficit to two with less than a minute on the clock. They then tied it up with seconds to go in the game, resulting in overtime.

In overtime, the score remained back and forth. However, Toledo took a three-point lead to increase the score to 65-62. Then Millan knocked down two free-throws to bring Maine within one. How-

ever, it was not enough. Brosseau finished with a career-high 26 points.

The Black Bears played No. 8 Ohio State University on Sunday Dec. 3. The Rockets return to the court Monday, Dec. 4 when they travel to New York to take on St. Bonaventure University. Tip-off is scheduled for 7 p.m.

### Black Bears fall to Ohio State

The University of Maine women's basketball team traveled to Columbus, Ohio to take on the Ohio State University Buckeyes (8-2) on Sunday, Dec. 3. The Black Bears had an unsuccessful trip, falling to the Buckeyes 83-70. This game marked only the second time these two teams have faced off, with Ohio State leading the series 1-0 after a victory in 1995.

In the first quarter, Maine got on the board first when second-year forward Fanny Wadling made a lay-up. The Buckeyes responded when red-shirt fourth-year Stephanie Mavunga made a jump-shot to tie it up. Sutton then hit a three-pointer to put the Black Bears up, but the Buckeyes quickly responded.

After 10 minutes of play, the Black Bears trailed the Buckeyes 16-8. Brosseau and Sutton led the Black Bears in points, with three apiece. Ohio State led Maine in field goal and three-point percentage. They also led in total rebounds, 16-9.

In the second quarter, the Buckeyes continued to increase their lead. With

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# Black Bears blank Catamounts



The women's hockey team ends the weekend with a win and a tie against the University of Vermont.

Ian Liggett, Staff

## Adam Darling Sports Editor

The University of Maine Black Bears women's hockey team (11-6-3, 5-3-2) was back in action on Saturday, Dec. 1, taking down the University of Vermont Catamounts (5-11-3, 3-7-2) 2-0 from Alford Arena.

Second-year goaltender Carly Jackson got the start between the pipes for the Black Bears. Jackson came into the game with an 8-5-2 record, including a shutout allowing 32 goals on the season. For the Catamounts, second-year goaltender Sydnee Scobee got the start. Scobee came in with a 4-6-1 record in 11 starts, allowing 29 goals on the season and pitching a shutout.

Defense was the key for the Black Bears in the game, as they held Vermont to 29 shots in total, with 12 blocks. Jackson recorded 17 saves in the shutout.

Offensively, Maine kept the heat on Scobee, launching off 32 shots on the day, with Scobee stopping 30 while allowing the two goals. The Black Bears controlled

the puck in the Vermont zone for the majority of the game.

The scoring started in the first period. Second-year forward Tereza Vanisova fired a shot off on goal, but Scobee was there to make the initial save. Vanisova followed the rebound and was able to poke it in, putting the Black Bears up 1-0 with 6:49 to go in the period. Fourth-year forward Brooke Stacey and second-year forward Jessica Jacques were both credited with assists on the play.

A scuffle in the crease gave the Black Bears the perfect opportunity to put the nail in the coffin. First-year defender Anna Zikova put enough behind her shot to get the puck in the back of the net past a sprawling Scobee, who stuck the blocker out to get a piece of it to knock it away. The effort was all in vain. Stacey and Vanisova were both credited with assists on Zikova's second goal of the season.

Scoring was different to come by in the final 20 minutes of play, with the Catamounts holding an edge in shots on goal eight to six. Vermont had ample oppor-

tunities in the third period. Maine went on the penalty kill in two separate instances, but was able to thwart the Catamounts both times. Vermont would pull the goaltender for a minute with an extra attacker, but the Black Bear defense held down the fort.

The Black Bears will look to keep their streak going as

*"Vermont is really tough to play against. We responded well with that and stuck together, just played our game"*

Carly Jackson  
Second Year Goaltender

the two teams square off on Sunday from Alford Arena. Puck drop is at 2 p.m.

### Black Bears skate to tie with Vermont

The Black Bears looked to complete a weekend sweep of the University of Vermont on Sunday, Dec. 3 from Alford Arena. Unfortunately, neither team was able to pull and the game ended in a 2-2 tie.

Both teams ran out similar lineups, with the second lines and the first defensive pairings getting the starts. The goaltender matchup stayed the same, as Jackson and Scobee were both between the pipes for round two.

The Catamounts struck first in the first period. Off the faceoff, first-year forward

left in the first.

Maine played a complete first period, limiting Vermont's offense to just seven total shots while accumulating 29 of their own, including 19 on target. Scobee played out of her mind in the period, making 18 saves.

Vermont had a golden opportunity to take the lead after fourth-year defender Mikayla Rodgers was sent to the penalty box for an interference call with 15:34 in the period, but could not capitalize.

Maine would go on the power play after an interference penalty on third-year defender Daria O'Neill with 11:52 in the period. The opportunity was squandered when first-year forward Michelle Weis was sent to the box for tripping. Once the O'Neill penalty was over, Vermont was on the power play. The one-skater advantage increased to two, when first-year forward Daria Tereshkina got called for checking. The defense held strong, and Jackson made the save she needed to in order to keep Vermont off the board.

"Our team defense has

been much better than the year before. We're making sure to be more physical and do whatever is necessary to get the puck back," Maine Head Coach Rick Reichenbach said.

The offense leveled out, with the Catamounts leading in shots on goal nine to six. Jackson was more than up to the task as she stopped all nine.

Vermont would strike again with 9:24 to go in the third period. Fourth-year defender Taylor Willard took a pass from first-year forward Val Caldwell and sent a laser toward Jackson. The shot took a weird bounce off fourth-year forward Mackenzie MacNeil and went through the legs of Jackson.

Maine would keep the pressure up, continuing to pepper Scobee, knowing that something would give again. Something would, as Stacey took a pass in front of the net from Vanisova and flicked it in to tie the game at 2-2 with 4:11 to go in the period.

See **Women's Hockey** on B5

# Men's basketball falls to Georgetown

## Sam Wheeler Contributor

Big East rival Georgetown University (5-0) proved to be too much of a challenge for the University of Maine men's basketball team (1-7) on Tuesday night at Capital One Arena in Washington, D.C. The Hoyas rode a dominant first half en route to a 76-55 victory in the first meeting between these two teams.

A fast start propelled Georgetown in the first 20 minutes. An 11-2 run out of gate forced Maine to call an early timeout. The Hoyas notched 40 points in the half, while holding the Black Bears to 24. Third-year forward Kaleb Johnson of Georgetown led all scorers with 18 points, and was one of five Hoyas to reach double figures on the night. Third-year Jessie Govan and Marcus Derrickson followed with 16 and 12 points to balance out the attack.

Redshirt third-year guard Aaron Calixte impressed

with a team high 17 points for UMaine. He converted six of his nine shot attempts, and tallied five rebounds and a steal. Calixte was on the floor for a team-high 33 minutes.

Third-year Ilker Er turned in a solid performance off the bench, scoring 13 points and grabbing six rebounds. First-year Dennis Ashley chipped in 8 points of his own. Overall UMaine led in bench points (32-19). Despite the 21-point loss, Maine's play shined at times. They held Georgetown 9 points below their average on the season and to just under 23 percent shooting from beyond the arc.

Georgetown entered the game having made 47 percent of their three-pointers, which was good for fourth in the nation. The team also lead in offensive rebounds (14-13) and in blocks (5-4).

The deciding factor was turnovers. Maine committed 18, to the Hoyas' 12.

The Hoyas reached the

foul line 29 times and made 22, good for over 75 percent. Maine reached the foul line just 10 times, and made seven.

On the game Georgetown led in total field goal percentage 46.3 to 36.7. Neither team shot well from three-point range, with the Hoyas shooting 22.2 percent, while Maine shot a dismal 17.4 percent from beyond the arc.

Despite the inconsistent play, the team showed strides in the second half. They cut the Hoya lead to 12 with under 10 minutes to play in the second half, but Georgetown used a 9-0 run to quash any hopes of a Maine comeback.

The Hoyas will return to the court on Sunday, Dec. 3 for a matchup against Coppin State. Tip-off is set for 6:30 p.m. at Capital One Arena. Maine returns to action Saturday, Dec. 2 when they travel to New York to take on Fordham, the final game of their three-game road trip. The game is set

for a 2 p.m. tip-off at Rose Hill Gymnasium.

### Black Bears fall to Fordham in Overtime

UMaine Men's basketball lost an overtime thriller to Fordham University (3-4) 67-66 on the afternoon of Saturday Dec. 2 at Rose Hill Gymnasium down in the Bronx, NY.

Maine was less than four and a half minutes away from picking up their second win on the season when the Rams went on a 8-0 run to take a 60-57 lead with close to a minute to play. Er drained a three pointer with 42 seconds left in the contest, ultimately forcing the game into overtime. Er finished with 15 points off the bench for Maine.

Defense took over in extra time, with the score staying the same until Fordham scored a quick four points to take a 64-60 lead with under two minutes to go. The Black Bears answered back, converting on one of two attempts from the charity stripe, but Fordham

answered with a made free throw attempt of their own, keeping their lead at four. The Black Bears made two more free throws to cut the Fordham lead to two once again, and had a chance to tie the game at 66 all. Unfortunately, they turned the ball over with just three seconds left. Maine fouled third-year guard Joseph Chartouny who was able to hit one of two shots. The Black Bears inbounded the ball and third-year guard Celio Araujo nailed a half court. Unfortunately the Brazil native's incredible effort wasn't enough, as time expired shortly after.

Araujo had a career mark of eight assists in 33 minutes played.

Maine's offense was lead by Calixte who scored 20 points, and was a perfect 7 for 7 from the free throw line. He added four rebounds and two assists before eventually fouling out in overtime.

Second-year Andrew Fleming played a solid game of his own, notching a dou-

ble double of 16 points and 13 rebounds in a team high 41 minutes of play.

Maine held the lead for 28 minutes of the 45 minute game. The game was tied for an eight minute stretch as well. Overall there were nine ties and nine lead changes throughout.

Chartouny lead all scorers in the game with 21. Fordham had help from third-year Prokop Slanina who chipped in 15 points and fourth-year Will Tavares who had 15 as well.

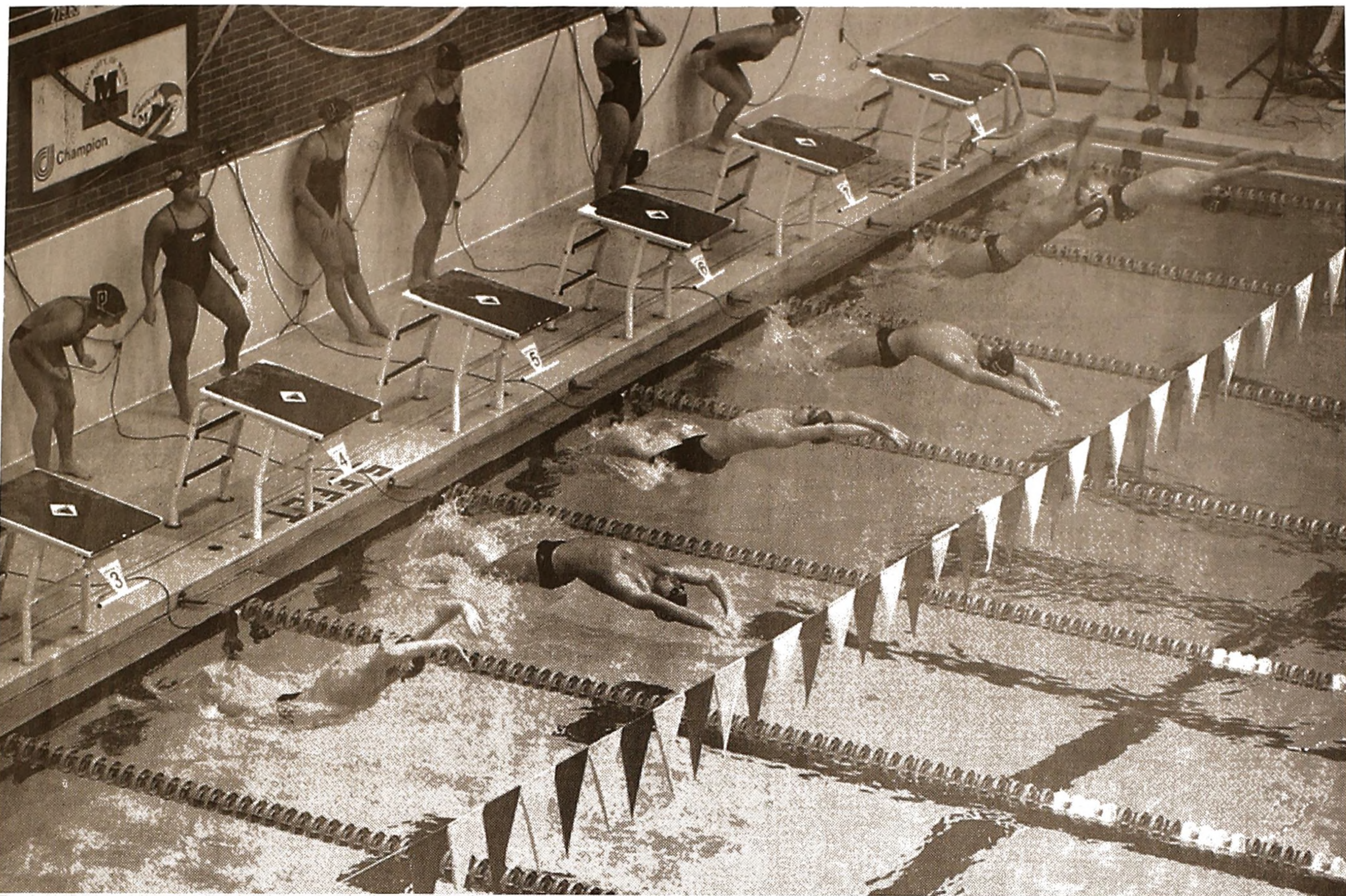
Maine held the edge rebounds 42-37 overall, including ten on the offensive side.

Fordham remains home to take on Harvard University on December 6. Tip off is set for 7:00 p.m.

Maine will come home to play the University of Maine at Presque Isle on Tuesday, Dec. 5 at the Cross Insurance Center in Bangor, following the women's game. The game is set for a 7:30 p.m. start.



# Swim travels to Bowdoin for Maine State Meet



The swim team travels to Bowdoin for the Maine State Meet over the weekend.

File Photo.

## Matt Hammond Contributor

Both Black Bear swim teams struggled this weekend at the Maine State Meet at Bowdoin College. The UMaine women placed third out of the four schools participating; in first place was Bates College, in second place Bowdoin College and in fourth place Colby College. The men saw less success as the Black Bears finished in fourth place.

Bates took first place, Bowdoin placed second and Colby College secured the third place position.

In the 47th event, UMaine fourth-year and Florida native Chloe Adams won the women's 1,000-yard freestyle. She also managed to place third in the women's 200-yard freestyle. UMaine second-year Hawthorne Swan-Scott IV won in the 1,000-yard freestyle in the men's category.

Maine's second-year Sabri-

na Nuttall secured a first place finish in the women's 100-yard breaststroke. Nuttall's teammate and second-year Emma Blair finished in fifth place in the race.

Black Bear first-year Jack McNamara won event 36, the men's 200-yard breaststroke. He edged out Bates' Alex Bedard with just a quarter of a second margin.

Event 41 was another victory for the Black Bears. The women's 400-yard freestyle

relay was won by fourth-year Emily Borger, second-year Rita Chen, fourth-year Juliana McDonald and Blair.

UMaine second-year and Bangor native Kyle Adams won the one meter diving competition.

The 27th event, the women's 100-yard backstroke, saw Bates College swimmers in the first four positions. Following the block of Bates students, McDonald clinched fifth place. Her teammates, first-year Car-

oline Stolic and Borger, secured sixth and seventh place in the race.

Blair came in fifth place in event 5, the women's 50-meter butterfly. Fourth-year Victoria Kingston finished in seventh place.

UMaine first-year Hayden Kasavich placed third in the men's 50-yard backstroke. He followed first place fourth-year Riley Ewing of Bates College and second-year Xander Geiersbach of Colby College.

First-year Lynsie Russell came in third place in the women's 400-yard individual medley. She followed Bowdoin students third-year Sterling Dixon and first-year Claire Wolff. After finishing second in the 400-yard IM, Bowdoin's Wolff won the women's 200-yard breaststroke. UMaine third-year Emma Blackdeer was the runner-up in the race.

UMaine swimming and diving return to action Saturday, Jan. 20 at Bowdoin College.

## Giancarlo Stanton talks intensifying

### Adam Darling Sports Editor

The Miami Marlins are looking to drastically slash their payroll under the ownership of former New York Yankees superstar Derek Jeter. The behemoth contract signed by right fielder Giancarlo Stanton is the elephant in the room, and he has already stated he does not want to be

part of a constant rebuild. It is in the best interest of both parties for a trade to happen and fast, as Stanton can opt out after 2020.

The question now is where Stanton will wind up. He has a full no trade clause and can veto a trade to any team not on his list of final destinations. He has already expressed a desire to win, so any team that is in the playoff picture

year after year would surely be an area of interest for him. Stanton would also prefer to play on the West Coast, so putting this puzzle together, his preferred destination would be the Los Angeles Dodgers.

One problem with this: the Dodgers will likely not be in play. Their payroll is already bloated, and they will face harsh penalties for going over the luxury tax

threshold again. Adding Stanton at roughly \$30 million for the season is not in their best interest.

Here are the two teams that would likely make the best destinations for Stanton if the Marlins can pull off the trade.

### St Louis Cardinals

The Cardinals have a deep farm system with pieces that the Marlins have struggled to find af-

ter the death of Jose Fernandez. The Cardinals could offer two highly touted young pitchers in righthander Alex Reyes, who is coming off of Tommy John surgery, and Luke Weaver.

The issues with the Cardinals are twofold. For starters they already have \$117 million tied up into nine players still on their roster with another that

had been traded midseason. Adding Stanton's monster salary will cripple them for the season. More to the point, they already have a plethora of outfielders that, while not at Stanton's level of production, can certainly get the job done.

### San Francisco Giants

The Giants don't boast

See Stanton on B4

## UNH out-hustles UMaine in track season opener

### Matt Hammond Contributor

The Wildcats of the University of New Hampshire (1-0) won the season opener for indoor track against both the women and men's track teams from the University of Maine (0-1). Maine's women's team lost 73-105 and the men lost 74-102.

Graduate student Jacob Johns finished in first place for the mile run for the Black Bears. The North Andover native recorded an impressive 4:21:23 mile.

Maine second-year Andrew Clement narrowly lost each of his decisions. He placed second in the 200-meter, 400-meter and the 4-x-400 relay and lost each by a margin of just one second. UMaine redshirt second-year Andrew Willingham secured one of the few victories for the Black Bears in the match. The Mt. Blue, Maine native won the 3,000 meter race in just 8:45:18, four minutes better

than the second place finish from UNH, Joseph Verro. A bright spot for UMaine indoor was second-year Cassidy Hill securing a first place finish in the women's 55-meter race. She posted a 7.40 time and UNH third-year Stephanie Di-Taglia closely followed with a 7.44 time.

Maine first-year Colton Santoro placed second in the hurdles. With UNH fourth-year Joel Nkounkou finishing in 7.87 seconds, Santoro closely followed with a time of 8.02. UMaine fourth-year Synclaire Tasker came in third place for the 55-meter hurdles with a time of 9.52 in the women's category.

Lauren Magnuson, a third-year at UMaine, won the 400-meter trial. The South Portland native won the race in just 59 seconds, edging out UNH second-year Elise Renahan by 85 seconds.

The Black Bears saw several victories in the field events. Third-year Ariel Clachar won the long jump

with an impressive 5.46 meter finish. First-year Anna Schumann recorded a 10.60 meter finish and won the triple jump for the Black Bears. Maine's second-year Lucia Guarnieri was the runner up to her teammate and posted a 10.47 meter total jump. First-year Sarah Vanacore secured a first place finish in the shot put, throwing a women's best 10.96 meters. First-year Alice Barnsdale won the weight throw for the Black Bears. Barnsdale's teammate fourth-year Rachel Bergeron recorded a runner-up finish.

Maine's second-year Troy Davis won the high jump in Saturday's event. He posted a 2.00 meter average, topping Nkounkou's 1.80 meter average. Nkounkou would go on to win the long jump for the Wildcats.

The Black Bears and Wildcats return to action Friday, Dec. 8 in Hanover, NH where they face off against the Ivy League Dartmouth College Big Green.

### Taylor Mannix Contributor

The College Football playoffs had many questions to be answered entering championship weekend and with as many answers as we received, questions still remained unanswered. No. 7 Miami, who suffered an ugly 24-14 defeat at the hands of Pittsburgh, followed it up by being dismantled by the No. 1 Clemson University Tigers in the ACC championship game. The University of Georgia Bulldogs routed the Auburn University Tigers 28-7 in the Southeastern Conference title game to cement their spot in the playoffs. Baker Mayfield and the Oklahoma University Sooners had a cakewalk against the Texas Christian University Horned Frogs 41-17, but the game all eyes were on was played at Lucas Oil Stadium. It featured the

Ohio State Buckeyes and the University of Wisconsin Badgers.

The Buckeyes made a statement beating one of two undefeated teams left in college football but the question remained, would the playoff selection committee still take a two-loss Ohio State over a one-loss Alabama? Well, we found out Sunday they valued an SEC team more than a Big Ten champ. And it wasn't the first time.

Last season the selection committee snubbed Big Ten champion Penn State for the Buckeyes. Given the reasons that justified the selection, many fans were left palms up and questioning if the process was fair. Well this year Urban Meyer and his team are on the outside looking in, feeling snubbed like their Penn State counterparts just a season ago.

**Rose Bowl Semi Final:** No. 3 Georgia vs. No. 2

Oklahoma is a game that is looking to be a shootout.

Georgia avenged a tough regular season loss to Auburn in a big way making a statement to Baker Mayfield and the Sooners that the SEC is here. On the OU side it comes down to the fact that Baker Mayfield has been unstoppable, shredding TCU on 15 completions over 23 attempts for 243 yards and four touchdowns. I'm taking the Sooners over the Bulldogs in a close one, but Baker Mayfield cannot be stopped and until I see a team that can contain him, I'm sold on Mayfield.

### Sugar Bowl Semi Final:

The stage is set for what is a highly anticipated rematch of last season's national championship game as No. 1 Clemson takes on No. 4 Alabama. After Alabama was rolled by Auburn

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# Around the College Circuit

## UPCOMING SPORTS



### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SCORES

### CONFERENCE STANDINGS AE RECORD OVERALL

11/29 American	61	12/02 UMass Lowell	64
UMBC	48	Colgate	84
UMass Lowell	67	Yale	73
Fairfield	78	Binghamton	66
Binghamton	59	12/03 Maine	70
Bucknell	64	Ohio State	83
11/30 Maine	64	Stony Brook	70
Toledo	65	Syracuse	81
St. John's	71	Niagara	65
UAlbany	66	Hartford	83

1 New Hampshire	0-0	6-2
2 Stony Brook	0-0	5-2
3 UAlbany	0-0	4-2
4 Binghamton	0-0	4-4
5 Hartford	0-0	4-4
6 Maine	0-0	4-4
7 UMass Lowell	0-0	2-6
8 Vermont	0-0	2-7
9 UMBC	0-0	1-7

Tuesday, Dec. 5

Women's Basketball v Maine Maritime 5 p.m.

Men's Basketball v Presque Isle 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 8

Women's Track @ Dartmouth College 3 p.m.

Men's Track @ Dartmouth College 3 p.m.

Men's Basketball @ Dartmouth College 7 p.m.

Men's Ice Hockey @ Quinnipiac 7 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 9

Women's Track @ Dartmouth College 12 p.m.

Men's Track @ Dartmouth College 12 p.m.

Women's Ice Hockey @ Vermont 2 p.m.

Men's Ice Hockey @ Quinnipiac 7 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 10

Men's Basketball v UMaine-Machias 2 p.m.

### MEN'S BASKETBALL SCORES

### CONFERENCE STANDINGS AE RECORD OVERALL

12/01 UMBC	70	St Francis (PA)	83
Army	81	Stony Brook	85
12/02 Bryant	59	Vermont	77
New Hampshire	75	Bucknell	81
Colgate	65	Maine	66
Binghamton	76	Fordham	67
UMBC	98	Boston College	73
The Citadel	72	Hartford	61
Columbia	82		
UAlbany	86		

1 UAlbany	0-0	8-1
2 Vermont	0-0	6-2
3 UMass Lowell	0-0	5-3
4 Binghamton	0-0	5-4
5 UMBC	0-0	5-4
6 Stony Brook	0-0	3-5
7 Hartford	0-0	3-6
8 New Hampshire	0-0	2-6
9 Maine	0-0	1-7



### MEN'S ICE HOCKEY SCORES

### CONFERENCE STANDINGS AE RECORD OVERALL

12/01 Boston U	7	12/02 Vermont	2
Boston College	4	Maine	6
Vermont	2	Boston College	4
Maine	2	Boston U	1
Merrimack	1	Northeastern	3
Northeastern	3	Merrimack	1
Connecticut	2	New Hampshire	1
Massachusetts	4	Providence	0
New Hampshire	2		
Providence	5		

1 Boston College	9-2-0 (18)	9-6-2
2 Northeastern	7-3-0 (14)	9-5-1
3 Providence	6-4-1 (13)	9-6-1
4 Boston U	5-5-1 (11)	7-9-1
5 UMass Lowell	5-5-0 (10)	8-7-0
6 Maine	4-4-1 (9)	6-7-1
UNH	4-4-1 (9)	8-5-1
Connecticut	4-7-1 (9)	6-11-2
9 Massachusetts	3-3-0 (6)	8-6-0
10 Vermont	1-6-2 (4)	4-10-2
11 Merrimack	1-6-1 (3)	2-9-3

### Stanton from B3

nearly as deep a farm system as the Cardinals, considering all the trades they have made to make their World Series runs in 2010, 2012 and 2014. They also have somewhat limited payroll flexibility, with \$166 million tied up into 12 players, including the recently retired Matt Cain. The talks between the Giants and Marlins have fea-

tured the No. 2 and 3 prospects in the Giants system, as well as second baseman Joe Panik, for Stanton straight up.

The Giants could now have some payroll flexibility. If the fans stay in attendance the way they have since AT&T Park opened in 2000, the fact that the team does not have to make mortgage payments opens opportunity to pull the trigger on Stanton, who will seriously help this team in the power department.

On top of that, they have an investment in a property across from the stadium. If that is successful, then their financial flexibility will increase even more so.

#### Bottom line

The Marlins have already stated that their main objective this offseason will be to shed payroll. The Giants are the better suited of these two teams to take on this gigantic contract. Here's hoping they win between now and 2020.

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# How the rest of the NFL will play out

**Sam Wheeler**  
Contributor

With the NFL regular season nearing the end, it's time to start thinking about the playoffs. Here are my predictions as we head down the stretch.

## The Playoff Picture:

The New England Patriots run the schedule and finish with the top spot in the AFC. Pittsburgh's three-headed monster of Ben Roethlisberger, Antonio Brown and Le'Veon Bell carry the Steelers to a first round bye. Jacksonville returns to the playoffs for the first time since the 2007 playoffs, when they were knocked by New England in the Divisional round. With Kansas City floundering, the Los Angeles Chargers take control of an AFC West that went from the strongest division in 2016 to arguably the weakest this season. The Tennessee Titans and the Baltimore Ravens pull away from the pack to earn the two wild card spots.

## NFC Division Winners

The Philadelphia Eagles fly away with a balanced offense and a stronghold

defense, finishing 15-1 to get home field advantage throughout the playoffs. Despite a loss to the Los Angeles Rams, the New Orleans Saints win out and take the No. 2 seed. Solid play from Case Keenum and the defense put the Minnesota Vikings in the driver's seat in the NFC North that became weak after Green Bay lost Aaron Rodgers for an extended period with a fractured collarbone. The Rams hold on to the NFC West, fighting off the Seattle Seahawks the rest of the way. The NFC South is the strongest division this season, as the Carolina Panthers and Atlanta Falcons take the wild card spots and give the division three playoff teams.

## AFC Matchups

**Ravens @ Jaguars:** Low scoring affair for most of the contest with two great defenses squaring off. The Jags have more playmakers on offense by far, but Joe Flacco seems to transform into a different quarterback come post-season. Ravens win.

**Titans @ Chargers:** Chargers will eke out a win at home. Philip Rivers has

been in the playoffs before and will continue his hot streak.

**Ravens @ Patriots:** This matchup never seems to lose its steam. What a history these two teams have in the playoffs. The Patriots will win, but expect a fight from Baltimore. This game gets decided in the fourth.

**Chargers @ Steelers:** Steelers come out of the gate slow, and Roethlisberger faces a lot of pressure from LA's stellar defensive front. A few touchdowns passes to Brown proves to be the difference in the second half. Steelers advance.

**Steelers @ Patriots:** More fireworks will occur, that's for sure. The Patriots will be looking to avenge a December loss to Pittsburgh, and will. The Patriots take away Bell, forcing Roethlisberger to go through the air. Brady bounces back and lights up the secondary once again. Back to the Super Bowl the Patriots go.

**NFC Matchups**  
**Falcons @ Vikings:** Despite an up-and-down December, Keenum is still un-

der center for Minnesota. As for Atlanta, Matt Ryan is playing the best ball of the season, and Julio Jones is continuing to put up monster stats. That duo, along with the Falcons defensive line, does just enough to crush Minnesota's hopes of being the first team to play a Super Bowl in their home stadium.

**Panthers @ Rams:** Not having the first round bye pays dividends for Jared Goff and Co. Having not missed a beat, he out-scores Cam Newton to advance to the divisional round.

**Atlanta @ Philadelphia:** Will having the extra week affect Philly? Time will tell. I think Carson Wentz and the offense start out slow, but the defense keeps them in the game. After being tied at the half, Wentz shows why he's a frontrunner for MVP and takes over the game. Philly moves on.

**Rams @ Saints:** High scoring affair out of the gate. Goff and Brees trade touchdowns all game, but Goff makes the lone mistake that the 38-year-old veteran Brees will not. That's the difference mak-

er.

**Saints @ Eagles:** Second-year stud versus the ageless wonder. A dome team traveling to Philly may not seem ideal, but the Saints won there in the playoffs a couple years ago. This Eagles team is different. The game will be decided by the defense. We know what both offenses are capable of, but the defense's ability to make stops down the stretch will decide who advances. Philadelphia has a bright future, and a great, young quarterback, but the Saints edge them and return to the Super Bowl for the first time in eight years.

**SB LII: Saints vs. Patriots:** Earlier in the year my prediction was Packers vs. Patriots, with the simple reasoning that the world needed a Rodgers vs. Brady Super Bowl, and that both teams were also good. Brees vs. Brady would be next in line. The Saints have shown a lot of resilience after a (0-2) start to the season. Their running back duo of Mark Ingram and Alvin Kamara has been explosive and the duo has also taken some

of the pressure off Brees. The defense has also been better than recent years. The Saints have gone from having one of the worst statistical defenses in recent years to 15th in the league as of now.

As for the Patriots, almost everyone expected them to return to the Super Bowl. After a horrid start defensively in the first four weeks (128 points allowed), the unit during the seven-game win streak is allowing a mere 13.1 points per game (92 total). The offense has stepped up after the bye week, having scored over 30 points in their last three contests. Oh, and Tom Brady is having one of his best seasons ever at age 40.

The biggest key in this game will be how each team gameplans for the running attack. New England's run defense has been porous at times, and so has the Saints. Ultimately I see the matchup coming down to which defense can make more stops as the game progresses. Got to go with my pre-season pick of New England, and as always it'll be a close game.

## Women's BBall- from B1

6:33 remaining in the quarter, the Buckeyes led 22-11 when redshirt fourth-year Linnae Harper made a lay-up. Harper then made another lay-up but Brosseau answered with her fourth three-pointer of the half. The game continued

to go back and forth when fourth-year Kelsey Mitchell nailed a three-pointer.

After 20 minutes of play, Ohio State led 35-24. They continued to lead in field goal (38.3 percent to 32.1 percent) and total rebounds, 28-16. Maine would lead in three point percentage, 35.3 percent to 18.8 percent. Brosseau led in points with 14, fol-

lowed by Ohio State's Harper with 8.

In the third quarter, Mavunga started off the quarter with a rebound. The Buckeyes fed off that momentum when they continued to increase their lead. Fourth-year Alexa Hart hit a jump shot to make the score 54-36. Sutton then responded with a jump-shot.

At the end of the quarter, Ohio State led 63-45. They continued to lead in field-goal percentage but Maine led in three-point percentage with the help of Brosseau, who had six three-pointers and 24 points. Mavunga finished the quarter with 22 points for the Buckeyes.

In the fourth quarter, Brosseau opened the

scoring with a jump-shot. Sutton then reached a season-high 16 points, with 10 rebounds to notch her third double-double of the year. Brosseau also hit her seventh three-pointer of the game but it wasn't enough to erase Ohio State's lead.

The Black Bears return to the court Tuesday, Dec. 5 when they host Maine

Maritime Academy at the Cross Insurance Centre. Tip-off is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. The Buckeyes return to the court Wednesday, Dec. 6 when they travel to Gainesville, Fla. to take on the University of Florida Gators. Tip-off is scheduled for 5:30 p.m.

## Women's Hockey from B2

"Vermont is really tough to play against. We responded well with that and stuck together, just played our game," Jackson said.

The game would head

to overtime, and the Black Bears' best chance at putting the game away came on a fast break. With a swarm of Catamounts closing, Vaniso-va took a pass in the slot and rocketed it on goal. Scobee made a brilliant save and a light scrum ensued to try to poke it in. Neither team could

score in the final minute.

Jackson finished with 15 saves on the afternoon, while Scobee finished with 37.

These two teams will meet up for a Saturday matinee on Dec. 9 at Gutterson Fieldhouse in Burlington, Vt. Puck drop is set for 2 p.m.

## College FB from B3

in an Iron Bowl game that saw Jalen Hurts look anything but elite, the world waits to see if the Crimson Tide can bounce back.

On the other side of the

ball, Clemson has one of the best pass rushes in football, in an early season bout getting to Auburn QB Jarrett Stidham 11 times, one shy of a school record.

Even without Deshaun Watson, Clemson is looking to be the favorite but if you ask me the only

player to worry about is Baker Mayfield and those Sooners. Prediction for the championship: Oklahoma over Clemson.



Men's Hockey wins second game against Vermont 6-2 after a draw the first night.

Evan Loignon, Staff.

## Hockey from B1

start the team came alive. Scoring from five different Black Bears and an amazing showing by Swayman, who finished with 39 saves on the night, helped down the University of Vermont, 6-2, in a Hockey East match on Saturday evening at Alford Arena.

Second-year forward Mitchell Fossier had a career night, dishing out a ca-

reer-high three assists, while fourth-year forward Nolan Vesey found the back of the net twice and second-year defenseman Patrick Holway notched three points on one goal and two assists in a dismantling of the Vermont Catamounts.

The Catamounts, who were looking to get a second within Hockey East conference play, took advantage of an early power play and found themselves with an early 1-0 lead on a Bowen goal at 4:19 of the first pe-

riod. The Black Bears, who were looking to be over .500 in Hockey East, responded just three minutes later with a power play goal of their own. Fossier slid the puck to third-year defender Rob Michel, who sniped a shot that found its way inside the left post. Vermont found themselves back in the penalty box to give the Black Bears a power play that led to another goal for Maine thanks to Doherty grinding his way to a fourth goal of the season when he stuffed the puck past Lek-

kas. The first period would end 2-1 in favor of the Black Bears.

Three minutes into the second period, first-year defenseman Brady Keeper scored what would be the eventual game winner after he had his shot blocked, but second-year forward Brendan Robbins collected the puck and flicked a wrist shot in from the right circle.

Vermont wouldn't go away and kept themselves alive when Puffer took advantage of the man-advan-

tage. But the Black Bears defense led by Swayman made at least 10 saves in each period — 20 in the second period of action — to keep the Black Bears in the lead. It wasn't just Swayman making the saves, unselfish play was key to the Black Bears' success. The Black Bears finished with 16 blocked shots, including four from third-year defender Keith Muehlbauer who put his body on the line to help his star goaltender.

A good defense is one's best offense, some say, and

the Black Bears offense was far from finished with Vermont. Two minutes to go and Holloway had the puck on his stick coming out of the Maine zone and with great vision up ice found Fossier for a one-time shot at the right dot. Fossier waved on the shot, but was able to get just enough on it to find Vesey. Vesey circled around the zone toward the blue line, then turned and sent a firecracker of a wrist shot through traffic and found the top right corner of the net.

Vesey wasn't finished either as he scored Maine's next goal. Fossier dangled and dropped the puck back through his legs to Pearson at the bottom of the circle and Pearson passed the puck across the crease to to Vesey, who buried the puck top left.

Maine was whistled for a penalty with 2:10 to play and Lekkas made his way to the bench. The Black Bears were up against a 6-on-4 but withstood the UVM onslaught before the inevitable happened thanks to Holway's empty-net finish with 21 seconds to play. Maine earned the victory 6-2.

Swayman finished with 39 saves to 28 for Lekkas while Vermont held the final edge in shots on goal (41-34). The Black Bears will close out the fall semester with some non-conference action when they travel south to take on the Quinnipiac Bobcats on Friday, Dec. 8 and Saturday, Dec. 9. The University of Vermont will return home to play Brown University on Saturday, Dec. 9. Puck-drop is scheduled for 7 p.m.



# Professional Sports This Week

NFC CONFERENCE		RECORD
East	1 <b>Eagles</b>	10-1
	2 <b>Cowboys</b>	6-6
North	1 <b>Vikings</b>	10-2
	2 <b>Lions</b>	6-6
South	1 <b>Saints</b>	9-3
	2 <b>Panthers</b>	8-4
West	1 <b>Rams</b>	9-3
	2 <b>Seahawks</b>	7-4

AFC CONFERENCE		RECORD
East	1 <b>Patriots</b>	10-2
	2 <b>Bills</b>	6-6
North	1 <b>Steelers</b>	9-2
	2 <b>Ravens</b>	7-5
South	1 <b>Titans</b>	8-4
	2 <b>Jaguars</b>	8-4
West	1 <b>Chiefs</b>	6-6
	2 <b>Chargers</b>	6-6

**Upcoming Games:**

**NHL:**

**Tuesday, Dec. 5**  
 New Jersey v Columbus  
 Winnipeg v Detroit  
 NY Rangers v Pittsburgh  
 St. Louis v Montreal  
 NY Islanders v Tampa  
 Nashville v Dallas  
 Buffalo v Colorado  
 Carolina v Vancouver  
 Minnesota v Los Angeles  
 Anaheim v Vegas

**Thursday, Dec. 7**  
 Arizona v Boston  
 NY Islanders v Pittsburgh  
 Calgary v Montreal  
 Colorado v Tampa Bay

NHL EASTERN CONFERENCE		OVERALL PTS
Atlantic	1 <b>Tampa Bay</b>	38
	2 <b>Toronto</b>	35
	3 <b>Montreal</b>	29
Metropolitan	1 <b>Columbus</b>	35
	2 <b>New Jersey</b>	34
	3 <b>Pittsburgh</b>	33

NHL WESTERN CONFERENCE		OVERALL PTS
Central	1 <b>Winnipeg</b>	38
	2 <b>St. Louis</b>	36
	3 <b>Nashville</b>	35
Pacific	1 <b>Los Angeles</b>	37
	2 <b>Vegas</b>	33
	3 <b>San Jose</b>	30





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