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By GABRIELLE LAMONTAGNE STAFFWRITER

UNH is a campus filled with history, and at the center of it all is the majestic Thompson Hall, officially declared a historic landmark in 1996. According to Guy Eaton, housekeeper of the T-Hall clock tower and tour guide, "[Thompson Hall] was built 1882-1883. This was the first building built on the Durham campus."

"The flagpole that you see out front is at least the third. This flagpole is at least 30 feet shorter than the one before," Eaton said, "Upstairs from [the clock room, above the third floor] you used to look eyeball to eyeball with the gold ball at the top of the flagpole."

"This is where it all began, all thanks to Ben Thompson," he said. "In his will he left it to the state of New Hampshire to create a college, but if the state didn't act on his request within five years, everything would go to the state of Massachusetts to do the same thing. So this could have been UMass."

He explained that the building had undergone periodic renovations, one floor at a time, noting that the "the top floor is waiting for its turn."

In the midst of discussing the remodeling of various buildings around campus, he mentioned the field in front of the Whittemore Center, which used to be the football field.

"You'll notice there isn't an awful lot of place to sit. That's no different than it was then," he said. Later adding, "People didn't go to football games because they didn't know where to sit, so it was a student's job to ring the bell when UNH won."

According to Eaton, "Many students now will never set foot in this building. When I came here as a freshman, in those days you had to come to T-Hall. *The New Hampshire* would print a time and room schedule and you'd pick one up. You came and got in line to sign up for classes. If you wanted a seat in a class that had 40 seats and there were already that many, you were out of luck."

He opened a locked door and continued the tour by leading up a steep but short staircase to a small wooden room.

"It is the home of where the clock is kept. It's also got some nice views," he said as he lifted a heavy vinyl flap covering a window to reveal the campus below.



ALLISON BELLUCCI/STAF

Thompson Hall, the first building built on campus, is home to the bell tower that rings out every half hour during the day. The sound can be heard across campus in most academic buildings.

He added, "In 2006 the building was renovated. All the windows were changed, replaced. The face of the clock was taken out and cleaned. The woodwork around it is all the original woodwork."

When discussing the abundance of writing on the wooden

clock room walls, Eaton described it as "an ageless beauty."

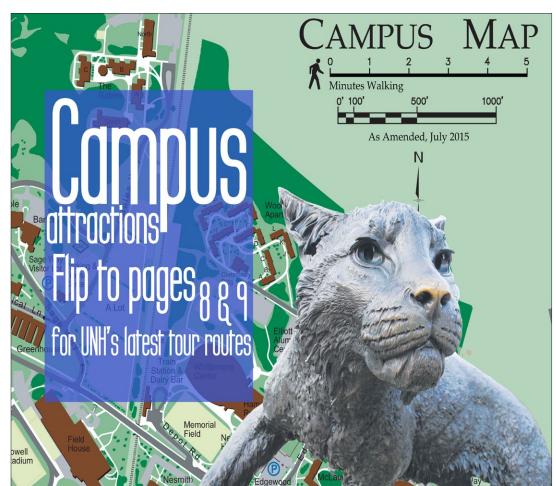
"The oldest signature on here is from 1895," said Eaton. "Peter Tutts was the first person, as far as we can tell, to ever ring the bell. This was only two-year-old wood when this fellow left his mark. It

would be like writing your name on a white wall."

According to Eaton, "President Huddleston is the only [UNH President] who has been up here."

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Vagina Monologues

Women on campus address female sexuality, social stigmas

By ANDREW YOURELL

SPORTS EDITOR

On Friday and Saturday night, the MUB's Strafford Room hosted "The Vagina Monologues" as part of the larger V-Day Spotlight Campaign and to raise money for the UNH Sexual Harassment and Rape Prevention Program (SHARPP).

"The Vagina Monologues" is a play written by playwright and activist Eve Ensler in 1994 and is based on a number of interviews Ensler conducted. The play is split into several small acts, which address topics such as women's sexuality, rape, abuse and the social stigmas surrounding women and women's sexuality.

UNH's rendition of the play was co-sponsored by the UNH Women's Studies Program, UNH Amnesty International and UNH WildActs. The proceeds were donated to benefit SHARPP and the V-Day campaign

"V-Day is a global activist movement to end violence against women and girls," the play's program reads. The campaign was also founded by Ensler, whose play has been a fixture at UNH for several years.

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- Financial Aid Deadline
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UNH Professor Ellen Fitzpatrick's book "The Highest Glass Ceiling" illustrates the history of women running to be America's first female president.

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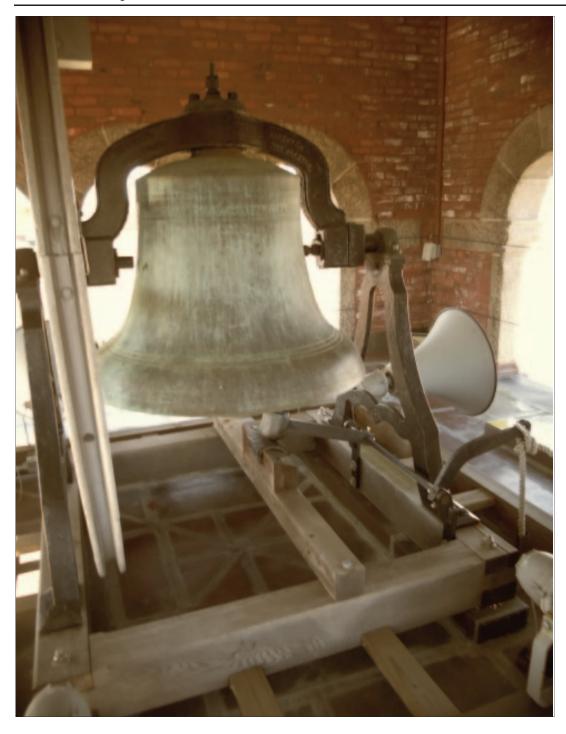
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GABRIELLE LAMONTAGNE/STAFF

A look at the inside of Thompson Hall's bell tower. The clock tower is kept by Guy Eaton, who says the view is "second to none."

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He then opened the door to the closet-sized space where the actual gears of the clock were kept. "This is a Howard clock. They are the steeple clock builders to the world. Each generation of the Howard family had their own way of saying the name of the company. This was the heart of timekeeping at UNH. I'm not sure how long people have been taking care of the clock, but I've been doing it since 1975 or so and there were at least three managers before me," explained Eaton.

On the way up the shaky lad-

der to see the bell itself, Eaton remarked, "I've had 94-year-old ladies up here. One of them said if they could do this they could do anything." Although it seems dangerous, Eaton works to maintain an element of safety for all who venture up the ladder.

At the top of the ladder there is a tiny little bell tower room,

with netting and cables over the arch windows that were placed there in 2006. Before that point, there was nothing to keep a person from being blown out the window on a very windy day, such as the day of this interview.

However, Eaton considers the view very much worth it, and as he said, "The view here is second to none."

The speakers that are used to project the recorded sound of the bell are transmitted from the alumni center. The real bell, which has a beautiful ring to it, is much softer than what students hear on a daily basis.

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The entire cast of the Vagina Monologues on stage in the Strafford Room following Saturday night's performance.

man, co-directed the play, which featured a cast of undergraduate students, graduate students and Emily Goupil, the Gibbs residence hall director. Dittman and Kane applied to direct the play and were selected by SHARPP. The duo began working on the play in early December and did auditions for the call earlier in February.

"We cast about three weeks ago," Kane said after Saturday

night's play. "So we only had about three weeks of rehearsals. We've been meeting every day for four hours."

Despite the time crunch, the student-actors stepped up and performed well, conveying a range of emotions that are described in Ensler's play. The actresses were seated to the left and the right of the stage, where they were able to interact with their peers on stage.

Both directors praised the actresses for the hard work that made the play successful.

"We had an amazing group of actors," Kane said. "Our actors were incredible to work with. Every single one of them put so much work in. I really couldn't have asked for a better group."

Dittman and Kane also remarked on how well they worked together with their differing backgrounds. Dittman was a member of the play last year, has worked as a community educator for SHARPP and has been involved with WildActs during her UNH career.

Kane, on the other hand, had never worked with SHARPP, but has been involved in a number of UNH productions, and Dittman said that her expertise in theater helped make the play so successful

Every year, the play looks a bit different, depending on the direction the directors decide to take the show. For instance, the act "They Beat the Girl Out of My Boy" is usually performed by five actors, while this year's produc-

tion used three, adding two actors to "My Short Skirt," which is typically written for a single actress to perform.

Another change made yearly is the theme of the play. Last year, Dittman said, the play followed a classroom theme, while this year's play focused on growth.

"We wanted each person to kind of bloom in their monologue," Kane said. "We added those elements of color throughout the show. So at the beginning, we had just a full cast of people all in black, and then throughout the show it became more and more colorful."

The two directors estimated that Friday night's show drew a crowd of around 250, while Saturday's show was a bit smaller. The play typically makes between \$2,000 and \$3,000 per year, and this year's play was estimated to make around the same mark.



A forgotten hotel

By RAOUL BIRON
STAFFWRITER

In the center of campus, behind poorly locked doors and a thick layer of dust, lies an important but abandoned chapter in Durham's history.

As UNH feverishly expands and modernizes Durham, the lobby of the now defunct New England Hotel and Conference Center (NEC), a 46-year-old building owned by USNH, sits neglected between modern offices and retrofitted dorms. Exposed steel frames, towering vertical windows, and a guest book filled with the names of the rich and famous now welcome old office furniture, bugs, and rust.

Designed by renowned architect William Pereira in the late 1960s amidst a post-war wave of university expansion, the \$3.7 million building had 115 rooms between Adams Tower and Kellogg Tower. Operated largely by students, the hotel and its connected restaurant hosted notable entertainers including Mister Rogers, The Kinks, Alanis Morissette, writers like Hunter S. Thompson and John Irving, and politicians like Ted Kennedy, John Kerry, Ralph Nader and more.

In a university press release from 2010, the year of its closing, Jane Gombar, the former general manager of the NEC remembered receiving a letter from jazz legend Dizzy Gillespie after his stay. Gombar also recalled an encounter with Billy Idol.

"He played guitar in our bar," Gombar said.

Today the bar remains, sitting lifeless and derelict amidst the signs of a hasty departure. Rows of plates, glasses, and candles are strewn across the neglected kitchen. Food order tickets with dates from 2008 are stacked on empty file cabinets and long-emptied safes.

"I had no idea that that was a hotel, I walk by there every day," said David Ricard, a junior at UNH. "It does surprise me that they [UNH] are not capitalizing on a built space and instead are demolishing and rebuilding. I would think a college would try to make the most out what they already have."

Subsidized by the university, the NEC offered students an opportunity to work in a real hotel environment while also offering a historical space for visiting guests. Falling victim to the economic recession of 2008 and a more competitive hotel environment on the Seacoast, the NEC began hemorrhaging money. By 2010, the university was spending up to \$2 million a year on the operation and faced a bill estimated at \$17 million for a thorough renovation.

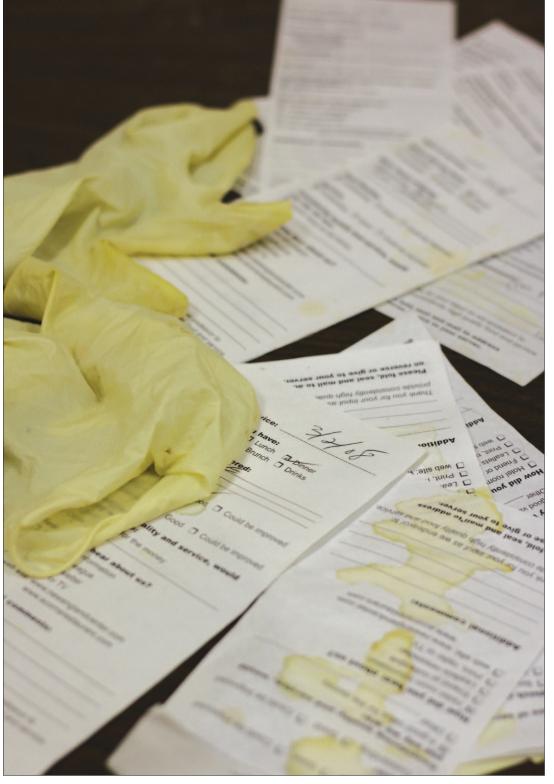
In 2009, UNH officials noted that the decision to close the NEC was especially difficult because of its "historical significance to the university."

The hotel's rooms were quickly turned into dorm spaces, a more valuable commodity as UNH's student body swelled, and half of the building houses the university's department of media relations. The NEC's massive lobby, littered with old furniture, trash, and branches are only separated from the new and streamlined offices by a fire door.

"It surprises me a little bit that there's one half of it that's closed because they won't renovate the old problems. I know that we don't really have enough space on campus as it is," said Laura Spencer, a UNH sophomore. "I do wish that they didn't have plans to pursue other things that they're planning now, like talking about tearing Hetzel down and building a new hotel for alumni on campus."

Surprisingly, flicking the light switch still illuminates the old bar room. Dusty, deserted, and forgotten, images of Billy Idol strumming a guitar in the corner are now a little harder to conjure through the grime.





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(Above) Abandoned office furniture left in the New England Hotel and Conference Center (NEC) collects dust. The NEC was officially closed in 2010. (Below) Food order tickets from 2008 were left abandoned on a counter in the NEC.

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8-hour-long Dance Marathon takes over GSR

By MICHAEL VALOTTO

CONTRIBUTING WRITER

On Sunday Feb. 21, a small devoted group of UNH students orchestrated the eight-hour-long Dance Marathon in order to raise awareness and donations for Children's Miracle Network and Boston Children's Hospital. The Granite State Room (GSR) of the MUB was tuned into a make shift dance floor for the event from 11a.m. to 7p.m.. Students and non-students, both young and old, boogied and grooved throughout the day to support those who may not be able dance themselves.

communications major as well as the technology chair for the organization. Using social media, promotional videos, flyers and word of mouth, Griffiths and the other organization members were able to get roughly four hundred people to show up.

A young girl involved with the Children Miracle Network named Charlotte, got to join the fun and excitement of the marathon along with celebrating a special eighth birthday there.

"It was really awesome that she spent her birthday with us," remarked McKeon.

Surrounding the dance floor

⁶⁶We go through every outlet we can, and try to get as much awareness for this, so we can get as many people to the event to donate."

Zack Griffiths

Technology chair for the Dance Marathon

"Our goal was \$25,000 for the year," said Alexa McKeon, a junior communications major and a council member for the program. In the end, a staggering \$36,000 was the final tally raised by UNH Dance Marathon, the organization behind the event.

"We go through every outlet we can, and try to get as much awareness for this, so we can get as many people to the event to donate," said Zack Griffiths, a senior

were games and activities like face painting, photo booths and even the opportunity at tossing a pie in a Pi Kappa Alpha brother's face. There was a raffle including a signed Bruins' puck, and a basketball autographed by the entire Celtics team.

Not all the donations came from individual pledges. In fact, The New England Patriots, Boston Bruins, Celtics and even local Bikram Yoga were able to lend a

Volunteers and participants pose for a photo during the eight-hour-long Dance Marathon in order to raise awareness and donations for Children's Miracle Network and Boston Children's Hospital. hand in the organization's effort to reach and surpass their fundraising goal.

The organization also used other methods to raise awareness and donations. Last year, Griffiths sold hot chocolate in front of Dimond Library, and McKeon sat at a table in the MUB to talk to students passing by. At the beginning of the school year, the organization gained an extra 10 members just from just setting up a booth at

UNH is not alone with developing Dance Marathon as there are 450 other colleges that continue to raise money and awareness for Children's Miracle Network hospitals. Since the movement began in 1991, a whopping \$106 million has been raised for the cause, with each event entirety run by students. Since then, all proceeds have gone to local Children's Miracle Network Hospital, with last

year's total being \$8 million.

As to how to get involved with the organization, Griffiths said, "The UNH team is relatively new and all are welcomed to join. We meet on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. in room 156 at the MUB and anyone is more then welcome to walk in."



UNH ranks 12th for providing Peace Corps volunteers in 2015

By DOUG RODOSKI CONTRIBUTING WRITER

UNH volunteers have been busy. UNH has been awarded the rank of 12th among mediumsized colleges and universities in providing Peace Corps volunteers in 2015. This marks the fourth year in a row that UNH has been among the leaders in the service oriented organiza-

With 27 undergraduates and alumni working overseas, members of the UNH community are making a difference in such diverse areas as agriculture, information technology, education, business, health, community development, and HIV/ AIDS awareness and training as noted by UNH's Campus Journal.

Countries benefitting from these volunteers include Gua-

temala, Costa Rica, Senegal, Cameroon, Ethiopia, Morocco, Albania, Georgia, Paraguay, Nepal, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Thailand, and the Philippines.

Conceived by then Senator John F. Kennedy in 1960, the Peace Corps was established as an official organization in 1961. According to the website of the organization, the stated mission of the Peace Corps includes providing technical assistance, helping people outside the United States to understand American culture and helping Americans to understand the cultures of other countries. A volunteer will train for a three-month period and then work abroad for a period of two years. The work is typically in the areas of social and economic development. Each program participant is an American citizen with a college degree.





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UNH professor releases new book on women in politics

By MARK KOBZIK STAFFWRITER

This July will mark the 240th anniversary of our nation's birth, but it will also remind us of the fact that we have never elected a woman president. Female candidacy did not begin with Hillary Clinton. Instead, it started back in 19th century and has continued ever since. In Professor Ellen Fitzpatrick's new book, "The Highest Glass Ceiling," she illuminates the history of women running to be America's president.

In an email interview, Fitzpatrick discussed her new book and the important history about women in the role of presidential candidate. When asked about why she wrote the book Fitzpatrick said, "Very little attention had been paid by historians to the longer story of women's participation in presidential political races as candidates... they were usually dismissed as cranks on the margins who had little to teach us. I decided to take a closer look. When I did I found a fascinating history."

The story started with Victoria Woodhull who, in 1872, ran for the presidency before women even had the right to vote. As a member of the Equal Rights Party and a leader of the suffragist movement, Woodhull was a

radical candidate who became entrenched in controversy when the media found out she lived with two men: her husband and ex-husband.

Even decades after the ratification of women's suffrage, animosity toward women in office did not change. In a recent article for the *L.A Times*, Fitzpatrick said that up until 1964, 40 percent of Americans said they would not vote for their party's nominee if that candidate was a woman. According to data gathered from Gallup, about 90 percent of Americans these days would vote for a woman to be president.

When asked about what Clinton can learn from her predeces-

sors, Fitzpatrick said, "Clinton's predecessors certainly were concerned about the place of women in American society. However, women did not automatically support women presidential candidates. On the contrary, Woodhull, Smith and Chisholm all faced resistance from some women who did not favor a woman --any woman---in the presidency."

Hillary Clinton won the South Carolina primary by 46 points Saturday night, getting just one step closer to a possible presidency. According to a Gallup poll, Clinton is the most admired woman in the world. She was First Lady, a senator, a businesswoman, Secretary of State, and is

now in the running for assuming the role of President of the United States. She has also seen a fair share of controversy and has been recently under fire for her speaking fees and ties to Wall Street.

On the subject of gender and politics, Fitzpatrick said, "Whether she likes it or not, she cannot escape the fact that no woman has heretofore been elected to the American presidency. So whatever she chooses to say or do about that fact, the discussion of gender invariably arises in connection with her candidacy. I suspect it will for all women candidates until we do elect a woman president, whenever that might be."

Kelly Ayotte holding firm with GOP on Supreme Court vacancy

By KATHLEEN RONAYNE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CONCORD — As Sen. Kelly Ayotte holds firm on her stance that a new Supreme Court justice shouldn't be nominated until after the election, some New Hampshire voters are rolling their eyes at what they view as the latest round of Washington dysfunction.

"I'm disappointed," said Patricia Dvareckas, a registered Republican from Nashua. "Most of the time I thought her opinions and her actions dictated first what was important and second what was the party line, but it's an election year."

Facing a tough re-election battle against Democratic Gov. Maggie Hassan, Ayotte has broken from her party on several occasions — often to the chagrin of the most conservative members of her base. But since the death of Justice Antonin Scalia, Ayotte has stuck to the party line, saying earlier this week that she won't meet with a nominee should President Barack Obama name one.

"Kelly believes that in the midst of a consequential election the voters should be given the ability to weigh in on an appointment of such magnitude," her campaign spokesman Jon Kohan said.

The fate of vulnerable Republican incumbents in New Hampshire, Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin and Pennsylvania — all states Obama won twice — will be a major factor in who controls the Senate next year. But roughly six months out, it's unclear how the Supreme Court vacancy could affect the November election here. Dvareckas and her sister, Democrat Anne-Marie Pelkey, for example, said they still plan to

vote for Ayotte because they appreciate her overall record. And for conservatives annoyed with Ayotte, one position may not be enough to win back their favor.

"We won't know until she actually makes the vote whether she's telling the truth or not," said Bob Clegg, a former GOP state senator. "What I've seen so far, she hasn't been truthful to us."

Hassan, meanwhile, is pouncing on the position as evidence that Ayotte isn't the independent-minded senator she claims to be.

"I am deeply troubled that Senator Ayotte remains in lockstep with her party and continues to refuse to do her job," Hassan said in a statement.

But Fergus Cullen, a former chairman of the state Republican party, said Ayotte needs to strike a balance between sticking with her party and breaking from it.

"Sometimes she's consistent with Republican orthodoxy and sometimes she's not, and that's what makes her independent," he said.

Not all New Hampshire voters are impressed.

Kevin Fortier, a Republican from Bedford, said he's disgusted with both parties' handling of the situation.

"If I'm looking at the Senate I'm embarrassed," he said. "I want our Supreme Court to be above politics."

Fortier is an evangelical pastor who considers his anti-abortion stance to be his top voting issue and something important to him in a Supreme Court justice. But he characterizes himself as a "strict constitutionalist" and believes it's important for the court to have all nine members. Fortier said Democrats also look

foolish for quickly taking a partisan stance.

Likewise, Melissa Zani, an attorney from Exeter, says she doesn't like to see political posturing around the court. Zani, a Democrat, says she's paid minimal attention to the back-andforth between Ayotte and Hassan but has strong beliefs that the court doesn't need another conservative like Scalia based on her experiences as a singlemother to a gay son.

Zani said she'd consider voting for Ayotte, but the Supreme Court fight makes the Republican less appealing. She doesn't agree with Ayotte's assessment that the process should be stalled until after the election.

"That's a political move," she said, noting that Americans have elected Obama twice. "It's the Democrat party right now that gets to finish their job."





NH prep school to host social media forum

By KATHY McCORMACK

ASSOCIATED PRESS

CONCORD — Six months after a graduate of an elite New Hampshire prep school was convicted on charges of sexual assault and using a computer to lure a 15-year-old girl for sex, the school is planning a symposium on technology and adolescent development.

The event, scheduled for June 15-17 at St. Paul's School in Concord, will bring together leaders from other schools and experts in the fields of adolescent development, empathy, human sexuality, technology, and social media.

Participants attending "Empathy, Intimacy and Technology in a Boarding School Environment" will examine the impact of technology on the emotional health of young people and publish a guide covering such areas as policy and procedure, academic impact, prosocial behavior, spiritual live and student voice

St. Paul Rector Michael

Hirschfeld said school leaders have been discussing the impact of technology on adolescent relationships for years. He said the Owen Labrie case "provided more focus to what we wanted to look at."

"St. Paul's in so many ways is a microcosm of our larger society," Hirschfeld said. "If you think of the hookup culture, the rise of applications like Tinder and these other things our kids are aware of," they are modeling their own versions of the larger society.

A jury in August convicted Labrie of misdemeanor sex assault charges and a felony charge of using a computer to lure an underage student for sex just days before he graduated from St. Paul's in 2014. The computer charge, a felony, carries the mandate to register as a sex offender for life.

Labrie, of Tunbridge, Vermont, now 20, is free on bail as he appeals his case to the New Hampshire Supreme Court.

Labrie's lawyers have said they will challenge whether Labrie should have been ordered to register as a sex offender for life. They have said the registration shouldn't apply because Labrie was acquitted of rape, and that lawmakers meant the law to apply to adults preying on children, not to two teenagers who routinely used computers to communicate.

Labrie was 18 at the time of the encounter in a near-deserted building on the St. Paul's campus. Prosecutors linked the assault to a competition at St. Paul's known as the "Senior Salute" in which seniors seek to have sex with underclassmen.

June's symposium will explore such questions as "What are the emotional, psychological and spiritual impacts of our technological advances?" and "How might we best respond to the opportunities and challenges of this new reality?"

Presenters include faculty and researchers from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Columbia University, the University of Notre Dame, Harvard Medical School, and Microsoft Research.

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UNH students help out with Friends in Action

By JOHN BRESCIA CONTRIBUTING WRITER

One of the most precious things to college students is time. On campus, students need time to learn, study, be part of clubs and teams, and also to just chill.

As a college student, you learn to treat time with the utmost frugality. And yet, a small number of UNH students have devoted some of their precious minutes to social responsibility, as volunteers to Friends in Action (FIA), a group devoted to organizing and hosting social and recreational activities for people with developmental disabilities.

Founded 16 years ago by Heidi Chase, FIA was originally part of the Portsmouth school system. Three years ago, it separated to become a nonprofit based out of the office of the Community Church of Durham.

According to the Friends in Action website, the group's mission is as follows: "to enhance the lives of people with developmental disabilities by creating inclusive social and recreational opportunities. Friends in Action is about friendship, laughter, companionship, fun and community connections. Everything that we all want in our lives to make us happy. The goal of Friends in Action is to have people who might otherwise be very isolated have real, meaningful friendships, places to go, things to do and people to meet. To have something and someone to look forward to."

While not a part of the church itself, FIA helps to run the Church's Echo Thrift Shop. The FIA staff composed of 40 UNH students and 25 disabled people run the shop Monday and Tuesday; community members and church volunteers also manage the store.

"Everybody comes together to work, socialize, and have a nice time together," said Heidi Chase.

About 150 UNH students volunteer at Echo Thrift shop each semester, most of them from Alpha Phi Omega, a nationally recognized coed community service fraternity. Graduate students from the Occupational Therapy Department work with

people with disabilities at Echo on life skills activities every Monday afternoon. Several UNH departments and programs use Echo for internships and other-course based placements. The staff also works in conjunction with Trash 2 Treasure, which recycles old clothes collected at the end of the school year. Said Chase, "We were able to double sales. Students should be aware of the convenience offered by Echo; it's only a five-minute walk from campus."

FIA maintains a program called Wildcat Friends at UNH, which gives young adults with developmental disabilities a college experience on campus, doing a lot with dorms and the Pedagogy students at New Hampshire Hall, such as helping with clothing donations. Childrens' clothes donations go to Goodwin Community Health, where they are available to lowincome families.

Any students who are interested in joining FIA should visit their website www.friendsinactionnh.org.

3 stabbed when violence erupts at KKK rally

By CHRISTINE ARMARIO
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LOS ANGELES — Dozens of protesters who heard about a planned Ku Klux Klan rally were waiting by a Southern California park when six Klansmen pulled up in a black SUV and took out signs reading "White Lives Matter." The KKK members were dressed in black shirts decorated with the Klan cross and Confederate flag patches.

The protesters immediately moved in, surrounding the Klansmen. Someone smashed the SUV's window, and then mayhem ensued.

Witness video captured the brawl just after noon Saturday in an Anaheim park about 3 miles from Disneyland. Several protesters could be seen kicking a KKK member. One Klansman with an American flag used the pole's tip to stab a man.

"I got stabbed," the man screamed, lifting his T-shirt to show a wound to his stomach. A fire hydrant where the man briefly sat was covered in blood.

By the time ordered was restored, three people had been stabbed, one critically. Five Klansmen were booked for investigation of assault with a deadly weapon, and seven of the approximately 30 counter-protesters were arrested on suspicion of assault with force likely to cause great bodily injury.

"I thought they were going to stomp these Klansmen to death," said Brian Levin, who directs California State University, San Bernardino's Center for the Study of Hate and Extremism. Levin, who was monitoring the protest, said he tried to intervene when "all hell broke loose," using his body to get between counter-protesters and Klansmen until officers were able to reach the scene.

Levin said he saw no uniformed officers when the melee started. Sgt. Daron Wyatt says police were definitely there and were engaged with people at one end of the fight, and called for additional resources to deploy to the other end. He says the event stretched along an entire city block

Police Chief Raul Quezada said his officers were able to respond quickly enough to arrest all but one of the main participants, with the exception of one counter-protester who was still at large Sunday. Four of the arrestees were released after a review of video evidence, he said Sunday in a statement from the city.

"We will always honor free speech in Anaheim, but we vehemently reject hate and violent confrontation," Mayor Tom Tait said added. "Anaheim is proud to draw strength in its diversity, tolerance and kindness, and Saturday's events run counter to that.

A day earlier, Anaheim police had notified the public about the planned protest at Pearson Park and said they would be monitoring the situation. The department also noted that the KKK, like any other group, has a First Amendment right to assemble and demonstrate in a public park.

"Even if the vast majority of our community disagrees with a particular group who visits our city we cannot stop them from lawfully gathering to express their opinions," Quezada said. "Violence is not acceptable, and we will arrest anybody who assaults another person or commits any other crime in our city."

Chris Barker, who identified himself as the imperial wizard of the Loyal White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, told *The Associated Press* by phone from North Carolina that his members were holding a peaceful anti-immigration demonstration and acted in self-defense.

"If we're attacked, we will attack back," said Barker, whose organization lists Pelham, N.C., as its headquarters. Last year, the group drew headlines when it protested the removal of the Confederate flag from the South Carolina Capitol.

The KKK has a long history in Anaheim. In the 1920s, several Klansmen held elected office in the city, which was overwhelmingly white but now has a majority of Hispanics among its roughly 350,000 residents.

In January 2015, packets containing fliers condemning the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. and supporting the Ku Klux Klan were left in the driveways of about 40 homes in Santa Ana, about 8 miles south of Anaheim. The fliers opened with the heading "On Martin Luther King Day, you are celebrating a communist pervert." The bottom of the fliers stated they came from the "Loyal White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan."

Nationwide, the number of active KKK groups increased to 190 in 2015 after falling in 2013 and 2014, according to the Southern Poverty Law Center, which tracks hate groups.

Giovanni Namdar, 25, who runs an auto body shop near Pearson Park, said he saw people speaking passionately on a stage before the violence broke out. He later saw a swarm of police cars and helicopters flood the area.

Namdar said he was stunned to learn about the KKK's presence in the area.

"It's pretty disturbing," he said.

PLEASE RECYCLE

US senator wants government to set airline seat-size rules

By MICHAEL BALSAMO

ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — U.S. Sen. Charles Schumer wants to require the Federal Aviation Administration to establish seat-size standards for commercial airlines, which he says now force passengers to sit on planes "like sardines."

The New York Democrat told *The Associated Press* the airlines have been slowly cutting down legroom and seat width.

"One of the most vexing things when you travel on an airplane is there's almost no legroom on your standard flight," Schumer said. "There's been constant shrinkage by the airlines."

He said he will add an amendment to the FAA Reauthorization Bill that is pending before Congress that would require the agency to set the seat-size guidelines. Schumer planned to formally announce the proposal at a news conference Sunday.

Schumer said seat pitch, the distance between a point on an airline seat and the same spot on the seat in front of it, has dropped from 35 inches in the 1970s to a current average of closer to 31 inches, and seat width has gone from 18.5 inches to about 16.5 inches. He argues that the requirement is needed to stop airlines from shrinking those numbers even further.

"They're like sardines," Schumer said of airplane passengers. "It's no secret that airlines are looking for more ways to cut costs, but they shouldn't be cutting inches of legroom and seat

width in the process ... It's time for the FAA to step up and stop this deep-seated problem from continuing."

Currently, there are no federal limits on how close an airline's row of seats can be or how wide an airline's seat must be.

Schumer pointed to a practice used by some airlines in which passengers are charged more money for seats with extra legroom. He says that exemplifies the problem.

"It's just plain unfair that a person gets charged for extra inches that were once standard," he said.

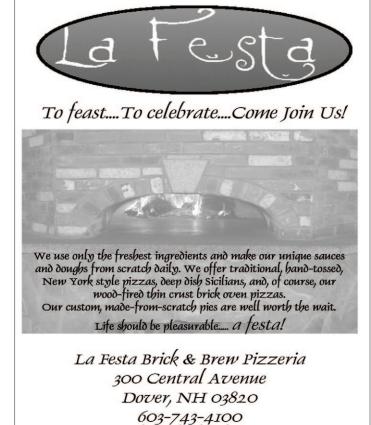
The FAA Reauthorization Bill is considered "must-pass" legislation, Schumer said. Congress typically renews the FAA's authorization every four to six years, using the bill as an opportunity to address a wide range of aviation issues. A vote is expected in March.

A spokesman for the FAA said agency officials "look forward to reviewing" Schumer's proposal.

Airlines for America, an industry trade group representing an array of U.S. airlines, said it believes the government's role is to determine a seat size that is safe, but opposes the proposed regulation.

"We believe the government should not regulate, but instead market forces, which reflect consumer decisions and competition should determine what is offered," spokeswoman Jean Medina said. "As with any commercial product or service, customers vote every day with their wallet."

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lucky nose that students rub for good luck. According to Sarkis, the Wildcat is painted regularly except for the nose, because the university wants it to stay shiny. There is a 24-hour surveillance on the statue and a

live feed available to

anyone online at all times.

TNH's guide to the UNH campus UNH

Tour guide Dori Sarkis and The New Hampshire staff have outlined some of the major UNH buildings and attractions UNH has to offer.

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Commonly referred to as "The Whitt," this building is home to the ice rink (Whittemore Center) as well as the student recreation center, which includes basketball courts, an indoor track, weight room and more. According to Sarkis, the Hamel Student Rec Center is currently undergoing extensive renovations. The two-year expansion project will conclude in 2017, which is when they will also begin renovating the "old part."









HALI

77 Thompson Hall, home of the illustrious bell tower, is one of the oldest buildings on campus. Ringing every half hour, the tower is

often thought of as a symbol of the university. Until December 2013, T-Hall was used as the university's logo. During nice days, many students can be found studying, relaxing and playing games on the lawn.

The Memorial Union Building, often referred to as "the MUB," is home to everything from student organizations, popular lunch spot Union Court and UNH's largest dining hall: Holloway Commons (HoCo). According to Sarkis, in the new section of HoCo all of the chairs are made from recycled bottles. Also, if you ever ask a chef for a recipe, they will give you a little cookbook with all of the recipes *The other two dining halls, included inside.







Stillings and Phillbrook, are noted on the map with a white star.

SUSTAINABILITY ON CAMPUS

According to Sarkis, 80 percent of campus is powered by energy made here on campus. Down the road from school is a landfill where all of the waste goes. On campus is a methane co-generation plant, which creates natural gas that powers 80 percent of the campus. An EcoLine pipeline from the co-generation plant heats the sidewalks and buildings. All of the buses run off of natural gas as well.

Home to the advising and career center, the Hood House holds

resources for students in need of advice and help when looking

for a job or choosing a major. According to Sarkis, alumni

donate clothes that students can borrow or keep for interviews.

The clothes are kept in a closet for students to use at any time.



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The Dimond Library is the largest of the four libraries on campus. According to Sarkis, the building was built 'down" rather than "up" because officials at the university didn't want it to be taller than Thompson Hall.

Campus renovations call for tour route changes



(From Left) Junior Corey Adams, sophomore Drew Lalli, sophomore Ashley Costa and junior Dori Sarkis recruit new student tour guides at UNH's annual U-Day.

By ELIZABETH CLEMENTE **NEWS EDITOR**

With all of the construction developments UNH has recently undertaken, it's only logical for campus tours to change as well.

Dori Sarkis, scheduling and recruitment coordinator for tours at UNH, said the university recently invited consulting company Render Experiences to evaluate the format and efficiency of campus tours.

"They go all over the country and look at schools and tours," said Sarkis, a junior health management and policy major hailing from West Newbury, Massachusetts. "Their literal job is to judge the tour guide program for different campus visits and things like that."

According to Sarkis, UNH's partnership with Render is part of an ongoing initiative to develop and improve various aspects of the university's brand. Sarkis said one of Render's key suggestions to UNH was to alter its tour routes to better showcase all the university has to offer, specifically the "backside" of campus.

"That was the big change, because we used to only show Main Street basically, we didn't show anything past the library," she said.

Sarkis said Render emphasized the importance of showing the College of Engineering and Physical Science (CEPS) buildings to prospective students, which was one main catalyst in tour alterations.

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Dori Sarkis UNH Tour Guide

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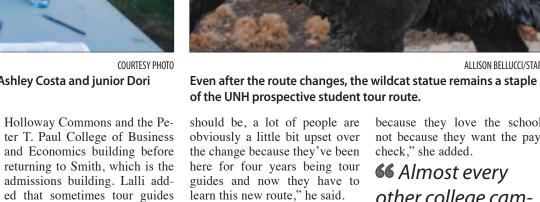
Prior to this semester, Lalli said the "old route" began at Smith Hall, then continued on to Congreve, the Whittemore Center, Demeritt, Thompson Hall, construction, we kind of wanted to route it away from the construction, so we've started to take tour groups around the backside of campus," he said.

would execute the same route in

"This semester, because

However, Lalli added that not all UNH tour guides, especially seasoned veterans, are pleased with the route changes.

"There's been a lot of discussion over what the route



Although administrators from the admissions office have the final say in planning tour routes, Sarkis said the UNH tour guides, who meet once a month as a group, still have a say in major decisions that are made within the program.

"What's really great about the tour guide program at UNH, is that it's not a student org, so we don't run it, but so much of what we do comes from our feedback," she said.

Sarkis also said UNH tour guides have an unparalleled level of passion for what they do. Unlike many other schools, being a tour guide at UNH is a volunteer position, barring four paid positions on the advisory board, which Sarkis joined this year.

"Almost every other college campus pays their tour guides; here it's completely volunteer, so it's very unique," Sarkis said.

"The reason that we are a volunteer program is because they want students who really love the school to be tour guides, because they love the school, not because they want the paycheck," she added.

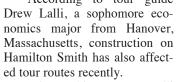
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> **Dori Sarkis UNH Tour Guide**

Sarkis said Render also gave guides an interesting piece of advice on how to make the tour experience more personable by conveying their unique UNH experiences through personal anecdotes instead of memorized facts. The suggestion prompted the program to compose a new tour script for this semester.

"Their other main feedback to us was no one cares about the facts, and everyone wants to hear stories," she said. "They can get the facts anywhere they want, but talking to a student is so beneficial."







ALLISON BELLUCCI/STAFF

Constuction around campus such as the renovations being made to Hamilton Smith (left) and the Hamel Student Rec Center (right) have affected the UNH campus tour routes this semester. The tours have expanded to include the back side of campus.

Kansas town remains strong following shooting

By ROXANA HEGEMAN

ASSOCIATED PRESS

HESSTON, Kan. - Grieving residents of this small Kansas town parked riding lawnmowers with American flags planted beside them along some streets on Saturday and adorned them with "Hesston Hustler Strong" signs in a symbolic reference to the lawn equipment brand from the factory where a gunman killed three coworkers.

The Excel Industries factory nestled in the center of this peaceful community of 3,700 founded by Mennonite farmers has long been more than an economic hub. It is a source of pride that binds people together. It draws about 1,000 workers from small towns around the region and everyone seems to either work there or know someone who does.

The Hustler brand evolved in the 1960s from the tinkering of a man from a nearby town, John Regier, who built a lawn mower that could turn and maneuver more easily to cut grass around obstacles such as trees and winding sidewalks. The company now sells Hustler and Big Dog equipment around the globe and in 2013 earned the Kansas Governor's Exporter of the Year award.

The quiet of Hesston was shattered on Thursday when Cedric L. Ford barged into the plant while about 300 people were working the second shift and opened fire. Authorities say Ford, a convicted felon, was upset after being served hours earlier at the plant with a protection from abuse order to stay away from a former girlfriend. In addition to three people killed, 14 were wounded counting two people shot as he drove to the

It fell to Hesston Police Chief Doug Schroeder, one of a force of just six full-time officers, to rush into the plant without backup and kill the gunman in an exchange of bullets. An off-duty officer drove his pickup truck to the plant and took an injured worker to a nearby am-

The police chief was hailed as a hero in a community where people help each other out. But city leaders on Saturday said there were many heroes that day, including some Excel workers who carried injured people out.

Hesston Mayor David Kauffman said law enforcement converged from around the area. Just weeks earlier, the county had hosted active shooter training for area departments.

"We were prepared as much as we could be for something like this," Kauffman said.

"At Excel, we are like a family," said Rick Lett, a friend since high school of one of the dead, 44-year-old Brian Sadowsky. Lett worked an earlier shift that day and recalled his friend's last words to him as Sadowsky arrived for that fateful second shift: "Have a good evening, brother."

The other workers killed inside the plant were Josh Higbee, 31, and Renee Benjamin, 30.

For some families, multiple generations work at Excel. Karen Mosqueda worked the first shift and her daughter, Ashley, worked the second shift on the day of the attack. The daughter ran out of the building when someone shouted that there was a gunman. Some workers carried an injured colleague outside, taking their belts off as a tourniquet to stop the bleeding before going to nearby homes to get a blanket for him.

Ashley Mosqueda said that seeing the plant again when she attended a candlelight vigil Friday night brought the memories flooding back.

"It is going to be hard to walk back in, to take that first step," she said.

At a Wichita hospital, the son of Dennis Britton Sr. is recovering from a gunshot wound that went through his lower buttock and fractured a femur bone. Dennis Britton Jr. has told his father that when he heard the shooting he dropped to the floor and then couldn't get back up. The shooter made eye to eye contact with him.

The father, a 20-year veteran, recalled how his son looked up at him from the ambulance at the plant and said, "It hurts." But the older Britton knows his son will have more than just his physical injuries to deal with in the coming days.

"It was pretty rough. I don't think it has sunk in yet," the father said. "When it does, he is going to have to do some talk-

People are relying on their faith to get them through the days to come.

Among them are Bruce and Lori Weaver, lifelong Hesston residents, who attended Friday night's candlelight vigil. He is chief financial officer of a machine manufacturing company in nearby Moundridge, and she is an elementary school teacher. But his brother is the Excel's plant information technology manager, and the father of their son's fiancé works in the office.

Lori Weaver was at the high school after the shootings Thursday, at a reception area set up there, and spent much of the evening praying for the victims'

"We're very realistic. We're not in a bubble," she said. "We're going to support each other and trust God."

The city plans a town hall Sunday afternoon to answer questions from residents, and a special church service also is planned Sunday evening in the school gym. The city has embraced the mantra, "Hesston Strong," for its recovery efforts.

"This is something that is very tragic and we will move through this as a community," City Administrator Gary Emry

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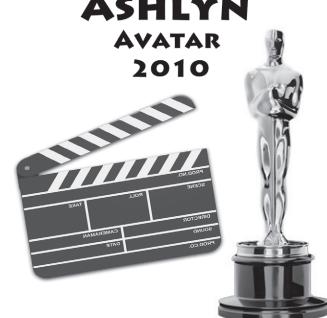
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Police used tear gas to flush Washington killer from house

By GENE JOHNSON ASSOCIATED PRESS

SEATTLE — Police say they used tear gas to flush a suicidal man who had killed several family members from his house — and that's when he stepped outside

and killed himself.

The Mason County Sheriff's Office on Saturday released a timeline of the standoff, which began after David Wayne Campbell, 51, called a sheriff's office supervisor Friday morning to say he had done something bad and

A small number of deputies initially responded, speaking with Campbell by phone and setting up a perimeter to keep him on the property until a SWAT team could

Over $3\neg\Omega$ hours, trained negotiators tried to persuade Campbell to surrender, but "it became evident that the suspect was not going to leave the residence voluntarily," the sheriff's office said. Deputies could see him pacing inside, often holding a handgun to his head.

When they deployed tear gas in the house, Campbell came outside with a gun in his hand and yelled at police. He then returned indoors before coming out once more, putting the gun to his temple and firing as the police watched.

Authorities said they found four other bodies in a chicken coop on the remote, wooded property near Belfair, on the Kit-

sap Peninsula southwest of Seattle. Mason County Coroner Wes Stockwell released the identities of three of them Saturday: Campbell's wife of six years, Lana J. Carlson, 49, and her sons, Quinn and Tory Carlson, who were 16 and 18, respectively.

Stockwell said he was withholding the identity of the fourth victim pending notification of relatives.

When deputies first contacted Campbell, a 12-year-old girl fled from the home, the timeline said. Authorities said she wasn't shot, but they used a military-surplus armored vehicle to pick her up and bring her safely past the home so she could be evaluated by medical personnel.

she's OK," "Apparently

Chief Deputy Ryan Spurling said. "I don't know if this is a daughter, or stepdaughter, or what the relationship is, but she escaped from the house.'

Jack Pigott, who lives down the road, said he heard gunshots Thursday night.

Campbell and Carlson were married in November 2009, King County records show. The wife had two teenage sons who were adopted from Russia during a previous marriage, Pigott said, as well as a daughter who was adopted from China. Her previous husband died of cancer, he said.

Campbell ran a business called Campbell Family Heating and Air Conditioning, according to state records, while Carlson —who also went by Lana Jane Campbell—had registered a business called Crispy Edges. She had purchased a food truck, and she and Campbell had been working on the truck but had not been able to secure the county permits needed to operate it, Pigott said.

The neighbor also said Campbell had recently been hospitalized, but he didn't know why.

"He's heavily medicated with something," Pigott said. "I've never seen him drinking."

It was common for the family to do shooting practice, Pigott said. That's what he assumed Thursday's gunfire was.

"I was getting a load of wood into the house, and I hear some gunshots," he said. "Four or five, a pause and then another round.'

Une-year spaceman sees mission as 'steppingstone' to Mars

By MARCIA DUNN ASSOCIATED PRESS

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. -As soon as he returns from the International Space Station, NASA's first and only yearlong spaceman, Scott Kelly, will try to pop up from a lying position and stand still for three minutes.

He'll take a crack at a miniobstacle course and attempt to walk a straight line, heel to toe all so researchers can see whether he'd hit the ground running if this were Mars instead of Earth.

NASA considers it crucial prep work for future Mars explorers who will have to spend much longer in space and won't have the help of a welcoming committee. In fact, this mission — which began with a launch last March is all about Mars.

"I think we'll learn a lot about longer-duration spaceflight and how that will take us to Mars someday," Kelly said Thursday in his final news conference from orbit. "So I'd like to think that this is another of many steppingstones to us landing on Mars sometime in our future.'

Kelly's 340-day mission the longest by 125 days for NASA — comes to a dramatic end Wednesday on the remote steppes of Kazakhstan. (It will be Tuesday night in the U.S.) The astronaut will ride a Soyuz spacecraft back with two Russians, including Mikhail Kornienko, his roommate for the past year.

Once out of the capsule, the two will submit to a multitude of field tests.

What could new arrivals do on Mars, asks Dr. Stevan Gilmore, the lead flight surgeon who will be at the landing site to receive Kelly. Could they jump up and down? Could they open a hatch? Could they do an immediate spacewalk?

The tests on Kelly and Kornienko should provide some answers. There will also be blood draws, heart monitoring and other medical exams. The testing will continue for weeks if not months once they're back home in Houston and at cosmonaut headquarters at Star City, Russia.

Checkups will also continue for Kelly's identical twin, retired astronaut Mark Kelly. The 52-year-old brothers joined forces to provide NASA with a potential gold mine of scientific data: one twin studied for a year in orbit twice the usual space station stay while his genetic double underwent similar tests on the ground.

While a handful of Russians have spent longer in space, the record being a 438-day flight, those expeditions date back to the 1980s and 1990s aboard the Mir space station, rustic if not rickety compared with the current space station. Medical testing was spotty back then, and the data weren't always widely shared.

As of Thursday—Day 335—Kelly professed to feeling pretty good. Indeed, flight surgeon Gilmore doesn't expect any alarming results at touchdown.

Kelly's vision has degraded a bit as it did during his last mission, a normal outcome for some astronauts because of increased pressure inside the skull in weightlessness. He anticipates his bones and muscles have weakened as well. despite daily exercise in orbit.

The real question mark—and Kelly's biggest concern—is the possible lingering effects of space

"Hopefully, I'll never find out what the true effects are of that," Kelly said in a TV interview last week. NASA will need to tackle the problem for Mars trips because of the increased level of exposure.

Johnson Space Center physiologist John Charles puts the psychological side of longduration spaceflight right up there with radiation, as well as in-flight medical care and even food preservation and packaging for the long haul.

"Just about everything is a big problem for Mars," Charles said in a phone interview.

Mars expeditions planned for the 2030s will last 2-years;

the anticipated crew size will be four to six. The astronauts will almost certainly have to grow some of their own food; that's the reason for an experimental greenhouse aboard the space sta-

Kelly and his crewmates grew red romaine lettuce in the mini-hothouse last summer and sampled some of the crop.

Even more impressive, Kelly nursed zinnias back to health in January, displaying a lush orange and yellow bouquet on Valentine's Day. He had to "channel my inner Mark Watney"-the lone astronaut who survives on potatoes in last year's blockbuster movie "The Martian" - to save the zinnias from mold.

Trust me when to add water, Kelly urged Mission Control, not some preflight script. That's how it will need to be when astronauts venture to Mars, he gently reminded everyone.

Charles stresses that Mars travel will be different than a space station stay. No regular phone chats with the husbands, wives and kids back home. No constant whispering in the astronauts' ears from Mission Control. Support would come via

"They're going to be highly autonomous," Charles said of the Mars explorers, "and that's something that we're trying to practice on the space station now ... learning how to get Mission Control out of the back pockets of the astronauts."

Kelly points out that crew quarters on Mars-bound craft will be much tighter than the space station-and nothing like the spaceships of science fiction. Between sleeping and working on his laptop, Kelly estimates he's spent almost half his time inside his personal cubicleabout the size of a phone booth.

NASA will need to improve privacy on Mars missions, he said, if it hopes to combat crew stress and fatigue.

The toughest part for Kelly has been the physical isolation from everyone he loves, 250 miles below him. But on a trip to Mars, tens of millions of miles away, astronauts won't be able to even see Earth.

"Obviously going to Mars, there are a lot of other challenges, but none of these we can't overcome," Kelly said.

NASA is discussing doing more one-year flights with the other countries involved in the station program; more subjects are needed for a better understanding of all the challenges. It's a long time, no matter how you cut it. Just ask Kelly, who recently acknowledged, "a year now seems longer than I thought

Lawsuit deplores sex abuse of women in NY state prisons

STAFF REPORT

NEW YORK - Sexual abuse and harassment of women in New York State prisons persists and flourishes because the state's "zero tolerance" policy is a sham, a lawsuit says.

The lawsuit filed Thursday in Manhattan federal court asks a judge to force the state to prevent women from being sexually abused by male guards. The lawsuit seeking class action status represents six women on behalf of an estimated 2,300 women in state custody at three institu-

In a release, attorney Veronica Vela at The Legal Aid So-

ciety's Prisoners' Rights Project stop the abuse. said the state has long failed to take steps it knows would reduce risks women face in prisons.

Those steps include upgrading the "grossly inadequate" reporting, investigation and response to complaints of sexual misconduct, the lawsuit said. It claimed the state now relies almost completely on women reporting misconduct, fails to credit them without physical proof or substantial corroboration and fails to adequately punish guards who are caught.

The lawsuit said the state has relied "on a decades-old rule that is 'zero tolerance' in name only" and fails to supervise, investigate and discipline staff to

It said the approach had created a prison culture that was "functionally indifferent to the risk of sexual abuse for women prisoners, allowing staff sexual abuse and harassment to persist and flourish."

The prison culture permits supposed "willing" or "consensual" sexual contact between prisoners and guards even though "state law, prison policy, and common sense make clear that women in custody are unable to consent in the coercive prison environment," the lawsuit said.

Guards are so unlikely to be punished for misbehavior that they freely disregard policies

New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision spokesman Thomas Mailey said the department "takes all allegations of sexual abuse seriously" but doesn't comment on litigation.

He said any sexual abuse claim is processed through a sex crimes unit within the department's special investigations of-

"In addition to rigorous employee training for both staff and inmates, we continue to strictly adhere to established guidelines under the Prison Rape Elimination Act," Mailey said.

The lawsuit listed six wom-

that would stop them, the law- en who were described anonymously. One is a 24-year-old woman confined to the Bedford Hills Correctional Facility since 2011. The lawsuit said she was sexually abused for nearly three years. The lawsuit also seeks to represent all current and future inmates at Taconic and Albion prisons.

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eel free to write a letter to the deditor if we end up jinxing it, but The New Hampshire staff thinks it's safe to say spring is well on its way.

Though UNH is gorgeous after a fresh snowfall, we deserve the latest bout of mild weather we're experiencing and an earlier-thanusual spring after the harsh New Hampshire winters we students have endured the past few years.

Being able to study, relax and toss the Frisbee around outside on our beautiful campus is a great way to relieve stress. Bearing that in mind, let's ensure we take measures to keep our campus clean and be mindful of how we dispose of beer cans, bottles, cigarettes, wrappers and other trash/recyclables. The ground is not the answer!

As a student body, we excel in so many ways at so many things. Unfortunately, campus cleanliness is not one of them. Next time you're walking to class, take a look around. You'll probably find paper plates, crushed cans and wrappers lining the sidewalks and grass areas.

Litter is an eyesore. Nobody wants to walk around a campus that has trash all around it, and it's not the responsibility of our maintenance workers to clean up after us. Ninety-nine percent of us on campus are adults. We need to be more responsible.

Moreover, it's tour season on campus. Dozens of prospective students come to UNH everyday during the spring semester to get a better idea of what our campus is like. It would be tough to imagine a student seeing a campus littered with trash and think highly of the school, other factors notwithstanding.

It's our civic responsibility as students to make sure our campus is clean. Besides, we students pay way too much money and spend way too much time at this school to let widespread litter plague the

One of UNH's best features is its natural beauty. Littering mocks that beauty in a form of utmost disrespect. Plus, if you get caught you'll probably get a fine. Why waste your money paying a ticket for something

so foolish? There are lots of waste and recycling receptacles around campus.

One of UNH's best features is its natural beauty.

It is necessary at this time, however, to laud the efforts of the fraternities, sororities and other students orgs and groups that generously volunteer their time to clean up our campus. As a staff, The New Hampshire appreciates the courtesy and upstanding citizenship that come as a result of helping keeping our campus clean.

As a student body, we can do better. We need to do better. For the sake of respecting our campus, maintaining its rural charm and keeping it sanitary and aesthetically pleasing, please think twice before tossing that wrapper or flicking that cigarette butt on the ground.

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WOMEN'S HOCKEY

UNH bounced in opening round of Hockey East playoffs

By MARK GARBINO STAFF WRITER

That is a wrap on the 2015-2016 season.

With a pair of losses to the University of Connecticut, the Wildcats were eliminated from the Hockey East playoffs in the quarterfinals for the fifth straight season. UConn took game one by a score of 3-2, and game two, 4-3, in a triple overtime thriller.

Ending the season in such heartbreaking fashion will sting for quite some time, but head coach Hilary Witt said she liked the competitiveness that her team displayed.

"I am very proud of this team," she said. "I wish it would have ended differently for the seniors. We have a bright future, but that certainly doesn't make this hurt any less."

It is no secret that UConn's goaltender, Elaine Chuli, is one of the best in Hockey East. She finished the regular season ranked second in the conference with a .943 save percentage, and third with a 2.21 goals against average. Coach Witt described Chuli as "outstanding," and she proved to be just that. The senior net minder stole the show in both games, stopping an incredible 113 of 118 shots faced on the

The opening period of Friday's game was a quick indicator of how difficult the series would be. UNH outshot UConn 19-8 in the first, but found itself trailing 1-0. The Wildcats ended up in a 3-0 hole about 13 minutes into the middle frame, and Witt made the decision to swap goalies. Senior Vilma Vaattovaara was inserted into the game in relief of freshman Kyra Smith, who allowed three goals on 16 shots.

Following the change in net, UNH made a strong push to erase the significant deficit, receiving goals from Julia Fedeski and Kate Haslett, but it was too little

too late. The comeback fell short, despite a lopsided 46-25 shot advantage.

Game two saw the roles reversed, with the Huskies fighting to close a gap in the third period. Freshman forward Taylor Wenczkowski scored her second goal of the night at 2:09 of the final frame, giving the 'Cats a 3-1 cushion. It was their game to

UConn put a shot past Vaattovaara just over five minutes later to cut the lead to one, putting all of the pressure on UNH to preserve its lead. The Wildcats held on until the final minute, when the Huskies pulled their goalie in favor of an extra attacker, and buried the tying goal with 41 seconds remaining.

Overtime was controlled by the 'Cats, but Chuli stood tall, and turned away everything thrown her way. Nearly four hours after puck drop, UConn scored early in triple overtime to cap off a gut-wrenching loss for UNH. The Wildcats held a 72-39 shot advantage in the game, including 38-14 in overtime.

Despite ending the season with two tough losses, Witt said she was pleased with her team's performance.

"I could not be more proud of the way we battled," she said.

MEN'S HOCKEY

'Cats choke in the clutch Heating up



CHINA WONG/STAFF

Colin MacDonald was one of six seniors honored on Saturday before UNH's loss to UConn.

By BRIAN DUNN SPORTS FOITOR

It was a collapse of epic pro-

Despite losing Friday night's away game at UConn by a 4-1 score, the Wildcats could have locked up home ice for the first round of the Hockey East playoffs with a win at home on Saturday night. UNH found itself up three goals over the Huskies but let the lead slip away in the third period, ultimately losing the game in overtime.

"Absolutely disappointed," UNH head coach Dick Umile said. "Don't have a whole lot to say, but nothing but disappointment."

The Wildcats traveled to Connecticut on Friday night and had the opportunity to lock up the eighth seed in the conference with a win. But the Wildcats did not get off to a good start on the road.

The Huskies gained an early 2-0 lead off of a shorthanded goal from Corey Ronan and a power play tally by Shawn Pauly in the first period. UConn maintained the two-goal lead for the entirety of the first period.

Jamie Hill's second goal in three games halved the UNH deficit but proved to be the only offense UNH would muster despite 37 shots.

Max Letunov scored the third UConn goal, before Joseph Masonious added a shorthanded goal that gave UConn insurance in what ended as a 4-1 win for the Huskies. The win ensured that the winner of the weekend's second game would maintain home ice for the first round of the playoffs.

The Wildcat seniors were honored before the puck dropped on Saturday night, but it was UNH's young guns that came out

Two early goals came from the power play. Michael Mc-Nicholas' third goal of the season and Matias Cleland's fourth gave UNH a 2-0 lead in the first period.

Shane Eiserman increased the lead to three, before UConn got a goal back. Maxim Gaudreault scored another UNH goal and UNH looked to have the game locked up.

But the third period was a

disaster for the Wildcats. UNH had trouble in its own zone and the Huskies pounced, netting two goals with 10 minutes left in regu-

Desperation forced the Huskies to pull Nichols to get an extra attacker late in the game, but the gamble paid off when the Huskies scored their fourth goal of the game with 63 seconds left on the clock.

Overtime didn't last long for the Wildcats, as Ronan put a fluttering puck past UNH goalie Danny Tirone 3:08 into the overtime period. The 5-4 victory ensured the Huskies would play at home next weekend, while the Wildcats will be forced to hit the road.

"I guess, like I said, shift all of our focus to Merrimack and see what we can do against them in that small rink," senior captain Collin MacDonald said of what the team needs to do moving forward. "We've had success there this year, so the message is really just do or die obviously.'

The 'Cats will play Merrimack in a best-of-three series, starting Thursday night at 7 p.m.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

By SAM ROGERS **CONTRIBUTING WRITER**

In the last game of the regular season, the Wildcats were looking for revenge. After being down at the end of the first quarter, UNH rallied behind great ball movement, good patience, and individual effort to beat UMBC 67-59. The Wildcats evened the season series with the Retrievers 1-1.

The Wildcats were plagued by a slow start on Sunday. The team was misfiring and early turnovers allowed UMBC to take an early lead after the first quarter. But it was a game of runs for the Wildcats. The first came when the Wildcats face a 10-point deficit. UNH rallied a 9-0 run and took the lead at half-

Sophomore Carlie Pogue and senior Elizabeth Belanger led the scoring for the 'Cats with 22 and 20 points respectively. Freshman Ashley Storey helped Pouge inside, adding seven points and five rebounds. UNH's six turnovers allowed were the fewest all season.

"Eighteen assists to six turnovers is the stat of the game. We took care of the ball and moved it very well," assistant coach Brendan Copes said.

Although UNH was led by outstanding individual efforts and great ball control, the team was still down in the third quarter. With 6:47 left in the third, UNH found itself trailing 36-29. The Wildcats went on an 11-0 run and never trailed again.

The message in the fourth quarter was clear: hold the lead. The Wildcats did just that and the team concluded the regular season beating four of their last five America East opponents. UNH finished the season 12-17 and 6-10 in conference play.

UNH was looking to bounce back on Sunday after a tough home loss to Vermont. Copes said that he wasn't worried however, because this team has been bouncing back all year.

"The team has amazed me all year with our ability to continue fighting even after a slow start. We changed up our defense from man to zone and that really seemed to keep UMBC off balance," Copes said.

The America East Quarterfinals begin Saturday, March 5, at Binghamton. UNH is the seventh seed and will play Maine or

Copes said the team is heating up at the right time for play-

"As far as gearing up for the tournament, we need to bottle up exactly what we did today. This win should give us a little bit of confidence as well as a blue print for how we need to attack offensively," Copes said.

On Thursday, Feb. 21, UNH honored the team's senior players before a game against Vermont that the team unfortunately lost. Stephanie Spoto and Belanger are the two Wildcat seniors this year.

"We've always been such a close group on and off the court," Belanger said. "I've had a great experience every single year here.'

"It's been an incredible journey, and I wouldn't trade it for the world," Spoto said.

The two seniors know the journey will be difficult, but they believe the team can string some wins together in the postseason.

"It's never been easy for us, but we've always been able to fight back," Spoto said. "For the five years I've been here, this team has fought."

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1-minute, 49.52-seconds was good for first place in the 800-meter race. Piazza also led the way for freshman teammate William Ulrich, who placed fifth with 1:52.39, setting a new personal record for himself.

Another notable freshman performance was Brett Hoerner in the 1,000-meter race. Hoerner placed third with a new personal record of 2:25.71 and continues to look very promising for the future of the middle distance program. Boulanger said the time was "definitely the fastest freshman 1,000 time we've had." Hoerner was also a part of the 2nd place 4x800-meter relay team, which he ran with Ulrich and Jacob and Nathan Kittredge. The group's time currently ranks 28th in the country.

Isaiah Penn's 48.33-second 400-meter time was good for fifth overall, while Bryan Morris placed 10th out of 24 in the pole vault and set a new personal best of 15 feet, 5 inches. Senior Brendan McCarthy took 7th in the 3,000 with a time of 8:23.25.

"It's a great meet for those right below the NCAA level," Boulanger said about next week's meet. Next weekend, the 'Cats will once again travel to Boston for the IC4A Championships. For the athletes who know they aren't running in the NCAA Championships, it's a great meet to have some fun with and focus on the relays, without sacrificing good competition.

At the same meet, the women placed 4th out of 32 with a score of 49.75 points. Many personal records were broken as the season draws closer to an end.

Senior Lauren Perrodin was her usual self as she performed very well once again in the 60-meter and 200-meter races. Perrodin placed 7th in the 200 with a time of 25.53, and took home the gold medal in the 60 with a time of 7.68 second. The win marks her first New England Championship title and the dual performance adds to her impressive sprinting career.

"As a senior she's been in the sprinting wars for her whole time here at UNH and is arguably one of the best short sprinters UNH has ever had and it was great for her to win a championship," women's head coach Robert Hoppler said of the senior cocaptain's successful career.

Another impressive feat was accomplished when sophomore Danielle Gajewski ran the 500 in 1:14.17, which earned her 2nd place. This time is her new personal record and also the



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Mike Shanahan set a new school record in the weight throw at the New England Championships in Boston. Shanahan's throw of 68 feet, 10.75 inches is the No. 27 throw in the NCAA this season.

new school record. Gajewski's time beats Megan Donohue's old record time from 2011 by .17 seconds.

The distance medley relay team comprised of Shannon Murdock, Tessa Artruc, Cassie Kruse, and Amanda Szymanski completed the circuit in 11:37.59, which earned the team much needed points and a 2nd place finish. Coming in with another 2nd place finish, Chelsey Serrano set a new personal best

in the 3,000-meter with a time of 9:46.98.

The women's team will compete next weekend at the competitive ECAC Championships in Boston and is eyeing a top-10 finish. The two-day meet starts Saturday at noon and wraps up on Sunday.

For more information on the men's and women's track and field programs at UNH, please visit the official UNH athletics website, unhwildcats.com.

Wildcats in the Top 30

Ellie Purrier: 1-mile (1st)

Drew Piazza: 800-meter (10th)

Mike Shanahan: Weight (27th)

UNH: 4x800 Relay (28th)

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lately," Herrion said. "They got what they wanted, and not what I wanted, but Iba stepped up and made two."

Despite his struggles this year, Camara knocked down both free throws, which helped the Wildcats maintain their composure and hold on for the win. The Wildcats improve to 18-10 while UMBC falls to 7-24.

"Nothing is ever easy," Herrion said. "This team has responded after losses all year."

After winning on Saturday, the Wildcats' fate rested in the hands of Vermont. UVM faced off against Stony Brook later on Saturday night. Had Vermont lost, the Wildcats would have claimed the third seed for the America East playoffs. But Vermont didn't lose. The Catamounts upset the favored Seawolves and clinched the third seed and UNH fell to the fourth seed.

The Wildcats will still host a home playoff game on Wednesday, March 2, in Lundholm Gymnasium. They'll take on the Binghamton Bearcats, a team UNH has played and beaten twice this season. Herrion had one message for his team: Now the work begins.

"We aren't focused on it,"
Jordan said before UNH found
out which team it would face.
"Whoever we play, we are just
going to focus on them and take
this thing one game at a time."

While Saturday's win was big for the team, it was also Senior Day. And since Ronnel Jordan is the only senior on the roster, it was Ronnel Jordan Day.

"The experience has been

crazy," Jordan said. "I wish I had more years here. From the fans to the coaches to my teammates who are like my brothers...yeah, I'm really going to miss them."

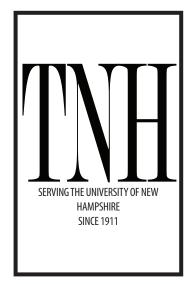
Jordan, who averaged 9.6 points per game during the regular season, was forced into the starting lineup this season after an NCAA appeal for a fifth year of eligibility was denied for Matt Miller. Needless to say, he filled in just fine.

"Ronnel has had a terrific senior year," Herrion said. "He's been a really good player for us. He's been terrific. We are going to miss him."

One thing Herrion and the Wildcats won't miss is Dion's shooting struggles. After going 0-4 at Vermont, Dion came back and showed that he still is the shooter fans remember.

"It's a good feeling," Dion said. "I've been struggling lately to find my three-point shot but all credit to my teammates for finding me."

The Wildcats' focus now will be to prepare for the Binghamton game on Wednesday night. The game is scheduled to start at 7 p.m.





ASHLYN CORREIA/STAFF

Ronnel Jordan scored UNH's first four points in Saturday's 78-69 win over UMBC. Jordan was the Wildcats' lone senior, honored in his last regular season game at Lundholm Gymnasium.

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Izzo was not alone, however. Five UNH gymnasts—Kelsey Aucoin, Lia Breeden, Danielle Doolin, Meghan Pflieger and Izzo—scored 9.850 on floor. UNH recorded a season-high 49.250 on the apparatus.

"Probably the best floor we've done all year," Goodspeed said, citing Izzo as the spark the team needed. "She works her butt off every day in practice and has all four years...She was ready to go when it counted."

The stunning floor performances came just when the 'Cats needed them most. UNH and Maryland were neck-and-neck through two rotations, but UNH's 48.425 score on beam was uncharacteristically low, and included a fall that counted. Maryland, meanwhile, scored a 49.025 on floor to gain a 146.625-146.075 advantage through three rotations.

"We're better than a 195.325," Goodspeed said, acknowledging that a better beam routine would have had the team over the 196-point score. "That's the first score we've counted all year [on beam]. It's the lowest score and our worst performance."

UNH's day could have been much worse, but Pflieger scored an impressive 9.850 on beam. The undisputed star, however, was the team's senior co-captain, Aucoin. Her 9.875 score sparked a rally that helped UNH make the comeback and had the talented senior visibly fired up.

"It's nice to be able to put up a score to help the team," Aucoin said. "We have a great team and it's really nice to be a part of that."

On bars, the 'Cats were led by talented specialists Makenzie Kerouac and Danielle Mulligan, who tied for first place overall



ANDREW YOURELL/STAFF

Lauren Brodie competes on the uneven bars for the Wildcats in a dual meet against Maryland. UNH will face off against Utah State and Brigham Young University on the road on Friday night.

with identical scores of 9.875. In total, the team tallied a respectable 48.825 on the event.

Perhaps the most impressive event for UNH was the

vault, which has been an area of concern for the Wildcats all season. Each of UNH's five scoring vaulters landed at least a 9.725, led again by Pflieger and her

9.800 score. The 48.825 score was the team's second-highest mark of the season, and came without vault specialists Casey Lauter and Marissa Toci, who

are both training to return from injuries.

"I think that's the best vaulting we've done all year," Goodspeed said. "We had a couple people step up that haven't been vaulting."

As important as Friday was for keeping alive UNH's chances to make the NCAA Regional Meet, it was equally important as the last home meet for the team's four seniors. Aucoin, fellow cocaptain Lauren Brodie, Catarina Broccoli and Izzo were recognized for their dedication to the sport and to the UNH program.

"I think we ended on a good note. Everyone went out and gave it their all and left it all on the floor," Brodie said after her final home meet and a post-meet ceremony honoring the seniors. Brodie was able to compete as an exhibition performer on bars in her first meet back from injury, and performed a solid routine.

The final home meet was a bittersweet experience for the seniors, who have helped UNH to three NCAA Regional Meets already in their careers. When asked what the highlight of her career had been in Lundholm, Broccoli had no doubts.

"Favorite memory would be [East Atlantic Gymnastics League Championships]. It was a once in a lifetime chance to be here, home, conference championships and taking it home, winning it with the team," Broccoli said. UNH hosted and won the EAGL Championships in 2014.

While UNH may be done competing at home, the season isn't over yet. The Wildcats still have two away meets to solidify and improve upon their No. 29 national ranking, beginning with a meet at Utah on March 4. The team is also in the hunt for another EAGL crown. Championships will be hosted by Pittsburgh on March 19.

For more, follow the team's official Twitter and Instagram accounts, @UNHgymnastics.

LACROSSE

No. 20 Huskies cruise past 'Cats

By BRIAN DUNN SPORTS EDITOR

The Wildcats' struggles with fundamentals continued at Cowell Stadium on Saturday.

UNH faced a tall task in the form of the No. 20 UConn Huskies and was unable to gain any momentum throughout the game. The end result was a 13-7 loss, the Wildcats' third straight loss, which drops their record to 1-3 on the season.

"I think they're just trying to get a handle on themselves and what kind of team they want to be this year," head coach Sarah Albrecht said. "We are playing some tough teams, but I think they are pushing us to be better and we have to push ourselves to get better."

The Huskies jumped out to an early 2-0 lead only minutes into the first half, with goals from Alexander Croft and Kelsey Catalano. Devan Miller for the Wildcats tallied a goal to make it 2-1 but that was the only noise the Wildcats would make early on.

UConn went on to score 4 consecutive goals after Miller's tally. UConn mounted a tough defensive line, and even when the Wildcats could break through it, they struggled to beat the Huskies' goaltender, Sarah Nee.

Devon Croak and Carly Wooters finally found the back of the net in the later part of the first half, but the Wildcats went into the locker room at half time facing an 10- 4 deficit. Despite the deficit, Wooters' goal marked her fourth consecutive game with a goal, and the sophomore midfielder feels as though she and her teammates on attack are finding chemistry.

"I think that all of us on attack, we're just really starting to figure out how we work with each other and it's really just coming around," Wooters said. "Slowly but surely we will get there, and not just me doing well. It's going to be everybody else together."

The Wildcats played better defensively to open the second frame. Unfortunately, the Huskies'

offense still created opportunities to score. UConn put together three more solid scoring chances that ended in goals to increase its lead to 13 - 4.

Savanna Fiehler, Miller and Krissy Schafer all recorded late goals for UNH, but the rally wasn't enough to lift the Wildcats and the game ended 13-7.

"We just needed to execute our fundamentals better," Albrecht said. "I think we had to get back to doing our fundamentals and what's [gotten] us the turnovers."

The Wildcats will look to end their losing streak when they face off against Holy Cross on Wednesday at 4 p.m. at home. Wooters said that the team will use the losses to galvanize a better effort

"We're just going to take all of our frustration on these past couple of games and just going to go as hard as we can," Wooters said. "We just need to work a little bit harder, and then we are almost there. We just need to stay in it for the 60 minutes."

SWIMMING & DIVING

Records fall at ECACs

By ANDREW YOURELL

SPORTS EDITOR

The Wildcats turned in a successful weekend at the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference Championships over the weekend.

UNH only sent six swimmers to the meet, but still managed to place in the top-10, with an eighth overall finish out of 23 competing teams

Last year's ECAC Outstanding Swimmer of the Meet, Liza Baykova, earned a silver medal in the 100-yard freestyle and a pair of bronzes in the 50-yard and 200-yard freestyle events. More importantly, the sophomore broke all three UNH sprint freestyle records during the meet.

Baykova already owned the school's 100-yard and 200-yard records. She broke the 200-yard record last season at the America East Championships, touching the wall in 1 minute, 47.48 seconds. At this year's conference championship, she broke the 100-yard record with a winning time of 49.81 seconds, a mere .01 ahead of De-

nise Leckenby's old mark.

At the ECAC meet, she improved upon both times with top times of 49.45 seconds and 1:47.21. Both times are good for NCAA B-cuts.

The Moscow native was on the hunt for Leckenby's final record, the 50-yard freestyle. On the first day of the meet, she snuck into the UNH record book by .03 seconds, finishing in 23.00 sec-

The Wildcats also had finalists in several other events. Brittany Driscoll and Jess Harper took fifth and seventh in the 400-yard individual medley, Brittany Moffat was fifth in the 200-yard freestyle and sixth in the 500-yard freestyle. Driscoll also placed fifth in the 200-yard I.M.

In the 200-yard backstroke, freshmen Linnea Lemerise swam to a 2:00.77 finals time, good for second place overall, and close to the NCAA B-cut time of 1:59.19.

The ECAC meet marked the end of the season for everyone but Batkova, who may swim at NCAA Championships in March.



SPORTS



Amid controversy, Woody Paige of the Denver Post is reporting that Peyton Manning will announce his retirement by the end of the week.

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GYMNASTICS

Finding a way

Despite injuries, UNH wins on senior night



Catarina Broccoli was one of four seniors honored after Friday night's 195.325-195.125 victory over the University of Maryland.

By ANDREW YOURELL

SPORTS EDITOR

Cassy Izzo saved her best for last.

The senior walk-on drew enormous praise for her work ethic from UNH head coach Gail Goodspeed in the week leading up to Friday night's meet against Maryland. But in her final performance at Lundholm Gymnasium, Izzo dazzled en route to a career-high score on floor, which helped propel the Wildcats past the Terrapins by a score of 195.325-195.125.

"I mean, I was crying during the routine," Izzo said. "I was really excited to end on one of my best routines I've done all year. It was really rewarding.'

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TRACK & FIELD

Perrodin, Shanahan shine at New Englands



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Lauren Perrodin won her first New England Championship with a 7.68-second finish in the 60-meter dash on Saturday.

By RYAN PAGLIARO

CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The men and women's indoor track and field teams continued to impress with great performances and improvements over the weekend at the New England Championships in Boston.

The men placed third overall with 45 points, fending off Southern Connecticut State by one point. In total, 36 teams competed at the meet. Some key members of the team continued to be consistent in their events despite having back-to-back two-day meets over the past two weekends.

"Everyone who went I was really proud of. You go two days in a row after you were away basically three nights for conference last weekend and then you've got to come back the next Friday and Saturday, and we were kind of lighting it up," head coach Jim Boulanger said.

Having a reliable core group of athletes has been paying off for the 'Cats this year as the team continues to make gains.

Among that reliable group are standout juniors Michael Shanahan and Drew Piazza. Breaking his school and personal record in the weight throw yet again this season, Shanahan took first place with a throw of 68 feet, 10.75 inches.

"Everything is about preparation and he prepares himself well. If he didn't make nationals he wanted to hit at least 21-meters which he did on his last throw," said Boulanger, praising Shanahan's consistency.

Piazza also took home a gold medal of his own. His time of

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Victory over UMBC clinches No. 4 seed



ASHLYN CORREIA/STAFF Junior Jaleen Smith.

By SAM DONNELLY STAFF WRITER

It wasn't pretty, but UNH was able to do enough to earn their 18th win of the season by beating UMBC 78-69.

The Wildcats were led by Jaleen Smith, who scored 23 points and had six rebounds. Daniel Dion chipped in with 20 points from the bench. UMBC was paced by Jarius Lyles who finished with

"I think the true test of a team is when you bounce back after a loss," head coach Bill Herrion said. "To their credit, these guys always play and they

always respond."

The Retrievers, who trailed by as much as 18 points, fought back and were down just three points with 1 minute, 30 seconds left in the game. UNH inbounded the ball to Iba Camara, who was fouled intentionally. Camara was the worst free throw shooter in the game, and one of the worst on the team at 61 percent. The Retrievers were in a good position as Camara walked slowly to the line.

"We have been really shooting the ball well from the free throw line

MBB continued on Page 14 Senior Ronnel Jordan.



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GYMNASTICS (11-5)





Friday, Durham, N.H.

MEN'S HOCKEY (10-18-6)





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Saturday, Durham, N.H.

Also: L, 4-1 vs. UCONN

WOMEN'S HOCKEY (11-24-1)





Sunday, Storrs, CT Also: L, 3-2 vs. UConn

WOMEN'S LACROSSE (1-3)





Saturday, Durham, N.H.

Kelsey Aucoin's national ranking on the balance beam after scoring a 9.875 in Friday night's win at home.