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Fire destroys home of five UMaine students

Women's basketball blows out Vermont in Burlington, wins thriller over Great Danes

"Stupid F##king Bird" breaks the fourth wall while addressing pertinent social issues

Editorial: Challenging diversity in Maine

UMaine Woodsmen's Team scores victory at the home meet



UMaine Woodsmen Team member Alex Jakubowski competes at the annual home meet on Feb. 24.

Evan Loignon, Staff

Lee Brown Contributor

Every day at 6 a.m. — while most are still fast asleep in bed — the University of Maine's Woodsmen's Team can be found setting up for their practice behind the Emera Astronomy Center. The UMaine Woodsmen's Team is a co-ed club sport revolving around lumberjack contests. For over 40 years, individuals from UMaine competed against other Northeastern and Canadian schools in events such as axe throw, standing block chop and bow saw.

The growing sport has garnered a lot more attention within the last decade, which in turn has increased the level of competition. Such changes within the sport, however, have been

shown to be no match for the team; they have a whole shed of trophies and plaques to prove it. In the past, the club has even sent one or two individuals to the Stihl Timbersports Championship.

On Saturday, Feb. 24, the UMaine team hosted their annual home competition behind the Sawyer Environmental Research Center. UMaine hosted 19 individual coed six-person teams from six different universities — the University of New Hampshire (UNH), the University of Vermont, the University of Connecticut, Unity College, Maine Maritime Academy and Colby College. Due to the recent warm weather spurt, the competition field was a giant mud pit. However, this was no deterrent for the competitors

and spectators who came from far and wide and were more than accustomed to getting their hands a little dirty.

"We came up from eastern Pennsylvania yesterday so we're glad that the mud and a little wind is all that we're dealing with," Debra Manning, mother to a UNH competitor, said.

The one-day event ran from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The field was set up in a grid-like formation where each cell held a different event. Each event was timed and the fastest time won.

"The competition here is great," Alex Jakubowski, a third-year UMaine student and club treasurer, said. "A lot of these individuals from other schools know each other from being on the team so long but that just adds to the intensity of

everything in the end."

The team aspect is what often entices people into the sport, but it certainly is not the only reason. Bree Jarvis, a UMaine fourth-year student and the club president, described how she became involved in the club. She was approached by the previous president of the club when Jarvis and her friend were at a first football game her first year.

"We were both wearing flannel and he thought we might be interested," Jarvis said.

She went to the first practice that year and "[has] just never left." Jarvis shared that "the people in this community are all awesome to be around and they're some of the most supportive people you'll meet. Everyone who is a part of this sport is so pas-

sionate about it and I think that's really unique."

When not huddling around the giant fire pit that was on-site, spectators and teammates could be seen — and heard — from the competition cells. If you were not on the sidelines yelling until you couldn't speak anymore, you were probably looking on with your jaw locked and fists clenched in anticipation.

"Sometimes you just get wrapped up in the excitement of everything — the crowds are yelling, the [teammates] are hooting and hollering — it's just hard to not join in," David Blithe, father of a Colby College competitor, said. "I don't know how [the competitors] keep their calm a lot of the time."

So how does one main-

tain their composure whilst competing?

"During an event I'm not thinking, just doing," UMaine second-year student Nate Richard explains. "You know what needs to be done, where your axe needs to hit... you're just taking the long hours of practice and making them pay off."

All the hard work paid off for the men's team as they won first place in the overall events which included stock saw, disk stack, single buck, split and men's timbersports relay. The UMaine women's team came in fourth overall and Jarvis won first in disk stack.

Women's hockey takes Quarterfinal series against Boston

Arman Garavanian Contributor

The University of Maine Black Bears (19-13-5) returned to the ice Friday, Feb. 23 to host the Terriers of Boston University (14-17-6) in the first game of the Hockey East Quarterfinals. Maine has won all three of the previous games against BU this year with two wins coming on the road and one at home. Starting in goal for the Black Bears was sec-

ond-year Carly Jackson (15-10-5). Across from her was first-year goaltender Corinne Schroeder (12-7-4).

Maine got out in front early when first-year winger Josefina Engmann picked up a loose puck and put it past a down-and-out Schroeder. The goal was reviewed for goaltender interference but was upheld. Later in the period the Black Bears went up two after second-year center Tereza Vanisova picked up

a loose puck in front and roofed it. This goal was also reviewed but upheld. Less than a minute later, fourth-year winger Catherine Tufts snuck one past Schroeder to extend the lead to three goals. Schroeder was pulled following the Black Bears' third goal and fourth-year goaltender Erin O'Neil took over in net for Boston University. Fifteen seconds later, BU's fourth-year forward Nina Rodgers was able to beat Jackson to cut the lead to

two. The Terriers finished the period leading in shots 11-8.

Less than a minute into the second, first-year center Michelle Weis beat her man to the outside for a breakaway with a chance to go up three. O'Neil had other ideas, and made a spectacular save with 10 minutes to go in the period, Maine received a penalty for too many players on the ice. On the ensuing power play, fourth-year center Victoria Bach was able to

beat Jackson, picking the top right corner to cut the lead down to one, making it 3-2 Black Bears. Boston University continued to lead in shots after two periods, 20-17.

Maine began the third period on the power play after Boston University's second-year defenseman Brenna Scarpaci picked up a hooking penalty with 52 seconds to go in the second period. During the power play, Bach went on a breakaway after picking up

a loose puck in the neutral zone, but was shut down by Jackson. Maine went on the power play again shortly afterward but again wasn't able to capitalize. With a minute and a half to go, Boston University pulled its goalie, but wasn't able to put one past Jackson as the Black Bears went on to win 3-2. Maine also took a series lead 1-0. Total shots were 33-23 in favor of Maine.

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News

Fire destroys home of five UMaine students



Second-year Liz Theriault looks at her house after the fire Friday.

Photo by Kerry O'Brien

Jordan Houdeshell
Editor in Chief

On Friday, Feb. 23, five University of Maine students lost their home to a fire. Firefighters from Old Town and the surrounding areas reported to the house on Stillwater Avenue around 1:30 p.m. Friday afternoon. They suspect that the fire started from the dryer, but have not issued

an official cause.

Luckily, no one was home at the time of the fire and it was able to be contained and extinguished, but not before the entire house was destroyed. Anything that the students did not have with them was destroyed in the blaze. The house was being rented by three journalism students and current writers for the Maine Campus, sec-

ond-years Olivia Shipsey, Liz Theriault and Hailey Bryant, along with second-years Casey Bennoch and Ian Fernald.

These students have received support from many different sources. UMaine has offered them dorms to stay in and free dining plans for the week following, to help them eat and sleep until they find a new home. The Red Cross was

also at the scene of the fire offering assistance, according to WABI.

The most notable help, though, has come from one of their former professors at the university. Josh Roiland met Shipsey, Theriault and Bryant through an introductory level journalism class. He started a GoFundMe page to help raise money for the students to support them moving for-

ward.

Roiland wrote on the page, "They are absolutely amazing students and people, and they lost everything they didn't have with them at the time of the fire. When I asked them what they needed, they inquired whether or not I still had extra copies of the 2016 Election Day newspaper they made during our Intro to Journalism course they

took in their first semester in college."

The Go Fund me page was shared by friends and family members of the five students and as of Sunday morning it had raised \$2,335 from about 40 different sources.

People wishing to donate can do so on the page at <https://www.gofundme.com/student-journalists-house-fire>.

"Exploring the Heart of Cross-Racial Conversations" discussion at Wells Conference Center

Taylor Abbott
News Editor

On Friday, Feb. 23, the University of Maine's Rising Tide Center hosted an event titled, "Tell Me The Truth: Exploring the Heart of Cross-Racial Conversations" in the Wells Conference Center. The talk was

led by Shay Stewart Bouley, writer of the blog "Black Girl in Maine," and executive director of the Community Change Inc., and Debby Irving, author of "Waking Up White" and a racial justice educator and writer. The two have been friends for around four years and have toured around various plac-

es in Maine to host intimate conversations regarding the subject of having interracial conversations as well as a dialogue between the guests in attendance. There were about 60 people in attendance.

Susan Gardner, the director of the Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies

program and director of the Rising Tide center opened up the event with some remarks regarding her work. "The mission of the Rising Tide Center and the Women's Gender and Sexuality Studies program is to foster a better understanding of and work toward an equitable environment both on

campus and in the world. This talk was provided as a reminder that in order to do such work, it begins with open ears, an open mind, and an open heart."

She then left the crowd with a quote from the late Gwen Ifill, "Change comes from listening, learning, caring and conversation."

The talk opened up with Bouley and Irving talking about their experiences regarding white privilege and the problems that Bouley has faced in regards to being a black woman. A big part of Bouley's opening to the conversation was

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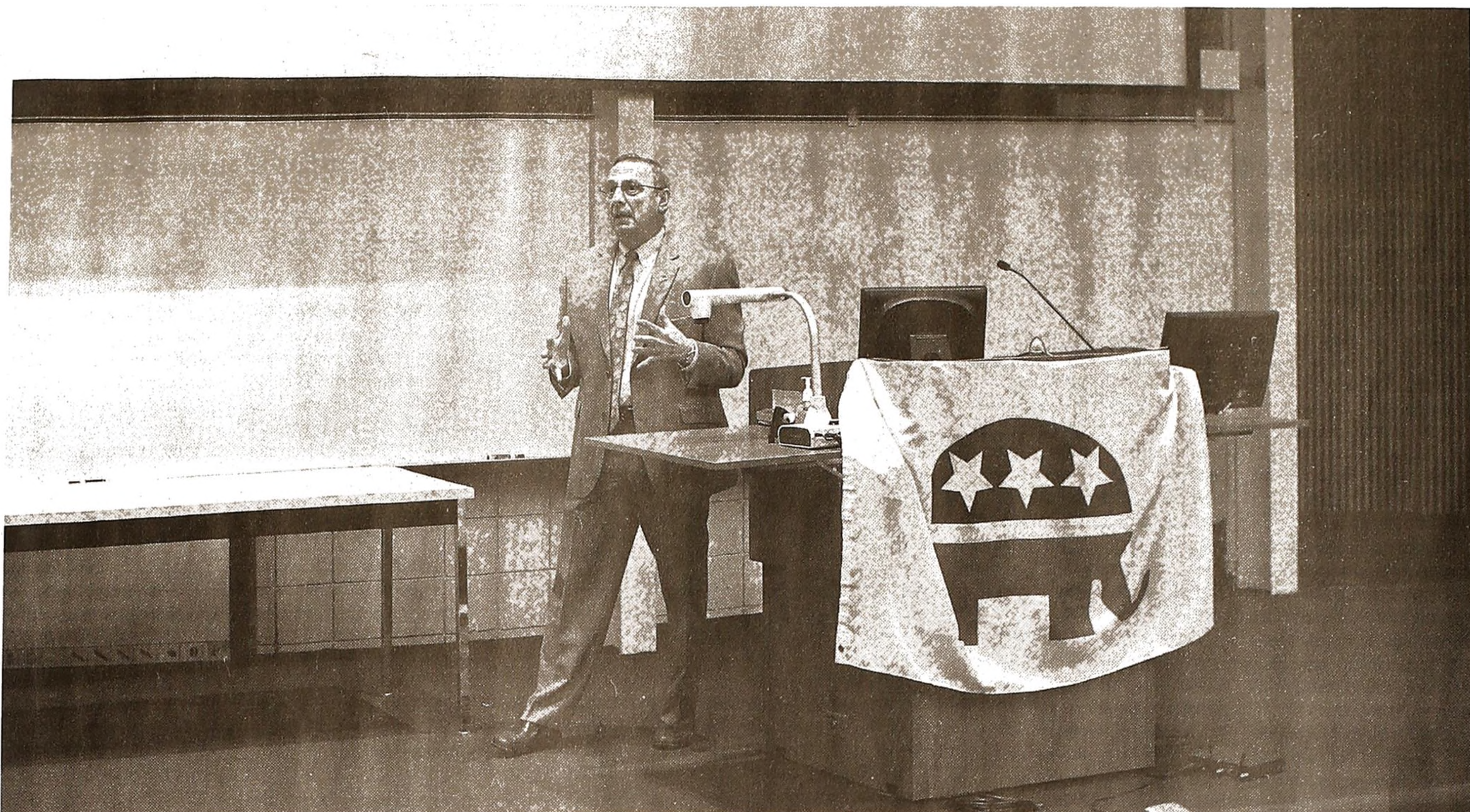
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Gov. LePage: "Young Adults Need to be Treated Like Young Adults"



Maine governor Paul LePage speaks about how an 18-year-old should be allowed to make his or her own decisions as an adult during a talk that was being hosted by the UMaine College Republicans on February 21

Matthew Lavoie, Staff

Lindsey Moran Contributor

"You have the responsibility to shape the future of the state of Maine," was the mantra of Gov. Paul LePage during the speech he gave on Wednesday, Feb. 21 in the Donald P. Corbett Business Building at the University of Maine. Concerned with Maine's aging demographic, the governor discussed everything from forgiving student loan debt and the national drinking age to the ways in which he intends to make Maine a business-friendly state before his term expires in January 2019.

Gov. LePage started the evening off voicing his opposition to a new bill not only being proposed by heavyweight democrats

like Senator Dianne Feinstein of California, but also sponsored by Republican Senator Jeff Flake of Arizona, that would raise the legal age at which individuals can buy rifles, such as the AR-15 rifle. He never mentioned the words 'gun' or 'gun control,' but instead alluded to the inconsistencies in legislation as they apply to 18 and 21-year olds. In his words, "This law denies you the ability to purchase a legal product."

He discussed the \$50 million bond he proposed, which would provide young people incentive to stay in the state upon graduating from an institution of higher education and joining the workforce.

"We should be doing everything we can to attract

young people to this state. Young people have to have the ability to invest in their own net worth," LePage said.

The governor cited his purpose for this bond as "keep Maine people in Maine," while attracting young people and investors from all over the United States.

In order to address the economic infeasibility of an aging and shrinking workforce, LePage has proposed a tax credit for businesses willing to help new employees pay off their student loans.

In his final State of the State address, the governor said, "We can invest in our young people by relieving the burden of student debt for those who want to stay in Maine or choose to

relocate here and start their professional careers."

"Students of today are the leaders of tomorrow. You need to be involved in the world you're going to be living in. You need to think about who you are sending into the legislature," the governor said. "[Legislators] do not think about our elderly, they do not think about our youth. They think about spending money."

The governor visited the University of Maine amid the controversy surrounding his accusation that Associate Justice Joseph M. Jabar failed to honor an agreement between himself and the governor. This statement said that the high court justice would resign before his 20th year of service on the Maine Su-

preme Judicial Court.

During his speech at UMaine, the governor said, "I want the Supreme Court to be more moderate. Only one part of the state is being represented." He offered an apology to Mainers for reappointing the justice and asserts that he "trusted someone who was untrustworthy."

As the Portland Press Herald reported earlier this week, Gov. LePage is also facing a lawsuit with the Maine Renewable Energy Association under the cause of action that the governor violated the Maine constitution's separation of powers when he issued a moratorium on new wind turbine permits.

Gov. LePage received a Bachelor of Science in business administration,

finance and accounting from Husson University before earning a Master of Business Administration from the University of Maine. His political career began in Waterville, Maine, where he served two terms as city councilor. He was then elected mayor in 2003 before running in the gubernatorial election in 2010. He remarked during his speech that he greatly looks up to political leaders like Abraham Lincoln and former Associate Justice of the Supreme Court Antonin Scalia.

"I am what you call a reformer. I'm not a politician, I'm a businessman," the governor said at the end of the brief question-and-answer portion of his visit.

UMaine hosts renters fair to help match students with apartments

Ryan Cox Contributor

The University of Maine held its annual Renters Fair in the atrium of the Memorial Union from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Feb. 22 and 23.

The fair serves as "a way for local landlords and property managers to come on campus and show students who are interested in moving off-campus and getting a rental property for next year, what they have available," Barbara Smith, a staff associate for Student Life for the Commuter and Non-Traditional Student Programs, said. "And, also to sort of help them learn about the process of going into signing a lease, and getting an apartment, and all the budgeting that comes from that. It's both property information as well as just general information about how to be a good neighbor and good renter."

Cross Properties highlighted the available spaces in their Timberview, Founder's Place and College Park complexes, as well as their standalone locations, and were quick to cite their 32 years in business. The rental fair, in conjunction with their web-

site, makes for good marketing, according to Cross Properties Representative Irene Wickett.

"This is a good outlet for us to get a lot of potential tenants to come out to a college forum," Wickett said.

Representatives for The Reserve demonstrated their key marketing points by focusing on their three to four bedroom apartments, with private bathrooms for each, as well as the fact that electricity, cable and internet would be included in the rent. The Avenue pushed their clubhouse space and on-site amenities as their major selling point. KC Management was also present, promoting its open locations in Orono and Hampden.

Tabling at the event was the University Credit Union, handing out pamphlets promoting renter's insurance through MetLife.

In addition to the nearby apartment representatives and businesses, UMaine also had staff present and tabling. The Financial Aid Office offered information pertaining not only to their student services, but also to the University of Maine's cost per semester, the dif-



The 2018 University of Maine Renter's Fair took place on the bottom floor of the Memorial Union this past week. On February 21st and 22nd, recruiters from a variety of different student housing complexes gathered to seek out potential tenants among the student body.

Ian Liggett, Staff

ferent kinds of financial aid, instructions for the use of Mainstreet and basic budget design and management. They also provided applications for this year's Summer Federal Work-

Study Program.

The Student Legal Services table carried handouts offering any undergraduate students free legal consultation "for a number of issues," includ-

ing reviewing apartment leases, courtesy of the Student Government's Legal Services Attorney Sean O'Mara. His office can be found in Room 157 in the Memorial Union, next to

the Wade Center. You can also reach him at 207-581-1789 or sean.omara@umit.maine.edu.

Weekly Updates

This Week in Student Government

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

Remy Segovia
Contributor

New Senators and Resignations

Melody Cropley and Dair Cruz were sworn in as new senators. Senator Bentley Simpson, the University of Maine Security representative, resigned.

Executive Reports

President Mary-Celeste Floreani, Vice President Logan Aromando and Vice President for Financial Affairs Song-Ping 'Ryan' Wang met with a president candidate during a round table with other student leaders.

Vice President Aromando and Student Representative Samuel Borer are finalizing a survey that is to be sent out to the entire student body.

Wang reported \$313,064.40 in unallocated funds.

Vice President for Student Entertainment Jared Dumas, spoke on the success of The Onion event on the previous Thursday, February 15. In regards to the spring concert, Dumas stated that "everything is rocking and rolling," and hopes to finalize the details by the end of spring break. Student government has partnered up with Waterfront Concerts to host Jim Gaffigan at the Cross Insurance Center on May 6.

Periodic Reports

Chair of the Fair Election Practices Commission Corey Clafin shared plans on advertising upcoming student government elections for president and vice president which are planned to take place on March 29.

Representative Board Reports

Honors College Student



Advisory Board representative James 'Jack' Brown announced a "Donuts with the Dean" events with Honors College Dean Francois Amar, focused around current events. The event will be held Friday, March 2, at 8 a.m. on the fourth floor of Colvin Hall.

Panhellenic Council

representative Stephanie Poirier announced Phi Mu raised \$5,614 with Black BearTHON. Poirier also announced Phi Mu will be having a lip-sync competition on March 27 at 7 p.m. Entry cost is \$30 per team and the event will be raising money for Children's Miracle Network.

Community Association Reports

Feminist Collective representatives Lori Loftin and Meghan Frisard announced that the film, "The Hunting Ground" will be screening on March 2. More events for Women's History month are on the way.

Consent Agenda

Allocations of \$135 to the International Affairs Association for pizza, candy and smart food for their movie nights on Feb. 22, March. 22 and April. 19 were approved by the Senate.

New Business

Nominations for the position of University of Maine Security Representative were announced. Senator John O'Donoghue was the only one to accept his nomination.

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Special Orders and Announcements

Senator Cruz announced that the United Nations Association of the United States of America (UNA-USA) is interested in creating a chapter at the University of Maine. According to Cruz, Maine is one of 10 states that do not currently have a chapter.

Dumas announced that nomination forms for the Senior Skulls as well as Sophomore Owls are now available online. The application will close March 9.

Nathan Godfried speaks of Red-baiting

Taylor Abbott
News Editor

University of Maine history professor Nathan Godfried gave this week's lecture as part of The Socialist and Marxist Studies Series, a weekly talk given since 1988. Godfried is a specialist of 20th century American history with research interests in the history of mass communication, American labor history and film history. Godfried's presentation was titled, "Better Dead than Red: The History of Red-Baiting in the United States."

The talk began with Godfried explaining the history behind his subject of discussion. The presentation has been done by other historians, however, his own work focuses on activists in the media during the mid 20th century. He also talked about how during the 1870s, the "reds" were

those that identified as socialists, communists, anarchists and cyniclists. In 1871, there was a radical socialist and revolutionary government that came and ruled Paris, which is known as the Paris Commune.

Godfried then began to talk about the anti-red crusades and the diverse forms in which they took place. The anti-red supporters believe that socialism and communism are and have been a supreme and unqualified evil that was visceral beyond law and reason as well as foreign influences that have resonated through time. There were also three major periods of time where there were major instances of red-baiting: the 1880's, the first Red Scare and the Age of McCarthy.

The first Red Scare emerged after World War I, and was an anti-communist movement that

spread across the U.S. It involved Russia, which had undergone the Bolshevik Revolution, where they established a communist government that withdrew troops from Russia during the war. The U.S. believed that Russia had let down their allies, including the U.S., by withdrawing from the war. Also, the theory of communism an ideology spread through the revolution and the belief was that the working class would overthrow the middle class, according to the Ohio History Central website.

The Age of McCarthyism was known for the practice of accusing people of subversion or treason without enough evidence, and is traced back to the previous U.S. Senator Joseph McCarthy. This was also known as the Second Red Scare. It spanned from 1947 to 1956 and included political repression and

the spread of fear through campaigning with Communist influence. Some common phrases that are associated with McCarthyism include paranoia and hysteria, as well as over-reaction to threats without action.

Godfried also mentioned the importance of not dismissing these events. He added that the process of demonization does make it easier for people in power to retain their power. With that comes the importance of looking at everything in its context, understanding that there are reasons why certain groups were red-baited over other groups through concrete economic and social issues.

Some examples of red-baiting that Godfried mentioned throughout include The American Legion, which started in the aftermath of WWI. During

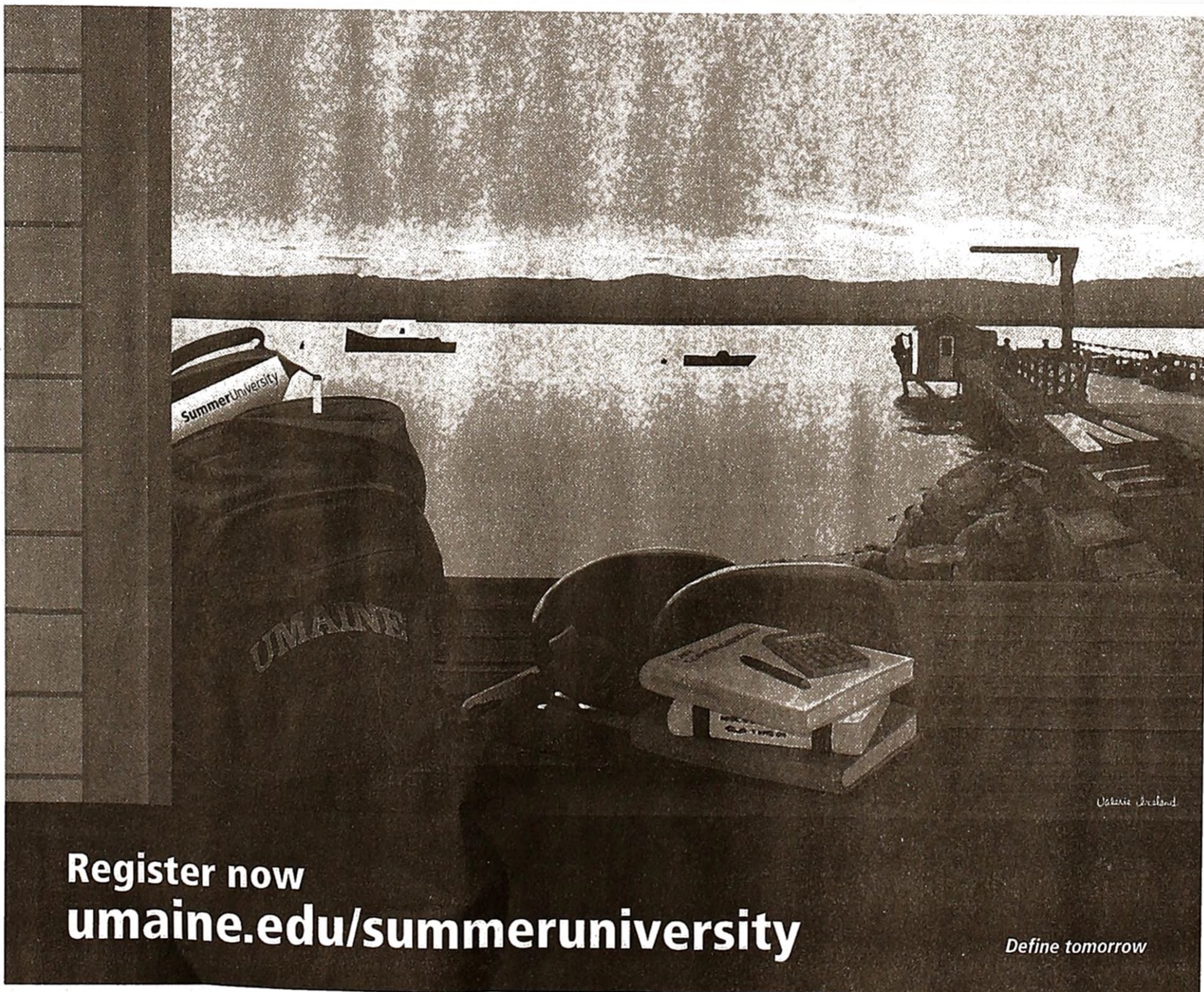
this effort, there were grassroots efforts made by veterans that came together for comodorotory and fun/doing good works and advancing patriotic goals. Their ways of practice promote 100 percent Americanism.

The problem with The American Legion, Godfried added, is that the group was a product of several upper class individuals who were worried about the spread of radicalism in Europe, and the group was originally funded by a \$100,000 loan from JP Morgan and Company. The membership to get into the group was not too high up on the capitalist spectrum and consisted mainly of middle and lower class entities. The organization did manage to stay away from political statements, but became involved in counter-revolutionary activities.

The Maine Peace Action

Committee is one of the sponsors of these talks. The group meets every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in the Virtue room of the Maples Building. Doug Allen, a professor of philosophy at UMaine asked students in attendance to consider attending these meetings. Currently their biggest topics of discussion include the issue of gun violence, how to approach situations that arise and how to act and respond in nonviolent ways.

Allen also encouraged students to consider adding a minor in Socialist and Marxist studies. The minor is in the course catalog and is constantly being updated. To get more information on the minor, Allen recommends stopping by his office in The Maples building or scheduling a meeting.



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Briefs

Quick news from around the country

Taylor Abbott
News Editor

Maine Gubernatorial candidates express opinions on gun reform

While debates about gun reform have spread and stirred up controversy throughout the country and the world, Maine gubernatorial candidates have

weighed in on their thoughts on the debate

Many democratic candidates support a ban on assault weapons as well as requiring background checks for all private gun sales

Republican candidates, however, push more towards mental health and societal issues as well as a

improved system for background checks, as they believe that this would be more effective than gun control laws Many Republicans believe that gun control laws only affect law-abiding gun owners.

Survivors of Parkland school shooting refuse to be silenced

After the shooting that took place at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida on Feb. 14, many of the survivors have come forward and made it clear that they want to reform gun laws

MSD student Sarah Chadwick has gained a Twitter following of over 150,000. She has used this platform to express her ideas and reach out to political figures. In one tweet, she writes, "We should change the name of AR-15's to 'Marco Rubio' because they are so easy to buy"

The students have come forward and become activists to make sure that the 17 lives lost are remembered and to ensure that justice will be served.

Highlights from Democratic Memo

The Democratic memo was released on Feb. 24, and a big topic of discussion has been the fact that it defended the federal investigation that is currently handling the surveillance of President Donald Trump's former campaign adviser.

The document was spread across 10 pages and has been blocked by

the White House for the past few weeks as they feared that certain information in the document contained classified information.

Now that the form is public, both sides of the political spectrum have analyzed and made their opinions On the one hand, Republicans and their allies believe that intelligence officials abused their powers, whereas Democrats believe that their allegations are baseless.

Lucas St. Clair running for Congress

Taylor Abbott
News Editor

The month of November in Maine will consist of elections for several different positions, including seats in Maine State Congress. The election will take place on Nov. 6, 2018

Lucas St. Clair is a Maine native from Dover-Foxcroft, located in Piscataquis County. He has spent most of his life in northern Maine and now resides in Hampden, Maine with his wife and two small children.

St. Clair worked for many years to create the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument, where he learned how elected officials do their jobs and how they work to make things better for the greater good of the people of Maine

"I want to help make people's lives better in the place where I grew up," St. Clair added

After graduating high

school, St. Clair went to culinary school and then moved on to work in the restaurant industry for over a decade. While working in this industry, he eventually got involved in politics after being approached by his mother who helped create a national monument. Through this, he learned hands-on what politics involves and how to make big differences

Following this, St. Clair began working in Congress on Capitol Hill to pass certain pieces of legislation including interior appropriations, a National Park Bill and Centennial Bill, where he worked closely with the White House. He was also on the Council of Environmental Equality and has experience running campaigns and polling/researching

St. Clair has been heavily influenced by his family. Since he's been interested in public land his entire life, he hopped on board and learned almost everything that he needed to

know through this experience. "My family is great," St. Clair said, "We're all very close. My mother, father and sister mean the world to me as well as my wife and kids"

One of St. Clair's goals includes working on the job economy. "I want to see the second district thrive," he said. "I have really fond memories of the district as a young person and believe that we have the potential to do great things and revitalize the economy"

To do this St. Clair believes that it is important to make investments in infrastructure and small business administration and innovation. He also values education as it is an important focus for his platform.

"Especially early childhood education," he says, "our kids deserve a good education regardless of where they live in the state"

He also believes that renewable energy and lowering energy costs are crucial and

are much more suitable for innovation in the marketplace in our country

St. Clair has dedicated a great deal of his campaign toward engaging with college students

"We have a really robust focus on college students," he said. "What's amazing right now is there is a young demographic in college that is incredibly engaged in our electoral process. If anything, this is the silver lining of the Trump election as people have woken up to repercussions to paying attention and/or not paying attention. We have spent a lot of time talking to college students across all campuses in our district and working closely to engage people in volunteering and working on out campaign"

When reflecting on his political experience, St. Clair looks up to several political figures. First, he talked about Martin Heinrich, a member of Congress from New Mexico

"I admire his approach and the fact that he is a huge sportsman. He enjoys to hunt fish as much as I do, but also understands the benefits of conservation"

Next, he talked about Senator George Mitchell, who he met when he was in middle school.

"He spoke at an event and I since have been impressed with his ability to work across party lines and be a pragmatic and thoughtful leader with not only issues surrounding the state of Maine, but issues around the country. I have gotten to know him over the years, and any opportunities that I have to listen to him speak are always incredibly motivating and inspiring," St. Clair added.

When looking at struggles that St. Clair foresees in the future, he added that, "Getting the message across in this day and age is inspiring, but there are a lot of distractions. A lot of people are seeing a

lot of issues that are affecting the way people think and stay focused on doing what is right for the people of Maine. Working with voters to make sure they feel like they are voting in their best interests is important as well because this is a large district that spans as far as Jackman, Madawaska, Hiram and Lewiston and hold a lot of needs. Each town/city has different issues facing them, and it is important to be sympathetic to what's happening across the district will be challenging but important."

Although St. Clair was on campus a few weeks ago, he made it very clear that he is more than willing to come by campus throughout his campaign to talk to voters.

"It's important to engage younger people in the democratic process," he said. His contact information can be found on his website.

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the fact that, "We realize in that moment that too often, people do not lack the ability to have a conversation with someone of a different race. In this moment (referred to as the head and heart connection), I feel now more than ever that there is a need for people to have conversations across racial lines. We need white people to have these uncomfortable conversations about racism with other white people"

"There are many racial and ethnic lines that any two people can cross," Irving said. "When one of those people or one of those groups are a white person, that is where the things get really complicated. When we say that getting to the

truth about cross-racial conversations, we're really zeroing in on the fact that I [Irving] am a white person and you [Bouley] are a black person, to that cross where white is in the mix"

"Whiteness is a dominant culture," Bouley added. "It really changes things when you have two people and you're trying to have a conversation with a white person because too often, their lens is only that of a white person, especially if they have not started the process of dismantling whiteness and examining their own racial identity. Trying to have these cross-racial conversations becomes a sort of struggle, and in some cases, if you are a person of color, you have to prove your own humanity to this well-meaning white person"

Bouley then talked about

her and Irving's travels to UMaine for the conference. During the trip, Bouley had to remind Irving to drive the speed limit because "Mr. State Trooper will not hesitate to pull you over with me in the car"

One of the most memorable moments from the conversation was the talk of "being woke"

"First of all, nobody's woke. By the time you've reached enlightenment, you should move on," Bouley said

Overall, the discussion gave people the opportunity to discuss experiences that they have had as well as provide ways to spark these conversations and have meaningful discussions with others that may otherwise feel uncomfortable initiating them.

The World This Week



Feb. 24 - President Trump announces that arming teachers would be inexpensive and up to states to decide.

Feb. 25 - At least seven people were killed after a United Nations resolution of a 30-day ceasefire in Syria.

Feb. 25 - South Korea says that North Korea is willing to talk to U.S. in Pyeongchang.

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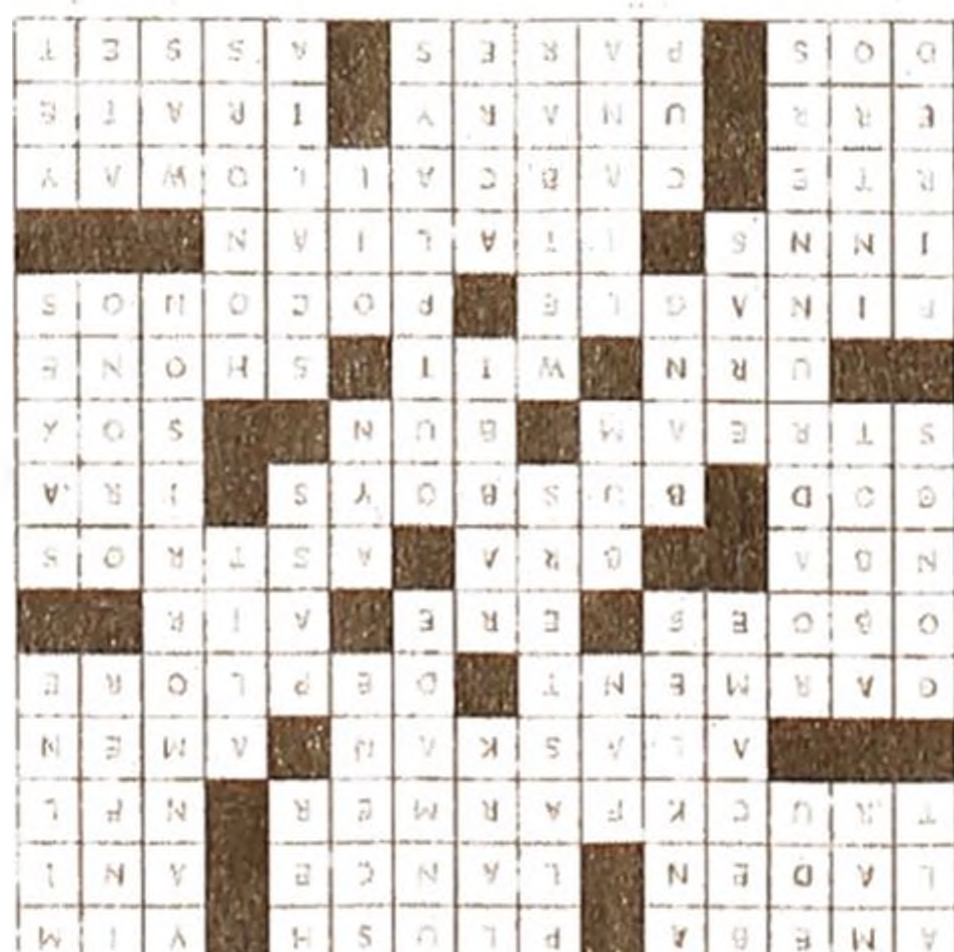
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Black History Month Book Circle Fogler Library 5 p.m.	MMG Insurance University of Maine 4 p.m. Presidential Finalist Open Session Minsky Recital Hall 9.30 a.m.	Workshop: Build-A-Solar-Cellphone-Charger Barrows Hall 5 p.m. Wednesday Dinner at the Wilson Center Wilson Center 6 p.m.	Nordic Ski Clinic Maine Bound Adventure Center 4 p.m. Full Moon Hike 1107 W. Old Town Rd. 6 p.m.	Oronoka Neon Party Bear Brew 10 p.m.	Moves and Movies Alfond Arena 1 p.m. Kickin' Flicks Neville Hall 8 p.m.

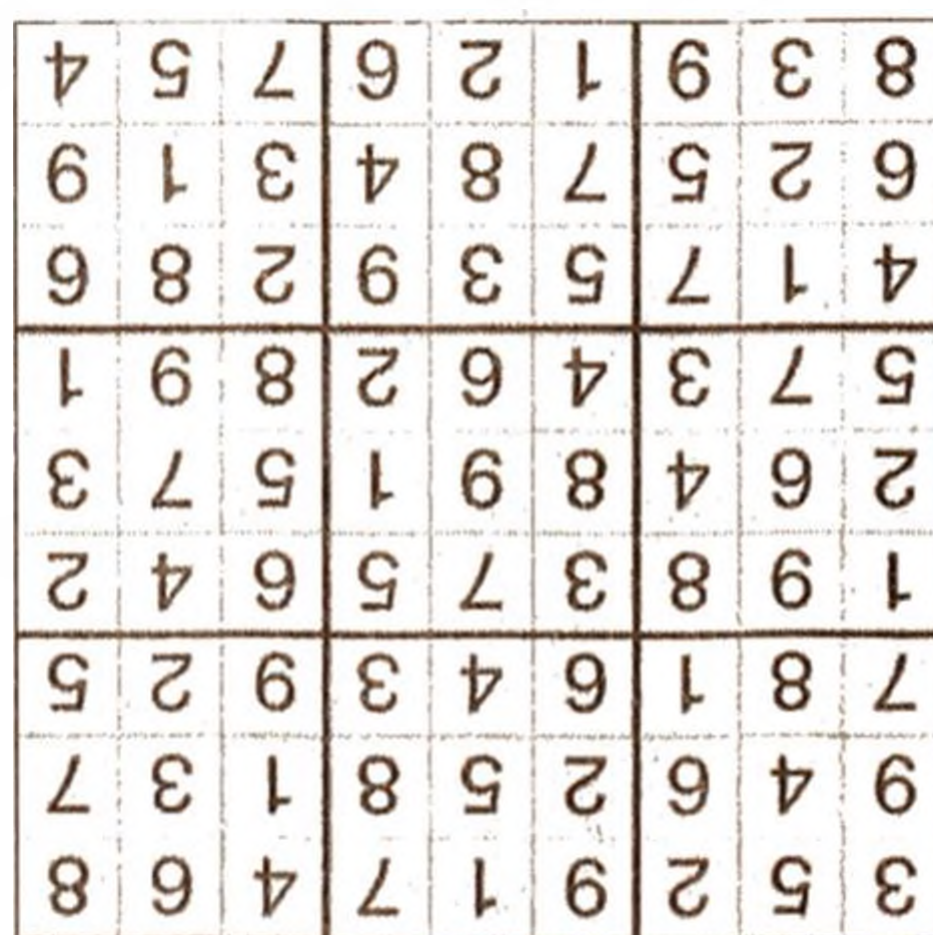
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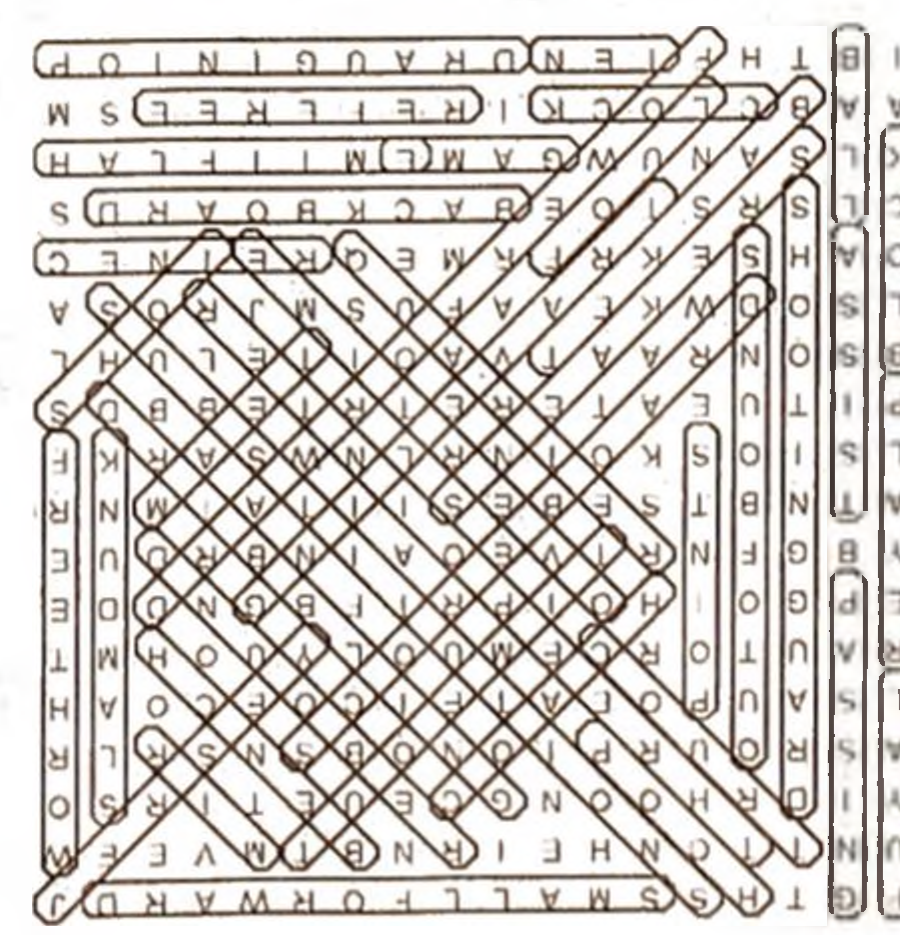
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Opinion

Monday, February 26, 2018

Editorial: Challenging diversity in Maine

Sarah Allisot
Opinion Editor

Education is one of our best safeguards against ignorance. Without the crucial work of activist groups, representation would take a serious blow in our mostly-white state. Race demographics from the 2010 U.S. Census report that Maine is 94.8 percent white, with the remaining population split among several racial groups. The census also reports that black residents of Maine make up less than 1 percent of our population. Forbes reported on the 2016-2017 academic year demographics of the University of Maine, showing a modest 2 percent population of black students. Needless to say, Maine is mostly white, and very sheltered from diversity as a whole.

That's not — and never should be — the end of the story though. Despite Maine's demographics, white residents are not the only people here. There are vibrant, important stories waiting to be told by the other communities in our state. It's easy to dismiss calls for diversity, especially in regards to film and television. How much does one movie really matter, in the grand scheme of things? A lot, as it turns out. The reality is that white people are safely stitched into the narrative of society; we are the dominant group as far as popular media is concerned. We must make the conscious decision to include people of color, or risk dehumanizing and misunderstanding huge groups of people simply because we don't know any better.

Perhaps simpler to understand is the importance of female representation. Stories featuring women in the lead give inspiration to young girls and empowerment to other women. The Center for the Study of Women in Television and Film, based at San Diego State University, found that women represent 29 percent of protagonists in 2016 — and this was a record high for representation. The relaunched "Star Wars" franchise centers on a girl, and kid's movies like "Brave" and "Moana" offer alternative ideas to the dated Disney princess archetype. This issue is seeing continuous improvement, but it addresses only one segment of under-representation.

In recent years, we've seen social media movements, celebrities speak-

ing out against the racial homogenization of characters in film, and wild successes of black-character-led stories. #Oscars-SoWhite raged through 2015 as a response to the devastatingly low number of black-produced work receiving nominations and awards. David Oyelowo, a British-Nigerian actor and producer known for his work on "Selma" and "The Butler," said about the lack of diversity in the Academy Awards: "For 20 opportunities to celebrate actors of color, actresses of color, to be missed last year is one thing; for that to happen again this year is unforgivable... I am an Academy member and it doesn't reflect me, and it doesn't reflect this nation." This month's release of Marvel's newest film, "Black Panther," sent tidal waves

of support for black characters and stories through the nation. One star of the film, Lupita Nyong'o, showed her support for increased diversity, posting to Instagram in 2016: "I stand with my peers who are calling for change in expanding the stories that are told and recognition of the people who tell them."

Representation is more than just making marginalized communities feel good about seeing a movie or attending events that suit their cultures and heritages. Everyone in the nation will benefit from increasing diversification. Nicole Martins of Indiana University offered her perspective on representation to The Huffington Post. "There's this body of research and a term known as 'symbolic annihilation,' which is the idea that if you don't see

people like you in the media you consume, you must somehow be unimportant." What we consume leads us to make decisions about people and situations. Someone with only infrequent, superficial encounters with black Americans will benefit from interacting with the black community and their work.

This February, the UMaine campus celebrated Black History Month with several events, including a book club, topic discussions, potlucks and movie viewings. These gatherings offer community to the black students on campus, and bring exposure to black art, culture and voices for the rest of us. In a place as white and rural as Maine, these experiences are much-needed lessons.

How many times?

Liz Theriault
Contributor

I am sure that readers are sick of seeing op-ed pieces about gun control. And guess what? I'm pretty tired of writing them. But, the fact still remains that the 18th incidence of gun violence on school grounds in the United States has already occurred this year, and that 17 innocent people lost their lives in Parkland, Florida, and that nothing is being done about it. So I'm going to write about it — again.

But the question I have is how many times?

How many times do I, as well as many other opinion writers, activists and concerned citizens throughout the nation, have to write these articles? How many times do the same words have to be written in renewed desperation? How many times do we have to hold the unreasonable, should-not-even-be-a-debate argument on whether we value the right to own a deadly weapon more than

the lives of our fellow citizens, families, friends and children?

The same articles are being written and the same words are being said because the same arguments keep being had. In an attempt to sit down and decide which one is the most prevalent in light of the recent tragedy, I realized none of them should even be considered adequate.

There are arguments that try to discuss different policy issues to get guns out of the spotlight. Whether or not gun violence is a mental health issue, whether violent video games and movies are the cause; or why abortions are allowed but guns are not — these have nothing to do with the situation at hand. Guns are the problem.

There are arguments that paint victimized children and teachers of the shooting as pawns in a political game, controlled by the media or the left to promote an anti-gun agenda. But these students are not naive; they are angry and scared. They are pushing

a movement that focuses on the real problem: guns.

There are arguments claiming that even if guns are banned, people will still find a way to attack others. But there is no way to look at a fully automatic military grade weapon and make an adequate comparison to a smaller weapon. Once again, the problem is the gun.

There are arguments that adding more guns to the situation would have fixed the problem. But putting armed guards at schools, churches, movie theaters, malls and other public spaces sounds a lot like the introductory settings of a dystopia with authoritarian government in control of its people. Not to mention the level of training it would require to trust individuals to correctly utilize weapons and protect our children, whether it's teachers or veterans. If the problem is guns, then adding more is not the solution.

There is something about

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Infrastructure in transition

Brawley Benson
Contributor

On June 14, 2016, people gathered in the small northern town of Howland, Maine to celebrate a newly constructed fish-bypass around the town's dam, signalling the end of a 16-year process that restored much of the Penobscot River. Together, the attendees planted a chestnut tree on what was to become the new waterfront park. These were new beginnings, and the completion of what many call an incredibly successful collaboration in dam-related sustainability. The Penobscot River Restoration Project (PRRP) was finally done. As the dam removal movement in the United States grows, cases like this one show the inevitable confrontations between current and past public interests that will arise. Addressing these problems won't always be so easy.

In part, it's because of the wide array of interest groups involved with dams. As one can expect, it's no easy logistical feat to coordinate collaboration between landowners, public officials at the local, state and federal level, dam owners, hydropower corporations, nongovernmental organizations and people living near dams. The PRRP is so noteworthy in part because it supposedly managed to reconcile differences and integrate all views into its action plan.

But that's not so simple. Dam removal is hardly an attractive option for many. Just like any public work of architecture, a dam can take on a somewhat symbolic role for people in towns surrounding them. Identity is built around landmarks — like the Eiffel Tower in Paris or the Statue of Liberty in New York. For smaller towns, dams can serve this image: the most impressive symbol of civili-

zation and a nice construction to look at in their area.

There is a much more tangible side to this issue. The material benefits provided by a dam. In 2016, hydropower accounted for 43.6 percent of renewable electricity generation and 6.5 percent of all electricity generation in the United States. That's hardly inconsequential, especially because the use of sources of energy may be unevenly distributed across geography. Taking out dams can be a direct threat to this method of energy production, which produces a very real economic impact on the people receiving it.

What is to be gained from dam removal can be both difficult and easy to see. If you're not looking for it, you won't see the that populations of fish whose migration paths were once inhibited can now freely swim greater lengths of the

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#NeverAgain and gun regulation in America

Sam Tracy
Contributor

After the Parkland shooting, gun debate in America has once again gained traction. The #NeverAgain movement, led by student survivors from Stoneman Douglas High School, is leading the charge against the politicians and policies they believe are responsible for slack gun laws in the United States.

The #NeverAgain movement has bolstered many young activists who finally feel their opinions will be heard by their representatives. Some members of #NeverAgain can't even vote yet and they have already marched on the Florida State capital, with plans

for more demonstrations in the future. The movement also provides a platform for the survivors of the Parkland shooting to give their unique perspective and broadcast to larger audiences. Much of the work the students are doing is online, allowing their greater outreach — especially to their own demographic.

CNN compiled a list of the "Most Powerful Quotes" from the Parkland shooting, and all of them speak directly to the heart of the movement. Many of them call out politicians who oppose gun regulation. "We've had enough of thoughts and prayers," Delaney Tarr, one of the Parkland survivors, said. "To every lawmaker out there: No longer

can you take money from the NRA. No longer can you fly under the radar doing whatever it is that you want to do. We are coming after every single one of you and demanding that you take action."

At the Florida State Capitol, 100 students swarmed around their conservative representatives to demand answers. According to the New York Times, the young activists shouted, "Shame on you! Shame on you! Shame on you!" at Governor Rick Scott, a staunch supporter of gun rights. On another floor, they crowded around the office of the speaker of the Florida House, Richard Corcoran, and screamed, "Face us down! Face us down! Face

us down!"

Between Jan. 1, 2015 and Feb. 15, 2018 — the day of the Parkland shooting — there were 1,624 mass shootings in the U.S., defined as incidents where four or more people were shot, according to The Guardian. That's 1,624 shootings in 1,870 days. While Florida's Republicans face rising pressure on gun policy, historically the occurrence of another shooting means nothing. Gun regulation and its proponents have been heavily critiqued by the GOP and the conservative right. Infamously, Republicans and gun control opponents offer their "thoughts and prayers" after a tragic mass shooting.

Compared to the statistics, thoughts and prayers don't add up. In fact, a growing number of people no longer care about the thoughts and prayers offered by politicians such as Vice President Mike Pence and Republican House Speaker Paul Ryan. President Donald Trump said, "My prayers and condolences to the families of the victims of the terrible Florida shooting. No child, teacher, or anyone else should ever feel unsafe in an American school." But these Republicans "all have staunch pro-gun stances and financial ties to the NRA," according to CNN, and, furthermore, have a history of doing nothing in response to calls for gun control.

The shooter at Parkland legally owned the AR-15 he used to kill 17 students and staff before fleeing the scene of the crime. The accessibility to such highly destructive assault weapons is just one aspect the #NeverAgain movement is fighting to change. Something needs to change. More and more people are being needlessly killed. As the president said, no one should be made to feel unsafe in school. Nothing will get done, however, as long as many of our politicians share the same NRA-funded sentiments they have for decades.

Guns from A6

the Parkland shooting that feels more desperate. There is a new level of hopelessness. Florida students are taking buses to their state house just to watch legislatures, paid by the National Rifle Association, to refuse to address gun restriction possibilities. Children voicing their opinions after suffering a horrible tragedy are being accused of being false flags and media pawns. It seems as if the nation is rushing through

the same process: mass shooting, fight for change, push it down and become desensitized until it happens all over again.

I urge anyone who decides to take the side of guns in this endless argument to watch the videos those children took while passing by their dead classmates' bodies, trying to desperately run to safety. I urge you hear their sobs and reflect for a moment — consider whether the right to own a fully automatic weapon truly is more important than making sure something like this never happens

again. I urge anyone who takes the side of the children to call their legislatures. Go to your state house and protest, act and demand change. In the age of social media, it is easy to feel like reposting a hashtag or sharing a story is adequate work. But if we are going to ever reach a day where we can stop asking ourselves how many times we have to hear the same old arguments, it is going to take active political action. That is the only flicker of hope I see left.

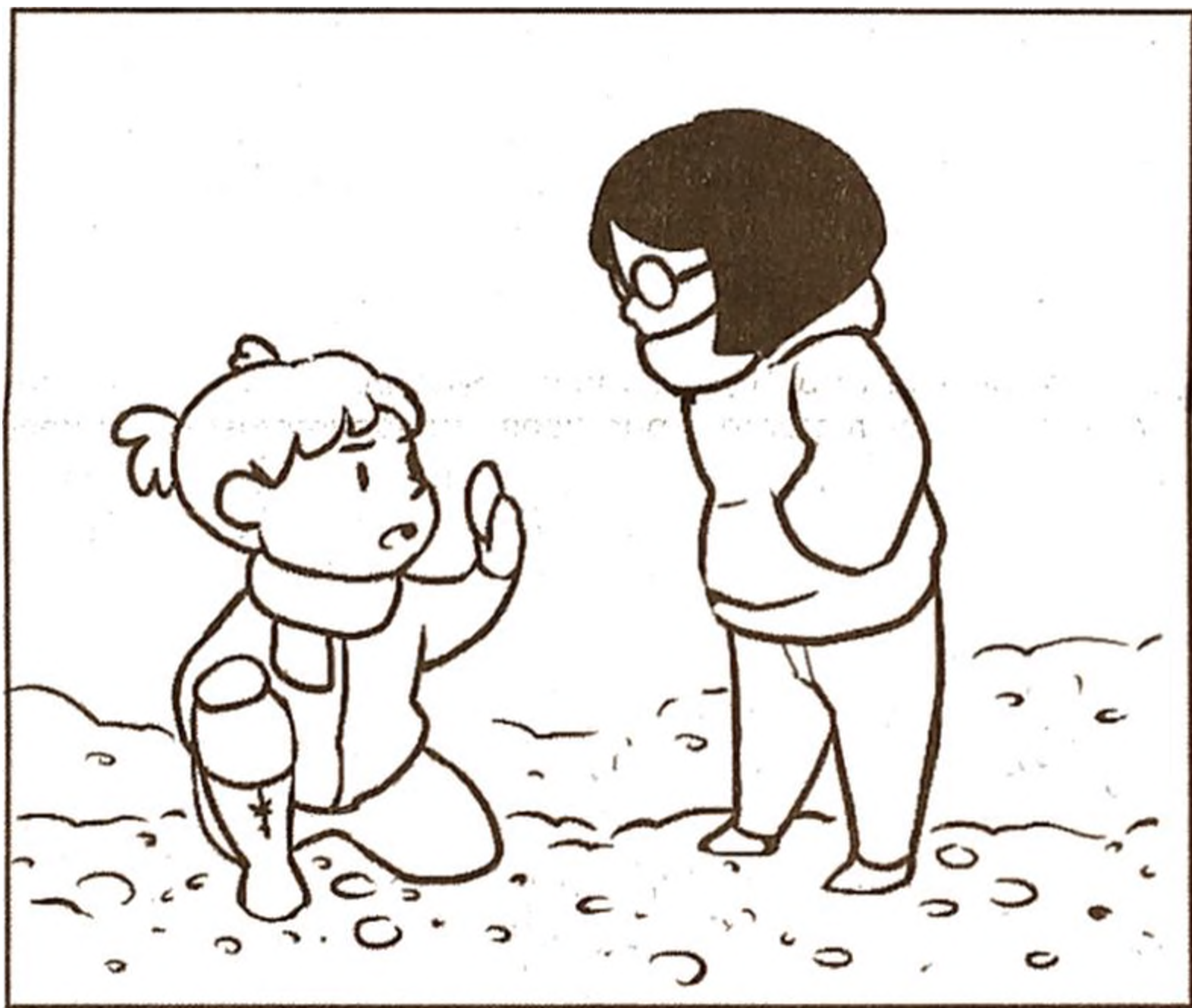
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river. You won't see the release of healthy sediment that has been trapped behind the dam, depriving any area downstream of materials needed to maintain the riverbank and riverbed. What is visible are changes in the landscape as the river rebounds to its natural position — the one it held before the dam was built.

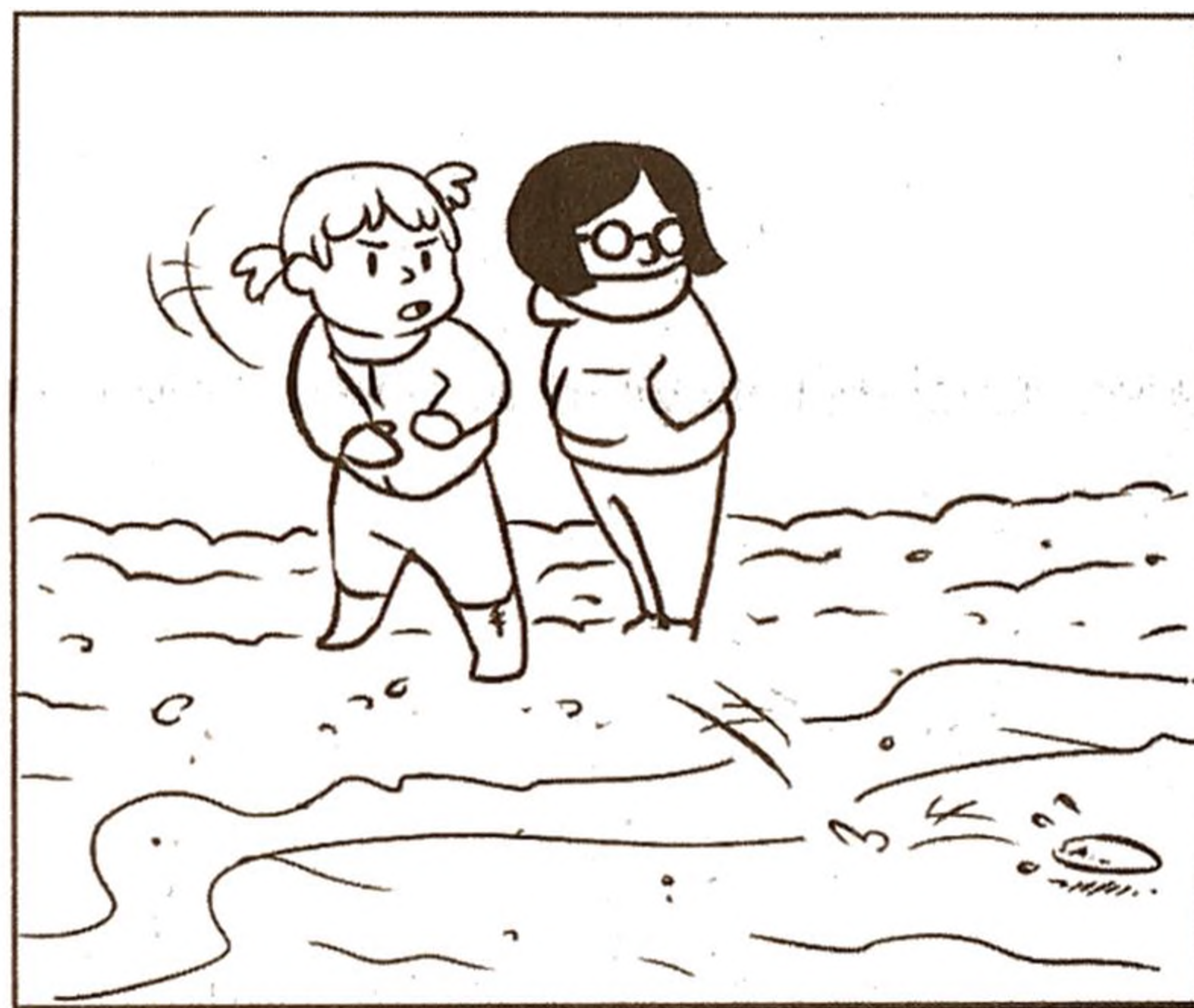
Dam removal is not a black and white issue. It's

one that needs careful consideration and discussion so that all viewpoints are taken into account. As the trend moves toward removing and upgrading, we are confronted with an unprecedented issue: what does it mean to break with tradition and reverse these projects that were once considered permanent? Is this a sustainable shift, or one that divides us on socio-economic lines? The advent of more sustainable technologies will only exacerbate this issue and bring it to the forefront.

Don't expect dams to go away, but do expect to see the discussion grow wider, encompassing many more works of public energy infrastructure.



My dad says no one is doing anything about the gun violence because they're scared it'd be a breach of human rights.



If the response to "lives come first" is a strong "yes, but", then I think we've already got a problem more serious than those rights.

Caitlyn Burman | Cartoonist

Human trafficking: The sale of women in your own backyard

Brawley Benson
Contributor

It's an unattainable dream for traffickers of guns and drugs to be able to sell and resell their commodity again and again. Consider how gun and drug crimes would skyrocket if narcotics and arms dealers could profit multiple times from the same product. For those involved in kidnapping, tricking and trafficking women into the sex trade, their commodity can be sold and resold for so long as the victim remains alive and under their control.

The trafficking of women into prostitution is pandemic. "Human trafficking is believed to be the third largest global criminal act," the Federal Bureau of Investigation reports. According to the Washington Post, over a million women and girls have been affected by this crime. Not only does human trafficking make up a significant portion of the

global crime rate, but it generates tens of billions of dollars in revenue. A girl can sell for as much as \$3,500 for one encounter with a buyer. Stephanie Hepburn and Rita J. Simpson discovered in their collaboratively published study of human trafficking that, "As of 2005, this global phenomenon reaped an annual worldwide profit of \$44.3 billion."

Misconceptions of human trafficking include the notion that trafficking is a problem that only exists outside of the United States. Many believe this crime to be common only in foreign areas and only inflicted upon American citizens who are risky enough to travel abroad. The Washington Post further reported, "Sex trafficking to the United States is estimated to bring 50,000 women and girls to our shores each year." Though trafficking of women is extremely prevalent in Europe and other parts of the

world, it is essential to recognize its presence in the United States too.

"Gradually, the wrong is being righted. But it takes time, and a lot of education and increased awareness," Attorney General Janet T. Mills explained at the Justice For Women kick-off event in 2015. She went on to explain the progress that we have made as a nation by enacting several laws that resulted in a significant decrease in the demand for women as a commodity. For example, one passed federal law prohibits travel agencies from advertising or arranging international or national travel for commercial sexual benefits and exploits.

Human trafficking is so widespread that it touches even our little corner of the world. HumanTraffickingHotline.org reports that 11 human trafficking cases have been reported this year in Maine, with 63 percent of

these cases being sexual exploitation, victimization and trafficking of women.

Fortunately, all 11 cases were diligently reported by the National Hotline for Human Trafficking. Organizations like the Human Trafficking Hotline and dosomething.org have helped citizens report suspected instances of human trafficking and provided victims with support. "We've made much progress, but we still have a ways to go," Mills stated in her final remarks.

Though advocates have been fighting to clear up misconceptions and laws have been put in place to protect potential victims, we still have much more to do about this persisting pandemic. We can continue this fight by advocating for victims and reporting suspected behaviors at the National Hotline for Human Trafficking at 1-888-373-7888.

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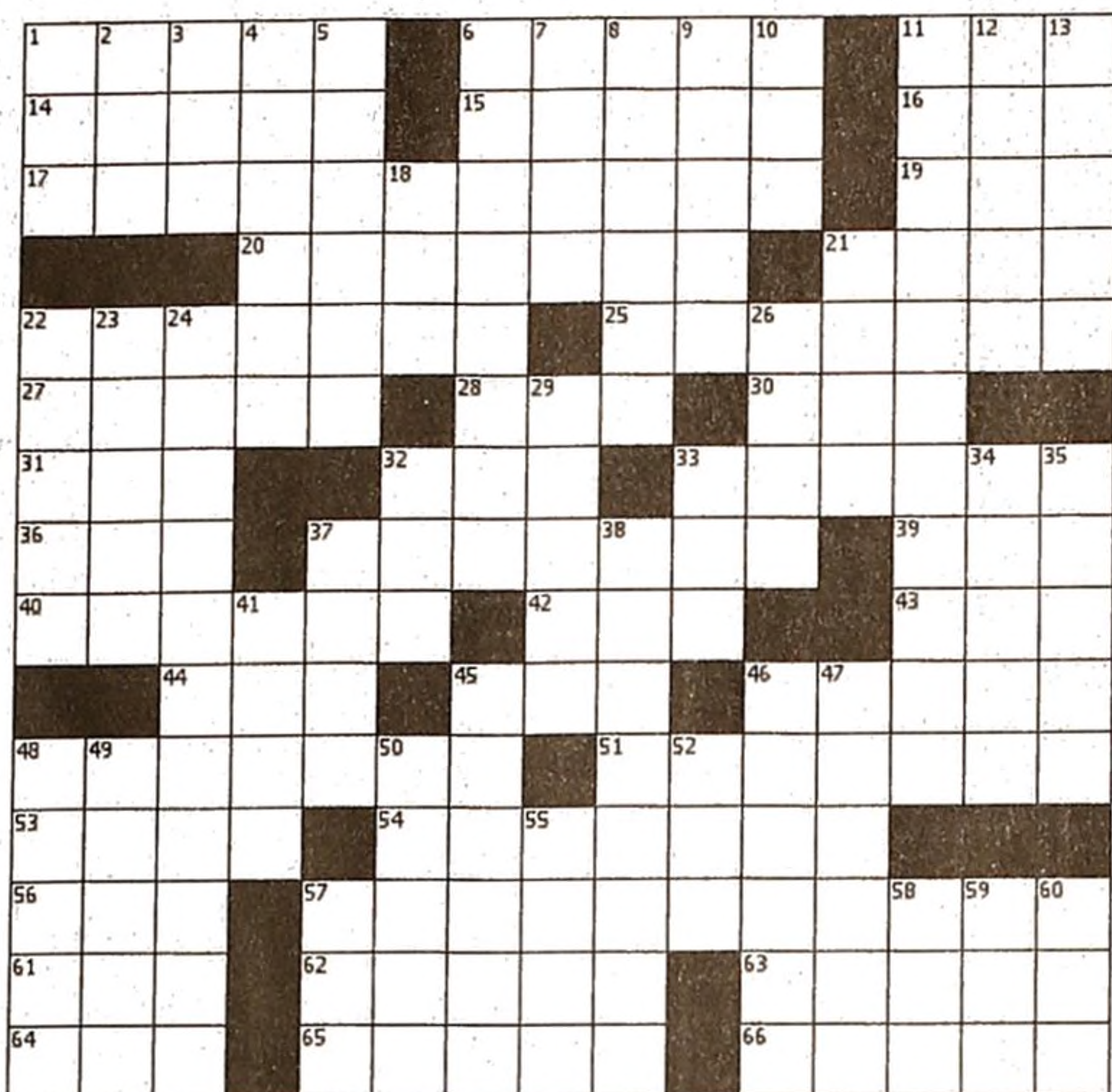
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THUMBS DOWN

- Snowy Weather
- Student Loans
- Chest Pains
- Shorter Break
- Olympic Endings

Diversions

Crossword



Across

1. If it divides, it multiplies
6. Luxurious
11. Energy
14. Weighed down
15. Cavalryman's weapon
16. Singer DiFranco
17. Veggie provider
19. Org. that has many ends?
20. Malamute, e.g.
21. Flock response
22. It'll keep you in stitches
25. Condemn
27. Bassoon relatives
28. Midway down Everest?
30. Make known
31. Org. that has many guards?
32. Grille covering
33. They once played in a dome
36. Part of TGIF

Down

37. They make things clear
39. One of the Gershwins
40. Steady flow
42. Hairdo choice
43. White or Red fellows
44. Server for a soiree
45. Punster
46. Gleamed
48. Achieve deviously
51. Pennsylvania resort area
53. Hostels
54. A Romance language
56. Map marking, briefly
57. "Minnie the Moocher" singer
61. Miscalculate
62. Having a single part
63. Kind of customer
64. Windows predecessor
65. Trims
66. Figure in black?

Down

1. Mtn figure
2. Make imperfect
3. Part of a prof's address
4. Turned into
5. Sprain victims
6. Repairs the wall
7. Merry undertaking
8. Like some beds
9. Commotion
10. That schooner
11. Bluesy rock singer from Belfast
12. Gather
13. "Now We Are Six" poet
18. Aficionado
21. Dismounted
22. Striking instruments?
23. Monastery head
24. Alternate title of this puzzle
26. Free ride
29. Talmud scholar
32. False, as a steer
33. Novelist Rand

Down

34. Town north of Bangor
35. Instruments for Stan Getz
37. Shut noisily
38. Does better on the field
41. Paleozoic and Mesozoic, e.g.
45. Where there's a lot of mixing
46. Supreme Court name
47. It's good to graduate with them
48. Shown the door
49. Song prelude
50. Tropical vine
52. North Slope yield
55. 1/640 square mile
57. Vessel that's vied for
58. Had the quality of being
59. Got something down
60. However

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Word Search: Basketball

- ASSIST
- BACKBOARD
- BALL
- BASKET
- BENCH
- BLOCK
- CENTER
- CLOCK
- COACH
- COURT
- DRIBBLING
- FOUL
- FREE THROW
- GAME
- HALF-TIME
- HOOP
- JERSEY
- LAY-UP
- NET
- OUT OF BOUNDS
- OVERTIME
- PASSING
- PLAYER
- POINT GUARD

- POINTS
- POWER FORWARD
- QUARTER
- REBOUND
- REFEREE
- RIM
- SCOREBOARD
- SHOOTING GUARD
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- SMALL FORWARD
- SNEAKERS
- SUBSTITUTIONS
- TEAM
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- TIME-OUT
- TRAVELING

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By Randall Munroe

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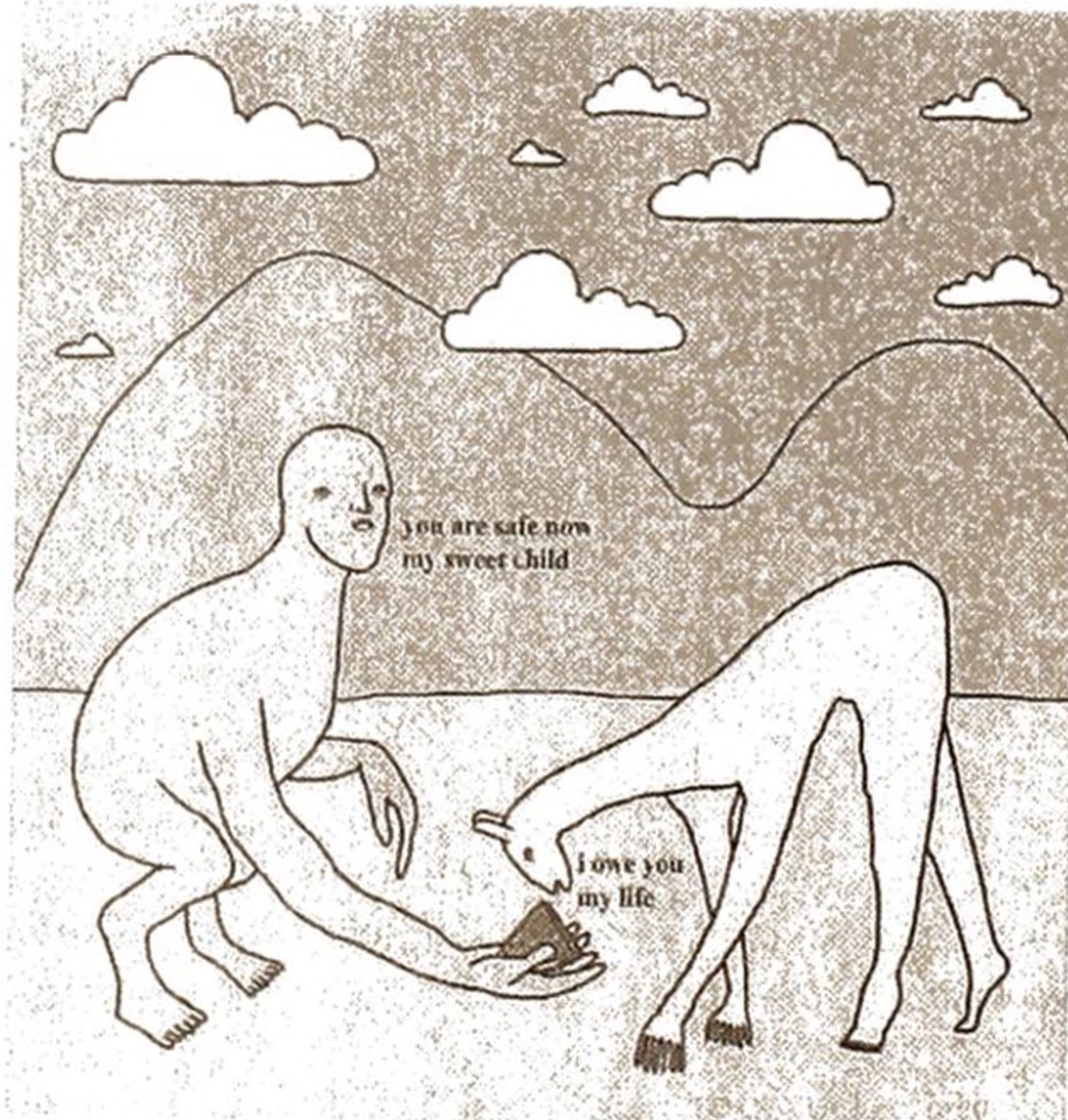
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BART	10	38
HOMER & MARGE	36-15H	64-15H

IF YOU WERE BART AND LISA'S AGE DURING THE FIRST FEW SEASONS OF THE SIMPSONS THIS YEAR YOU'RE THE SAME AGE AS HOMER AND MARGE.

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Meme

When ur broke and ur friend buys u food



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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.

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Word Scramble: St. Patrick's Day

1. iwbroan

2. hakrsmco

3. cgaim

4. dpday

5. lremeda

6. enelgd

7. edrpaa

8. clkeub

9. rptya

10. siirh

rainbow, shamrock magic, paddy, emerald legend parade, buckle, party Irish

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Reviews

MUSIC

"Little Dark Age" is too gloomy for its own good



RATING



Finn Bradenday
Contributor

of a suicide, but that easily could be because I was transferring the depressed attitude of the rest of the album onto this track.

My least favorite song was "Days that got away." It's a purely instrumental track, which sets the bar high. I need to have my socks knocked off by instrumental interludes to find any enjoyment in them, and this sounds like a couple teenagers messing around with music software for the first time.

The best song of "Little Dark Age" is "One thing left to try," the eighth track. It's the only song that calls back to the MGMT I know, with bouncing synths and a rocking baseline. The lyrics are no less dark than the rest, but they're decodable and easy to appreciate. This is where MGMT excels, and I hope it's a sign that the band I rely on for getting my groove on is still inspired.

"TSLAMP," the abbreviation of Time Spent Looking At My Phone, represents my frustrations with this album well. It's a valid outcry of the addictiveness of smartphones, bemoaning how easy it is to isolate oneself from being social. The lyrics seem to barely scratch the surface of the potential for such a song, leaning heavily on repetition. I could tolerate the refrained lyrics if there was a solid melodic arc to fall back on, but it never picks up, leaving the song unresolved.

I finished "Little Dark Age" feeling exhausted. I

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MOVIE

"Black Panther" delivers representation on the big screen



RATING



Aliya Uteuova
Culture Editor

This movie received exponential hype and rightfully so — "Black Panther" is a big deal. Being able to see a movie where people of your skin color hold positions of power, roles of technology geniuses and superheroes, as well as the villains is a big deal. Representation matters and "Black Panther" has done so impeccably well.

If you haven't yet watched "Black Panther," go on a Tuesday because the tickets only cost \$5 at the nearest movie theatre, Spotlight Cinemas in Orono. Myself and about a hundred other moviegoers had the same idea last Tuesday. As my friends and I stood in the line for tickets, more and more people flooded the cinema, some even exclaiming, "Hope we can find a seat, it's packed!" And packed it was, to the point that the latecomers had to settle for the least-wanted front row seats.

The movie follows T'Challa (played by Chadwick Boseman), the King of Wakanda, as he takes over from his deceased father. In addition to inheriting the throne, T'Challa assumes the role of Black Panther, a superhero who protects Wakanda. For years, the global arena viewed Wakanda as a failed African state, when in reality, it secretly thrived due to vibranium, a rare meteoric ore in the Marvel Universe that has energy-manipulating qualities.

As he prepares to take the throne, T'Challa is faced with unforeseen

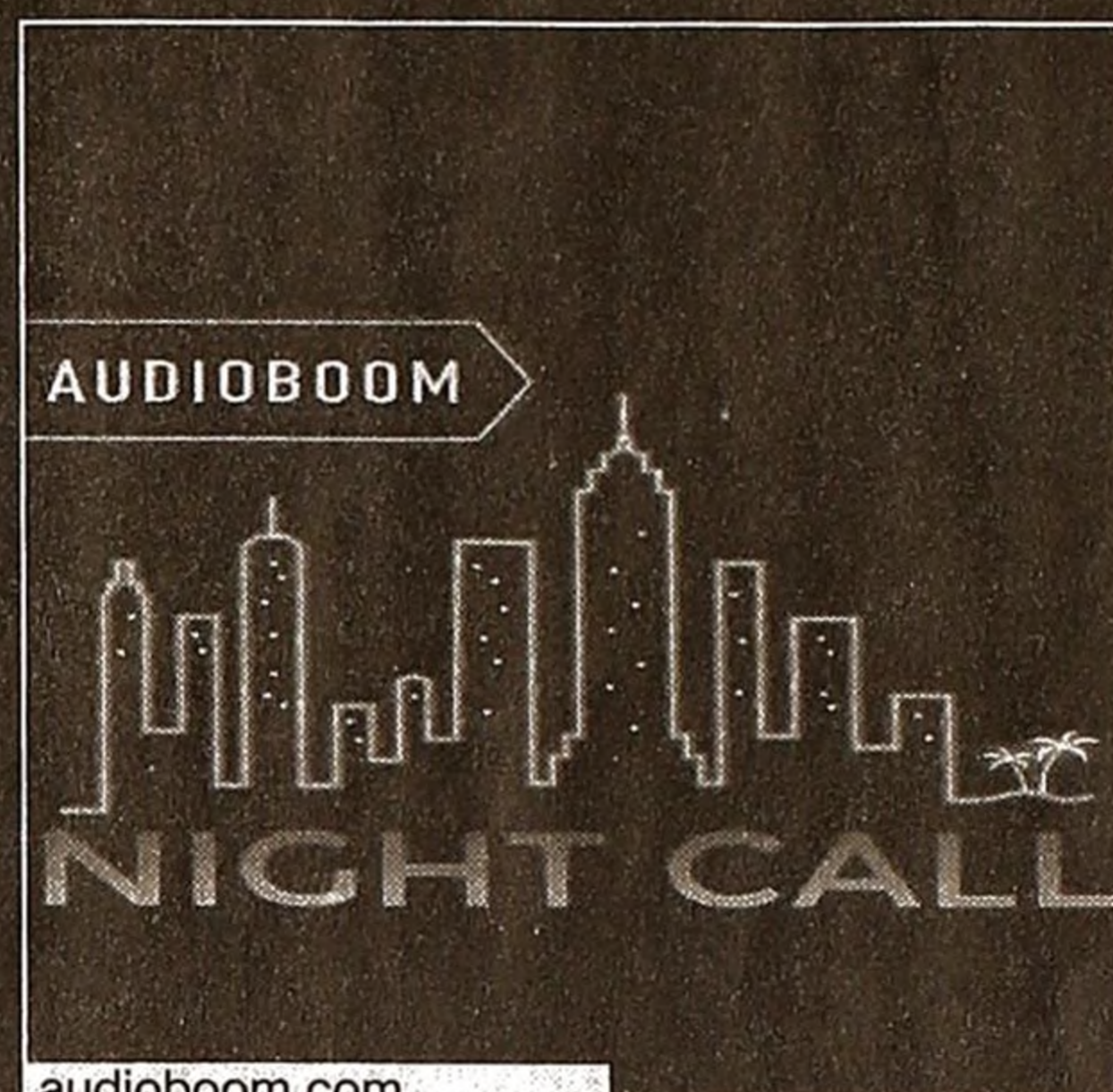
red herrings from M'Baku (Winston Duke), the leader of an isolated mountain tribe and later Ulysses Klaue (Andy Serkis), who had managed to steal vibranium from Wakanda in the past. But the most threat to T'Challa's ruling is posed by Erik Killmonger (Michael B. Jordan), a power-hungry, vengeful villain who becomes the nemesis of Black Panther. The character development of Killmonger is interesting to witness as it takes unexpected turns.

My favorite part of the movie (besides Chadwick Boseman as T'Challa) was the elements of African culture and the juxtaposition of tradition and modernity. You could see it in clothing, where each pattern in the different tribal gowns represented its own meaning. Respect to the ancestors, a central part of many African tribes, is also noticeable in the movie as T'Challa seeks the advice of his predecessors, ultimately rising up to challenges in his own way. You could hear the African culture in the music too. The composer of the score, Ludwig Goransson, traveled to Senegal and South Africa to record local musicians to form the "base" of the soundtrack, and Kendrick Lamar produced the film's curated soundtrack. I went to watch the movie with my friends from Iran, Nigeria, Ethiopia and Burundi. My friend from Burundi shared that the songs reminded her of home.

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PODCAST

"Night Call" is a podcast for millennials



RATING



Griffin Stockford
Contributor

The internet age has birthed unlimited pop culture and a new way of talking about ideas. The podcast "Night Call" features a group of intelligent and captivating women tapping into that potential.

"Night Call," a podcast that debuted on Feb. 5, doesn't stick to a particular set of topics. Molly, Emily and Tess are three women of the millennial generation, and "Night Call" reflects that, as they touch on topics such as our obsession with our phones as well as new movies and Netflix shows. It's not aimed at being solely funny or informational, but rather the three women balance serious and funny with no true agenda for either. At one point in the first episode, a zany conversation about mole rats leads straight into the question of whether or not you would want to be immortal.

While the format may leave some wanting a bit more clarity as to what each episode will be about, the show knows itself and the three hosts have clear chemistry from the start. They're obviously comfortable with each other and often pose bizarre questions and scenarios the moment they pop into their heads. This leads to topics ranging from mole rats to "Paddington 2" to "Black Mirror" to which "Zodiac" character you would be, all in the first episode alone.

"Night Call" is for men and women alike. Most of the topics discussed on the show are related to pop

culture, the internet or crazy scenarios, and the hosts seem to have made a conscious effort not to isolate themselves on one side or the other. The hosts don't make themselves out to be experts on anything they're discussing; they're just sharing their thoughts and opinions.

Part of the show is also caller-based, which should keep the show fresh each week and will allow the listeners to participate. The hosts ask for callers to pose questions or scenarios, however outlandish they may be, for them to discuss and debate.

Hopefully, as the show progresses, the producers will put more information in the episode descriptions so that listeners can see more of what to expect for a particular show. A large portion of episode one was talk about "Black Mirror," a show I've never seen, so ideally I'd like to know to either pass on the episode or skip forward to a part of the episode I'm interested in.

The hosts of "Night Call" are thoughtful and funny, and the show has the potential to be able to really grow because it isn't stuck in one particular field. It's not confined to politics, entertainment or comedy, and allows the audience to call in and become part of the show. The show doesn't come at you loudly or intensely — it's more soothing than anything — and it would be an easy show to pick up at any time, as every episode seems to be its own entity.

A renaissance fair and chowder for folks from away

Finn Bradenday
Contributor

On Sunday it stopped raining for the first time since I arrived in Santiago. That sounds like an exaggeration but I truly hadn't seen the sun in 10 days. With the walls of dreariness finally gone, I took to the hills surrounding the city for a day of mountain biking and exploring. After huffing and puffing my way to the top of the biggest hill I could see, I discovered a matrix of single-track bike trails spreading for miles from the summit. The sight of me on my

pawnshop-bought, 70 euro mountain bike drew plenty of sideways glances from the more serious riders, who were riding top-of-the-line bikes and were decked out in full protective pads.

I thought the city was beautiful before, but I wasn't prepared for the green, endlessly rolling hills speckled with orange terra-cotta rooftops that I could only see on a sunny day. After a stomach-turning streak down the mountain that turned my wrists to powder and tried to disassemble my bike, I decided that I would come back when I at least had a hel-

met. Feeling refreshed after my morning of flirting with backcountry injury, I met my roommate, Lisandro, and hit the town. We discovered that the city was holding a renaissance festival, complete with period-appropriate food and costumes for the participating vendors. From my experiences with historically themed fairs in the United States (few and far between), I've come to expect a degree of kitsch and half-hearted ornateness. I was surprised by the effort put forward by the town. Tented booths covered

sausage makers, bakers and jewelers crafting their wares. A trio of musicians: guitarist, bagpiper and drummer, strolled the narrow stone streets, walking the razor-thin line between entertaining and driving me to distraction. Appreciation of bagpipes is a skill I've been slow to pick up.

I've been in classes for three full weeks now, and I'm relieved to be breaking through the language barrier that has been such a stressor on my time here so far. My comprehension is still around 40 percent, but the professors and especially the other students

now understand the true depth of my ignorance, and are gleefully attempting to simplify everything to a level that a 6-year-old could understand. I received applause for reciting three error-riddled sentences about Robert Mueller's Russia investigation in Spanish.

Because I'm a glutton for embarrassment, I agreed to an invitation to play futsal, a variant of soccer played on a small concrete court, with a collection of international students, mostly from Central and South America. I showed up and proceeded to get scolded

for an hour. To be honest, I think I impressed them just a little, as unwilling as they were to admit it.

In my quest to spread Maine's culture, I'm cooking a huge pot of fish chowder for my roommates tonight. We decided to have dinner together on a weekly basis. Last week, Nicola, from Italy, made us pasta carbonara, impressing everyone, and right now the most prominent anxiety in my life is that the cream is on the verge of curdling. Our state's reputation rests on my performance.

Guitar Club spreads music across campus



All are welcome to Guitar Club meetings on Thursdays at 7 p.m. in 203 Little Hall.

Evan Loignon, Staff

Bria Lamonica Contributor

Gathering in Little Hall on Thursday night with guitars, amps and good vibes, members of the University of Maine Guitar Club prepared for a night full of music.

"The Guitar Club here at UMaine is just a chill and fun way to get to know other people who love music and playing guitar as much as you," first-year student Kathryn Klebon said. She serves as the secretary of the club. "Because college

is so hectic, and oftentimes as a musician I don't get to practice and play as often as I'd like to, it's nice to have a set time blocked out in your schedule where you know you can just relax and play."

Second-year student and president Liam Kent formed the group a little over one year ago. His goal was to create a fun, stress-free environment where music was the center of attention.

"I've always wanted to join a guitar club, and I saw that our school had an

acoustic club on campus," Kent said. "I searched online and on Facebook for the information and meeting times, but all the participants had graduated. I got a few people together who wanted to form a club, and last year we were recognized by the Student Government as an official group."

The club meets once a week on Thursdays at 7 p.m. in Little Hall. At each meeting, students gather in small groups to play and perform for each other. They also work on building

music-making skills and refining technique, as well as helping beginners get a feel for the instrument, teaching them chords and steps. The group plays various genres of music, and welcomes people from all different skill and levels.

"This club is so great because the more you play with others, and connect with other musicians, the better you get as a guitar player," fifth-year student and vice president Kyle Schumacher said. "We have a relaxed, open-door policy in the club, we always wel-

come new people to join no matter if they have previous guitar playing experience or not."

Planning and brainstorming for future events and performances, members of the club hope to see it grow and expand as they take on different projects and host events. The club continues to hold meetings every week and do what they love, and the guitarists put time and energy into making sure it is a relaxing and uplifting environment.

"We want to help people on campus network togeth-

er with other musicians, and get better as a community," Kent said. "We want to spread good vibes, and one of the ways we are trying to reach out to more people is by planning events like a Battle of The Bands or giving lessons to other students. We have a lot of opportunities to make a difference and bring the music scene more alive here at the school."

For more information please visit the University of Maine Guitar Club on Facebook, or contact Liam. Kent@maine.edu

UMaine students share their travel stories through a library panel

Bria Lamonica Contributor

Six student panelists sat down at a long table in Fogler Library, as they got ready to discuss their international travels and adventures at the International Travel Workshop. The event took place the evening of Tuesday, Feb. 20 at Fogler Library. Panelists took turns sharing their experiences and answering questions for the students and staff who attended.

The workshop was focused on informing students about international travel and the study abroad programs offered at the University of Maine. Grace Liu, the Business Administration Specialist at Fogler Library, asked questions of the panelists. The floor was then opened up for the audience to ask other

questions and share personal stories that related to studying abroad and traveling to other countries.

Each of the panelists answered questions related to what they learned while abroad, what they liked or disliked about the trip, where they went and why. They spoke about their backgrounds and what made them decide that studying abroad was the right move for them. The panelists were of all different ages and backgrounds, including Victoria Lydick, a fourth-year marine biology student who studied abroad in Australia at James Cook University.

"After high school I went on a trip around Europe, and got the travel bug in me," Lydick said. "I decided that studying abroad was definitely going to be in my plans for college. I went

in with zero expectations, deciding on Australia at the last minute and just seeing where the trip would take me. We ended up spending five days in New Zealand, driving 16-18 hours per day and sharing a tent with five people. We all depended on each other for things like cooking and cleaning, and making sure we were all happy. It was such an amazing experience."

Other panelists included Trinity Jacques, a third-year social work student, and Amy Lyons, a fourth-year international business and international security student.

"I wanted a real genuine experience of speaking Spanish without any English influence, so I chose to study abroad in Chile where I could fully immerse myself in the language and culture," Lyons said. "It

was incredible to have the opportunity to speak and interact with the natives."

Each of the students who participated told stories of how they fit into the new culture and adjusted to their surroundings.

"I love getting out of my comfort zone. Leaving the country has completely changed and inspired me, and I keep wanting to visit new places," Carman Lambe, a fourth-year international business and international affairs student, said. "Studying abroad in four different countries has made me realize that I have a passion for being abroad and learning about new cultures and people. I'm so glad I've had these opportunities, they have even caused me to switch majors."

The team of panelists not only discussed how

their trips abroad went, but they also provided dozens of tips and tricks that they wish they had known before going away, and advice they thought students who plan to study abroad should hear.

"Language clubs and advisors here at UMaine can help get you ready and comfortable to go to a country where they speak different languages," Lambe said. "They can help you get familiar with the culture, and give you a taste of what that country is like. We have so many resources here on campus that people should take advantage of before and while they are studying abroad."

Grace Kelley, a second-year nursing student, and Ashley Sara, a marine biology student who studied in Australia, also shared insights and advice.

"Be smart with your time management. Focus on school and remember why you are studying abroad in the first place," Kelley said.

"Look at the location and also the school before you get there. Do some research and find out more about the city and area," Sara said.

All six of the panelists not only shared their stories and feedback, but also mentioned some of the programs that enabled them to study abroad, such as the International Student Association (ISA) and the Universities Studies Abroad Consortium (USAC).

For more information on how to study abroad or travel internationally, please contact international@umaine.edu.

Persian from A12

al-Qadir Maraghi, but it was heartwarming enough. We tried to push forward and connect anything that had his name on it." If she could ask Abd al-Qadir Maraghi, she'd ask where the rest of his lost work can be found and whether he enjoyed the group's performance.

Hosain (Amir) Haddad Kolour, a Ph.D. candidate in the civil engineering department, co-organized the

event with UMaine SPA and the help of Professor Beth Wiemann, Chair of the Music Division at UMaine and Professor Ali Abedi from the electrical and computer engineering department.

"I wanted to show the beautiful face of my country," Haddad Kolour said. "Because any time that I watch the mainstream media I see the bad news about Iran and the Middle East. So I decided to do something about that and show the beauties of my country." Indeed, the ancient music

captivated the audience as some swayed to the melodic rhythm.

"It was fantastic," Dyan-drea Labonte, a graduate student at UMaine, said. "Being able to see history come out of the music they were searching for. I didn't know what to expect coming to see this movie, but it turned out so much more mysterious."

Labonte believes that it doesn't matter that the musicians weren't able to reproduce Abd al-Qadir Maraghi in its original version.

"It's about creating something new out of something old," she said.

In the credit scene, the final cut of one of the songs was played. Having seen the behind-the-scenes of making this music, the audience seemed so much more appreciative of the finished result.

To answer how the music from six centuries ago could resonate with people of the modern time, Darvishi puts it best saying that "when you do something with love, it stays forever."

Lisnet from A11

not too long after that, he proposed. In July, Ron and Julie Lisnet will celebrate 34 years of marriage. Their daughter Natalie Acadia is a first-year student at UMaine studying theatre and music education. Ron tries to have lunch with her once a week.

"They run into each other once a week, it's fun for him, and fun for her too," Haverkamp said.

This past October, Julie Lisnet's mother Gertrude Brandt Arnold passed away. Julie couldn't be there by her side, but Ron was.

"Ron was with her holding her hand," Julie said. "I couldn't be happier to have Ron there with her. I can honestly say he's my husband, I love him dearly and he's my best friend."

Mental Health Monologues allows storytellers to shine



Nico Whitlock opens the Mental Health Monologues hosted by Active Minds on Feb. 22.

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Olivia Shipsey Staff Writer

Throughout history, storytelling has provided a way to capture pieces of our personal history and share them with others. While this can help the storyteller heal or process, it also allows the listener to gain an in-depth understanding of the world around them.

On Thursday night, Feb. 22, the University of Maine's chapter of Active Minds hosted the Mental Health Monologues. For the second year, community members gathered in

room 100 of the Donald P. Corbett Business Building to hear their peers share their personal experiences surrounding the issue of mental health. The event hosted a diverse group of 12 students who used their voices to educate and inform on a variety of topics surrounding mental health.

Active Minds has worked since 2012 to change the conversation and stigma around mental health on campus. Through multiple events each semester and weekly meetings, they hope to act as a support system for struggling stu-

dents.

Shayla Kleisinger, a third-year biomedical engineering student, closed the first act with a monologue discussing her personal experience with bipolar disorder. Using the rhythm of a beat poet, Kleisinger shared the intimate moments of her struggle. She attributes the ability to share her story publicly to the inner strength built by her difficult experiences.

While she was on the crew of last year's event, this year she decided to take the stage. She believes the event is import-

ant in reducing stigma and reminding students that Active Minds is a community available to those who need support.

"We aren't alone. Even though this campus feels big, and it's easy to sometimes feel lost in the crowd or that no one understands what you're going through, we all can share in the bad but more importantly celebrate the good," Kleisinger said.

At intermission the audience was encouraged to check out the community-created origami quilt, or visit tables offering free

pins, information on campus counseling and raffle tickets for sale.

Last semester, Active Minds collected 1,100 origami squares to represent the 1,100 American college students who die by suicide each year. While tabling they asked students "What could tomorrow bring?" and collected answers ranging from "a good bassline" to "thrift shopping." They hope the quilt will remind students of the positive things each day could bring.

In addition to raffle tickets, they sold bracelets

engraved with the phrase, "The world needs you here," and bottles of water to raise funds for Active Minds. The two raffle winners received either a bundle of gift cards donated by local businesses or a stress relief basket.

If you are interested in participating in this event next year, or joining Active Minds to change campus stigma about mental health, attending a group meeting is the first step. This semester meetings are held on Thursdays from 7 to 8 p.m., in the Lown Room of the Memorial Union.

Lisnet, the man behind the camera, has a big heart that believes in UMaine



Ron Lisnet (center) photographing UMaine students at the Maine Bound Adventure Center on Feb. 22.

Maggie Gautrau, Photo Editor.

Aliya Uteuova Culture Editor

As you walked from class to the library, did you ever notice a 6-foot-3 man taking pictures of you? Don't worry, it wasn't a stalker (hopefully). It was Ron Lisnet, the man who oversees visual media at the University of Maine — from photography to Instagram posts to video pro-

duction.

He might've also bumped into you at one point, if he was too focused on navigating a drone or yet another piece of technology that would capture the essence of UMaine.

"I love it, there's always something different going on here, from research to science to arts to athletics, so it's a lot of cool things to cover," Ron Lisnet said

about the multifaceted job he does without professional training.

Lisnet obtained a forestry degree from UMaine in 1983, thinking that he would go down the woody path in the future.

"I love the study of forestry," Lisnet said. "As time went on, I decided to do something different. I'm not sorry I did forestry. I had a lot of fun."

His favorite tree is the white pine. "The Maine state tree," Lisnet said enthusiastically. "It's actually an interesting tree, I did a piece on it not too long ago. They call it the tree that built America, because..." and he went on to describe research done at UMaine about a disease that affects his favorite tree.

"As a boss, Ron is a

good mix of easy going and supportive," Holland Haverkamp, a photographer and videographer for the UMaine Division of Marketing and Communications, said. Haverkamp shared the fact that Lisnet does a good habit impression, a common fish that belongs to the family of right-eye flounders.

"He always tries to come up with ideas and stories to do. Social media is something he really pushes, and obviously he's really nice, but he has a horrible sense of humor."

Ron Lisnet's wife, Julie Lisnet, would disagree with Haverkamp.

"He's got an amazing sense of humor. Very funny, which I'm not sure a lot of people necessarily would think," Julie Lisnet, an actress and a professor of theatre at UMaine, said. "He tends to be on the quiet side, I'm the one with the big mouth. Maybe I don't let him talk as much as he should. He's got a wonderful and warm sense of humor."

Julie met Ron back in 1982, her senior year at UMaine. She was studying theatre, he was studying forestry. Their paths would not have crossed had Ron not auditioned for a play Julie Lisnet was in.

"He happened my last

play," Julie said, recalling the story of the first time she laid eyes on Ron. He was taking a theatre class, and the professor was directing the Irish play "The Hostage" and invited his class to come and audition.

"I remember sitting at the Cyrus Pavilion, with a theatre friend of mine, and this tall guy walks in and he had funny patches of hair on his face, I didn't know at the time why. Tall people like him kind of slouched, and I was being this snotty theatre person, so I looked at my friend Larry and said, 'God who is that geek?'"

Both of them got cast in the show, and Julie later found out that Ron was in Alpha Gamma Rho, the agricultural fraternity. "Turns out they had a beard-growing contest, and Ron was losing badly. I noticed that once he shaved, he was kinda cute."

The play took place in the Al Cyrus Pavilion on campus, right by the Fogler Library. Today, Julie teaches at the Pavilion on Tuesday nights.

"It's a special place for all kinds of reasons," Julie said.

They started dating, months later they decided to live together, and

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Guitar Club

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NEW AND UPCOMING RELEASES

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"Stupid F##king Bird" breaks the fourth wall while addressing pertinent social issues



Catch student actors perform "Stupid F##king Bird" in Hauck Auditorium from March 1 to March 4

Evan Loignon, Staff.

Jordan Houdeshell
Editor in Chief

"Stupid F##king Bird" claims to be "a 'sort of' adaptation of Chekhov's 'The Seagull' by Aaron Posner." Directed by Meg Taintor, this play does this description justice. The production follows the general structure of "The Seagull" combined with monologues contemplating life and characters interacting with the audience.

With an unexpected start, the entire cast marched onto the stage and proclaimed that the play would not start until someone in the audience said, "Start the f----- play." The audience obliged and the play began. It was clear from this first line that the play would break the fourth wall, including the au-

dience in the performance. At times throughout the play, the entire plot would stop for a minute so that someone could ask a question of the audience and wait for a response, creating dialogues between audience members and the actors. At other moments, characters would make side notes about the play, that they were currently performing. The most notable example being when Conrad, played by first-year Elijah McTiernan, was talking about the play he wrote, which was actually the play they were performing.

With a cast half the size of that of the original play, there is significant opportunity for dialogue among the characters and sizable monologues where all the other characters watch in the shadows.

It was through moments like these that social issues were questioned and limits were pushed.

Right from the very beginning, Conrad was questioning societal roles. Through his play within a play, his girlfriend Nina, played by fourth-year Isabella Etro, questioned what it meant to be here and whether this was a work in progress. Although not everyone in the audience, made up of the other characters in the play, enjoyed this play, leading to it ending early, it started off the performance pushing boundaries.

As the play went on, various social issues were addressed including the human capacity to care, the forms of theatre and the selfish nature of mankind. Although

most of the younger characters took part in this, one character who seemed completely oblivious was Conrad's mom, Emma, played by fourth-year Nicole Felix, which created some tension between her and her son.

With the current political climate many lines that the characters delivered were particularly relevant to the changes many people have been calling for. In the middle of one of many monologues, the increase in school shootings was brought up in a way suggesting that it could have been placed even before the recent tragedy in Florida. Although issues like these were presented, there was still the typical drama expected from the theatre, such as conflicts of love and family drama.

In one of the first scenes,

Dev (fifth-year Alan Liam Estes) and Mash (first-year Caitlyn Rooms) broke up, due to Mash's love for Conrad, who was very in love with Nina. Despite Conrad's love for her, Nina had taken an interest in Emma's boyfriend, Trigorin (second-year Curran Grant), creating a very messy love triangle. The issue of love and how to deal with the inability to be with your true love was explored throughout the play, with no clear conclusion found by the end.

Although the play might not be exactly what you expect from an adaptation of Chekhov's work, it questioned social norms and kept the audience engaged through its almost three hour of runtime.

Despite it being open-

go!

What's happening in and around Orono this week

Tuesday, Feb. 27.

LGBT Tea Party 2 - 3 p.m. Rainbow Resource Center, Memorial Union
Free

Tuesday, Feb. 27.

Tuesdays at the IMRC 7 - 9 p.m. IMRC, Stewart Commons
Free

Wednesday, Feb. 28.

Chamber Jazz Recital 7:30 - 10 p.m. Minsky Recital Hall
Free with MaineCard

Thursday, March 1.

Stupid F##king Bird 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Hauck Auditorium
Free with MaineCard

Thursday, March 1.

Movie: Battle of the Sexes 6 - 9 p.m. Neville Hall
Free

ing night of the play, Friday, Feb. 23 saw an audience of around 50 students and community members, most of whom engaged with the play when called for. The play will continue on Thursday, March 1 at 10 a.m., Friday, March 2 and Saturday, March 3 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, March 4 at 2 p.m. in Hauck Auditorium. Tickets are \$12 or free for students with a MaineCard.

Documentary follows the revival of ancient Persian music

Aliya Uteuova
Culture Editor

On Friday, Feb. 23 at 7:30 p.m. the University of Maine School of Performing Arts (SPA) presented a screening of the documentary "Six Centuries, Six Years."

The film portrays the journey of Iranian musicians who are trying to "locate, restore and record a repertoire of compositions attributed to Abd al-Qadir Maraghi." He was a prominent musician who lived six centuries ago. His work has greatly influenced Persian and subsequently Ottoman classical music. During their six-year journey, the group of musicians worked together to re-

assemble a major portion of Abd al-Qadir Maraghi's music that hasn't been played in 600 years.

More than 50 people gathered at Minsky Recital Hall to experience the journey of reproducing this ancient music.

The beginning of the documentary follows the leader of the group, Iranian musician and researcher Mohammad-Reza Darvishi, and his search for the ancient manuscripts. He went to Istanbul, Turkey to speak with researchers from the Istanbul Technical University and visit the archives. One of the most beautiful scenes in this film is Darvishi's ferry ride from Europe to Asia on the

famous Bosphorus Strait. Seeing Istanbul from this angle made one wonder what it was like during the times of the Roman Empire, when the city was called Constantinople.

The movie brought to life the music of 14th century Persia. One of the mysteries presented in this movie is the fact that Abd al-Qadir Maraghi has written his work in notations; the musicians in the documentary were puzzled as to where Abd al-Qadir Maraghi learned classical notations.

In their quest for authenticity, musicians had several disagreements on how the music should be played.

The names of nine musi-

cians and the traditional instruments they played are as follows: Negar Bouban (oud, a string instrument), Sanaz Nakhjavani (qanun, string), Behzad Mirzayi (dayereh, bowed string), Siroos Jamali (bass rebab), Arash Shahrari (tanbur, string), Siamak Jahangiri (ney, end-blown flute), Ali Samadpour (rebab, drum), Samer Habibi and Ehsan Zabihifar (kamanche, bowed string) and vocalist Homayoun Shajarian.

During the mixing session of the vocals with instrumentals, Shajarian's father, prominent singer Mohammad-reza Shajarian, provided his expertise. When younger professionals pushed for following the

original melody versus having the music sound organic, Mohammad-reza Shajarian reminded them that "our ears are the final judge." At first he was hesitant to join the project due to the lack of widespread support it received. Yet when he came to the studio and listened to what the musicians created, he realized how special the project was. Shajarian expressed his admiration to the talented musicians, noting that this kind of exceptional work could only be done by true masters of their field.

When asked if the final music is the accurate reproduction of Abd al-Qadir Maraghi, Shajarian replied, "No,

but it's as close as you get to the music of that time."

After the movie, the audience had a chance to ask their questions of the movie director Mojtaba Mirtahmasb and Dr. Negar Bouban, the oud player, over Skype. The two woke up at the crack of dawn as it was 5 a.m. in Tehran, Iran when it was 9 p.m. in Maine.

"We had doubts, when you look for something that's connected to the past, you have doubts," Bouban said about the process of reviving the ancient Persian music. "We weren't sure if what we play would be intact and true to Abd

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Sports

Monday, February 26, 2018

UMAINE RESULTS

2/24	Men's Hockey @ Boston College	Loss	1-2
2/25	Softball vs. Longwood	Win	6-4
	Baseball vs. Ohio University	Loss	2-6
	Women's Basketball vs. Albany	Win	74-69
	Women's Hockey vs. BU	Win	4-3

Conference scores, standings and upcoming schedule on B4

Men's Hockey Black Bears fall to Boston College

Black Bears drop final regular season match-up to BC

B3



Women's Hockey Black Bears advance to Semifinals

After splitting the first two games, Black Bears beat BU in final game

B2



Women's Basketball blows out Vermont in Burlington, wins thriller over Great Danes



Women's basketball narrowly won in overtime during their Senior night game

Matthew Lavoie, Staff

Chase Whitney and Adam Darling For The Maine Campus

Coming off a big win last week versus the University of Massachusetts-Lowell, the University of Maine Black Bears (20-9, 13-3) headed to Burlington, Vermont on Thursday, Feb. 22 for a 7 p.m. showdown with the University of Vermont Catamounts (8-20, 5-10). The Black Bears carried their momentum in from last week and decided to build on it, blowing out the Catamounts 79-47 in their home arena of Patrick Gymnasium.

The Black Bears won with contributions from all over. They came out of the gates hot yet again, as they shot an astounding 63.2

percent from the floor over the first 10 minutes of the game. Vermont had very few answers for Maine early on, and Maine never trailed in the entire game. Some early involvement from fourth-year forward Kirsten Johnson with an "and-one" and the sharp-shooting pair of third-year guard Parise Rossignol and second-year guard Blanca Millan led to Maine heading into the second period with an impressive 18-point lead.

It was more of the same for the Black Bears in the second, who continued to shoot the lights out and build on their lead. Millan stayed hot in the second quarter as well. She was aided by redshirt third-year forward Tanesha Sutton, who was a force in the

paint all game long. Almost halfway through the second period, Maine held a 35-15 lead, and had gained full control over the game. They took advantage of the Catamounts' recent continuous struggles (they have lost four consecutive games) and took a 43-21 lead into halftime.

Whatever Vermont Head Coach Chris Day said to his team at the break worked off the bat. After two quick triples from Millan, which pushed the deficit to 26 points, the Catamounts played by far their best basketball of the game in the mid-third quarter, going on a 13-2 scoring run and finally forcing Maine into some tough shots and pushing them out of their comfort zone. The lead

shrank from a seemingly insurmountable 26 to a reasonable 15 with a little under four minutes to go in the third period. This resulted in a timeout from Maine Head Coach Amy Vachon. The break in the action seemed to have relaxed the Black Bears, as they came out and ended the third on a 9-2 run to push the lead back to 22 points.

Maine held on steadily to a 20 point lead for the rest of the contest. A few of the team's starters got some rest in the final period with the game being out of reach. The Black Bears outscored the Catamounts 19-9 in the final period and won the game with a final score of 79-47. First-year center Kat Williams' late bucket actually stretched

Maine's lead to the highest it had been all game, at a whopping 32 points.

Overall, the Black Bears shot well in this game. They were 47 percent from the field and 73 percent from the line, while shooting 30 percent on shots from beyond the arc. The battle inside was what really won this game, though, with Maine heavily out-rebounding Vermont, 44-27. They limited the Catamounts' second-chance opportunities and converted on their own, and ended up winning the possession battle throughout the game.

Leading all scorers in the game was Millan, who recorded 22 points on a 9-20 night from the floor, while also grabbing six rebounds in what turned out to be a

big game for her. Sutton also had a big game, recording a double-double with 17 points and 11 rebounds, five of which were on the offensive end. She was also very efficient from the field, going 7-9.

For the Catamounts, two-time America East Player of the Week, second-year forward Hanna Crymble, led the way with 15 points. One of only two players in double figures, she shot 55 percent from the floor. The other double-figure scorer for the Catamounts was redshirt fourth-year guard Kristina White, who recorded 10 points in the game.

The Black Bears have now won back-to-back

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Black Bear baseball splits series with Ohio University

Emma Lindblad Contributor

The University of Maine baseball team (2-6) traveled to Emerson, Georgia to take on the Bobcats from Ohio University (4-4) in a four game series from Feb. 23-25. This was the first time ever that these teams have faced off against one another. The Black Bears came into this series 12-16-1 against current Mid-American Conference schools. In Game 1 of the series, the Black Bears downed the Bobcats 5-1.

Starting on the mound for the Black Bears in Game 1 was fourth-year Justin Courtney. Last season, Courtney made a team-high 15 starts, going 4-5 in nine games. He had the team-

best ERA of 3.92, while striking out a team-high 67 batters.

Starting on the mound for the Bobcats was redshirt fourth-year Gerry Salisbury. Last season, he was a member of the MAC tournament championship team and made 17 appearances on the mound for Ohio.

In the first inning, the Black Bears came out hot when third-year Jeremy Pena hit a home run off the first pitch of the game to give Maine the early lead. Then third-year Danny Casals hit a three-run homer to put them up by four early in the game.

In the top of the third, second-year Hernen Sardinas hit his first home run of the game, increasing the lead to five. In the bottom

of the third, the Bobcats got on the board when second-year Tanner Piechnick led off with a double, followed by a single from third-year Devon Garcia. Redshirt fourth-year Nick Bradeson then drove in a run to make it 5-1.

In the top of the fifth, the Bobcats changed pitchers and put in redshirt third-year Nick Kamrada, who induced a grounder that resulted in a double play to end the inning.

In the top of the sixth, the bases were loaded in favor of Maine, with one out. Ohio then made another pitching change, putting first-year Brett Manis in for his college debut.

After nine innings, the Black Bears held on to win 5-1.

Baseball splits double-header

The University of Maine baseball team returned to the field on Saturday, Feb. 24 for a doubleheader against the Ohio University Bobcats (3-2). In the previous game on Friday, the Black Bears took an early lead and held on to win by a score of 5-1.

In the second game of the series and the first game of the doubleheader, starting on the mound for the Black Bears was third-year Nick Silva. Last season, Silva made 15 appearances, going 2-2 with a 4.64 ERA in 64 innings pitched. He struck out 62 on the season.

Starting on the mound for the Bobcats was redshirt fourth-year Michael

Klein. Last season, Klein was a member of the MAC tournament championship team, while making 14 starts and going 5-3 with a 3.48 ERA.

In the first inning, Ohio took an early lead when Piechnick made a double to the left, which resulted in a run. Then Pena mishandled the ball, leading to two more runs to increase the lead to three.

In the bottom of the first, the Black Bears got on the board off a SAC fly, 3-1 Bobcats. The Black Bears tied it up in the bottom of the second off an RBI single to make the score 3-2.

In the top of the third, second-year Trevor Hafner doubled home the fourth run, making it 4-2. Then, first-year Treyben Funder-

burg hit an infield single, which resulted in another run, 5-2.

Fourth-year Rudy Rott then hit a 367 foot home run to increase the lead to 6-3. In the top of the eighth, redshirt third-year Caleb Kerbs doubled to left to make it a one-run game.

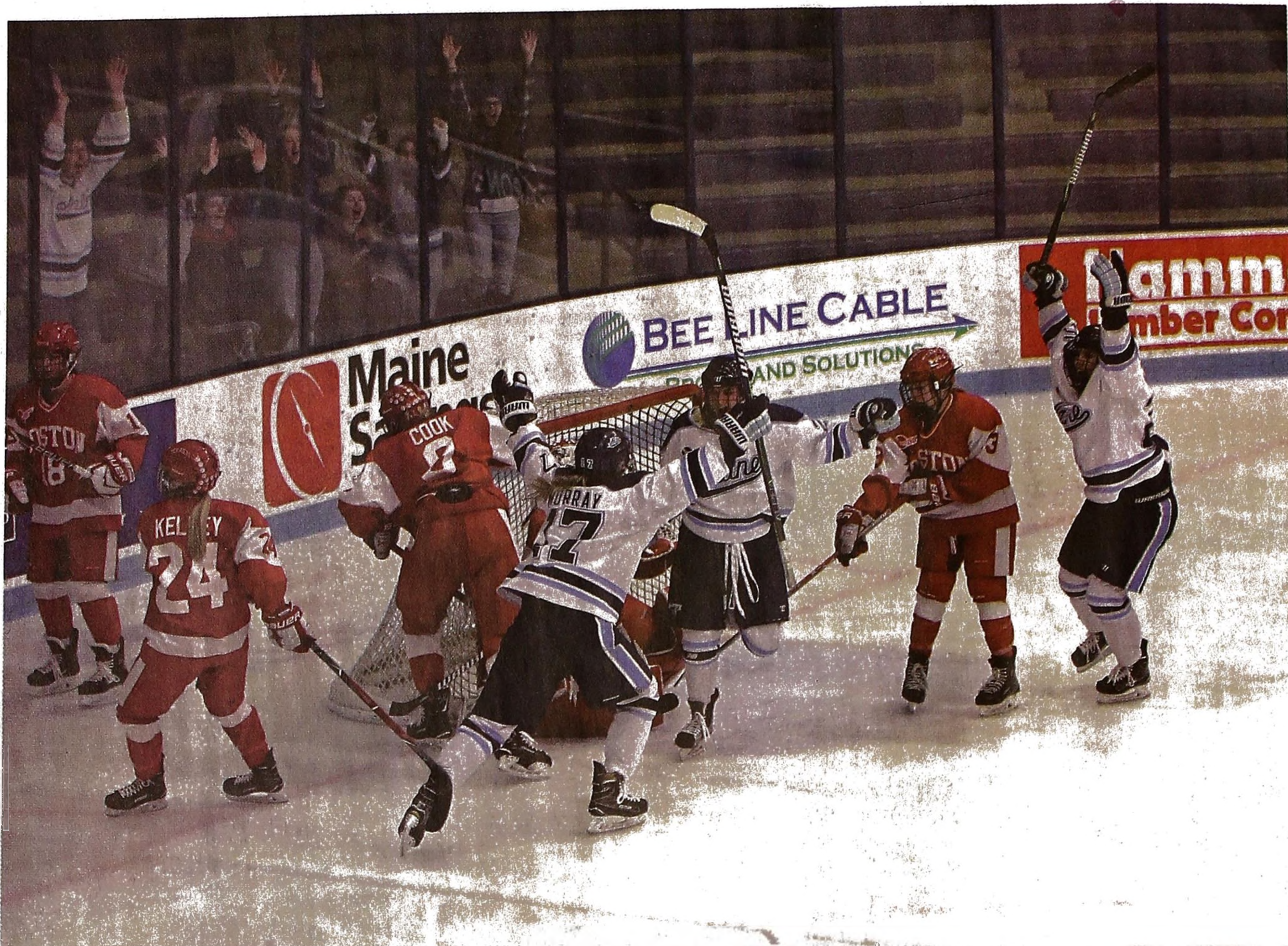
The game would end 7-4 in favor of the Bobcats, tying the series at 1-1.

Black Bears down Ohio Bobcats 2-1 in third game of series

In Game 2 of the doubleheader against Ohio University, the Black Bears were looking to take a lead in the series. The Black Bears downed the Bobcats 2-1.

The starting pitcher in Game 2 for the Black Bears

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Tereza Vanisova, Lydia Murray and Daria Tereshkina celebrate after Vanisova scores the Black Bear's fourth goal of the Hockey East Quarter Finals against Boston University during the third period of the second game.

Matthew Lavoie, Staff.

Hockey from A1

BU Head Coach Brian Durocher liked the way his team played with the exception of the first period.

"I thought the team [played] pretty well," he said. "We didn't come out of the gate well, you know, the first handful of minutes and really not great in the last 10 minutes. We gave them some really good, grade A chances and Erin O'Neil did a super job of keeping the game 3-2 and giving us a chance right at the end."

Durocher was optimistic about his team's chances for the second game of the series.

"We have to do the same thing we've been doing for a while now, try to play really good defense and a lot of our offense comes from Rebecca Leslie [fourth-year winger], Victoria Bach and Nina Rodgers. Those are three very established players and very good players who didn't play in the series in Boston. We've got to play the same way and ideally I'd love to see one of our other two lines find a way to get a goal. That will be important for us because they're the home team and they're going to try to close it out tomorrow," Durocher said.

Erin O'Neil was happy with her performance after not allowing a goal.

"I thought I played pretty well," she said. "I was able to control rebounds. I was able to see a lot of shots, so I felt good and it was really fun to get in there again."

She was also happy with her team's performance.

"I think we came back and we battled really hard. I think that's a big thing that we didn't just roll over and die when they got three quick ones. We got another goal back before the first period and continued to kind of battle back throughout the game and I think that's going to bode really well for us going forward," O'Neil said.

"I think we stuck to our game plan pretty well," Maine's Head Coach Richard Reichenbach said. "You know, obviously Tereza [Vanisova] was able to get some of space and create a lot of offense. I think she had eight shots on net. She hadn't scored in a while so it was nice for her to get a couple assists and score the second goal."

"I think the key for us with [Boston University], they're so good offensively. Obviously, they have two of the best players in the country with [Rebecca] Leslie and [Victoria] Bach. It's just about us being committed to team defense and making sure we're backchecking, our [defensive] zone is executing and we're forechecking really hard. I think in the second

and third. Even though we scored all of the goals in the first, I think defensively we were better in the second and third. Especially in the third, I think we limited them to six or seven shots, so that's kind of the game plan tomorrow."

Carly Jackson, who stopped 21 of 23 shots, was thrilled with getting the first win out of the way.

"I just feel super happy that we won our first game. I think that was our first

playoff win in program history, so I mean it was pretty exciting right down to the last buzzer and I think our team played pretty hard today," Jackson said.

The Black Bears resume play on Saturday with game two of the best-of-three series with BU

Terriers even up series, force Game 3

The Maine Black Bears hosted the Boston University Terriers on Saturday afternoon at the Alford. Maine entered the game up 1-0 in the best-of-three series looking to send the Terriers home.

Starting in goal for Maine in game was Jackson. O'Neil got the start in net for BU.

BU opened the scoring just over six minutes into the first period when Bach let go of a shot that trickled through Jackson. Maine couldn't stay out of the box but managed to kill off all three penalties they received during the period. BU led in shots six to four during the first.

BU wasted no time getting back on the board early in the second period after Leslie gave a pass to Bach, got it right back and picked

the top right corner. Just over a minute later, Maine thought they had cut the lead down to one but upon further review the puck never crossed the line. With less than seven min-

utes to go in the period, O'Neil made a glove save on a rebound in front of what looked like an open cage to keep the Black Bears scoreless. Later in the period BU's third-year defenseman Reagan Rust picked up a penalty for hooking. Just 10 seconds into the ensuing penalty kill, BU's first-year center Jesse Compber drove to the net and put one past Jackson, extending the lead to 3-0 for the Terriers. BU finished the period leading in shots 17-14.

BU nearly extended the lead to four early in the third when Leslie ripped one off the crossbar. Six minutes and 51 seconds into the period, Vanisova put the Black Bears on the board after beating O'Neil five hole after driving the puck to the front of the net. Maine pulled their goalie with less than a minute remaining in the game but couldn't find a way to beat O'Neil. Leslie added an empty net goal to finish off the Black Bears 4-1.

Durocher was pleased with Boston University's performance.

"I think today was a pretty thorough game, you know we didn't have the best nor a slightly suspect ending to last night's game. We got out of the gate and played pretty well and obviously got the first goal and I think there was one early in the second if I remember correctly and all of a sudden we got a little bit of a lead and there was a huge, huge back-door save with the glove by Erin O'Neil. She made a save looking in to the left and came back over and got a piece with the glove and that might have been the turning point of the game. We later went down and got a short handed goal to make it three to nothing."

Durocher has also been pleased with O'Neil's play as of late.

"Erin [O'Neil] had a neat senior day last Sunday at

home. She played well yesterday and played fantastic today. Any time you get on a little bit of a roll you've got to have your goaltender doing it."

Coach Reichenbach was unavailable for comment on the game.

Black Bears take rubber game, head to semi-finals

The Maine Black Bears and the Boston University Terriers played their final game of the three-game series on Sunday at the Alford.

In net for the Black Bears was Jackson. Erin O'Neil (2-8-2) got the start for the BU Terriers.

Maine applied good pressure early, but it was BU who got on the board first when Leslie one-timed a pass from Bach, ripping it to the bottom left corner to beat Jackson with just under 10 minutes to play in the first period. With about five minutes remaining in the period, Maine's second-year defenseman Ebba Strandberg went to the box for a body check. On the ensuing power play, Bach took a shot that trickled through Jackson to make it 2-0 Terriers. BU finished the period leading in shots 12-9.

Maine was all over BU in the second period but couldn't find the back of the net. Jackson kept the Terriers from extending the

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Umaine struggles down stretch, loses to UMass Lowell

Taylor Mannix
Contributor

The University of Maine Black Bears (6-23, 3-11 America East) men's basketball team traveled to the Tsongas Center in Lowell, Massachusetts to take on The University of Massachusetts-Lowell River Hawks (11-16, 5-9 AE) in America East Conference play. Maine fell short 88-76 in a competitive match up that saw 19 lead changes. The Black Bears' struggles at the end of both halves

was the story of their downfall, as UMass Lowell rattled off a 16-5 run that put the nail in the coffin.

The first half did not feature a lead more than six points for either team as both battled for control. Maine was lights out from deep in the half, shooting 6-11 from three, and was 50 percent from the field. Led by fourth-year guard Aaron Calixte's team-high 11 point, three assist half and 3-of-5 shooting from behind the arc, Maine was able to keep within strik-

ing distance of the River Hawks. UMass Lowell would find a rhythm and make a 6-2 run in the final two minutes to give themselves a cushion of 47-43 entering the half.

The second half featured much of the same from the first. Maine wouldn't give up, staying competitive with the River Hawks until they once again seemed to run out of steam. UMass Lowell would stage a 16-5 run that put Maine away for good.

Four Black Bears fin-

ished with double-digit scoring totals on Wednesday night. Calixte finished with a team-high 18 points, collecting six assists and ripping down five rebounds. Third-year guard Vernon Lowndes, Jr. gave the Black Bears a much needed spark from the bench on his way to 16 points on 7-of-12 shooting from the field. Lowndes, Jr. grabbed six rebounds and showed out on the defensive end with two blocks. Redshirt second-year Isaiah White scored 11 points,

while second-year forward Andrew Fleming almost had a double-double when he put up 10 points and seven boards in the losing effort.

On paper Maine led the way in many categories, including bench points, where they outscored the River Hawks 29-4. On top of that, the Black Bears outperformed the River Hawks 39-30. It's not often you see a loss associated with numbers like that in the box score but UMass Lowell was a determined

bunch. With the win they clinched their first ever America East Playoff berth in front of 2,214 fans.

Maine gets back to the drawing board, looking to bounce back on the road against the University at Albany Great Danes, Saturday Feb. 24 at 7 p.m.

Men's hockey swept by Boston College

Arman Garavanian
Contributor

The Maine Black Bears (16-14-4, 10-11-3 HEA) traveled to Chestnut Hill on Friday, Feb. 23 to take on the Eagles of Boston College (18-13-3, 18-6-0 HEA). Maine entered the game 0-1 against Boston College on the year and continues that trend with a final score of 3-6.

In net for the Black Bears was first-year Jeremy Swayman. Across from him was second-year goaltender Joseph Woll.

It was first-year defenseman Veli-Matti Tiuraniemi who opened the scoring for Maine 19 seconds after the Black Bears killed off a penalty. Tiuraniemi beat Woll glove-side for his second goal of the season after receiving a cross ice feed from first-year forward Mitchell Fossier.

Just over a minute and a half into the second period, the Eagles knotted the game at one after first-year forward Logan Hutsko slipped one past Swayman. Not long after, Boston College took the lead after graduate student defenseman Kevin Lohan shot the puck through traffic, beating Swayman. With just over five minutes to go in the period, Lohan scored his second goal of the game, picking the top corner from the hash marks and extending the lead to two, making it 3-1 Eagles. The Black Bears applied some pressure late in the period, but couldn't find a way to beat Woll.

Early in the third period, Boston College scored again to make it a three-goal lead when first-year forward Casey Carreau potted a goal on a two-on-one. Not long after-

ward however, Maine cut the lead to two after second-year forward Brendan Robbins ripped a one-timer that deflected off a Boston College player and then off first-year forward Emil Westerlund and into the net. Boston College scored two more to take a commanding 6-2 lead. Maine would tally one more off the stick of first-year Patrick Shea, but it wouldn't be enough as the Eagles went on to beat the Black Bears 6-3.

Swayman finished the night with 29 saves and six goals allowed. Woll finished with 32 saves, including 18 in the second period.

Maine and Boston College will play their final regular season games of the year on Saturday, Feb. 24 at the Conte Forum in Chestnut Hill.

Black Bears fall in second game

The Maine Black Bears and the Boston College Eagles played their final regular season games of the year Saturday night on the Eagle's home ice. With a final score of 1-2, the Eagles finished off the weekend sweeping the Black Bears.

Swayman was back in net for the Black Bears and Woll started for the Eagles.

Boston College got on the board first when second-year forward David Cotton carried the puck around the back of the net and placed it over Swayman's pad to take the lead. The Eagles finished the period leading in shots 9-4.

Boston College extended the lead to two just under five minutes into the second period on the power play when third-year forward Christopher Brown took a pass from first-year forward Aapeli Rasanen and lofted it to the top left

corner. Midway through the period, first-year forward Edward Tralmarks had the chance to cut the lead in half when he was awarded a penalty shot after being hooked on a breakout. However, Woll was able to keep the Black Bears scoreless with a pad save. Maine was finally able to get on the board later in the second when second-year defenseman Rob Michael received a pass at the right dot from Fossier and put it through Woll's legs.

Maine had a few opportunities in the third period but was unable to capitalize. After pulling Swayman on the power play with about 30 seconds left, the Black Bears had a 6-on-4 but weren't able to beat Woll as Boston College went on to win.

Swayman finished with 28 saves on the game, while Woll finished with 26

Maine enters the Hockey East Tournament as the No. 6 seed and will host the No. 11 seed New Hampshire Wildcats. This is the first time the two teams have faced off in the opening round of the tournament. Maine holds a play-off record of 5-1-0 against New Hampshire in the four series they've previously played against one another. Maine got the better of New Hampshire in the regular season with a head-to-head record of 1-0-2 in favor of the Black Bears. This is the first time the teams will meet in the playoffs since 2004. The first playoff game will be Friday March 2 with a 7 p.m. puck drop.

Softball has strong opening weekend in North Carolina

Matt Hammond
Contributor

The University of Maine softball team won three of their five games played this weekend in Wilmington, North Carolina. Game 1 was an 11-1 victory for the Black Bears over Bucknell University of Pennsylvania.

Third-year third baseman Alyssa Derrick started the offense early for the Black Bears with a first inning RBI double. Third-year Maddie Decker joined in on hitting with a triple, driving in Derrick. Third-year Meghan Royle singled in Decker to give the Black Bears an early 3-0 lead.

UMaine fourth-year Molly Flowers started the game in the circle for the Black Bears. She pitched two innings of no-hit softball and struck out four batters. First-year Lilly Volk relieved Flowers and threw a no-hit inning to follow and struck out one batter. First-year Kyleigh O'Donnell pitched two innings, and fourth-year Annie Kennedy finished the game with one inning pitched. Maine pitching allowed just two hits and one run in the game.

Derrick maintained the offensive pace for the Black Bears. She went 2-3 in the contest with three runs batted in. Fourth-year Rachel Carlson drove in three runs in the game as well.

Only five of Maine's 11 runs came from hits. Two

walks resulted in runs due to strong patience at the plate by Derrick and fourth-year Erika Leonard. Two runs were scored on a sixth inning error by Bucknell. The Black Bears strong offensive opening shined and kept the runs coming with patience at the plate and tenacity on the basepaths.

Maine drops game 2

Maine dropped Game 2 to University of North Carolina Wilmington. The host team won the game 3-1. Impressive pitching stunned the Black Bears, as Wilmington fourth-year Rylee Pate threw a seven-inning complete game. She allowed six hits in the game, walked one and allowed one unearned run. Pate forced the Black Bears into eight flyouts, seven groundouts and struck out four of the 29 batters she faced.

Maine pitching was split between four players. Kennedy started the game for the Black Bears. She threw two innings, allowed three hits, one run and struck out two batters. O'Donnell was tagged with the loss in the game after relieving Kennedy. O'Donnell pitched two innings, giving up three hits and allowing two runs. The first-year pitcher picked up one strikeout in the effort. Volk and Flowers combined for two shutout innings of relief after replacing O'Donnell. Flowers allowed one hit, struck out two batters and walked

one. Carlson had the hottest bat for the Black Bears in the contest. The leadoff hitter went 3-4 with a double. Third-year Maddie Decker, first-year Maddie Kimble, and second-year Emily Gilmore each reached base with singles in the game.

Maine comes out on top in game 3

Maine took the Game 3 rematch with University of North Carolina Wilmington with a victory. The Black Bears won the game 5-1. Flowers and Kennedy pitched the Black Bears to the win in a combined effort. Flowers started the game and pitched four innings. She allowed four hits, one unearned run and struck out four batters. Annie Kennedy followed with strong support as a reliever. Kennedy pitched three innings of one hit ball and picked up the save. She struck out two batters.

Wilmington's starting pitcher, fourth-year Sarah Davies, pitched a herculean effort despite collecting the loss. The Burlington, North Carolina native threw 136 pitches in a seven-inning complete game outing. Davies struck out nine of the 31 Black Bears she faced in the contest. Davies allowed six hits and five runs. Of the five runs earned, only two were earned by Davies. She also walked three batters in the game.

Maine's offense was once again led by Carlson.

The leadoff hitter went 3-4 in the game and scored two runs. She hit a triple and stole a base in the game as well. Carlson also managed to escape the Sarah Davies strikeout squad. Six different Black Bear batters went down by way of the K in the game. Derrick and Leonard drove in two of Maine's five runs.

The game was close in score until the Black Bear's three-run seventh inning. Maine held a 2-1 lead for four innings of the game. A seventh inning throwing error by Wilmington resulted in two runs for the Black Bears and the lead was preserved for the rest of the match.

Maine finishes Saturday game with split weekend

Maine lost their Saturday rematch with Bucknell University. In their fourth game of the weekend, Maine was shut out 3-0 by the Bison. Bucknell fourth-year Taylor Langtry twirled a gem, throwing a complete game seven-inning shutout. The Black Bears were able to muster just two hits against her in the game, and failed to put a run on the scoreboard. Langtry struck out four and walked four. She threw 113 pitches in the game.

The Black Bears pitching staff answered with their own strong pitching before allowing three runs in the fifth inning. O'Donnell started the game for the Black Bears. She threw

four innings of no-hit softball and allowed just one walk. She struck out three of the 13 batters she faced and forced seven groundouts. Volk was charged with the loss after allowing three runs in the fifth. She recorded two innings pitched and struck out two as well.

Langtry's dominant pitching was enough to sustain Bucknell's victory. She forced the Black Bears into 13 groundouts and just four flyouts. Derrick and first-year Amanda Vee recorded the only two hits for the Black Bears.

Maine wins in walk-off

Maine softball won their fifth game of the weekend in walk-off fashion. The Black Bears defeated Longwood University 6-4. UMaine entered the seventh losing 4-3. Decker smacked a three-run home run to give the Black Bears the victory. Decker was 1-2 with a walk in the game.

The Black Bears fought tooth and nail over the match that saw three lead changes. Flowers started the game for UMaine. She pitched two innings, allowed one run over two hits, and struck out two batters. O'Donnell relieved Flowers and threw one inning, allowing three runs and two walks. O'Donnell managed to strike out two batters in her one inning of work. The Black Bears' pitching was saved by Kennedy, who pitched four innings of no-hit softball.

She recorded one hit-by-pitch that ended her perfect outing status. In the five games she pitched in this weekend, she threw 11 innings, allowed five hits, struck out seven batters and allowed just one run. She recorded one win and one save in her work in North Carolina.

Carlson had the hot bat in the game. The center fielder went 3-4 with an RBI and a run scored. First-year Shanna Scribner went 1-2 in the game. Fourth-year Sarah Coyne went 1-1 with a run scored as well.

Longwood's pitching duties were split between first-year Sydney Backstrom and third-year Sydney Gay. Backstrom threw 4.2 innings, allowed three runs, walked two and struck out one. Gay pitched 1.2 innings and was handed the loss after allowing the walk-off homer to Maddie Decker. Gay walked three batters in the game.

The Black Bears will return to action Friday, March 2. They will play a five game series in Stillwater, Oklahoma. Following their work in Oklahoma, they will travel to Tampa, Florida for a stretch of 13 games. Longwood will travel to the Aloha Tournament in Honolulu, Hawaii. They start tournament play on Thursday, March 1 against University of Texas El Paso at 8:30 p.m.

Track competes at America East Championship

Adam Darling
Sports Editor

The University of Maine men and women's track team was back in action at the America East championship meet on Friday, Feb. 23 and Saturday, Feb. 24 in Boston. The men took home sixth place in the meet with 55.5 points, while the women finished eighth with 33 points.

Day one for the men saw the team garner all but one of their 19 points in just two events: the long jump and the pole vault. First-year Elijah White took home runner-up honors in the long jump with a person-

al best 7.05 meters, giving Maine eight points as a team. Second-year Troy Davis also scored in the event, as his 6.75-meter jump was good enough for sixth place.

Second-year Alexander Wortman and third-year Devin Burgess finished back-to-back in the pole vault with 4.65 and 4.5 meters respectively, finishing in fifth and sixth place, and giving the Black Bears seven more points. Wortman would put up a personal best, while tying his brother, UMaine graduate Tristan Wortman for the third-highiest jump in UMaine history. The distance medley re-

lay team of second-years Cooper Nelson and Brandon Kuusela, third-year Tucker Corbett and fourth-year Logan Moses rounded off the scoring with an eighth place finish of 10:31.62.

Day two featured red-shirt fourth-year Jacob Johns finishing second in the mile at 4:07.46, less than a second behind Grant Hauver, a second-year at UMass Lowell.

Fourth-year Mozai Nelson pulled in three more points and a sixth place finish in the 200 with a time of 22.19 seconds. Third-year Aaron Willingham also took home three points

for the Black Bears with a sixth place finish in the 3,000-meter run with a time of 8:24.03.

White took home fourth in the triple jump, and red-shirt fourth-year Scott Murray earned sixth in shot put. The scoring would be rounded out by second-year Camden Cleathero, who took home fourth in the pentathlon to give the Black Bears five more points.

On the women's side, Maine tallied 14 points on day one, courtesy of the throwing events. Fourth-year Rachel Bergeron led the charge with a runner-up finish in the weight throw,

finishing with a 17.03-meter toss. First-year Alice Barnsdale finished right behind Bergeron, picking up another six points on a third place finish in a 17.00 meter toss. Both would earn all-conference honors for their finishes.

Day two showcased third-year Lauren Magnuson, who finished in second place in the 200-meter dash with a time of 24.49 seconds, the second fastest time in that event in program history.

Magnuson was also recognized as the America East Elite 18 recipient for track and field, awarded to the student-athlete with the

highest cumulative grade point average at each of the finals sites for all 18 sports that America East competes in. She was recognized for her 3.96 GPA.

Fourth-year Kaitlin Saulter and second-year Tiffany Tanner each took home seventh place finishes in the mile and 800-meter, adding two points each to Maine's team score.

Both teams will be down in Boston on Sunday, Feb. 25 for the Last Chance Meet in order to qualify for nationals.

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games and look to finish the season strong with a home

game against co-leader of the America East conference, the University at Albany Great Danes. The game is at home in the Cross Insurance Arena in

Bangor, Maine this Sunday, Feb. 25 at 1 p.m. The season finale should be a great one, as it carries plenty of weight as to who will be the conference favorite head-

ing into the tournament.

Maine downs Albany in overtime

It's not always a matter of how long a team is in the lead for a game. All that

matters is who has the bigger score at the end.

Take the University of Maine women's basketball team. In their game on Sunday, Feb. 25, they held

a lead for all of four minutes and 15 seconds. But part of that time was where it mattered most, right at

Around the College Circuit

UPCOMING SPORTS



Tuesday, Feb. 27

Men's Basketball
v Vermont
7 p.m.

Friday, March 2

Men's Hockey
v New Hampshire
TBD

Softball
v St. Francis
1:30 p.m.
@ Oklahoma St.
6:30 p.m.

Baseball
@ Miami
7 p.m.

Saturday, March 3

Men's Hockey
v New Hampshire
7 p.m.

Women's Basketball
AE Quarterfinals
TBD;
Portland

Softball
v St. Francis
11 a.m.
@ Oklahoma St.
4 p.m.

Track
@ECAC/ICA4 Champ.
12 p.m.
Boston

Baseball
@ Miami
3 p.m.

Sunday, March 4

Men's Hockey
v New Hampshire
if necessary

Track
@ECAC/ICA4 Champ.
12 p.m.
Boston

Softball
v Nebraska-Omaha
10 a.m.

Baseball
@Miami
12 p.m.



MEN'S ICE HOCKEY

02/22	Massachusetts	3	02/24	Maine	1
	Connecticut	2		Boston College	2
02/23	Maine	3		Vermont	1
	Boston College	6		Boston U	1
	UMass Lowell	1		Providence	0
	Merrimack	4		Massachusetts	1
	New Hampshire	0		Merrimack	0
	Northeastern	8		UMass Lowell	5
	Vermont	0		Northeastern	4
	Boston U	2		New Hampshire	0

CONFERENCE STANDINGS HE RECORD OVERALL

1	Boston College	18-6-0 (36)	18-13-3
2	Northeastern	15-6-3 (33)	21-8-5
3	Providence	13-7-4 (30)	20-10-4
4	Boston University	12-8-4 (28)	17-13-4
5	Connecticut	11-12-1 (23)	15-17-2
	Maine	10-11-3 (23)	16-14-4
7	UMass Lowell	11-13-0 (22)	17-17-0
8	Massachusetts	9-13-2 (20)	15-17-2
9	Vermont	6-12-6 (18)	9-18-7
10	Merrimack	7-15-2 (16)	10-19-4
11	New Hampshire	5-14-5 (15)	10-18-6



MEN'S BASKETBALL

02/21	Stony Brook	64	02/24	UMass Lowell	75
	UMBC	57		UMBC	83
	Binghamton	54		Hartford	67
	Vermont	75		Binghamton	57
	Maine	76		Maine	79
	UMass Lowell	88		Albany	89
	New Hampshire	56		Vermont	69
	Hartford	65		Stony Brook	60

CONFERENCE STANDINGS AE RECORD OVERALL

1	Vermont	14-1	24-6
2	UMBC	11-4	20-10
3	Hartford	11-4	18-11
4	Albany	9-6	20-9
5	Stony Brook	7-9	12-18
6	New Hampshire	6-9	10-19
7	UMass Lowell	5-10	11-17
8	Maine	3-12	6-24
9	Binghamton	2-13	11-19

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

02/22	New Hampshire	70	02/25	Albany	69
	UMass Lowell	49		Maine	74
	Maine	79		UMBC	
	Vermont	47		UMass Lowell	
	Hartford	61		Stony Brook	
	UMBC	54		Vermont	
	Albany	57		Binghamton	
	Binghamton	53		Hartford	

CONFERENCE STANDINGS AE RECORD OVERALL

1	Maine	13-3	20-9
2	Albany	12-4	23-6
3	Binghamton	10-6	19-10
4	Stony Brook	10-6	18-11
5	New Hampshire	9-7	18-11
6	Hartford	9-7	17-12
7	Vermont	5-11	8-21
8	UMBC	3-13	4-25
9	UMass Lowell	1-15	4-25

Bball from B3

the end, as the Black Bears defeated the University at Albany Great Danes (23-6, 12-4) 74-69 at the Cross Insurance Center.

Albany started off the game hot from 3-point range, hitting four of their first five from beyond the arc to take an early 12-3 lead. Maine would chip away at the deficit, but Albany's ability to hit 3-pointers gave them a 22-15 lead after the first quarter.

Both teams would trade off making shots, as well as turnovers and missing shots. Every time the Black Bears pulled a little closer, the Great Danes would be right there to answer back.

Albany would carry a 37-29 lead into halftime while leading the Black Bears in terms of field goal percentage (39.3 to 37.9), 3-point field goal percentage (53.8 to 15.4), rebounds (23 to 15), points of the turnover and bench points. Maine held the edge in points in the paint at 16 to 8.

The Great Danes came out of the locker scorching once again. Fourth-year forward Jessica Fequiere, who closed out the first half with 21 points, seemed prime to put the team on her back again by extending the lead to 10 on a jumper less than a minute into the quarter. But then, something clicked. Millan and Rossignol would take turns shutting Fequiere down, not letting her do

anything.

"They played me the same way that did during the first half they played aggressive, they wouldn't let me get my hands on the ball, wouldn't let me use the screen. That took away a big part of my game," Fequiere said.

Second-year guard Mackenzie Trpcic gave Albany their biggest lead of the night by nailing a dagger to put them up 51-35. After a layup by Sutton, Trpcic found Fequiere to increase the lead back to 16. The two teams would head back to the fourth, with Albany leading 56-44.

If a 12 point deficit with 10 minutes to go seems tough to come back from, trying having to go half of that time without your star

player. The Black Bears had to do that after Millan fouled out with 5:44 remaining in the game.

"When Blanca [Millan] fouled out, that was an 'oh, dang' moment. But we had momentum and we just had to keep it up without her," Sutton said.

Maine's defense, which had been critical throughout the season, really stepped up in the fourth quarter, holding Albany to just 10 points. This lockdown was critical in getting the Black Bears back into the game.

"We weren't getting the stops we needed. Once we started stopping them, they had to switch to playing man defense, and that's when they struggled to stop us. We were able

to start cutting into their lead, from 16, to 14, eventually it gets down to eight. Then it's a two possession game. This team never feels like we're out of it," Vachon said.

As Maine pulled ever closer, the crowd got louder and louder. The noise was deafening at the end, and the collective hearts of Black Bear nation sank as second-year guard Julie Brosseau's 3-pointer at the end of regulation rattled out at the last second.

Maine would go on to outscore Albany 8-3 in overtime as Brosseau hit two of the biggest shots of the game from beyond the arc following a pair of free throws from first-year guard Dor Saar.

Maine, not projected to

finish very high in the pre-season polls, has shocked a lot of people, a testament to what the coaching staff has put in place.

"Amy [Vachon] has done a great job with what she has: a group of great players who really seem to buy into what they are doing," Albany Head Coach Joanna Bernabei-McNamee said.

With the regular season in the books, Maine heads into the America East tournament as the No. 1 seed. Sunday was also Senior Day, and Johnson was recognized for her contributions to the team throughout her four years. The ride is not over, as the Black Bears look to head to the Big Dance, also known as the national tournament.

Baseball from B1

was second-year Trevor Delaite, who made eight appearances last season with four starts. He had a 5.96 ERA in 22.2 innings pitched and struck out 21 batters.

The starting pitcher for the Bobcats was fourth-year Butch Baird. Last season, Baird was a member of the MAC tournament cham-

ampionship team, while making 16 appearances with 12 starts.

In the second inning, Sardinias crushed a ball 330 feet to give Maine the early lead. The score would remain the same until the bottom of the fifth inning when second-year Kevin Doody hit an RBI groundout to give the Black Bears a two-run lead.

In the top of the seventh, the Bobcats made a

pitching change, putting in third-year Kenny Ogg. Ogg was also a member of the MAC tournament championship team and he made a career-high 28 appearances, which ranked second on the team.

In the ninth inning, the Bobcats got on the board but it was too late as the Black Bears took the second game of the doubleheader.

Black Bears fall in se-

ries finale

The University of Maine men's baseball team took to the field on Sunday, Feb. 25 for their last game of the series against the Ohio University Bobcats. The Black Bears fell to the Bobcats 6-2 to finish the series 2 and 2.

Starting on the mound for the Black Bears was redshirt third-year Chris Murphy. Last season, Murphy played in seven games,

making five starts, while pitching 15.2 innings with an ERA of 8.04. Starting on the mound for the Bobcats was redshirt first-year Cole Shinsky.

In the first inning, the Black Bears scored first on an RBI groundout, then two runners were walked and a balk was issued, resulting in a pitching change for the Bobcats. Second-year Derek Carr entered the game with two outs.

In the second inning, the Bobcats tied it up on an infield base hit by Garcia. Then, the Black Bears took the lead off a sacrifice fly by Pena.

Then, in the top of the fourth, Ohio tied it up again when Bourn made a hit to center field. Rott then grounded a ball which resulted in a run to take the lead, 3-2.

See Game 4 on B5

Senior Pitcher looks to make moves again on the mound

Emma Linblad
Contributor

The snow is finally starting to melt and with melting snow comes springtime, and with springtime comes baseball season. With home games beginning at the end of March, the start of baseball season is often heavy in travel. Last season, the Black Bears finished 25-29, placing sixth in the America East regular season. The Black Bears then clawed their way to the conference championship game, where they lost a close game in extra innings to University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

Now, with eight fourth-years and seven third-years, the squad is looking very experienced. One fourth-year in particular, though, is looking to make his final mark on the mound this season for the Black Bears.

Left-handed pitcher and Taunton, Massachusetts native Connor Johnson

is looking to finish his career in a Maine uniform on a high note. Along with fourth-year Jonathan Bennett and redshirt fourth-year Caleb Kerbs, Johnson will be looked upon for leadership this season.

"Being able to be considered a leader of this team has been great. It's a great group of guys that work hard day in and day out. When everyone takes care of their business, it makes everyone else's jobs a lot easier," Johnson said.

Last season, Johnson appeared in a team-high 23 games, finished with a 4-4 record (tied for the team lead in wins), an ERA of 5.31 and struck out 30 batters in 39.0 innings. He also had a season-high of five strikeouts against St. Bonaventure and pitched a season-high 6.2 innings against Stony Brook.

It's 2018, which means it's a completely new season for the Black Bears, with new goals and new challenges.

"Having a great season, both personally and as a team, is the ultimate goal. We feel as though we have a great out-of-conference schedule that will really prepare us to have success once conference starts in April. Winning is the main objective, and I'm hoping that we can have a lot of success this season," Johnson said.

Johnson has also changed his style of pitching this season.

"I actually dropped my arm slot down this year, so that's really the main thing that has helped me improve. Being side arm, I've been able to get a lot more movement on all of my pitches. It's something a lot of hitters haven't seen, which will hopefully make it a bit harder to hit," Johnson said.

The team also welcomed five new players for the 2018 season, meaning new chemistry will have to be made.

"The freshmen have

been great so far," Johnson said. "Having freshmen that come in with the mentality that they want to play right away is always what you want. New faces that come in and want to take on a starting role really boosts the competition level at practice, and makes everyone better at the end of the day."

The Black Bears are also welcoming Nick Derba as their new head coach. Derba served as interim head coach last season, but it was announced in June that he would be the 25th head coach in the history of the program.

"Coach Derba was the guy that every single player wanted to take over the job. Having him be the interim coach last season was a great experience, and it really solidified the fact that we want him to be the leader of this program for years to come. Everyone was extremely excited when he got the full job and it is certainly well de-

served," Johnson said.

One of the areas that Derba has stressed is academic achievement in order to prepare for the real world, and Johnson has taken that to heart. In his first year as a business student, Johnson was named a Maine Scholar Athlete Rising Star and was named to the America East Academic Honor Roll. In the past three years, he has been recognized as a scholar-athlete and was recently named to the Dean's List for his success in the fall semester.

The way last season ended can definitely be considered heartbreaking. In the conference tournament, the Black Bears won four straight to advance to the championship game, where they lost 2-1.

"All of the returners have definitely used that championship loss last year as additional motivation, and that has rubbed off on the first year guys too. That one really stung, but it's

great to see the team doing everything we can to make sure we don't have to experience that feeling again," Johnson said.

Time flies in college and it's easy to forget that there is a world outside of college athletics. Thinking of life after college can be scary.

"My plans after college are definitely still up in the air. If I get a chance to continue playing baseball, I'm going to take it, but if not, it'll be time to enter the real world. Right now I'm not really sure what that would look like, but we'll cross that bridge when we get there," Johnson said.

The Black Bears return to the field March 2, 3 and 4 when they travel to Coral Gables, Florida to take on the University of Miami Hurricanes. They kick off conference play on March 31 and April 1 when they host the University at Albany Great Danes.

Examining the 2018 Red Sox lineup

Sam Wheeler
Contributor

The Red Sox finally made the long awaited free agent signing that many expected them to make during the winter meetings in December. On Monday, the team signed outfielder J.D. Martinez to a five-year, \$110 million contract. Martinez entered free agency as one of the top targets in all of baseball, and is coming off a career year which saw him blast 45 home runs (HR) in only 119 games. The slugger also drove in 104 runs and had a 303 batting average (AVG). Martinez is filling the void

of a much needed power hitter that Boston could have used all of last season. The 30-year-old will be joining a young, but promising Red Sox team that will have lofty expectations in the upcoming season.

My projected lineup: Mookie Betts, right field; Andrew Benintendi, left field; Hanley Ramirez, first base; J.D. Martinez, designated hitter; Xander Bogaerts, shortstop; Rafael Devers, third base; Eduardo Nunez, second base; Jackie Bradley, Jr., center field and Christian Vazquez, catcher.

Most of this lineup should be set in stone,

with the question marks coming from second base and first base. Obviously the designated hitter (DH) role will primarily be Martinez's, with him seeing some outfield time on certain days, but what will Boston do at first base? Manager Alex Cora has said that he wants Ramirez starting out the season hitting third, with Betts and Benintendi being locked in as his number one and two hitters. The first-year manager seems to think highly of the 34-year-old whose 2017 numbers dropped off significantly from a year ago. Either way he has options at the position with

the team having resigned first-baseman Mitch Moreland to a team friendly two-year \$13 million contract. Moreland has never posted the best numbers, but he's been consistent and plays good defense, even having won a gold glove in 2016. Throughout the season you can probably expect him and Ramirez to split playing time, depending on who the opposing pitcher is. Either way, the issue is not a terrible one to have if you're Boston.

Until Dustin Pedroia returns at the end of May from off-season knee surgery, the Red Sox will need to find a temporary replace-

ment. The most viable option seems to be Nunez, who recently resigned on a one-year contract. The Red Sox acquired the infielder from San Francisco last July. In the 38 games he played in Beantown, the Dominican Republic native eclipsed expectations, slashing a line of 8 HR, 27 RBI and a .321 AVG, while holding his own at second base (he started 25 games there). He's earned the right to start the majority of the games until Pedroia returns, especially with insurance players such as Brock Holt and Marco Hernandez.

After second and first

base, the Red Sox appear to be entering the season with a set lineup. Expect Betts and Bogaerts to bounce back after subpar seasons. Another player to keep an eye on is Devers, who impressed in his two months in the big leagues. The 21-year-old displayed exceptional opposite field power, where five of his 10 HR went. The biggest issue will be if a full offseason was long enough for him to fix his third base struggles. Either way, Red Sox fans should have plenty to look forward to when the season starts in less than two months.

Red hot Bruins continue to roll

Sam Wheeler
Contributor

With football season having ended three weeks ago, most sports fans have made the full transition over to hockey or basketball. While the Celtics have dropped three out of four in the last 10 days, the Bruins find themselves on a streak that has seen them drop two regulation games in the past two months. Two months! That's insane, especially from a team that many projected was a borderline playoff team at best coming into the season.

Boston is 22-3 in regulation games since Dec. 18, with notable wins coming against the Winnipeg Jets, Toronto Maple Leafs and St. Louis Blues.

Boston has proved during this streak that they can compete with any team in the league. Their three losses in overtime and the shootout have come against Washington, Pittsburgh and Dallas, all considered top 10 teams in the league by most pundits.

Boston has been able to maintain their success because of balanced play on both sides of the puck.

They currently rank No. 6 in goals scored (191), while holding the top spot in goals allowed (142). There was talk in late November of having Tuukka Rask benched for the long haul in favor of backup goalie Anton Khudobin, and those talks seem like they took place ages ago now. Despite losing his 21-game point streak to the Sabres a week ago, Rask is playing some of the best hockey of his career for Boston. Since the Bruins began their 20-2 run in regulation, Rask has started in 17 games, allowing 31 goals, which is good

for a 1.82 goals-against average.

Despite getting blown out against Vancouver on Saturday, Boston once again failed to go down in the following game. Sometimes losing to a team as bad as Vancouver can shake the confidence of a young team like the Bruins, but they showed their resilience against Edmonton on Tuesday night. Entering the period trailing 2-0, Boston rattled off three straight goals including center David Krejci's game winner in the final 90 seconds, which gave them the 3-2 victory.

The win lifted the team's overall record to (37-13) which is good for second behind the Tampa Bay Lightning. The team is currently tied with the Vegas Golden Knights for second in the league with 82 points, trailing only Tampa Bay, who has 83.

The team is led by veterans Patrice Bergeron and Brad Marchand, who are at the top of the ranks in both goals scored and total points earned. In his fourth season, right wing David Pastrnak has also emerged as an offensive threat for

the team. He notched 34 goals a season ago, and is currently tied for second on the team with 22 this year. The 21-year-old has found himself in multiple scoring slumps throughout the season, but has the potential to be a consistent force for this team moving forward.

The Bruins have been a fun team to watch all season long, and time will tell if they can carry this momentum into the playoffs. Regardless, this Boston team has a bright future ahead of them.

Game 4 from B4

In the top of the eighth, redshirt fourth-year Nick Bredeson hit a home run that scored two to increase the lead to three. Bredeson then scored on a wild pitch to increase the lead again to four. Unfortunately, that would be the end of the game and the Black Bears lost 6-2.

The Black Bears return to the diamond March 2-4 as they travel to Coral Gables, Florida to take on the University of Miami Hurricanes. The Bobcats get back to work March 2-4 as they travel to Cartersville, Georgia to take on the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

W. Hockey from B2

lead two minutes into the period when she slid across the crease to make a pad save on a one-timer. With a little more than five minutes to play in the period, Maine's first-year winger Daria Tereshkina laid out to block a shot to keep BU's advantage at two. Maine dominated in shots during the period 12-6 for a total of 21-15 in favor of the Black Bears.

Boston University got back on the board just over four minutes into the third when second-year center Natasza Tarnowski picked up the puck off a turnover in the neutral zone and went bar-down over Jackson's left shoulder to make it 3-0 Terriers. Maine final-

ly put one past O'Neil four minutes later after BU's second-year defenseman Abby Cook went to the box for slashing. The goal came from the stick of fourth-year center Brooke Stacey on a rebound. Jackson came up big with a pad save less than a minute later to keep the deficit at two. With seven minutes remaining in the period it was Stacey again who scored on a back-door feed from first-year forward Michelle Weis. Three minutes later, Stacey completed the hat trick while also tying the game at three on a shot from the tops of the circle that beat O'Neil to the top left side. The period ended scoreless, sending the game to overtime. Maine continued to pour on the shots that period, extending their lead in shots to 34-23.

At 4:39 into overtime, Vanisova put home a centering pass from Stacey to close out the series.

"No words to describe it. I'm pretty excited," Stacey commented after she scored three goals in seven minutes to send the game to overtime. "I think we're ready for the next step and we're going to take it to whoever we're playing."

"We're so proud of them and I'm happy we were able to get the win and beat BU," Reichenbach said. "We just are so proud of [Stacey], you know, Bach and Leslie are two of the best players in the country and I think Stacey just proved she's as good as anyone."

Maine will head down to Matthews Arena in Boston for their semifinal game on Saturday, March 3.

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Professional Sports This Week

NBA WESTERN CONFERENCE OVERALL

1	Houston	45-13
2	Golden State	46-14
3	Minnesota	37-26
4	San Antonio	35-25
5	Portland	34-26
6	Denver	33-26
7	Oklahoma City	34-27
8	New Orleans	32-26

NBA EASTERN CONFERENCE OVERALL

1	Toronto	41-17
2	Boston	42-19
3	Cleveland	35-23
4	Washington	34-25
5	Indiana	34-25
6	Milwaukee	33-25
7	Philadelphia	32-25
8	Miami	31-29

Upcoming Games:

NBA:

Monday, Feb. 26
 LA Lakers v Atlanta
 Memphis v Boston
 Chicago v Brooklyn
 Golden State v NY
 Detroit v Toronto
 Phoenix v NO
 Orlando v Oklahoma
 Indiana v Dallas
 Houston v Utah
 Minnesota v Sacramento

Tuesday, Feb. 27

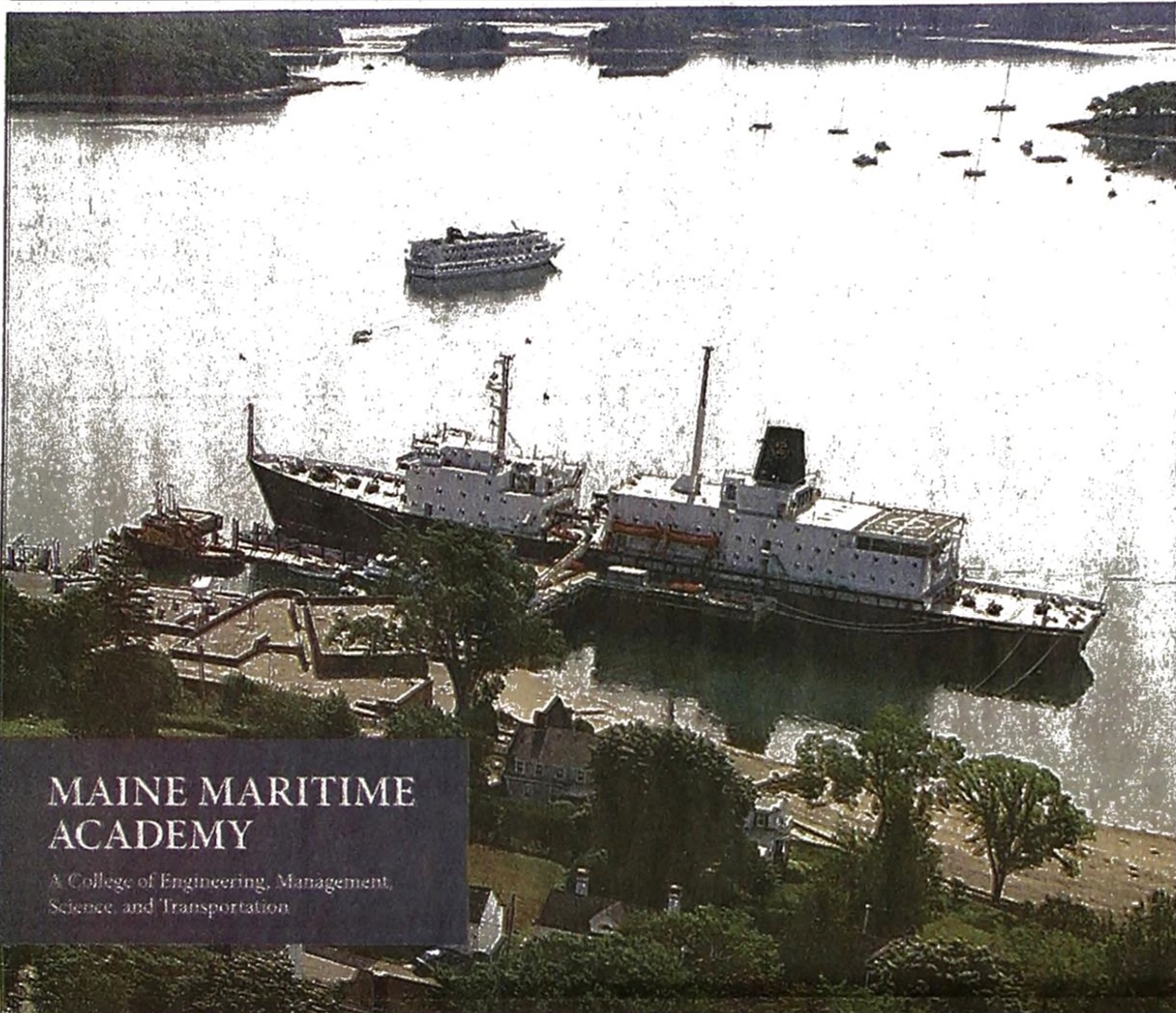
Chicago v Charlotte
 Brooklyn v Cleveland
 Philadelphia v Miami
 Washington v Milwaukee
 Sacramento v Portland
 LA Clippers v Denver

NHL WESTERN CONFERENCE OVERALL PTS

Central	1	Nashville	83
	2	Winnipeg	83
	3	Minnesota	75
Pacific	1	Vegas	86
	2	San Jose	74
	3	Calgary	73

NHL EASTERN CONFERENCE OVERALL PTS

Atlantic	1	Tampa Bay	87
	2	Toronto	83
	3	Boston	82
Metropolitan	1	Washington	77
	2	Philadelphia	76
	3	Pittsburgh	76



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