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New parenting relationships research lab opens at UMaine's Merrill Hall

Leela Stockley
News Editor

On Wednesday, Nov. 6, the University of Maine College of Education and Human Development held a grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony to welcome the Parenting Relationships Research Lab. The lab is located on the second floor of Merrill Hall, which houses the Child Development Learning Center. This is a resource for students and faculty conducting research and learning about young children to interact face-to-face with kids and gain real-life experience that can inform their classwork and research.

The Parenting Relationships Research Lab is part of a cooperative effort between Assistant Professor of family studies Daniel Puhlman, and Kids First, a Scarborough-based organization that focuses on providing co-parenting resources to help raise healthy, happy kids. The lab itself was created by Puhlman, whose primary research focuses on co-parenting and fathering.

The lab, Puhlman noted, will focus on the interactions between parents and their kids and social structures that affect parenting relationships.

The research will also be using research data that encompasses extended family members and community members that act as caregivers to children to help Puhlman better understand the dynamics of the inter-family relationships.

The goal of the Parenting Relationships Research Lab is to produce research data that will help people in both the local and global community have healthy relationships with their co-parent and other caregivers that will help to bring up happy kids.

"We're trying to look at (parenting) relationships, look at how they're successful, and learning how to navigate the challenges in those relationships," Puhlman said.

Puhlman is a father of three, and so parenting research is a topic that is close to his heart. He hopes that through his research, he will be able to make the world a better place for new generations.

"I was really just thinking about how I can go beyond just doing research. I think a lab, for me, is a way for me to present myself to others and the community that allows for connections and outreach," Puhlman said about the inception



The parenting relationships research lab officially opens in Merrill Hall on Wednesday Nov. 6th with a ribbon cutting ceremony.

Photo by Haylee Scovil.

of the lab. "A big part of what we do is not just to generate research, but to provide opportunities for parents and professionals and people that do this work, resources. They can come to us, and we can consult with them and work with them. Such an important part of it, for me, is bridging that gap between research and practice."

Puhlman sees the lab becoming a much more interactive community resource than the traditional research lab in the future. One of the focuses of the lab is on conflict and how conflict within the family

structure can affect children in the household. While conflict can't be totally avoided, it can be reduced through understanding and education. He hopes to see the lab travel around the state to be at fairs and events to provide parents with support and educational opportunities to help them deal with conflict.

Working at the lab with Puhlman are two graduate assistants, as well as six undergraduate research assistants. All of the student workers are part of the education and human development programs at UMaine and

are dedicated to the work at the Parenting Relationships Research Lab.

Hadley Porreca, a third-year child development and family relations student, and Taylor Corey, a fourth-year child development and family relations student are both undergraduate research assistants for the lab. They work to catalog data and transcribe interviews, and help brainstorm ideas for data collection and interpretation. Both students are very passionate about the work that they do and want to see their research help people raise healthy,

happy children.

The Parenting Relationships Research Lab is one of the only research labs in Maine that focuses on human interactions on the family level and is looking to lead the field by examining more complex aspects of familial relationships, such as generational shifts and cultural differences in the future. For now, Puhlman hopes that the lab can spark interest and dialogue about parenting relationships to normalize the discussions about the challenges of parenting to help people help others.

Students protest Sarah Warren in response to lobbying report

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News Editor

On Friday, Nov. 8, students at the University of Maine organized a sit-in to protest the actions of Samantha Warren, the director of government and community relations for the University of Maine System. In a recent three-part series released by The Beacon, it was revealed that Warren had actively been lobbying in the Maine State Government to suppress student worker rights. The report showed that Warren was directly working against bills that would grant workers rights and protections while working for the University of Maine System.

At the protest, more than 50 students showed on the second floor of the Memorial Union to perform a sit-in, with the intent to continue the sit-in until the students' list of demands were met.

The first demand calls for the immediate resignation of Warren. The

second demand requires that UMaine's Director of Government and Community Relations job description be redefined. The third demand asked that a monthly report system is put in place and distributed to students that would include budget breakdowns. The fourth, a request for implementing office hours for the entire chancellor's office, consisting of biweekly 1.5-hour office hours, in order for students to air grievances directly with the chancellor's office. The fifth demand requires that UMaine back efforts that support the welfare of students and workers. The sixth demand asks for UMaine to acknowledge understaffed centers and respond with an increase in staffing, especially in centers such as the counseling center and Student Accessibility Services (SAS). Following demands ask for more dialogue "between the chancellor's office and students, better enforcement of current rules for

student workers, eradication of student labor waivers and the subsequent voiding of current waivers," and the request for "no legal, academic or employment retaliation from the university for people involved in this protest."

The protest was organized by members of the student community, including Takquan Parks, a fourth-year biology and molecular cell biology student and moderator of the "UMaine Memes for Drunken Teens" Facebook page.

"I worked over the summer, 80 hours a week to pay rent and pay what I owe the school. I currently work as a student researcher and I acknowledge that other students are not in the same position [to get the same hours], but they deserve the same rights," Parks noted. "When I read the Beacon article, I was furious. I used every contact I had to organize. Originally the only demand was that [Warren]

resigned, but I feel like we are going in the right direction with this list of demands."

Parks was not the only student who was upset about the issue. Assisting Parks with the organization of the protest were Gabriela Reyes-Jusino, a fourth-year anthropology student, MJ Smith, a third-year political science student and Kevin Fitzpatrick, a third-year political science student. All of the organizers either work for UMaine currently, or have in the past.

Some of the students who participated in the protest were concerned with their rights as disabled students on the campus.

Ildiko Sandor, a first-year psychology student, voiced their frustration with the understaffed SAS office. Sandor has a service dog and often needs to speak to SAS about accommodations to be able to pursue higher education. They are also a student worker at the Rainbow Resource

Center, which is overseen by the Office for Diversity and Inclusion, a division of UMaine Student Life.

"I've worked actual jobs, not jobs with the university, and not been treated like crap, actually valued. It was a shock to work on a campus where I'm not valued, where I'm not respected as a student worker. [The wages now] don't give students enough resources to pay rent and buy basic necessities," Sandor said. "[The understaffing] at SAS is huge for me. I use them a lot, and they're so understaffed I can go in for services and not get an appointment for weeks, and I can't get help when I need it."

"[Ultimately] we want better treatment, we want respect, students are looked at as just students and not like we have anything else going on in our lives," Sandor said. "We're just trying to live a good life."

Other students voiced their frustration with Warren's actions, noting that

completing college is already a struggle and the fact that members of the administration are actively lobbying to make it harder for student workers is not keeping with the values of the UMaine community.

"I feel disgusted that a public institution has lobbied against worker rights. Students ... make up the backbone of this institution and we are constantly undervalued," noted Camryn Hammil, a second-year international affairs and political science student. "It seems counterintuitive that ... a 'liberal' institution would actively work against their workers' rights."

The university, in a statement from Kenda Scheele, the associate vice president and senior associate dean for students said "We fully support their right to protest. I like to see students taking a stand for what they believe in."

News

Secretaries Kerry and Cohen speak on bipartisanship, American policy

Lia Suleiman
Contributor

On Tuesday, Nov. 5, at 1 p.m., members of the University of Maine community gathered at the Collins Center for the Arts to see Secretaries John Kerry and William Cohen deliver the 2019 Cohen lecture, "Defense and Diplomacy in an Uncertain World."

The event began with a posting of the colors by UMaine's Army and Navy Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC and NROTC) students, a performance of the national anthem and a land acknowledgment by President Joan Ferrini-Mundy. The land acknowledgment is a ceremony that recognizes that the land

that UMaine is located on is Penobscot Territory.

After these formalities, Secretaries Kerry and Cohen walked onstage to discuss a few timely and political topics. These topics consisted of foreign policy, bipartisanship, domestic politics and the impacts of President Trump's administration.

Secretary Cohen, the former Secretary of Defense under former President Bill Clinton, expressed concern over the direction in which President Trump is taking American foreign policy and diplomacy. Cohen noted that he believed America is becoming more isolationist under Trump. Cohen thought this isolationist attitude

was extremely prevalent in Trump's "America First" policy explaining that he was already seeing isolationism's more detrimental impacts on global and domestic politics.

"(America) no longer (sees) a competitor in politics. (America sees) an enemy," Cohen proclaimed.

Later on, Secretary Kerry, who served as the former secretary of state under former President Barack Obama, chimed in on the conversation. For the most part, Kerry agreed with Cohen's points. He also believed that President Trump's policies have had particularly negative effects on American policies. Kerry noted that these policies have caused extreme di-

vision between American political parties which has prevented bipartisan work.

Kerry found that this current division was rather extreme, noting a stark difference between the way he had seen senators work together when he'd been in office compared to the way senators worked together today.

"We didn't think of ourselves as Republicans and Democrats, except when we had to," Kerry noted. "We saw each other as senators."

Kerry believed that bipartisanship could help American politicians work together to achieve practical foreign and domestic policies.

Recently, these con-

troversial topics have become both extremely prevalent and relevant.

The American public is no stranger to Trump and his many controversies. Ever since the 2016 election, President Trump has made some extremely polarizing and unpopular foreign policy decisions. Many people remember the uproar following Trump's 2017 travel ban and his removal of American forces from parts of Syria.

Some of these decisions have caused Republicans and Democrats to drift farther away from each other. The United States has a Congress controlled by Democrats, a Senate controlled by Republicans, and, according to the Pew

Research Center, a Supreme Court that has become less bipartisan.

Cohen and Kerry delivered a very bold lecture about foreign policy, bipartisanship and President Trump. The two former secretaries both took a very public stand for bipartisanship and interdependence, both arguing that, without these ideals, America could not succeed in the arena of global politics.

This lecture served as an interesting and insightful discussion about the direction of American policy and provided the UMaine community with an opportunity to learn more about the current political sphere.

Fake News workshops seek to educate the UMaine community

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On Monday, Nov. 4 at 4:45 p.m. Jen Bonnet, a social sciences and humanities librarian at the University of Maine, Judith Rosenbaum, a professor of communication and journalism and Alan Berry, a Ph.D. student of communication and journalism held a workshop called "Beyond Fake News: Digging Into Media Literacy and Cognitive Bias." The event was held in Library Classroom 1 of UMaine's Raymond H. Fogler Library. The purpose of this workshop was to help students, professors and the public understand bias and become more news literate.

Bonnet, Rosenbaum and Berry began the workshop with a brief, two-question survey on Menti.com, an online resource for educators and students. The three hosts asked attendees how they defined news, and what sources they used to get it.

Many respondents defined news as "new, relevant, and credible information written by journalists and laypeople." However, when asked where they got their news, some re-

spondents pointed to social media networks, such as Facebook and Twitter.

These responses seem shocking and contradictory. In reality, they are reflective of a current phenomenon.

Recent surveys show that increasing numbers of people no longer trust the news media. Instead, they are turning to social media platforms like Facebook and Twitter for their news.

Fake news has become an increasingly relevant and controversial topic, especially within the past three years. According to the Columbia Journalism Review, a resource for news consumers and creators, trust in the media is at an extremely low rate.

This is because 45% of people think the media is "inaccurate" or "biased."

Multiple attendees of this workshop voiced similar, if not identical concerns.

Trent Otash, an undeclared first-year student at UMaine, noted that he found most news media sources to be politically motivated and biased.

"It's painfully biased and we need more independent news sources," Otash remarked. "Every news source has a (presidential) candidate that



Students and faculty learn about recognizing fake news and bias in the media Monday, Nov. 4th in Folger Library.

Photo by Antyna Gould.

they like more than the other, and they don't report very positively about the ones they don't like."

Otash also noted that, instead of turning to more reliable news sources, such as the Washington Post or the New York Times, he's gotten relevant information from YouTuber Phillip DeFranco.

Otash and other students are hardly alone. A survey from 2018 by the Pew Research Center showed that 68% of respondents used social media to get their news.

It may be hard to track

down exactly why people now harbor less trust in the media. Bonnet offered an explanation for the rising skepticism in modern news media. Bonnet suggested that the reason why people don't trust traditional news sources is not that "fake news" is more common but because the public is simply more aware of it. Bonnet even went as far as to say that the internet gave visibility to fake news.

"I think (fake news) is just more visible, and it just proliferates so much more easily online be-

cause there are so many platforms we can use," Bonnet noted.

This doesn't mean that fake news doesn't exist, or that people shouldn't care about objectivity and fairness in the news. Some news writers and online bloggers are very biased and unprofessional. After all, networks such as "The Activist Mommy," "The DailyMail" and "Breitbart" are known for their publishing of false and sensationalized information.

The news is a valuable resource for the

public. News outlets help provide the public with information needed to make their own decisions. Rosenbaum and Bonnet acknowledged that understanding how to think critically about the news leads people to be more responsible citizens. Their workshop started a helpful dialogue about news media and offered the UMaine community an opportunity to discuss some of the issues with today's media.

"Using diversity to improve sustainable design"

Bhavana Scalia-Bruce
Contributor

On Monday, Nov. 4, Dr. Christian Wells, professor of anthropology at the University of Southern Florida and founding director of the Patel Center for Sustainability, spoke at the University of Maine. Wells spoke on his involvement with the program "Re-

claim," as well as on the work he does surrounding international sustainability.

The event was held at the Mitchell Center and was presented by the UMaine Department of Anthropology in collaboration with the College of Engineering.

Wells is a trained anthropologist and works for one of the

most well-recognized anthropology departments in the country at the University of Southern Florida. Additionally, Wells conducts research on chemical data and soil work to aid international wastewater projects.

"Reclaim" is a group that bridges the gap between anthropology and engineering. It is based out

of the University of Southern Florida and focuses on helping underdeveloped communities. "Reclaim" has been established for approximately 10 years, and currently has around 15 faculty members. Staff members work in the field, utilize supplies and incorporate lab work to involve students in the research process.

"Anthropologists are all about cultural contexts," Wells noted during his presentation.

Furthermore, he emphasized the significance of engineers and anthropologists working in collaboration.

"There are major benefits in merging the two disciplines and creates potential to

form a more productive and knowledgeable outcome, as well as adding a diverse perspective," Wells said.

One of the primary focuses of "Reclaim" is to work toward developing and improving resources from waste products, particularly in less developed re-

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Wilson Center hosts a discussion on Anti-Semitism

Charles Cramer
Contributor

On Wed, Nov. 6, students, faculty and members of the greater Orono community gathered in the Wilson Center in the comfort of a relaxing dinner setting to discuss the concept of antisemitism and its historical and political manifestations. Such dinner discussions over a variety of topics have been hosted each Wednesday by the Wilson Center throughout this semester. They are open to all interested members of the University of Maine community.

In organizing the event, Wilson Center representatives partnered with Derek Michaud, a lecturer of philosophy and the coordinator of UMaine's Judaic and religious studies program, who acted as the moderator of Wednesday's dinner discussion. Working together with administrators from the Wilson Center, Michaud was able to invite three speakers: Professor of History Nathan Godfried, Professor of Political Science Amy Fried, and Director of Maine's Holocaust and Human Rights Center Shenna Bellows — who were willing to share their expertise on the subject.

Professor Godfried devoted his remarks to

detailing the historical development of antisemitism, which he argued evolved from a form of religious persecution to the more modern economic, political and social forms of oppression seen today.

"Most historians would agree that, to a considerable extent, antisemitism has been based on Christian hostility toward Jews," Godfried explained. "Living outside the only true church, made Jews, by definition, 'the other' and 'outsiders.' This led, over time, to an assortment of anti-Jewish practices—forcing Jews to live in ghettos, limiting their occupational choices, expelling them from countries, massacring them, etc."

Though antisemitism can be exhibited in a variety of manners, Godfried noted that these displays are often similar to those of the many other hate-ideologies prevalent in society.

"Like all oppressions, antisemitism has deep historical roots and uses exploitation, marginalization, discrimination and violence as its tools," Godfried says. "Antisemitism seeks to dehumanize and degrade Jews via lies and stereotypes. Although its mythology changes and adapts to different times and plac-

es, it consistently blames Jews for a particular society's problems."

In her analyses of the subject, Fried noted the prevalence of antisemitism in contemporary politics, referencing a recent study by the Anti-Defamation League which states that antisemitic hate crimes have risen in their frequency in recent years, as well as referencing the kinds of comments made by politicians that inspire such hate crimes.

Fried ended her remarks by concluding, through a humorous anecdote, that although "anti-semitism will, to some extent, always be with us," good people, Jewish or otherwise, will continue to confront it.

The event's third and final speaker, Shenna Bellows, shared with the attendees some of her personal experiences as the executive director of Maine's Holocaust and Human Rights Center and as a Senator representing the State's 14th district. Her center, she explained, had been founded in 1985 by Jewish World War II refugees who had survived the Holocaust, settled in the United States, and devoted themselves to teaching others about the events of the genocide and about human rights.



On Wednesday Nov. 6th people gather at the Wilson Center to have a discussion with the community regarding anti-semitism and politics.

Photo by Will Bickford.

Bellows also acknowledged the inextricable connection between white supremacy and antisemitism, which she argued must be fought through education and public awareness.

Before the discussion began, a buffet-style dinner of Mediterranean-inspired cuisine was presented by Taylor Ashley, a cook and part-time faculty member in the college of liberal arts and sciences, who, with help from his fellow staff members, was able to feed all of the nearly 55 people in attendance.

"The Wilson Center's Wednesday night community meals are lovely," Ashley said. "They provide an opportunity for community members to

come together and enjoy a free healthy vegetarian meal which is followed with a thought-provoking presentation by various leaders in the community. I enjoy the cultural diversity the Wednesday community meals attract. I believe it is one of the most diverse weekly community events open to the public in the surrounding area."

Bill Siemers, the rabbi of Congregation Beth Israel in Bangor and the current president of UMaine's Wilson Center, spoke with the Maine Campus after the event, sharing his thoughts on the center's weekly dinner discussions.

"The Wilson Center has long been an institution devoted to tolerance

and progressive causes. Last [Wednesday's] discussion on antisemitism, hosted by the Wilson Center and organized by the Judaic Studies Program, was in keeping with that mission and is representative of the kind of encounters that take place in our building. We were proud to provide a forum and encouraged greatly by the communal response."

Discussion-dinners are held in the Wilson Center each Wednesday from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. and are free of charge. More information on the Wilson Center can be learned by calling 207.866.4227, or by visiting its website at umaine.edu/wilsoncenter/.

UMaine Democrats welcome U.S. Senate Candidate Sara Gideon

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On Thursday, the University of Maine College Democrats hosted Maine's Speaker of the House and current U.S. Senate candidate Sara Gideon for a town-hall discussion with the UMaine community. Thursday's town-hall was the College Democrats' second such event of the year, after last month's hosting of Democratic Senate candidate Betsy Sweet.

Held in Room 217 of the Donald P. Corbett building, the discussion, which was attended by around 50 students, lasted for approximately an hour, and was divided into a preliminary round of questions from executives in the College Democrats and a following meet-and-greet session during which each attendee was given the opportunity to converse with Gideon.

Before the question

and answer session began, Gideon was allowed the chance to both introduce herself and share personal accounts of her life in politics. The thought of running for political office, she explained, had not occurred to her until an acquaintance encouraged her husband to do so. She soon realized that public service would be better suited to her disposition, and decided to run herself for a seat on the town council in Freeport, Maine. So began a career in State politics that has provided Gideon with four legislative terms in the Maine House of Representatives, and two as the House's Speaker. With her time of service in Augusta now approaching its legal limit, Gideon chose to run for U.S. Senate against the State's senior Senator Susan Collins, who has represented Maine for nearly 23 years.

Club President and

third-year electrical engineering student Liam Kent compiled a list of questions that were asked of Gideon by fellow club member, second-year political science and international relations student Virginia Hugo-Vidal. Throughout the question and answer session, Gideon expressed her support for provisions of the Affordable Care Act, her determination to combat global climate change and her openness to increased taxation on vapor cigarettes. On issues of local importance, Gideon explained her opposition to the Central Maine Power corridor and her desire to construct a statewide network of broadband internet service. When asked what she considered to be her most significant legislative achievement in Augusta, Gideon recounted her sponsoring of a bill that expanded the use of Narcan in cases of

drug overdose.

After concluding their question and answer session, Kent and Hugo-Vidal gave each attendee an opportunity to meet the State Speaker and ask her any further questions they might have had.

"The event went very well, and we are excited about having candidates come to the University," Hugo Vidal said. "As a woman in politics, it's great to see strong women like Betsy Sweet and Sara Gideon leading the way and having strong legacies in legislation."

Declan Downey, the vice-president of the UMaine College Democrats spoke with the Maine Campus after the event had ended.

"It was great that she came," Downey said. "We are trying to have as many (candidates) as we can before election 2020. As the UMaine College Democrats, we are trying to facilitate de-

bates and engage with candidates. Whoever the candidate may be against Susan Collins, we will throw our weight behind them."

The UMaine College Democrats is a subsidiary organization of the Maine College Democrats, which is itself an arm of the Maine Democratic Party (MDP). Club President Kent also serves as the Vice-President of the statewide College Democrats' Club and described some of his group's history and its primary objectives.

"As far as I know, (the Club) has been around since the 1980s in some way, shape or form," Kent said. "Our current club is based off the restructuring/revitalization of UMCD that occurred in 2013."

"UMCD is a chapter of the Maine College Democrats which is the student arm of the MDP, and the MDP State Committee has authority over the MCD," Kent noted.

"Our goal this year is to both help educate students about this upcoming election, help them register to vote, and the other things related to elections — but we also want our members and students alike to feel like they have a say in their government."

When asked for the club's plans in the coming months, Kent expressed his desire to host candidates from the Democratic Presidential primary field for similar town-hall discussions.

"I welcomed Speaker Gideon to campus and looked forward to students getting the opportunity to meet and hear from her on a range of issues," Kent said, "and [I] look forward to working with, and having students hear from, other candidates and campaigns that want to come to UMaine."

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Wells spoke on some of the work that "Reclaim" does and discussed the project that the organization conducted in Placencia, Belize, including sending a group to conduct fieldwork after the city was devastated after Hurricane Iris in 2002. After the

hurricane, the accessible water that civilians were using had become severely contaminated by toxic waste. The hurricane destroyed nearly 80-90% of the Placencia peninsula, causing a severe flood from the lagoon. At the time, the Belizeans were using buckets for human waste which they would dump into the nearby lagoon. The process was a pub-

lic health issue and caused diseases to arise in the community.

With help from "Reclaim," a large number of the residents of Placencia became knowledgeable about and aware of the water crisis.

The staff and students involved in "Reclaim" became personally involved with the citizens of Placencia while they worked there. "Reclaim" took

their voices into consideration, asking for drawings of what water means to them and looks like in their community. After gathering roughly 200 drawings, they configured a coded book for a stronger understanding and perspective of the social and cultural significance of the water resources.

While engineering was able to deliver a practical solution to the

water crisis, anthropologists who worked alongside them were able to highlight the human aspects of the cultural area that was affected, allowing the organization to better meet the needs of the community.

In the past, "Reclaim" has worked with the United States Peace Corps and Engineers Without Borders.

Wells' discussion highlighted some of

the issues of social engineering and provided a valuable lesson for members of the UMaine community: that students and faculty can help more people if they work together.

Weekly Updates

This Week in Student Government

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

Emily Molino
Contributor

The Nov. 5 meeting began with the approval of Oct. 29 meeting minutes.

General Good and Welfare:

Vice President Chase Flaherty went over the Robert's Rule item of the week: motion to reconsider. This motion is not amenable.

New Senators, Officer Appointments, Resignations:

Sen. Olivia Lovejoy was appointed to the senate.

Club Maintenance:

The Archery Club came into the senate seeking reactivation so they can be nationally ranked. This was passed by the senate.

A representative from the Young Americans for Liberty came into the senate seeking preliminary recognition. This is a non-partisan political organization that has a heavy focus on freedom of speech. This was passed by the senate.

Representatives from the School of Forest Resources Community Council came into the senate looking for preliminary recognition so they can expand and begin fundraising events. This was passed by the senate.

Club Presentations:

A representative from the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) came to the senate to discuss the society's recent coaster car competition in Canada. He summarized the success of the trip for the senate, adding that ASME placed No. 4 in the competition.

Guest Speakers:

Dominique DiSpirito from the Green Campus Initiative (GCI) came to the senate to discuss a new service project that will be starting this month. Every third Sunday of the month, the GCI will be hosting a 'Service Sunday.'

Executive Reports:

President Simpson attended the Distinguished Professor Committee meeting and reported that the presentations went very well. He also reported that Cabinet will be reviewing applications for the Leadership Scholarship, as the applications have closed. Lastly, he reminded the senate that the First Gen Celebration Week has commenced and there will be several events this week.

Vice President Chase Flaherty thanked the photographer for coming into the senate and reported that the diversity training is postponed to a later date.

Vice President for Financial Affairs Jack O' Donoghue summarized the audit that was performed for the senate.

Vice President for Student Organizations Taylor Cray outlined that she is currently making sure that clubs have submitted the paperwork they need correctly.

Vice President for Student Entertainment Logan Aromando reported that the Halloween events went well and there is a meeting to discuss details for the ice rink this winter.

Advisor to Student Government Lauri Sidelko reported that



changes will be made in order to register students faster for the next election. She reminded the senate that there will be no class Monday due to Veterans Day but there will be events held all week. Lastly, she reported that all class councils are in need of additional support and there are projects currently in the works for the future of class councils as a whole.

Periodic Reports:

University of Maine Board of Trustees Rep. Abby Despres reported that she will be headed to a full board meeting soon and reminded the senate to come to her with any concerns.

Chair of Fair Election Practices Commission Rep. Matthew Akers reminded members of the senate to get their senator applications in.

Director of Communications Owen Vadala informed the senate that once the headshots are developed, he will be emailing those out to members.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Marketing and Public Relations Rep. Owen Vadala reported that there will be

a committee meeting held next Thursday.

Membership Rep. Zachary Wyles reported that a student senate merchandise poll will be coming out and encouraged members to vote on the type of merchandise they would like for the year.

Policy and Procedure Rep. Mikaela Shea reported that the meeting that was to be held this week will be rescheduled to a later date.

Political Activism Rep. Cody Embelton reminded members of the senate to vote as it was election day and alluded to many events happening Friday.

Representative Boards:

Commuter and Non-Traditional Students Rep. Ian Johnson reported that the pumpkin decorating voting was postponed and will be decided this week.

Honors College Rep. Lauren Ryan reported that Hocus Pocus movie night went well and that the board has received more interest along with a membership increase.

She also reminded the senate that Donuts with the Dean will be

happening next Friday and the Chipotle fundraiser is Nov. 16.

Interfraternity Council Rep. Andrew Arsenault reported that applications for executive boards are due Nov. 12 and elections will be held Nov. 19. He also reminded the senate that the Greek Gala will be held in December and encouraged members of the senate to congratulate Alpha Sigma Phi on receiving charter.

Senior Class Council Rep. Joshua Minor reiterated Lauri Sidelko's point of each class council needing more support, as they are working to be reinstated. Lastly, he reminded the senate that there will be an event held at Orono House of Pizza on Nov. 17 for the Patriots vs Eagles game.

Sustainability and Environmental Actions Division (SEAD) Rep. Dalton Bouchles reported that SEAD now has a new logo and tee shirts as well as other merchandise will be released soon.

Community Association Reports: Student Heritage Alliance Council (SHAC) Rep. Anna Schaab reported that Culture Fest will be held this Saturday and that SHAC is preparing for Multicultural Thanksgiving as well.

Feminist Collective Rep. Hannah Thomson reported that the diversity training will be postponed until further notice.

International Student Association Rep. Hannah Holbrook encouraged members of the senate to not only attend Culture Fest but volunteer for the event

as well. Consent Agenda: Caribbean and Latinx Student Alliance requested \$500 for a griddle and stainless steel food serving set. The agenda was passed by the senate.

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New Business: An act to allocate \$1,250 in funds to the Maine Animal Club for ornaments, craft items, holiday decorations, face painting, poster/banner and animal costumes for their event "Witter Wonderland", Witter Farms on Dec. 8, 2019. This was passed by the senate.

An act to allocate \$7,550 in funds to cheerleading for airline tickets for 24 cheerleaders to fly from Boston, Massachusetts to Orlando, Florida to compete at the NCA Collegiate Nationals in Daytona Beach FL April 7-11, 2020. This was passed by the senate.

An act to allocate \$1,080 in funds to the Student Heritage Alliance Council for ingredients and dinnerware for the Multicultural Thanksgiving on Nov. 14, 2019. This was passed by the senate.

The meeting was adjourned.

UMaine recognizes first generation students throughout the week

Bhavana Scalia-Bruce
Contributor

Over the past week, the University of Maine Division of Lifelong Learning is working in collaboration with the Division of Student Life to initiate the first initiative and inaugural First Gen Celebration Week starting on Nov. 4, 2019. Last year was the first year the University of Maine launched the 'First Generation Success Initiative,' which serves to uplift and empower first-generation college students.

Students whose parents have not completed a bachelor's degree are considered "first-generation students." As of 2019, 67% of the University of Maine's first-year student body popula-

tion are first-generation college students.

Campus events took place throughout the week in recognition of first-generation students, primarily at the Memorial Union.

The UMaine community celebrated First-Gen Students Week to bring awareness to the struggles and difficulties that first-generation students endure, as well as recognizing the hard work that the students put in at UMaine.

Approximately 25% of both the student and faculty population at UMaine are first-generation.

Monica LaRocque is the associate provost for the Division of Lifelong Learning at UMaine. When speaking on behalf of first-generation students at UMa-

ine, LaRocque stated, "We know that at the University of Maine we retain first-gen students at a lower rate than the rest of the student population... we believe we can do better."

To welcome and encourage a higher population of first-generation students at UMaine, ensuring students apply to the University of Maine is a critical portion of the process. The UMaine admissions staff strongly promotes the university to high school students through physical recruitment, social media, college fairs and presentations.

To ensure a smooth transition to the university, all of the schools in the University of Maine system pro-

vides a program called "Student Support Systems" (SSS). With SSS, first-generation students have access to additional support.

Through the SSS, UMaine also has specific grants for first-generation students, which helps to increase the numbers of first-generation students at the university. There are also scholarship opportunities that only go to first-generation students. Apart from financial assistance, SSS offers students academic advising, preparation for graduate school, academic skill-building, resume building and provides resources to work on social and literacy skills.

Additionally, SSS works closely with the UMaine counseling

center to ensure students' mental health issues are addressed and all potential needs are taken into account.

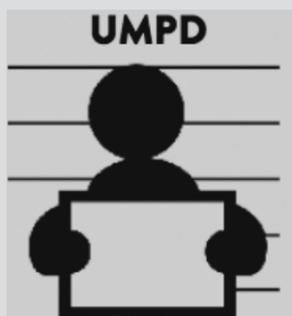
69% of the students who take advantage of the SSS program across the UMaine system are first-generation.

The overall number of first-generation students is increasing across the state. The entire University of Maine system, which includes the University of Southern Maine, University of Maine Fort Kent, Presque Isle, Farmington, Machias and the UMaine School of Law, have all seen higher rates of enrollment of first-generation students in recent years. With a higher number of students who come from

a family that wasn't college-educated, it creates a more diverse student body. The University of Maine is happy to spend the week celebrating the accomplishments of these students to acknowledge the hard work and roadblocks that these students often have to overcome.

Police Beat

The best from UMaine's finest



Leela Stockley
News Editor

Nov. 1 - 12:40 a.m.
While on duty, Officer Gray of the Orono

Police Department (OPD) noticed Michael Conrad, 20, of Kennebunk walking around the Orchard Trails Apartment

Complex carrying a piece of the fence. Officer Gray stopped Conrad and attempted to talk to him, but Conrad was not co-

operative and did not speak to Officer Gray. Officer Gray determined that Conrad was intoxicated. Conrad was summoned for theft and has a December court date.

Nov. 2 - 1:05 a.m.
While on duty, Sergeant Wentworth of OPD was called by the security at the Orchard Trails Apartment Complex to deal with two men who were caught

smashing through the fence. Sergeant Wentworth confronted Brandt Hebert, 19, and Eli Higgins, 19, both of Westbrook. Hebert and Higgins were apologetic. When talking with Hebert and Higgins, Sergeant Wentworth noticed that they were carrying backpacks that appeared to have alcohol in them. Sergeant Wentworth had Hebert and Higgins dump out the

alcohol that he found in their backpacks. Hebert and Higgins were summoned for illegal possession of alcohol by a minor, and both have a December court date.

Briefs

Quick news from around the country



Leela Stockley
News Editor

Nov. 5
Angela Okafor made history on Tuesday and was elected to the Bangor City Council. Okafor is believed

to be the first person of color to hold office in Bangor. Okafor is an immigration attorney who emigrated from Nigeria more than ten years ago, and has been welcomed into the Bangor community.

Nov. 7
Maine astronaut Chris Cassidy may be headed back to space for a spacewalk that would be made up of all Mainers. Cassidy is set to return to the

International Space Station in April of 2020, and has hinted at completing a spacewalk with fellow Main-er Jessica Meir. Meir, who hails from Caribou, made history for being one of the two women to complete an all-female spacewalk. Cassidy noted that he would look forward to the opportunity to be in space at the same time as Meir.

Nov. 8
Roger Bennatti, a science teacher at George Stevens Academy in Blue Hill, Maine made national headlines this week after revealing that he has kept a Twinkie out of the wrapper for 43 years, and the sweet treat looks almost unchanged. When Bennatti opened the Twinkie in 1976, he was demonstrating to students a lesson about

food additives and preservatives, and wanted to know how long a Twinkie would last after it was opened. Bennatti is still waiting for the answer.



The World This Week



Nov. 9
Germany marked the 30th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall on Saturday. The occasion was celebrated around the country. The wall was opened by East German authorities after mass demonstration on Nov. 9, 1989. Chancellor Angela Merkel noted that Nov. 9 represented the “happiness and unhappiness of moments in history,” and that it “reminds us that human rights cannot be taken for granted.”

Nov. 9
The United States Women’s National Soccer Team (USWNT) has been granted class status in an Equal Pay Lawsuit filed in March. This class certification allows for members of the USWNT to sue the federation collectively. This is a step forward in closing the gender pay gap in professional sports.

Nov. 10
After launching impeachment investigations against President Donald Trump on Sept. 24, public hearings to build a case against Trump will take place in the next week. The public hearings are an opportunity for the public to form an opinion on the impeachment inquiry, as testimonies from key witnesses will be televised and covered throughout the week.

This week at UMaine...

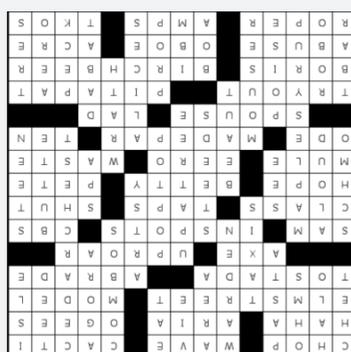
What’s happening this week at UMaine

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	Uncaged: Art from the Border 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. IMRC, Stewart Commons	Screening of ‘Project 22’ 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. North Pod, Memorial Union Chamber Music Concert 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Minsky Recital Hall	Multicultural Thanksgiving 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. North Pod, Memorial Union	The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Collins Center for the Arts	

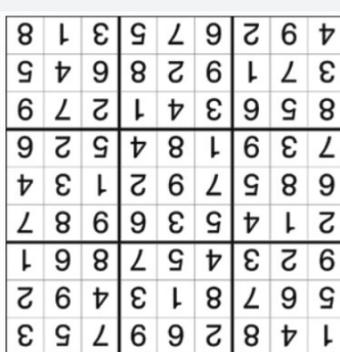
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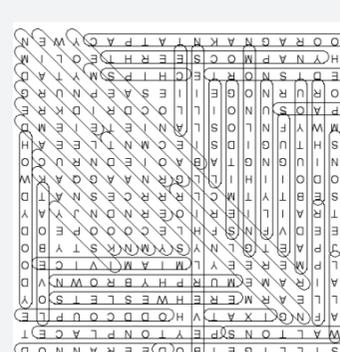
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Crossword



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Opinion

Monday, November 11, 2019

Editorial: Research for all: UMaine can do more to improve undergraduate research funding

Liz Theriault
Opinion Editor

The University of Maine has allocated \$137.7 million for research expenditures in 2019. This amount includes faculty, graduate and undergraduate research endeavors and is distributed with the goals, according to the UMaine 2018 research and development plan, to make Maine the best state in the nation to work and live in, to establish an innovative economy in Maine and to prepare the next generation of Maine's workforce. As a flagship university, UMaine prides itself on its dedication to providing research opportunities for all. However, more can be done to ensure students of all disciplines have access to critical funding needed to pursue undergraduate research.

One of the largest campus benefactors of undergraduate research endeavors is the Center for Undergraduate Research (CUGR), whose mission is to "increase,

improve and enhance undergraduate students' participation and experiences in research, scholarship and creative activity," according to CUGR's website. CUGR provides invaluable funding to students every academic year and summer break in the form of travel grants and fellowships.

During the academic year, undergraduate students can submit research proposals to CUGR for consideration for a \$1,100 fellowship, which was "established to help provide financial support for undergraduate students in hopes of creating an environment where students can become involved in meaningful faculty-supervised research," according to the CUGR website.

Applicants are asked to provide an abstract of their research, a project description and budget justification with their application, along with a faculty or mentor letter. After submissions, applications are scored on conciseness, presentabil-

ity, comprehensiveness, innovation and likelihood for success.

In the 2018-19 academic year, 27 CUGR fellowships were awarded to various undergraduate researchers. Of those 27, one student was a humanities major, two were social science majors, and the rest were science, technology, engineering or math (STEM) majors.

STEM research is a crucial and important undertaking for UMaine to support. STEM students drive the state forward in innovation, make up a considerable portion of the state's workforce and contribute to new discoveries every year. However, humanities, social science and other branches of research should not be allowed to fall through the cracks, and should be supported and celebrated in the same way that STEM is.

There are few opportunities for students who study the humanities at UMaine to pursue funded research opportunities. The Humanities Center,

named The Clement and Linda McGillicuddy Humanities Center (MHC) in 2017, was established in 2010 to advance "teaching, research, and public knowledge of the humanities," and support programs "that engage art, literature, history, philosophy, politics and diverse cultures," according to the center's website.

Every year, undergraduate humanities students are able to apply for the MHC Undergraduate Fellowship, which provides \$4,000 a semester in funding for a humanities-centered research project. This fellowship lasts two consecutive semesters, and recipients are required to attend all MHC events and programs, participate in a bi-weekly group meeting with a Fellows Coordinator and give one live presentation on campus about their research.

This program is highly competitive. In the 2019-2020 academic year, only three students were awarded the fellowship.

The MHC also pro-

vides smaller funds for students hoping to travel abroad or to conferences to aid in their research process. And while these opportunities that are provided by the MHC are significant and appreciated by UMaine humanities students, the level of disparity between STEM research funding and humanist research funding is one to consider.

For undergraduate students, the opportunity to pursue a research project opens many doors. Undergraduate research can be used to help students refine their passions, gauge whether the choice to attend graduate school is right for them and even help students land interviews for future jobs.

In July of 2017, Forbes magazine published an article highlighting the importance of undergraduate research. The author, Chad Orzel, spoke at length about his own experience as an undergraduate researcher and how it helped guide his path to the future. Orzel

stated, "the most important part of research as an undergraduate student is often the transformation of the student, and the things they'll go on to do in the future."

In order for students to pursue this invaluable experience, there needs to be adequate funding. Many college students have to conduct research on top of full-time class loads and part-time jobs. Funding for undergraduate research helps to lift financial burdens off of students' shoulders so they can put more energy and focus into the work that matters: the research they are passionate about.

UMaine works hard to ensure that its students are prepared for life after graduation. For students, particularly those in the humanities who see less research funding, new or more extensive programs should be established in order to provide support that could guarantee UMaine support research for all.

Twitter announces ban on political advertisements

Kate Ladstatter
Contributor

Twitter CEO Jack Dorsey announced last week that by the end of this November, the social media platform will be banning all forms of paid political advertisements as well as promotions for a number of hot-button topics.

The decision comes in the wake of an examination of social media's impact on the 2016 election, as well as a corpo-

rate decision to remove posts that could potentially influence users under false pretenses. Although at first this decision may seem alarming, it actually has the potential to positively impact Twitter as a whole, especially in regards to user experience.

As can be expected, the decision has drawn a wave of feedback from both affirming and dissenting viewpoints. The obvious argument in this situation concerns the concept of free speech;

many view Dorsey's announcement as a violation of that right, but others see it as an invited change. Not only will the new policy remove annoying and occasionally borderline harassing advances from politicians, it will also deescalate the hostility in the environment of Twitter as a whole, especially during election seasons. Twitter hopes to foster meaningful and productive political discussions among users that otherwise wouldn't be as gen-

uine with the prodding of political endorsement into people's timelines.

It is an unfortunate reality that political public relations that use social media as a channel of communication can nowadays be viewed in the same category as propaganda. Philosopher Jason Stanley stated in an interview for Vox that the two are intrinsically linked, and, in this case, this assessment is especially applicable. This lies in the commercialized nature

of today's media and the tendency of media and its consumers alike to give attention to what is commercially popular rather than what is truthful. This leads to the creation of false narratives as well as a larger focus on topics that are salient on platforms purely due to the volume of attention they receive rather than the importance or validity of that topic.

The new standards imposed by the platform will introduce an unfam-

iliar environment to candidates in upcoming elections that will surely lead to the reformation of candidates' strategies for reaching millennial voters who frequent Twitter. The obvious remedy to this issue would be a turn to platforms that have not enacted the same ban, namely Facebook. However, with the changing site comes a separate and older demographic of potential voters. CEO

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Hatebook: how social media can be used to spread prejudice

Kylie Welch
Contributor

On Nov. 5, a white supremacist was charged with plotting to blow up a Colorado temple and it's said that the outlet that he used to air his frustrations was one that we are all familiar with: Facebook. Due to his frequent use of Facebook as a way to share his anti-semitic outlook, he had been tracked for years by local authorities. However, the question remains, is it the responsibility of vari-

ous social media outlets to protect against hate speech? To what extent should these outlets attempt to censor certain user's voices in order to make their platforms more accessible and hospitable to all who wish to use it, especially those in traditionally marginalized groups?

Facebook is running into the same problem Twitter faced in the recent outrage over President Trump's use of the app to agitate certain problems. For Facebook, however,

it appears that the issue of aggressive message sharing isn't between a president and his national and international audience, but rather between family members or neighbors. As the 2000s have moved through trends, Facebook has become more of a social media for the older demographic, often favored by parents and grandparents and seen by many younger internet users as a more formal form of social media. Rather than the memes and jokes that are seen on

Twitter, or the photos that are shared on Instagram, Facebook remains a place where people share their thoughts and have a wide audience, often containing only those who the user knows in real life.

It's because of this intimacy on Facebook that the power and ability to say whatever one wishes can be seen as a direct threat to one's livelihood if these messages are hateful. In the case of the 27-year-old white supremacist who attempted to place a bomb in a

synagogue last week, a particular message was shared on Sep. 9 in reference to Jewish citizens: "I wish the Holocaust really did happen ... they need to die."

This message is blatantly hateful and would be more than enough to harm Jewish citizens who come in contact with the message or with the man himself, regardless of the fact that he later attempted to take action in order to fulfill these beliefs.

It's difficult to say where exactly the bound-

ary lies between protecting a platform's users and preventing another user's free speech, a line that has been attempted to be drawn for a decade now since the rise in popularity of social media. Until Facebook and other platforms begin to crack down on hateful speech, slurs and threats, the most we as users can do is to remain vigilant and make our own private pages as welcoming and accepting for all, especially for marginalized groups that face so much hate online.

Big donations can't solve California's housing crisis

Owen Baertlein
Contributor

Over the last few weeks, technology companies such as Apple, Facebook and Google have donated billions of dollars to help solve the housing crisis in California. This philanthropic act aimed at alleviating the stress of homeownership and renting for the vast majority of Californians. The donations were charitable, kind-hearted and genuinely well-intended—here's why they won't help at all.

The donations of these tech giants are a classic example of the hy-

per-American mentality of throwing money at a problem until it's gone. But truth be told, the issue for the renting population of California doesn't exactly lie in the price of a home or an apartment. It lies in the fact that for decades, homeowners in cities like San Jose, San Francisco or Oakland have voted to zone the majority of the city for single-family housing units.

With that in mind, let's say the \$4.5 billion total donations of the California tech companies go straight to building the only thing they can: single-family homes. The average cost of a home

in California is \$1.4 million, which is well outside of the pay grade for California's working class. Not to mention the fact that even if the land was rezoned, like in San Jose, where 94% of the city is zoned for single-family homes, and homeowners' opinions were cast aside in the interest of the younger working population, California still needs to build \$1.6 trillion worth of housing units. To put that in perspective, the combined total of the billion-dollar donations is about one-quarter of one percent of the money necessary to fill California's housing gap. But

again, this money isn't the primary issue. Places like Atherton are zoned so that building apartment complexes is illegal.

In the meantime, cities are allocating certain parking lots as safe zones for homeless families living out of cars, vans or campers. These parking lots have social workers on standby for a few hours a night and security guards that roam the grounds a few times a day. It's an improvement for most families for sure, but in the end, it's just a temporary stopgap in communities that need and deserve more than just a concrete lot for themselves and

their families.

Ultimately, the issue boils down to something extremely simple: it's time for Californian homeowners to open their eyes and realize that the American dream has changed, and it's time we change with it. People can no longer afford a family home right out of college, and it's doubtful that anybody could afford any kind of home in California right after graduating. Cities need to be prepared for higher population densities and this means allowing the construction of affordable housing.

Sure, owning your own home with a white picket

fence and a lawn is great, but if the city you live in has four jobs per housing unit, like Palo Alto, it's time to wake up and realize that growth like this is unsustainable. California is already seeing the highest rate of domestic emigration in the entire U.S., with most people leaving the state to find new residences in states like Texas. Sen. Scott Weiner, a Democrat from San Francisco, sums up the situation perfectly: "California cities have systematically made it hard to impossible to build housing, and money can't fix that."

Could unified accreditation be the solution for the UMaine system?

Nate Poole
Contributor

Within the next three years, all seven campuses of The University of Maine System could be working together as one governed body, but there are many who fear that this process may be fast-tracked and that the smaller campuses especially may suffer for it. Last Thursday, Nov. 7, the UMaine System Chancellor and Former Governor of Connecticut Dannel Malloy spoke with professors and other members of the university community in order to advocate for the UMaine system to switch from separate accreditation to one collective accreditation for all.

Accreditation is meant to signify that a university meets a certain standard of quality, enabling stu-

dents that attend that institution to receive federal financial aid and transfer credits. Currently, all of the public universities in Maine are accredited individually with the exception of the Machias campus, which falls under UMaine, Orono's accreditation. The governing body which accredits universities, the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE), expressed reservations around the collaboration between some of the universities and questioned, as they were concerned with whether they should be viewed as separate institutions. The Presque Isle and Fort Kent campuses in particular share education and nursing programs, a practice that has caused the NECHE to put the institutions "on notice," accord-

ing to WGME.

Chancellor Malloy and the UMaine system's board of trustees see this collaboration as positive and would like to solidify it and ensure the survival of smaller campuses through unified accreditation. As such, the new chancellor has been visiting the different public university campuses around Maine with a plan to visit each campus at least three times in order to promote transparency and answer questions and criticisms about the unified proposal. On the website, which was created to follow the reactions and development associated with the unified accreditation effort, numerous concerns are outlined in the documentation of faculty feedback to the board of trustees. Most

of these concerns have to do with the smaller campuses losing their agency over themselves, as well as doubts about how effectively a unified system would be governed given the complexity and diversity of the campuses.

According to a Bangor Daily News article published in September, "under the unified accreditation Malloy is proposing, smaller campuses ... could lean on the system as a whole to satisfy those requirements." This idea is concerning, in that it seems as if a goal of unified accreditation is to keep the smaller universities legitimized even if they alone cannot meet NECHE's standards. According to WGME, Jim McClymer, a professor at UMaine and the head of the faculty union, appre-

ciates the communication and transparency with the board of trustees and the chancellor, but at the same time asserted that they are rushing the process too much.

It is that question of execution which gets to the heart of the issue. Perhaps unified accreditation is moving in the right direction; the Fort Kent and Presque Isle campuses have actually supplemented programs, like nursing and education, for each other quite nicely. However, WGME reports that Malloy performed a similar merging of secondary education institutions when he was the governor of Connecticut, and it was not well-liked. Faculty concerns, laid out in a memo addressed to the board of trustees, also indicate a lack of confi-

dence in the bureaucratic system: "it does not make sense to have them be making this decision just based on recommendations from the Chancellor's office."

Perhaps the board and chancellor will push the plan through with or without the support of faculty, and I hope that it has a positive effect on the University of Maine System at large. But as of right now, the effort seems like it could be disorganized and faculty must be looked to for the vital question of whether or not this change will benefit the student body of the University of Maine System or just the system itself.

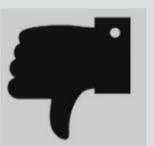
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Mark Zuckerberg has remained true to his pledge not to ban such advertisements, even after Russia's utilization of the platform in the 2016 election that spread false information to its users, and more recently with the launching of an ad campaign by President Trump which seeks to spread false claims about Former Vice President Biden and his son's actions in Ukraine. Democrats retaliated by running fake ads of their own to test the boundar-

ies of Facebook's policy, including a fake campaign that stated, without any evidence, that Zuckerberg himself endorsed the reelection of President Trump. This testing on behalf of the Democrats has brought to light worrying implications about the lack of restrictions on what information politicians can push to the public and how easy it is for false information to be spread to massive audiences.

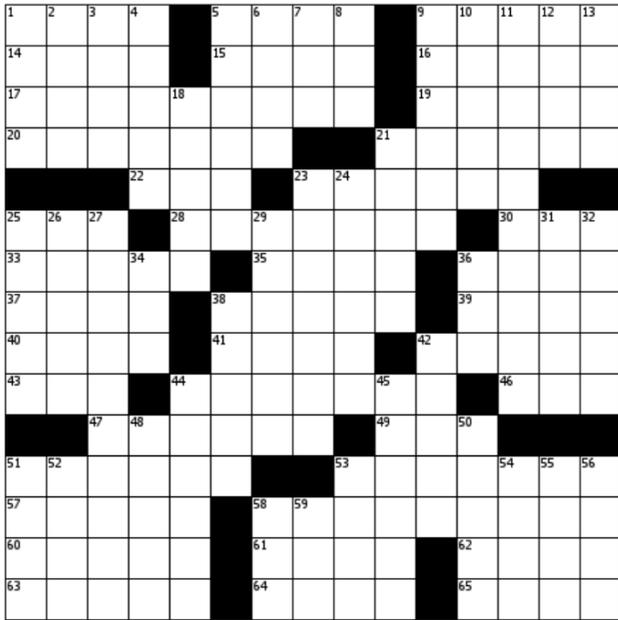
The effect and overall detriment caused by paid political ad campaigns can be plainly seen. They aid in the spreading and

sensationalizing of misleading information and have powerful impacts on the political decisions of voters down the line. The moral implications of this issue are additionally hard to ignore. Despite the knee-jerk reaction to disapprove of Twitter's banning of this type of advertising on the basis of free speech, it is important to take into consideration the positive implications such a change holds in regard to our media consumption and exposure to falsities not only during election seasons but in our media interactions in general.

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Diversions

Crossword



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- Across**
- 1. Rough seas feature
 - 5. Another rough seas feature
 - 9. Desert plants
 - 14. "Very funny"
 - 15. Met song
 - 16. Certain moldings
 - 17. Nightmare locale

- 19. Exemplar
- 20. Tex-Mex item
- 21. Wear by rubbing
- 22. Wood chopper
- 23. Brouhaha
- 25. Finger-pointing "Uncle"
- 28. Here and there, and maybe over there
- 30. Eye network
- 33. Type of ring
- 35. Bugle call
- 36. Word with in or up or down
- 37. Crossed fingers symbolize it
- 38. Toon Boop
- 39. Sampras of tennis
- 40. Prospector's beast
- 41. Architect Saarinen
- 42. Scrap
- 43. Poem of praise
- 44. Was even on a golf round
- 46. Top of some ratings
- 47. Better half
- 49. Terhune canine
- 51. Audition
- 53. Rain-on-the-roof sound
- 57. Becker of tennis
- 58. Carbonated drink

- 60. Violation, as of privileges
 - 61. Double-reed instrument
 - 62. Farmland unit
 - 63. "Three's Company" landlord
 - 64. Woodstock gear
 - 65. Some boxing results
- Down**
- 1. Guitar legend Atkins
 - 2. Angel topper
 - 3. Resistance units
 - 4. Linguini or ziti
 - 5. Prison chief
 - 6. Word with gray or rest
 - 7. Go for the gold
 - 8. Mom's order
 - 9. Small jazz bands
 - 10. Thessalian marketplace
 - 11. Blanket box
 - 12. Began a golf game
 - 13. "Cast Away" setting
 - 18. Occupants of some stands
 - 21. Pretentious, as a display
 - 23. In a tough jam
 - 24. Soda-can feature

- 25. Jerk
- 26. One way to pray
- 27. Waffle topping
- 29. Knights' horses
- 31. Montana mining city
- 32. "Merry Company on a Terrace" artist
- 34. "I told you so!"
- 36. Resort with mineral springs
- 38. Lollapalooza
- 42. Vindictive anger
- 44. Skilled housecat
- 45. Arlo's favorite restaurant
- 48. Grace under pressure
- 50. Sponge gently
- 51. Skier's lift
- 52. Sci-fi prefix
- 53. Actor's accessory
- 54. Eat like a bird
- 55. Prefix with space
- 56. Dos follower
- 58. Fluffy neckwear
- 59. "Big Blue"

Word Search: Old West

BANKER
BARKEEP
BILLY THE KID
BOOT HILL
BRAND
CAMPFIRE
CATTLE DRIVE
CHAPARRAL
COAL
CORRAL
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Horoscopes

By Antyna Gould

Aries (March 21 - April 20)

Nov. 12 is a time to take a break from the hustle and bustle of your life and do something for yourself with the full moon in Taurus. Relationships are fragile and can cause fractures; use these cracks as a chance to heal. Take time with healing, this is not something to be rushed. There seems to be more bumps in the road than normal. Be patient and keep going, smooth roads lie ahead. The grandeur of life can be blinding, take time to appreciate the little things in life.

Taurus (April 21 - May 21)

Small actions can have big powers; take a chance on something small on Nov. 12 when the full moon enters Taurus. Maybe take a chance and ask your crush out, or try something new with your partner to create a lasting memory. However, don't get caught up in the little things of the past. Step back and enjoy the big picture. Facing hard problems means going through change to find a solution. Refine what you learn and use it to solve problems.

Gemini (May 22 - June 21)

Take a long, hard look at where you are when the full moon enters Taurus on Nov. 12. That is also a good time to take a break from multitasking and en-

joy some love. It is better to tell the truth than make life complicated, so think about the little white lies you tell. Small actions can have big consequences. Opportunities arise in unexpected locations, so be on the lookout.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22)

Living constantly in the familiar can close you off to exciting adventures. Leap at the opportunities that come your way, even if it means stepping outside of your comfort zone. Different mindsets can make everyone crabby. Be patient with others and work toward a compromise. This will be better for everyone in the end. Connections you make earlier in life can come full circle in the present, so look around for them.

Leo (July 23 - August 21)

Sometimes it's better to fold into yourself and harness your creative energy. A good time to do this is when the full moon goes into Taurus on Nov. 12. You must let go before you can move forward. Take a moment to speak about something that has been on your mind to someone you trust. Begin working toward a resolution. Be hopeful rather than worried about the outcome.

Virgo (August 22 - September 23)

Mercury in retrograde can have you feeling cranky with the need to

micromanage. The full moon on Nov. 12 is a good time to take that negative energy and direct it toward a creative project you've been neglecting. Speak up for yourself; don't let others walk all over you. Don't be afraid to put others in their place. Accept opportunities as they come your way, benefits are sure to follow.

Libra (September 24 - October 23)

Spend Nov. 12 indulging in desire when the full moon is in Taurus. You are allowed to have a space that is yours only. Set boundaries with people in your life. When life starts pushing you around, don't be afraid to push back. Take a moment to meditate on the decisions you've made so far. Make sure that they were the right choices to make.

Scorpio (October 24 - November 22)

The full moon in Taurus on Nov. 12 can bring about some intense feelings. Take a moment to appreciate where you are in life right now. Turn to people and places that bring you comfort in order to soothe any tensions you may be feeling right now. Identify your limits and respect them; they are there for your safety.

Sagittarius (November 23 - December 22)

When the full moon enters Taurus on Nov. 12, throw a party and relish in being the center of at-

Sudoku

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

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attention — a place where you love to be. You are the best version of you that there is. It's not easy to conform to others' ideas of you, but make sure you don't adhere to versions of yourself that are not the true you. You have the courage to make your own path in life, even if it means taking the road less traveled.

Capricorn (December 23 - January 20)

Nov. 12 brings the full moon into Taurus. Use that time to have some late nights with someone of interest. Trust your decision making and common sense when navigating this week. This, paired with your strong mind and hopeful manner, will make you rich in life. Take this mindset and turn

your dreams into a reality. Don't be afraid to take the first step when making that dream a reality, this might mean reaching out and asking for help.

Aquarius (January 21 - February 19)

Use the power of the full moon in Taurus on Nov. 12 to indulge in your desires and maybe share them with someone special. You have a plan and stick to it, this could create some difficulties in getting a new venture off the ground. Be flexible, don't be afraid to change your agenda. Be open to suggestions from others, they have a different perspective from you. You can learn the most from those you have nothing in common with. Be open-minded.

Pisces (February 20 - March 20)

Nov. 12 brings the full moon into Taurus; use this energy to realize what a wonderful person you truly are. Life can get busy at times. As exciting as it is to dive headfirst into your work, try not to over-work yourself and cause unnecessary stress in your life. Allow yourself the rest and self-care you need to be the best version of yourself in order to tackle the workload ahead. Dreams can say a lot without saying much, so spend some time reflecting on your dreams this week. Listen to them.

Reviews

🎵 MUSIC

Sasha Sloan paints a perfectly imperfect "Self Portrait"



Photo via rcarecords.com

RATING ★★★★★

Sierra Semmel
Staff Writer

Few people do vulnerability quite like Sasha Sloan. The 24-year-old Boston-born singer released her third EP, "Self Portrait," and as far as Sloan goes, it's par for the course. And by this, I mean it's raw, shameless, honest and relatable in ways that few artists can accomplish.

Sloan's first two EP's, "Sad Girl" and "Loser," both released in 2018, introduced her to the music industry as a young and talented songwriter and artist. Her music has bedroom pop elements; her voice is soft and airy, and the music production follows suit, with gentle beats that create a simple background, allowing her lyrics to shine.

"Self Portrait" addresses Sloan's acceptance with who she is from her faults to the image she portrays to the world and to her confessions of wrongdoing. With the opening song, "Thoughts," Sloan begins by giving us a look into the constant battle inside her head. The song consists of lines that are relatable to many, like the chorus's "I'm scared they're all laughing / so I make the joke first / if I beat them to the punchline / then I can't get hurt." Per usual for Sloan, her lyrics say much of what many of us don't want to admit, and "Thoughts" sets the theme for the EP, a collection of admissions and a first step at acceptance by acknowledging them all.

"Thoughts" begins by giving us a first look at Sloan's vision of herself and the rest of the EP follows with uniquely revealing songs about Sloan's life, her emotions and her anxieties. Yet "Self Portrait" also offers variety; the songs, though sticking with the theme, aren't repetitive. "Keep On," the EP's third song, has the encouraging message to continue on "even on the bad days," as Sloan sings. "Dancing With Your Ghost" is the only song specifically about love and heartbreak, the lyrics painting an image of grace in the face

of loss as Sloan's soft voice and gentle music intertwine throughout the chorus to create a melancholy anthem.

A standout of the collection comes in the second half of the seven-song EP with "at least I look cool," a unique tune that tells the story of Sloan going out for the night and basically faking it until she makes it. With her descriptions of how she doesn't fit into the wealthy party scene, lines like "I drive a car that doesn't work / I shop at Target for my shirts / and when I pay my rent it hurts," create two verses and a bridge that, with blatant honesty, explain exactly how Sloan is an outcast in this scene. Yet somehow, with the chilled-out vibes of the song, the bassline and Sloan's crooning, "honestly I'm kind of bored / but at least I look cool," she highlights her position as an outlier to be just that: incredibly cool.

All of "Self Portrait" is yet another confessional and raw piece of pure art from Sasha Sloan. She pulls us in and shares her secrets and flaws with a collection of chill songs perfect for background music while studying or a rainy-day soundtrack for the car. Where some artists thrive off of creating a flawless image of themselves, Sloan's "Self Portrait" is perfection in its honesty and self-acceptance.

🎬 MOVIE

Heavily Anticipated Netflix Release surprises and disappoints



Photo via radiotimes.com

RATING ★★★★★

Bria Lamonica
Contributor

"Fractured" is a new Netflix release that has been heavily anticipated by fans on social media. The 1 hour, 40 minute long psychological thriller was released to Netflix on Oct. 11, and doesn't live up to its hype — or the sheer amount of memes it spurred. Although shocking, thrilling and gripping, "Fractured" was a film unlike anything that was advertised or showcased to be by Netflix. Even the trailer is deceiving and makes a lot more sense than the actual film.

The movie was originally derived from a screenplay written by Alan B. McElroy and was first premiered at Fantastic Fest, an annual film festival in Austin, Texas, on Sept. 22. The film is about a man named Roy Monroe, played by Sam Worthington, who is driving home from visiting his family over Thanksgiving. His young daughter Perri, played by Lucy Capri, is in the car along with Roy and his wife Joanne, played by Lily Rabe. Things take a turn when the family has to stop at a dilapidated rest stop for Perri to go to the bathroom, and Perri and Roy both take a hard fall into a huge construction site. From there, terror unfolds as Roy rushes his family to the hospital and is sitting in the waiting room for hours.

Things ramp up when his daughter and wife are nowhere to be found after hours of waiting, and Roy starts to get agitated. The film winds through an array of chaotic events as Roy starts to realize that both his wife and daughter have gone missing in the hospital. There are so many plot twists and unforeseen events that everything gets jumbled and becomes very hard to follow. Roy, despite his mania and hysteria, attempts to talk to doctors and employees at the hospital, who seem to remember him coming in by himself to be treated for a head injury.

Roy stops being able to recall what actually happened and what didn't, which makes for a very unreliable main character in the film. Once the police get involved, the stakes increase along-

side Roy's insanity. The concept of the film is very interesting, jarring and high-stakes, but the actual execution of the film was less than stellar and not up to par with such an interesting idea for a movie.

The thriller was too jumbled with events and emotions from Roy to even pay attention to the actual mystery that needed to be solved. Roy's role as the narrator took us on a wild ride, and I found myself almost out of breath as I was forced to run through the hospital in a state of mania and panic with him.

The acting was very well done, but the scene changes and clips that were edited together were not as coherent as they could have been. I found myself wishing I was able to focus more on the story and on trying to guess how the ending would turn out instead of how crazy Roy was acting or what was going on in each moment. The ending was also very expected and easy to predict, which does not usually produce good reviews from a psychological thriller that tells fans to expect the unexpected.

Overall, this movie was worth watching, but only so you could talk about how crazy it was with your friends and try to piece together what actually happened.

📺 TV SHOW

"For All Mankind" fails to launch



Photo via heavenofhorror.com

RATING ★★★★★

Ali Tobey
Contributor

With regard to space travel, Buzz Aldrin and Neil Armstrong made it to the moon aboard Apollo 11 before the Soviets were even close. The Russians never actually made a lunar landing and gave up on reaching the moon altogether. This was a significant victory for the Americans as tensions with the Soviet Union increased in the wake of the Cold War.

But in "For All Mankind," creators Ben Nedeivi, Matt Wolpert and Ronald Moore devised a world where the Russians land first and welcome the "Red Moon." The Cold War conflict further intensifies between the two superpowers, and the butterfly effect is felt throughout the entire show as our historical timeline changes.

"This will shake things up in this country. I'll tell you that right now. Things will never be the same," a TV anchor in the show said as a man stepped off of a space shuttle and onto the moon. Millions of people around the world tuned in to watch the lunar landing and were glued to their TVs as they were about to see the first steps.

"Hang on...we have the translation that Cosmonaut Alexei Leonov, the first man to step foot on the moon, spoke just moments ago," the announcer continued.

"I take this step for my country, for my people, and for the Marxist-Leninist way of life. Knowing that today is just one small step on a journey that will take us all to the stars," Leonov said.

My jaw dropped as I saw a Russian plant their flag on the moon. I was in complete awe and couldn't wait to see where the show went from here. But as cinematic as the opening few minutes were, the rest of the show fell flat.

Apple released the first three episodes of the show on its new streaming platform, Apple TV+. The first two episodes felt like an extremely long prologue

and it wasn't until the third episode that the actual narrative began. The first two episodes focus more on the frustrations of the astronauts than their actual plan to avenge the failure of the American space program.

In response to the Russians sending a woman to the moon, NASA heavily invests in a team of all-female astronauts. But with a premise as good as 'an alternate history to the moon landing, why wait until the third episode before developing this plot? The writers also spend the majority of the show focusing on the narrative of a handful of male astronauts instead of fully developing the female team. From the first three episodes that they released, it is hard to see where they are going, but hopefully they will further emphasize the female team.

From a purely cinematic standpoint, the show is incredible. The production is a great distraction from the slow start to the show. Every scene, from the NASA stations to the rockets to scenes of characters at home, feels as real as if you were actually in the late '60s and on this journey with them.

Although the first three episodes fell flat, I am optimistic that the show will pick up. With someone like Ronald Moore, who wrote for "Outlander" and "Battlestar Galactica," it's hard not to be.

McGillicuddy Humanities Center explores colonization and decolonization in cinema



Monday, Nov. 4th people gathered in the Arthur St. John Hill Auditorium in Barrows Hall to view a movie showing hosted by the McGillicuddy Humanities Center on the topic of colonization.

Photo by Will Bickford.

Brielle Hardy Contributor

Named after University of Maine alumni, the Clement and Linda McGillicuddy Humanities Center works to advance and promote teaching, research and knowledge of the humanities. The center is part of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and prides itself on helping educate the community to produce more well-rounded members of society. Part of that initiative this year is a new film series with a particular focus on “Cinema of Colonization and Decolonization.”

“A flourishing society requires citizens who are literate, historically informed, ethically engaged, and socially aware. The skills and knowledge developed through research and participation in the humanities are foundational to the economic, cultural, and political strength of our communities,” says

the center’s Facebook page.

Over the course of the academic school year, The McGillicuddy Humanities Center will show six films, two of which have already taken place. Each film is introduced by a presenter of a humanities discipline to provide context and further understanding. The selected films come from France, Africa, Canada, Argentina and the United States. They are shown in the Hill Auditorium in Barrows Hall at 6 p.m. on specific Monday dates.

“Zama” (2017) was the first of the series, played on Oct. 21. Directed by Argentine film director, screenwriter and producer Lucrecia Martel, “Zama” examines life in a late 18th century South American city run over by Spanish colonists. Martel based the film off of Antonio di Benedetto’s 1956 novel but adapted it to highlight the voices of marginalized

groups such as women and natives.

“Embroidered in a culture of corruption, where nepotism prevails ... and favours can be bought and sold with little concern for human welfare, “Zama” is the embittered manifestation of a warped colonialist mentality,” said Maria Delgado’s in her review of “Zama” on the British Film Institute.

The second film showing took place on Nov. 4. “Carol,” directed by American independent film director Todd Haynes, is a modern classic about forbidden love. Released in 2015, the movie explores the cloistered lesbian subculture of the 1950s. In a world where evidence of romantic relations with someone of the same sex can be held against a person in court, “Carol” displays the aching reality of being queer in an unforgiving time.

Haynes is well known as a pioneer of

the New Queer Cinema movement that came to life in the late 1980s and early 1990s. His film “Carol,” like “Zama,” is a story adapted from its original novel form. The premise of “Carol” lies in the best selling 1952 book “The Price of Salt,” written by Patricia Highsmith, who originally went by the pen name Claire Morgan.

The film does its best work in the conveying of emotions while no words are being spoken.

“Haynes allows the gleaming surfaces, meaningful looks and subliminal cigarette smoking do the talking,” said Ann Hornaday in her Washington Post review. “Their outer selves express all that goes unspoken, silenced by the conformist culture that engulfs them.”

“Carol” begins with a scene where two women are seated together in a restaurant. With no prior

context, the scenario does not appear in any way out of the ordinary. The audience is then shot back into the past, where a secret love affair blossoms between these two women. A deep understanding of their complex relationship is formed throughout the film, and when the last scene bookends the first, the audience sees it from a whole new perspective. This contrast emphasizes the societal blindness to what can exist between two women before there was any hint of queer acceptance in America.

The last film to be shown during the fall semester is “Before Tomorrow” (2008), scheduled for Nov. 18. Co-directed by native filmmakers and writers Marie-Helene Cousineau and Madeline Ivalu, “Before Tomorrow” follows an Inuit tribe in 1840 as white explorers begin to impose on their isolated way of life. The majority of the

tribe gets wiped out by bacterias and viruses brought by the explorers, leaving an elderly woman, her grandson and her longtime friend to fend for themselves.

The New York Times writer Steven Holden describes the film as, “a mystical evocation of the power of Inuit mythology, and how the passing down of ancient wisdom can sustain the human spirit in the direst circumstances.”

The McGillicuddy Humanities Center puts on a number of events throughout the year, including the weekly “Human Beans” supper series that takes place on Tuesdays, as well more presentations, speakers, and performances that aim to widen perspectives and deepen knowledge about the world we live in. To find more information on events and the Center itself, visit their website at <https://umaine.edu/mhc/>.

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well as Skyping along the way,” Ashley said. “Finally, our goal is to shed light on the beauty of the Americas, to highlight their similarities and celebrate their differences.”

This celebratory atmosphere was felt at the bean supper on

Tuesday, with people enjoying the food and company of those around them. The meal served was ostensibly rice and beans with veggie sides and orange slices each dish was home-cooked, unique, hearty and very enjoyable.

The series is made up of five installments: Maine, New Mexico, Brazil, Cuba

and Global, with each night exploring new bean-centric dishes from different geographic areas. Taylor discussed some of the planning that went into these decisions.

“We decided to begin with Maine because that’s our community and where the Bean Supper was first introduced,” he said. “New Mexico and Brazil are

along the route we’ll be following. Since I’m Cuban-American we wanted to share aspects of our culture with the community, plus the food is delicious! Finally, the Global Bean Supper is a way to share everyone’s culture and traditions and serve as a way to wrap up the series. It’s important to note that the first four

meals all used beans that were originally cultivated in the Americas. That’s important because it expresses contributions to the global food supply that the original inhabitants of the Americas made.”

The Human Beans Series highlights how food is an excellent and delicious way of understanding our

culture as well as the many cultures of the world, and how we are all so connected.

Taylor’s blog for his upcoming trip can be found at: stepforwardtravel.com. The McGillicuddy Humanities Center can be found at <https://umaine.edu/mhc/> or on social media as @McGillicuddyHumanitiesCenter.

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Concert showcase highlights female composers



On Tuesday, Nov. 5th students, faculty, and the University of Maine Singers performed in Minsky Hall works created only by women.

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Bria Lamonica
Contributor

On Tuesday, Nov. 5, University of Maine students and staff gathered in Minsky Hall to recognize eight female composers at the Women Composer's Concert.

The Women Composer's Concert is an annual event held in the fall that is meant to showcase female composers and to celebrate the presence of women in music. This year's event featured Libby Larsen, Cecile Chaminade, Lucy Simon, Carla Bley, Billie Holiday, Bridget Kearney, Abbie Betinis and Carol Barnett.

"What I liked most

about the concert was that it showcased many different styles, and gave a great well-rounded performance and representation of the talented women composers from both today and in the past," Marissa Anne Smith, a fourth-year music student and publicity manager of The University Singers, said. "I think it's important to represent these female composers and their pieces because it spreads awareness and hopefully inspires artists to seek out these pieces to know and perform."

The music varied widely in genre and style, and mostly included opera, classical

and soundtracks from musical theater. Lucy Simon was among the composers featured in the concert. "The Secret Garden," one of Simon's musicals, first appeared on Broadway in 1991 and has been known for its emotional and strong message. One song, in particular, that was performed during the concert was "Lily's Eyes," a dramatic and intense duet between two men reminiscing over a loved one.

Many of the composers showcased at the event are still alive today, making and producing music around the world. Each of their pieces were sung by individual members of

The University Singers and UMaine Renaissance who performed in small groups and also played instruments. Some of the instruments included in the performance were the flute, bass guitar, piano and trombone.

"When we listen to music, many of us don't even think about who is behind it — who had this idea and created it," Smith said. "The industry is still male-dominated, so when we find these works by women, it is especially important to make sure they are recognized so that more of them will enter the industry and share their talent."

Pianist Dr. Laura

Artesani accompanied each of the student performers and also introduced the composers and gave background information for each piece. Flutist Megan Howell accompanied The University Singers during the last few minutes of the performance and also performed herself in multiple numbers. She is a member of The University Singers as well as in the UMaine Renaissance.

UMaine Renaissance and The University Singers both performed songs as entire groups at the end of the event. The University Singers were conducted by Dr. Dennis Cox and sang "Cedit

Hyems" by Abbie Betinis and "Steal Away" by Carol Barnett.

"We have been rehearsing since the second week of the semester," Smith said. "These two pieces will be a part of our full set. We will continue to work on them throughout the year and will sing them at our Fall Concert on November 16th, Yuletide on December 8th and our annual New England Spring Tour in March and Spring Concert in April."



Tasty treats as far as the eye could see being served at Culturefest Saturday, Nov. 9 in the Rec Center.

Photo by Antyna Gould.

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to share that with people and explain what the food is and why it's made that way... it's always nice to see people get excited and say, 'oh that's why it's made that way' or 'I had this once when

I was on vacation in Puerto Rico.' It is just another way to bring our culture together," Reyes, a fourth-year art history and archeology student, said.

UMaine Hillel

Hillel is a student heritage alliance council organization that

serves UMaine's Jewish community. Similar to the other groups, it provides a way for students to connect. This alliance specifically invites Jewish students to connect through their religion.

Hillel served foods that are Jewish holiday staples. They made challah, which is a

braided bread and is typically eaten during Shabbat; latkes, potato pancakes traditionally served during Hanukkah; hamantaschen, a triangular pastry stuffed with jam or chocolate served during Purim; grape juice and bagels with lox and cream cheese.

"We really enjoy do-

ing this. We want Hillel to be more known because the Jewish community in Maine, and in the world, is very tiny. And we have some awesome foods that we want everyone to be able to try," Dani Krara, a fourth-year anthropology student said.

The next event that

the International Program and the International Student Association will be hosting is the International Dance Festival which takes place every spring.

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Female Composers

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NEW AND UPCOMING RELEASES

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🎧	<i>Milky Chance - Mind the Moon</i>	Nov. 15
🎧	<i>Celine Dion - Courage</i>	Nov. 15
🎧	<i>Charlie's Angels</i>	Nov. 15
🎧	<i>The Report</i>	Nov. 15
🎧	<i>Ford v Ferrari</i>	Nov. 15

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Human Beans events highlight local community and great food



On Tuesday, Nov. 5th the McGillicuddy Humanities Center hosted a Brazilian themed bean supper series.

Photo by Will Bickford.

Noah Loveless Contributor

On Tuesday, Nov. 5 the latest installment of the "Human Beans: A Bean Supper Series" was hosted by college of liberal arts and sciences faculty member Taylor Ashley and the McGillicuddy Humanities Center. The event took place on a rainy night at the Church of Universal Fellowship in Orono. But Tuesday's cold and rain did not stop dozens of families and friends from piling into the church to eat bean-centric foods and discuss culture and society through those meals.

The Human Beans series is a series of bean suppers that take

place throughout the semester, all of which have taken place at the Church and have been hosted by the McGillicuddy Humanities Center. The series is a part of their annual symposium theme on "Society, Colonization, and Decolonization" and consists of five total suppers.

This series has had three installations which have featured dishes "including Franco-American bean-hole beans with brown bread, U.S., southwestern-style beans with red & green chiles, Cuban bean chili," according to the event description, but this week the focus turned south to Brazil, featuring "Brazilian Black

Beans" as the main course.

In addition to the food, the evening included illuminating talks from Professor of Ecology Eric Gallant, who discussed his research experiences in Brazil, and local farmer and chef Billy Barker who discussed her farming and small business experiences. Both addressed the importance of local communities and how those communities relate to agriculture/food production.

The progression of the night was led by Taylor Ashley who thanked and introduced the dozen or so volunteers who helped the night happen and then discussed the

story and message of the Human Beans series.

"The Bean Series began as a way to bring our community together in the name of a free, traditional and vegetarian meal," Ashley said. "It's also a way to let folks know about our upcoming Pan-American overland expedition to explore America's bean culture with a special focus on cultivation, cuisine and community. The Bean Suppers are simply a way to share aspects of our upcoming expedition with our local community."

Ashley described his plans for traveling across the Americas with his wife, Katie, to

explore food and community more in-depth.

"[We] are setting out on a Pan-American Overland Expedition to explore the bean culture of the Americas" Ashley said. He went on to describe their plans to drive from Maine to southern Chile to the mouth of the Amazon River, with their journey beginning on Dec. 13. Those who are interested can follow along on their blog at stepforwardtravel.com.

"We'll also be doing outreach to local middle school classrooms by producing educational content that will be incorporated into their curriculum, as

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go!

What's happening in and around Orono this week

Tuesday, November 12
Uncaged: Art from the Border
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
IMRC, Stewart Commons

Wednesday, November 13
Screening of 'Project 22'
3 p.m. - 5 p.m.
North Pod, Memorial Union

Wednesday, November 13
Chamber Music Concert
7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Minsky Recital Hall

Thursday, November 14
Multicultural Thanksgiving
5 p.m. - 8 p.m.
North Pod, Memorial Union

Friday, November 15
The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time
7:30 p.m. - 9:30

Culturefest allows student organizations to share their culture through food

Ali Tobey Contributor

On Saturday Nov. 9, University of Maine students, staff and community members came to celebrate Culturefest, a day-long celebration of cultures that features exhibits, live demonstrations, activities for kids and a food court. The event was held in the New Balance Recreation Center from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The Rec Center was crowded with tables and exhibits from various groups on campus and the community. Student organized clubs, non-profit groups, local organizations and families all came together to share and represent their cultures and countries.

Culturefest is a chance for these people to come and share their culture with the community, and a great way to introduce new cultures to other people with food.

"I think it is really important for people to get an idea of other cultures and what they're like and just kind of expand their understanding of the world and other people," Hannah Barnes, an admissions assistant in the International Program, said.

Culturefest, which is hosted by the Office of International Programs and the International Student Association, had 24 different cultures and nations represented in their food court. Every continent was represented, and

student organizations as well as community members prepared food to share with the UMaine community.

Among the different cultures represented at this year's Culturefest, the African Student Association, the Caribbean and Latinx Student Alliance and UMaine's Hillel were some of the many that gave us a taste of their identities.

The African Student Association

The African Student Association is an organization on campus that meets and discusses aspects of African heritage and culture and participates in events like the International Dance Festival and Culturefest.

This year, the group prepared a variety of traditional African foods from multiple African countries like Somalia and Sudan. They served Somalian rice, vegetables commonly found in Eastern Africa, Ethiopian cheese, Azifa (a lentil salad common in Sudan) and African donuts. Since their traditional foods do not typically contain meat or animal products, they are fairly vegan-friendly.

President of the African Student Association, Betlehem Abay, said, "it just brings you back all of the memories of cooking all of these cultural foods that you cook for yourself, but this time you're cooking it in mass like we do back home and you're shar-

ing your culture with other people. It's just bringing your home tastes that other people probably have never tried before."

This is Abay's third year participating in Culturefest. The fourth-year biomedical engineering student helped cook and organize their food court table.

The Caribbean and Latinx Student Alliance (CALSA)

The Caribbean and Latinx Student Alliance (CALSA) is a student organization that provides a space for students from Caribbean and Latin communities to meet and relate to others through culture.

They served platos maduros (fried

sweet plantains), tostones (fried plantains with salt), bacalaitos (fried cod fish fritter), arepas con queso (fried corn dough with cheese), rice and peas, curry jerk chicken, hibiscus iced tea and tres leches (a type of sponge cake.)

"It's just nice to be able to provide the community the genuine Caribbean and Latinx experience because there are not a lot of us in the Northeast," CALSA president Gabriella Reyes said. "But we just have a moment to do what we love which is cook and feed people which is a huge part of our culture."

"When we're able

See **Culturefest** on A11

UMAINE RESULTS

11/8	Women's basketball @ Delaware	Win	69-56
11/8	Women's ice hockey @ Merrimack	Loss	3-4
11/8	Men's Ice Hockey @ UMass Lowell	Tie	1-1
11/9	Football @ Elon	Win	31-17
11/9	Men's Ice Hockey @ UMass Lowell	Loss	2-3

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Men's hockey went 0-1-1 at No. 14 UMass Lowell



UMaine's Hockey team celebrates a goal.

File Photo.

Nick Boutin Contributor

The University of Maine men's ice hockey team took on nationally ranked the University of Massachusetts Lowell, No. 14, on Friday, Nov. 8, resulting in a 1-1 draw.

Despite heavy offensive efforts from both squads throughout the first period, neither team could manage to find the back of the net. Maine's third-year goaltender Jeremy Swayman made seven saves in the first period while the River Hawks' third-year goaltender Tyler Wall made ten saves. The River Hawks scored the first goal of the game on a five-on-three power play, with Maine's sitting second-year defenseman Simon Butala for holding and third-year defense-

an JD Greenway for roughing. Following the initial faceoff, the River Hawks immediately pounced on the advantage, working the three Maine players around their zone until fourth-year forward Kenny Hausinger dished a pass out to first-year forward Carl Berglund. Berglund buried the puck behind Swayman to take the advantage for Lowell less than a minute into the second period.

Maine, similarly to the first period, proved they could shoot on goal by notching 13 shots at Wall, but seemingly couldn't sneak one past the great Wall.

Fourth-year forward Mitchell Fossier, after fighting hard in the five-on-three that gave Lowell their lead, tied the game with nine minutes to go into the

third period. Fourth-year forward Tim Doherty had his shot deflected by the River Hawks defenders, and the rebound found its way to Fossier who clapped the one time shot into the back of the net. The match ended in a 1-1 tie as the two teams played a scoreless five-minute overtime period. Swayman finished with 36 saves for Maine, and Wall stopped 30 for Lowell. The Black Bear defense blocked nine shots to help preserve the tie. The River Hawks went 1-2 on the powerplay while Maine went 0-1.

In their follow-up contest on Saturday night, the River Hawks defeated the Black Bears by a final score of 3-2. Maine dropped to 5-3-2 overall and 2-2-2 in Hockey East play. The River Hawks

improved to 7-2-3 overall (4-0-2 in the Hockey East Association [HEA]) with the win.

Maine's second-year forward Jacob Schmidt-Svejstrup opened the scoring in the game just four minutes into the opening frame to give the Black Bears a 1-0 lead, coralling a deflected shot from Greenway and burying it over a recovering Wall just outside of the crease.

Lowell's Berglund tied the game at one just two minutes into the second period, finding a crack in the Black Bears' defense and firing a line drive past Swayman to give Lowell the advantage.

Four minutes later, with Lowell back on the attack in the Black Bears' zone, a bevy of shots at Swayman, and his acrobatics to stop

all of them left him confused as to where the puck was. As it floated up the ice, the River Hawks' second-year defenseman Anthony Baxter lined up and ripped a beautiful wrist shot over Swayman's stick-side shoulder.

Fossier and Doherty, showing their leadership as fourth-years, leveled the score at two on a beautiful feed and wrist shot, which went bar down over Wall's head.

With 16 minutes remaining in the game, Lowell first-year forward Matt Brown buried an incredibly unlikely shot. As Swayman crowded the right side of the net, with Brown circling behind, Brown fired a wrist shot that went between Swayman's helmet and the top right corner of the net, barely ricocheting into the goal.

Swayman finished with 27 saves, while Wall tallied 38 for Lowell. This goaltender match-up is one of the finest you'll see in the Hockey East, as Wall is the reigning conference defensive player of the month and Swayman, drafted by the Boston Bruins in 2017, continues to progress his skills towards NHL caliber play.

Maine will return to the ice next Friday, Nov. 15, when the next chapter of the Border Battle is written against New Hampshire. Puck drop for the match-up with the Wildcats is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

NFL award predictions through week nine

Alex Aidonidis Staff Writer

MVP: Seattle Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson

Through the first nine weeks of the season, we have seen Wilson take another step forward in what has already been a tremendous career. In Wilson's first few professional seasons, he showed promise, effectively game managing a powerful run

game while capitalizing on turnovers thanks to arguably the best defense of the 2000s. Wilson and the aforementioned defense, spearheaded by its "Legion of Boom" secondary, won the Seahawks their first Super Bowl in franchise history over the Denver Broncos in 2014 and brought them back to the Super Bowl in 2015. As the "Legion of Boom" gradually lost its pieces and relied

more on Wilson to deliver, he has answered the call. Fast-forward to this year, and he has truly cemented himself as a top quarterback in the NFL. Through the first nine weeks, Wilson is third in the NFL in passing yards and leads the league in touchdown passes with 22. Wilson's 22 touchdowns to one interception is a ratio far and away from the rest of the NFL, while additionally sitting

atop the league with a quarterback rating of 118.2. With the performance of receivers Tyler Lockett and D.K. Metcalf, and now recently claimed free agent Josh Gordon, along with Seattle's ability to run the ball, their offense has been borderline unstoppable. Wilson's numbers don't lie, but his performance down the backstretch will have to be equally as flawless to carry his team

into the postseason.

Honorable Mentions: Aaron Rodgers, DeShaun Watson, Christian McCaffrey

Offensive Player of the Year: Carolina Panthers running back Christian McCaffrey

When you talk about a well-rounded player, McCaffrey should be the first name that comes to mind. It seems like every single week you see highlights of McCaffrey

ripping off a huge run or making several defensive players miss on a single carry or all at once. Through week nine, the Panthers running back is second in the league in rushing yards, trailing only Minnesota Vikings running back Dalvin Cook, who, unlike McCaffrey, has not yet had his bye week. McCaffrey also leads all running backs in receiving yards and

See NFL on B5

Women's ice hockey loses to Merrimack, redeems with shutout of Holy Cross

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The University of Maine women's ice hockey team fell to the Merrimack College Warriors 4-3 in overtime on Friday, Nov. 8. Both squads flew onto the ice and played with intensity on both sides of the blue line, but impressive defensive efforts by both teams held the first period scoreless, with Maine taking ten shots on goal to Merrimack's six.

Second-year forward Ali Beltz, on a breakaway set up by second-year forward Liga Miljone, beat the Warriors' fourth-year goaltender Lea-Kristine Demers.

Merrimack's fourth-year forward Mikyla Grant-Mentis found the

net just three minutes later, beating Maine's third-year goaltender Loryn Porter just above her blocker. Third-year forward Dominika Laskova was credited with the assist on the goal.

Maine's second-year forward Celine Tedenby broke the tie two minutes later, taking off on a breakaway of her own set up by Beltz, who snagged the puck away from a Warriors attacker and shot it up the ice to the awaiting Tedenby. Tedenby aimed to run up the score for Maine, giving the team a solid lead heading into the intermission and she hit her target. Maine skated into the Warriors' zone on the powerplay to end the second period. After moving the puck

around to find an opening, first-year defenseman Amalie Andersen found a wide-open Tedenby, who buried the one-time clapper behind Demers, sending both teams to the locker room with a 3-1 score.

Whatever head coach Erin Hamlen said to her Warriors squad at the intermission seemed to do the trick, as Merrimack tore back onto the ice with their heads focused on the comeback. On the power play, Grant-Mentis fired in a laser from the top of the box and first-year forward Dani Castino, with Maine defenders surrounding her, navigated through the traffic to bury a wrist shot behind Porter, decreasing Maine's advantage to one.

Second-year defenseman Kiki Roust tied the game with five minutes to go, planting herself unmarked in the crease, where she handled a pass from Grant-Mentis and decked out Porter for the leveling score. In overtime, Grant-Mentis handled a stretch pass from second-year forward Gabby Jones in the defensive zone, taking the puck at center and shoveling through three defensemen to break in on goal. She took the space in close, faking right to get the goaltender to commit before throwing it in the near side.

Following their disappointing loss to the Warriors, the Black Bears headed to Worcester, Massachusetts to storm

Holy Cross's barn. And storm it they did, as fourth-year goaltender Carly Jackson got her second shutout of the season en route to a 3-0 Maine victory.

Miljone opened the scoring with some help from second-year forward Ally Johnson and fourth-year defenseman Ebba Strandberg. At the end of the first period, Maine held onto the one-goal lead. The second period was scoreless as Holy Cross outshot Maine 19-4, but Jackson acted as a brick wall, stopping everything sent her way. With three minutes left in the third period, Tedenby doubled Maine's lead and picked up her third goal of the season. She received the lob pass from fourth-year defenseman Brittany

Colton, who picked up her sixth assist of the season. With just 38 seconds left in the game, Miljone scored her second goal of the season as she scored an empty-net goal to push the lead to 3-0. Maine was outshot by Holy Cross 28-21, but played great situational hockey and capitalized on their opportunities to collect two crucial conference points. Maine's record is now 4-4-2 overall and 2-3-1 in Hockey East matchups.

The University of Maine women's hockey team will face off against Providence College on Friday, Nov. 15 and the University of Connecticut on Sunday, Nov. 17 both at 2 p.m.

Stanford beats Maine in a shootout, advances onward



UMaine women's field hockey archive photo.

File Photo.

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On Friday, Nov. 8, the University of Maine field hockey team took on Stanford in a nailbiter semi-final game in the America East Championship playoffs. Maine lost in crunch time 1-0, advancing Stanford to the finals and putting the Black Bears' season to an end. After a slow start to the season, Maine pulled together as a unit and rattled off one of the better back halves of the season in the conference. Maine finished at 8-10 on the season after starting 1-7.

Both teams featured stars up and down their rosters, but the game was forced, through two scoreless overtimes and into a shootout duel, in major part, to the goaltenders

for both teams. Stanford's fourth-year goalkeeper Kelsey Bing, who is also the America East goalkeeper of the year, was credited with three saves. Her counterpart, Maine's second-year goalkeeper Mia Borley, who is the second-team All America East goalkeeper, made eight saves for the Black Bears.

This highly anticipated matchup between two of the best squads in the country started off with both teams aggressively pushing on both sides of the field. Stanford's third-year attacker Corinne Zanolli, who reigns as the America East offensive player of the year after leading the nation with 29 goals and 60 points, couldn't get herself or the offense going in the first period, logging zero shots on net.

Maine managed to get their offense in position to take two shots on goal, one coming from fourth-year attacker Brianna Ricker and the other from first-year forward Julia Ross. Ricker's shot was deflected, thanks in part to crowding around the net, but Ross's went right at Bing without any obstacles and Bing made a clean save.

The second period told a completely different tale, with Maine being pushed back on the defensive the entire time. The Black Bears didn't register a single shot on goal during the period, and Stanford cranked out five shots at the Black Bears' net. Borley stayed strong, though luckily the majority of the shots were deflected by her defenders or were wide, forcing her to only have to stop two shots.

The same trends continued during the second half as the defensive battle grew more intense. Stanford made a close attempt on goal towards the end of the fourth period, but fourth-year defender Morgan Anson made a big stop, blocking the shot from Stanford's first-year attacker Lynn Vanderstichele. As second and third seeds, both teams fought with intensity through the 60 minutes of game time and still managed to storm the field for overtime with power.

During overtime it was clear how badly both teams wanted to win and go to the finals, as Stanford hounded Maine in their defensive zone, ripping off shot after shot against Borley. Again, many of

the shots were either blocked, deflected or went wide of the net. This cleaning of the crease cannot be overstated, while Maine's back end put in an impressive effort to stop the Stanford attack. Maine managed to get their offense going in the second overtime period, registering a shot for the first time since the third period. This mattered little, as the well-rested Bing managed to easily stop every shot sent her way. With Borley and Bing both being stalwarts through 80 minutes of play, the game went into a shootout, with each team sending four attackers one by one at the goalkeepers. Zanolli went first for Stanford and juked out the lone Borley to give Stanford a one-stroke lead in the shootout. Following

misses from Ricker and third-year back Hana Davis, Stanford's fourth-year attacker Emma Alderton buried the final tally behind Borley, ending the game 1-0.

Maine heads home with their heads high, having given all they had out on the field. Looking to next year, the Black Bears will be graduating Anson, Ricker, forward Brittany Smith, and midfielders Lilla Tolton-Flood and Riley Field. The Black Bears' young, talented roster will miss its experienced leaders, but will carry forward and begin work towards next year's America East Championship.

Chase Young facing suspension from NCAA

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Ohio State football took a devastating blow midweek when it was announced that superstar third-year defensive end Chase Young was suspended indefinitely from the NCAA for an incident that occurred in 2018.

In regard to the situation, Young elaborated that he had taken a private loan from a family friend during the summer of 2018, which was against NCAA rules, and has since paid off the loan prior to the beginning of the season. The NCAA states the following regarding students taking private loans: A student-athlete may receive a loan from an established family friend without such arrangement constituting an extra benefit, pro-

vided:

1. The loan is not offered to the student-athlete based in any degree on his or her athletics ability or reputation;

2. The individual providing the loan is not considered a representative of the institution's athletics interests; and

3. The relationship between the individual providing the loan and the student-athlete existed prior to the beginning of his or her recruitment by the member institution.

Evidently, the NCAA held doubt that Young's loan abided by their three rules, and will venture further into the case in the coming weeks.

In 2017, Young came into his collegiate career as the second-ranked defensive lineman and the

seventh-ranked player overall in college football. Young is in the midst of a year in which he was considered a Heisman candidate. The Heisman award has not been won by a defensive player since Michigan's legendary cornerback Charles Woodson won the award in 1997, and considering Young, now in the midst of a suspension, was the best hope for a defensive player to win the award, it's unlikely that the 22-year streak will be broken this year. Young being in the final conversation for the award was not totally out of the question when you consider that Alabama quarterback Tua Tagovailoa missed a couple of weeks with injury, quarterback Jalen Hurts and Oklahoma lost to an unranked Kansas State after the

Sooners essentially had a cakewalk to the College Football Playoffs with their schedule. With all the recent developments with the candidates around the country, it seems like the Heisman race will come down to which candidate outperforms the other when quarterback Joe Burrow and LSU head to Tuscaloosa to challenge Tagovailoa and Alabama.

Continuing on to what Young's role is with Ohio State and what this potential loss means to them, Young leads all of college football with 13.5 sacks and is half a sack away from tying Ohio State's school record set back in 2007 by defensive end Vernon Gholston. In the meantime, the Buckeyes are certain that Chase Young will be missing Saturday's

game against Maryland. Maryland is 3-6 and should not pose much of a threat to the Buckeyes, but the question is whether Young will miss multiple games, especially as we approach the end of the season when each game matters more than the last. Next week, Ohio State will face the 2-7 Rutgers who also should not give them much of a problem, but the week after is when they welcome undefeated No. 4 Penn State in a game that will have massive College Football Playoff implications.

Young really made a name for himself after Ohio State blew out No. 13 Wisconsin 38-7, a contest in which Young dominated, racking up four sacks and five tackles for loss. He was a key part to Ohio State shut-

ting down Wisconsin's Heisman candidate and running back Jonathan Taylor, holding him to 52 yards and zero touchdowns on 20 carries (2.6 YPC).

"He's probably the most dominant player in all of college football right now," Ohio State's head coach Ryan Day commented post-game. "His impact in a game like this goes to show his versatility. This was not just a passing game where you go after the quarterback. You had to play tough and gritty inside."

Young is expected to be the top defensive player to be selected in the 2020 NFL draft, as long as these charges are not serious enough to derail what could and should be a dominant career.

NFL post week nine power rankings

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1. San Francisco 49ers:

For the first time this season there is a new team sitting atop the rankings, and that goes to the only undefeated team left this season. The 49ers will face their biggest test to date this season when they host the MVP candidate quarterback Russell Wilson and his Seattle Seahawks. This game gives San Francisco an opportunity to cement themselves as true front runner candidates of the NFC. A win would give them a stranglehold lead on the NFC West title.

2. New England Patriots

New England falls, deservedly, for the first time this season after getting thoroughly beaten by the Ravens in Baltimore. The Ravens were simply the better team on Sunday night, as quarterback Lamar Jackson's athleticism demanded too much individual attention from the Patriots defense, exposing the weak front seven that has been overshadowed by one of the best secondaries in league history. Now, New England heads into the bye week with a chance to get settled and regroup before they face the most difficult stretch in their schedule with match-

ups coming against the Eagles, Cowboys, Texans and Chiefs.

3. New Orleans Saints

The Saints are coming off their bye week, giving quarterback Drew Brees more time to come back to normal form. Doing so should not be a difficult task this weekend when they take on Dan Quinn's maligned Atlanta Falcons. The Falcons, missing key pieces on both sides of the ball, including quarterback Matt Ryan, have essentially given up on their season and are aiming for the 2020 draft. Head coach Sean Payton's squad currently sits in sole possession of the second seed in the NFC and has its eyes on number one, as their deep roster being recharged with their experienced leader looks to be the prime contender against Kyle Shanahan's 49ers.

4. Baltimore Ravens
The Ravens made a statement Sunday night, running all over Bill Belichick's defense and controlling the time of possession battle, giving quarterback Tom Brady and the offense limited opportunities to work. The Ravens took full advantage of the mistakes New England made, which is what you have to do to beat the Patriots. Lamar Jackson was electrifying and the Patriots did

not have an answer. That game could pay dividends for playoff implications as Baltimore would now have the tie-breaker over New England.

5. Green Bay Packers

Sunday afternoon's game in Los Angeles was an uphill battle for quarterback Aaron Rodgers and company. The offense couldn't seem to find its spark, as Rodgers was held to just 161 passing yards and a touchdown while running for his life against defensive ends Joey Bosa and Melvin Ingram. The run game was not much help either, as running back Aaron Jones only picked up 30 yards on eight carries. Fortunately for Green Bay, every other team in their division lost this past week as well, so this loss didn't diminish their one-game lead over Minnesota. However, the loss hands over sole possession of the second seed to the Saints. On the other hand, Green Bay has a fairly easy schedule down the stretch and could likely take the first-round bye right back.

6. Seattle Seahawks
Wilson continues to add to his MVP resume. He threw for 378 yards and five touchdowns to zero interceptions in a shootout with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. The defense is still a question mark for

the Seahawks, but with the way Wilson is performing, the defense forcing a turnover or three-and-out on occasion has been all they've needed. Adding wide receiver Josh Gordon off of waivers to an already strong receiving core consisting of speedster Tyler Lockett and physical specimen D.K. Metcalf projects to give Wilson and Seattle a true shootout offense.

7. Houston Texans
The Texans are back in first place in their division following the early Sunday morning game against the Jacksonville Jaguars in London. Running back Carlos Hyde had a day against his former team, rushing for 160 yards on only 19 carries. Houston's defense, following the news that defensive end JJ Watt will be out for the rest of the season, answered the call left by their leader and forced quarterback Gardner Minshew to turn the ball over three drives in a row late in the game to keep the Jaguars out of the contest. The Texans head into the bye week with a half-game lead on the Indianapolis Colts, who currently would win the tie-breakers based on head-to-head matchups within the division.

8. Kansas City Chiefs

After ruling out quarterback Patrick

Mahomes, the Chiefs were able to get a big win at home over a red hot Minnesota Vikings squad. With the victory, Kansas City holds on to a more comfortable lead in their division over the Raiders and Chargers who are still hanging around. Mahomes' has been confirmed to take the field against Tennessee in week 10, and head coach Andy Reid looks to go back to the fireworks show that Mahomes conducted pre-injury.

9. Buffalo Bills
The Bills picked up another win, this week against the one-win Redskins, and with the Patriots dropping their game against Baltimore it brings Buffalo right back in arms reach of the AFC East. The Bills' next opponent is the Cleveland Browns, who are seemingly falling apart from the inside out. The Bills will likely be within one game of the Patriots after this week and will continue to try and end New England's streak of winning the AFC East 10 years and running.

10. Dallas Cowboys
After an alarmingly slow start in the Meadowlands, the Cowboys picked up the pace in the second half and controlled the game from that point on. The most promising part of Monday Night's game for Dallas was shutting electric running back

Saquon Barkley down, holding him to only 20 yards on 10 carries. The Cowboys additionally sacked quarterback Daniel Jones five times, while additionally forcing three turnovers out of the rookie signal-caller.

11. Minnesota Vikings

12. Los Angeles Rams

13. Indianapolis Colts

14. Philadelphia Eagles

15. Carolina Panthers

16. Oakland Raiders

17. Los Angeles Chargers

18. Pittsburgh Steelers

19. Jacksonville Jaguars

20. Detroit Lions

21. Tennessee Titans

22. Chicago Bears

23. Arizona Cardinals

24. Denver Broncos

25. Cleveland Browns

26. New York Giants

27. Tampa Bay Buccaneers

28. Atlanta Falcons

29. Miami Dolphins

30. Cincinnati Bengals

31. New York Jets

32. Washington Redskins

Biggest Winners:

Ravens

Chargers

Chiefs

Biggest Losers:

Jets

Lions

Browns



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Around the College Circuit



FOOTBALL

11/09 Richmond	28	New Hampshire	16
Villanova	35	James Madison	54
Rhode Island	19	Yale	59
William & Mary	55	Brown Villanova	35
Albany	21	Fordham	13
Delaware	17	Colgate	24
Maine	31	Lehigh	10
Elon	17	Bucknell	20
Towson	31		
Stony Brook	14		

CAA FOOTBALL

1 James Madison	9-1
2 Albany	6-4
3 New Hampshire	5-4
4 Richmond	5-5
5 Villanova	7-3
6 Towson	6-4
7 Maine	5-5
8 Elon	4-6

OVERALL

UPCOMING SPORTS



Monday, Nov. 11
Women's Basketball
 @ Brown
 7:00 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 15
Women's Hockey
 vs. Providence
 2:00 p.m.

Men's Hockey
 vs. New Hampshire
 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 16
Football
 vs. Rhode Island
 12:00 p.m.

Men's Basketball
 @ University of Portland
 7:00 p.m.

Men's Hockey
 vs. New Hampshire
 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 17
Women's Basketball
 vs. Boston University
 1:00 p.m.

Women's Hockey
 vs. Connecticut
 2:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 19
Men's Basketball
 @ Washington
 8:00 p.m.

Women's Basketball
 @ North Carolina
 10:30 a.m.



WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY

11/08 Holy Cross	6	Boston College	2
Northeastern	0	Connecticut	5
Maine	3	Vermont	1
Merrimack	4	New Hampshire	0
Vermont	1	Maine	3
New Hampshire	2	Holy Cross	0
11/09 Boston University	3		
Providence	4		

WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY

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

OVERALL

MEN'S ICE HOCKEY

11/08 Connecticut	0	11/09 Boston College	5
Boston College	6	Connecticut	1
Northeastern	1	Maine	2
Merrimack	1	UMass Lowell	3
Maine	1	Merrimack	1
UMass Lowell	1	Northeastern	3
Providence	3	Boston University	3
Boston University	1	Providence	3

MEN'S ICE HOCKEY

1 UMass Lowell	4-0-2.
2 Providence	3-2-1.
3 Boston College	3-2-0.
4 Maine	2-2-2.
5 Northeastern	2-2-1

OVERALL

AMERICA EAST FIELD HOCKEY

1 Monmouth	13-5-1.
2 Maine	14-5
3 Albany	8-10
4 New Hampshire	11-8
5 UMass Lowell	8-10

OVERALL

AMERICA EAST WOMEN'S SOCCER

1 Stony Brook	13-5-1.
2 Albany	9-6-3.
3 Hartford	10-6-2.
4 New Hampshire	10-8
5 Binghamton	10-6-2.
6 UMass Lowell	4-11-2.

OVERALL



Raiders beat Chargers in close Thursday Night Football game

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The Los Angeles Chargers and the Oakland Raiders faced off in Oakland on Thursday, Nov. 7, for an AFC West contest that went down to the wire. The Raiders defense balled out with one of their best performances of the year against a struggling Chargers quarterback Philip Rivers, with the defensive effort putting the Raiders on top by a final score of 26-24.

Oakland defensive coordinator Paul Guenther seemingly sent the house at Rivers all night, with the Raiders' front seven bullying the Chargers' offensive line throughout the contest. The constant pressure of Rivers forced an errant ball out of his hands, and the Raiders' strong safety Erik Harris capitalized, picking off the pass and giving quarterback Derek Carr and Raiders offense the ball at the Chargers' 31-yard line. Following several failed attempts at running the ball up the gut with rookie running back Josh Jacobs, and with Carr being taken down by defensive ends Joey Bosa and Melvin Ingram, head coach Jon Gruden elected to take the easy field goal. Gruden sent out his kicker, Daniel Carlson, who made quick work of the 40-yard attempt.

With Guenther not easing up, and the Chargers' offensive line continuing to get over-

whelmed, Rivers stood tall in the pocket, delivering three consecutive strikes to move the chains and the Chargers offense down the field. When Rivers had found his rhythm, he seemingly lost it again. On his fourth pass attempt of the drive, he threw another errant pass, and Harris, the ballhawk once again, came down with the interception. In his first five attempts, Rivers had five completions: three to Chargers players and two to Harris. Harris wasn't going to give the spotlight to Carr and the offense though and proceeded to run the ball 56 yards back to the house, giving the Raiders an early 10-0 lead.

At the end of the first quarter, the Chargers offense finally pulled it together, putting together a 77-yard drive resulting in a touchdown. Carrying the load for the Chargers is the exceptional running back committee of starter Melvin Gordon and scatback Austin Ekeler. The drive was finished with a 2-yard flick from Rivers to tight end Hunter Henry, bringing the score to 10-7.

With Bosa and Ingram giving Carr trouble, the Chargers forced another punt, and their offense quickly drove the ball down the field. Gordon continued to carry the load, scampering through the Raiders front seven, forcing safeties and corner-

backs to take him down. As Los Angeles entered Oakland's red zone for the second time, Gordon's number was called and he punched in a 3-yard touchdown up the gut, giving Los Angeles a 14-10 lead.

Oakland, seemingly red hot following the two interceptions and easy points, fizzled out completely until midway through the second quarter. Carr orchestrated a 10 play, 76-yard drive finishing in the endzone. Jacobs had multiple 10 and higher yard runs to assist in the drive, and Carr continued to spread the ball to a wide variety of receivers. Undrafted free agent wide receiver Alec Ingold ended the drive with a 9-yard touchdown reception, which ultimately ended the first half.

The Raiders received the ball to start the second half and tried to increase their 17-14 lead to make it a two-score game. Tight end Darren Waller hauled in a 27-yard catch from Carr on the sideline, giving Oakland great field position. Following Jacobs being stuffed in the backfield and Carr being sacked, Gruden was forced to send out his field goal unit once more. Carlson punched in the 22-yard field goal, giving the Raiders a 20-14 lead.

After both teams struggled to get their offense rolling for multiple drives, eating up the majority of the third

quarter, the Chargers starting putting together something promising with three minutes to go. On the first play, Rivers had plenty of time in the pocket with Gordon staying in the backfield to assist in blocking, and uncorked a dime between the hashes to wide receiver Mike Williams for a 45-yard completion to set up the Chargers in Raiders territory. On the very next play, Gordon continued the momentum, barreling through the Raiders for a 24-yard run, putting the Chargers into the red zone. All season, the Raiders defense has been incredible at bending but not breaking and continued to do so in this game by stuffing the Chargers offense in the red zone. Head coach Anthony Lynn was forced to send out his field goal unit, and kicker Michael Badgley nailed the chipshot, 27-yard field goal to cut the deficit to three.

The Chargers forced a punt and sent their offense back out to try and take their first lead since the first quarter. When Los Angeles has their back against the wall on offense, Rivers often turns to perennial Pro Bowl wide receiver Keenan Allen. Allen caught a 29-yard pass and a 26-yard pass on back to back plays, setting the Chargers up deep in Raiders territory. Once in the red zone, the Chargers forced the run with both running backs, getting to the Raiders

6-yard line. On third-and-goal, Ekeler managed to sneak through the zone coverage and Rivers found him for a 6-yard passing touchdown, putting the Chargers up 24-20.

As time was running short, past the halfway point in the fourth quarter, the Raiders sent out the offense for what could be their last drive of the game. Running back Jalen Richards had multiple relevant carries and Carr made quick work of the Chargers' secondary. In the red zone, the Chargers sent an all-out blitz at Carr, but the Raiders' signal-caller had handed the ball off to Jacobs, who would break through the oncoming blitz for an 18-yard rushing touchdown. Carlson then missed the extra point attempt, making the lead only 26-24, and giving the Chargers the chance to retake the lead with just a field goal.

Rivers and his offense marched back onto the field, and the miscues were abundant. Multiple passes thrown by Rivers were dropped by his receivers, and the final blow came on a deep ball from Rivers to Allen that was intercepted by Oakland safety Karl Joseph. The pick by Joseph brought an end to an exciting contest and puts the Raiders in the driver's seat for a potential wild card spot, while the Chargers fall to third in their division. With quarterback Patrick Mahomes

returning for Kansas City and Oakland holding the tiebreaker and being No. 2 in the division, Los Angeles may be ready to throw in the towel and aim for next year.

NFL from B1

leads all of the NFL in all-purpose yards with 1,244 yards, putting him on pace for 2,488 yards on the season. That figure would be the eighth-most by a player in a season in NFL history. Since Carolina lost quarterback Cam Newton for the year, rookie quarterback Kyle Allen has been kept afloat thanks heavily to McCaffrey's excellence with the football in his hands. In a tough NFC conference, McCaffrey will need to continue to run like a mad man for the Panthers to have any hope for a Wild Card spot.

Honorable Mentions: Lamar Jackson, Dalvin Cook, Russell Wilson

Defensive Player of the Year: New England Patriots cornerback Stephon Gilmore

At the season's midway point, the New England Patriots have the second-ranked defense in the league, led by the lockdown Gilmore. Gilmore has had three interceptions in addition to 10 pass breakups. Gilmore, reminiscent to the early 2010s Darrelle Revis, has taken away the top receiving option of every opponent the Patriots have faced thus far,

while additionally being defensive player of the month for October.

Honorable Mentions: Myles Garrett, Nick Bosa, Jamie Collins

Offensive Rookie of the Year: Arizona Cardinals quarterback Kyler Murray

At this point in the season, this award seems like a toss-up between Murray and Raiders running back Josh Jacobs. But when you consider the state the Cardinals were in at this point last year compared to where they are now, it is hard to not give the edge to Murray. Murray sits at No. 12 in the league in passing yards, while the Cardinals offense leads the league in the least amount of turnovers. While fellow rookie quarterbacks, the Jaguars' Gardner Minshew and the Giants' Daniel Jones have fumbled the ball 11 and 10 times respectively, Murray has not yet coughed up the ball and only throwing four interceptions. This level of efficiency is not typical for a rookie by any means, and only speaks to Murray's transition to the professional level.

Honorable Mentions: Josh Jacobs, D.K. Metcalf

Defensive Rookie of the Year: San Francisco 49ers defensive end

Nick Bosa

At the mid-point in the season, Bosa is not only a lock for this award but also is a strong candidate for defensive player of the year. The 49ers front seven has been the best in football, led by their rookie sensation, who has recorded seven sacks, a forced fumble, fumble recovery, and an interception through eight contests. The second overall pick from this past draft has been everything the 49ers hoped he would be, leading the league's top-ranked defensive unit while additionally being a nightmare for opposing coaches and left tackles to game plan against.

Honorable Mention: Pittsburgh Steelers' linebacker Devin Bush

Comeback Player of the Year: San Francisco 49ers quarterback Jimmy Garoppolo

This award also seems like it could be a toss-up between Garoppolo and Los Angeles Rams wide receiver Cooper Kupp, who has been tremendous for the Rams after coming back from a torn ACL. As of now, the edge goes to the signal-caller for the undefeated San Francisco 49ers, who have already greatly exceeded expectations going into the season and have a

chance to win the division for the first time since 2012. Garoppolo carried San Francisco when he arrived last fall via trade, going undefeated before tearing his ACL. This season, the 49ers have asked Garoppolo mostly to game manage, but in his recent performance against the Cardinals Gucci Garoppolo came back seemingly flawless when the 49ers needed him to, throwing for over 300 yards, four touchdowns and zero interceptions. Garoppolo is one of only nine quarterbacks with a passer rating above 100 on the season, which also gives praise to an offensive line that has only allowed Garoppolo to be sacked 12 times. Garoppolo's health is crucial to San Francisco's future, as the West Coast red and gold looks to shine for years to come. Since Garoppolo became starter for the 49ers midway through 2017, the team is 14-2 in any game that Garoppolo has started and 3-10 in games started by other quarterbacks. Look for this team to be playing aggressively in the trenches come January, with Garoppolo leading the charge on offense.

Honorable Mentions: Kupp, Cook

Coach of the Year: New Orleans Saints

head coach Sean Payton

If you were told that the Saints would lose quarterback Drew Brees for six weeks in week two, what would you assume their record would be by the time Brees came back? Anytime a signal-caller is lost, especially the league's all-time passing leader, teams crumble.

Not Payton's squad though, whose only loss this season was the game in which Brees was injured. Though the talk around the league was concerning the Saints' ability to at least go 4-4 and give Brees a chance to carry them to the playoffs upon his return, Payton shut out the outside noise and led a disciplined squad, both offensively and defensively, to 5-0 under backup quarterback Teddy Bridgewater. With Bridgewater playing efficiently within Payton's system, in addition to injuries throughout the NFC South benefiting the Saints, New Orleans rolled over teams en route to their bye week. Now, coming off that bye, Brees should be at full health and the Saints, an already powerful team, are getting even more dangerous on their hunt for the top of the NFC against Garoppo-

lo's 49ers, all thanks to Payton's coaching and his roster buying in on his ideology. Tip your cap to Payton for taking what could have been a lost season and keeping it a title-contending one.

Honorable Mentions: Kyle Shanahan, Frank Reich, Bill Belichick

Professional Sports This Week

NBA STANDINGS

OVERALL

East	1	76ers	5-0
	2	Heat	4-1
	3	Celtics	4-1
	4	Bucks	4-2
	5	Raptors	4-2
	1	Spurs	4-1
	2	Timberwolves	4-1
	3	Lakers	4-1
	4	Jazz	4-2
West	5	Nuggets	4-2

NHL STANDINGS

OVERALL

East	1	Bruins	93-57
	2	Maple Leafs	81-66
	3	Canadiens	77-71
	4	Sabres	76-71
	5	Panthers	52-96
West	1	Capitals	13-2-3.
	2	Islanders	12-3-1.
	3	Penguins	10-6-1.
	4	Flyers	9-5-2.
	5	Hurricanes	9-7-1.

Upcoming Games:

NFL:

Thursday, November 14
Pittsburgh @ Cleveland
Sunday, November 17
New York @ Washington
Jacksonville @ Indianapolis
Buffalo @ Miami
Dallas @ Detroit
Houston @ Baltimore
Atlanta @ Carolina
New Orleans @ Tampa Bay
Denver @ Minnesota
Arizona @ San Francisco
New England @ Philadelphia
Cincinnati @ Oakland
Chicago B @ Los Angeles
Monday, November 18
Kansas City @ Los Angeles

NHL:

Tuesday, November 12
Columbus @ Montreal
Florida @ Boston
Pittsburgh @ New York
Arizona @ St. Louis
Colorado @ Winnipeg
Wednesday, November 13
Ottawa @ New Jersey
Toronto @ New York
Washington @ Philadelphia
Dallas @ Calgary
Chicago @ Vegas

NBA:

Tuesday, November 12
Cleveland @ Philadelphia
Oklahoma City @ Indiana
Brooklyn @ Utah
Wednesday, November 13
Los Angeles @ Houston
Washington @ Boston
San Antonio @ Minnesota
Toronto @ Portland Trail
Thursday, November 14
Brooklyn @ Denver
Dallas @ New York
Friday, November 15
Detroit @ Charlotte
Boston @ Golden State
Indiana P @ Houston
Philadelphia @ Oklahoma City

NHL Recap Bruins go 1-2-0 on the week

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On Monday, Nov. 4, the Boston Bruins beat the Pittsburgh Penguins 6-4 at TD Garden. Forward Brad Marchand scored two goals, including the game-winner, and had three assists to help the Bruins to their sixth straight win. Goaltender Jaroslav Halak made 40 saves on 44 shots and picked up the win, improving to 4-1-1 on the season.

The Boston Bruins had their six-game

winning streak ended with a 5-4 loss to the Montreal Canadiens at the Bell Centre on Tuesday, Nov. 5. Pastrnak started out the scoring for the Bruins with his 15th goal of the season. Pastrnak leads the league in goals and points with 15 goals and 30 points. Defenseman Connor Clifton and forward Sean Kuraly both scored their first goal of the season. The Bruins fall to 11-2-2 on the season, losing their first game since Oct. 19.

On Friday, Nov.

8, the Boston Bruins fell to the Detroit Red Wings 4-2, losing their second straight game and falling to 11-3-2 on the season. Forwards David Krejci and Patrice Bergeron scored for Boston. Pastrnak's 13-game point streak ended when a scoring change took away an assist on Boston's second goal. Rask made 28 saves for the Bruins, who have lost two straight after a six-game winning streak.

NHL Hot Teams
The Washington

Capitals are the top team in the NHL with 27 points. Their record is currently 12-2-3 with St. Louis just two points behind them. In their last ten games, they have gone 9-0-1 and are currently on a five-game winning streak. Forward Alex Ovechkin is currently third in the league in goals, with 13.

The St. Louis Blues are currently the No. 1 team in the Western Conference and No. 2 in the NHL. The Blues currently have 25 points and their

record is 11-3-3. In the last ten games, the Blues have been hot, going 8-2-0. The Blues are currently riding a six-game winning streak and are preparing to face off against the Calgary Flames on Tuesday, Nov. 12.

Low Ranked Teams
The Detroit Red Wings are currently in last place in the NHL with a record of 5-12-1 and 11 points. In the last ten games, they have gone 2-7-1, but beat the Bruins in their previous game. They are currently sitting

at the bottom of the standings, but there is only a spread of five points between No. 31 and No. 22 teams.

The Los Angeles Kings are currently second-to-last place in the NHL standings. Their record is currently 5-10-1 with 11 points. In their last ten games, they have gone 3-6-1. They have beaten the Flames twice and the Predators once in their last 10 games.

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