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The Naval Reserves Officers Training Corps (NROTC) at the University of Maine has ten enrolled undergraduates.

Photo by Matt Lavoie .

Leela Stockley
News Editor

The University of Maine and the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps (NROTC) program have partnered this year to offer a new Pathways to NROTC Program. The program works to provide scholarship opportunities for students who may not have the academic background to be competitive for an NROTC scholarship directly from high school. The program also seeks to highlight under-recognized students and gives them resources to thrive in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) stud-

ies. The program is a vigorous challenge for the students, as the Pathways to NROTC Program will lead to students becoming commissioned naval officers. Currently, there are 10 total undergraduates enrolled in the program. However, Pathways to NROTC hopes that with success, it can enroll 10 or more students per year into the program.

The students that are currently enrolled in the program were chosen from high schools that offered Naval Junior ROTC programs. The students are offered a full scholarship through

UMaine during their first year, which covers the cost of tuition, as well as room and board fees. After the completion of their first year, if the students are able to meet GPA and performance requirements, they will then be granted a scholarship for their second through fifth years through the NROTC. At the end of their academic careers, ideally, students will graduate with the skill set that will allow them to be commissioned as Navy ensigns.

Madeline Peyton, a first-year marine science student, is one of the students who is part of the new program. Through the

NROTC Pathways Program, Peyton has found a home away from home. For her, the sense of community has helped her find a place of belonging at UMaine. Many of the incoming NROTC students work closely with upperclassmen who serve as mentors that help them figure out time-management skills, their duties in the NROTC unit and other day-to-day challenges that new college students face.

Even though the program is extremely challenging, Peyton says that she and the other students have received a huge amount of support from the UMaine community.

“The University of Maine has been extremely accommodating and supportive, the UMaine community doesn't ostracize us at all, everybody is very welcoming. All of the staff, the faculty, are all very supportive, they know that we put in a lot of work and it is a little bit of a different path and they all are very supportive,” Peyton said about the program.

The program functions on the hard work that students put in and that in turn creates a feeling of pride in its participants.

“The whole goal of the program is to produce officers for the navy. The huge thing is

that it pays for schooling costs, the University has given us free room and board. For all of us though, it's more than that. It's bigger than that, we have a bigger purpose,” Peyton said. “We're going to be officers in the Navy, we're going to be leaders, that's a great feeling to think about being a part of something that big. We are all very, very patriotic and it's great to have that support.”

Honors College fosters place to explore queer perspectives in academics

Leela Stockley
News Editor

The University of Maine prides itself on being a community where all students are encouraged to grow into their unique identities in a positive environment. While UMaine can offer a social environment that allows people of all identities to find a place where they belong, Jennie Woodard of the Honors College looks to provide a space for academic research of LGBTQ ideas through the critical exploration of texts.

The opportunity, affectionately dubbed Project Q, is a collaborative that is centered around students' perspectives and inter-

ests. Woodard hopes that through Project Q, she can provide students with the opportunity to hold an open dialogue and peer feedback sessions, which will allow them to examine the many facets of gender and sexuality within the literature that they are reading.

Woodard is an adjunct professor in the UMaine Honors College who teaches classes in the Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies (WGS) Department. She has a background in studying women's history, as well as a strong connection to WGS studies. Woodard explained that, because of her background, she is able to bring her

experience with WGS studies into her honors preceptorials. This allows her to create a dialogue with students who have an interest in WGS but are not necessarily focusing on it as part of their undergraduate career. Through these interactions, Woodard has been able to provide students with language and resources to hone their interests and understanding of how gender and sexuality informs the intent and meaning of literature.

The goal of the project is to provide students with resources and a space in which to discuss their perspectives and insight into how LGBTQ voices are expressed through the literature the students

are studying in their honors preceptorials and beyond.

“As with any class, with any subject, you can't cover everything,” Woodard said. “It becomes very difficult to find a space to discuss these issues. When you have Walt Whitman's poetry, and you want to discuss his sexuality, you also have to consider exploring themes of democracy, and other themes that are distinct to that time period. So, it becomes very difficult to cover that in one class.”

Woodard first introduced the project in the spring semester of 2019 during one of her classes. When a discussion about a reading group to focus

on LGBTQ perspectives in literature and in academic settings garnered interest from around five students in Woodard's classes, she created a space for students to meet to discuss their interests. This grew from a casual reading group into a more structured format, and now the students participate in conversations that allow them to discuss research topics and generate ideas to explore as thesis topics.

One of the students that Woodard works with through Project Q is currently conducting research on LGBTQ groups and people throughout the history of UMaine. This project is helping the student focus on

a research topic that is important to them, while also expanding the dialogue surrounding LGBTQ history and LGBTQ perspectives at UMaine. Through this space, Woodard is creating a community for academic focus on another perspective which helps many students stay connected and feel accepted at UMaine.

The project has also paved the way for the expansion of the honors syllabi. One of Project Q's main initiatives is to create an environment where diverse perspectives can be discussed in an academic setting, and through this Woodard and Dean Francois

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News

WGS program hosts 'Pop-up Panel' on political correctness



Pictured above Dr. Amy Fried (far left), Anila Karunakar (left), student Miranda Snyder (center), and Dr. Paul Grosswiler (right) discuss the concept of being politically correct in the 21st century.

Photo by Antyna Gould.

Charles Cramer Contributor

For the first time this semester, the women's, gender, and sexuality studies program hosted one of their 'Pop-up Panels.' The panelist/audience discussions address topics of a divisive and polarizing variety in a format that is open to the student body. The hour-long event, which began at noon on Wednesday in the Memorial Union's Bangor Room, discussed the concept of 'political correctness' and the connotations it often evokes.

Susan Gardner, chair of the women's, gender, and sexuality studies program, acted as the event's moderator and worked to facilitate a discussion that, in her words, would allow attendees to "hear lots of different perspectives, understand them better, and recognize that there can be a diversity of thought and perspective without the desire

to change anyone's mind or make anyone feel guilty about their perspectives." Certain guidelines were set by Gardner to keep the event's conversation respectful and constructive at all times.

Among the four panelists were: Amy Fried, chair of the department of political science, Paul Grosswiler of the department of communication and journalism, Anila Karunakar, UMaine's director of diversity and inclusion, and Miranda Snyder, a third-year student who serves as co-chair of the university's Feminist Collective. Each of the four was chosen to "represent diverse viewpoints on the topic," Gardner explained.

The ideas of free speech and censorship were raised by each panelist, to differing effects. Fried remembered the first time she heard the term 'political correctness,' and acknowledged that while it was once used as an affectionate term for rather rigid, by-the-

book people, it is now often used in a derisive and insulting manner. The importance of free speech, she argued, is nevertheless paramount in university and college environments, even for the kinds of speech that are universally viewed as contemptible.

Karunakar, in her comments, explained that it is natural for language to change and that although some people may not enjoy it, unlearning something that is incorrect does not need to be difficult or painful. She further stated that people should want to improve themselves in their use of language, just as they do in other areas.

Snyder, who is studying secondary education specializing in English, has plans to become a high school English teacher. She expressed her view that teaching can be a form of activism, and that through regular exposure, adolescents will be less averse to

concepts and ideas that others may find threatening or ridiculous.

"I feel very fortunate to have been invited to be a part of the panel," Snyder said. "It was a pleasure to hear all the panelists' unique thoughts on political correctness and get a heightened sense of where my opinions fit into the larger conversation. I believe that these discussions are increasingly necessary at the university in order to combat rising hate speech in Maine and nationwide. Further, when folks engage in conversation about the boundaries of civil conversation and responsibility, it is easier for us to stand up for justice and common courtesy in our daily lives."

Like his colleague, Fried, Grosswiler acknowledged the extreme division in political thought that is now visible on college campuses. He also echoed the argument that an increase of

speech, not a reduction, is the best way to combat the vulgar and hateful types which are often heard in society, and which he had been subjected to throughout his career.

"We should be uncomfortable in education," Grosswiler said, adding that "it is necessary for people to recognize all their discomforts." Grosswiler also analyzed the issue through a legal lens; each and every previously attempted restriction of free speech, he noted, has been overruled in court.

"There's so much political polarization right now," Fried explained. "And, while certainly, disagreements will always exist in American politics, we can treat each other with respect, listen well and answer others' arguments with our own. If people can learn to do that at UMaine, we can do that outside of campus, too."

The university's College Republicans club,

which had been invited by the women's, gender, and sexuality studies program to several of their Pop-up Panels last year, was not invited to Wednesday's event. The group declined to discuss the event in detail with the Maine Campus.

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UMaine Orono and Machias campuses begin special education collaboration

Charles Cramer
Contributor

Those studying special education at the University of Maine will now have the opportunity to obtain both their bachelor's and master's degree in only five years. This program will be available on both the Orono and Machias campus.

This development comes as part of the newly announced 4+1 Program which allows education students to take graduate-level courses while still an undergraduate. Through a strengthening of the relationship between the two campuses, students in Orono will now be able to enroll in online courses taught from Machias, and students from Machias will be able to earn their master's degree through the Orono

campus.

The 4+1 Program will be eligible for only those students who have already applied for teaching candidacy, something usually done during an education student's second year. However, interested students can take courses in special or elementary education before being accepted into the program.

"Basically, elementary education majors at UMaine can opt for an area of specialization in special education, where they will take 18 credits of coursework in special education," Casey Kelly, the communications coordinator for the College of Education and Human Development, explained. "The 4+1 Program allows 12 of those credits at the 400 level to count to-

ward the master's degree."

Each student who is accepted into the 4+1 Program will be required to maintain an average GPA of 3.0 throughout their studies.

"Given the newness of the program for this semester, we have not yet accepted new students to the program," Deborah Rooks-Ellis, assistant professor of special education and program coordinator, said. "We have had multiple inquiries and we anticipate new students for spring semester."

Maine's Department of Education is legally required to provide information on its "shortage areas" to the U.S. Department of Education. In its present condition, the state's number of special education teachers is

listed as one such area of need. The newly announced partnership is expected to aid students at both campuses in their pursuit of a master's degree in special education, as well as greatly improve the statewide educational infrastructure. Those who obtain their M.Ed. can be certified as a Teachers of Students with Disabilities in either the K-8 or 7-12 grade groups.

"Schools across Maine are in great need of special education teachers," Mary Mahoney-O'Neil, associate dean for academic services at the UMaine College of Education and Human Development, said in a press statement. "We see this as a way to meet that growing demand for skilled educators, and to serve the needs of Maine's children and

communities."

The planned collaboration in education will also serve to strengthen ties between the two already closely connected branches of the University of Maine System. Since July of 2017, UMaine at Machias has been a regional campus of UMaine and is part of a primary partnership that intends to improve research opportunities and increase enrollment at each location.

"This collaboration will benefit students at both campuses," Heather Ball, associate professor of special education at UMaine at Machias, said. "Machias students benefit from the opportunity to further their career and educational goals by earning a master's degree at UMaine, and UMaine students benefit by having access

to our undergraduate special education courses."

"Promoting enrollment growth, increasing efficiencies, and advancing program and research opportunities are among the benefits of the relationship between UMaine and the University of Maine at Machias," Faye Gilbert, UMaine's interim executive vice president for academic affairs and provost, told the Maine Campus. "This latest collaboration in an area of critical need in K-12 education is a perfect example of an undergraduate program that will benefit our students and the state."

The Orono and Machias campuses are currently considering other ways to increase their collaboration.

UMaine researchers foster STEM interest through Minecraft

Emily Molino
Contributor

A cooperative research team consisting of members from the University of Illinois and the University of Maine's Department of Physics and Astronomy are working together to promote interest in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) topics using the video game Minecraft as the platform. This project is to be funded by a \$2.7 million grant from the National Science Foundation.

Neil F. Comins, a professor of physics in the UMaine Physics and Astronomy Department commented

that the project began with his partner Chad Lane of the University of Illinois. Lane's work focused on younger students to promote knowledge of STEM topics through the use of Minecraft. Lane wanted students to be able to ask and search for the answers to 'what if' questions.

"We both have experienced young people, among others, who ask 'what if?' questions and enjoy exploring the consequences," Comins stated, noting that Lane then had the idea of combining "what if" questions with scientifically valid answers in Minecraft.

When Lane contact-

ed Comins regarding his research on 'what if' questions, the decision was made to team up with the University of Illinois. According to Professor Comins, Professor Lane learned through a mutual friend of the books, articles, talks and shows I have written that ask and answer 'what if?' questions, such as 'What if the Moon Didn't Exist?' or 'What if the Earth had two moons?'"

Comins has written a book which explores these questions and more that allow people to discover alternate scenarios about the world that we live in. In his book "What If The Earth had Two Moons?" he explores

how the earth would function if two moons orbited the planet, and where they would come from. He also explores the idea of having other celestial bodies orbiting the earth, which would affect life on earth to a point where it may not be sustainable.

Kids love to ask questions like these, and to be able to have a model which encourages kids to keep exploring alternate scenarios can lead to scientific breakthroughs.

As Comins stated, it is important for the interest in STEM topics to be started at a young age so that children will foster their in-

terests in investigation.

"These topics [can be] careers and it's important for all of them to understand why scientists and engineers use STEM topics to advance the technological needs of society," Comins stated.

Comins anticipates that these "what if" questions could range from "what if the Earth had two moons?" or "what if the Earth was closer or farther away from the Sun?"

"For me, exploring the consequences of 'what if?' questions began when my older son was a young child asking such questions. Having created numerous worlds based on 'what if?' questions, I

find the process and the results fascinating," Comins said.

Young people will have the ability to explore any questions they have on STEM topics and consider how the separate worlds in Minecraft vary from the outside world. The hope is that exploring these worlds through a program that young people actually use will generate independent interests in an array of STEM issues.

Six professors awarded new biomedical science grants

Charles Cramer
Contributor

The University of Maine's newly created Biomedical Science Accelerator Fund awarded grants this week to six assistant professors in the College of Natural Sciences, Forestry, and Agriculture. Each of these grants are intended to support two-year-long faculty research projects, their generation of scientific data necessary to attract funding from prized, external grants, and the eventual development of larger scientific projects. Mid-career faculty members, who are currently involved with research projects, are expected to benefit most immediately from the grants.

Among this year's honorees, five — Benjamin King, Melissa

Maginnis, Sally Molloy, Melody Neely and Rob Wheeler — are professors in the Department of Molecular and Biomedical Sciences. The final honoree, Kristy Townsend, is a professor in the School of Biology and Ecology. Neely is the only participant to be involved in multiple awarded projects — one with Molloy and another with Wheeler.

The Biomedical Science Accelerator Fund grants can be awarded to any research project whose principal investigator is a faculty member in the College of Natural Sciences, Forestry, and Agriculture, regardless of whether they have been recently hired or are currently tenured faculty. Though the grants can be used to boost graduate student stipends, grad-

uate students themselves are ineligible.

Of the first four awarded grants, two study the effects of infectious viruses and bacteria on human immune systems; Maginnis and King's 'Defining cell-type specific differences in transcriptional regulation of viral infection,' was given a \$30,000 grant to further scientific understanding of how the JC polyoma-virus, commonly found in human kidneys, is able to infect the central nervous system in certain, immunocompromised individuals. Neely and Molloy's 'Investigation of the role of bacteriophages in Streptococcus agalactiae virulence,' which was also awarded \$30,000, is focused on identifying genetic markers associated with the highly infec-

tive pathogen Streptococcus B, which can become fatal in people with weakened immune systems.

Wheeler and Neely's 'Polymicrobial virulence and treatment: using zebrafish to untangle a tri-kingdom dialog,' the third and final collaborative project awarded a Biomedical Science Accelerator Fund grant, was given \$35,000 in funds toward recruiting a graduate student to study the co-infection mechanisms of commonly acquired pathogens in zebrafish. This will be the first study of its kind to examine polymicrobial infections and antimicrobial vaccinations in living organisms.

Kristy Townsend, the year's sole grantee, was given \$17,000 to assist a graduate student who will gath-

er data on whether stem cell markers that are found in mice are also present in the human brain. If such a connection is made, it could have positive effects in treating and preventing neurodegenerative conditions in humans.

The Biomedical Science Accelerator Fund grants were made possible by C. Ann Merrifield, an alumna who received her bachelor's degree in zoology in '73, and her masters in education in '75. She then went on to obtain her MBA from the Tuck School at Dartmouth and enjoyed a successful career in the pharmaceutical and biotech industries. Merrifield's intention in bestowing her endowment was to both provide funds for early and mid-career faculty who may be in need

of "bridge funding" to acquire the data necessary for more competitive grants from federal sources, and to encourage other UMaine alumni and friends to join her in supporting basic science and making the impact of such research visible to the public.

Weekly Updates

This Week in Student Government

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

Leela Stockley
News Editor

The Sept. 18 General Student Senate meeting began with the approval of the Sept. 3 meeting minutes and agenda.

General Good and Welfare:

Vice President Chase Flaherty discussed the Robert's Rules Item of the Week: point of privilege. He reminded the senate that they should be calling point of privilege if they are adding clarifying or important information outside of the discussion.

New Senators, Officer Appointments, Resignations:

Sens. Tiffany Curro, Eli Legere and Fran Woodworth resigned from the senate. Frank Kelly was observing the senate. Sens. Carl Durocher, Benjamin Orgel and Peter Alexander were appointed and sworn into the senate.

Club Presentations:
UMaine Cru came in to discuss the winter conference the group attended in Baltimore, Maryland last winter.

Executive Reports:
President Bentley Simpson discussed the success of the recent organization fair. He reminded the senate of the date and time that cabinet is to be held. Simpson also alluded to the projects that are currently in the works with more details to come.

Flaherty reminded the senate that nominations for vacant positions are coming up and that there will be an all senators

meeting to discuss each position. He also reminded the group to dress appropriately for the senate meetings.

Vice President of Financial Affairs Jack O'Donoghue announced that more members are needed for Executive Budget Committee (EBC). O'Donoghue reported that the 3D Printing Club added line items to their budget.

The Sustainability and Environment Action Division (SEAD) requested \$3,000.

Volleyball requested \$8,000.

The Student Organization Committee requested \$6,500

All were tabled.

Vice President for Student Organizations Taylor Cray reported that the organization fair went well and that the Student Organizations Committee is in need of more members. Cray also reported that the forum system is to be updated and reminded senators to contact her if needed.

Vice President for Student Entertainment Logan Aromando encouraged those of the senate to join the student entertainment committee. Aromando reported that contracts for events are being finalized and he is working with Campus Activities and Student Engagement (CASE) to create Halloween events. He also announced that bumper ball soccer is in the works.

Periodic Reports:
University of Maine Board of Trustees Stu-



dent Representative Abby Despres reported that the first meeting with the board is coming up and reminded the senate to come to her with issues that should be brought to the board's attention.

Chair of Fair Election Practices Commission Matthew Akers reported that elections were to be that night and that applications for senator at large would be available soon.

Director of Communications Owen Vada-la requested that clubs communicate with him if they would like to have their club advertised. He also reported that there are senator applications available.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Membership representative Zachary Wyles was absent and his report was given by Simpson. Simpson outlined that the senator binders were to be worked on and that if senators would like to join

the Membership Committee they need to contact Sen. Wyles.

Services Representative Emmaline Wiley reported that the first meeting with UMaine services is coming up and encouraged members of the senate to come to her with any concerns regarding issues on campus.

Reports of Special Committees:

Student Conduct Code Oversight and Review Committee Representative Harrison Ransley reported that he will be reaching out to students on campus encouraging them to join committees as well as reaching out to other campuses to go over the conduct codes.

Representative Board Reports:

Commuter and Non-Traditional Students Representative Ian Johnson reminded the senate of bagel Fridays and encouraged the members to attend. He also reported that there is a pancake breakfast in the works.

Honors College Student Advisory Board Representative Lauren Ryan reported that their welcome back barbecue was a success and the first meeting is coming up.

Interfraternity Council Representative Andrew Aresnault reported that fraternity recruitment is underway and encouraged members to reach out to him or others apart of Greek life for more information. He also reminded the senate that the Greek Welcome Back will be held on Sept. 22.

Panhellenic Council Representative Stephanie Poirer was absent for the meeting so Simpson gave her report. The Panhellenic Council is currently hosting sorority recruitment and there are about 115 potential new members signed up for the event.

Senior Class Council Representative Joshua Minor reminded the senate that seniors are needed to help create senior week and that meetings are held on Thursdays.

Sustainability and Environmental Actions Division Representative Dalton Bouchles reported that the first meeting was held and that there is participation in the river cleanup being discussed. He also reported that he has been spending a lot of time doing outreach to students on campus.

Community Association Reports:

Student Heritage Alliance Council Representative Anna Schaab reported that many new

members have joined and there is a haunted house in the works.

Feminist Collective Representative Hannah Snyder reported that there are a lot of new members and, as always, coffee hour will be held on Friday.

Consent Agenda:
American Society of Mechanical Engineers funding and Woodsmen Team funding was accepted.

Nominations and Elections:

Sen. Trawick was nominated to be Orono Town Council Liaison.

Representative of the University of Maine Army ROTC did not get any nominations at this meeting.

Sen. Palmieri was nominated for the position of University of Maine Security Representative.

Sen. Wyles was nominated for the position of Sergeant at Arms.

Sens. Shea and Ransley were nominated for the position of Policy and Procedure Chair.

Sen. Embleton was nominated for the position of Political Activism Chair.

Sens. Wyles and Ransley were nominated for positions on the Executive Budgetary Committee.

Sen. Reyes was nominated for the Student Organization Committee.

The meeting was adjourned.

Sen. Collins shows support for Lyme disease research

Leela Stockley
News Editor

Sen. Susan Collins recently hosted a Senate field hearing on Sept. 5 at the University of Maine's tick lab to promote awareness of the deadly effects of Lyme disease.

The disease is carried by deer ticks, which have recently widened their range in Maine due to the warming climate. Collins' field hearing was an effort to promote a bill that would boost federal funding into initiatives to fight Lyme disease, as well as other tick-borne illnesses.

The UMaine tick lab is a cooperative exten-

sion of the University of Maine System which is aimed at providing education on tick-borne illnesses. The lab participates in public outreach programs, conducts applied research on ticks in Maine and offers tick diagnostics. People from around the area are invited to submit a tick for testing to the lab for a \$15 fee to determine if the tick may be carrying a disease. The lab also contributes to state-wide research on tick populations.

The bill that Collins promoted at this event is called the "TICK Act." This act, if passed, would devote \$100 million in feder-

al funding to support data collection and analysis of ticks and population behavior. The funding would be dispersed in allocations of \$20 million per year, through 2026. It would also designate an Office of Oversight and Coordination for Vector-Borne Disease at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

"Our approach to tick-borne disease and Lyme disease is very fragmented today. We are seeking to ultimately halt the progression of Lyme disease," Collins said at the field hearing.

While Maine is a vacation spot for many

during the summer months, the tick population has grown alongside the tourism industry. In the last decade, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reported that the number of cases of Lyme disease in the United States has tripled. With the warming climate, the habitat for Lyme-carrying ticks has expanded into areas that had never seen the disease 10 years ago, including spreading into northeastern Maine.

Dr. Lyle Petersen, the director of the division of vector-borne diseases with the U.S. CDC attended the hearing. He informed

people at the hearing that, "there is an urgent need to try to figure out how to better control these tick-borne diseases."

The Maine CDC warned that, due to weather conditions, this year could lead to a large tick population boom. Winters with heavy snowfall allow ticks to stay insulated and gives them a much higher rate of survival during the winter months. Those ticks that survive the winter have an even higher opportunity for survival during damp and warm spring and summer months.

"We don't have a unified strategy to con-

trol these ticks," Petersen said. "We need a concentrated effort by state, local, federal and private institutions, working together to find solutions to this growing problem."

Petersen and Collins both agree that there needs to be a much more comprehensive approach to combatting vector-borne illnesses throughout the U.S. If approved, the TICK Act would be the first national effort to combat Lyme disease on a large scale.

Honors from A1

Amar have worked closely to expand the syllabi of the Honors College Civilizations Sequence. Currently, Project Q and the Honors College are working together to bring literature written by LGBTQ

authors about subjects that are important to the LGBTQ community into the HON 212 syllabus. Amar and Woodard plan to incorporate literature that discusses the AIDS epidemic in the spring semester of 2020.

Woodard notes that the project has been

a successful one. Students from various backgrounds have shown interest in Project Q, as the meetings are open to students both within and outside the Honors College. Woodard has been met with enthusiasm from the Honors College administration

and says that she has gotten tremendous support from Amar, as well as Melissa Ladenheim, the associate dean of the Honors College.

"My colleagues have shown incredible support for the project. They have explored different elements of

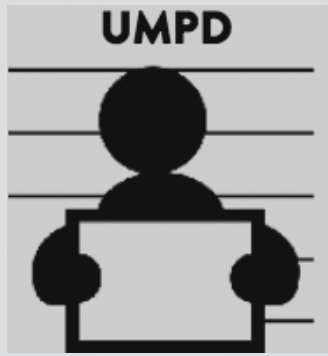
gender and sexuality within their own precepts, and feel that it is a place that could be nurtured," Woodard said. "We've really come across a lot of support, the Honors College is really supportive, and the more I reach out, the more I am sure that [the sup-

port] will be there."

Any students who are interested in participating in the project, or are looking for an academic environment to explore LGBTQ perspectives can express their interest to jennie.woodard@maine.edu.

Police Beat

The best from UMaine's finest



Leela Stockley
News Editor

Sept. 6 - 5:45 p.m.
While on duty, Officer Oko of the Orono Police Department (OPD) was sitting outside an establishment on Park Street and noticed three people sitting in a car with expired registration.

Oko noticed Michael Wolff, 20, of Camden returning to the car with alcohol, and approached the car to talk to Wolff and the other passengers. After speaking to all of the people in the car, Oko determined that the other passengers and the driver of the car were all under 21.

Oko had Wolff dump out the alcohol. Wolff was summoned for furnishing alcohol to a minor.

Sept. 6 - 8:45 p.m.
While on duty, Officer Wentworth of the OPD was driving near the Orchard Trails Apartment Complex and noticed two men who looked as though

they were under 21 walking on the side of the road carrying two packs of alcohol. Wentworth stopped the men, confirmed that they were underage and instructed them to pour out the alcohol. Dennis Chiappetta, 20, from Readfield was summoned as a minor in possession of liquor.

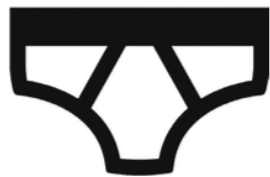
Sept. 6 - 8:50 p.m.
While on duty, Officer Oko was on patrol and noted Tyler Gelasco, 19, of Millis, Massachusetts coming out of a gas station on Park Street with two packs of alcohol. Gelasco pro-

ceeded to put the alcohol in the trunk of his car, which Oko had run the registration on and determined was expired. Oko spoke to Gelasco and determined that Gelasco had purchased the alcohol with a fake ID. Oko seized the ID and the alcohol, as well as more alcohol that was found in backpacks in the car. The passenger, Maranda Ouellette, 18, of Madison, was charged with illegal transportation of alcohol by a minor and was summoned. Gelasco was charged with posses-

sion of a fake ID and was also summoned.

Briefs

Quick news from around the country



Leela Stockley
News Editor

Sept. 11
On Wednesday morning, President Trump held a policy meeting to discuss moves towards vaping bans. As a response

to the thousands of reports of lung damage, along with deaths caused by complications of vaping-induced sickness, Trump anticipates that a ban on flavored e-cigarette products would curb public danger. Current-

ly, the Food and Drug Administration is working on a ban on flavored e-cigarette products, including mint and menthol products, that may take effect within 30 days. The ban has been met with backlash from many,

including tobacco and nicotine product companies.

Sept. 12
Andrew Yang, a Democratic presidential candidate who participated in the Democratic debate on Sept. 12, has unveiled his plans to give a \$1000 a month "Freedom Dividend" to 10 families for a year to show how much benefit it would have for every American family. Yang is a supporter of universal income, and

his platform during the debates has relied heavily on the idea. The 10 families will be chosen from a raffle, which is run through Yang's website. There has been contention about the legality of the move, as it has not been determined if the allotment will come from Yang's campaign funds.

Sept. 14
On Friday, the California state Senate passed legislation that would require state

university clinics to offer abortion by medication. The goal of the bill is to provide affordable healthcare to students, as oftentimes long drives to family planning clinics can take them away from work and classes.



The World This Week



Sept. 12

The annual Ig Nobel Awards, which are a spoof on the Nobel Prize, were handed out this week. The awards acknowledge some of the goofier scientific discoveries this past year, including an Iranian man who obtained a patent for a diaper-changing machine, Dr. Martin Levy who discovered that clicker-training, a method often used to potty train house pets, can be used to train surgeon and a scientist that has urged the health benefits of eating pizza daily.

Sept. 13

A New Zealand man who was prepared to get fired made headlines by hiring a clown to attend his meeting with his boss. The man was informed that he could bring someone to support him at a meeting where he was getting let go from the company, and chose to bring a clown. The clown made balloon animals throughout the meeting.

Sept. 14

A solid 18-carat gold toilet which resided at Blenheim Place, where Winston Churchill was born, was stolen by a gang on Sept. 14. The toilet was part of an exhibition by Maurizio Cattelan, who is an Italian concept artist. The toilet, which is fully functional, was titled "America."

This week at UMaine...

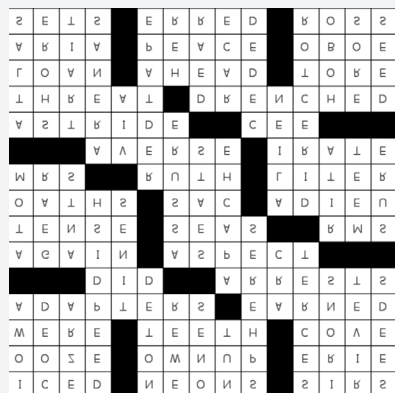
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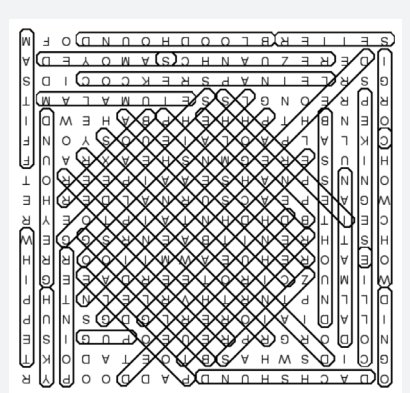
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Opinion

Monday, September 16, 2019

Editorial: The importance of student participation in college activism

Liz Theriault
Opinion Editor

“If not you, who? If not now, when?” This quote, penned by 16-year-old climate activist Greta Thunberg, serves as a homing call for every person on this planet who is and will be affected by climate change. On Friday, Sept. 20, and again on Friday, Sept. 27, people around the world will walk out of businesses, jobs, homes and their classrooms to participate in a global climate strike.

The strike’s goal is to disrupt “business as usual” in an attempt to highlight how crucial climate change action is for the future of our world. Already, organizations, activists, and everyday people have signed up in over 150 countries to participate. As the first strike grows near, the participation of students, across the nation, around the globe, and at the University of Maine is imperative for success.

UMaine is a school that places climate change and sustainability on its priority list. Organizations and administration offices work year-round to create sustainable practices for UMaine and its students. The Office of Sustainability has implemented sustainable dining and housing procedures such as composting, trayless dining and various water, heat and electricity conservation. Additionally, UMaine dining has already passed its 2020 goal of purchasing 20% of food from local partners. Dining halls, dorm rooms, walkways and classrooms are all equipped with zero-sort recycling, making it easy for students to help reduce waste.

Earth day celebrations are another big deal at UMaine come springtime. The yearly week-long celebration brings educational workshops, presentations, trivia, club outings and raffles to students. This year marks

the 50th Earth Day and UMaine is sure to celebrate.

All these efforts from the university encourage student activism. When the semester gets rolling, homework starts piling up, and students’ plates fill with responsibilities, it can be difficult to find time to stand up for a cause. However, throughout history, students have been an influential force paving the way for societal and political change.

On Feb. 1, 1960, four African American students Ezell Blair Jr, Franklin McCain, Joseph McNeil and David Richmon, from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University sat down at a Woolworth’s lunch counter in Greensboro, North Carolina and refused to leave despite segregation practices that were commonplace at the time. Just three days later, the four students were joined by 3,000 others

in more than 50 cities, sitting at lunch counters and refusing to move to protest segregation.

According to a New York Times article on historical student activism movements, the “actions of the so-called Greensboro Four led directly to the creation of the Student Nonviolent coordinating committee, which the civil rights organizer Ella Baker urged students to form in April [of] 1960 to coordinate the continuing sit-ins.” These efforts from students across the country sparked the momentum that “eventually contributed to the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1965, which outlawed segregation in public spaces,” according to the New York Times article.

Student activism created history again in 1989, this time in Czechoslovakia. Students in Czechoslovakia took to the streets eight days after the fall of the Berlin wall, to

protest the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia. Over 500,000 protesters joined the students in Prague, and despite being attacked by riot officers remained peaceful until 11 days later when the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia relinquished power. The same New York Times article states that the “extraordinary revolution” was one of the “most rapid and complete successes for a student-led movement in modern history.”

Modern efforts by students still exist today. The Black Lives Matter movement was started in 2013 by three women in their early 20s and 30s, Patrisse Cullors, Alicia Garza and Opal Tometi, who were joined in 2014 by thousands more after the police killing of 18-year-old Michael Brown, in Ferguson, Missouri. Many of these protesters were students. After the shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas highschool

in Parkland, Florida, a march was launched by student survivors to raise awareness of gun violence. Some students, including Cameron Kasky, Alex Wind, Emma González and David Hogg became vocal activists who influenced hundreds of similar events across the nation and around the world.

History has made it clear that student activism is not a force to be overlooked. Student solidarity, grit and passion have changed and will change the world. Now the world needs this generation of students’ help.

“If not you, then who? If not now, then when?” The answer to these questions are quite simple. You, the student, right now, should stand up for issues you believe in. History might just be made with your help.

The pop-up you can’t exit out of: advertising in the new millennium

Kylie Welch
Contributor

With the rise of social media, the 2010s may be remembered as the decade of the influencer. Smartphones are loaded with many different and successful social media apps, which attract engagement from

a large number of our population, who contribute to a culture that promotes the idolization of the rich and famous. Instagram, once just a personal photo-sharing app, has created its own contemporary tabloid. Now, the celebrities on the front cover, or the recommended page,

are no more than attractive, wealthy individuals who have stumbled into the spotlight. Gone are the days of celebrities being singers, dancers and actors; the new generation of the “it crowd” is full of travel bloggers, Tik-Tok stars and YouTubers.

According to Forbes

magazine, the highest-paid YouTuber is a 7-year-old boy named Ryan whose YouTube channel is called Ryan ToysReview, and debuted when Ryan was only 4 years old. Ryan made \$22 million before taxes from June of 2017 to June of 2018 for his unboxing and toy and children’s food

product reviews. He is now part of a TV show and has advertising deals with multiple major companies such as Walmart and Colgate.

Child stars are nothing new and have long been a topic of controversy. However, now in the era of rapid technological and cultural changes around how

we consume media, there are more questions around the morality of how children like Ryan should deal with advertising. The channel Ryan ToysReview is now facing a Federal Trade Commission (FTC) complaint about the deceptive

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Candidate Andrew Yang is a novelty in the primary race, but a welcome one

Nate Poole
Contributor

“Of all the candidates I’ve seen on the trail, you seem to be having the most fun,” notes Daily Show host Trevor Noah at the top of an interview segment with Democratic candidate Andrew Yang. The former tech company executive nods with a bit of a sheepish grin, responding, “Oh it’s a very low bar you’ve set Trevor.”

Perhaps the reason that Yang is having so much fun is that he knows that he isn’t projected to make it far into the primaries at all by anyone. But this cheeky exchange displays his individu-

ality and his sense of humor, which is exactly what has kept Andrew Yang’s campaign running surprisingly strong through the first three debates.

Yang, if for anything, is known for being the candidate that wants to give every single American \$1000 a month. Regardless of whatever other policy that Yang includes in his platform, no matter how far left it could be, it is his universal basic income (UBI) plan, dubbed the Freedom Dividend, upon which his campaign for the Democratic nomination will live and die. As a member of the technology industry, Yang asserts that he got to see just how close the

United States is to automating away millions of jobs and thus leaving many American’s with limited skills jobless and in a tough financial situation. UBI is his answer to this crisis. Yang has a wide range of policies that are fleshed out to a degree which rivals that of heavy hitters like Elizabeth Warren and Bernie Sanders, but the policy that distinguishes him and makes him a dark horse contender is his commitment to a radically new idea.

One of the major tools which Yang uses to endear himself with his voters is his self-awareness and self-deprecating humor. A 44-year-old Asian man of Brown

and Columbia law education, Yang is always mentioning “the math” behind his policies and justifies his knowledge of healthcare in America by frequently bringing up how many doctors he knows — making light of racialized stereotypes about Asian-Americans. He often positions himself as the antithesis of Donald Trump as he recites, “the opposite of Donald Trump is an Asian man who likes math.” While many of his supporters find his racialized humor to be charming, there are also many who find it to be problematic and regressive. Even if the criticism has made him rethink his persona, Yang has

not shown it publicly, continuing to sport his campaign’s MATH hats, a reaction to the Trump campaign’s “Make American Great Again” (MAGA) hats that stands for “Make America Think Harder.” It is obvious, when one looks at a debate stage where seasoned politicians like Kamala Harris and Elizabeth Warren stand next to Andrew Yang, that Yang isn’t cut out for political fistfights in the same way the other candidates are. Yang has openly admitted that he doesn’t desire to be a politician in the way that it is understood now, but rather says his reason for running is, “I want to solve the problems,

and the easiest, most straightforward... way for me to solve problems is to run for president and win.”

While he probably will not succeed in gaining the nomination, his decidedly humanistic approach to politics and the economy should not be entirely written off by the other candidates. Each of the 10 individuals that stood on the debate stage for the third debate had some collection of aspects that the American people are looking for, and it would be best for those that remain for the fourth to take note of, rather than write off, those that are eliminated.

An unlikely face-off between fireworks and field hockey

Kate Ladstatter
Contributor

The story is by no means a new one. For as long as sports have existed there has been an undeniable divide between men’s and women’s leagues that can be traced from novice leagues for young athletes all the way to the professional stage, the severity of the gap only becoming more dramatic with the level of the sport.

The women of the University of Maine field hockey team found themselves subject to this particular phenomenon two weeks ago during a match rivaling Temple University hosted on the grounds of Kent State University. The game had run its traditional duration, both teams reaching what would normally be the conclusion of the face-

off without a score on either side, plunging the game into overtime. After the completion of a single 10-minute overtime period, the game was interrupted by the entrance of Kent State University officials onto the field. The pause of play that had originally stood as the turnover from the first to second overtime period transitioned into an abrupt end to the game that has now been widely ridiculed both by those directly involved and many others across social media.

The issue at hand: a firework display set to occur on an adjacent field to the one the women were playing on. The field was playing host to the Kent State football game against Kennesaw State later that same day. The women’s game became yet another

casualty in what can almost be called as much as a tradition as the fireworks themselves, the preferential treatment of men’s sports over women’s.

The communities closest to the two teams impacted, those of UMaine and Temple University, have both made their opinions heard in the form of official statements released from both schools’ Director of Athletics and social media. Hundreds of posts on various sites regarding the incident have caused a ripple effect across the U.S., drawing attention from female athletes at other colleges voicing their outrage to calls from professional female athletes for widespread organizational change.

The support of fellow female athletes to the players involved

in this occurrence has not only been heartwarming but telling of the environment that for so long has plagued women’s athletics. The sense of community among females in sports has been, in part, forged in the name of the pursuit of equal treatment in their profession and each time that pursuit is impeded, their voices come back louder and louder.

Beyond the direct impact, a statement from the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) published in the Bangor Daily News brings to light the concerning, yet realistic, implications of the events of Sept. 7: “[It] sends a terrible message to female student-athletes. This decision was extremely damaging not only for the participating athletes, their

coaches and their families but for all female student-athletes.”

These harmful and misleading lessons that have the potential to be imparted on young female athletes, and young females in general, are worrying. If a young girl sees that no matter how hard she works to succeed in her sport, and no matter what level she plays at that every time the option is presented, a men’s team will be given preferential treatment, she is sent the message that her effort is not valued and that she as an athlete and a person are not valued the same as her male counterparts. Not only is that incorrect, but incredibly detrimental to the self esteem of female athletes and youth in general.

Let these events not be just another

momentary flicker of anger on social media that dissipates with time but serve as a potent lesson to the athletic community that perhaps it is time to value the hard work, discipline and dedication of female athletes more than a firework display.

Letter to the Editor: UMaine’s infrastructure is inexcusably awful

Kyle Barry
Contributor

The University of Maine at Orono’s parking lots and roads are, in a word, horrific. Admittedly, they’re not the worst terrain I’ve had the misfortune of driving on, but being slightly more tolerable than a dirt road littered with potholes and rocks is not high praise.

Undoubtedly, UMaine’s infrastructure would be far better off if it were repaired (perhaps in the evening) as damage and wear occurred. Instead, the university opts to leave gaping holes unfettered for months, only to quickly fill them in with a cheap material before some important

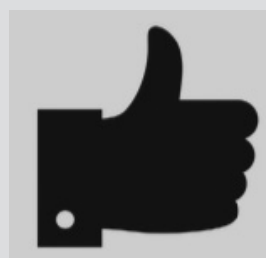
event is conducted. After all, it would be simply terrible if someone unfamiliar with the university came to the campus and got the impression that UMaine didn’t take care of their roads.

While the squalor of UMaine’s infrastructure cannot be understated, the issue of its size shouldn’t be ignored. Each parking lot is woefully undersized given the number of students who attend the college each semester and many lots are a considerable distance from the halls students frequent. The roads aren’t free of this ailment either, as their narrow nature makes traversal difficult for any vehicle larger than an SUV.

Even with all of the complaints I’ve levied against UMaine, I don’t think it would take much effort on their part to improve this situation. It’s true that not much can be done regarding the size issues plaguing the campus, but there’s no reason why potholes can’t be fixed as they appear. It would seriously improve how enjoyable it is to drive on campus; it may even make me feel like my money wasn’t being wasted so thoroughly.

THUMBS UP DOWN

- Kettle-cooked popcorn
- Spirit Halloween
- Fall mornings
- Chik-fil-a
- Headphone jack

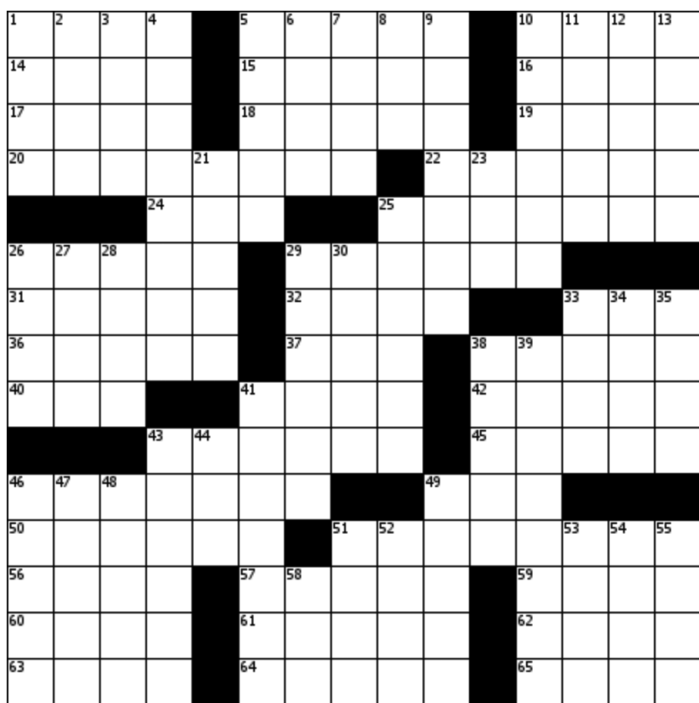


- Candy Corn
- Spirit Halloween Mascot
- Damp Leaves
- Popeyes
- iPhone 11 Plus



Diversions

Crossword



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Across

- 1. Frozen
- 5. Advertising lights
- 10. Misters
- 14. Trickle
- 15. Confess (2 wds.)
- 16. Pennsylvania port
- 17. "Wish You ____ Here"
- 18. Fangs
- 19. Bay
- 20. Certain connectors
- 22. Worked for

- 24. Achieved
- 25. Nabs
- 26. One more time
- 29. Facet
- 31. Nervous
- 32. Large bodies of water
- 33. Real estate abbr.
- 36. Sworn statements
- 37. Defunct USAF branch
- 38. Farewell, to Pierre
- 40. "____ Robinson"
- 41. Babe ____
- 42. Liquid measure
- 43. Reluctant
- 45. Incensed
- 46. With a leg on each side
- 49. Passing grade
- 50. Menace
- 51. Soaked
- 56. Mortgage
- 57. Leading
- 59. Pulled apart
- 60. Diva's solo
- 61. ____ and quiet
- 62. Bassoon's relative
- 63. Movie backdrops
- 64. Made mistakes
- 65. "Friends" character

- 3. Poet ____ Pound
- 4. Pizza type (2 wds.)
- 5. Famous
- 6. Washstand item
- 7. Dollar bills
- 8. Filbert, e.g.
- 9. Ball-shaped objects
- 10. Confidential
- 11. Golf clubs
- 12. Metal bolt
- 13. Future flowers
- 21. Prongs
- 23. Rainbow shape
- 25. Geronimo, e.g.
- 26. Molecule component
- 27. Bicycle part
- 28. Picnic crashers
- 29. Guarantee
- 30. Benches
- 33. Glamorous ____ Hayworth
- 34. Track competition
- 35. Positive
- 38. E.T., e.g.
- 39. Stanley Kubrick, e.g.
- 41. Bureaucratic delay (2 wds.)
- 43. Amphitheaters
- 44. Itinerary word
- 46. Road guide
- 47. Seaside
- 48. Characteristic
- 49. Surrendered
- 51. Letter starter

Down

- 1. Nebraska's neighbor
- 2. College woman

Word Search: DOGS

- BASSET HOUND
- BEAGLE
- BLOODHOUND
- BOXER
- BULLDOG
- CHIHUAHUA
- CHOW CHOW
- COCKER SPANIEL
- COLLIE
- CORGI
- DACHSHUND
- DALMATIAN
- DEERHOUND
- DINGO
- GERMAN SHEPHERD

- GREAT DANE
- GREYHOUND
- HUSKY
- LHASA APSO
- MALAMUTE
- MASTIFF
- PEKINGESE
- PINSCHER
- POINTER
- POMERANIAN
- POODLE
- PUG
- RETRIEVER
- ROTTWEILER
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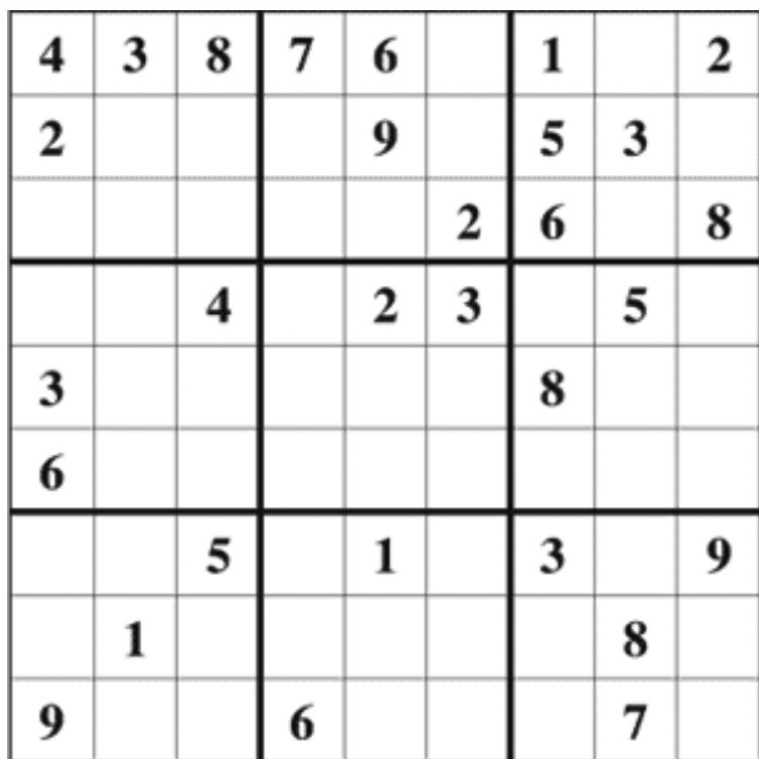


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Sudoku

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Upperclassmen strolling into 100 level classes be like



UMaine memes for drunken teens



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Word Scramble: School bus

- 1. athm
- 2. aedgr
- 3. ymg
- 4. tar
- 5. kdes
- 6. ncaks
- 7. cimsu

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Reviews

MUSIC

Lana Del Rey is back and better than ever



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RATING



Ali Tobey
Staff Writer

In her fifth album, “Norman F-cking Rockwell!,” Lana Del Rey elegantly sings of hurt, hope and healing. Her songs achieve levity, ease and display shocking self-awareness. She sings of a girl who burns to the ground and rises from the ashes only to be hurt again. Del Rey not only solidifies herself as a jaw-dropping vocalist, but establishes herself as a top songwriter, too.

“Ultraviolence,” released in 2014, was Del Rey’s best work up until this point. Her other albums had stand-out songs but seemed incohesive and slightly forced. In contrast, her newest project flows from beginning to end.

Moving away from her well known ‘trap-hop’ pop style, evident in songs like “Summertime Sadness” and “Young and Beautiful,” Lana features baroque piano ballads and folk-inspired instrumentals. She combines her intelligent and witty songwriting abilities and unique voice into an album resembling a 1970s California dream.

Over the course of her five albums, we have seen Del Rey’s style change. She has gone from an all-American girl, singing her song “National Anthem” in front of an American flag, to a now lyrical, defiant performer with a more techno-based sound. Her new style can be defined by a line from her song “The Next Best American Record,” as she sings, “’70s in spirit, ’90s in [her] frame of mind.” Her songs show an act of resistance and change but are coupled with the love and happiness associated with the ‘70s.

Heartbreak is an obvious theme throughout the album. Her piano ballad, “Happiness is a butterfly” pulls on your heartstrings. Lines like “If he’s a serial killer, then what’s the worst / That can happen to a girl who’s already hurt,” and “Don’t be a jerk / don’t call me a taxi / I’m sitting in your sweatshirt

/ crying in the backseat,” make you question why we’re born with a heart at all if it is only going to be ripped out.

Despite prevalent heartbreak, “Love Song,” the album’s sixth track, offers an optimistic take on a relationship. She sings, “Oh, be my once in a lifetime / lying on your chest in my party dress.../ Baby, it’s the best, passed the test and yes / now I’m here with you.” She sings of hope and optimism as well as compassion and love.

In addition to heartbreak and love, Del Rey also captures the essence of her album’s namesake, Norman Rockwell. Rockwell was an American artist who illustrated everyday American life and history. Her album is sprinkled with references to American pop culture staples like Laurel Canyon, Venice Beach, Hollywood and Vine, Vogue, Rolling Stone and the Eagles.

In “Norman F-cking Rockwell,” Del Rey not only separates herself from other artists in the pop and alternative genres, she also separates herself from the rest of the work that she’s released. This album is authentically Lana and is her best work yet. Her witty and intelligently written lyrics offer a look inside of her life and allows us to feel her feelings. Her musicality has always been incredible but her instrumentals and songwriting ability only elevate her abilities in this album.

MOVIE

“Red Sea Diving Resort” takes a dive

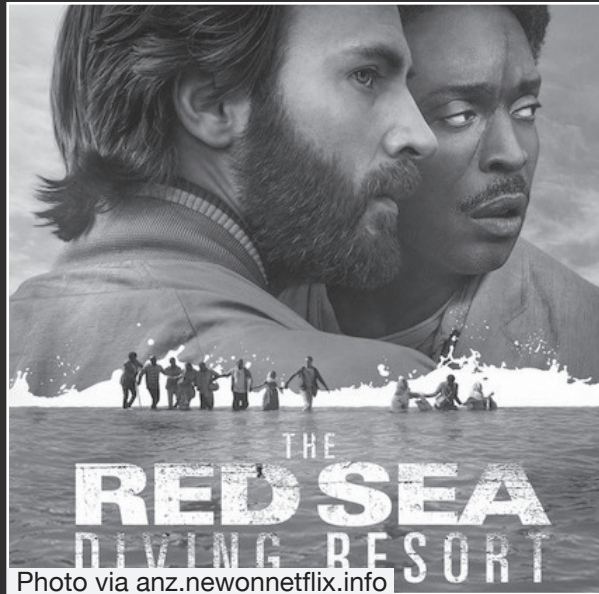


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RATING



Owen Baertlein
Contributor

Gideon Raff’s “The Red Sea Diving Resort” is a film based on the true story of the secretive Israeli Mossad’s Operation Brothers, a top-secret mission to extract Jewish Ethiopian refugees fleeing Sudan and Ethiopia to a safe haven in Israel. Ari Levinson, an Israeli Mossad agent played by Chris Evans, is assisted by Kabede Bimro, an Ethiopian Jewish activist, to extract refugees from overcrowded and violent refugee camps in Ethiopia. After a multitude of extractions go awry when resources and guidance are found to be lacking, Ari devises a plan to purchase and operate the Red Sea Diving Resort, an abandoned tourist destination in Sudan on the Red Sea to serve as a cover for Ethiopian refugees before making the final move to Israeli naval forces just offshore.

The movie follows Ari as he implements his plan to extract the refugees with the help of colleagues Rachel Reiter (Haley Bennett), Jake Wolf (Michiel Huisman), Max Rose (Alex Hassell) and Sammy Navon (Alessandro Nivola). The team works together, with help along the way from CIA officer Walton Bowen, played by Greg Kinnear, as they face a dangerous liberation plot.

Though the plot itself is a solid one, Raff seemingly loses track of what exactly it is that he’s trying to get across. Throughout the movie, the theme changes a handful of times. It is one of few movies to have edge-of-your-seat tension, home redecorating montages and heartbreaking leaving-home scenes all within the same 45 minutes. It almost gives the viewer the feeling of listening to a drunk uncle tell a story at a family reunion; the basic premise is there, but the emotion of the story changes unpredictably.

With big-name actors like Chris Evans and Michiel Huisman, most of the acting is not bad, but that’s really all that can be said about it. Some of the actors seem to settle into a rut during the

beginning of the movie, with their characters being laid out almost dossier-style in the first five minutes and not going anywhere from there. Even Evans, who, in my mind could do a lot better than this performance, plateaus after his debut in the dry and deserted crop fields of Sudan. There are a few attempts to humanize him with his connection to his family, but these scenes are so rare I found myself skipping back through the movie trying to find out who the people that just appeared on my screen were and why Chris was kissing that woman.

Overall, though the story itself was good and its themes poignant, the film lacked depth, character and uniformity. At one point, I looked away from a midnight refugee extraction, complete with Israeli commandos and rigid-hull inflatable boats, and looked back to a shirtless Chris Evans (no complaints there) sitting in a beach chair, sipping from a coconut shell. Next thing you know, the Sudanese army is there. Sadly, the majority of the shortcomings seem to have come from a directorial perspective. Though “The Red Sea Diving Resort” may not hold a special place in my heart (sorry Chris), it certainly could have with the right person at the helm.

PODCAST

NPR podcast ft. Lizzo: giving us the gift of bangin’ top songs and reasons to love ourselves.



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RATING



Brielle Hardy
Contributor

You probably know of Lizzo, the self-described “big girl” who is “100% that b--ch.” The flute-playing singer and rapper has had her single “Truth Hurts” sitting at No. 1 on Billboard top 100 for the past two weeks, and it’s been on the chart for over four months. The song was originally released in September of 2017, but through Lizzo’s viral Instagram posts and having the song featured in the Netflix film “Someone Great,” it found its way into the top 100 almost two years later.

NPR featured Lizzo on their podcast “Fresh Air” this past May when she released her latest album, “Cuz I Love You.” Terry Gross, the interviewer, comments first on the cover of the album where Lizzo poses completely naked. Gross says usually when she sees artists displaying full or partial nudity when promoting their music she thinks they are exploiting themselves as sex objects, or using their sexuality to sell. But when Lizzo did it, Gross saw it as a strong statement about self-love.

Lizzo jumps in on this, with, “Yeah, but are you only saying that because I’m fat? Because I feel like if I were a thin woman that wouldn’t be the case.” She goes on to say that thin women are rarely given the credit of being body positive because of our cultural focus on the male gaze. She is tired of people calling her brave instead of sexy when she shows off her body.

Being seen as an advocate for self-acceptance just because she’s a heavier woman is something Lizzo is used to. In reality, it took a long time for her to find the kind of love for herself that she now puts on display.

“About 10 years ago, I made the decision that I just wanted to be happy with my body and I just wanted

to be happy with who I am,” Lizzo said.

It hasn’t been an easy road, and she shares her struggles publicly. In a recent Instagram post, she captioned about not feeling sexy lately, saying that “...it’s crazy how you can BE cute and still not FEEL cute... sheesh.”

We feel you, Lizzo.

One of the most moving parts of the podcast for me was when Lizzo was asked about her first body-positive song, “My Skin,” released in 2015. She found inspiration for the song during an interview when she was asked what her favorite thing about herself was, physically.

“For the first time in my life I had to actually think about something that I liked about myself physically, and because it was so difficult, I was moved to tears,” Lizzo said.

She had recently fallen off a rope swing and scraped up her skin, and during the interview she looked down at the bandages and recalled her friend saying, when she fell, “Look what you did to your beautiful skin!” And she found her answer. She wrote the song to celebrate the moment she discovered her love for her body.

To end on a personal note, I saw Lizzo perform in May of 2018 at a music festival. I didn’t know who she was when she came on stage, but when she performed “Good as Hell” and asked the audience, “Baby how you feelin’?” I swear every person there screamed back, “Feelin’ good as hell!” It takes a special person to lift up everyone around them with their own confidence and self-love, and that’s something Lizzo continues to do while twerking her big booty for the world to see.

Lord Hall gallery features UMaine professor and local artist



The Lord Hall Gallery is currently displaying the works of Giles Timms and Irene Hardwicke Oliveri. The gallery, which is free to students, is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

Photo by Matt Lavoie.

Ali Tobey Staff Writer

Every year, the Lord Hall gallery at the University of Maine features six exhibitions from faculty, students and invited artists. “Touch my human,” by Giles Timms, an assistant professor of art at UMaine, and “The Painter and her skeleton,” by Irene Hardwicke Oliveri, an artist based in Seal Cove, are on display in the gallery until Sept. 20.

Though the two exhibitions are very different, they both speak to the importance of transformation and the human condition. Timms’ work incorporates mixed-media work and animation and includes “surreal and local narratives,

that explores the vagaries of our human condition,” said Timms.

Timms’ work features “homunculi creeps,” as he describes them, that provide commentary on all parts of life.

“My narratives are inspired by being a parent to two young daughters, the uncertainty and wonder of my childhood, and living abroad in Bulgaria. I sift through the forgotten: memories, dreams, narratives, and imagery,” Timms said. “I galvanize the abandoned into grotesque and beautiful homunculi creeps. Creeps of tension and harmony. These creeps, my work, are small, narrative threads of the terrific and terrifying absurdity of modern life.”

“Touch my human” is an installation that emphasizes these creeps and creates a story. Each piece has multiple elements that draw a viewer’s eye. The backdrop in each piece features different patterns, words and images that contrast to the creeps that are at the focus. Each piece is like a collage that provides different elements for interpretation.

In addition to being an assistant professor of art at UMaine, Timms also does creative work including animation and illustrations. He is continuing work on his creep series as well as a related animated film to submit to festivals. He is also in negotiations for an animated book trailer for a fiction book.

Hardwicke Oliveri’s exhibition is a collection of some of her newest pieces and some of her oldest. “The Painter and her skeleton” is a piece that she has been thinking about doing for a while.

“How amazing it would be if we could leap forward in time and our dead self could come talk to our living self! Our skeleton might ask questions about how we are living our life, are we doing what we really want to do? Are we loving those who need love the most? Are we making the best use of our days? ... I often think about how mortality concentrates the mind and can spark us to a richer more meaningful existence,” Hardwicke Oliveri said.

Her work is paradoxical-

ly rooted in life and death. Her pieces speak to nature and often depict trees, plants, flowers and fruit. But in those paintings as well, she has elements of death and impermanence. She also uses pieces of bones from owl pellets and paints on old wood.

“I like using bones that I find in owl pellets. Owls cannot digest fur, teeth and bones so when they catch a mouse or other rodent, they swallow it whole and then later cough up a pellet before catching their next meal. I dissect them, clean the bones and sort them to make things from them. I like that from a distance the finished piece may appear to be an alluring woman but when you get up close you see she is

made of tiny mouse bones. Lately, I’ve started making pieces from things I find along the shore at low tide. I like creating pieces out of things I find as if I was on a deserted island and that is all I have. I love using wild materials,” Hardwicke Oliveri said.

Both “touch my human” and “The Painter and her skeleton” will be on display in the Lord Hall Gallery and they are open and free to the public from 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Timms and Hardwicke Oliveri will be speaking at a reception and gallery talk from 5:30 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 20. They will speak about individual pieces and their creative processes on the closing day of the exhibit.

Pop-up from A6

promotion of sponsored products in his videos. The FTC argues that Ryan’s page does not clearly disclose when videos are sponsored, thus deceiv-

ing his preschool audience who does not hold the ability to decipher between sponsored and non-sponsored videos.

Amidst these complaints, the question of whether or not it’s healthy or sustainable to form human beings into human

advertisements and thrust what appears to be everyday, normal people into stardom due simply to their exposure on the internet must be asked.

Whenever I’m home for breaks from school, I work as a substitute teacher, most often at an elementa-

ry school. I like to ask the kids questions and get to know them as well as I can throughout the day, and often I’ll ask the question of what they want to be when they grow up; within the past year or two the answer has shifted away from the classic race car

driver or doctor, to YouTube. While there is merit in advocating for children to get interested in technology and in creative pursuits, we, as adults, must take the responsibility to remind children that as glamorous and coveted the lives of influencers and content cre-

ators might seem, there is a whole world for them to explore that does not necessarily mean becoming a walking billboard.



Be nice to animals!



New permanent makeup trend boosts female confidence



Located on Central St. in downtown Bangor, newly opened Highbrow Studio offers professional microblading to give natural, beautiful looking brows.

Photo by Haylee Scovil.

Bria Lamonica
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Microblading is a new form of art that is capturing the attention of women all over the country. The act of microblading is a progressive trend that provides job opportunities, heightens morale and boosts confidence. It is a process much like tattooing that involves using a tool to put dye on eyebrows in order to create a darker, fuller look. The dye is considered semi-permanent and can last from one to three years. Now more than ever, this trend is catching on and has spread to the Bangor area.

For Dalalyn Demmons, inspiration to start her own microblading business came from Instagram mi-

croblading technique and trends videos. From there, Demmons attended a microblading class at Ibrov Studio in Portland. Once she became certified, she started her career by renting out a room in Milford at the Aqua Hair Studio. Her business is called Brows By Dalalyun.

"I first got started when I reached out to a girl who was microblading on Snapchat. She was looking for models to get their eyebrows done for free, so I decided to go for it and see how they would look. After my first time, I was shocked at the difference it made to my face shape and my appearance, and I considered trying to do it myself," Demmons said. "I have a background in art and drawing so I was hap-

py to discover something that I could use my artistic background for without going to beauty school."

Another new microblading artist who has recently set up shop locally is Jill Burke, the owner of Highbrow Studio in downtown Bangor. She opened her studio on May 1, 2019 and accepts clients by appointment. Both professionals are certified, have creative art backgrounds and were first introduced to the idea by friends and social media.

"I heard about microblading through a grapevine of sorts," Burke said. "I majored in fine arts in college, so I spent many hundreds of hours reading about and studying beauty and aesthetics from that perspective. I also have a

few thousand hours of academic drawing experience under my belt, so the transition to drawing careful, delicate hair strokes was quite natural for me."

Demmons and Burke work with clients of all ages in their studios and continue to practice techniques and learn new styles and tips over the years. Hearing feedback and getting positive responses from customers who have received microblading is what makes these women love what they do.

"The before and after photos are my favorite part of microblading, and you can find them on my Instagram page," Demmons said. "It is so satisfying to see the transformation, and it is so rewarding to see

how shocked and surprised my clients are with the end result. It is such a confidence booster and you get to see how something you created can change how someone thinks about themselves."

"I love when someone is really outwardly happy about their brows," Burke said. "Sometimes I notice clients posting extra selfies afterwards and I can tell they feel confident and beautiful, and that's a great feeling to be able to give someone."

Demmons hopes to expand her work more into the permanent makeup world, and eventually tattoo lip liner and areolas. Burke has also made a name for herself in the professional world and enjoys working in a job that is

hands-on and interactive.

"I love people in general, so it's been great working one-on-one with clients. Over a two-hour appointment, you can really get to know a lot about someone. I love listening to their stories, the places they've been, or what's happened in their lives," Burke said. "People are fascinating, and women especially are very inspiring to me. I'm humbled that I can make them feel like super beautiful boss-babes."

Cinema from A12

\$150,000 of donations later, Railroad Square Cinema reopened where it is today.

Now, the cinema is the quintessential indie-theater that central Maine needs. For students at the University of Maine, opportunities to see movies that aren't necessarily Hollywood hits are slim. Movies such as "Green Book" might only make it to Bangor or Orono if they get nominated for an Academy Award, and many others don't make it this far at all. Yet the ride to Waterville is short and well worth the experience.

And now, the Square is just that — an experience. Rather than stopping short at just films, the lobby of the cinema is home to a collection of art for sale by various Maine visual artists. Rather than the bright carpets and children's birthday parties that are found in a typical movie theater, the Railroad Square Cinema lobby has the vibe of a modern art museum, a bright, quiet space with a modern color scheme. The cinema also sells a

selection of wine and beer in addition to the typical movie snacks — although the popcorn, light and airy, seems to be a staple of the Square as it differs greatly from the bright yellow, salty popcorn of an average theater.

Of the original five owners, only Stanborn and Eisen still work for the theater, while the others have worked there on and off over the years. But regardless of the staff, the movie selection has stayed consistent throughout. So how does a three-theater indie cinema choose which movies are worth showing?

"When we started out, we would have meetings every so often with the five of us," Stanborn said. "We all beat up on each other to see which films we were going to have and push our agenda."

Within a few years, the role fell to Eisen, who now is the full-time programmer for the theater.

"Programming involves seeing an awful lot of films, staying on top of what's out and coming out and in the works, and figuring out what will work to keep the theater solvent

balanced," Eisen said.

Eisen recently attended the Toronto International Film Festival, a nine-day festival that involved seeing about five films each day. Eisen also explained that part of the process is determining what needs to be screened "because it's great art, regardless of whether it appeals to as large a constituency as some other films." With his choices, Eisen brings movies to central Maine that likely will never reach the larger theaters. However, oftentimes these films end up at the Oscars, proving his taste to be spot-on.

Up next for the Square is a move to downtown Waterville. The new cinema will be in a new building, owned by Colby College, and will include rehearsal spaces for the Waterville Opera House, as well as the Colby College Museum of Art. The move is slated for 2021.

Overall, the Railroad Square Cinema aims to make going to the movies "an experience rather than a distraction," as Eisen explained. And for the past 41 years, they've succeeded.



Unique movies showing at the Railroad Square Cinema in Waterville.

Photo by Sierra Semmel.

For more information on the cinema, check out railroadsquarecinema.com or mainefilmcenter.org.

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NEW AND UPCOMING RELEASES

🕒 <i>Nine, Blink-182</i>	Sept. 20
🕒 <i>All the Feels, Fitz and the Tantrums</i>	Sept. 20
🕒 <i>The Owl, Zac Brown Band</i>	Sept. 20
🎬 <i>Midnight Traveler (in theaters)</i>	Sept. 16
🎬 <i>Downton Abbey (in theaters)</i>	Sept. 20
🎬 <i>Ad Astra (in theaters)</i>	Sept. 20

Reviews

"Norman F-cking Rockwell!"

"The Red Sea Diving Resort"

"NPR podcast ft. Lizzo"

A11

Waterville's Railroad Square Cinema makes for the ultimate movie-going experience



The Railroad Square Cinema in Waterville.

Sierra Semmel, Culture Editor

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Last November, a movie called "Green Book" hit theaters in the United States and made quite the splash. In February, "Green Book" won Best Picture at the 91st Academy Awards. But rewind back a couple months, and the future award-winning movie was nowhere to be found at movie theaters in Bangor, or at many of the larger theaters around the state. Yet just an hour south, the Railroad Square Cinema can always be counted on

as a home for the low-key indie movies before they're in the news.

Tucked just past the railroad tracks in Waterville, Railroad Square Cinema is a quaint, three-screen independent movie theater that has been bringing indie movies to central Maine since 1978. Over the past 40 years, "The Square," as it is sometimes referred to, has grown from one screen to three, been rebuilt after a fire and made the switch from film to digital. But it all started with a group of five friends who just wanted to watch good films.

"It really was for personal reasons," Alan Sanborn, one of the original five owners, explained. "It was mainly so we could see movies."

In addition to Sanborn, the group included Gail Chase, Ken Eisen, Lea Girardin and Stu Silverstein. Together, they decided that the best way to see good movies was to start their own movie theater; and so they did.

They opened the original theater in a former beverage warehouse with some money and equipment that each of them had scav-

enged together. The five did all of the construction themselves, with blueprints drawn up by Stanborn.

The original theater had a long way to go before it became what it is now. Initially, the cinema had just one screen, and due to the limited projectors that the group was able to scavenge up, the cinema was restricted to running a smaller size film than that of the industry standard. This left them no option but to wait until films came out in this smaller gage — usually about six months.

"We were falling further

and further behind," Stanborn said.

However, in 1994, the cinema received a blessing in disguise. A fire burned down the original location in the middle of the night, leaving the group wondering if they should attempt to move forward and reopen. Next to the cinema, a bookstore had put up a donation jar for the cinema's reopening, and after someone put in a check for \$1,000, the group realized that it wasn't really a question. Nine months and

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go!

What's happening in and around Orono this week

Tuesday, September 17
Film Screening:
Project 22
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Coe Room, Memorial Union

Wednesday, September 18
CareerFest
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
University Mall

Thursday, September 19
Therapy Dog Visits
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Fogler Library

Thursday, September 19
Study Abroad Fair
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Bangor Room, Memorial Union
4:00 - 6:00 p.m.
New Balance Student Recreation Center

Friday, September 20
Fall Convocation
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Hauck Auditorium, Memorial Union

Don't miss harvest season at the Orono Farmers' Market

Brielle Hardy Contributor

The Orono Farmers' Market is older than most students attending the University of Maine. In operation since 1994, the market has had a steadily successful 26 years. Over 25 members — farms and food vendors from around the state — participate yearly, showing up rain or shine to sell their locally-produced food items.

The options vary greatly, depending on the provider and what is available at different times throughout the season. At this time of year, there is a lot to harvest and the market's tents are full of vegetables, melons, squash and apples — among other produce. On Tuesday, Sept. 10, carrots, apples, green beans, cantaloupe melon and more were available.

Supporting local farmers is important, and just minutes down the road, well-priced, fresh organic food is available. In an age

where most food productions operate on a global scale, it's a privilege to have access to the quality of food sold at the market. Most people pay extra for organic food if they can afford it at all.

Not only is the Orono Farmers' Market a great place to shop, but it also provides a hub for people in the community to interact directly with the providers of their food, rather than just purchase it at the supermarket. It's strange to think about how far removed people are from the source of their food these days. In contrast, having direct contact with the source allows for a real appreciation of the food we eat.

At Tuesday's market, a sole proprietor discussed his table and products. He apologized for how under-represented he was due to his usual truck being in the shop. Still, his small table was full of seasonal vegetables like carrots as well as winter squash and

potatoes. Given how long the market has been up and running, it's impressive how consistent the community support has been. The university contributes to the influx of new faces every year.

The location of the Farmers' Market makes it easy for University of Maine students to participate in the local community. In the summer season, which is May 4 through Nov. 23, the market takes place in the Steam Plant parking lot off College Avenue, making it an easy walk from campus. The hours of operation are Saturdays from 8 a.m. to noon and Tuesdays from 2 to 5:30 p.m. In the winter months, December through March, they relocate to Asa Adams Elementary School gym in Orono.

On Saturdays, there are a lot more options at the Farmers Market than just fruits and vegetables. For example, the Yum-Bus, a food truck that sells delicious sweet and savory crepes, comes to the



Fresh vegetables available at the Orono Farmers' Market.

Photo by Haylee Scovil.

Farmers' Market on Saturday mornings. Another tent sells fresh bagels, croissants and various pastries. You can often taste test homemade hummus with fresh baked bread. And if you're looking for some-

thing sweet, there's a stand with mason jars full of jam and honey.

So when next Tuesday or Saturday comes around, grab a reusable shopping bag and check out all the great op-

tions local Maine businesses and farms have to offer.

Sports

Monday, September 16, 2019

UMAINE RESULTS

09/12	Women's Soccer @ Marist College	Win	2-1
09/13	Field Hockey vs Boston University	Win	2-1
	Men's Cross Country vs New Hampshire	Loss	45-15
	Women's Cross Country vs New Hampshire	Loss	50-15
9/14	Football vs Towson University	Loss	45-23

Conference scores, standings and upcoming schedule on B4

FOOTBALL

AFC power rankings prior to week two

How did your team do this week?

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Field Hockey Goes 1-1 on the week



The Black Bears celebrate their 2-1 victory over the Boston University Terriers on Friday, September 13th.

Photo by Brendan Ward.

Nick Boutin Contributor

On Sunday, Sept. 8, the University of Maine field hockey team fell to the Kent State Golden Flashes 2-1, dropping to a 0-3 record on the young season.

The Flashes got on the board twelve minutes into the game, when fourth-year midfielder Berta Jover Llorens carried the ball up the right side of the goal line and passed it to second-year forward Luisa Knapp for her third goal of the

season. Kent State's third year back Clara Rodriguez Seto put them ahead 2-0 with a one-timer tip-in from fourth-year forward Laila Richter 22 minutes into the first half.

The Black Bear's lone goal came with only fifteen seconds left in the game when fourth-year forward Brianna Ricker scored off an assist from fourth-year forward Brittany Smith. The Black Bears did not have enough time left to score the equalizer. The Black Bears out-

shot the Flashes 13-4 but could not get past Kent State's goaltender.

On Friday, Sept. 13, the University of Maine field hockey team picked up their first win of the season, beating the nationally-ranked No. 22 Boston University 2-1.

Fourth-year forward Brianna Ricker tallied the first goal of the game just three minutes into the contest off a sweet pass from third-year back Hana Davis. Boston got an equalizer before the

end of the first quarter as first-year back Jodie Conolly possessed the ball at the top right of the circle before finding first-year forward Ellie McIntyre for a re-direct at the goalmouth 15 minutes into the quarter.

Ricker struck again for the Black Bears with under seven minutes left in the opening half when she forced a turnover in the midfield before creating space at the top of the circle and firing an elevated shot to the back of the net. The Black Bear's

second-year goaltender Mia Borley played very well, just letting in one goal on six shots.

The Terriers outshot Maine 11-6 and out-shot them in on goal shot 6-4. Ricker's two goals on the day give her a total of four on the season and puts her in second place for the most goals in the America East Conference. Maine picks up their first win of the season and improves their record to 1-3 on the season.

The Black Bears will play host to Northeast-

ern University Friday, Sept. 20 at 3:00 p.m. On Sunday, Sept. 22, they will travel to Harvard University and take on the Crimson in non-conference play.

WNBA playoffs recap

Nick Boutin Contributor

Chicago Sky 105 Phoenix Mercury 76

The Chicago Sky advanced to the second round of the playoffs after beating the Phoenix Mercury 105-76 in the first round. Chicago jumped out to a 20-16 first-quarter lead behind guard Diamond DeShields' eight points. While the Mercury rallied to keep the game close at halftime, the Sky opened up the third quarter with an unanswered 12 points to take control of the game. Chicago went on to outscore the Phoenix 29-19 in the third quarter to take

a 73-60 lead heading into the final period of play. In the fourth quarter, Chicago closed out the game with a 32-16 scoring advantage and the win to move them to the second round. The margin of victory was the fourth-largest in a playoff game and the biggest ever for the Sky as a team. Five years ago, Phoenix had a 29-point win over Chicago in game two of the finals.

Seattle Storm 84 Minnesota Lynx 74

The Seattle Storm will advance to the second round of the WNBA Playoffs after defeating the Minnesota Lynx 84-74. Storm guard Jordin Cana-

da balled out, tallying 26 points and dishing out four assists. Fellow guard Jewell Loyd added 22 points of her own, going 3-4 from downtown. With Loyd and Canada firing on all cylinders, the No. 6 Storm got a perfect performance out of their backcourt to the tune of 48 combined points. Seattles' offensively dominant guards showed their defensive prowess as well, shutting down Minnesota's backcourt. Lynx starting guards Odyssey Sims and Danielle Robinson could only score one point between the two of them the entire game. Center Mercedes Russell

contributed 13 points for Seattle, having a day in the paint for the Storm. The Lynx went nine straight possessions without scoring with six minutes left in the fourth quarter. Following the loss, they are eliminated from the playoffs. The Seattle Storm are the defending WNBA champions and will face off in the second round against the third-seeded Los Angeles Sparks.

Seattle Storm vs. Los Angeles Sparks Preview

The Sparks were able to fight off all the adversity by ending the regular season on a 14-game home winning streak, a 7-2

overall run to earn the No. 3 seed with a 22-12 record which also came with a bye into the second round. The Sparks led the season series 3-1, defeating the Storm 92-85 in the first game, 83-75 in the third game, and 102-68 in the fourth game. The Storm won game two of the season series 84-62.

Chicago Sky vs. Las Vegas Aces

The Chicago Sky advanced to the second round of the playoffs with a 105-76 victory over the No. 8 Phoenix Mercury. In the victory, DeShields posted a playoff career-high 25 points and point guard Courtney

Vandersloot dished out 11 assists. The Sparks earned a first-round bye by virtue of being the No. 3 seed. The Aces won the season series 2-1, winning the first game 90-82. In the second game of the season series, Chicago beat the Aces 87-84 and in the third game, the Aces won 100-85.

AFC power rankings prior to week two

Alex Aidonidis
Contributor

1. New England Patriots -

For the second week in a row, the Patriots are in the top spot. After Sunday night's domination of the Pittsburgh Steelers, a previously questionable defensive unit looked like a well-oiled machine with depth top to bottom and arguably the best secondary in the league. Seemingly ageless quarterback Tom Brady continues to dominate opposing defenses, throwing for 341 yards and three touchdowns. Wide receivers Josh Gordon and Phillip Dorsett both contributed to Brady's success and had huge games of their own. Now insert newly acquired All-Pro wide receiver Antonio Brown in the mix, and you have the offensive capability reminiscent of the Patriots' 2007 squad.

2. Kansas City Chiefs -

On the first drive of the season, quarterback Patrick Mahomes showed no sign of slowing down from his MVP campaign last year as he connected with wide receiver Sammy Watkins for a 68-yard touchdown in the first quarter. Watkins had a monster game, catching all three of Mahomes' touchdown passes. Speedy wide receiver Tyreek Hill will miss time with a shoulder injury but that likely will not slow down the offense too much when you have a gunslinger that can put the ball absolutely anywhere.

3. Los Angeles Chargers -

The offense didn't skip a beat without the presence of running back Melvin Gordon. Running back Austin Ekeler put up 58 yards and a touchdown on the ground while catching six passes for 96 yards and two touchdowns. With Ekeler pacing the offense like that, it's

going to be a tough job for Gordon's agent to make a case for his significance when negotiating for a new contract. Los Angeles AFC squad improves to 5-0 in games over the last two seasons without Gordon.

4. Baltimore Ravens +5

It would be safe to say the whole "Lamar Jackson is a running back who can't throw the ball" argument is out the window, right? Jackson completed 17 of 20 passes for 324 yards and five touchdowns which, by the way, gave him a perfect quarterback rating of 158.3. This team heard all the talk of the division belonging to Cleveland or Pittsburgh and came into the season with a chip on their shoulder.

5. Houston Texans -1

The addition of tackle Laremy Tunsil was not enough to keep quarterback Deshaun Watson from running for his life in the backfield as he was sacked six times. Despite taking a beating, he put his team in position to win the game. In what should have been a game-winning drive, Watson needed only two plays to get the ball in the end zone and give his team the lead, but brutal defensive penalty calls got in the way of Houston starting 1-0. Saints' quarterback Drew Brees came from behind to defeat Watson's team, who looked to be the better unit the entire game.

6. Tennessee Titans +6

Add the Titans to the list of teams that came into the season with a chip on their shoulder. The league had eyes on the season opener to see how Browns' duo of quarterback Baker Mayfield and wide receiver Odell Beckham Jr. will work together, but the real story was head coach Mike Vrabel's Titans. Tennessee's defense picked off Mayfield

three times in their lopsided win over Cleveland. Suddenly, it looks like this team could be making a case for the division with the Colts and Jaguars being without their powerful signal callers, with Andrew Luck retiring and Nick Foles being out with a shoulder injury, and the Texan's allowing Deshaun Watson to continually be roughed up in the pocket. As the season wears on, keep an eye on the longevity of Watson to be a key factor in this AFC South divisional race.

7. Buffalo Bills +4

Following the head scratching contest between the New York Jets and the Buffalo Bills, with the Bills turning the ball over four times and still managing to pull off the victory 17-16. Despite the woes on offense, quarterback Josh Allen and his crew were able to complete the comeback after being down 16-0. One plus for this squad is the constant pressure being placed on Jets' quarterback Sam Darnold, showing the upside for this quiet front seven.

8. Cleveland Browns -3

A 30 point loss is not exactly how you would expect a "Super Bowl run" to begin. The Browns were humbled by a Titans team that played the offseason quite differently than Cleveland. First-year head coach Freddie Kitchens' squad was outplayed for 60 minutes, following a significant amount of chin-wagging in the offseason. An ugly first loss doesn't change the amount of blue-chip talent this team has up and down the roster. If this team has anything to prove, it's how they can get back up when they're knocked down. Or they can roll over and land another top-five draft pick and try again for next year.

9. Pittsburgh Steelers -3

Putting up three points in the first

game without All-Pro wide receiver Antonio Brown and running back Le'Veon Bell is a bad look for the Steelers offense. Take it with a grain of salt when you include the intangibles. It was a banner night for the Patriots at their home field where Steelers' quarterback Ben Roethlisberger has never won. The atmosphere was electric for the Patriots and it would have taken greater force than the Steelers were able to muster for them to lose that game. Steelers faithfuls would do best to not lose hope though, as wide receiver Juju Smith-Schuster and running back James Conner will continue to develop for Mike Tomlin's squad.

10. New York Jets -2

With a 16-0 lead heading into the fourth quarter, after forcing four turnovers on defense, including a pick-six by middle linebacker CJ Mosely, head coach Adam Gase had a promising young season and squad in front of him. However, following a groin injury to Mosely's groin injury and several mental mistakes, the Jets surrendered their 16 point lead to Josh Allen and the Buffalo Bills. With starting quarterback Sam Darnold sidelined for the foreseeable future with mono, Gase's squad will need to string together a couple of wins if they hope to be competing for a playoff spot come December.

11. Indianapolis Colts +2

This looks like a team that does not want to take any steps backward before they go forward due to the shocking retirement of former starting quarterback Andrew Luck. They were able to compete for the whole game and forced overtime against an incredibly talented Chargers team. Running back Marlon Mack dominated with 25 carries for

174 yards and a touchdown. Although they couldn't get the victory, it was a promising start to the season.

12. Oakland Raiders +2

The drama surrounding the Raiders entering their final season in Oakland has been staggering. It seems as though they rallied behind the self-induced loss of wide receiver Antonio Brown following the nonsense and noise he's caused. It's still hard to imagine this team making much noise this season, but they are off to the right start.

13. Cincinnati Bengals +2

Head coach Zac Taylor's squad was not able to get the win in his head coaching debut, but they certainly came to play against a talented Seahawks team. The biggest standout for the Bengals in week one was the emergence of electric wide receiver John Ross as he paced the offense with seven catches for 158 yards and two touchdowns. It is great to see Ross finally get into the mix and take a huge step in the right direction to become the guy the Bengals hoped he would be, providing a beautiful one-two combination when wide receiver A.J. Green returns from injury.

14. Denver Broncos -4

At what point does General Manager John Elway finally receive more criticism for not drafting a strong quarterback? Since the Broncos appearance in their last Super Bowl, with Peyton Manning riding off into the sunset with another Super Bowl ring, Elway has had a variety of quarterbacks under center, none of which have stayed on the roster more than three years. Wasting what could have been a dynasty, fueled by arguably the best defense of the decade in 2015 led

by All-Pro linebacker Von Miller, Elway's dedication to under appreciating the quarterback position has cost his Broncos at least one more championship. Fast forward four years, and the defense has aged with some of the once-key pieces gone, especially in the secondary. The options Elway has explored to take snaps under center are flat out embarrassing, but hopefully newly acquired quarterback Joe Flacco can turn it around for Denver.

15. Jacksonville Jaguars -8

With newly-acquired starting quarterback Nick Foles headed to the injured reserve with a broken collarbone, Jacksonville turns to its backup quarterback, rookie sixth-round draft pick Gardner Minshew, hoping the wannabe-gunslinger can capitalize on his new opportunity. If the defense shows up every week and running back Leonard Fournette continues pacing the team on the ground, Minshew should be able to guide this team to a fight with Houston for the division title. The defense cannot give up another 40 point game, though this one may be overlooked as the former league MVP Mahomes tears almost every defense apart.

16. Miami Dolphins -

What's the next step for a team that lost their opener 59-10 with players begging their agents to request trades to not be part of a rebuild? A matchup against the New England Patriots. If there is a silver lining, the Patriots likely won't run up the score against head coach Brian Flores' team, as Belichick has a great deal of respect for his former defensive play-caller.



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Neon Deion: the human highlight reel

Morgan Ford
Contributor

30 years ago this week marked the anniversary of legendary pro athlete Deion Sanders accomplishing a feat that no other human in history has ever done; hitting both a home run in the MLB and scoring a touchdown in the NFL. Throughout sports history, there have been many multisport athletes competing in both major and minor league sports. Players that have won championships, broken records and become all-stars. These players include Sanders, as well as the NBA legend Michael Jordan, Raiders' running back Bo Jackson, Boston Celtics' shooting guard Danny Ainge and multisport athlete Jim

Thorpe, just to name a few. However, this has become a much rarer occurrence today.

Sanders started his athletic career at an early age. After a highlight-filled high school athletic career, he attended Florida State University, where he went on to play football, baseball and run track. Sanders played 14 seasons in the NFL and nine in the MLB. He made his Major League Baseball debut May 31, 1989 after playing for the Yankees' minor league team his rookie season.

Sanders' football career was much more promising, as he was drafted fifth overall in the 1989 NFL draft by the Atlanta Falcons. Right from the start, he performed extremely well, scoring a touchdown on his sec-

ond-ever punt return. Sanders developed his own brand throughout his years in the NFL and was notorious as the league's top corner and demanded to be paid as such. Sanders ventured throughout the league, playing for five different franchises over his career and winning Super Bowls with the San Francisco 49ers and the Dallas Cowboys. He had a career total of 53 interceptions and 18 touchdowns, with his touchdown total including his ability to be utilized on the offensive side of the ball as well. These accolades earned him an introduction to the Pro Football Hall of Fame as a member of the 2011 class.

Sanders' athletic career was nothing but extraordinary. The ability to play two pro

sports is one that not many have, and to willingly play two sports on the same day is unique to him and fellow star Bo Jackson. Nowadays, with the amount of money that each athlete makes, it's unlikely that we will see a situation like this again in such different major sports.

Athletes in today's age work much harder to keep from injuring themselves. With all the training that is done, the time commitment to one sport is much higher now than before. Because of this, the time that it would take to remain competitive in two sports would take a toll on one's body. With how much athletes are worth, teams and trainers are hesitant when it comes to players risking injury. Players must

ask themselves if playing two sports is worth the increase in the risk of career-ending injuries.

There are two other players in recent history that have caught headlines for looking at both baseball and football: Seattle Seahawks' quarterback Russell Wilson and former Denver Broncos' quarterback Tim Tebow. Wilson has played on and off in minor league baseball during the NFL off-season but has never sacrificed football for the sake of baseball. There was one point that he attended the Rangers' training camp while playing football, but he thought better of this and reported back to Seattle.

Tebow's situation was quite different; instead of balancing

the two sports, he quit playing football to pursue his baseball career. He is currently playing on the New York Mets minor league team and hasn't yet reached the level of major league.

Players that do play multiple professional sports have a lot to work for. At such a high level of competition, it is nearly impossible, especially long term. With sports getting more and more competitive with time, it is likely that we will see very few pro or even semi-pro level dual athletes in the future.



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The United States meets match in basketball World Cup as France advances to semifinals

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The United States men's basketball team met its match this week, playing in four games and losing two. Fortunately for spectators, the improved competition results in a game with similar intensity to an NBA playoff game. This year, the United States team just couldn't keep up with that intensity.

The week started with the U.S. game against Brazil on Monday. This was the final game of the group stages for Team USA, and they beat Brazil 89-73 in a pretty simple game. Brazil put up a fight the first half, staying within a couple of baskets of the Unit-

ed States. In the third quarter, this small gap grew and by the fourth quarter, things weren't looking good for team Brazil. When the final buzzer sounded, the leading scorers for the United States were the Boston Celtics' point guard Kemba Walker and Indiana Pacers' center Miles Turner with 16 points each. This game put team USA in a good place going into the quarterfinals undefeated.

The next game was far more exciting, with both teams going back and forth all the way until the fourth quarter. This contest, the quarterfinals game against France, a talented team with athleticism and unity, gave team USA the

challenge it needed. With the U.S. up in the beginning of the fourth, they just needed to maintain their lead, something that is much easier said than done. The French slowly began to pick up momentum early on and with five minutes left in the contest, they tied up the game. France went on a run on offense, while also locking down the United States on defense, for the remainder of the game. The United States only managed to score three points to France's 13 in these final minutes of play. This gave France the win by a score of 89-79. Despite this loss, the United States had a chance to redeem themselves in the los-

er's bracket.

The United States took on Serbia on Saturday, Sept 14, a team with both Denver Nuggets' center Nikola Jokic and Sacramento Kings' shooting guard Bogdan Bogdanovic, to start their push through the loser's bracket. Both players gave the United States' team a huge challenge, combining for 37 points against their typical NBA opponents.

Sacramento Kings forward Harrison Barnes and Walker were the United States' leading scorers with a combined total of 40 points. This wasn't enough to beat Serbia, as they came out on top with a score

of 94-89. The game started out very tough for the United States, as they were seemingly unable to get to the basket early, and couldn't stop Serbia from shooting beyond the arc. At one point in the first quarter, Serbia was up a whopping 23-5. After this, the United States slowly began to come back, but they were unable to take a lead.

This second loss meant that team U.S. had to compete for seventh place in the tournament. Their trial for placing faced off against Poland. The United States dominated the game, aside from the third quarter, and walked away on top with a final score of 87-74, with the lead-

ing scorer for the United States in this game being the Utah Jazz's point guard Donovan Mitchell with 16 points.

The United States' seventh-place title was a hard-fought one considering their young team lacking all-star players. Fans of the sport can only hope that the next basketball world cup will see a win for the United States.

Around the College Circuit

UPCOMING SPORTS



Friday, Sept. 20
Field Hockey
vs. Northeastern
3:00 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 21
Football
@ Colgate
12:00 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 22
Women's Soccer
vs. Stony Brook
1:00 p.m.

Field Hockey
@ Harvard
1:00 p.m.



FOOTBALL

09/14 Towson	45	09/14 Fordham	29
Maine	23	Bryant	14
Elon	42	Sam Houston	23
Richmond	21	North Dakota	27
Albany	35	Villanova	45
Monmouth	38	Bucknell	10
Sacred Heart	56	Colgate	10
Lafayette	40	William & Mary	38

CAA FOOTBALL

1 Towson	3-0
2 Delaware	2-1
3 Elon	2-1
4 Villanova	3-0
5 James Madison	2-1
6 Stony Brook	2-1
7 William & Mary	2-1
8 Albany	1-2

OVERALL



FIELD HOCKEY

09/13 UMass Lowell	2	09/13 Brown	2
Northwestern	7	Vermont	4
Boston University	1	UAlbany	2
Maine	2	Princeton	1
Pennsylvania	2	Stanford	1
Monmouth	4	New Hampshire	2
California	2	09/14 California	1
Iowa	4	Duke	4

AMERICA EAST FIELD HOCKEY

1 Monmouth	4-1
2 Albany	2-2
3 Vermont	2-2
4 New Hampshire	2-3
5 Maine	1-3

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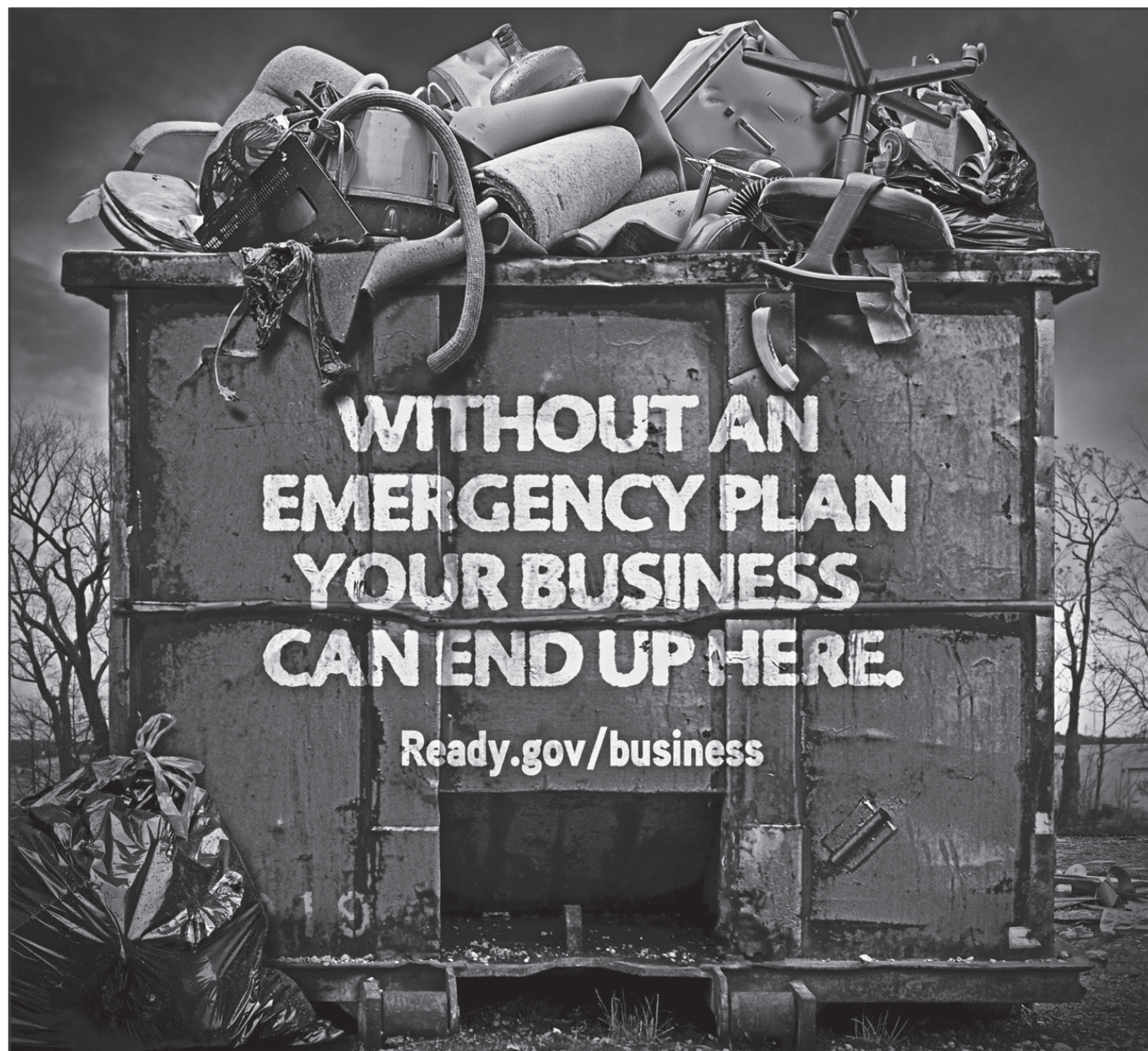
WOMEN'S SOCCER

09/12 New Hampshire	0	09/12 Maine	2
Dartmouth	1	Marist	1
Stony Brook	1	09/13 Colgate	2
West Virginia	6	Vermont	1
Wagner College	0	UMBC	0
Binghamton	1	Lehigh	2
Hartford	0		
Brown	1		

AMERICA EAST WOMEN'S SOCCER

1 Binghamton	5-2
2 Maine	4-1
3 Stony Brook	4-3
4 New Hampshire	3-4
5 Albany	2-3-1.
6 Vermont	2-3-1.

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NFC power rankings prior to week two

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1. New Orleans Saints -

A crunchtime battle that includes quarterback Drew Brees never fails to entertain. The Saints came out a little flat to start their game against the Houston Texans, but when they made their adjustments at the half they came out hot and were the better team for the final 30 minutes of the game. With just over 30 seconds on the clock with only one timeout, Brees was able to drive his offense down the field, setting up a 58-yard field goal for kicker Will Lutz, getting the walk-off victory over Houston.

2. Dallas Cowboys (+2)

The Cowboys, following an offseason of hype and questions, silenced their critics out on the field in week one. Running back Ezekiel Elliott is finally back on the field, following a monstrous contract extension and a poor showing in his regular-season debut. The counterpart to the Cowboys' backfield, quarterback Dak Prescott, became only the second quarterback in Cowboys franchise history to have a perfect 158.3 quarterback rating in a single game. Prescott, in the final year of his contract, is really showing owner Jerry Jones why he believes he deserves to be the highest-paid quarterback in the league. Considering their strength of schedule, or lack thereof, this team could march to one of the top spots in the conference if they can take advantage of their road to the playoffs.

3. Los Angeles Rams -

Despite an underwhelming performance from quarterback Jared Goff, the Rams were able to put up 30 points and take the week one win over Carolina. Run-

ning back Todd Gurley looked very good, despite fears that he may not be the same player due to the diagnosis of arthritis in his knee at the end of last season. With wide receiver Cooper Kupp returning to the lineup, this offense looks to get back on track after falling flat on their face in the 2019 Super Bowl.

4. Philadelphia Eagles +1

It took some time and an early deficit to the Washington Redskins, for Eagles' quarterback Carson Wentz to get hot and took over the game. Wide receiver Desean Jackson showed flashes of his younger self with the Eagles, dropping a vintage stat line of eight catches for 154 yards and two scores. With Jackson stretching the field, tight end Zach Ertz cutting through the middle, and Philadelphia's strong offensive line, Wentz should return to his All-Pro caliber seen last in 2017. Watching the Eagles compete with Dallas for the NFC East title will be one of the more exciting matchups to watch down the stretch.

5. Chicago Bears -3

The Bears' offense simply did not have any answers to what Green Bay showed on defense in the NFL's 100 year anniversary season opener. The league's top ranked defense from last season still looks strong as ever, sacking Rodgers five times and holding the Packers to just 10 points. Though they were able to consistently shut down the Packers' offense, quarterback Mitch Trubisky couldn't lead his team down the field to score. Even with the presence of All-Pro linebacker Khalil Mack, the Bears were not able to force any turnovers which could have given the offense the boost it needed. One thing can be said though; when you hold Aaron Rodg-

ers and the Packers to 10 points, you have no excuse to lose.

6. Minnesota Vikings -

The Vikings looked rock-solid in their opening win against the Falcons. Quarterback Kirk Cousins only threw 10 passes the whole game, completing eight of them for 98 yards and a touchdown. Running back Dalvin Cook dominated the game with 21 carries for 111 yards and two touchdowns. With Cook running over opponents on the ground, and head coach Mike Zimmer's defense finally hitting on all cylinders, Cousins' ability to manage the game will be all the difference in Minnesota's offense. Let's see if Cousins can finally deliver a win against an opponent with a record greater than .500.

7. Green Bay Packers +1

The Packers defense looked strong against Chicago. They were flat out too much for Trubisky and his crew to handle. Newly acquired safety Adrian Amos, a former Bear himself, was able to make the game-sealing interception against his former team. Head coach Matt LaFleur was able to win his head coaching debut and will look to build on this as they take on another divisional rival, the Minnesota Vikings.

8. Seattle Seahawks +1

Not exactly the most convincing win against a not-so-talented Bengals team out of Pete Carroll's unit. Third-year wide receiver John Ross finally popped for Cincinnati, completely toasting the formerly vaunted Seahawks defense for 158 yards on seven catches, scoring two touchdowns. But as Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson knows, Carroll doesn't ask how, he asks how many. A win is a win, and first-round

pick wide receiver DK Metcalf was able to make some impressive catches in his first NFL game and should continue to grow as he builds rapport with Wilson.

9. Carolina Panthers +1

It's unusual for a team to be improved on the power rankings following a loss, but they were able to fight to the end against the defending NFC Champions. Given the climate of the NFC South, with the Saints rolling and the Falcons depth chart looking pristine, Carolina has to find its groove before Atlanta does if they have any hope of securing a wild card spot. Following an ugly loss to an improved Buccaneers team, the hope of focusing this entire offense around running back Christian McCaffrey instead of often maligned quarterback Cam Newton, whose throwing motion still looks erratic, comes down to the decision of long time head coach Ron Rivera.

10. Atlanta Falcons -3

Not to speak on behalf of the fan base, but being an Atlanta Falcons fan must be one of the most infuriating things one can be. Not to say the Falcons are bad, and to be fair, they did face a lot of injuries last year, but it's hard to imagine why they aren't doing better than they are. The week-one shelacking loss to the Vikings was an ugly one on both sides of the ball. If they can't pull together as a locker room, New Orleans may sprint away with the division very early.

11. San Francisco 49ers +2

The week one win over the Buccaneers wasn't exactly the assessment the 49ers were hoping to get for quarterback Jimmy Garoppolo but he was as good as he needed to be to get the victo-

ry. The defense looked very good, intercepting quarterback Jameis Winston three times and holding the Buccaneers to just 17.

12. Washington Redskins -1

The Redskins had a great opportunity for a statement win against the superior Philadelphia Eagles when they went into the locker room with a 20-7 lead, but they were not able to hold on and deliver the improbable win once Wentz began to heat up. One plus side for this franchise is the capable showing by starting quarterback Case Keenum, completing 68% of his passes for 380 yards and three touchdowns against a strong Eagles' defensive front. With first round pick Dwayne Haskins on the sideline absorbing all the knowledge he can, this franchise looks to the future more than this years' super bowl.

13. Detroit Lions -1

The Lions were making first overall pick Kyler Murray look foolish in his NFL debut until late in the fourth quarter. Detroit's defense crumbled in Murray's wake in the fourth quarter, with him delivering strike after strike to carve through the Lions. The Lions let Arizona march down the field, score, and convert the two point attempt to force overtime. After exchanging field goals in the extended period, both teams headed off the field wondering what they could've done differently to win that game. Additionally, that late game collapse has Lions' head coach Matt Patricia heading home to figure out how to keep his team focused for all 60 minutes of play.

14. Arizona Cardinals +1

Future hall of fame wide receiver Larry Fitzgerald continues to refuse to show signs of aging. The 36-year-old wideout caught eight

passes for 113 yards and a touchdown, playing an integral role in the Cardinals comeback against Detroit. Though they weren't able to get the win, the tie and Murray's flashes of talent should give the Cardinals confidence moving forward, as they let him sling the ball over 50 times in his NFL debut.

15. Tampa Bay Buccaneers -1

Quarterback Jameis Winston continues to be the turnover machine he's been his whole career. It seems like when he is facing trouble he just likes to chuck the ball up and hope for the best. Not the formula that's going to win you a lot of games in the NFL. Athletic wide receiver Mike Evans was never able to get going in this matchup and when he falls, Winston and the Buccaneers offense fall with him.

16. New York Giants -

In the Giants' first two plays on offense, running back Saquon Barkley had a catch for eight yards and followed it with a 59-yard run that set up the Giants offense for a touchdown, giving them an early 7-0 lead over Dallas. Following that drive, Barkley hardly saw the ball. As a result, the Giants' offense hardly stayed on the field. Elderly quarterback Eli Manning did not look good, feeling the pressure and being hurried on many of his throws. This looks to be the first of many ugly games for New York this season, as fans grow closer and closer to chanting for backup quarterback Daniel Jones to take over the starting role.



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Professional Sports This Week

MLB AMERICAN LEAGUE		RECORD
East	1 Yankees	98-52
	2 Rays	89-61
	3 Red Sox	78-70
	4 Blue Jays	58-91
	5 Orioles	48-100
Central	1 Twins	91-57
	2 Indians	86-63
	3 White Sox	65-83
	4 Royals	55-94
	5 Tigers	44-103
West	1 Astros	97-53
	2 Athletics	89-60
	3 Rangers	74-76
	4 Angels	67-82
	5 Mariners	61-88

MLB NATIONAL LEAGUE		RECORD
East	1 Braves	93-57
	2 Nationals	81-66
	3 Mets	77-71
	4 Phillies	76-71
	5 Marlins	52-96
Central	1 Cardinals	83-65
	2 Cubs	80-68
	3 Brewers	79-69
	4 Reds	69-80
	5 Pirates	65-84
West	1 Dodgers	96-54
	2 Diamondbacks	76-73
	3 Giants	71-78
	4 Padres	68-80
	5 Rockies	64-85

Upcoming Games:

NFL:

Thursday, September 19
Tennessee @ Jacksonville

Sunday, September 22
Miami @ Dallas
Cincinnati @ Buffalo
Detroit @ Philadelphia
New York @ New England
Atlanta @ Indianapolis
Oakland @ Minnesota
Denver @ Green Bay
Baltimore @ Kansas City
New Orleans @ Seattle
Houston @ Los Angeles

Monday, September 16
Chicago @ Washington

MLB:

Tuesday, September 17
Los Angeles @ New York
Seattle @ Pittsburgh
San Francisco @ Boston
Detroit @ Cleveland
Philadelphia @ Atlanta
Chicago @ Minnesota
Texas @ Houston
Kansas City @ Oakland
Tampa Bay @ Los Angeles

Wednesday, September 18
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