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# Maine Crapus

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## UMaine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy is officially inaugurated



President Ferrini-Mundy is inaugurated.

Photo by Matt Lavoie, staff.

**Finn Bradenday**  
Staff Writer

Dr. Joan Ferrini-Mundy was inaugurated as the University of Maine's 21st president on March 29. Ferrini-Mundy began her duties as president at UMaine and the regional campus of UMaine Machias on July 1, 2018.

The inauguration, held in the Collins Center for the Arts (CCA), was emceed by Daniel Williams, the chair of the Inauguration Planning Committee and CCA director, and included performances by the University Singers, the Screamin' Black Bears Pep Band and a brass sextet.

Gov. Janet Mills and

National Science Foundation (NSF) Director France Córdova delivered keynote speeches. Also in attendance was Congressman Jared Golden and representatives for Sens. Susan Collins and Angus King.

Williams also relayed an endorsement from Congresswoman Chellie Pingree, who could not attend.

Before her selection as Susan Hunter's successor, who led the university from 2014 until 2018, Ferrini-Mundy was the chief operating officer and head of the Directorate for Education and Human Resources at NSF. NSF is a \$7.8 billion organization that oversees science re-

search funding.

Ferrini-Mundy holds a doctorate in mathematics education from the University of New Hampshire.

To begin her address, Mills rattled through some self-congratulatory wisecracks about how excited she was to be elected governor.

"I loved being attorney general, but I'll tell you, I'd go to those conferences and they'd all call me 'General Mills,' but no longer," Mills said.

Mills spoke highly of UMaine's reputation for accessibility and production of high-achieving citizens.

"While there's very little ivy on these walls," she said, "neither are there

ivory towers, or moss covered windows, or gated paths to learning here, or ceilings made of glass."

Mills made note of some notable UMaine alumni, including writer Stephen King, EMILY's List Director Emily Cain and former NHL player Paul Kariya.

Much of Ferrini-Mundy's career has been based on the advancement of science, technology, engineering and math education, and her selection as UMaine's president came during a period of high demand for STEM workers.

Four out of the five highest-demand occupations requiring post-secondary degrees are in

STEM fields, according to the state of Maine's Center for Workforce Research and Information. The number of Maine jobs in STEM is expected to rise to 115,900 by 2024, but Maine's population is beginning to contract and will continue to shrink.

Mills made sure to emphasize the anxieties of Maine's stagnant economy during the address.

"Will Maine rise to the challenges of today and ensure that our students are the leaders of tomorrow? I hope so, and I have every expectation that with her leadership we will do so," Mills said. "I'm grateful that the University of Maine is playing a critical role in addressing

Maine's workforce shortage ... and will spur the economic growth that we need."

In her acceptance as UMaine's next president, Ferrini-Mundy said, "Helping people learn mathematics is my first love, a passion that brings understanding and respect for the faculty who conduct the scholarship, teaching and research so fundamental to the university mission. Based on early conversations and first impressions, I have every confidence that the faculty, academic leaders and I share an appreciation for the institution and traditions of higher education."

## University moves forward with renewable energy plan

**Emily Turner**  
Contributor

On March 25, the University of Maine System board of trustees authorized the spending of up to \$5.7 million to continue ne-

gotiations for a plan to shift the Orono campus from use of fossil fuels to renewable energy.

This is the second phase of negotiations which would give Honeywell, an engineering

firm, an offer to complete the design and provide a complete scope of the project.

Another portion of the money authorized on Monday would go towards hiring experts to work on the project.

Honeywell estimated the project to shift the UMaine campus toward renewable energy will save around \$6 million in electricity and heat costs per year through implementing a new power

plant and solar array. A long-term wood-fuel contract would also provide a more predictable and stable energy cost.

The project will also help out the surrounding communi-

ty by investing about \$2.1 million in the local economy every year. It also will create 50 jobs in logging, trucking and forestry.

No power will be

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# News

## University Credit Union raises \$25,000 to help prevent student hunger



The University Credit Union located in the Memorial Union.

Photo by Taylor Abbott

### Charles Cramer Contributor

Last year, the University Credit Union (UCU) concluded its second campaign to alleviate food insecurity throughout the University of Maine System. The Ending Hunger on Campus Campaign was launched in December of 2017 with the intent of recognizing those who are subject to food insecurity and providing them with necessary relief.

Over the course of its campaign, UCU raised a total of \$25,119.62 to be used toward preventing student hunger.

Created in 1967, UCU is a full-service financial institution dedicated to supporting students, employees and alumni across the seven System campuses. As well as working to reduce food insecurity, UCU assists its clients by providing them with loans, protecting their accounts and managing their finances.

UCU is currently the

seventh-largest credit union in Maine in terms of assets and the fifth largest in terms of membership. Its eight retail locations are spread around the University of Maine System and it has further branches in Orono, Bangor, Farmington, Gorham, Portland and Presque Isle.

In a recent study, the University of Wisconsin's HOPE Laboratory determined that as of April 2018 nearly 36 percent of America's university students could be considered food insecure, with the percentage of community college students being significantly higher.

The United States Government Accountability Office (GAO) released a report in December of the same year analyzing the state of food insecurity on college campuses.

"Having a low income is the most common risk factor for food insecurity among college students," the GAO report stated. "Among low-income

students, most have one additional risk factor associated with food insecurity, such as being a first-generation student or a single parent."

UCU's second food-relief campaign, which began on Nov. 26, 2018, raised more than triple the \$8,000 of its 2017 effort. As it did in its previous campaign, UCU advertised that it would match each contribution of up to \$25,000 and that all profits would be distributed to the eight self-funded food pantries within the University of Maine System.

These food pantries assist not only students but also System employees and members of each campus' community.

"Our number one goal has been to build a momentum of support for campus food pantries, which rely entirely on their own fundraising and volunteers to operate," Matthew Walsh, the president and CEO of UCU, said in a press release. "These pantries meet

an incredibly important need and deserve our ongoing support."

UMaine's Orono campus food pantry is managed by Black Bear Exchange, which is part of the larger Bodwell Center for Service and Volunteerism. Located on Rangeley Road, Black Bear Exchange is UCU's original standalone branch and assists nearly 25 people each week.

"There are no criteria necessary for students wishing to access the Black Bear Exchange," Lisa Morin, the Black Bear Exchange's coordinator, said. "Some people experience situational need randomly throughout the year while others come in regularly. Students are just required to show their MaineCard."

Of the approximate \$25,000 that was raised in last year's campaign, \$8,725.46, or more than a third, was allocated to the Black Bear Exchange.

Similar to its function as a food pantry, Black Bear Exchange acts as UMaine's own

thrift store. Open to anyone, the store allows people to donate, swap or exchange clothing that they may no longer need, and its profits are then used to purchase more food for the pantry. The exchange also allows UMaine students to organize their own food or clothing drives and can provide them with assistance in doing so.

"As with any food program, there are times during the year when donations are plentiful, and there are times when they are not," Morin explained. "The funding we receive from UCU helps to get us through those slow times. It can cost \$1,000 a month or more to keep our shelves stocked, and our need is increasing. During the [2018-19] school year, we have seen an average of 6 new people each week. We have already logged over 700 visits and have distributed over 7,000 lbs of food."

"The University Credit Union's campaign to end food inse-

curity among students has made a tremendous impact at UMaine," UMaine's Interim Chief of Staff and Assistant Vice President for Student Life and Senior Associate Dean of Students Kendra Scheele said. "Its generous donation has allowed the Black Bear Exchange on campus to help and support so many of our students. It has really made an impact, and we are very grateful for its efforts and generosity."

Those interested in starting a food drive or volunteering with the Black Bear Exchange are advised to contact Lisa Morin through her email address: [lisa.morin@maine.edu](mailto:lisa.morin@maine.edu). For further information, the Bodwell Center for Service and Volunteerism is located at 55 York Village on Orono's campus and can be reached at 207-581-3091.

### Energy from A1

sold off campus. The plant would use natural gas and oil or liquid biofuels as backups for its boilers in addition to a solar array. It will produce high-pressure steam to drive a turbine to generate electricity and power from the grid will fill in the balance. This design will allow it to be able to run most of the campus in the case of a natural disaster or blackout.

"I think this move by the university is most certainly a positive one, and likely the only way UMaine can achieve its carbon reduction commitments without spending many hundreds of millions of dollars," Dan Dixon, the director of the Office of Sustainability on campus, said.

Dixon further explained that there are two primary factors that drive this project.

The first is that the Steam Plant is in desperate need of replacement and many

areas of campus need work on their electrical and steam systems. The second factor is cost-effectiveness. By switching to cheaper fuel, this project is estimated to pay for itself over a 20 to 30 year period.

The added bonuses of this project would include the switch from fossil fuels to a renewable source. The biomass fuel will be harvested from sustainably-managed sources within 100 miles of campus.

"I would like to see

the Forestry and Engineering Schools getting involved at an early stage to mold the facility design into something that can be used as an educational resource," Dixon said. "For example, it would be great if UMaine's own forestry students could get into the field to assess the sustainability of the wood-harvesting operations that are producing our fuel."

Dalton Bouchles, an economics student and president of the Sustainability and En-

vironmental Action Division on campus, also showed support for the plan.

"The idea that University of Maine could power most of its electricity and heat production thanks to the development of this biomass burner and solar array sounds fantastic," Bouchles said.

Bouchles also expressed concern about the sustainability of the wood-harvesting. His only concern is that even if they are locally harvested, the large number of trees being

harvested could result in Maine forests suffering.

"I do agree though that it is time to switch off of our current heat and electricity producer at the steam plant next to Stillwater River," Bouchles said.

These concerns still have the chance to be taken into account, though, as plans have not yet been finalized by Honeywell or UMaine.

# Guest lecture aims at understanding class inequality

**Emily Turner**  
Contributor

Lucas Stanczyk, a philosophy professor at Harvard, gave a guest lecture hosted by the Philosophy Department on Thursday, March 28, in the Bangor Room of the Memorial Union.

The topic explored was "Reckoning with Class Inequality," which aimed to look at what exactly that entails. The lecture gave an overview of the themes that Stanczyk covers in his book of the same title.

The topic of inequality has garnered greater attention over the past few years, as the division between social

classes has continued to grow. However, as Stanczyk argued, the method by which inequality can be reduced and the definition of equality that society should be working towards is varied.

Stanczyk discussed at length the very basics of what equality should mean throughout his lecture.

Stanczyk brought up the example of education as the often-used argument for equality. People cite college opportunity as the key to class mobility and Stanczyk argues that this should not translate into everyone having equal access to the

best schools.

College opportunity should not be the same for everyone, he argued; rather, everyone should be able to obtain a relatively adequate education.

To say that we should all have an equal opportunity at birth, though an ideal concept, is too shortcoming of people's differences of efforts and talents, Stanczyk argued.

Stanczyk pointed out two issues faced while trying to solve inequality. First, individuals need to be held accountable for their part in their effort to capitalize on their opportunity

to be equal. Second, no matter how equal a society is, not everyone can be on top.

Stanczyk explained that we should not look at class inequality as a "Walmart versus Harvard" situation. Instead, to be equal should be seen as the idea that every person who works hard should have a secure income, healthcare and not struggle to make ends meet. It should not mean that every person should have a shot at becoming a doctor.

In essence, a citizen should be able to claim equal outcomes if they are doing what society is reasonably asking of

them.

A person in attendance shared his own personal story of class mobility and asked how personal responsibility, or financial responsibility specifically, plays a role in class inequality.

When asked about how society can account for those with poor decision-making skills, Stanczyk replied that personal responsibility plays a large part in claiming the outcomes of equality. A citizen can claim rights of opportunity and financial freedom but only if they play the role they have been given by society to their best ability.

"We can reference conditional claims to equal outcomes that everyone has, and should enjoy the same degree, as long as they do all that can be reasonably asked of them," Stanczyk said.

To do this as a society, however, we first must define what those should be and what are the social deficits that no one in society should suffer from, he argued. By doing so, society can then begin to work past the growing class inequality that we currently have.

# Look back at it: Love, sex, and dating at UMaine in the 1950s

**Emily Turner**  
Contributor

On March 14, Professor Sandra Caron's human sexuality class hosted a guest speaker. Arthur "Ace" Conro, a University of Maine alumnus and president of the class of 1960 came to discuss, from first hand experience, what life was like at UMaine when he was a student.

He described a UMaine that was very different from the one we know today in the size, rules and social behaviors of the students. It was a world

where skirts and colored shirts were required for class and smoking in the Bears Den was a common scene. All men were required to participate in ROTC, and there was only one female student in the College of Engineering.

Conro played football in his first year then switched to track, where he earned three letters. He did not drink or party and was not a member of a fraternity. Instead, he worked diligently towards keeping good grades and wrote for the Maine Campus. After introductions,

Conro got down to the subject of relationships. He explained that there were two deans at UMaine in the 1950s; one for men and one for women. The Dean of Women was unofficially referred to as Dean Edie, and she was described by Conro as devoted to keeping relations between genders to a minimum on campus.

"She would put up armed guards and barbed wire to keep genders apart if she could," Conro said.

Dorms were on the opposite sides of campus and dining halls

were separated by gender.

As women were not allowed to step foot in the men's dorms and men had to "check-in" and be back for curfew, sex on campus, Conro explained, was limited to few options.

Along with sneaking around, several other aspects of relationships needed to be hidden as well.

Conro lamented those who had to hide who they really were while at UMaine during this time. Anyone who was gay, lesbian or transgender felt the pressure to hide how

they really felt. Even sexual assault was unheard of on campus.

"That certainly doesn't mean it didn't happen, but it was certainly never discussed," Conro explained.

The topic of birth control was also a delicate subject and rarely discussed in Conro's time. The contraceptive pill was rare and the go-to options were to use condoms or other less-guaranteed methods.

When one student in the class asked about unplanned pregnancies, Conro explained that it put students in a

difficult position. Women would typically drop out, have the baby and return the next year.

Abortions were not discussed either but they did happen during that time and they were usually done at home, Conro noted.

Conro left the audience with two pieces of advice. He said to try hard to keep in touch with your friends despite the reality that everyone will scatter, get married and start new lives. His last piece of advice was, "Don't get old, because I hate being old."

# Cray and Geer recipients of Sharon Barker Activism Award

**Emily Molino**  
Contributor

Two University of Maine students, Taylor Cray and Moriah Geer, were recently awarded Sharon Barker Student Activism Awards. The award is given to those who are passionate about activism and are leaders in the community.

Sharon Barker was prominent in the field of social work at UMaine and was the founder and director of the Women's Resource Center until her retirement in 2015.

Students or student organizations could be

nominated or nominate themselves for the award by filling out a form and sending in an essay.

Geer, a social work graduate student, began her work with a project that required students work closely with an organization that supported a bill and advocate for that bill before the legislature. Geer chose the Lift 2.0 bill, which had been sponsored by the Senate every year to provide aid on the issues of poverty. Gill worked with the Maine Equal Justice Organization on the Lift 2.0 bill and was recently

hired by the same organization. After seeing the work Geer did on the Lift 2.0 bill, one of her professors nominated her for the Sharon Barker Award.

She chose this particular bill because she believes that "everyone should have the tools they need and support that they need to be able to build their best life, regardless of race, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability or any aspect that might have been a barrier to that."

Geer is currently a member of the Old Town School Board and works on the Cen-

ter for Community Inclusion and Disability Studies Community Advisory Board. She also has plans to run for a seat in the state legislature in the fall of 2022.

"Being given this award reaffirms [to me] that I am on a pathway that will allow me to devote my energy towards my goals," Geer said. "I am honored to be winning [this award] and I believe that having this award shows that I have a history of being active in this work of making our state a better place, and it gives me more credibility as I go on to

build my career."

Cray, a political science and women's, gender, and sexuality studies student, originally submitted an essay nominating a friend. In turn, she was nominated by some of her friends for the award.

"Much of the activist work that I, and many others, have done throughout the past year has been incredibly emotionally taxing. Many of the challenges that I faced doing this work seemed insurmountable at the time," Cray said. "Winning this award will most likely help [me]

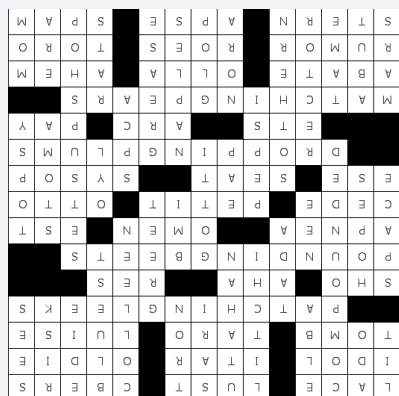
make my way into future positions. Activist work is rewarding, and I would never stop advocating for the things that I believe in."

Cray said she has plans to pursue a higher degree that would allow her to continue working in communities and aiding others where need be.

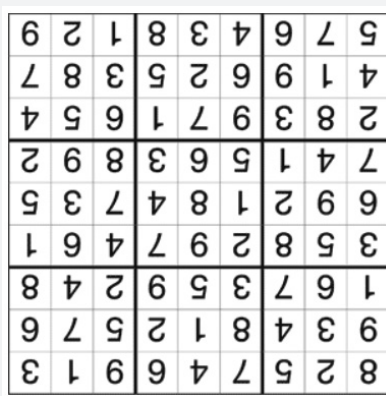
The winners of this contest and the Maryann Hartman essay contest were honored at a ceremony on March 27 in the Buchanan Alumni House.

## Diversions Answer Key

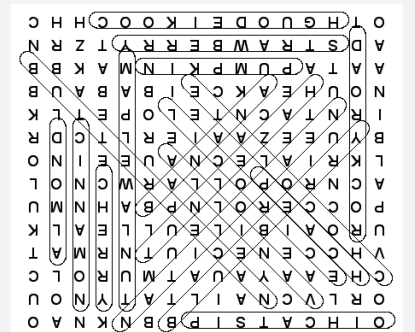
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Sudoku



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# Weekly Updates

## This Week in Student Government

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

**Emily Molino**  
Contributor

### General good and welfare

A speaker from the Maine Business School talked about a speaker series that will be taking place on April 4 in the Donald P. Corbett Business Building.

### Club presentations

The Franco American Resource Opportunity Group had a successful trip in Quebec City, February after the Senate passed their budget. They attended the Winter Carnival celebration to learn more about their culture and the history of the city.

### Executive reports

President Logan Aromando reminded the Senate that the speed reading workshop was coming up and that Maine Day committee meetings are still being held.

Vice President Bentley Simpson reported that he is working on the details of the spring Senate retreat, and reminded the Senate that the first budget meeting is coming up.

Financial Affairs Jack O'Donoghue informed the Senate that there were main motions to be decided on later in the meeting.

Vice President for Student Entertainment reported that the acts for the Spring Concert have been announced and they are working on finalizing logistics for the event.

### Periodic reports

Fair Elections and Practices Chairman Matt Akers announced that the new Student Senate President-elect is Bentley Simpson and the Vice President-elect is Chase Flaherty.

The Orono Town Council Liaison reported that at the last town meeting the integration of solar power into the town was the main discussion point.

Director of Communications Austin Steward reiterated that the details and materials for the Maine Day and the Spring Concert are being finalized.

### Reports of standing committees

Chase Flaherty with the Policy and Procedure



Committee reported that there was some 'spring cleaning' conducted on policy rules and guidelines have been revisited. He also reminded the members of the Senate to attend committee meetings that are held every Thursday.

### Reports of special committees

President Aromando of the Maine Day Committee reminded Senate members to attend meetings and reported that the committee is adding events and activities that are more beneficial to students for Maine Day.

### Reports of representative boards

The president of the Honors College Student Advisory Board reported that the group is beginning to fundraise for the Maine Day Meal Pack Out.

A member of the Panhellenic Council reported that there would be a president's round table with other sorority presidents and their advisors.

The president of the Senior Class Council reported that senior week planning is coming along and that it will be held during the first week of

May.

### Community association reports

A member of the Student Heritage Alliance Council announced that the Multicultural Mosaic would be held at the end of the week.

A member of the Feminist Collective reported that the club wrapped up Women's History Month and announced that there will be a number of events held next month.

A member of Wilde Stein reported that the group is continuing work on Lavender Prom and has begun work with community outreach programs.

A member from the International Student Association reminded the Senate that there is a coffee hour every Friday and that there will be free ice skating after the Multicultural Mosaic is over.

### Consent agenda

There was a motion, which passed, to reallocate \$700 for new practice uniforms for the Field Hockey Club.

### New business

Allocation of funds to Panhellenic Council and Alpha Omicron Pi for the Mr. Fraternity fundraiser that will be held April 10 at the Collins Center for the Arts. This event has been held for the past 18 years and raises money for the Arthritis Foundation. This motion was passed by the Senate.

Speakers from the University of Maine Trap and Skeet Club asked for \$60 in funds for their upcoming competition to cover registration costs. About 14 people will be attending the competition. The club will be fundraising to cover the majority of the costs for the trip and the funds they are asking for will make up the difference. This motion was passed by the Senate.

The College Republicans were looking to allocate funds of \$200 to hold their own Lunch and Learn. The Multicultural Association usually holds a Lunch and Learn for the group but they have decided to hold their own. After a lengthy debate, this motion was passed by the Senate.

## Police Beat

The best from UMaine's finest

**Brawley Benson**  
News Editor

### March 16 - 2:15 a.m.

Officer Oko of Orono Police Department (OPD) was on patrol on College Avenue when he stopped a car driven by James Treadwell, 20, with four other people inside. Oko could smell alcohol in the car and, after determining Treadwell was not drunk, started to talk to the passengers. One of the passengers, Calvin Murphy, 19, became argumentative and eventually stepped out of the car. When Murphy opened the door, Oko could see alcohol in the car, which prompted him to ask everyone to exit the vehicle. Murphy became increasingly belligerent,

began yelling and at one point attempted to walk away. Murphy was arrested for refusing to submit to arrest, illegal possession of alcohol by a minor and disorderly conduct. Treadwell was summoned for illegal transportation of alcohol, and another passenger, Gregory Dimoulas, 20, was also summoned for illegal possession. They all have an April 18 court date.

### March 16 - 10:58 p.m.

A University of Maine Police Department (UMPD) officer on routine patrol smelled marijuana coming from a room on the third floor of

Knox Hall. The student who lived in the room, first-year student Tyler Cheatham, 19, was summoned for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia and referred to the Student Conduct Code Committee.

### March 17 - 7:20 p.m.

OPD officers received a complaint that a car had gone off the road on Stillwater Avenue after striking a speed limit sign. The complainant also said that a male and female had walked away from the scene of the accident. Officer Morse went to investigate and found the two subjects, Ian Gerrish, 21, and the female, on

Kelly Road in Orono. They admitted to officers that they were the individuals who had crashed the car and that Gerrish was the one behind the wheel. Morse could smell alcohol on Gerrish and he admitted to having a few drinks earlier in the day. Gerrish was charged with operating under the influence and taken to jail where he blew over the legal limit.

### March 19 - 11:52 a.m.

UMPD officers responded to the vacant Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity house where somebody had broken in sometime between March 15 and March 19 and vandalized the house. According to the report, there were two holes in the wall, a trail camera had been stolen and numerous trophies had been destroyed, resulting in \$300 worth of damage. Officers noted that there were no signs of forced entry.

### March 20 - 9:38 a.m.

UMPD received a report of vandalism in the Littlefield Gardens. Ac-

ording to the report, two bronze sculptures valued together at \$21,000 had been taken off their bases and put on the ground sometime between Feb. 1 and March 1.

### March 21 - 2:12 p.m.

UMPD officers received a complaint of a black pickup truck driving on Lengyel Field. They responded and found the vehicle, still dripping with mud, in the York Hall parking lot. Officers contacted a male, 19, who lived on the first floor of York Hall, and he admitted to having been the driver. The damage, estimated at \$150, was charged to the student, who was also referred to the Student Conduct Code Committee.

### March 22 - 5:45 p.m.

Custodial staff called UMPD to report a theft of a fire extinguisher and two wall clocks from the second floor of Boardman Hall. There are no suspects.

### March 25 - 11:22 p.m.

UMPD officers re-

sponded to Gannett Hall where an elevator was stuck between floors three and four. Orono Fire Department also responded and were able to lower the elevator to the first floor. They discovered the elevator stopped working due to the excessive number of people inside.

### March 26 - 11:06 p.m.

UMPD officers on routine patrol on the third floor of Somerset Hall smelled marijuana coming from a room. They knocked on the door of first-year student Samuel Hebert, 19, who handed over marijuana and drug paraphernalia. He was charged with possession of both.

### March 27 - 4:52 a.m.

UMPD received a complaint from J. Franklin Witter Teaching & Research Center about a suspicious individual dressed in all black hiding from workers. When officers went to investigate, they found nothing related to the complaint.

## The World This Week

March 27

Police in Berlin, Germany, carried out massive raids against organized crime in the city last week. Over 300 agents were involved in the operation.

March 28

The president of the Croatian Football Federation, Davor Suker, announced last week that a new national football stadium would be built in the country's capital of Zagreb.

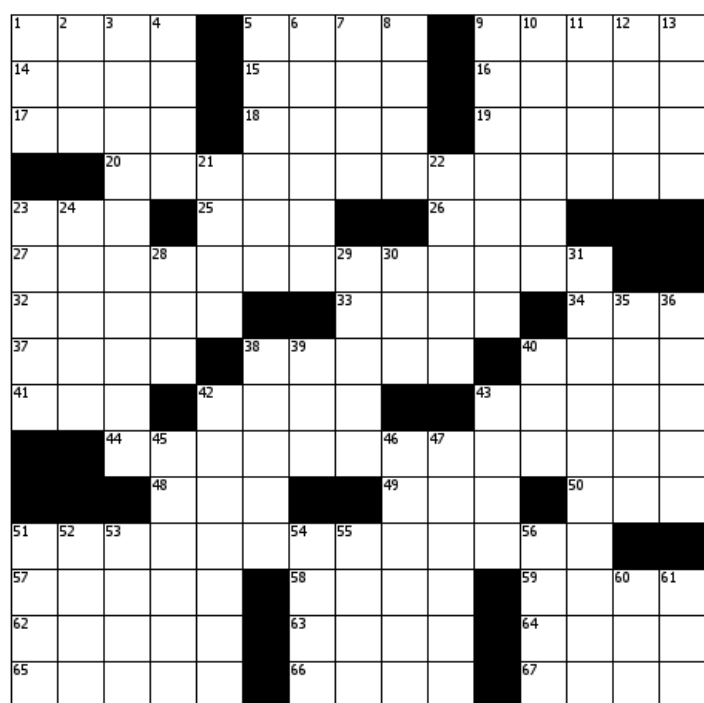
March 28

A car bomb in Somalia's capital, Mogadishu, killed 15 people.



# Diversions

## Crossword



onlinecrosswords.net. Answer key located on A5

**Across**

- 1. Fancy fabric
- 5. "\_\_\_ for Life"
- 9. Many truckers
- 14. Matinee follower?
- 15. \_\_\_-Tass
- 16. Nostalgic song
- 17. "Lara Croft: \_\_\_
- 18. Pacific islands plant
- 19. Oscar winner Rainer
- 20. What the thrifty

- 23. HBO competitor
- 25. Solving cry
- 26. Legal thing
- 27. What the angry policeman was doing in the produce aisle?
- 32. Breathing problem
- 33. Gregory Peck horror flick (with "The")
- 34. C'\_\_\_ la vie
- 37. Give up
- 38. Word before point or larceny
- 40. Director Preminger
- 41. Language suffix
- 42. It's sought after in Washington
- 43. Computer bulletin board mgr.
- 44. What the clumsy mason was doing in the produce aisle?
- 48. UFO crew
- 49. \_\_\_ de Triomphe
- 50. Remuneration
- 51. What the efficient laundress was doing in the produce aisle?
- 57. Lessen

- 58. Widemouthed jug
  - 59. "Excuse me"
  - 62. It may be spread
  - 63. Some deer
  - 64. Corrida participant
  - 65. Not lax
  - 66. Church recess
  - 67. In-box clutter, perhaps
- Down**
- 1. Not sober
  - 2. Hustle-bustle
  - 3. Like some interest
  - 4. Renowned isle of exile
  - 5. Chinese fruit tree
  - 6. Marie Osmond, e.g.
  - 7. Pakistani wrapper
  - 8. 1982 Disney film starring Jeff Bridges
  - 9. Irish lass
  - 10. Most sad
  - 11. Ms. Brickell
  - 12. Danger
  - 13. Gets the picture
  - 21. Accompaniment to a drum roll
  - 22. Say "hi" to
  - 23. Where the stars are
  - 24. Wishes
  - 28. Maiden name pre-

- ceder
- 29. "Teflon Don"
- 30. ASCAP alternative
- 31. Goes into business
- 35. Pore on a leaf
- 36. \_\_\_-turvy
- 38. Popular pop
- 39. "The Raven" monogram
- 40. Olive \_\_\_
- 42. Ann of "Private Secretary"
- 43. Pooch savers (Abbr.)
- 45. Religious leader
- 46. City in Italy
- 47. Travolta musical
- 51. Ares to the Romans
- 52. Border on
- 53. Docile
- 54. Screenwriter Ephron
- 55. Goopy stuff
- 56. "Darn it!"
- 60. Big block of time
- 61. Apple pie's partner?

## Word Search: Ice Cream

- ALMOND
- NEAPOLITAN
- BANANA
- PEACH
- BLUEBERRY
- PISTACHIO
- BUTTER PECAN
- PUMPKIN
- CHERRY
- ROCKY ROAD
- CHOCOLATE
- STRAWBERRY
- CINNAMON
- VANILLA
- COOKIE DOUGH
- HAZELNUT
- LICORICE
- MAPLE WALNUT

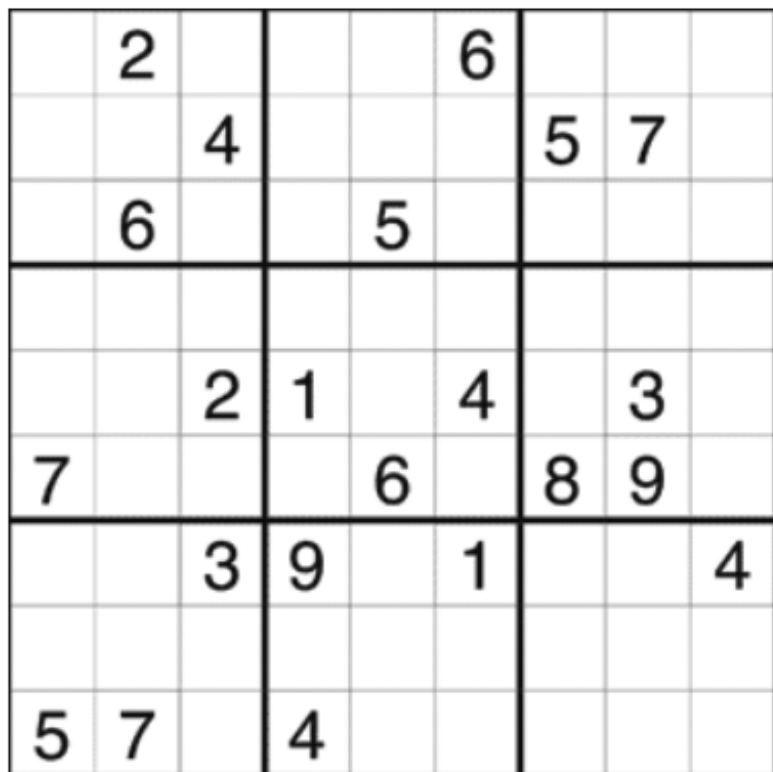


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## Sudoku

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

Difficulty level: Medium



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When your boss asks why you need to leave early



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laundry:  
washing: 40 minutes  
drying: 60 minutes  
putting away: 7 to 14 business days

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## Word Scramble: Spring

- 1. sogfr
- 6. sedse
- 2. rwgo
- 7. thwa
- 3. avesel
- 8. deganr
- 4. setn
- 9. ipnrgs
- 5. hccisk

chicks, frogs, garden, grow, thaws, nest, seeds, spring, leaves

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Puzzle answers on A3

# Opinion

Monday, April 1, 2019

## Editorial; The corruption of college admissions should come as no surprise

**Liz Theriault**  
Opinion Editor

Earlier this month, several prominent universities found that over 50 individuals were involved in various college admission bribery scandals. Between the years of 2011 and 2018, parents were accused of paying more than \$25 million in bribes and participating in doctoring photos, falsifying test scores and fabricating essays in order to get their children into top colleges and universities. As the story unfolded, it was revealed that prominent celebrities, including Felicity Huffman and Lori Loughlin, were involved and are now facing federal charges. While the names involved might have taken some by surprise, the fact that the meshwork of the college admissions process is laced with the influence of money is no shock.

In the past decade, the number of colleges that offer early decision

has risen. According to the Collegeboard website, approximately 450 colleges now use early decision or early action plans. However, early decision, in particular, offers an unfair advantage to students of higher income backgrounds.

Early decision is a special process that accelerates the college application process. Students are allowed to apply to only one early decision college in November, instead of the normal December deadline. Then, in mid-December, schools send out their decisions. If the answer is no, students have two weeks to apply to other schools. If the answer is yes, the student is required to attend the college. This is usually enforced through high school counselors, who, once aware of a student's early decision application, refuse to send out official transcripts to other schools. This process benefits higher-income students and discourages those

from lower-incomes. Students who apply through early decision must have the ability to commit to a usually prestigious and pricey school without knowing the financial aid package they may or may not receive.

Students who don't apply through early decision also have a smaller chance of being accepted. According to The Atlantic, Yale admitted 37 percent of early decision students, and only 16 percent of regular applications; Columbia admitted 40 percent of early decision applications and only 19 percent of regular admission students; and Hamilton College accepted 70 percent of early decision students and only 43 percent of regular admission students in 2011.

This process that has become normalized in the high stakes and competitive atmosphere of college admissions is simply a societal-deemed above board means of utilizing access to

money to increase a student's chances of being accepted at a school.

Beyond the admission process itself, money also plays a role in SAT and ACT scores. Despite the controversy around whether SAT scores should play as large of a role as they do in the acceptance process, SAT scores are often deciding factors for colleges and universities. The Princeton Review, an online organization that offers tutoring, test preparation and admissions counseling, guarantees a 100 point score increase for students who invest \$500 in tutoring. Their college prep "SAT 1400+ Score Guaranteed" class starts at \$1,200.

When students, or more specifically, their parents, exploit the college admission process, they are perpetuating the discrepancies in those who have access to higher education. The Atlantic found that "many schools don't want more low-income stu-

dents because they won't be able to pay for them without a major overhaul of school funding practices," and because of this, they implement "full pay" student policies.

This means that colleges actively recruit students who can attend their institution without needing financial aid assistance. Inside Higher Ed, an organization that provides an analysis of higher education issues, took a survey in 2011 that found 35 percent of admission directors stated that they had increased the efforts of encouraging "full pay" students. This also includes an "admit-deny" strategy, where students will be accepted to a school but denied a large enough financial aid package in order to discourage them from enrolling.

Students coming from upper-class families found by the Center for Education Policy Analysis at Stanford to be seven or eight times more likely to enroll in

a more selective institution than students from the poorest 20 percent of households. Despite the fact that high-income students account for only one-third of high-achieving graduating high school students, they make up roughly 74 percent of students at the top 146 colleges across the nation. This implies that prestigious institutions are not strictly looking at merit, but instead a student's ability to pay.

Unfortunately, there is no clear solution to fix this problem. The road to higher education in our country is littered with socio-economic roadblocks that unfairly hurt and target lower income and racially diverse students. But it should come as no surprise that the rich are bribing their way into schools, as the college admission process has found a way through early decision and specialized test prep to normalize the role of money in acceptance decisions.

## How to save daylight savings

**Kylie Welch**  
Contributor

In early March, Marco Rubio, a senator from Florida, filed a bill which would introduce a year-round daylight savings time. This bill would have Americans setting their clocks forward one hour in the spring, and have them remain there throughout the year, giving us

another hour of light in the winter. While this bill is controversial due to the nature of traditional timekeeping practices throughout the United States, it is a cause that many Americans could get behind.

There are few feelings better than the first week after setting your clocks forward in the spring and rel-

ishing in the feeling of soaking up an extra hour of sunlight after a long, cold and dark winter. The idea of a later sunset has many Americans extending their days and being more productive, instead of feeling tired at 4 p.m. because the sun has set, as is the case in Maine for much of November and December. Suddenly, a neigh-

borhood is still up and about outside at 6 p.m. because there is still a sliver of sunlight left.

Daylight savings arises from exactly what the name describes — a way to save daylight in the summer and get "more" time to work in the day. Enacted in the early 1900's, daylight savings has long since been embedded

in American culture and for some citizens is something that they look forward to because it is a physical way to see the changing of the seasons. After all, nothing says ski season like 10 hours of sunlight a day.

However as technology has advanced, the need to switch our clocks seems almost obsolete, as most jobs

that require daylight can also be done in controlled environments at night time. A report published in the Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization stated that daylight saving switches do not actually decrease overall energy usage, as many bills in support of day-

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# Beto O'Rourke is an appealing candidate, but he has some growing up to do

**Nate Poole**  
Contributor

Beto O'Rourke has enjoyed a meteoric rise to political fame throughout 2018 and 2019. After serving for six years in the House of Representatives for Texas's 16th district, O'Rourke came within three points of unseating Ted Cruz from his Senate position in the 2018 election through grassroots tactics and social media campaigning, raising record amounts of cash solely from individual donations. His appeal for Americans lies in his renegade attitude towards campaigning and his Obama-esque charisma which comes through in his remarkably compelling

stump speeches. Even though O'Rourke ended up losing the 2018 race, he had developed enough national popularity that many were encouraging him to jump out of the frying pan and into the fire and run for president in 2020, and on March 14, that is just what O'Rourke did.

Now in a crowded field of distinct and diverse progressive voices all vying for Democratic nomination, the question Americans are now forced to ask is, behind the movement and the charisma, just what exactly does O'Rourke stand for?

In his race against Ted Cruz, O'Rourke didn't have much policy-wise to differentiate

his ideas from those of his party. Yet the game is completely different now as he revs up a campaign against well-established progressive voices like Bernie Sanders, Kamala Harris and Elizabeth Warren, all of whom have taken steps towards indicating what kind of specific policies they would employ, should they be elected. This specificity is where O'Rourke tends to flounder.

As Washington Post writer Jenna Johnson noted, for many, the issues with the politician is that "[his] default position is to call for debate." He also openly admits his lack of knowledge in certain content areas, specifically race relations,

with which he noted that "he has a lot to learn about the needs and issues driving the black community." This is generally the modus operandi for O'Rourke with issues that lie outside the realm of what all of the candidates already agree on; instead of asserting a new or specific idea, he admits a gap in his own knowledge or he suggests that the decisions be subject more so to his constituents and their own debate.

Where O'Rourke is strongest is the area around the district he once represented, specifically the border with Mexico. The El Paso native has been abundantly willing to meet President Donald Trump at the issue he

brought to the forefront of American politics: immigration. O'Rourke is vehemently opposed to the wall, declaring that they only push migrants to take more dangerous risks in crossing the border. One of his passions is to tell the stories of undocumented immigrants and those that live on the border, and these stories are a major aspect of the blog which the politician kept up as he traveled about Texas after his loss to Sen. Cruz.

It is this desire to create a narrative, for others and especially for himself, which has earned him some criticism from The Guardian for narcissism driven by his white-maleness, citing

specifically one quote from the politician about the 2020 election where he said, "Man, I'm just born to be in it." This is perhaps an overreaction to the ego which is a fundamental aspect of every politician, but it is his reliance on his image as the grassroots renegade for much of his appeal which is cause for concern for those who wish to see him truly be effective in the Democratic primary. Although the election seems a long way off, O'Rourke still faces an extremely challenging task of crafting real answers to real problems, because a punk-rock attitude and a minivan will only take him so far.

## Daylight from A6

light savings argue. In addition, a Rasmussen Report from 2013 found that 45 percent of Americans surveyed

thought the switch in time "wasn't worth the hassle."

Setting clocks back in the wintertime also wreaks havoc on many Americans who suffer from Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD),

a mood disorder that impacts individuals throughout the winter months, due to cold weather and lack of sunlight. While treatments for SAD include light therapy, the proposal of an extra hour

of daylight in the winter months might just be a more concrete way to help support the millions of Americans who have this condition.


As I step outside to enjoy watching the sunset at 7 p.m. to-


night, I think about all of the benefits that come with the extra hours summer gives us and how Americans should consider rethinking the antiquated roles we have placed upon the concept of

time in our nation for the sake of a convenience that no longer has a purpose.

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<p>How Do We Make First Impressions of Physicians?: The Impact of Physical and Social Group Characteristics on Perceptions of Patient-Centeredness and Competence 12:00 pm, Dunn 424</p> <p>Can People be "Nudged" to Improve Water Quality- 3:00 pm, Norman Smith Hall 107</p>	<p>Against my Will UMaine- starts 8:00 am, Fogler Library Steps</p> <p>Spring WGS Colloquium Series #4- 12:30 pm, FFA Room</p>	<p>The Personal is Poetic- 3:00 pm, Neville Hall</p> <p>Against My Will: An Interactive Discussion on Rape Culture and Trauma Featuring Survivors from UMaine- 5:30 pm, Hill Auditorium</p>	<p>The Capitalist Road to a Basic Income- 12:30 pm, Coe Room</p> <p>Thriving Under 30- 3:30 pm, DPC</p>	<p>Accepted Students Day- 8:00 am, CCA</p> <p>Student Art Exhibition- 9:00 am- 4:00 pm, Lord Hall Gallery</p>	<p>International Coffee Hour 4:00pm, North Pod</p> <p>Baseball v. University of Maryland Baltimore County- 12:00pm in Mahoney Diamond</p>

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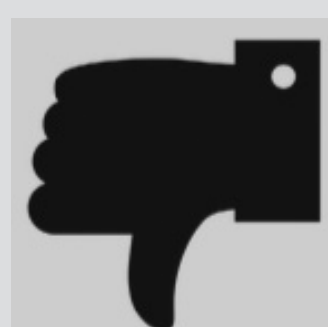
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# Sports

Monday, February 27, 2018

## UMAINE RESULTS

2/24	Basebakk vs. Central Connecticut	Loss	6-3
	Men's Hockey vs. Northeast-	Loss	4-5
2/25	ern	Win	4-3
	Baseball vs. South Dakota State	Win	72-71
	Men's Basketball @ Binghamton	Win	5-4

Conference scores, standings and upcoming schedule on B4

## DeVos proposes Special Olympics budget cut amid backlash

**Leela Stockley**  
Contributor

Over the past week, National Education Secretary Betsy DeVos has become the center of attention, garnering scrutiny after her proposed cuts to the federal budget. DeVos appeared in front of a House Appropriations Committee at a subcommittee hearing this past week to defend the Department of Education's budget requests for 2020, following up on President Donald Trump's full budget request which had been released almost a month ago.

Stating in defense of the funding cut DeVos stated that the organization had "achieved their original purpose, duplicate other programs, [is] narrowly focused, or [is] unable to demonstrate effectiveness." DeVos proposed cutting almost

\$18 million in funding for the Special Olympics. The Special Olympics foundation is just one of 29 other programs that have suffered from cuts imposed on the Department of Education. The department is struggling with a 10 percent decrease in funding from last year after losing about \$7 billion from the federal budget in favor of military funding.

Many critics voiced their concern towards DeVos' budget plan, asking her to clarify her feelings towards the Special Olympics program and its constituents. In a statement made Wednesday, DeVos defended her actions regarding the Special Olympics, saying, "It's a private organization. I love its work, and I have personally supported its mission. Because of its important work, it is able to raise

more than \$100 million every year."

However, many people feel as though what DeVos is saying doesn't match up with the feeling they get from her political agenda. DeVos's proposed cuts would mean "closing down what we are doing in schools to help end social isolation," commented Timothy Shriver, the chairman of the Special Olympics committee, for children with disabilities. Shriver also stressed the importance of having federal support for the Special Olympics program, as "we are actively engaged in the education purposes that the country has articulated at the federal level."

DeVos continued to defend her choice to defund the Special Olympics for three days, until Thursday morning when Trump publicly

announced that he was overriding the proposed budget cuts.

"The Special Olympics will be funded. I just told my people, I want to fund the Special Olympics and I just authorized a funding of the Special Olympics. I've been to the Special Olympics. I think it's incredible and I just authorized a funding. I heard about it this morning. I have overridden my people," Trump said.

After Trump released this statement to the press, DeVos quickly recanted her prior bid to eliminate the Special Olympics funding from the budget, telling the press, "I am pleased and grateful the president and I see eye-to-eye on this issue and that he has decided to fund our Special Olympics grant. This is funding I have fought for behind the scenes over the last

several years."

Later that day, the Special Olympics committee released a statement thanking Trump for his support, commending Trump for "joining a long history of over 50 years of United States presidents and members of Congress on both sides of the aisle in their support of Special Olympics and the work we do in communities throughout the country."

Although the White House can make suggestions to the budget proposals, the power of the executive branch to influence the budget stops there. The House of Representatives is the final step for approving the budget for the year, and it is unlikely that a large cut to the Special Olympics would actually be approved, as the House has rejected proposed cuts to the program for the last two

years.

The Special Olympics helps to integrate people with disabilities in an empowering way that allows them to fully interact with the sports world. The Special Olympics program works in public schools to combat bullying and ostracism that many people become the target of due to their disabilities. It also allows athletes to connect with a variety of groups from professional and non-professional athletes to disabled athletes in order to help them succeed. These programs have reached around 272,000 people around the United States and, with federal support, the program seeks to reach out to thousands more in the future.

## NFL free agency: Which teams improved and which worsened

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Sports Editor

With the official kick-off of the NFL free agency period on March 13, a whirlwind of signings and trades ensued. Wide receivers such as Odell Beckham Jr. and Antonio Brown, some of the most talented individuals at the position in the past decade, were shipped off by general managers believing that a bona fide number one wideout wasn't going to get their team to the biggest stage and hoist the Lombardi. Below is a quick analysis of some of the biggest and some of the most inconsequential movements across the league.

Big moves:

The Pittsburgh Steelers traded wide receiver Antonio Brown to the Oakland Raiders for a third-round pick and fifth-round pick in the upcoming 2019 NFL Draft, a bargain price for a wide receiver who holds an NFL record of five consecutive seasons with 100 plus catches. The Raiders additionally extended Brown's contract, locking him down for an additional three years with a deal that caps out at \$54 million in total value, including \$30 million in guaranteed money.

The New York Giants traded wide receiver Odell Beckham Jr. to the Cleveland Browns

in exchange for a first- and third-round pick in the upcoming NFL Draft, along with second-year safety Jabrill Peppers. 26-year-old Beckham Jr., pulled a higher asking price than 30-year-old Brown simply due to the youth and explosive offense that Beckham Jr. offers. The move comes with lots of head scratching, as the Giants traded away one of their two young offensive stars while continuing to keep 37-year-old liability Eli Manning at quarterback.

The Jacksonville Jaguars signed former Philadelphia Eagles backup quarterback and Super Bowl 52 MVP quarterback Nick Foles to a four year, \$88 million deal. After declining to take the one year, \$20 million contract offer from the Eagles, Foles flew south to take over as the Jaguars' quarterback. The Jaguars franchise has been stuck with former first-round bust Blake Bortles at quarterback. In a related move, the Jaguars released Bortles, taking a sizable cap hit while simultaneously creating the biggest cheers heard from their fans since the 2017 AFC Championship game against the New England Patriots.

Winners of free agency:

New England Patriots: While the rest of the NFL frantically plays

checkers, head coach Bill Belichick plays chess. Though defensive lineman Trey Flowers left for Detroit on a lucrative deal the Patriots weren't willing to match, they acquired Eagles defensive end Michael Bennett and a seventh-round draft pick in 2020 for a fifth-round pick in 2020, an incredibly under the radar bargain for New England. With an additional 12 picks in the upcoming draft, Belichick is likely to continue building for the future while quarterback Tom Brady continues to elevate the play of the pieces around him.

Green Bay Packers: New general manager Brian Gutekunst went out and did what former general manager Ted Thompson refused to do for the majority of his tenure in commanding the cheeseheads' roster: spending money on free agents. In the frozen tundra of Green Bay, Wisconsin, it's difficult to attract free agents unless you're giving the player the best offer they have. Gutekunst snagged two key edge defenders, signing Za'Darius Smith away from the Baltimore Ravens and Preston Smith from the Washington Redskins. Both players have the flexibility to switch from outside linebacker to defensive end and have significant prowess in both the pass rush and against the run, a position the Packers

have been significantly lacking at over the past few seasons. In addition, they stole a talented player from within their division, signing veteran safety Adrian Amos away from the Chicago Bears, helping to solidify the back end of an incredibly youthful secondary.

Cleveland Browns: Aside from the questionable signing of free agent running back Kareem Hunt, who has since been suspended by the NFL for eight games to begin the season for violating the league's personal conduct policy, Browns' general manager Jim Dorsey has built an offensive powerhouse around second-year signal caller Baker Mayfield. Outside of Hunt, Mayfield has power back Nick Chubb behind him, along with scat-back Duke Johnson Jr. To stretch the field, the wide receiver tandem of Jarvis Landry and Odell Beckham Jr., who were college teammates and hold several records at the collegiate level as a duo, and second-year tight end David Njoku. While his stats from last season left more to be desired, Njoku's athleticism and development in head coach Freddie Kitchens' offensive system will help him turn into a go-to target for Mayfield.

New York Jets: General manager Mike Mac-

cagnan went out and broke the bank to build a team around his young signal caller in Sam Darnold. Following a similar layout to the Los Angeles Rams, the Jets hope to build an expensive team around Darnold before they have to give him a payday at the end of his rookie contract. With three years left on his four-year deal, with room for a fifth-year team option, expect Darnold to pilot the Jets to the top of the AFC within the next few years. To do so, Maccagnan went and paid for a leader for his defense, resetting the market with middle linebacker C.J. Mosley's deal, giving the defensive roamer 17 million dollars per year on his four-year deal. In addition, putting a true running back behind Darnold is the best way to help a young quarterback develop, and Le'Veon Bell fit the bill perfectly. 27-year-old Bell sat out last season after putting up 1,946 yards from scrimmage in 2017. With well rested legs and a change of scenery, Bell should be able to carry the load in New York.

Losers of free agency:

Baltimore Ravens: After losing Mosley, Za'Darius Smith and safety Eric Weddle, the Ravens' top-ranked defense from last season has seemingly crumbled. With a college styled offensive scheme not de-

signed to put up a significant amount of points, Baltimore will need to lean heavily on its defense until quarterback Lamar Jackson develops his passing abilities further. Free agent running back Mark Ingram will be worth every penny he's being paid if he and Jackson can get on the same page in the backfield. On the plus side, acquiring free agent safety Earl Thomas to replace Weddle will give the defense a new leader to rally behind, but Thomas' now 30 years old with a history of injuries could end up being a liability for the Ravens.

Pittsburgh Steelers: Losing your top offensive weapons of the past decade would be a season crippler for any franchise other than Pittsburgh. Wide receiver Juju Smith-Schuster out produced Antonio Brown last season and was voted by teammates as the team's most valuable player for the season. While Bell's absence and transcendent running style will be sorely missed, running back James Conner will thrive behind the top-ranked offensive line in the league. Dipping their hands into free agency to attempt to recuperate on any of their losses would've been helpful, but Steelers faithful know to trust the methodology used in the Steel City.

# The Boston Bruins go 1-2-0

## Nick Boutin Contributor

The Bruins lost 5-4 to the first place Tampa Bay Lightning on Monday, March 25. Lightning center Anthony Cirelli broke a tie with under a minute remaining in the third period, and Tampa Bay became the fourth team in NHL history to win at least 59 games in a season. For the Bruins, left-wing Brad Marchand picked up two goals while right-wing David Pastrnak and center Patrice Bergeron both picked up two assists.

On Wednesday, March 27, the Bruins beat the New York

Rangers 6-3 at the TD Garden in Boston. Pastrnak had a hat trick and scored five points for the Bruins, tallying his third hat trick of the season.

On Saturday, March 30, the Bruins fell to the Florida Panthers 4-1, snapping their twelve game winning streak at home. Noel Acciari picked up his sixth goal of the season while Torey Krug picked up his 45th assist of the season. The Bruins (47-22-9), who have clinched a berth in the Stanley Cup playoffs, lead the third-place Toronto Maple Leafs by six points, who are fresh off of a 6-3 loss to the Otta-

wa Senators the same night. Boston has four games remaining in their regular season, including their next three on the road.

Hot Teams in the NHL

The Washington Capitals have regained first place in the Metropolitan Division. They won their last three games and have gone 6-3-1 in their last ten games.

The Dallas Stars have moved into the seventh place spot in the Western Conference with four games left in the season. They have won four games in a row and have gone 6-3-1 in their last ten games. They finish out

the season playing the Vancouver Canucks, Philadelphia Flyers, Chicago Blackhawks and the Minnesota Wild.

Wild Card Teams

The Colorado Avalanche are in the second wild card spot in the Western Conference with 85 points. They have won their last two games and have gone 7-2-1 in the last ten games. The Dallas Stars are in the first wild card spot three points ahead of the Avalanche. The Arizona Coyotes are outside looking in as they are three points behind the Avalanche. The Wild are also four points out of the wild

card spot with four games left in the season.

The Columbus Blue Jackets are in the second wild card spot in the Eastern conference with 90 points. The Blue Jackets are currently three points behind the Carolina Hurricanes for the first spot in the wild card. The Montreal Canadiens are tied with the Blue Jackets but have played one more game than Columbus has.

Cold Teams in the NHL

The Vegas Golden Knights have clinched a Stanley Cup playoff berth but have been cold lately, losing three consecutive games. In

their last ten games they have gone 5-4-1 and are tied for fifth place in the Western Conference. Vegas leads the Dallas Stars by two points with both teams having four games remaining in the season.

The Buffalo Sabers have dropped to 13th place in the Eastern Conference, cooling off quickly from a flashy beginning to the season. They have gone 1-8-1 in the last ten games and are officially eliminated from playoff contention.

# Boston Celtics struggle to find chemistry

## Morgan Ford Contributor

The Boston Celtics have lost their dominant cohesion on the court from last year. Though the team was without All-Star Gordon Hayward, the Celtics had won seven games more at this point last year than they have now, sitting at 45-32. Despite this poor performance, the team showed improvement with a strong win against the Indiana Pacers on Friday, March 29, to put them in fourth place in the Eastern Conference.

This season the Celtics were predict-

ed to be a super team, with four all-star caliber players in the starting five and two young rising stars in guards Jason Tatum and Jaylen Brown. Despite these hopes, point guard Kyrie Irving has struggled to connect with teammates, center Al Horford numbers haven't been up to his career averages and Hayward has taken a massive step back since his injury.

Irving has been consistently unable to make bonds that allow for true teamwork with his Celtics teammates. According to an interview with Irving's friend and mentor, Kobe Bry-

ant, he is trying to work on these connections, the type of connections made from "time listening. Breakfast, lunch, dinner. Talking to guys, listening to what they're saying." The fact that Irving is looking to Kobe for advice on connecting is a good sign for the fate of the team. Irving's desire to mend the chemistry with his teammates gives hope that he'll re-sign with Boston before becoming a free agent at the end of the season, a crucial contract for the future of the team.

Struggling to consistently make an impact on the court, Hor-

ford's inability to be a strong presence in the post hurts the team, and with \$29 million a year going to him, this is a sizable chunk of the team's cap space. If he plays with the intensity that he had in the Pacers game, this won't be a problem.

Injury has plagued the team as well, with only Tatum and guard Marcus Smart being on the court the entire season, further limiting the ability of the group to mesh on the hardwood. Although the injuries have been miniscule, they have prevented players from being able to be on the court to further im-

prove the Celtics' playoff hopes as the post-season approaches.

Hayward's problematic play may raise eyebrows as we near the end of the season. While on the Utah Jazz he led his team to the playoffs, but since joining a more talented Celtics roster his regression has created problems in the locker room, along with his \$32 million annual salary. Though he has difficulty getting the ball in his hands at times, his gameplay elevates without Kyrie, and their inability to improve each others abilities needs to change if the team hopes to make it

to the Finals.

Though struggling in multiple areas individually, improving upon teamwork will elevate Boston back to the powerhouse it was during the last season's playoffs. Even without both Irving and Hayward, they still were able to take over in the playoffs and forced a seven game series against the, then LeBron James led, Cleveland Cavaliers in the Eastern Championship. In the final stretch of the regular season, it'll be interesting to see how head coach Brad Stevens pulls his team together.

# This day in history: March 25

## Leela Stockley Contributor

The sport of horse-racing is almost nearly as old as the relationship between man and horse itself. The sport has been a staple of various cultures for centuries, and was brought to the United States when the British started colonizing in the early 1600's. However, the first horse race was not recorded until March 25, 1668.

The sport was popularized in England during the reign of King James I in the 17th century and spread to the Americas, finding roots in the previously Dutch colonies around what is modern-day

New York.

The first race course was built over the Salisbury Plain in present-day Long Island, New York, which is now just south of the New Hyde Park train station. The first winner of the horse race received a silver porringer — a type of porridge dish that was produced in the colonies and worth a large sum of money.

Today, horse racing is still one of the most widely attended spectator sports in America, as well as one of the most highly-grossing sports, as gambling is a large part of the event. Thoroughbred racing is the largest attraction, with spectators largely in-

terested in 3/4 quarter mile races, although quarter mile horses races and harness racing are also popular.

Thoroughbred racing relies on the ability of their owners to be able to trace their racer's lineage back to three "foundation sires" who established the precedent for thoroughbred horses. Three stallions — the Byerley Turk foaled in 1697, the Darley Arabian foaled in 1700 and the Godolphin Arabian foaled in 1724 — were the standard for racehorses, and every racehorse from the 1800's to today has their pedigree determined by their link to these thoroughbred stallions.

Thoroughbred racing was not organized well in the United States until after the Civil War, when the American Stud Book was started. The horse racing industry, as well as the betting stakes, exploded during the Industrial Revolution. By the late 1800s, there were 314 fully-functional race tracks in the United States. In 1984, the American Jockey Club was formed, which cracked down on a lot of the corruption that had infiltrated the sport. The anti-gambling sentiment of the early 1900's led to the closure of hundreds of tracks, and in 1910 there were only 25 functioning tracks in America.

Horse racing flourished in the United States up until the 1950s and 60s, and then regained popularity in the 70s. During the 70s, racehorses like Secretariat, Seattle Slew and Affirmed, all achieved the American Triple Crown. The American Triple Crown is comprised of the Kentucky Derby, the Preakness and the Belmont Stakes. During the 80's, the popularity started to decline as there was a long period where there were no Triple Crown winners.

Today 32 states host horse races around the U.S., but the tradition is steadily on the decline. There are many other more expensive

and more prestigious races that have become world-renowned, such as the Dubai World Cup, which is now the richest race in the world. Thoroughbred racing is an expensive and time-consuming pastime, and is no longer at the heart of American culture with the same gusto that it had garnered in the days when Secretariat won the Belmont Stakes 31 lengths in front of the second finisher with a still-undefeated time of two minutes and 24 seconds on a mile-and-a-half dirt track.

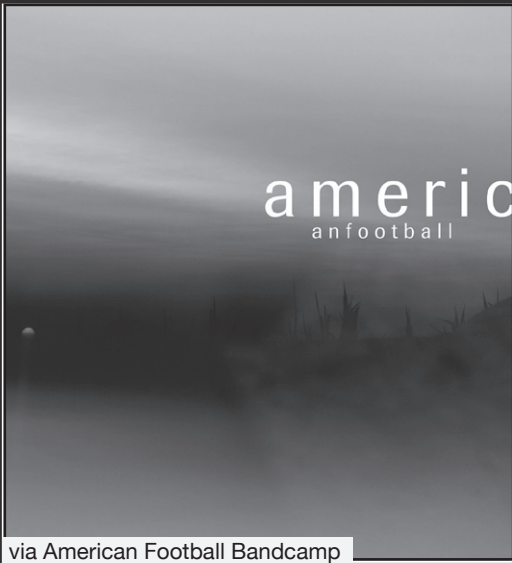


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# Reviews

## MUSIC

**American Football may be parents now but nobody knows teenage angst better**



via American Football Bandcamp

### RATING



**Noah Loveless**  
WMEB Staff

Being a music fan can be a difficult journey, especially when you have a special emotional attachment to a certain band. Fans can be prone to having extremely high expectations when their favorite band is releasing a new album. What if they aren't as good anymore?

That feeling is certainly elicited when one discusses how American Football, the emo/indie rock group that began playing together in college, released a self-titled LP but then broke up, to the dismay of many fans. A few years ago, they got back together and re-released another self-titled LP which planted seeds of hope for the band's future in their audience.

This year they released "LP 3." While one could worry that they have become old musicians who have possibly lost their talent for songwriting, you would be sorely mistaken to think that of American Football. On their third release, they continue to create meaningful music. They are still personal, and haven't lost the ability to discuss inner emotions in a way that connects with the listeners that fell in love with them in the first place.

American Football has a charming story. After their first release and break up, they didn't see themselves getting back together until a large number of people began stumbling upon their album and suddenly there was a large community that was really interested in the group. Eventually, in 2014, they started playing together again and released "LP 2" in 2016 which was, unfortunately, a little underwhelming

and was met with a lukewarm response.

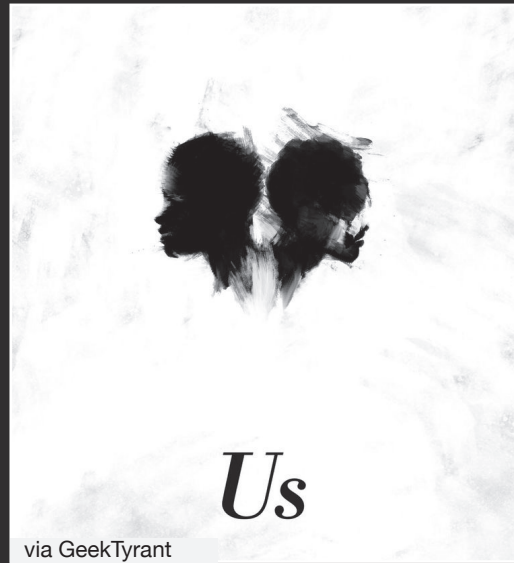
"LP 3" set things right again. This record is a wonderful combination of their talent for melancholy songs with odd time signatures and their access to a wider range of studio equipment and personnel. Essentially "LP 3" is like their first album but slightly more mature and the soundscape is much larger. They are not just a guitar band anymore, they've included plenty of synths and an unusually large amount of xylophone.

One of the highlights of the album is the number of vocal features from artists like Hayley Williams from Paramore or Rachel Goswell from Slowdive, as well as Elizabeth Powell from Land of Talk. Often these female vocalists give lead singer and guitarist Mike Kinsella an interlocutor with whom to discuss the introspective themes. It is quite an interesting evolution from the band's previous method of tackling those personal meditations on one's past and growing up. Now there is more of a conversation, as if one voice is able to offer validation to another.

Overall I would say this album is a pleasant return to form and is a different kind of success for the group. The band is entering new stages in their lives, facing things like careers and having families. For track recommendations, I would say check out the tracks with features like "Uncomfortably Numb" with Hayley Williams, as well as the lead single "Silhouettes" that highlights the bands individual talent, while the songs "Heir Apparent" and "Mine to Miss" exhibit hints of their past sound in wonderful new ways.

## MOVIE

**Peele subverts expectations in new feature film**



via GeekTyrant

### RATING



**Olivia Shipsey**  
Culture Editor

Jordan Peele's highly anticipated second feature film "Us" has received mixed reactions after the overwhelming success of his first film, "Get Out" (2017). The film's narrative is chock-full of everything we could have hoped for from Peele: guised metaphors, complex characters and challenging social commentary.

Many viewers were surprised, and possibly disappointed, that this film doesn't directly discuss race. In an interview with Rolling Stone, Peele explicitly said that the film is not an attempt at overt racial commentary, but rather a larger social commentary framed through a black cast.

"Very important for me was to have a black family at the center of a horror film. It's also important to note that this movie, unlike 'Get Out,' is not about race. It is instead about something I feel has become an undeniable truth. That is the simple fact that we are our own worst enemies," Peele said.

The importance of this choice, to feature a black family in a horror film without making it about race, is proven by many audience members' surprise. While racially-centric narratives are important and need to be produced, Peele has already proven a master at tackling the topic. In this film he asks more from viewers, subverting the idea that he is limited to "black films" and normalizing this dynamic on a larger scale.

While still inciting the fear created by classic horror film tropes, Peele is in the process of developing his own auteur. The movie leaves its audience with questions about so-

ciety and self which will follow them out of the theater. The cognitive disturbance created by the film is paired with his inclination towards comedy which, while also acting as a palate cleanser, make the movie's horror more realistic.

Lupita Nyong'o shines in this film. Nyong'o plays Adelaide, as well as Adelaide's duality, with an air of provocation. This turbulent and highly emotional role is elevated by Nyong'o's ability to capture the dynamic layers of human experience and emotion. She delivers the power of the elusive and austere while also showing the tenderness and fear of her character's trauma and sense of duty.

This movie attempts to take on an overwhelming amount of messages within the confines of two hours, which makes some moments not as tight and refined as his first feature. However, this does not negatively affect the importance and impact of his film. Not only does he challenge his audience's understanding through storytelling, but he is actively challenging our preconceived notions of Hollywood. The film raises many questions about what we expect, and more importantly what we need, from a Peele film, allowing it to transcend the screen and incite social change.

Even if it didn't meet audience expectations, this film gives its viewers plenty to unpack. If anything, this film reinstills that Peele's creative force allows him to create content which is visually compelling and emotionally challenging in a way that subverts social constructions around the human experience.

## PODCAST

**'Stuff You Missed In History Class' brings history out of textbooks**



via iTunes

### RATING



**Brawley Benson**  
News Editor

For those who are huge history buffs or want to learn more than your high school history class taught you, the podcast "Stuff You Missed in History Class" discusses various events throughout history that are seldom talked about. They cover topics like transatlantic travel before the Titanic, the history of ballet and the trial of Mary, Queen of Scots.

The podcast is produced by HowStuffWorks and is hosted by Tracy V. Wilson and Holly Frey. The podcast was originally titled "Fact or Fiction? History Stuff for the History Buff" and has had many different hosts throughout its evolution. Wilson and Frey have both been working with the podcast since 2013.

Episodes can seem slow at first, but they often provide contextual background about events that are definitely worth listening to if you would like to learn more about history. The podcast's archives date back over ten years to 2008 and cover almost any topic you can think of. There is sure to be something of interest for everyone.

It is clear that the hosts of the show have done their research and are very knowledgeable about every topic on their show. They also convey information in a fun, engaging way that does not come across like a normal history class lecture.

In addition to sharing historical information, the hosts provide commentary on how these issues pertain to our modern world, as well as how they impacted society at the time. "Stuff You Missed in History Class"

has been accused of covering too many topics about women in history and they are criticized for being biased towards talking about women over men.

Wilson and Frey stated on their website that "Even though it should not be a problem to talk about women more than we talk about men, we've gone back into the archive and looked, and what we've found is that a sound majority of our shows that could be classified as 'men' or 'women' are about men. Even through dedicated, continual effort to talk about women, we still don't even come close to a 50/50 split."

According to data compiled on their website, 45 percent of their episodes are ungendered. On average, they focus on male figures in 34 percent of their episodes and female figures in 21 percent.

As the two hosts become more comfortable with their craft, their episodes sound less scripted and are better at engaging listeners. Their episodes have also increased in length from about five minutes to 30 to 40 minutes.

Despite criticisms of gender bias and being too scripted, the podcast provides factual accounts of events in history and shares the truth about events to clear up common misconceptions.

In addition to the podcast, which can be found on iTunes, Spotify and their website, missedinhistory.com, Wilson and Frey host live shows to discuss historical events that pertain to the cities that they are visiting.

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# Purim in Israel

## Sierra Semmel Contributor

Welcome back from spring break, UMaine! Here in Tel Aviv the weather is rapidly getting warmer, the rainy season is coming to an end, the indoor winter clubs are closing and the open-air clubs are opening, and spring seems to be quickly turning into summer – by my standards, at least. The Israelis still complain that the 70 degree days are chilly.

The weather in Israel is significantly warmer than Maine year round. The lowest it ever really got in mid-winter was in the 50s, and in the summer it's around 90 degrees everyday, so spring weather is just about perfect. I've been enjoying the beach more often, as every day seems to be a beach day. Right now I'm sitting in the grass on the main quad on campus writing in the sun.

For those of you who aren't familiar with the Jewish holidays (and even those who are, because in America this one isn't widely celebrated), last week was Purim. Purim isn't a holiday I've ever really celebrated. In the United States, Purim lives in the shadow of holidays like Rosh Hashanah (the Jewish new year), Yom Kippur

(the day of atonement), Passover and Hanukkah. But in Israel, Purim is absolutely huge – less for religious reasons and more for the fun of it. Think of it as the Mardi Gras of Israel.

The story of Purim, in short, is about a young Jewish girl named Esther who is chosen by a king to be his new queen. Esther hides her Jewish identity from the king and becomes queen.

Meanwhile, a powerful man named Haman wants to destroy all the Jews, and gets permission from the king to do so. I'll spare most of the details in between, but Esther ends up saving the Jews, and so we celebrate.

In America, the tradition is to dress up in costume, go to synagogue and eat "Hamentaschen," named after Haman, which are triangle-shaped cookies with a filling in the middle, such as jam, chocolate, lemon or poppyseeds. The other traditions include giving to the needy, feasting and listening to the Megillah, or "The Book of Esther," which is the scroll that tells the whole story of Purim.

In Tel Aviv, however, I began hearing about Purim almost immediately upon arrival. I got

all of the information from day one: stories, pictures, promotions for the best Purim parties in the city. The celebration in Israel lasts an entire week; this year, Purim began on Wednesday night and went until Thursday at sundown, so naturally people began celebrating Monday and continued through Saturday. Every bar and club had Purim themed parties the entire week, and particularly on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, if you stepped outside without a costume, you were in the minority.

My parents happened to be visiting at this time and Purim fell on one of the final days of their stay in Israel. It was definitely the best way to close out their vacation and leave them with the most quintessential image of Tel Aviv they could have gotten.

Friday, the day after Purim, I took them to the Shuk (the outdoor market) one last time before they left, and on the way there we marveled at the number of people in costume despite the fact that the holiday had technically ended. There were parties in the streets and in the parks. We walked by men in tutus or dressed as firemen, women with tails and more. It was lively, ex-



Sierra exploring Petra.

Photo courtesy Sierra Semmel.

citing and something I am incredibly grateful to have experienced – especially with my parents.

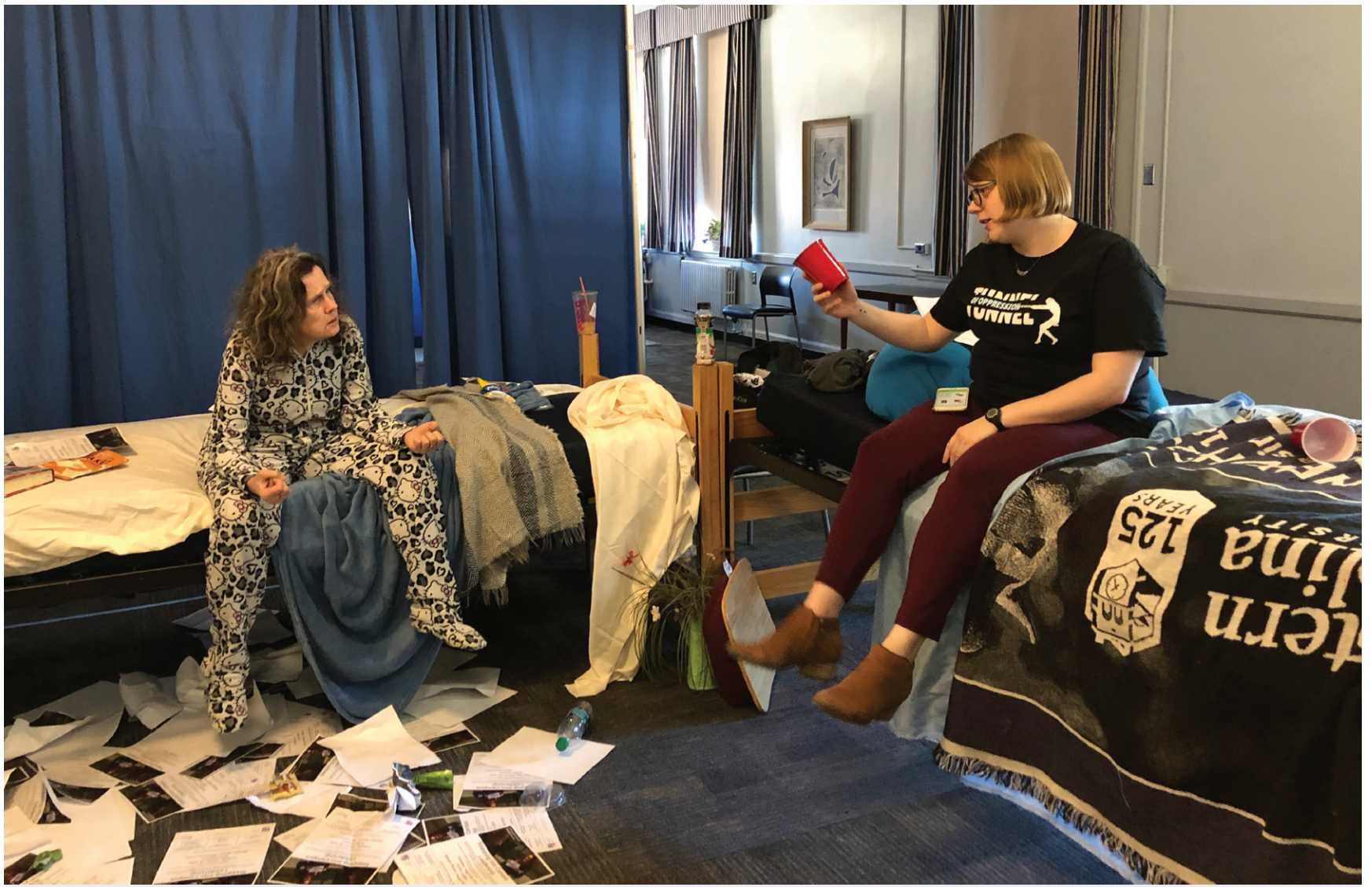
Earlier in my parents' trip, we headed south to the city of Eilat, which is at the very southern tip of Israel and located on the Red Sea. From there, we took a bus to Jordan and visited Petra. Petra was breathtaking; everywhere we

looked, there were ruins, tombs and pillars that had been there for centuries.

The next few weeks are pretty busy here. First, I'll head to the Ramon Crater just south of Tel Aviv to go rappelling with some other students from Tel Aviv University. Next weekend, we'll head north, to the ancient city of Akko and even further up to the border

of Israel and Lebanon on a school trip. The following week, I'll head to Cyprus for my next school break.

Before returning to Israel for the beginning of Passover – which I will cover very soon, as Passover in Israel deserves its own post!



The Tunnel Of Oppression aims to let UMaine student's walk in the shoes of oppressed populations.

Photo by MJ Gautrau.

## Tunnel of Oppression from A12

teers guided groups through the tunnel and explained the significance of each room. The exhibit began in a room dedicated to religion which included Christianity, Islam and Judaism. The walls were covered in news articles, personal stories and facts about religious oppression around the world. This room was created by the Wilson Center, a multi-faith, spiritual exploration group.

The tour then went on to cover topics pertaining to mental health, which was organized by the Counseling Center. Two student volunteers acted out a skit depicting one roommate dealing with a mental health issue and another roommate who did not understand what she was going through. Evans noted that this room showed what symptoms of mental illness can look like.

The next section placed participants in the shoes of transgender and nonbinary persons. Student

volunteers read questions and statements that are often made to transgender and nonbinary people. The statements included people's personal beliefs about gender, common misconceptions and prejudices that transgender and nonbinary people face every day.

Student Accessibility Services (SAS) showed videos of two students on campus who have disabilities and provided statistics relating to disabilities at UMaine. There are currently 920 students with disabilities en-

rolled in the university and working with SAS. According to Sara Henry, director of SAS, this room highlighted 11 different types of disabilities that students at UMaine are living with.

Title IX services focuses on gender discrimination, including sexual harassment and assault, violence and stalking, and educates students about their rights under Title IX and the Violence Against Women Act. Volunteers acted out a scene at a party that ended in sexual assault.

The final room, the "Room of Hope," brought participants together to discuss what they learned and what they were surprised by, and allowed individuals to share their personal experiences. Psychologists participating in the event encouraged students to speak and listen with intention, and tend to the wellbeing of the group in the room. Chuck McKay, a counselor at the Counseling Center on campus, discussed the idea of challenge by choice, which means individuals have the power to

challenge pre-existing social norms and begin having difficult conversations encouraged by the Tunnel of Oppression.

Campus partners have been working on the exhibit since early September. They met once a month to develop their topics and find volunteers. In an attempt to show a variety of experiences, Evans said they made a conscious effort to feature different topics than they did the year before to demonstrate the range of oppression that individuals can face.

FEATURED STORY

**Black Bear Abroad**

A weekend on the coast in Vina del Mar and

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NEW AND UPCOMING RELEASES

Free Spirit, Khalid	April 5
Amidst The Chaos, Sara Bareilles	April 5
Brutalism, The Drums	April 5
The Best of Enemies (in theaters)	April 5
Pet Sematary (in theaters)	April 5
Shazam! (in theaters)	April 5

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## Annual IFTSA meeting fosters 'grassroots' network for food science students



College Bowl Competition brings food science students together for a friendly competition.

Photo by Matt Lavoie.

**Bria Lamonica & Olivia Shipsey**  
For The Maine Campus

On Saturday, March 30, student representatives from five universities gathered in Nutting Hall for the Institute of Food Technologists Student Association's (IFTSA) North Atlantic Area Meeting and College Bowl Competition. The IFTSA competition has been held annually since 1985 when it was created as an effort to recognize the achievements of food science students.

This year, the student-led event brought 80 food science and human nutrition students from Cornell University, McGill University, the University of Massachusetts Amherst, Rutgers University and the University of Maine together in an effort to build a strong student community through participating in a trivia competition.

"There has been much effort and work put into making this

event happen," Holly Leung, a third-year food science student and IFTSA North Atlantic Area Meeting chair, said. "Organization, perseverance, preparation and teamwork were essential to putting this event together. Those attending will include many of our own food science professors, food professionals, undergraduates and graduate students. We are all coming together in one place networking and supporting each other."

The North Atlantic Area Meeting allowed university chapters to share information about their school's accomplishments and activities throughout the year. Students connected with peers and professionals who are passionate about and work in food science. Volunteers came together to help put on the event and work with faculty, advisors and food science professionals.

"My favorite part

of the day will be to watch the event come together and witness all the universities mingling and supporting each other," Leung said. "This event really highlights the supportive nature of the food science community."

During the College Bowl competition, teams tested their food science knowledge in friendly competition. Graduate and undergraduate students from each school formed teams of at least four members and were judged based on speed and accuracy. The questions ranged from basic food science related facts to more in-depth questions about food science's historical background, technological advancements and other aspects of the field.

The event was supported by many local and national organizations in addition to the IFT, such as UMaine's School of Food and Agriculture, PepsiCo, Ocean Spray, Bangor

Beer Co., Oriental Jade and Bagel Central.

The competition was judged by company representatives from all over the country with experience in food science and the nutrition field. Lisa Torino, the director of new platforms at Ocean Spray, was excited to judge the College Bowl, having participated in the event as an undergraduate.

"People don't realize how much Ocean Spray does. We are constantly doing food science research on anything and everything," Torino said. "This event is about community and being at the forefront of innovation. It's inspiring to hear ideas from students and to be a part of such a defining moment in their educational development. It was transformative in my life, and I am excited to be a part of that experience for these students."

Food science professors accompanied teams for support and

stayed with the students throughout the competition. Participating universities and teams showed pride by wearing matching t-shirts or school apparel. UMass Amherst wore shirts specialized shirts which read, "Is cereal a soup? Asking food science questions since 1918."

"College bowl is more than memorizing trivia, it's an opportunity to network with people from a variety of backgrounds," Louis Colaruotolo, a graduate student from UMass Amherst and College Bowl competitor said. "It allows us to form grassroots for the future of food science with students and organizations from across the country."

Despite the competitive nature of the event, many students said their experience was beneficial to more than just their education. Amalie Younes, Emmanuelle Bonnin and Zeynep Memigüven, third-year food science students from

go!

What's happening in and around Orono this week

**Tuesday, April 2**  
**Against My Will**  
UMaine  
8:00 am - 6:00 pm  
In front of Fogler

**Tuesday, April 2**  
**HDCC Film Series:**  
**Seeds of Time**  
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
Fogler Library  
Classroom 1

**Wednesday, April 3**  
**The Personal is Poetic**  
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
Neville Hall

**Friday, April 5**  
**Student Art Exhibition**  
**Opening**  
9:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Lord Hall Gallery

**Friday, April 5**  
**Habitat Earth**  
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
Emera  
Astronomy Center

McGill University, all said that due to the small size of their department and the lack of food science programs in Canada, this event is their only opportunity to meet students who are equally passionate and dedicated to food science.

After a full day of communing and competing, Cornell was awarded first place. As winners of the competition, they will be representing the North Atlantic region at IFTSA's National College Bowl Competition in New Orleans at "IFT19: Feed Your Future," as well as receiving full travel reimbursements.

## Tunnel of Oppression challenges perceptions of groups on campus

**Ali Tobey**  
Contributor

On Wednesday, March 27, Campus Activities and Student Engagement (CASE) hosted their second annual Tunnel of Oppression exhibit in the Memorial Union. The

exhibit is a part of the University of Maine's Women's History Month programming.

The tunnel is an immersive experience designed to make attendees uncomfortable. It forces people to step into the lives of oppressed groups

that are present on the UMaine campus and worldwide. Many campus organizations helped create the tunnel, including the Multicultural Center, the UMaine Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Program and UMaine LGBTQ ser-

vices.

Five different rooms made up the tunnel, depicting experiences of oppressed groups on campus. They included skits put on by student volunteers, statistics and short videos relating to ableism, mental health,

religion, transgender and nonbinary identities and Title IX. The final room, the "Room of Hope," was designed to encourage conversation among viewers about various topics.

"[The tunnel] covers issues that are not necessarily being talk-

ed about on campus ... it highlights what they go through on top of academics and social and family life," Benjamin Evans, the coordinator of CASE, said.

CASE facilitators and student volun-

See Tunnel on A11

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## Maine Day acts back out, Dean Dana set to perform in T-Pain's place



Dean Dana practicing for his Maine Day debut.

MJ Gautrau, Selfie Specialist

**Taylor Abbott**  
**Dancing Kween**

As students shared their excitement for the Maine Day concert, news broke that the main act, T-Pain, backed out of their contract due to a last-minute emergency. After exhausting all of their resources, the University of Maine Student Government (UMSG) confirmed that Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students Robert Dana will be headlining the show instead.

"We really tried to secure T-Pain, but things happen. We're disappointed, but we have full faith that Dean

Dana will not let us down," Sentley Bimpson, vice president of UMSG said. Because the headliner backed out, the opening acts followed suit.

Included in Dean Dana's setlist are some of his favorite songs, including Prince's classic "Purple Rain," Sarah McLachlan's "Angel" and Nickelback's "Photograph." His performance is planned to last for two hours and there is a rumor of an encore.

"I'm here to give the people what they want," Dana said. "This has been my dream for a long time. I'm sad that we will not get to host Mr. Pain, but want

to assure the students that it will be a night to remember."

The concert will resume outside this year after taking place inside the Alford Arena last year. The Hilltop Lot will be converted into a temporary concert venue and first-year students are asked to stay home and let the big kids have a fun night out and watch from the comfort of their rooms.

"We strategically placed the concert so that we could have the first-year students stay inside to allow us to sell more tickets," Carrie Claflin, vice president of student entertainment, said. "Plus,

it will be way past their bedtime. They have BIO100 labs to work on."

Rumors around campus say that Dean Dana's opener will be no one other than President Ferrini-Mundy herself. The two are rumored to be singing "I've Had The Time of My Life" accompanied by the famous moves from "Dirty Dancing."

"I hope that the president can make it," a student said. "I hope they encore with 'Bohemian Rhapsody,' it's been on my bucket list all year. Do you think Dean Dana will take the high notes? Do you think President Ferrini-Mundy will have any

Jonas Brothers covers in her setlist?"

Tickets for the event are free to students in exchange for a guest swipe into Buff Chick Wednesday at York Dining. Students without meal plans are simply not invited to the concert.

Gates open at 6:00 p.m. where students are invited to converse quietly amongst themselves. Quiet hours will still be enforced and those found in violation will receive steep fines for being jerks.

"This night is going to be fun and I look forward to sharing this experience with the students. It's been too long since I laced up

my platforms and bell bottoms and really let loose and just rocked and rolled all night. We will be taking it back to Rock City," Dana said.

## Aries Season Horoscope

**Olivia Shipsey**  
**2019 Thai Food Eating Champ**

Spring fever has arrived! While the temperatures in Maine may still be fluctuating, the longer days and dissipating snow banks put new energy into the air. However, with this joy comes two of the scariest parts of spring. Last week marked the beginning of the end of the semester and the celestial shift into Aries season. For those of you dealing with a new daily dose of chaotic ram energy, keep in mind that this season is filled with hope for the year. Each sign will plant seeds that can be harvested throughout the zodiac year!

That being said, here are your Aries Season Horoscopes!

**Aries (March 21 - April 19)**  
When you're yelling

through your windshield at the person who stole your spot in the CCA parking lot, take a moment to remember the person you cut off in the roundabout yesterday. This is your time. Emotions are high, but let them empower you, not limit you. Never forget blinkers are as equally important to developing strong communication skills as learning to spell.

**Taurus (April 20 - May 20)**

Listening isn't always your strong suit. Other people's opinions aren't always attacks on your beliefs. Stay connected with who you are and what you want, but it's important to surround yourself with those you trust to provide input. Next time someone might be trying to tell you something, have the courtesy to take at least one Airpod out.

**Gemini (May 21 - June 20)**

Aries season will enable you to actualize your eloquence! You will be able to articulate your power which will lead to an increased influence over your surroundings. But remember, a snake's tongue is split in two. Words that heal can also hurt. Make sure you're paying attention to your effect on others, and that includes disabling your read receipts.

**Cancer (June 21 - July 22)**

Make sure you're making time for yourself, Cancer. Take a few extra naps this month. As Uranus enters Taurus, which for you means heightened fulfillment in friendships and the manifestation of hopes, you'll need to be in the proper state of mind to determine what it is you

want. Go for it, don't hold back.

**Leo (July 23 - August 22)**

Steady in yourself and your future, you may still be feeling anxious about what is on the horizon. Your perseverance is what will get you through to the finish line. However, Leo, it is important to remember who was there for you along the way. Don't abandon your past in a desire to embrace what's to come, there may be things worth holding on to.

**Virgo (August 23 - September 22)**

Virgos may have it the worst this Aries season. Don't panic. There is a lot of transformation in the air, which for your rational and organized mind may feel overwhelming. However, these tools will be the things which save you. Pre-

pared to get stuff done. Your to-do list may be longer, but you will check things off quicker than anticipated.

**Libra (September 23 - October 22)**

You might be having a difficult time getting back into the swing of things. New Year's resolutions are all long dead, but you, Libra, need to make time for what makes you happy. Engage your creative gifts and show the world the beauty that is in your imagination.

**Scorpio (October 23 - November 21)**

Feeling pulled in many directions? You have the ability to find the right path. Mars' energy can be overwhelming for anyone, but your naturally private and austere demeanor will guide you if you can keep your emotions in line. Lean towards creativity in

moments of confusion, but don't hold back from emoting.

**Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21)**

Summer is just around the corner! Allow yourself to relax by planning a summer trip, or just googling "cheapest tropical beaches" and looking at sunset photos. Use your heightened inspiration to plan something fun, whether it's a trip downtown with a friend or a six-hour flight to a new destination.

**Capricorn (December 22 - January 19)**

Aries season is a time of rest for you, Capricorn. It may not feel like it, but your hard work will manifest soon. Make sure you are giving yourself time to heal and hope. Light a candle, take a

See **Aries** on **B5**

# University housing to convert potholes into dorm rooms for upcoming school year



A brand new residence hall sits within the CCA Lot.

Taylor Abbott, Dancing Kween

## Taylor Abbott Dancing Kween

Students at the University of Maine have been complaining to facilities management for weeks in regards to the conditions of the roads around campus. The university, however, has decided to utilize this new space to accommodate for the increasing size of incoming first-year classes. Instead of working to fill the potholes, UMaine will instead work to convert

them into liveable residence hall rooms.

“We realized that if we wanted to redo the roads, it would cost way too much money,” said John P. Hole, director of the office of pavement financing. “Instead, we decided to work smarter, not harder. The freshmen are going to love the convenience of their new rooms. They can simply step out of their room and already be well on their way to class.”

The complaints were

brought to the attention of the University of Maine after a student posted a change.org petition on the “UMaine Memes for Drunken Teens” Facebook page, captioned “YO F--- THE POTHOLES.” The petition has gathered over 2700 signatures to date and is filled with students sob stories about their vehicles being damaged on campus roadways.

The project will begin on May 12 as graduation festivities wind down and students

and parents make their way off of campus. The construction will begin on Sebago Road, where facilities hopes to convert at least 25 of the holes into single-use residence rooms.

“We are sick of hearing about how we should fix the potholes in the middle of winter. So we’re going to more than fix them. Commuters won’t know what hit their front ends,” Facilities Management said in a statement.

The project is expected to wrap up just before Maine Hello in August, meaning that students will be able to access their rooms just before the start of the Spring 2020 semester. Heating the rooms, however, will not be available until Fall 2020. Students are encouraged to pack lightly and bring their own storage as each room will have no desk, no closet, and no bed as comes customary with other residence halls on campus.

For commencement, facilities will temporarily fill the holes with Play-Doh to make sure that parents are not aware of the poor road conditions that their students have experienced during their college career.

“I’m disappointed that this project took so long to get off the ground,” ZaBonne Lach, a historical engineering student, said, “My poor car didn’t stand a chance in the

See **Pot Holes** on B5

# Bananas still waiting for his payday, NCAA says grin and bear it

## Nate Poole Honors College Dropout

Out of all of the many diverse faces across the UMaine campus, the most well-loved is doubtlessly that of Bananas T. Bear. A member of the UMaine community since his arrival in 1914, Bananas is inefably important to the spirit of this university as a relentlessly positive force at accepted students days and sporting events. But sadly, the bear that we have all come to know and love has been struggling beneath that furry, playful exterior as a result of being woefully mistreated by a system that profits off of his work and his likeness while providing him only the most meager of remittances.

As an amateur NCAA mascot of 105 years, Bananas is not allowed any means of profit for over a century of dedication to our institution, and due to bylaw 12.5.1.3 in the NCAA manual, the mascot has even been robbed of his likeness, as he cannot promote any business or prod-

uct with his own likeness as it would be seen as profiting off his fame as a university mascot. This alienation from his own image has had a permanent traumatic effect on the black bear; sources close to him have said the he seems to be “a shadow of the bear he once was,” that he can’t even recognize himself anymore. Some alarmed students reported that they caught Bananas confusing his own North Woods heritage at a track meet with Bowdoin as he yelled, “Go Polar Bears!”

Like many UMaine students, Bananas was once just a cub, named Jeff by his parents, from the North Woods of Maine who decided that, instead of following in his father’s steps of pillaging blueberry farms and restaurant dumpsters, he would pursue a degree in surveying at Maine’s flagship institution. It was only after Jeff arrived in Orono that he realized that he would be the only bear at an overwhelmingly human campus.

Despite his apprehension, Jeff soon

took on the role of the mascot of the institution and, while he certainly had a passion for the work, he found it quickly overtaking his academics. He couldn’t keep up with the surveying curriculum, and, at the behest of mascot advisors, switched his major to business management and began taking online courses so that he could focus all his energy on being one of the top mascots in the NCAA, with the hope of one day being drafted by a wealthy professional organization, like the Portland Seadogs.

But that letter from the Portland Seadogs never came, and over a hundred years later the bear formerly known as Jeff is taking The Art of Listening to Music for the 75th time and considers buffalo chicken wraps at York to be the highlight of his week. All the while, the school, the NCAA, and even video game companies are profiting from his likeness. The most recent release in the mascot video game series by EA Games, NCAA Mascot 2k19, in which



Bananas is a playable character, has made millions of dollars for EA, and because of NCAA rules, Bananas has received nary a cent, all because he is an NCAA mascot.

When I went to Bananas for comment on the NCAA’s rules,

he seemed to be at a loss for a moment but quickly pulled me in for a picture that no one was taking and whispered, “they’re always watching,” and then ran away.

No bear should have to live in fear like Bananas, like Jeff does.

It is time for this black bear to get his payday. It is time for UMaine students to wake up and stand up for their bear; this injustice has gone on for too long.

# Why golf is the best international sport

**Zach LaBonne**  
Former little league  
all-star

As technology advances, now more than ever people are spectating sporting events at a high volume. Simultaneously, as humanity becomes lazier, people are looking for ways to compete in sports without utilizing too much energy. The simplest solution, for a fun day outside without sweating at the expense of working too hard, is golf.

Yeah, the attire could leave a bit to be desired for some, but being able to drive around from hole to

hole in a golf cart is the best thing you could ask for. Golf takes out all of the physical strain of sports such as track and baseball, along with removing the contact seen in sports like football and hockey. Golf can be played by a person of any age, and though your physical capabilities may not be what they once were, swinging a golf club can be easily attained through minimal practice.

On top of that, what's better than a sport where it's socially acceptable, when of age, to drink while playing? Nothing! You'll be able to

justify your exercise to alcohol ratio when you get home to your significant other, because you were playing a sport to improve your health, even if it doesn't require a large degree of movement.

Invented in the unique country of Scotland, the sport has lasted for generations since its creation in the 15th century. Golf is seemingly a combination of croquet, pool and bowling, as the players have to hit a small ball with a club, which looks like a slightly longer tire iron, hundreds of yards to a hole the size of an orange. There's also typ-

ically a nice flat surface known as the green that the hole is on, with a flag sticking out of the center of the hole to give you some hope. But then you acknowledge the giant lakes and sandboxes in your way, which is both infuriating and hilarious.

Even better than that? Closer to the equator, you'll find alligators in the lakes on courses. Best of luck trying to fight that alligator with your clubs if it gets your ball, unless you think you're Happy Gilmore.

Speaking of the wonderful golfing character portrayed by Adam Sandler, the

swinging of a golf club isn't the most majestic motion in the world. Though his iconic swing remains in the minds of many who have viewed the film, the standard swing requires perfect stillness, and the strangest torquing of the body through the entire swinging motion. In addition, everyone has to be perfectly silent while you make your swing. It doesn't matter if it takes one minute, five minutes or even ten minutes. Perfect silence; perfect tranquility.

So whether you choose to pick up a set of clubs for the sake

of drinking in public without being judged, fighting alligators or enjoying the sweet silence for once in your life, you'll regret your choice to go golfing every time.

## Editorial: Unpopular Opinions

**Liz Theriault**  
Dr Pepper  
Connoisseur

Seltzer drinks are disgusting. Just drink water, or just drink soda. Seltzer drinks are like swallowing fizzy, carbonated bathwater that someone has dumped a bowl of blueberries in. Despite the fact that many can't correctly pronounce the weirdly named 'bubly' and 'La Croix,' the bigger problem comes from how their taste can't be disguised by the fancy bottles companies put them in.

Top sheets on beds are pointless. Whoever thought it would be smart to wrap a bed in a thin piece of cloth was obviously a spy for the capitalist market, making people believe they need to purchase the worthless blanket in order to have a fully made bed. Everyone knows that even if you tuck that sucker as tight as you can into the mattress, by the end of the night it will

end up bunched and twisted around your feet. Skip the top sheet and save yourself time and money.

"Parks and Recreation" is better than "The Office." While both hold a special place in the world of comedy television, "Parks and Recreation" offers a more diverse cast, higher quality character developments and story arches and overall funnier jokes. Not to mention that Leslie Knope is a far better boss than Michael Scott. Plus, "Parks and Recreation" had Joe Biden as a guest star — "The Office" could never.

Avocado toast isn't as great as everyone says. Slathering on green goop to overcooked toast is like throwing your hard earned cash down the drain. The crunch of toast can't overcome the mushy, mud-like texture. And despite the peer pressure from millennials or gen-z's to order the overpriced

snack, sprinkle some pepper on and post a boomerang on your instagram story, avocado toast just isn't worth it.

Denim on denim looks good. The Canadian suit needs to make a comeback. In the time of 90's fashion, those of us who enjoy a good denim jacket layered over some jeans should be able to come out of hiding and flaunt our denim love. Besides, everyone looks good in blue.

Boneless wings are better than bone-in wings. When chowing down on at Buffalo Wild Wings, or wherever you purchase the game day meal, order boneless wings. You don't have to worry about working around the bone, and going that extra mile to get all the meat. Boneless wings offer more meat, and more surface area for sauce dunking. When it comes to wings, boneless is the way to go.

White shoes are not

cute. From the second you take them out of the box, white sneakers will never be the same again. Doesn't matter the brand — Nike, Adidas, Toms or Converse — they all go from blindingly white to twinning with the dirt covered snowbanks. When you live in a place where it's muddy, slushy or snowy the majority of the year, white sneakers are not worth the effort.

The correct way to eat a KitKat bar is not by breaking it. When you bite into a KitKat bar whole, you still get the satisfactory crunch. But, instead of breaking each bar off and having the chocolate instantly melt all over your fingers, you can hold the bar in the wrapper and enjoy the treat without the mess.

Mint and chocolate do not go together. No matter what form it takes — ice cream, Peppermint Patties, cookies or cupcakes — mint chocolate is just like biting into warm toothpaste and

attempting to cover it up with bad chocolate.

Tomato is the best fruit. No other fruit is as versatile and enjoyable as the juicy red delight. Strawberries have too many seeds, eating watermelon is like trying to bite into water and do you even need a reason on why bananas are bad? Tomatoes are good on everything. You can put them in omelets, pastas and salads; use them to make spaghetti sauce, ketchup, salsa or pizza sauce; or put them on burgers. No other food is as adaptable. How much can you make with raspberries?

Dr Pepper is the best soda. Coke or Pepsi who? The reason the debate between Pepsi and Coca-Cola can never end is because it doesn't include the true answer to what soda is superior. On a hot summer day, nothing hits like an ice cold glass of Dr Pepper. Even in the winter months, the drink can be warmed

up with some lemon for a hot pick me up, marketed by Dr Pepper in the 50s and 60s as a drink for colds or other ailments. Those who argue it tastes the cherry cough syrup have an underdeveloped palate, as the drink blends together twenty three different flavors into sweet perfection. Can Coke or Pepsi do that?

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# Reviews

## 'Love Island' proves to be not just another dating show



## Juul's new line of organic pods promote healthy living



### RATING



**Maddy Jackson**  
**Hed Copie Editer**

With all the reiterations of the same concept on television, it can be difficult to find television shows that do something innovative to capture audiences. If a truly progressive, unique and totally diverse show is what you are after, look no further than the United Kingdom's own "Love Island."

Unlike basic shows like ABC's "The Bachelor" and MTV's "Are You The One?", the dating show features hot singles on a beautiful island living in an incredible villa for a summer in paradise. Throughout the summer they couple up, hook up and — you guessed it — break up, or as they call it "dump" people from the "Love Island" villa. It makes for a very dramatic and entertaining show as you never know who is going to fall in love and who is going to fall flat.

The show is really all about true love, diversity and accepting our uniqueness. Each time there is an infamous "coupling up ceremony," either the women or the men get to decide who they want to couple up with. After they couple up either one or two islanders

are sent home and the remaining couples are left to coo over each other in bathing suits by a lavish pool.

"Love Island" is really unique in that it features ridiculously attractive heterosexuals sleeping inches away from each other, trapped on a beautiful island in sunny Spain for a whole summer. It's groundbreaking, really.

The challenges are the most important element of the show. After all, what is a reality show without some healthy competition? Viewers definitely don't want to watch a show where people just sit around sunbathing and talking about how much they love the person they met just a few days ago.

During season three, an intense competition required islands to compete in a really challenging contest of putting lipstick on and kissing their partners all over their exposed bodies, sticking wet paper to the bodies of their partners and carrying eggs in their mouths without breaking them. Talk about a ruthless test for the couples, but with every challenge comes a considerable reward. Get this, the winning couple got... nothing. We were the

real winners though, because we got to see the islanders hobble around half naked for a whole 10 minutes.

Finally, the show is really an advocate for body positivity. The men have "positively" rock hard six packs and perfectly tanned skin. The girls have supermodel bodies, long luscious hair and could all be an advertisement for your local plastic surgeon.

So, if you are looking for a new show that features a bunch of unrealistically hot, stereotypically dumb and dramatic heterosexuals falling in love in just two days and hooking up in a bed right next to five other couples hooking up in beds, look no further. I got a text and it says "Love Island' is for YOU."

### RATING



**Olivia Shipsey**  
**2019 Thai Food Eating Champ**

Over the past year, despite an onslaught of lawsuits and social media backlash, the trendy "JUUL" e-cigarette has only grown in popularity. After suspending the sale of most of its flavored pods, such as mango and creme, in retail stores, the company saw an exponential drop in sales to their leading demographic, children ages 9 to 15.

In an attempt to bounce back from this profit loss, JUUL decided to market a new line of products to a less controversial group of users: health and fitness influencers.

Last week, the company released its "Jym JUUL pods" which feature organic flavors full of ambiguous antioxidants and vitamins. Flavors like "Kale," "Egg whites" and "30-gram Whey Protein Powder" seem to be flying off the shelves. These pods are perfect for any health-conscious nicotine lover; not only do they taste great, but they are good for you. They raise the stakes for other irresponsible vaping and smoking companies still struggling to reach the un-

tapped market.

"What is everyone's biggest problem with smoking? It's not that smoking isn't cool, smoking will always be cool," Cash Hughes, the company's owner and founder, said. "People didn't like feeling guilty for the side effects and detriment their health 'doctors' told them smoking caused. We found a way, through the unstudied method of vaping and this line of health products, to not only make your favorite activity safe but actually more healthy for you than regular air!"

The line was an immediate hit, with international "Fitstagram" influencers overwhelming the platform with sponsored posts featuring JUUL use during morning yoga, mid-afternoon runs and late night lift sessions. The captions detailed incredible testimonies of gym gods maxing out on bench and running their fastest mile after only three hits.

The new line has already resulted in a new dieting trend called the "JUUL Drop," where women and men alike claimed religious use of their JUUL throughout the day, along with drinking 300 ounces of water, led to a 10 pound loss in fat and

a three pound gain in muscle after only five consecutive days.

Yesterday, Nike leaked promotional materials for collaboration with JUUL. There seems to be a menagerie of soon to be released fitness gear all featuring JUUL pockets which contain magnets, so the small and easy to lose device will be accessible at all times during your workout.

One in every 100 doctors agrees that JUULing will increase your overall well being. That's a hard stat to argue. Doctors attribute the insane amount of reported gains to the increased nicotine level in every organic pod. If you're looking for a one size fits all wellness plan, JUUL seems to have done it. There doesn't seem to be any potential reason to not partake!

One thing is for sure, if you want to live a happier and healthier lifestyle, you have to pick up JUUL's new "Jym JUUL" pods today. You don't want to be the only one in the gym not blowing a sick vape cloud, do you?

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# Infamous UMaine bike thief still at large



Get them before they're gone!

Brawley Benson, Editor not-bike-thief

**Brawley Benson**  
Editor not-bike-thief

After a string of bike thefts last semester, the University of Maine Police Department (UMPD) announced that it would be doubling down on the hunt for potential suspects. Due to take effect at the start of May, the Bike Attention Task Force would devote nearly 75 percent of the department's resources toward investigating the nature of the thefts.

In a statement to the Maine Campus, UMPD Chief Chad California said that the bike issue was of paramount importance to the department going forward.

"We're hip, we get it. Kids ride bikes these days. They send selfies of themselves popping wheelies. They like the thrill of the wind in their hair, just like us," California said, gesturing to his beach-blonde mullet. "Look, bottom line is we understand youth culture. That's why we're going all in on the bike issue."

LaCroix also mentioned that UMPD would be applying for a grant from the Department of Transportation to pay for fifteen bikes for officers. Ideally, LaCroix said, traditional cruisers will be phased out by the end of the year.

"To know the enemy you have to think

like the enemy," California said. "We've all been trying to get in the mind of a bike thief. Myself? I've built a little bike shrine in my garage, began eating west-coast-style burritos exclusively, shaved every hair on my body, started encouraging my friends to 'drink more water' and began wearing spandex briefs every day."

Many say the seemingly over-the-top efforts to counter bike thefts are a proportionally excessive measure to counter a problem that, simply put, is par for the course on any college campus.

Joe Magnesen is a third-year environmental studies student who

says he rides bikes religiously. Magnesen can be regularly seen around campus riding his bright-green, streamer-emblazoned Harper Single-Speed. He practices yoga in the middle of the Mall every morning at sunrise and has been the annual leader of the Earth Day Naked Bike Ride for the seven years he has attended UMaine.

"I'm also an avid crossfitter. It's a really intense system that awakens your inner chakras. Most people can't handle the immense stress on the body. You probably haven't heard of it," Magnesen said.

Magnesen became

confrontational after spotting the mode of transportation Maine Campus News Editor Eric Benton used to bike over to his interview on the outskirts of Witter Farm.

"I read your report on bike thefts last fall and I've got to say, you seem awfully interested in the issue for someone who doesn't own a bike," Magnesen said. "That's what you said right? You don't own a bike ... wait a minute then whose bike was that I saw you ride over on? Wait, I can see it from here! That's ... that's my bike. The one I said was stolen last fall. Hey, get back here!"

As of now, UMPD

has no leads on potential bike thieves operating on campus, but many students have noted a distinct lack of police presence in recent weeks. Just yesterday, multiple people saw officers holding an impromptu intra-department bike race around campus. Their "loud giggling" disrupted many classes, resulting in over eight complaints filed, according to a report.

**Pot Holes**  
from B1

CCA lot. The whole front end of my truck fell into the hole and I had to get it air-lifted out. My parents are still paying off the mechanic's bill."

"I had to take out a separate loan just to keep up with car repairs," Benley Brawson, a literature science student said.

The project is expected to end in the Satellite Lot, where students will receive

discounted parking passes if they are a resident of the parking lot. Since it's a commuter lot, however, students will still be expected to park 10 miles in the Hilltop Lot.

"We were going to charge the students full price for a pass, but they're doing us a tremendous favor by filling in these gaping holes and making our roadways level again," Parking Services said in a statement. "It's the least we could do."

For more information, students can visit

theuniversitydoesnot-careaboutyourvehicleproblems.edu.

**Aries**  
from B1

bath, make sure you are staying in when you don't want to go out. This is couch potato season for you.

**Aquarius (January 20 - February 18)**

Your indifference is getting in the way of your own happiness. You can't wait for everyone to catch up to you because you are miles ahead. Take this time to use your independence to as-

sert your wants and needs. Don't be afraid to swipe right.

**Pisces (February 19 - March 20)**

While your season may have past, it prepared you to tackle the challenges at hand. You may be feeling some uncertainty about certain relationships or projects in your life. You have the strength to get through this tumultuous time and you will be stronger in the end. Make sure you're doing things that force you to be present and

aware in each moment.

## Police Beat

The best from UMaine's finest

**Taylor Abbott**  
Dancing Kween

**March 19 2:38 a.m.**

The University of Maine Police Department (UMPD) responded to a call about a suspect seen vaping in the library. The student was believed to be using a JUUL. Upon

further investigation, it was determined that the suspect was not using a vape pen in the library and was instead just a senior working on his thesis. The smoke seen was the steam coming out of his ears. Charges were filed against the thesis as it was determined

it was a danger to the student in question and those in the immediate vicinity.

**March 23 4:19 a.m.**

UMPD officers were conducting their nightly rounds around the Hilltop parking lot when they noticed a group of students walking

toward one vehicle. Upon doing a second round, they discovered the students were still in the car but had not left. Officers suspected illegal use of marijuana in the vehicle, but instead discovered the students were in the middle of an intense game of UNO. Students were sent back to their rooms.

**March 29 8:20 a.m.**

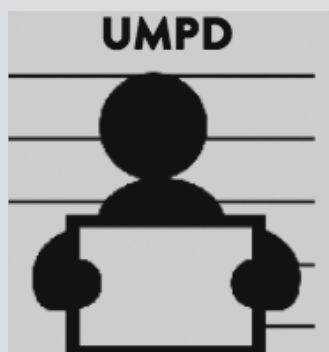
After months of investigating the disappearance of bikes around campus, UMPD reviewed film and conducted interviews and determined that fourth-year underwater

basket-weaving student, Brawley Benson, 21, was responsible for the thefts. Benson will not be charged in exchange for a public performance of ABBA's hit classic, "Dancing Queen" in the North Pod during the lunch rush every Wednesday for the remainder of the semester.

**March 31 4:02 a.m.**

UMPD responded to a call in Cumberland Hall after receiving several noise complaints coming from the basement of the residence hall. Upon arriving at the scene, it was discovered that

the students were involved in an underground Fortnite cult. All students received written warnings for being lame.



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