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New Student Government committee to consider Conduct Code



The UMaine Student Government office is housed in the Wade Center.

Antyna Gould, Staff.

Brawley Benson
News Editor

A new Student Government subcommittee will look to critique and offer changes to the Student Conduct Code. Named the Student Conduct Code Oversight and Review Committee (SCCORC), the group was formally established last semester, and its chair and founder, Harrison Ransley, was elected by the Student Senate earlier this semester.

A major focus of the group, Ransley said, is to hear personal stories from students who have some form of experience dealing with the Conduct Code. SCCORC — composed of senators and executives from Student Government alongside other members of the student body — will then interpret trends and produce a report of suggested changes to the code before an official institutional review tentatively scheduled

for this summer. “We know that can be pretty personal and can be pretty tough on students, so we found an attorney who will be redacting information ... they deal with stuff like this all the time,” Ransley said. “What we’re looking to do is set up an email, and if anyone has any anonymous information they would want to drop off, it would go through him.”

According to its policy statement, the Student Conduct Code’s purpose is to “promote the pursuit of activities that contribute to the intellectual, ethical, and physical development of the individuals under the auspices of the University of Maine System.”

In action, the code is akin to a set of rules for students, staff, faculty and administrators who are associated with the System or its seven campuses. The judicial and enforcement mechanism for viola-

tions of the code is the Student Conduct Code Committee, a separate entity from SCCORC that hears cases, adjudicates on disputes and doles out punishments.

Each Student Conduct Code Committee is comprised of enrolled students, faculty and staff members, all of whom are identified by the respective president.

“I’m not trying to say that the Student Conduct Code messes up all of the time,” Ransley said. “I believe that it gets the thing right most of the time. But there a decent amount of instances where it’s like, ‘hey that’s pretty questionable, let’s do something about it.’”

The Conduct Code was last revised by the Student Conduct Code Review Board and accepted by the board of trustees in March of 2018. To Ransley’s knowledge, the revisions, which went into effect July 1, 2018,

were never formally presented to UMaine students.

According to the code, however, there is no mechanism by which student bodies on University of Maine System campuses need to vote to ratify changes.

“Everyone involved with the process — from those who review and develop the Code to those who administer it or hear appeals — have student interests, student development, and community safety as their primary concern,” according to Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students Robert Dana. “The conduct process helps assure a safe campus while encouraging students to be safe.”

The Student Conduct Code Review Board must meet at least once every three years but can meet more when requested by officers representing at least two campuses,

student government officers from at least two campuses or the chancellor of the System.

Dana noted that, from serving on review panels to hearing committees, students are crucial to the implementation and review of the Conduct Code.

“The goal of the student conduct process is educative not punitive, and this tenet is fundamental to our approach in administering the Student Conduct Code,” Dana said. “We also believe that this approach makes a difference in that we have a safe and positive campus life and the majority of students who interact with the conduct process once don’t typically get involved with the process again.”

Cameron Bowie is a fourth-year history and political science student senator who serves on the Student Senate and was involved with the founding of SCCORC. Bow-

ie said that potential changes to the code could be aimed to protect both accusers and accused, broaden definitions and reassess the appeals process.

“Students at a Maine university deserve to have a code that fits to the standards of this state and its people,” Bowie said.

Ransley said that he was initially impelled to create a Student Conduct Code review committee after seeing how one of his friends had to deal with a conduct case last spring. During the fall semester, he studied the Conduct Code and laid the foundation for the committee. This semester is when work began and, Ransley said, the clock is ticking to get results out before the summer.

“Peoples’ futures are on the line,” Ransley said. “I want to set this up for success. It’s worth getting every campus on board.”

New bill takes aim at Maine’s student debt

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Staff Writer

On Dec. 17 of last year, Maine State Sen. Nate Libby of Androscoggin co-filed a bill along with Rep. Mattie Daughtry and several other senators that proposed a program aimed

to forgive student loans for an individual who has lived and worked in Maine for five or more years.

Libby said that if the bill passes successfully, it will be going out to voters for approval at a referendum in the fall of 2019 or the

summer of 2020. The ballot question, according to the bill’s legislative document, will be phrased: “Do you favor a \$250,000,000 bond issue to provide funds for payment of student loan debt of individuals who agree to work and reside in Maine for

five years and for reimbursement of employers that make student loan repayments on behalf of such individuals?”

University of Maine’s students and graduates could help decide whether this program is successful or not, Libby believes. He also be-

lieves that this bill could aid in student retention and draw more out of state students to attend UMaine.

Connie Smith, the director of Financial Aid and manager of Student Employment at UMaine, works frequently with students regarding

grants, scholarships, loans, work-study, waivers and assistantships.

“I’m excited that through this proposal Maine is leading the nation in an effort to relieve student loan debt

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News

Newman Center looking to make significant renovations, additions



The Newman Center is set to undergo construction to attract new students.

MJ Gautrau, Photo Editor.

Emily Molino Contributor

Last month, the Newman Center — a space for Catholic students and members of the community to come together to participate in focus groups, missions, Sunday mass and prayer — announced that it would be seeking money for renovations. Currently, the space is unable to operate at full capacity in holding its many events for the Orono community.

According to Tim Ward, one of the center's members, the Newman Center was built in the 1970s, but since then it has experienced structural issues. Mold has been

a big issue for the Center, and the roof and beams are out of date. They are also looking to redo the bathrooms and the kitchen, install stained-glass and add a new bell tower.

The renovations for the Center are predicted to take about 16 months and the budget for the project is \$2.2 million, with money coming from a combination of donations from supporters of the Center and fundraising. There has been talk of solar panels also being donated to the Newman Center to make it more up to date and eco-friendly.

"The primary challenge we're facing is raising the money," according to third-year

new media student Jacob Buttarazzi, a regular attendee of events at the Newman Center. "A lot of the people that go to the Newman Center are students with no money to donate or community members who have already given what they can."

Renovations to Orono's Newman Center are part of a larger project announced last month by the Roman Catholic Diocese in Portland to raise \$3.5 million for churches in the Orono and Old Town area. The main target of the financing mission and the location likely to receive a bulk of capital investment is the Newman Center.

Additional properties that are set to receive structural, aesthetic and infrastructural improvements include St. Ann's church on Indian Island, St. Ann's in Bradley and Holy Family in Old Town — all members of the Parish of the Resurrection of the Lord.

The Center's mission for the renovations, according to Tim Ward, is to give a space for prayer and for the community of the Newman Center to grow. The Center brings in a lot of students for its prayer groups and the dinners they hold every Wednesday. The kitchen, as of right now, is not fit to hold the amount of students

that attend.

With these new renovations, the Newman Center plans to create a space that resembles more of a church than it does right now. They plan to put in pews and make a larger space for the chorus to sing, in addition to bringing the floor up a level and raising the roof and beams in the ceiling.

"Right now, our social space is right at the back of the main church with nothing separating the two," Buttarazzi said. "It can be very disruptive if we want to host an event for students at the same time the community is trying to have time in prayer in the church. We also have dinners at the Newman

Center twice a week, Wednesday and Sunday nights, and they're open to the public, but we can't always fit everyone in one room. With the new building, we'll have plenty of space for anyone who wants to come and we will never be disrupting anyone.

According to the Newman Center's website, the center was established in a restaurant on College Ave in 1946 by a group of Catholic students, faculty, staff and administrators. The current center at 83 College Ave. was dedicated to the Newman Center in 1971.

UMaine announces system-wide initiative to look at academic programs

Charles Cramer Contributor

In late January, the University of Maine System announced a new initiative, Programs for Examination, intended to provide annual reviews of University programs across the state. This is the first year that the policy has been active, and it is expected to remain in effect indefinitely.

In order for a program to qualify for the newly enacted examinations, it would have to fall below an established threshold of graduates per year, which decreases as the program's level increases. Master's programs, for example, will not be

expected to award as many diplomas as undergraduate programs.

The proposed thresholds for graduates, which will be adapted as the program continues, are five graduates per year for undergraduate programs, three per year for Graduate programs and two per year for doctorate programs, all over a time period of three years.

Each program will also have a threshold for the number of undergraduate majors it offers and the amount of tenure-track and just-cause eligible faculty members it employs.

"This process is really campus driven — the System generates the

data, starts the conversation and will be facilitating coordination across campuses — but the program planning occurs on the campuses with academic leaders and faculty," Executive Director of Public Affairs for the University of Maine System Dan Demeritt said.

The University of Maine System is currently host to 386 academic programs. One of the objectives of this initiative will be the academic engagement of these nearly 400 programs through innovation and collaboration, with the intent of ensuring proper resources are allocated to each.

In effect since Aug. 1, 2018, the policy has al-

ready identified 130 programs across the seven UMaine campuses that are currently below their specific thresholds. Of these 130 programs, 32 have been selected for further review. The other 98 programs were deemed critical to either the individual university or the state, and therefore were removed from consideration.

Two reviews, one on campus in March and one system wide in May, will be performed on each of these 32 programs; then, on Aug. 1, the process will be repeated. Throughout this process, the level of changes and the impact that the changes have had on each program will be evaluated.

Both Demeritt and UMaine Provost Jeffrey Hecker emphasized that these examinations will not immediately affect a program's budget or cause a program's elimination.

"I need to be clear right out of the gate," Demeritt said, "the Programs for Examination Process is [not] a pathway to elimination or cuts but the start of a process to ensure UMS programs are relevant, rich and properly resourced."

The last significant program elimination within the University of Maine System occurred in 2014 when the University of Southern Maine eliminated three of its programs in order

to reduce a \$15 million budget deficit.

Since then, Demeritt said, the System has "achieved a strong fiscal foundation at Maine's public universities that allows us to review our academic programs with an eye toward ongoing improvement rather than program-cutting budget urgency."

Of the 32 University of Maine System programs currently being reviewed, four are located at UMaine in Orono: Master's in French, Science Education, Social Studies Education and Spanish.

Social brings students together for Black History Month

Emily Coyne
Staff Writer

On Friday, Feb. 8 the University of Maine Black Student Union (BSU) held a social in the Office of Multicultural Student Life in the Memorial Union. This is one of the first events hosted by the BSU as part of Black History Month, which takes place during the month of February.

The Black History Month Friday socials will be a recurring event

every Friday throughout February. They offer an opportunity for community members to learn more about this student organization, its campus initiatives and political activism.

Mason Martin, a third-year marine biology student and assistant associate for the Office of Multicultural Student Life, attended the event.

“The reason why I go to these socials is to meet new people,” Martin said. “It’s a nice ice-breaker in a way and you

get to see new opinions, new ideas . . . And these socials are nice because other than the free food, of course, it’s just a good atmosphere.”

The Office of Multicultural Student Life is one of the groups that partners with the BSU. The BSU is also partnering with Student Life, the Women’s Resource Center and the Feminist Collective.

February is a busy month with more than 22 events scheduled in 28 days. BSU President

Taylor Bass said that, despite the large workload, she is excited.

“We want to be building relationships and breaking barriers for people who normally wouldn’t be interacting with each other,” Bass said.

One way the BSU is breaking these barriers and introducing people is over food. Many of the BSU’s events offer free food to anyone who attends, and for their first social this month they served up Chinese food.

“We really like the concept of feeding people with no expectations,” Bass said. “There’s a lot of food insecurity on campus and there’s a lot of food insecurity for people of color and the idea of ‘come and eat’ is all we want from you. We want you to leave full.”

Martin believes that these socials are a great way for new students to find a community.

“Socials here break the ice, they give you networking,” Martin

said.

“[Our goal is to] create allies and make it a good space and a good month for not only people of color but white people and just unite people,” Bass said.

The BSU currently has around 15 active members, and Bass said they are always looking for more. The next social event will be held on Feb. 15 in the Office of Multicultural Student Life.

Dagher discusses the future of wind power in Maine

Emily Turner
Contributor

On Wednesday, Feb. 6, Dr. Habib Dagher gave a talk entitled, “Maine’s opportunity to lead on clean energy jobs and combating climate change,” which explored where Maine has been moving in its approach to energy.

Dagher is a professor of structural and civil engineering at the University of Maine and the founding director of the Advanced Structures and Composites Center. His talk included a mixture of speculation and discussion of what

has already been done on the renewable energy front.

Under Dagher’s leadership, the Advanced Structures and Composites Center launched a prototype of the VoltturnUS in 2013, the first grid-connected offshore wind turbine in the Americas, according to the Advanced Structures and Composites Center website.

The goal of this project, the Aqua Ventus, is to build and make functioning a full-size floating wind turbine, ultimately preparing the state for any future energy crisis and keeping the mon-

ey made from energy in Maine.

“It’s going to take all of us working together to make it happen,” Dagher said.

According to the U.S. Energy Administration, in 2017 roughly three-quarters of Maine’s net energy generation came from renewable sources, with one-third coming from hydroelectric dams and one-fifth from wind turbines.

“Eleven years ago a floating wind turbine was a thing of science fiction and now we are in an international race to see who will be the

first to get a floating offshore wind turbine,” Dagher said.

The Aqua Ventus seeks to alleviate some of the high costs of energy for Maine families as well as replace fossil fuels in favor of renewable energy.

Maine is the state with the most wind capacity on the East Coast, according to Dagher. As the offshore wind begins to take off all over the United States, Maine has the potential to lead in floating technology as most offshore projects have been land based.

“Energy rules the world, where will Maine

fit in?” Dagher asked.

The VoltturnUS project is now in its last phase during which researchers will attempt to build the full-size floating offshore wind turbine.

However, to truly expand this energy economy, Dagher said, the state needs to attract investment, but this is where Maine has been slow to gain momentum. First, Aqua Ventus needs to be completed, which is predicted to happen by early 2021. Then the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management needs to set up a task force to organize and ensure

farms do not disturb the environment the device is put in before asking for more.

To move forward with this and a role UMaine can play, Dagher suggested, is to incorporate the new energy economy as a part of the University of Maine System research and development plan. This is to help solve the need for local solutions specific to the state of Maine. The overarching question he hopes to address is how to transition Maine to a net zero carbon system.

UMaine to participate in new sexual misconduct, abuse survey

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News Editor

Last week, the University of Maine announced that students would participate in a new sexual misconduct and domestic abuse survey in February. The announcement of the University of Maine Campus Climate Survey came in the form of an email from Vice President of Student Life and Dean of Students Robert Dana and President Joan Ferrini-Mundy on Feb. 4.

“Sexual harassment and sexual assault are critically important issues at colleges and universities across the country, including here at the University of Maine,” Dana said. “The impact

of these behaviors is destructive and corrosive to a sense of safety and community, and must be comprehensively addressed to effectively combat this sort of behavior. To this end it is important that we know how students on campus are impacted by sexual harassment, sexual assault, dating and domestic violence, and stalking.”

In his email, Dana cited statistics saying that as much as 25 percent of college students experience “unwanted sexual contact,” 18 percent of students are victims of dating violence or domestic abuse and, nationally, only 25 percent of cases of sexual assault on campuses are

reported.

Dana did not provide a source for these statistics in his email, but similar numbers are offered by the National Sexual Violence Resource Center. According to statistics provided by the U.S. Department of Justice, one in five women in college experience sexual assault.

UMaine’s Title IX Office offers support for students in three areas, according to the its website: “Providing support around the areas of sexual violence, relationship abuse, and stalking; Can help answer questions and concerns; Offering resources and referrals on interpersonal violence.”

Elizabeth Lavoie is

the director of the Title IX office on campus. She said that the results of the survey will be used to help policy makers identify key areas of programming, prevention, awareness and response efforts.

“In my experience, I have seen our number of gender discrimination reports grow,” Lavoie said. “However, I do not feel that it happens more frequently on our campus. rather we do a good job of making students aware of services and supports.”

Lavoie cited UMaine students’ plethora of resources — including the Counseling Center, Rape Response Services and Partners for Peace — as helpful supports for vic-

tims of sexual assault, dating violence and domestic abuse.

This survey is the most recent step in the process of updating UMaine administration’s awareness of sexual and dating abuse incidents, many of which go unreported.

“[We] have conducted a climate survey for the last few years, the most recent one being conducted in Spring 2018,” Lavoie said. “We have worked hard to engage and understand what our students are experiencing and what we can do to better serve them. We constantly continue those efforts through programming, staff and student trainings and by utilizing best practices.

However, doing climate surveys help us really understand what we can do as, an institution and as community leaders, to continue doing better for our students.”

Dana said that the survey, which will be anonymous, will provide administrators with key information in three areas: “prevention, reporting and support.”

Students can contact the Title IX Office at (207) 581-1406. Members of the community can also contact UMaine’s Counseling Center at (207) 581-1392, Rape Response Services at (207) 973-3651 or the Partners for Peace hotline at (800) 863-9909.



Puppies are
awesome!
Pet one!

Weekly Updates

This Week in Student Government

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

Charles Cramer
Contributor

New senators, officer appointments and resignations

The Student Senate meeting of Feb. 5 began with the formal admission of undergraduate student Fran Woodward to the Student Senate.

Club maintenance

A spokesman for the University of Maine College Republicans petitioned the Senate for his club's reactivation. The Club had, according to the spokesperson, been inactive since September of 2018 because of a failure to properly submit paperwork. The spokesman told the assembly that this club "has been around for a long time," and now has between 25 and 35 active members who attend weekly meetings on Thursdays. He also mentioned that club members participate in events across campus and host events for interested members of the student body, such as the upcoming "lunch and learn" series, in which pop culture and contemporary economic and social issues will be discussed. Sen. Cameron Bowie, who had previously been the club's secretary, voiced his support for the club's reactivation, which subsequently passed by a clear majority.

A spokesman for

the Athletic Trainers Student Organization thanked the Senate for funding his club's trip to the Eastern Athletic Trainers Association meeting from Jan. 11-14 in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. Six students and two faculty advisors attended the meeting during which the club's president placed second in her conference. The president was then invited to a national competition this summer in Las Vegas where she will represent the entire region of New England.

Guest speakers

Student Life Advisor to Student Government Lauri Sidelko announced the launch of Eduroam, the University's new WiFi service. Sidelko said that although the setup is a "multi-step process," it will be a significant improvement in WiFi experience, and she encouraged senators to recommend the new server to their fellow students.

Executive reports

President Logan Aromando began his report by mentioning that he would soon pass around finalized timelines for the executive elections. He told senators that the 2018 year's end financial audit report had been approved and that he would hand out copies for their review. The search is continuing for a new vice president of financial



affairs, he said, and possible replacements will be interviewed in the near future. Aromando told the Senate that his first meeting with Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students Robert Dana was scheduled for Monday, Feb. 11. Aromando concluded by once again encouraging senators to attend the all-expense paid Student Government Conference at the University of Maine at Presque Isle on April 13 and 14.

Vice President Bentley Simpson alluded briefly to the Feb. 16 and 17 spring Senate training which, he and Armando said, was mandatory for all the senators. He told the senators that this event was contingent on their appearance, and that if a considerable number of senators are unable to attend on either of those days, he will be forced to reschedule it. He finished his report by

emphasizing the importance of the spring training, and advised the senators to complete it as soon as they possibly can, since it serves as an invaluable educational opportunity.

As the position of vice president for financial affairs is currently vacant, President Aromando acted in an interim capacity. Aromando announced \$141,697 in unallocated funds. \$1,635 was apportioned for the Traditional Dance Club, \$600 of which Aromando had appropriated from his executive budget. The meeting's consent agenda totalled \$654 for the UMaine a cappella groups and included three minor resolutions: job descriptions for the student council, two executive cabinet appointments and the 2018 year end auditor's report.

Vice President for Student Organizations Taylor Cray said that

the first meeting of the Student Organizations Committee was held the previous week and went well. Two organizations came in for reactivation: the College Republicans and the Muslim Student Association, who will formally ask to be reactivated at the next GSS meeting. She mentioned that advertising for student organizations is possible and encouraged senators to send any ideas to her. She concluded by announcing that the Club of the Week Award had returned and that the week's recipient was the Philosophy Club.

Vice President for Student Entertainment Corey Claflin stated that Spring Concert planning is underway. He told the senators that there are meetings scheduled for the coming future that will address different aspects of the concert.

Periodic reports

Orono Town Council Liaison Bowie mentioned that he would be attending the Orono Town Council meeting the following week. He also mentioned, as the head of the Committee for Political Activism, that he had created a flyer campaign to promote civility and dialogue among students and said that he would be distributing the flyer to each political party on campus.

Reports of stand-

ing committees

Sen. Harrison Ransley noted that changes had been made to UMaine's confidentiality training.

A spokesman for the Inter-Fraternity Council said that a new fraternity, Sigma Pi, will be colonizing on campus on Feb. 9. He also told the Senate that the All Greek Meeting will be on Wednesday, Feb. 13 from 6-8 p.m. in the Collins Center for the Arts.

President Aromando handed out packets detailing the 2018 auditor's report. He mentioned that the financial audit of 2018 found the Student Government to be in compliance with everything except a donation totaling \$22,000 dollars, which is the office space that the University had gifted them. He said that the auditors wanted them to list the donation, for tax purposes, as an in-kind donation. The audit, he said, is done yearly and was not related to the payment of tax attorney Dan Pittman.

Debt from A1

and at the same time assisting with workforce development by enticing students to live and work in Maine after graduation," Smith said.

According to the 2017-2018 Common Data Set of UMaine, enrolled undergraduate students were awarded close to \$39 million in need-based student

loans last year.

"The bill calls for no maximum amount of benefit but I envision a cap of \$10,000 per individual," Libby said. "The bill makes no eligibility distinction between public and private loans, or type of degrees, or when degrees were earned."

Libby says his inspiration for this bill came from what he believes to be two of the most pressing economic issues that threaten future

growth in our state's economy: Maine's worsening workforce and labor shortage, and our growing student debt burden.

"Investing in recruiting and retaining workers through direct student debt forgiveness is my proposed solution to both economic crises," Libby said.

Although this bill is aimed at workforce attraction or retention, Libby said it doesn't necessarily get at oth-

er problems related to student debt, for example, "a student debtor's bill of rights and unfair lending practices, or tackling the problem of high costs in higher education generally."

The economy is already slowing due to workforce shortage, Libby believes. He says that in the future, a shrinking number of workers and consumers will lead to a shrinking state Gross Domestic Product. Libby wants

to deal with these demographic hurdles and "work diligently at retaining young Maine workers and attracting new Maine workers."

There is plenty left to be done before this bill will be sent to the voters for approval. Libby said there will first be a public hearing before the Legislature's Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business which will take place some time in

February.

"[T]his bipartisan, bicameral committee will make a recommendation to the full Legislature on whether this is worth supporting or not," Libby said.

The final step is to get two-thirds of the House and two-thirds of the Senate to vote in favor of the bill, as well as obtain the governor's signature.



The World This Week



Feb. 8

The president of Sierra Leone last week declared rape and sexual violence a "national emergency" in the country.

Feb. 8

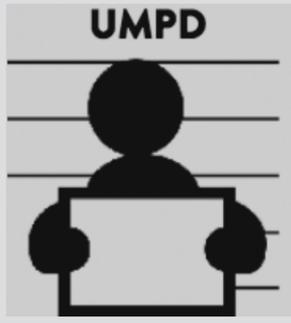
The health ministry of the Democratic Republic of the Congo reported that 502 people had died in the country's most recent outbreak of Ebola.

Feb. 9

Prince Philip, 97, of the United Kingdom announced last Saturday that he would be giving up his driver's license following a minor car crash he was involved in.

Police Beat

The best from UMaine's finest



Brawley Benson
News Editor

Feb. 2 - 8:27 p.m.

Sargent Barrieau of Orono Police Department (OPD) stopped a car driven by Shalynne Bamford, 18, for speeding on Main Street. Inside the car Barrieau could see a traffic cone in the back seat and a marijuana pipe in the glove box. The passenger, Morgan MacNeil, 18, took ownership of the pipe and was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia. She was given a March 7 court date. Bamford was issued a citation for speeding. Neither of the people in the car was charged for possession of the traffic cone.

Feb. 2 - 11:23 p.m.

OPD officers responded to a house on Gilbert Street in Orono for a loud party. Officers arrived and an estimated 75 to 100 people spilled out onto the street. Sargent

Barrieau saw one female walk out trying to conceal a container of alcohol in her pants. Barrieau approached the car that the female got into and they said that they had no alcohol on them. Barrieau found the alcohol and subsequently charged Kelsey Cole, 20, and Erica Rousche, 18, for illegal possession of alcohol by a minor. They were given a March 7 court date.

Feb. 3 - 2:00 p.m.

A man called the University of Maine Police Department (UMPd) to report that his vehicle had gone missing from the Hilltop Lot. Before officers could arrive, the man called back and said that he had located his vehicle in the south end of the same parking lot. He explained that his friends had played a joke on him and moved his car.

Feb. 3 - 12:10 a.m.

Orono, Old Town and UMaine police officers

responded to the Avenue Apartment complex for a complaint of 10 to 15 people actively fighting. When they arrived, officers saw several people scatter throughout the complex. Nobody came forward with a complaint, although one male said that his iPhone had been stolen by, he believed, some of the people involved in the fight. The man later found his phone and no charges were filed for the incident.

Feb. 3 - 6:34 p.m.

OPD officers responded to Thriftway in Orono after an employee reported that someone had attempted to use a fake ID to buy alcohol. The employee said that David Gelb, 18, had pleaded with him not to call police, noting that he was a football player on the UMaine team. Gelb later came to OPD admitting to trying to purchase beer and was summoned for possession of a fake

ID. Gelb's court date is March 7.

Feb. 3 - 6:43 p.m.

Officer Oko of OPD stopped Vincent Schell, 18, for a headlight out. In plain view in the backseat was a 30-rack of Pabst Blue Ribbon partially covered by a jacket. Oko charged Schnell with illegal possession of alcohol by a minor and gave him a March 7 court date.

Feb. 3 - 10:14 p.m.

Officers from Old Town Police Department and OPD responded to a complaint from staff at the Avenue Apartment complex that there was a large crowd gathered after the Patriot's Super Bowl victory. When officers arrived, the crowd dispersed, and no charges were issued.

Feb. 4 - 12:06 a.m.

Seeing an expired registration, Officer Oko of OPD stopped a car on Park Street in Orono driven by Kyle Byers, 18, of Hermon. When Oko approached the car, he could smell alcohol in the vehicle. Byers then failed a field sobriety test and was taken to the OPD station where he blew under the legal limit. Due to Maine's zero tolerance policy, however, which says that any alcohol in

a minor's system nullifies the privilege to drive granted by a license, Byers was charged with operating without a license.

Feb. 4 - 8:47 p.m.

UMPd officers responded to Knox Hall where somebody had damaged an exit sign on the first floor. According to the report, the sign was hanging by wires. The damage estimate is \$100.

Feb. 5 - 1:59 a.m.

UMPd officers were reviewing video footage for an unrelated matter when, on camera, they saw a male walking into the Multicultural Room of the Memorial Union well after it had closed. Officers arrived, escorted the male out and referred him to the Student Conduct Code Committee.

Feb 5 - 10:21 a.m.

Officers Morse and Young of OPD stopped a car going 44 mph on College Avenue, a 25 mph zone. Officers could smell marijuana in the car of Moriah Taylor, 19, from Freeport, and a subsequent search of the car turned up two marijuana pipes. Taylor was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and given a March 7 court date.

Feb. 7 - 7:25 p.m.

UPMD officers responded to the New Balance Student Recreation Center for a report of an injured male. They arrived along with the University Volunteer Ambulance Corps and found a bleeding male who said that he had been elbowed in the head while playing basketball. UVAC did not transport.

Feb 7 - 11:37 p.m.

A UMPd officer patrolling the Merrill Lot smelled marijuana and saw three individuals coming from the woods with a glass bong protruding from one of the individual's coat pocket. The owner of the bong, Patrick Neusch, 20, was summoned and the two other males were referred to the Student Conduct Code Committee.

Feb. 8 - 1:44 a.m.

UMPd police officers responded to the second floor of York Hall for a report of an unconscious male. They arrived and found Jackson Cyr, 18, a resident of the building. Cyr was referred to the Student Conduct Code Committee.

Briefs

Quick news from around the country



Brawley Benson
News Editor

Feb. 3

United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officers arrested rapper Shéyaa Bin Abraham-Joseph, also known as 21 Savage, in Atlanta, Georgia, last week. ICE alleged

that 21 Savage was actually born in the United Kingdom and is in the U.S. on an expired visa.

Prior to this incident, most believed the rapper was a native of Atlanta. According to a spokesperson from ICE, "His whole public persona is false. He actually came to the U.S. from

the U.K. as a teen and overstayed his visa."

21 Savage is now in custody of ICE and undergoing deportation proceedings. Many celebrities have come out to plead for the release of the rapper.

Feb. 9

A famous Uyghur

musician and singer, Abdurehim Heyit, 55, was killed while in detention in Urumqi, China. Many allege that Heyit had been a victim of torture since 2017, when he was detained by the Chinese government as part of a "reeducation" program.

Urumqi is the capital of the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region in northwest China. The Uyghurs are a Turkic people who call the region home.

The international

community has denounced Heyit's death, with Turkey calling for the closure of China's reeducation camps holding ethnic Uyghurs.

Feb. 6

Pope Francis announced that the Catholic Church would officially address abuses of nuns by the clergy. This marks the first time that Pope Francis has acknowledged such abuses.

The announcement comes after the glob-

al organization of nuns of the Catholic Church last year denounced a "culture of silence and secrecy" that dissuaded nuns from coming forward with cases of abuse.

Making his announcement while on a tour of the Middle East, Pope Francis said that the Church was "working on [the issue]" and had already suspended some individuals.



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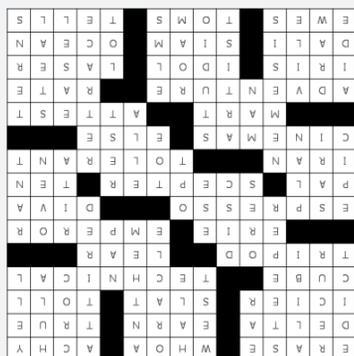
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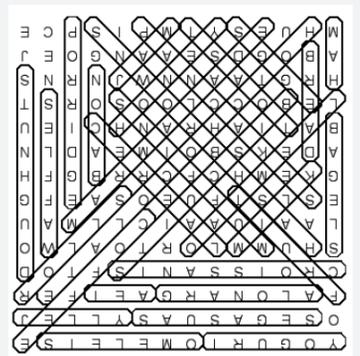
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Opinion

Monday, February 11, 2019

Editorial: Incentives to bringing and keeping students in Maine

Liz Theriault
Opinion Editor

Maine's labor workforce is aging. As the state with the oldest median age in the country, it is easy to see the connection between a higher rate of older citizens with and a higher rate of aging workers. While it may be an easy problem to recognize, it is not an easy one to solve. Maine legislators have established previous acts to benefit Maine graduates, but their most recently proposed bill could help incentivize young Mainers to stay and work in Maine.

The Maine Department of Labor cites that there are 100,000 fewer Maine citizens age zero to 20 under the age of 20 than those that are age 40 to 60, and in 2016, there were just over 1,000 more deaths than births in the state. There is no denying that Maine's population is aging, and this is mainly due to the fact that young citizens are leaving the state and raising

families elsewhere.

This could be detrimental to Maine's workforce. A Maine Policy Review, written by two University of Maine and one Department of Labor employees, highlights the way an aging workforce will impact Maine's economy. As of 2014, there were 370,000 baby boomers — the generation who saw the largest increase in labor force participation — still working. On the other hand, the population in Maine under the age of 19 that would potentially replace those baby boomers when they retire was only 259,000. This left a 111,000 gap that could only worsen will only get worse, considering that many young people will leave the state and work elsewhere. Maine cannot afford to keep losing its youth population without facing significant labor shortages in the coming years.

The A bill crafted to tackle this issue, titled LD 149, or An Act to Authorize a General Fund

Bond Issue to Provide Student Debt Forgiveness To Support Workforce Attraction and Retention, was co-filed by Maine Sen. Majority Leader Nathan Libby. Libby proposed The bill proposes a \$250 million bond that would instate a loan-forgiveness program for Maine graduates who agree to live and work in Maine for at least five years after graduation.

Since Maine students have faced a drastically increased the amounts amount of debt acquired they acquire pursuing higher education, offering debt forgiveness is a considerable incentive to keeping students in Maine. A study by the credit reporting agency Experian states that in the last ten years, the amount of loans Maine college students have obtained has doubled. Maine Public Radio reports that on average, a 2017 graduate owes more than \$31,000 in loans, and all together Mainers owe \$6 billion.

Currently,

Maine has a tax credit program, titled Educational Opportunity Tax Credit, that incentivizes graduates to work in Maine. This program offers tax credits through refunds or tax credit opportunities to students who have graduated from Maine college or universities in or after 2015. However, in order to be eligible to claim the credit on your taxes, the degree that you received has to correspond with a provided list on the Department of Administrative and Financial Services Maine Revenue website, which prioritizes STEM majors.

In this program, if you graduated after 2015 with a STEM degree, you are eligible for a refundable tax credit. This means that the state of Maine will offset the amount of money you owe in state taxes with the amount you paid in student loans and will even refund you any surplus. For example, if you are a STEM graduate who paid \$2000 in student loans but only owed

the state of Maine \$1800 in taxes, Maine would refund you the \$200 difference.

If you graduated with a degree outside of a STEM field, you are only eligible for non-refundable tax credits. Instead of receiving any surplus checks, the amount in which you paid in loans would be applied and deducted from the amount of state taxes you owe. This example would mean that if you paid \$1800 in student loans, but owed the state of Maine \$2000 in taxes, you would only need to pay the state \$200.

While the tax credit program currently in place helps Maine students who decide to live and work in Maine, it prioritizes only certain Maine students and is not enough to keep young workers in Maine. The new bill introducing the \$250 million bond could help students across all majors, and increase and diversify the skills that workers in Maine possess if they

decide to stay in Maine.

Finally, if this bill was to pass, eligible Mainers could see their student debt dwindle significantly and even vanish in roughly 6.5 six and a half years, according to the Maine Senate website.

Initiating programs to benefit students and creating an incentive to stay in Maine incentive incentivize Maine as a place to live and work for will benefit Maine's economy and boost our workforce. While this bill may only be one part of the student debt puzzle, it's one piece closer to creating a state that prioritizes the educational, work, and financial needs of its citizens.



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Anti-Vax nation

Kylie Welch
Contributor

As of Feb. 6, 2019, 79 cases of measles had been reported in the United States, more than two for every day of the year so far with 50 of these cases reported in Washington state. However, the outbreak has spread around Brooklyn, New York, Oregon and Connecticut. According to the New York Times, around 79 percent of kindergarteners in Washington state have been vaccinated before enrolling, leaving the approximately 20 percent gap of unvaccinated students the largest out of any state

in the country. The question remains as to why there are people that choose to not vaccinate their children. Most parents who refuse to vaccinate cite religious and moral reasons among why they chose not to have their child receive the round of shots that has become almost mandatory within the last generation. This lent itself toward all but eliminating society collapsing diseases such as measles and polio. For many school districts, even the University of Maine, skipping vaccinations is allowed under “moral, philosophical, or other personal belief” exemption

upheld in Maine state law. In order to fully understand the viewpoint of the anti-vax community, I asked myself a few questions; one of which being “did I get a flu shot this year?” I didn’t. I assumed that because I was a healthy, active, young adult, even if I did happen to get the flu I could afford the 48 hours it put me out of commission. While looking further into this concept, however, I was faced with situations others might be in and the fact that at the end of the day, we are not getting flu shots just for ourselves. We are getting

flu shots for our elderly neighbors, our friends with immune system disabilities or our baby cousins whose young age puts them in compromising positions when trying to fight off disease and illness. In more severe cases, diseases such as measles won’t just leave a child with a fever, but could cost them their lives. According to epidemiologists, the vaccination rate for measles needs to be at 93 percent or higher in order to keep an outbreak from occurring and this level is not met in Washington state. Fears of pharmaceutical companies and

popularities of herbal or home remedies are on the rise, while the safety of our children is declining. As simple as it may seem to be able to look out amongst the general public and feel waves of relief that we no longer seem to be plagued with so many horrifying diseases, it’s important to keep in mind that these never truly go away. At any moment they will be ready to strike on those who have not already taken prior precautions. No matter what documents have been released to the public, including the classic “vaccines cause autism” study which has

since been ruled false, medical professionals advocate everywhere for vaccines in order to form a healthier and safer environment that, when vaccinated, America’s youth can enjoy.

Could caffeine be making life harder for students?

Nate Poole
Contributor

For the sake of full disclosure I feel as though it’s necessary to admit that as I am writing this sentence I have consumed almost 384 milliliters of caffeine in the last four hours; in the last eight hours that number goes up to about 534, and relative to the average college student, I am no outlier. A study just last year of over 1,200 students across the country found that 92 percent of students consumed caffeine in any form with coffee as the main source. Many University of Maine students have seen the

Monsters or the 5-Hour Energies in the vending machines in the dorms, and there’s a reason every snack bar, dining hall or cafe on campus provides coffee 24-hours a day. It’s a fact of life as a student. And like many things in the lives of students, we tend to push it to an unhealthy degree. Look no further than the unholy marriage of caffeine and binge-drinking and you will find a coupling so obvious that it’s hard to believe it took until 2005 for a company to effectively turn it for a profit. I’m referencing none other than Four Loko, a drink that put itself on the map in

2010 when it took college parties by storm and promptly got itself banned by the FDA the same year. The issue with a concoction like Four Loko is that it mixes an upper (caffeine) with a downer (alcohol), allowing individuals to drink more and feel it less, an extremely dangerous effect that led to numerous accidents and deaths. The death of the original Four Loko didn’t stop young adults from continuing to mix plastic-bottle vodka and sugar-free monsters; the only thing that can do that is a sense of decency. On a far more day-to-day level, caffeine,

as far as drugs go, is pretty harmless; it’s the application that can be problematic. There is no other example of this more pertinent to the life of a college student than the effect of caffeine upon quality of sleep. Most people are already aware of the negative effects that can result from not getting the right quality or quantity of sleep such as impaired mood, increased risk of accidents and most importantly, lower grade point averages. Excessive or inappropriate use of caffeine can affect that sleep and thus result in these same effects. Michael Breus, a clin-

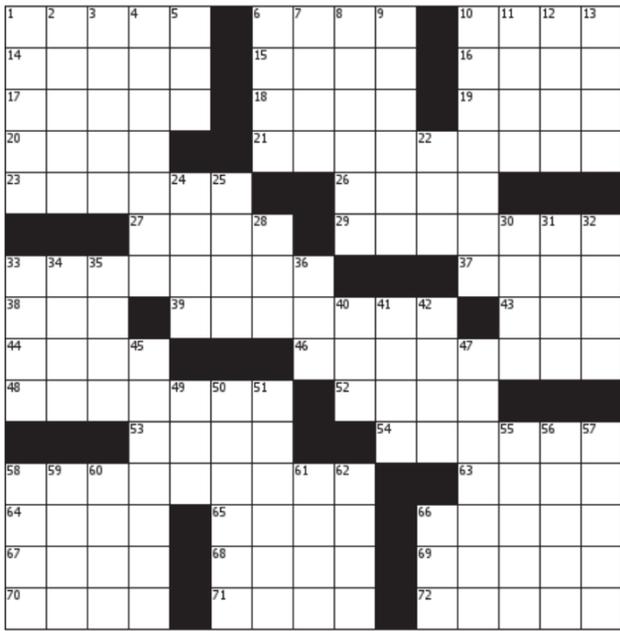
ical psychologist with a specialty in sleep disorders, suggests drinking coffee no later than 2 p.m., explaining that even if you don’t feel an afternoon cup of coffee, it can still be affecting your sleep as much as six hours after the fact. Breus also advocates for avoiding “super-sized” drinks, the calories aside, 20-ounces is way more stimulant than the body knows what to do with (the Rushes at Aroma Joe’s being a prime example). This is not at all to knock coffee or those that enjoy it. It’s great for attentiveness and memory, and according to some studies a

cup or two a day reduces risk for stroke. However, like anything, it should be taken in moderation. Drinking coffee too soon before sleeping only results in a cycle of exhaustion followed by caffeineation followed by further exhaustion. Leave coffee for the morning, drink tea in the afternoon. And don’t drink Four Loko; it’s still out there, and it’s still garbage.



Diversions

Crossword



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Across

- 1. Rub out
- 6. Stop!
- 10. Sore
- 14. Greek letter
- 15. Deserve
- 16. Factual
- 17. Colder
- 18. Wood strip
- 19. Turnpike charge
- 20. Ice unit
- 21. ____ difficulties

- 23. Camera support
- 26. Shakespearean King
- 27. Huron's neighbor
- 29. Monarch
- 33. Strong coffee
- 37. Opera singer
- 38. Comrade
- 39. Royal staff
- 43. Hamilton bill
- 44. Persia, now
- 46. Open-minded
- 48. Movie theaters
- 52. Besides that
- 53. Emporium
- 54. Vouch for
- 58. Escapade
- 63. Evaluate
- 64. Spring flower
- 65. Golden calf, e.g.
- 66. Intense beam
- 67. Surrealism's Salvador ____
- 68. Thailand, once
- 69. Atlantic or Pacific
- 70. Sheep mamas
- 71. Cruise and Hanks
- 72. Narrates

Down

- 1. Decree
- 2. Happen again
- 3. Defendant's offering
- 4. More sharply inclined
- 5. Cup handle
- 6. Sunset direction
- 7. Robust
- 8. Soothsayer
- 9. Song of praise
- 10. Dressed
- 11. Gator's relative
- 12. Hawaiian dance
- 13. Shout
- 22. Siesta
- 24. Mine finds
- 25. ____ jockey
- 28. Compass pt.
- 30. Film legend ____ Hayworth
- 31. Bakery hot spot
- 32. Talk wildly
- 33. Hero's tale
- 34. Calcutta dress
- 35. Strategy
- 36. Select
- 40. Sock end
- 41. ____ Fitzgerald
- 42. Take five
- 45. Arch enemy
- 47. Go back over
- 49. Fellow
- 50. Monet, e.g.
- 51. Artist's workshop

Word Search: Breakfast

- BACON
- BAGELS
- BISCUITS
- BREAD
- CEREAL
- COFFEE
- CROISSANTS
- DOUGHNUTS
- EGGS
- FRUIT
- GRANOLA
- HAM
- HASH BROWNS
- HONEY
- HOT CHOCOLATE
- JAM
- JELLY
- MARMALADE
- MILK
- MUFFINS
- OATMEAL
- OMELETS
- PANCAKES
- PORRIDGE
- ROLLS
- SAUSAGES
- TEA
- TOAST
- WAFFLES
- YOGURT

Y O G U R T O M E L E T S E
 O S E G A S U A S Y L L E J
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 C R O I S S A N T S F T O D
 S H U M M L O R T O A L W O
 L A A I U A A I C L L M A U
 E S L S T F U E O S A E F G
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 M H U E S Y T M P I S P C E

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Sudoku

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

Difficulty level: Easy

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Word Scramble: Saturn

- 1. arms
- 2. areth
- 3. moreet
- 4. utarns
- 5. aglyax
- 6. eunlba
- 7. aqursa
- 8. tras
- 9. ceaps

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"I'm just gonna park in this blue lot for a minute, I won't get ticketed"



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Reviews

MUSIC

Indie icon and veteran Panda Bear returns with a bustling and glistening upbeat release



Photo via Consequence of Sound.

RATING



Noah Loveless
WMEB Staff

Noah Lennox, or Panda Bear as most fans of indie music know him, has made some of the biggest splashes in 21st century music. Whether it's through his work as a founding member of the genre-bending experimental pop group Animal Collective, or through his own psychedelic and fun solo projects, Lennox has consistently been ushering music into the weirdest and most unpredictable directions. "Buoy" is his sixth solo album. It mimics a more consistent sound than his other albums, showing that Panda Bear has not stopped discovering his unique and complex sound. The album's consistency does not dull its brilliance.

On "Buoy," Panda Bear stays in top form, wasting no melody or quirky sample, and continues to distort pop music to the point that it becomes a strange, unrecognizable but ultimately exciting experience.

The first song, "Dolphin" was the first single to be released in preparation for the full project. The song also set the tone for the sounds and instrumentation that occur throughout the rest of the album. One of the recurring instruments is oddly enough an acoustic guitar. On several tracks, including "Dolphin," one of the central sounds is this repetitive strumming of a guitar. However, it is what he fills the space around the guitar with that makes things get noticeably alternative. For instance, there is a consistent sample of a water drop

sound that works as a percussive element.

This blending of acoustic and electronic is found throughout the release. Later in the album, the song "I Know I Don't Know" begins with this rhythmic guitar strumming but very quickly is layered over with fluttering drum machine noises and whistling synth sounds. Tracks like this are also good examples of Lennox's knack for finding a good hook. The melody flows up and down, and his voice is as sweet and mellow as ever.

Animal Collective's last project, "Tangerine Reef," was created with an obvious connection to the ocean, including a surreal film of the ocean to accompany the project. This type of aquatic influence is felt in many ways on "Buoy." The song "Crescendo" has many sounds that mimic nature including water drops, echoes of a forest and even bird sounds. The way that all the intricate sounds flow together and merge is a truly interesting experience to listen to.

On this project Noah Lennox continues his stride; he keeps things interesting and never really gives the listener a total chance to settle. One is treated to bubbling noises and effects that change and morph so quickly that unless one is listening intently, the sounds can seem like chaos. This project warrants repeated listens but one shouldn't find relistening difficult; each time around one can notice the more hidden details, the crunches, pops and sizzles that disappear and reappear below the surface.

MOVIE

'Glass' is not a typical superhero movie



Photo via Business Studio.

RATING



Ali Tobey
Contributor

"Glass" is the highly anticipated final installment in M. Night Shyamalan's superhero trilogy. This finale comes almost two decades after Shyamalan's 2000's hit, "Unbreakable" starring Bruce Willis and Samuel L. Jackson. "Glass" merges "Unbreakable" with Shyamalan's 2016 thriller "Split" about a man with dissociative identity disorder. In "Glass" David Dunn (Bruce Willis), Elijah Price (Samuel L. Jackson) and Kevin Wendell Crumb (James McAvoy) are united against a new evil.

The "Unbreakable" trilogy defies the average superhero movie tropes. The heroes do not have a long drawn out back story about how they came to Earth from another planet, they do not wear tights or capes and they are not trying to save the world from an alien invasion. The characters' humanity is highlighted as the audience learns more about how their special abilities were developed.

In "Unbreakable," comic books serve an important role in passing down essential truths through generations, a motif that Shyamalan continues in "Glass." The heroes and villains are real people who teach us right from wrong and moral values throughout society.

Following "Unbreakable," David Dunn, born with unbreakable bones, continued his vigilante crime-stopping spree while trying to track down Kevin Wendell Crumb, who had fully given in to "the beast" — one of his personali-

ties that turns him into a beast-like monster. Dunn and Crumb face off very early in the movie. As a result, the two men are placed in a psychiatric hospital, where Elijah Price is also being held.

Shyamalan is famous for his twist endings, like in his notorious films "The Sixth Sense" and "The Village." However, the twist ending in "Glass" is not as satisfying as Shyamalan fans have come to expect. The twist doesn't give the audience the same "wow" factor that movies like "The Sixth Sense" and "Unbreakable" provide.

"Split" and "Unbreakable" are very different movies and it seemed the production had a difficult time bringing these worlds together due to the fact Crumb and Price are more supervillains than superheroes. As a result, this movie seemed to be more of a sequel to "Split" than "Unbreakable" as a lot of the action focused around Crumb and his different personalities and not around Dunn and Price.

Shyamalan had a \$20 million budget for this film. The action scenes in the movie are engaging and typical of any superhero movie, but the film hits a lull about halfway through when the three men are in the psychiatric hospital. This break in the action doesn't last for long, and picks back up toward the end of the movie just to leave you wanting more.

The ending may not have been as unexpected as Shyamalan fans

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NETFLIX

Ted Bundy tapes resurface in new Netflix Original miniseries



Photo via Screen Rant.

RATING



Bria Lamonica
Staff Writer

True crime shows and documentaries have taken over the world as a new entertainment trend. Seemingly outdated and forgotten stories of murder, harassment and crime have become popular because of the increase in publicity centered around these infamous cases.

One particularly controversial case in true crime history was the case of Ted Bundy, a man from Burlington, Vermont who killed and sexually assaulted an estimated 36 women. "Conversations with a Killer: The Ted Bundy Tapes" are a four-episode Netflix Original mini-series based off of Bundy's life and crimes. Although each episode varies in length there is never a dull moment. The documentary includes real footage, news-casts, videos, and tape recordings surrounding the Bundy trials and his personal story. If you are a true crime enthusiast, this is the show for you.

In the first episode of the mini-series, Bundy's voice recording plays over the film. While in prison, Bundy was asked to tell his personal story and reveal more about each crime, he was accused of and the victims of these crimes. The show is centered around these confessional tapes. In the second episode, investigators search for suspects who could have committed a string of murders near the University of Washington Campus in Seattle, Washington. Over the course of a few months, several young women had gone missing, but

the police had no direct evidence to tie Bundy to these crimes.

The documentary was gripping, and at times scary to watch as a female who is the same age as these women. The college students were introduced and described in much detail and the pictures of their bodies at the scene of each crime made it sometimes hard to watch. Overall, the documentary did an excellent job of convincing the audience that no matter how innocent and charming Ted Bundy was, he was nothing short of a killer.

This Netflix series is unique in the fact that every piece of footage is real, and taken from the time and place these crimes were being committed. Even though many other crime documentaries are nonfiction and just as accurate, many of them don't include the details and personal accounts from the criminal, or from the victims themselves.

In the third episode of "The Ted Bundy Tapes," Bundy escapes from prison on two different occasions and eventually flees to Florida. While in Florida, Bundy broke into the Chi Omega sorority house in Tallahassee, murdering two more women, and attempting to murder a third.

Although a sensitive and graphic topic, I could not keep my eyes off the screen and ended up watching all four episodes in one night. The dramatic music, video recordings and sound bites of the show all came together to pro-

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Soulfood from A12

zation is promoting the value of culture across the campus and greater community.

The Multicultural Center, along with the Rainbow Resource Center, act as safe spaces for the student community as well as an education-

al outlet for cultural and social awareness with the goal of helping students navigate the world and their environment. This is done through a number of student services including leadership development, peer mentorship and tutor programs. The office works closely with all of UMaine's tutoring centers and programs

such as the Math Lab and the Writing Center.

In addition to providing a safe space for students, the Office of Multicultural Student Life also manages several clubs and student organizations including the Asian Student Association, the Caribbean Club, the Muslim Student Association and the Student Heritage Alliance Council.

The office also holds several annual events and cultural heritage celebrations like the Multicultural Thanksgiving, Islamic Awareness Week, Hispanic Heritage Month and Native American Heritage Month.

The Office of Multicultural Student Life has no shortage of events like the Soulfood Festival planned

for the rest of February in celebration of Black History Month. Some events to look forward to in the coming weeks include Friday Social on Feb. 15 and 22, in the Memorial Union and Black History Month Trivia on Feb. 28 in the Union North Pod.

For a complete list of events happening in celebration of Black

History Month, visit the Office of Multicultural Student Life in the Memorial Union or visit their website at umaine.edu/multicultural/student-resources/. You can also find out about upcoming events by liking their facebook page.

Shabbat Shalom

Sierra Semmel
Contributor

One month into my semester in Israel, I can't help but think about how grateful I am for the people I've met here so far. In particular, I am astonished by the generosity of local families and organizations that are here to ensure we have the best time possible.

About a week into our time here, my roommates brought me to meet a man named Jeff Seidel, whom most of them had heard of before coming to Israel. Jeff Seidel moved to Israel in 1981 from Chicago and has developed an impressive career in outreach programs in Israel. He runs the Jeff Seidel Jewish Student Centers, which provide opportunities and experiences for English-speaking college students who have come to Israel. The group of us went to an opening event at the Jeff Seidel Center near our campus, and I left absolutely mind-blown.

The Jeff Seidel Center (JSC) hosts a series of events for students all semester, some at the JSC and others across Israel. Each Tuesday night, we head to the JSC for a speaker and dinner. On Monday, they brought us to Jerusalem to drive all-terrain vehicles in the Jerusalem hills, right along the border of the West Bank (a zone of serious Arab-Israeli tension here in Israel). In March, we will be going to the south of Israel for a "Shabbaton" that includes rappelling in a crater and visiting a winery. After the first meeting, I was ready to call my parents and ask for some money because the opportunities were too good to pass up

— until I found out it was all free. The JSC is funded by philanthropists that support students who come to Israel and hope to enrich our experience as much as possible. I was so shocked that something so incredible could exist for free.

Seidel himself has met celebrities such as the Rolling Stones, Jay Leno, Amare Stoudemire, Ivanka Trump and more. He is essentially a legend. Here in Tel Aviv, he works with another man, Rabbi Dov Lipman, whom we have also become quite close with. Last weekend, Dov and his wife, Dena, invited some of us from the JSC to their home for Shabbat. This was my first time truly celebrating Shabbat, and doing so at Rabbi's house was a very unique experience.

Shabbat, as I mentioned in a previous article, is the Jewish Sabbath and takes place every Friday at sundown until Saturday at sundown. It's supposed to be a day of rest, which is why much of Israel kind of shuts down during this time. Within the home, there are other specific rules, depending on the degree to which you follow Shabbat. Rabbi Dov and his family are Orthodox Jews, so their Shabbats are about as legitimate as you can get. For example, some of the rules include no writing, erasing, using the phone, driving, riding in cars, shopping, and turning on or off anything that uses electricity. When we arrived for Shabbat on Friday evening, the lights were on, and they remained on until Shabbat was over on Saturday, because you can have lights on as long as the flip isn't switched during the actual period of Shab-



ATVing with the JSC in the Jerusalem Hills.

Photo courtesy of Sierra Semmel.

bat.

It was an immersive cultural experience, and an interesting one for me as Shabbat is part of my religion, but never something my family or I have paid much attention to as reform Jews. On Saturday, we had a large Shabbat lunch with the Rabbi and his family, and then went for

a long walk outside. The area we were in, located just outside Jerusalem, follows the laws of Shabbat pretty seriously. We walked in the middle of the road as we strolled through the town, because there were almost no cars out driving; families were outside, kids were playing, and nearly everybody we

passed said "Shabbat Shalom!" — the typical Shabbat greeting. It was incredibly peaceful, and though at first glance the long list of Shabbat restrictions seems overwhelming, I can now see how and why people follow these rules once a week, every week. It felt like a cleanse.

Between Rabbi Dov,

his family and the Jeff Seidel Center, I have found myself surrounded by a group of incredibly supportive and generous people. At that first meeting at the Jeff Seidel Center, I never would have guessed that I soon would have a new family in this home away from home.

Muslim Women Visiting UMaine to Share Experiences

Ali Tobey
Contributor

On Wednesday, Feb. 6, the Maine Multicultural Center hosted an event called "Unveiling the Veil: Truths About Muslim Women in Maine." Dina Yacoubagha and Marwa Elkelani shared their experiences as Muslim women in Maine and discussed common misconceptions surrounding women in their religion.

Yacoubagha is a Syrian native that came to the United States 22 years ago. She first moved to Houston and then to Canada when her husband's J-1 Visa expired. The couple then moved to Maine and raised two children. She originally came to America to pursue a masters and doctorate in lin-

guistics, but changed her mind and got her masters in social work from the University of Maine. She now does volunteer work, mostly for Food AND Medicine, a non-profit that helps low-income people address the root causes of poverty.

Elkelani was born in Alexandria, Egypt before her family moved to Oklahoma so that her father could pursue higher education. She obtained a technical writing degree from Oklahoma State University and then went on to pursue a linguistics degree. She described how her family incorporated American culture into their lives but still maintained a strong Islamic presence in their home.

Despite the different background and cultures of these women

and others in Maine, they are able to form connections through their faith.

Elkelani and Yacoubagha discussed common misconceptions about Muslim women, particularly about the hijab. A hijab is a scarf or head covering that women wear to cover their hair and neck. Elkelani explained that wearing the hijab is something that women wear to please Allah however, women have the right to decide if they want to cover or not. The religion itself does not force women to wear the hijab, it is the culture that enforces it. Elkelani explained that her family never forced her to cover but encouraged it; she decided to cover when she was ready. Yacoubagha experienced the opposite,

she said that she did not cover until she felt she was ready. When she made this decision, her family questioned why she decided to cover. While their families had differing perspectives on the hijab, both agreed deciding to wear the hijab empowered these women.

Yacoubagha further explained that any social misconceptions about women who wear the hijab, such as their education status or social oppression, are not representative of the whole. Yacoubagha explained that Islam teaches tolerance and acceptance of others and instead of passing judgement on other women, they look to each other as role models. They hope that Muslim women will see each other finish-

ing their education or breaking free of social oppression and that will encourage others to follow suit.

In the United States, there is social and political pressure on immigrants to assimilate to American culture. Many schools typically decorate for Christmas, celebrate traditional Christian holidays and have school dances.

"We are against assimilation because of our religion," Yacoubagha said. "I want my kids to have experiences with their friends ... We try to talk about this Islamically not culturally... [my children] understand."

Elkelani said the United States should be seen "as a salad bowl not a melting pot." At a salad bar there are individual

vegetables, dressings and toppings; every item maintains its identity in a salad. In a melting pot, individual identities are melded together, and they lose pieces of their identity. Instead of feeling pressured to assimilate to American norms and shed their religion, Muslim's can embrace their faith and culture and still enjoy parts of American culture.

Elkelani and Yacoubagha hope to continue to share their faith and bridge gaps between Islam and other religions in the greater-Bangor community. They currently speak at different schools in the area through the Maine Multicultural Center to share their experiences and create a more tolerant environment for everyone.

University hosts annual career fair, welcoming hundreds to campus



The annual Career Fair attracts 850 students to create connections with possible future employers.

Photo by Antyna Gould.

Noah Loveless Contributor

On Wednesday, Feb. 6, the University of Maine hosted its annual Career Fair in the New Balance Student Recreation Center. The event welcomed over 150 companies from all over New England and was met by a large student turnout. There, students searched for jobs and networked with a wide variety of employers.

The students in

attendance dressed in formal clothing, brought resumes and discussed job descriptions and qualifications with eager employers. Some of the organizations in attendance included the MaineDOT, the Jackson Laboratory, AAA and the USDA Wildlife Services.

The Career Center described the event on their website stating that, “recruiters represent a variety of industries and are hiring for full-time, part-time,

summer, and internship positions. Many of these opportunities are for all students regardless of your major and your year in school.” The many opportunities were met with interest from students in attendance seizing the chance to discuss their future with local businesses.

“I was looking for an internship for this summer, but I was also just interested in seeing what job opportunities were available

for a journalism major,” Annabelle Osborne, a third-year journalism student said.

Many students find the thought of an impending post-college future stressful, but Osborne felt the UMaine system was of great assistance when determining her path.

“I absolutely feel like going to UMaine has helped me figure out what I wanted to do after college. I have changed my major five times, and it wasn’t

until I was midway done with my sophomore year before I found what I’m truly passionate about,” Osborne said.

The Career Center is a great resource for students, and in preparation of the Career Fair offered extended office hours for students looking to touch up a resume, research the organizations attending or ask other questions. They offered many beneficial handouts at the fair, in-

cluding an alphabetical list of companies attending, tips on effectively using the UMaine Career Fair, how to get the most out of the Career Fair and professional dress 101.

If you are interested in taking advantage of the resources and opportunities provided by the Career Center, call their office at (207) 581-1359 to make an appointment or visit their office on the third floor of the Memorial Union.

#YouMaine: Jen Bonnet, a liaison between students and success

Olivia Shipsey Culture Editor

Whether it is in the stacks, at the resource desk, or in the library classroom you can usually find Jen Bonnet smiling and ready to serve.

Bonnet acts as a liaison librarian at the Raymond H. Fogler Library to students and faculty in the anthropology, art, communications and journalism, Native American studies, new media and theater departments. She works closely with members of campus on research as well as professional and personal projects.

“Librarians try to meet people exactly where they are, that can be conceptually or physically,” Bonnet said. “We can meet right here in the library, we can help students who are new to a topic or very invested and involved who are looking for what else is out there. We also work with students who are coming back from college after taking time off for various reasons. We work with veterans and adult students. It’s just an interesting diversity

of students and needs here. I feel like my role is to try and get to know as many students on campus as possible to try and meet their needs.”

When Bonnet arrived at the University of Maine in the fall of 2013, she wasn’t sure what to expect. Bonnet previously worked for the University of Michigan, which has a population of 44,000 students, four times that of UMaine. Bonnet quickly fell in love with UMaine’s tightly knit community and realized she had the opportunity to build strong relationships with students and faculty.

“I see undergrad and graduate students on the bus almost every day,” Bonnet said. “It’s a great comfortable space for folks to chat, it oftentimes brings out projects they are working on and problems they are working through. It’s a great opportunity to casually connect with one another but also talk through things students need help with.”

Bonnet says that many students come to her with a sense of urgency, needing help un-

derstanding an assignment, needing guidance on how to approach research, or simply having hit a wall with a project. While Bonnet loves assisting students in need, she has found that one rewarding part of her job is getting to see the outcome of these relationships.

“I have people contact me who I have worked with before, to share successes, and that’s really neat,” Bonnet said. “I have worked with some students as first years, and now they are further along in their education, getting internships, studying abroad, or doing various things in their communities and they want to share that. They are curious about how they can take their experience at UMaine and the new skills they have and translate those into their new positions. It’s really cool to see what people doing with their lives, and hopefully that we have helped them develop life long learning skills.”

This idea of engaging “lifelong learning skills” is not only something Bonnet attempts to in-



Jen Bonnet, a liaison librarian at the Raymond H. Fogler Library.

Photo by MJ Gautrau.

still in students, but also to practice in her everyday life. Bonnet finds joy in learning about student’s passions, but she also finds an education in the relationships themselves.

“I think students think ‘oh I’m coming here to learn from everyone else around me’ but I think we do so much learning too. Working with students is such a mutually beneficial experience because

the more that we know about what students care about, what they are trying to do and accomplish, the better we are able to respond and develop collections, services, and programs for them,” Bonnet said.

Based on student feedback and need, Bonnet is working with her fellow faculty members to hosts events such as “Grants 101: Seeking, Analyzing, and Writing Basics” on

March 19, “Fake news, misinformation, and political bias: News literacy for the 21st century” on March 25, and the Human Dimensions of Climate Change Film Series March 26 through April 9.

Next time you have a question, need assistance, or just need a morale boost, ask for Jen Bonnet. She is happy to help.

FEATURED STORY

Black Bear Abroad
Shabbat Shalom

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NEW AND UPCOMING RELEASES

Ⓞ <i>Head Above Water, Avril Lavigne</i>	Feb. 15
Ⓞ <i>Can't Say I Ain't Country, Florida Georgia Line</i>	Feb. 15
Ⓞ <i>Berkeley's On Fire, SWMRS</i>	Feb. 15
🎬 <i>Happy Death Day 2U (in theaters)</i>	Feb. 13
🎬 <i>Isn't It Romantic (in theaters)</i>	Feb. 13
🎬 <i>Fighting with My Family (in theaters)</i>	Feb. 13

Reviews

"Buoys" ▶

"Glass" ■

"Conversations with a Killer" ■

A11

Feminist Collective performs annual tradition



The Vagina Monologues, hosted annually by the Feminist Collective, empowers students through political theatre.

Photo by Antyna Gould.

go!

What's happening in and around Orono this week

Tuesday, February 12
Black History Month Pop-Up Panel: Microaggressions
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
Bangor Room, Memorial Union

Thursday, February 14
New Writing Series: Pina Piccolo
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
IMRC, Stewart Commons

Friday, February 15
"Featured Faculty 2019" Opening Reception
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
Lord Hall Gallery

Saturday, February 16
UMaine International

Bria Lamonica
Staff Writer

The University of Maine Feminist Collective presented their annual performance of the "Vagina Monologues" Feb. 7-9. An array of students and faculty members attended the event, which raised money for local centers and on-campus programs that support women's rights while helping women embrace their sexuality and womanhood.

"This show has been presented by the University of Maine Feminist Collective, formerly Student Women's Association, for the past 20 years on our campus. It's a great, open, celebration of sexuality," Miranda Snyder, a second-year education student said, "there is no shame whatsoever, it's a very comfortable environment and a great space to just go

and laugh and have a good time."

Snyder is a co-chair member of the Feminist Collective and helped to organize the event. Snyder, along with other Feminist Collective members, sold tickets in the Memorial Union the week before the event. The proceeds from the event were donated to four facilities in the local Maine area, including the Women's Resource Center, the Mabel Wadsworth Center, Partners for Peace and Rape Response Services. Representatives from each organization spoke at the beginning of the event, thanking the audience and sharing a little bit about what their organization stood for and the tasks they perform.

The Women's Resource Center is a non-profit organization located on UMaine's campus that provides students access to feminine products,

emergency contraception, birth control, and other resources. The Resource Center, a sponsor of the event, is located on the 2nd floor of the Union and was featured among the speakers at the event.

Advocates from Rape Response Services shared information with audience members about their 24-hour hotline service and spoke about their school-based prevention and education program. Rape Response Services has drop-in hours every Monday from 3-5 p.m. in the Career Center in the Union.

Partners for Peace representatives also attended the event. This domestic violence resource center is a non-profit organization that has office hours in the Union from 3-5 p.m. every Thursday. Partners for Peace provides hotlines, support groups, housing, legal

advocacy, medical appointment assistance, and other resources for those affected by or victims of domestic violence.

The Mabel Wadsworth Center, a local and independently-funded healthcare center in Bangor, Maine that was established in 1984. The center provides birth-control, prenatal healthcare and many other benefits available to women who need them.

The show began with three cast members speaking about what it means to be a woman and to love the body you were born with. Each performer shared true stories and testimonies written by women who wanted to share their experience, many centered around the topics of love, sexual health, relationships and sexuality.

"I was surprised by how much I enjoyed the show," Autumn Rogers a first-year bi-

ology student said. "As someone who doesn't know much about the feminist groups that are present on our campus, I liked learning about all the resources we have available to us as women in our local area."

Although some of the monologue content was sensitive and intimate, members of the group made announcements before each set of performances, warning the audience of any sensitive or possibly triggering content that was about to be shared.

"I think it is a once in a lifetime experience that is definitely not worth missing," Snyder said. "I had so many friends last year who came with the preconceived notion that it was going to make them feel uncomfortable, but they ended up having a great time and loving it. Usually, you are able to ease into the show

and end up chanting and clapping along by the end."

The monologues were performed by members of the UMaine community, and at the end of the performance everyone joined in to chant with the performers and clap along as they thanked their organization members and took a bow.

To learn more information about any one of these organizations and programs, please visit <https://umaine.edu/womensgenderandsexualitystudies/campusresources/>, <https://www.partnersforpeace.org>, <http://www.rrsonline.org>, or <https://www.mabelwadsworth.org>.

Soulfood Festival marks another successful event for Black History Month

Edward Crockett
Contributor

On Saturday, Feb. 9, the Bangor Room of the Memorial Union was filled with students attending Soulfood Festival, one of the many events that the Office of Multicul-

tural Student Life organized in celebration of Black History Month. The event offered tables covered in a variety of delicious foods including mashed potatoes, biscuits and fried chicken. Hip-hop music played quietly in the background as

students gathered and waited for the meal to be served, traditional buffet style. Through events like the Soulfood Festival, students from all walks of life can come together and learn about important pieces of cultural history.

Soulfood holds an important place among African American history. While the term "soulfood" was officially coined in the 1960s, the recipes and cooking styles can be traced as far back as the 19th century. Today, soulfood tradi-

tions are enjoyed in a vast number of areas, especially in America.

The Office of Multicultural Student Life is dedicated to making the University of Maine campus a safe place for all students from all backgrounds. Located in Room 312

of the Memorial Union, the office is a resource for students who come from a variety of cultural backgrounds, particularly those that are underrepresented. One of the most important elements of the organi-

See **Soulfood** on **A9**

Sports

Monday, February 11, 2019

UMAINE RESULTS

2/6	Women's Basketball vs. Vermont	Win	66-45
2/8	Women's Ice Hockey vs. Providence	Loss	1-2
	Men's Ice Hockey vs. Providence	Loss	0-1
2/9	Women's Basketball @ UMBC	Win	58-45
	Women's Ice Hockey vs Providence	Tie (OT)	2-2
	Men's Ice Hockey vs. Providence	Win	3-1

Conference scores, standings and upcoming schedule on B4



WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Women's hockey falls 0-1 in weekend series against Providence

B2

Women's basketball continues hot streak



B3

UMaine men's hockey splits weekend series with Providence College Friars



Third year forward and assistant captain Mitchell Fossier (left) fights his way into the crease to try and score against Providence third-year goaltender Hayden Hawkey in Maine's 3-1 victory.

Matt Lavoie, Staff.

Nick Boutin Contributor

On Friday, Feb. 8 the Providence Friars shutout the University of Maine Black Bears 1-0 after a back and forth battle. In the first period, second-year goaltender Jeremy Swayman tallied 12 saves for his squad. Maine had the first power play chance of the night but was unable to capitalize on the odd man advantage. When it was the Black Bears' turn on the penalty kill, they allowed zero shots to the Friars ending the period all tied up 0-0.

The Friars came out strong to start the second period. Five minutes into the period fourth-year for-

ward Bryan Lemos got the Friars on the board with his third goal in just 10 games this season after cutting across the slot and wiring a shot into the top right corner. Fourth-year forward Ryan Tait and first-year forward Matt Koopman were credited with the assists. The Friars held a 14-3 shot advantage in the second period, with momentum going into the final frame.

Fourth-year goalkeeper Hayden Hawkey began the third period with key stops on second-year forward Eduards Tralmaks and third-year forward Chase Pearson in the opening minutes to keep the Friar lead at 1-0. Second-year forward Greg

Printz was whistled for interference with under five minutes to play, but the strong Providence penalty kill held strong. The Black Bears continued their third period push, outshooting the Friars by a 13-4 margin but Hawkey stood tall in the final moments as Maine pulled Swayman for the extra attacker. Swayman made 29 saves on 30 shots giving the Black Bears a chance to win. However, the Black Bears could not find the back of the net, resulting in a 1-0 loss to the Friars.

The Black Bears skated back onto the ice Saturday night looking to upset the Friars. Maine found the back of the net first after being shut

out the previous night. Pearson, in front of an electric home crowd, scored his 15th of the season to put the Black Bears up 1-0. Second-year defenseman Brady Keeper snagged the pass from Pearson in the slot, then took off towards the net before feeding the puck back to Pearson for the easy wrist shot past Hawkey, just eight minutes into the game. Providence responded on the power play, as third-year defenseman Spenser Young connected with second-year forward Jason O'Neill for a pass at the outside hash marks. O'Neill fed the puck to third-year forward Brandon Duhaime, who tipped it past Swayman in the

crease to tie the game. Maine took back the lead in the final minute of the second period, on a short handed goal. Fourth-year forward Brendan Robbins stole the puck off of a Friars' pass, and took off down the ice before poking in the puck between Hawkey's legs for the 2-1 lead over the Friars.

The third period was a back and forth but no one could put a puck home. With under one minute left, Robbins intercepted the puck at the blueline, and went streaking with third-year forward Mitchell Fossier towards the

Friars' empty net. Robbins passed to Fossier for the empty net goal to give Maine the final score of the game, ending the contest 3-1. Swayman had 30 saves on 31 Friar shots helping Maine split the series against Providence.

The Black Bears will travel to North Andover, Massachusetts to take on the Merrimack Warriors on Feb. 15 and 16 at Lawler Rink. Puck drop for both games is 7 p.m.

Patriots win Super Bowl 53

Alex Aidonidis Contributor

After an entire season of being counted out, with analysts across the country and sports radio shows saying they are down and that the dynasty is over, the New England Patriots ignored the noise and stayed true to themselves and their goal, finishing the 2018 NFL season as Super Bowl Champions.

The Patriots are the kings of football for the third time in five years, adding their sixth Lombardi trophy to the case, which ties the Pittsburgh

Steelers for the most in NFL history. This is a team that was questioned since the end of Super Bowl 52, when New England fell short to the Philadelphia Eagles, losing 41-33. A lot of folks had some words for head coach Bill Belichick benching starting cornerback Malcolm Butler in a game where the defense was repeatedly torn apart. Many believed that this move made Belichick lose the locker room.

To add insult to injury, it was a rather disappointing offseason for the Patriots, losing run-

ning back Dion Lewis, left tackle Nate Solder, wide receiver Danny Amendola and Malcolm Butler. All of these players had key roles in New England's success which raised the question of how Belichick would fill the void left by the departure of these players. But once again, the best coach in NFL history proved yet again why he should never be doubted. Bill brought in 6-foot-8-inch tackle Trent Brown via trade from the San Francisco 49ers, who ended up being nothing short of excellent in protecting

quarterback Tom Brady. Brown became the leader of a group that was among the best offensive lines in the league. The Patriots signed cornerback J.C. Jackson as an undrafted rookie who came in and proved 31 teams wrong for not taking him. And of course, the Patriots used the 31st overall pick in the draft to bring in Georgia Bulldog's stud running back Sony Michel. While traditionally it is considered a bad idea to draft a running back in the first round, recent history of players such as the Dallas Cowboys'

running back Ezekiel Elliott, who was drafted fourth overall in the 2016 NFL Draft, led Belichick to make a questionable call in the first round.

These doubts were silenced, as that waste of a pick rushed for 336 yards and six touchdowns in the Patriot's three playoff games, including the go-ahead touchdown that locked up the Super Bowl for New England. With a strong offensive line, Michel made running against two of the best defensive tackles in Aaron Donald and Ndamukong Suh appear easy.

While Michel managed to gash apart the Rams' front seven when New England needed him to, the remainder of the offensive play from both sides was abysmal. The Patriots were able to move the ball effectively and kill the clock enough for the Rams offense to stay off the field, but were not able to complete most of the drives until Michel finally punched the ball into the endzone in the fourth quarter.

Heading into the game, the key match-

See **Patriots on B5**

Women's hockey falls 0-1-1 in weekend series against Providence



Second-year forward Michelle Weis (center) and third-year goaltender Carly Jackson (right) skate off the ice following Maine's 2-2 tie against Providence.

Matt Lavoie, Staff

Nick Boutin Contributor

On Friday, Feb. 8, the Black Bears fell to the Friars 2-1 in a tight Hockey East contest. The first period started out with the Friars getting on the board in the first five minutes. The Friars capitalized on the game's first power play opportunity to open the scoring on the afternoon. With players pressuring down low, third-year defenseman Avery Fransoo fired a shot from the point that was kicked out for a rebound, which was handled and put up for another shot by fourth-year forward Christina Putigna. Putigna's shot was kicked back out to an open third-year forward Meghan Rickard at the side of the net for her fifth goal of the season. Providence

outshot Maine 11-7 in the first period keeping their momentum going into the second period.

The Black Bears responded three minutes into the second period when, second-year forward Daria Tereshkina stepped up along the boards to keep the puck in the offensive zone, and chipped it down to third-year forward Vendula Pribylova at the half boards, where she fired a crisp pass across the slot to a wide-open first-year forward Celine Tedenby to put away her 11th goal of the year. Maine had a power play late in the second period but could not capitalize. The Black Bears outshot the Friars 7-5 in the frame and ended the period in a 1-1 tie.

Coming out of the intermission, the Friars broke the 1-1 tie five

minutes into the period when, while on the penalty kill, Providence forced a turnover in Maine's end. Second-year forward Maureen Murphy corralled the loose puck and sent a pass to fourth-year forward Christina Putigna, who fired a shot over Maine's third-year goalie Carly Jackson's shoulder and gave her squad a 2-1 lead for her second point of the afternoon. The Black Bears could not find the back of the net as the Friars played excellent team defense. Maine's third-year goaltender Carly Jackson finished with 19 saves on 21 shots, while Providence's fourth-year goaltender Madison Myers stopped 24 of 25 shots.

On Saturday afternoon the teams faced

off again, this time resulting in a 2-2 tie. The Friars went on the penalty kill under five minutes into the contest, but Providence was able to kill it off, and ended up with the best chance of the two minutes as third-year forward Avery Fransoo streaked in on a breakaway but could not finish at the net. Near the midpoint of the period, the Friars rang a couple of shots off the post, and Maine ended up hitting a post late in the period as well but could not finish.

First-year forward Celine Tedenby, who scored for the Black Bears yesterday, made it 1-0 for the Black Bears one minute into the second. She picked up a turnover, skated into the bottom of the left circle and fired a shot over My-

ers' near-side shoulder. Providence wasted little time creating a response as first-year forward Sara Hjalmarsson played it from the corner to third-year forward Neve Van Pelt. She was able to knock it in at the back post to make it 1-1 just two minutes later.

Maine had back-to-back power plays in the middle of the second period, the first of which was killed by the Friars, and the second paying off for the Black Bears off a shot from fourth-year Cailley Hutchinson to give Maine the 2-1 lead. With only two minutes left in the second period, Rickard scored her second goal of the weekend and sixth of the season to tie the game 2-2. The third period featured back-and-forth action with

Maine holding a slight advantage in shots on goal, 10-8. Jackson made eight saves while Myers made 10 saves in the final period to help force overtime. Providence dominated during overtime, leading 5-2 in shots on goal. The Friars closed the game on the power play, but were unable to find a game winner. Jackson finished the game with 25 saves while Myers finished with 24 saves.

The Black Bears (14-13-4) will face Boston College in a huge Hockey East series on Thursday, Feb. 14th and Friday, Feb. 15th at The Conte Forum in Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts.



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Super Bowl snubs SpongeBob with lackluster halftime show

Leela Stockley
Staff Writer

Super Bowl 53, with a heavily defensive game and what many are calling an underwhelming halftime show, brought in the lowest ratings that a Super Bowl has in the last eleven years.

The dip in ratings was accompanied by an overall lack of viewership, with CBS reporting that their estimates indicate that only about 98 million people tuned into the Super Bowl on Feb. 3. Last year's Super Bowl, a showdown between the Philadelphia Eagles and the New England Patriots, garnered around 103.4

million viewers, but that number was still significantly lower than it had been in previous years.

Some of the disappointment around the Super Bowl 53 stems from the lackluster halftime show. Many agreed that Maroon 5, the halftime headliner, performed a set that wasn't even quite worth comment. After their first set ended, the transition teased what many fans had been holding their breath for; an eight-second video and audio clip of "Sweet Victory," as performed by "SpongeBob Squarepants" and various Bikini Bottom citizens.

After Stephen Hil-

lenburg, creator of the cult-classic "SpongeBob Squarepants" animated TV series, passed away in November of 2018, fans called for a tribute in the form of a performance of the song "Sweet Victory" at the 2019 Super Bowl. The song reached fame after SpongeBob Squarepants and Co. were shown performing "Sweet Victory" in the Bubble Bowl during the episode of the series titled "Band Geeks."

During the episode, Squidward lies to rival Squilliam Fancyson about having a marching band, and his band, made up of various Bikini Bottom

citizens, ends up playing the halftime show in the Bubble Bowl, much to the amazement of Squidward's rival. The episode immediately became a fan favorite, and considering "SpongeBob Squarepants" impact on pop culture, fans felt that it would only be right to honor Hillenburg's passing with a tribute at one of the largest sporting events in America.

A petition, which gained over one million signatures on Change.org, called for "Sweet Victory" to be played, "As a tribute to [Hillenburg's] legacy, his contributions to a generation of children, and to truly showcase

the greatness of this song."

Fans of the show were, however, let down when the clip played at the halftime show only lasted eight seconds, before transitioning to Travis Scott's entrance to hit song "Sicko Mode."

Although the Super Bowl didn't manage to serve "Sweet Victory" the justice or the performance it deserved, another major league sports team took it into their own hands to honor Hillenburg. The NHL, not wanting to miss out on the chance to one-up one of the biggest sporting events on TV, played the entire scene at a Dallas Stars game on

Feb 4. The team had only taken the liberty to re-color the band uniforms on the Bikini Bottom citizens to match the green jerseys of the Stars, interspersed with shots of the crowd to maintain the feeling of the original performance.

Although the Super Bowl may not have lived up to everyone's expectations, one of the takeaways we can be sure about is this — "SpongeBob Squarepants" is a powerful cultural icon, and by snubbing SpongeBob, the Super Bowl cemented its ratings without much of a thought.

Women's basketball continues hot streak



Fourth year guard Tanesha Sutton shoots the contested layup over Vermont's fourth year forward Courtney Wright in Maine's 66-45 victory.

Matt Lavoie, Staff.

Morgan Ford
Contributor

Going into the season the UMaine women's basketball team was expected to be one of the teams to beat. After an impressive season, where they took first place for the American East last year, all eyes are now on the Black Bears. The team has continued to meet these expectations this season with a record of 10-1 against teams in the conference. In addition, the team is currently on a six game winning streak. The only loss

that they have endured in their conference was against Hartford, which was also their most recent loss, 46-49, on Jan. 16.

In the last four games, Maine has held their opponents to 45 points exactly. This shows just how well balanced the team actually is. Their defense has been exceptional this season, forcing at least ten turnovers in every game. The team has also worked off the glass to consistently snatch up over 30 rebounds per game. This rebounding is mostly thanks to

third-year forward Fanny Wadling who often surpasses 10 rebounds a game, helping to secure possession for the Black Bears on the boards.

Not only has the team worked well on defense, but they've been impressive on offense as well this season. In their game against Binghamton the team was able to score an impressive 95 points, with an overwhelming 35 points scored in the third quarter alone. This is more than half of the points scored by the opposing team in the

period. This domination by the Black Bears have secured them as the team to beat this season.

The six teams defeated by Maine during this streak include the University of Maryland Baltimore County, University of Vermont, University of New Hampshire, University of Massachusetts Lowell, Binghamton University and Stony Brook University. In each one of these games Maine won by double digits, with the lowest win by 13 points. All six of these teams are high on the American East

divisional rankings, with the University of Hartford and Albany in second and third place respectively. This winning streak will hopefully prepare Maine for their next game.

Maine will be up against the University of Hartford next at the Cross Insurance Center on Wednesday. Hartford's record is 9-1, and with Maine riding a hot streak, this showdown will be one to watch for sure. Looking back on their last contest against the Hartford Hawks, the Black Bears couldn't gather their rhythm on

offense, shooting 33 percent from the field and 19 percent from beyond the three point line. Now with a home court advantage and a strong hot streak, the Black Bears have a good chance to come out on top and keep the first place position in the American East.

With a team that works well together and has plenty of talent it is very possible to see Maine make it as far or farther than last year.



Around the College Circuit



MEN'S ICE HOCKEY

02/08	Providence	1	02/09	Merrimack	0
	Maine	0		UConn	5
	Boston University	2		Providence	1
	UMass Amherst	4		Maine	3
	Boston College	0		UMass Amherst	0
	UMass Lowell	3		UMass Lowell	2
	New Hampshire	1		New Hampshire	1
	Vermont	0		Vermont	4

HOCKEY EAST RECORD

1	UMass Amherst	13-4
2	UMass Lowell	11-4-2
3	Boston College	9-5-3
4	Providence	9-7-2
5	Northeastern	9-7-1

OVERALL

UPCOMING SPORTS



Wednesday, Feb. 13
Men's Basketball
 @ University of Hartford
 7:00 p.m.

Women's Basketball
 vs. University of Hartford
 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 14
Men's Swim
 @ America East
 TBA

Women's Swim
 @ America East
 TBA

Women's Track
 @ Valentine's Day Invitational

Women's Hockey
 @ Boston College
 7:00 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 15
Men's Swim
 @ America East
 TBA

Women's Swim
 @ America East
 TBA

Women's Hockey
 @ Boston College
 4:00 p.m.

Women's Track
 @ Valentine's Day Invitational

Men's Basketball
 @ Florida State University
 4:00 p.m.

Men's Hockey
 @ Merrimack
 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, Feb 16
Men's Swim
 @ America East
 TBA



WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY

02/08	Providence	2	02/09	Vermont	1
	Maine	1		UConn	1(OT)
	Vermont	2		Providence	2
	UConn	3		Maine	2(OT)
	New Hampshire	1		Holy Cross	1
	Boston College	7		Boston University	7
	Merrimack	3		Merrimack	2
	Northeastern	6		New Hampshire	1

HOCKEY EAST RECORD

1	Northeastern	19-2-2
2	Boston College	17-7
3	Boston University	13-5-5
4	Providence	13-8-2
5	Merrimack	11-9-3

OVERALL

Boston Bruins are heating up over the past week going 3-0-1

Nick Boutin
 News Editor

On Sunday, Feb. 3, the Boston Bruins played a top Washington Capitals team. Tuukka Rask became the Bruins all-time leader in wins by a goalie, making 24 saves in a 1-0 victory at Capital One Arena on Sunday. Center David Krejci scored for Boston (28-17-7), which ended a 14-game losing streak (0-11-3) against the Capitals that began March 29, 2014. Rask (253 wins) passed Cecil "Tiny" Thompson for most wins in franchise history and gained his second shutout of the season and the 43rd in the NHL.

On Tuesday, Feb. 5, the Bruins faced

off against the New York Islanders. Patrice Bergeron scored twice in his 1,000th NHL game, and left wing Peter Cehlarik scored the go-ahead goal in the third period to help the Boston Bruins defeat the Islanders 3-1 at TD Garden. Cehlarik scored with six and half minutes left in the third period. Left wing Brad Marchand and right wing David Pastrnak each had two assists, and Tuukka Rask made 28 saves for Boston (29-17-7), who have now won two in a row and has a four-game point streak (2-0-2).

The Bruins faced off against the New York Rangers on Wednesday, Feb. 6. Defense-

man Tony DeAngelo scored the deciding goal for the Rangers in the seventh round of the shootout in a 4-3 win against the Boston Bruins at Madison Square Garden. Rangers' goaltender Alexandar Georgiev made 27 saves through overtime and denied six of seven Bruins in the shootout for the Rangers (23-22-8), who rallied from down 3-1 in the third period. Forwards Mika Zibanejad, Kevin Hayes, and Filip Chytil scored, and forward Pavel Buchnevich had two assists for New York, who won for the first time in three games and is 9-1-0 in its past 10 against Boston.

Hot Teams in the NHL

The Montreal Can-

adiens have been hot over the past couple weeks. They're currently fifth in the Eastern Conference standings with a record of 31-18-6. Over the last 10 games the Rangers have gone 8-1-1 moving up in the standings.

The Philadelphia Flyers have been hot over the last 10 games going 9-0-1. The Flyers are currently in 11th place in the Eastern Conference with a record finally above .500 after a rough start to the season (25-23-7).

Rising teams in the NHL

The St. Louis Blues started out the season slow, but are now on a five game winning streak. Over the last 10 games they have gone 7-2-1 finding them-

selves in the final playoff spot with 29 games left in the season. Their record is 26-22-5 putting them in eighth place in the Western Conference standings.

The Chicago Blackhawks have been on the rise since starting the season slow. The Blackhawks are currently on a six game winning streak going 6-2-2. They are currently in 13th place in the Western Conference but only four points behind the Blues for eighth place and a chance for the Stanley Cup.

Cold Teams in the NHL

The Anaheim Ducks have been cold losing seven games in a row and going 2-8-0 in their last 10 games.

Currently sitting last in the Western Conference with a record of 21-26-9 with 51 points, they are six points behind the eighth place team in the West.

The Ottawa Senators have been cold all season and are currently sitting in last place in the East with a record of 21-29-5. They have gone 4-6-0 over the last 10 games gaining no ground in the playoff chase.

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On this day in history: Feb. 8

Leela Stockley Staff Writer

Although the NFL is celebrating its 100th year in 2019, one of the most anticipated events of American football was not fully conceived until 17 years after the NFL was established. On Feb. 8, 1936, the first NFL Draft took place.

The 1936 NFL Draft was held at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the first selection was Jay Berwanger, a halfback, who was signed by the Philadelphia Eagles.

Berwanger had made a name for him-

self in football, playing for the University of Chicago during his college years. He was valued for his versatility and ability to call plays, run and pass, block and tackle, and play both offensive and defensive positions effectively. He was also the first recipient of the "Downtown Athletic Club Trophy," which was later dubbed the Heisman Memorial Trophy.

The NFL draft was created to help organize players, and to prevent the chaos associated with free-agent players. Prior to the draft process, players were free to sign

with any club. This often led to power-house teams that only got stronger, while weaker teams had a hard time recruiting strong players.

The plan for the NFL Draft was proposed by Bert Bell, who at the time owned the Philadelphia Eagles and would later go on to be commissioner of the NFL. His plan proposed that the teams would select players in the reverse order that they had finished the previous season, which was adopted and is still the framework for the modern NFL draft.

The first draft in

1936 had nine rounds, which would change over time. In 1937, the draft was allowed ten rounds, and by 1939 it had 20 rounds. The ability to have first pick overall was added in 1947 but was abandoned after the 1958 draft.

In the 1960s, the draft served as a battlefield between the American Football League and the National Football League, when they held separate drafts in 1966, the first year of the Super Bowl. The AFL and NFL did merge their drafts from 1967 through 1969. However, the leagues did not

officially merge their draft into the NFL draft until the 1970 season. After the leagues merged and the NFL now functioned to serve teams previously in the AFL as well as its own teams, the number of draft rounds was reduced to 12.

During the 1990s, the power of the draft shone through as elite teams rose to stardom. Through multiple draft picks, the Dallas Cowboys went from finishing the 1989 season 1-15 to winning three Super Bowls during the 1990s. The number of draft rounds was reduced again during the 1990s as well, when

the draft dropped from 12 rounds to seven in 1994. This allowed more freedom for players, as teams were getting too large to fully engage with or benefit from the draft.

Although it has changed drastically over the years, the draft is still a largely anticipated event during the football off-season. The NFL draft for 2019 will start on April 25 and end on April 27, in Nashville, Tennessee.

The Alliance of American Football debuts with two exciting contests

Zach LaBonne Sports Editor

On Saturday, Feb. 9, the Alliance of American Football (AAF) had its debut with two inaugural games. The Orlando Apollos faced off against the Atlanta Legends, while the San Antonio Commanders took on the San Diego Fleet.

As fans of the NFL are saddened by the end of the season post Super Bowl, and the long football drought that follows, the AAF has been created to bridge that gap. The independent league has significant differences in comparison to that of the NFL, including a sky box referee that reviews every play. In addition, the league completely removed

special teams, outside of punting. Another change to increase the pace of play is a decrease in play clock time, going to 30 seconds between plays instead of the NFL's 40 seconds.

While many may argue the lack of talent present in the new league will lead to lower quality games, the league's changes to style, in addition to the talent level of all the rosters being similar, resulted in entertaining contests over the first weekend without NFL football in 2019.

The Apollos came out in the league opener looking to send a message; Head coach Steve Spurrier's squad wasn't looking to mess around. Orlando put on a clinic against the

Legends, running the score up 40-6. Wide receiver Jalin Marshall caught the first touchdown pass in league history, a 26-yard bullet pass from quarterback Garrett Gilbert in a tight window. Initially, the pass was ruled incomplete, however Spurrier challenged the call and the incompleteness was overturned.

While Spurrier has spent four years out of football since his ten year stint as the head coach of South Carolina Gamecocks, there was minimal rust to knock off in his return to the sideline. Spurrier's defensive squad played at an incredibly high level throughout the game, but really kicked it into gear in the second half. The Apollos' defense had

three sacks and three interceptions, including two by linebacker Terence Garvin. Garvin returned his second interception 51 yards for the defensive touchdown late in the fourth quarter, helping to run up the score in the blowout victory over the Legends.

Just one season removed from having an NFL franchise, the city of San Diego has a new football franchise to rally behind. The San Diego Fleet had 27,000 people in attendance in their debut against San Antonio, but couldn't generate enough offense to beat the Commanders in front of a home crowd.

Both teams held their defenses tight through the first half and into the second,

when the Commanders' defense picked the ball off and began their next offensive series on San Diego's 49-yard line. A heave of a pass from Commanders' quarterback Logan Woodside to wide receiver Alonzo Moore ended in a gain of 46, setting San Antonio up inside of the Fleet's five-yard line. Running back Kenneth Farrow II ran the ball in from there, with his three yard scamper being the only touchdown of the game. Now ahead 12-6, the Commanders went for the two point conversion, but were unsuccessful.

San Diego quarterback Mike Bercovici had a decent evening, completing 15 of 25 passes for 176 yards, but was sacked six

times and threw two interceptions, with his second interception resulting in him being benched by head coach Mike Martz with relief quarterback Philip Nelson in the fourth quarter.

In both contests, there was a clear divide in talent, as the Fleet allowed the Commanders to march up and down the field, but limited San Antonio in the red zone. While the Apollo ran up the score against Atlanta, next week's match up between the Orlando Apollos and San Antonio Commanders on Sunday, Feb. 17 in San Antonio, Texas should be an interesting contest.

The trade future of Anthony Davis

Morgan Ford Contributor

The Los Angeles Lakers could have looked a lot different this season with a big trade for All-Star center Anthony Davis. Davis, who currently plays for the New Orleans Pelicans, has been asking to be traded for a couple weeks. His goal was to find a talented team that he could compete for a championship with. His current team hasn't seen a championship run, or even made it past the second round of playoffs. With the loss of DeMarcus Cousins at the end of last season, it is unlikely that Davis will see any more chances with the Pelicans.

There are few teams

that Davis could end up with to make this run, as well as a few that he hoped to be traded to. The teams included the Boston Celtics, Los Angeles Lakers, Milwaukee Bucks, New York Knicks and the Los Angeles Clippers. With the trade deadline ending Thursday, many wondered what will happen to him.

Due to his talent as a player, many teams hoped to acquire Davis. The Lakers were the best bet for this trade, due to ample young players on the roster and a plethora of draft capital at their disposal. The key to this trade is Davis' desire to play with small forward LeBron James, who has been a golden ticket to the NBA Finals for the

past eight years. In addition, Davis signing with James' agent Rich Paul in the offseason slowly began to build this connection. Los Angeles put together a massive trade proposal for New Orleans, but the trade was declined as the Pelicans wanted even more draft capital. The trade proposal included power forward Kyle Kuzma, point guard Lonzo Ball, small forward Brandon Ingram, point guard Rajon Rondo, shooting guard Lance Stephenson, forward Michael Beasley and two first-round picks. The Lakers were willing to give up all of this, essentially an upgrade for the Pelicans at every position outside of center, just

for Davis. The two first round picks, with the 2020 first rounder being protected, were quite the addition on top of the massive amount of players being offered for Davis. This trade not only would have helped the current state of the Pelicans by giving them a better foundation, but it would give the Lakers another strong piece to compete against the stacked Golden State Warriors. While Lakers' general manager Magic Johnson may have been sending an incredibly unbalanced trade, the Pelicans didn't find the value to be high enough in exchange for their franchise's only strong player.

This makes

people wonder what the Pelicans are looking for. With the Lakers having so many good players, it would only make sense to go through with the trade. The Pelicans will surely have a decent draft pick this year as well. So those picks along with the Lakers' picks would have been extremely helpful for the future of the team. Most other teams are unable to pay up at this level for a player like Davis. The Celtics have the young talent to make this trade happen as well, however they are not a team that Davis has expressed interest in.

The Celtics will be able to make a trade this summer, so the decision of the Pelicans

may mean that this is a possibility. With rumors of point guard Kyrie Irving leaving to join the New York Knicks, it is uncertain what the team's future will look like, as well as what trades will happen.

In the end the fate of Davis is unclear. Nothing occurred before the deadline, so now we can only wait for summer. With so many teams lacking the talent to take on a team like the Warriors, it is important to have someone like Davis on their roster. Whatever trade is made will surely change the standings around the NBA.



Professional Sports This Week

NBA EASTERN CONFERENCE RECORD

1	Milwaukee Bucks	41-14
2	Toronto Raptors	41-16
3	Indiana Pacers	37-16
4	Philadelphia 76ers	35-20
5	Boston Celtics	35-21
6	Brooklyn Nets	29-28

NBA WESTERN CONFERENCE RECORD

1	Golden State Warriors	39-15
2	Denver Nuggets	37-18
3	Oklahoma City Thunder	36-19
4	Portland Trail Blazers	33-21
5	Houston Rockets	32-23
6	Utah Jazz	32-24

NHL EASTERN CONFERENCE RECORD

Atlantic	1	Tampa Bay	40-11-4
	2	Toronto	34-17-3
	3	Montreal	31-18-7
Metropolitan	1	New York	32-16-6
	2	Washington	30-18-7
	3	Columbus	31-20-3

NHL WESTERN CONFERENCE RECORD

Central	1	Winnipeg	34-18-3
	2	Nashville	33-20-4
	3	Dallas	28-22-5
Pacific	1	Calgary	34-15-6
	2	San Jose	33-16-7
	3	Las Vegas	31-22-4

Upcoming Games:

NBA:

Tuesday, Feb. 12
Boston @ Philadelphia
Utah @ Golden State

Wednesday, Feb. 13
Milwaukee @ Indiana
Golden State @ Portland
Brooklyn @ Cleveland
Philadelphia @ New York
Washington @ Toronto
Detroit @ Boston
Houston @ Minnesota

NHL:

Monday, Feb. 11
Pittsburgh @ Philadelphia

Tuesday, Feb. 12
Calgary @ Tampa Bay
Washington @ Columbus
Chicago @ Boston
New York @ Buffalo

Thursday, Feb. 14
New York @ Columbus
Dallas @ Tampa Bay
Toronto @ Las Vegas
Washington @ San Jose

Saturday, Feb. 16
Calgary @ Pittsburgh
Nashville @ Las Vegas

AAF:

Saturday, Feb. 16
Salt Lake @ Birmingham
Arizona @ Memphis

Sunday, Feb. 17
Orlando @ San Antonio
Atlanta @ San Diego

Patriots from B1

up was whether or not New England's defense would be able to stop the Rams' high powered offense. The Rams just could not get anything going at all; not taking a single snap in the red

zone the entire game. The Rams' averaged 3.4 yards per carry against a strong Patriots front seven. New England's' pass rush was all over Rams' quarterback Jared Goff, as he was sacked four times. Stephon Gilmore played like the first team All-Pro cornerback he is. He defended three

passes and sealed the game at the end with an interception.

Although it was not the most exciting Super Bowl, the New England Patriots once again finished the job and are champions once more. Tom Brady has his sixth Super Bowl ring, which now puts him at the

most out of any player ever (passing Charles Haley who has five). For Bill Belichick, his six rings are the most from any head coach in league history. After recording 10 receptions for 140 yards, wide receiver Julian Edelman brought home a nice piece of hardware, win-

ning the Super Bowl 53 MVP award. So if you have yet to learn, do not doubt Brady and Belichick. Just don't do it. The Patriots 13-3 victory over Los Angeles will not be the start of any complacency for the Patriots, as Brady and Belichick are almost certainly already plan-

ning ahead for the 2019 season. The "Stairway to Seven" begins now. Long Live the best dynasty in American sports history.

Final Score:
New England Patriots 13
Los Angeles Rams 3



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