Maine Legislation Could Help UNE Fund Dental School

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Very recently, the Maine House and Senate passed HPI286 and LD1798 "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Create Access to Dental Care throughout the State." It was also signed by Governor Baldacci and will be presented to the public for a vote in November of 2010. The overall goal of the bill is to promote dental health in the state of Maine. This will be done in a number of ways, but particularly pertinent to UNE, by providing "funds to be awarded on a competitive basis, $5,000,000 to be used for a community-based teaching clinic affiliated with or operated by a college of dental medicine," according to the bill.

President Ripich believes that the dental school would be a great asset for UNE and would be very beneficial for the state. She said, "UNE can be the primary provider of the health care workforce for northern New England. Adding to UNE's health oriented curriculum would be a very positive step for the institution."

According to Kneka Smith, the UNE Associate Dean for Planning, UNE helped to explain to legislators the importance of higher quality dental care in our state. Please see DENTAL, page 2.

Summer Courses Offered at UNE

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As yet another school year comes to a close most students are packing their bags to head home, wherever that may be. However, many are looking forward to two weeks while enjoying the summer. Whether it is to get ahead in your program, finish your minor or second major, or just to take a class you always wanted to, there are many benefits to taking a summer course.

Almost all of the departments at UNE will be offering courses this summer such as: Art, Biology, Business, Chemistry, Citizenship, Communication, Education, English, Environmental Studies, French, Geographic Information Systems, History, Marine Sciences, Mathematics, Music, Philosophy, Physics, Political Science, Sociology, and Sport Management. This year the university is offering a few new courses drawing in even more students such as History/ American Popular Music, Good and Evil, Right and Wrong, and Health. Please see SUMMER, page 2.

UNE Class Participates in Model United Nations

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The University of New England was represented by a group of eleven students at the National Model United Nations Conference in New York City from Sunday March 28 to Friday April 2, 2010. The group traveled with professor of political science, Julie Mueller.

This is the second time that UNE has been represented at the NMUN conference. A group of students also traveled to the conference in 2008.

According to Mueller, "the main difference with this trip is that we partnered with Bowling Green State University in Ohio to form a joint delegation." By combining with eleven students from BGSU, UNE was able to represent France, a country with a position on a variety of UN committees. By having a larger group of students, UNE and BGSU were able to represent a larger country at the conference.

The goal of the program is to allow students to see how the United Nations functions and also to gain valuable skills that can be brought back to UNE and brought to professions in the future.

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Class of 2010 Prepares for Life After UNE

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With only a few weeks left before the end of the semester, the class of 2010 is preparing to enter the real world.

As the March 22nd graduation date draws nearer, the reality of leaving UNE behind has begun to settle in for many UNE seniors. A strong 48% of 100 seniors surveyed said they felt optimistic about their future prospects. However, a looming 44% of those surveyed said they felt worried or terrified about the future.

Post graduation life can be a daunting reality for any graduating student. Students are faced with questions like, "do I go to graduate school? If so, where?" "How do I find a job?" and "I have to pay back how much money?"

However, according to Career Services Recruiting Specialist, Jeff Nevers, UNE students tend to fare pretty well in the real world.

"Our students have a higher rate of employment after graduation than the national average. Last year, employment within six months was as high as 88%," Nevers said.

Nevers also reassures students by reminding them that the recession that has been plaguing the country is predominantly a "blue collar recession." The 10% unemployment rate does not necessarily reflect college graduates without employment.

Of the 100 students surveyed, only 12% claimed to have no plans for life after UNE. Of those with plans, the majority said they would be attending graduate school of some capacity come the Fall of 2010.

Where students are going varies widely. Some responded to the survey saying that they will be attending graduate school right here at UNE while others....

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UNE seniors gather in Alfond to attend a financial aid exit interview session before graduation.
Maine. She adds, “Maine dentists are on average older than dentists in any other state. Although there are fewer dental schools across the country, not one of them has a specific mission to address Maine’s access to dental care cri­sis by recruiting local students to become the dentists to replace those slated to retire in the com­ing years.”

UNE has completed a two year feasibility study and has found that UNE is in a good po­si­tion to start a dental school. Ad­di­tionally, the Board of Trustees approved the establishment of the College of Dental Medicine in 2008 and has entered a fund-raising and development period. The funding from the state would be critical for UNE to begin a College of Dental Medicine on the Portland Campus. Smith said that the university would “provide 60,000 new patient care visits by dental students - 12,000 in the Portland teaching clinic and the remaining 48,000 appointments across 400 cap­tured.”

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Communication taught by Rob Duquette and Bistra Nikiforova respectively. Professor Rob Duquette will be teaching a course called History of American Popular Music. It is a survey of American Popular music in which students will explore artists and genres of their choice. He says, “I want my students to leave my class with all kinds of new musical avenues to ex­plore. I want to expose them to music they may not be familiar with and I want them to understand what is behind the music they know and love. The roots of rock music run far and wide!”

Professor David Smith is offering two new classes, Good and Evil, Right and Wrong, which is an ethics course and Philosophy and Medicine, which will be centered on philo­sophical processes and states. Every­body has his or her own idea about what is right and wrong, however, many don’t really think about the reasons for his or her beliefs. Good and Evil, Right and Wrong is a course to help students think about what is right and wrong, and the reasons for it. Smith said that he wanted the students to think about the reasons for their beliefs and how they could use them to make better decisions in their lives.

The University of New Eng­land offers two of the most anticipated awards and was presented to Susan J. Hillman, Ph.D., Associate Pro­fessor in the Department of Ed­ucation. This award was named in honor of Dr. Raymond Kenneally, who held an illustrious 26 year career at UNE. The Kenneally Cup is given to a faculty or staff member who has provided dis­tinctive academic service to undergraduate students.

Another award given to a noteworthy faculty member was the Distinguished Professor Award for Teaching Excellence. Out of a list of 33 extraordinary nominees, Shireen Rahman was selected for her enthusiasm and dedication to her students’ suc­cess.

Marissa Simoes, a senior political science major, was pre­sented with the Community Service Award for her charitable works and dedication to engage­ment both on and off campus. Senior Elizabeth Grandpre was also awarded the Student Ant ­racism Award in recognition of her in­credible involvement on campus and the exemplary leadership she displays within all of her activi­ties.

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The ULead Leadership Awards Ceremony took place on Saturday April 24th, 2010. ULead is a two-week long program held on the campus of the University of New England. The students are divided into three groups and are expected to complete a thousand hours of volunteer work within the community.

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Changes in the Campus Center and The Director of Campus Life Position

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As many students are well aware, with the changing of the beginning of this semester came a change in the staffing of the Campus Center, as Melissa Grove Bonnet was recently promoted to Assistant Dean for Community Life; removing his old title of Director of Campus Life. The Director of Campus Life Position has really changed. He added that Mazrui is one of the top 100 public intellectual political theorists and one of the best known African studies scholars. He added that Mazrui is one of the top 100 public intellectuals, but people knew by her coworkers, specifically Tim St. John, Assistant Director of Student Engagement, and Mark Nahorney, Assistant Dean for Community Life.

According to Nahorney, his position is important in the life of the campus. He was recently promoted to Assistant Dean for Community Life, removing his old title of Director of the Campus Center and Orientation (this title also contained many other various student involvement initiatives, much like Bonnet's).

Nahorney stated that with the loss of Bonnet, the Campus Center went from having three professional staff members, to merely two. However, he said that from that beginning, this was never looked at negatively. As always in the Student Involvement Office, this was a chance for learning and for Nahorney and St. John took over many of Bonnet's previously stated responsibilities. St. John has been working with APB as a co-advisor, while also receiving assistance from Melissa Grove, Admissions Counselor, and Alisha Tonks, Campus Programs Intern. Nahorney has been assisting in a lot of the logistical event planning that Bonnet use to oversee, along with assistance from the Campus Center Student Building Managers.

Nahorney noted that with the students, the Campus Center simply wouldn't run the way that it did before.

"We run the Campus Center with students. We positively spin it and make it an incredible learning experience for our students."

He said that as administrators, the University looks for opportunities for student growth, this gives us an advantage as a small school. He recommended the students who have stepped up to help make the transitions in the Campus Center smooth.

"Consistently our students rise to a high level. This is by far the best student body that I have ever worked with."

Nahorney continued to mention some of the students who have really helped out: in internships, to building managers, to student involvement workers, to working with students in the Campus Center. Some names that were mentioned were: Alisha Tonks, Skyl Williams, Kaitlyn Dylecki, Elizabeth DeGrandpre, Ashley Waller, and Briana Chon.

Even though the student workers are commendable, the professional staff and Nahorney knew that a new position would need to be created to help take over some of the responsibilities that use to be Bonnet's. Thus came the new position that the University is now hiring for: The Director of Campus Life. The Director of Campus Life will be responsible for overseeing the Campus Center, Advising APB, Chairing the Community Life Team, Assisting in the representation of USG, Directing Off Campus Student Services, Chairing the ULead Program, and will have some logistical involvement with Orientation.

Nahorney said that the search for this position has been up and running and active throughout the semester. It has been a nationwide search that has brought in more than 80 applicants.

Nahorney stated that three candidates for the position will be visiting campus in the first week of May.

UNF Hosts Leading Political Scientist on Modern Africa

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On Thursday, April 8, UNE hosted philosopher and political scientist Ali Mazrui, of SUNY Binghamton. The title of his lecture was "Is This the Dawn of a Post Racial Age? From Othello to Obama." By using Shakespeare's Othello and The Merchant of Venice, Mazrui proposed the idea that we are moving into a time where race is not a demographic criterion, but people are actually holding cultural prejudices rather than racial ones.

Mazrui was introduced by Ali Ahmadia, head of the political science department. Of Mazrui, Ahmadia said that he is a world known political theorist and one of the best known African studies scholars. Mazrui is one of the top 100 public intellectuals in the world.

Mazrui's lecture was sponsored by People of Politics, the Office of Multicultural Affairs, the political science department, the office of Academic Affairs, and the UNE Muslim Student Association. Ali went on to say that getting Mazrui to visit UNE was both easy and hard; easy to ask him, but hard to fund.

Mazrui's lecture was about trends surrounding race and culture in today's society. He asked the question "Is our society moving into a post racial age?" He defined a post racial age as one where race is no longer a consideration at all. Mazrui argued that this typically follows a post racism age, where race is still considered, but not a source of prejudice.

Mazrui used Shakespeare's Othello and The Merchant of Venice to help describe the transition that is possibly taking place in our society today. He argues that during Shakespeare's time, people used religion rather than race as a source of prejudice. He uses Othello to exemplify a person of color who is considered a hero and someone that many people looked up to.

Furthermore, he then used The Merchant of Venice to exemplify the use of religion as a source of bigotry. Mazrui uses the character of Shiloh, a Jew who is presented as literally blood thirsty. He argues that Othello's crime should not be considered less serious than Shiloh's demand for "a pound of flesh" as payment.

"In this second decade of the 21st century, it is not the color line, but the culture line, that is creating a sense of injustice across different areas of values," said Mazrui.

He uses this idea to argue the bigotry that people hold against Middle Eastern and African cultures. We are moving away from racial biases towards cultural and religious biases.

Mazrui says that this is important in the Obama administration because people did not hold the color of his skin against him, but were very nervous that he could be a Muslim. It was not his race, but the possibility of his religion that led people's biases against Obama.

Dr. Mazrui is the Albert Schweitzer Professor in the Humanities and director of the Institute of Global Cultural Studies at Binghamton University. State University of New York. Dr. Mazrui has also served as president of the African Studies Association (USA) and as vice president of the International Political Science Association and has lectured on five continents. Mazrui has also served as special advisor to the World Bank and also on the Board of the American Muslim Council, Washington, D.C. 
Biddeford Police Blotter

- Caller reporting that his 17 year old daughter is out of control, yelling and threatening to harm herself.
- Caller reporting his 17 year old daughter is in trouble. The boyfriend, is unknown by what that means.
- Caller reports that his 12 year old daughter did not get off the late bus so he went to the school and she was not there.
- Caller reports his girlfriend just left the apartment making statements that she was going to drive off a cliff to kill herself.
- Caller advising she just came home and the common hallway is filled with the smell of marijuana. Unsure if anyone is still in the common hallway upstairs. States they have come home to someone sleeping in the common hallway before and would like to make sure there isn't someone still up there.
- Requesting a unit to check on a male subject walking in the middle of Rt. 111 with a plastic bag. Concerned for his safety, he was noted to be walking towards exit 32.
- Caller reporting that her 15 year-old son is assaulting her and is out of control.
- Caller states that her son is out of control, states he is trashing the residence. She further states that he is trying to leave the residence.
- Caller reporting that there is a 3 year old child outside playing with no parent around, caller also reporting that there is a child around the age of 1 walking down the road by himself.
- Caller advising that her daughter's boyfriend may be in trouble. The boyfriend, is in a heated argument with another male at this location.
- Caller reporting that they had met with a subject who advised the business has received multiple calls from an unknown male demanding money in exchange for him to stop calling.
- Complainant advising that he just witnessed a group of what appeared to be juveniles carrying an open container of liquor. Juveniles were then noted to get into a white SUV.
- Caller reporting that someone struck the ATM with a vehicle.

Online Degrees at UNE

BY HUGO MARGOC
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The Education Department at the University of New England started a complete online Masters Program in the fall of 2007, and it has been mighty successful up to this point.

As long as one is a working teacher with a valid Bachelors Degree, one can apply for a variety of online education programs at UNE. One option is to obtain a 30 credit Master of Science in Education Degree with as many as four different concentrations: Curriculum and instruction Strategies, Educational Leadership, Inclusion Education(Special Education) and Literacy K-12. These programs take about 18 months to complete if one does not take any time off and, according to Lucille Smith from the Education Department, the Degree requires roughly 10 hours a week of work which seems to be doable for someone with a fulltime occupation.

If one already has a Master of Science in Education and is looking for further education, UNE also offers a 15 Credit Post-Master Certification in the four concentrations listed above. In case someone is looking to become a principle or a superintendent at a school, the University of New England also offers the so called CAGS. The Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study in Advanced Educational Leadership is a 30 Credit post-master's program and can enhance one's leadership abilities.

UNE's online degree program has been highly successful. Currently there are roughly 800 students enrolled. The student body is made up of students from predominately New England; however, there are students from as far as California, Canada, and even Mexico on their way to obtain an UNE online degree. As far as the Cost goes UNE is highly competitive with roughly $1500 Dollars per class depending on the season and the program one is enrolled in.

Overall, this seems to be a great way to receive a higher degree if one has to balance a job, family, household, and tries to get a higher degree at the same time. One might not get the true college experience, and some experts argue that learning online is by far not as efficient as a class room setting but if one does not have a choice- it definitely is a great way to do it! The scary part is that this might be the start of the end of the classic college era.

Soon enough, schools may offer entire undergraduate degrees online through video stream, and online chats. To many people this online option will appear to be a lot more cost friendly and the online degree will gain on popularity. Is the level of education going to suffer? Is the lack of the so called "college experience" going to alter our culture? How will Colleges and Universities cope with the loss in revenue? Will one be able to obtain an online high school degree? All these questions appear to be pretty scary. We have to ask ourselves whether we want all this to happen, and if not where is the line? However, until the time comes, an online graduate degree in Education at UNE sure is a great thing for many people all around the world.

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are traveling to London, England or Africa for schooling. However, 59% of the students with a plan said they were going onto solid employment prospects. One student has a position as a police officer in Kennebunkport listed, along with the status of full time father. Other careers included teaching, consulting and joining AmericaCorps.

For those without solid career plans, Nevers says he and Judy Bellante in the Career Services Center can help. Surveys show that students who receive career counseling in some capacity through college are far more likely to land a job out of college.

According to Nevers, it's all about "figuring out how to approach the job search. It is a strategic, ever-changing approach that really needs some guidance. You need to learn how to market yourself to employers, and even graduate schools, and it's difficult to learn that by yourself."

While there is still time in the school year to see the career counselors, Nevers recommends using the Career Services Center. From May 17th until the 19th, they will be hosting an event called "Career Services Celebrates Seniors." These days will be used to provide seniors with information on how Nevers and Bellante can help seniors venturing off into the working world. More than 50% of the senior class of 2009 used the Career Services Center.

Nevers concluded by reminding students that their services do not end when they walk out of UNE's doors. He stresses how important it is to maintain a relationship with the center post-graduation because that is when you will need the most direction.

While life may seem scary or exciting, bleak or promising, UNE students have been used to being out of control. The aforementioned survey overwhelmingly agreed that UNE has helped prepare them adequately for what is to come. Only next year's numbers will show, but the Class of 2010 shows the promise that has become expected of UNE graduates.

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**Teacher Spotlight: Professor Richard LaRue**

**BY BRIAN MULDOON**  
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Dr. Richard LaRue is truly a unique professor here at the University of New England. No, he does not have such a rare background story; he got his Bachelors degree in Teaching Physical Education and Health and Coaching from the University of Northern Iowa and continued his graduate studies at Springfield College where he earned his Masters degree in Movement Sciences and his Doctoral degree in Physical Education. He served for five years as a YMCA Professional Director and has coached over 20 years of swimming. But what sets Dr. LaRue, better known as Dr. Rick, far away from the rest of the pack is his incomparable passion and unsurpassed dedication to each and every one of his students.

Dr. Rick has been a jack-of-all-trades when it comes to what he teaches. Currently, he teaches seven Sport Management courses and has been the professor for seven other courses during his time here, while coordinating the Sport Management Internship program, being a member and leader in several professional including the National Association of Scholars and the Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance.

Dr. Rick came to UNE in the fall of 1998 after spending several years at Colby-Sawyer College, and holds a high sense of pride when it comes to each of his students. “The biggest change since I arrived at UNE has been the growth in the number of undergraduate and graduate students,” says Dr. Rick. “I believe that the University continues to positively grow its reputation within the State of Maine and New England. I entered the field of teaching with the hope of making a difference in the lives of each student. My goal now is to facilitate preparing our future professionals in sport; so they can make a difference in the lives of each of their program participants.”

Dr. Rick’s classes are not like your typical lecture, either. He stresses that students think for themselves often leaving it to them to lead a lecture or work in small groups to generate class discussion. Additionally, he emphasizes to all his students about having a strong hold on your independent ethics.

“When I want students to get out of my classes is the willingness to think out loud, to go forward and make important decisions for the right reasons. Also, to make mistakes and learn from them, to value others and never underestimate the possibilities, and to always give generously of yourself.”

However, Dr. Rick’s efforts stretch long beyond the classroom.

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**UNE’s Pre-health Advisor: Tracey Madigan**

**BY EMELINE EMBRY**  
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The University of New England has a resource for pre-health majors that many students are not aware of: Tracey Madigan. Madigan, among several other tasks, is a pre-health professions advisor for the students who seek her help. Originally from Connecticut, Madigan earned her bachelor degree in sociology from Ithaca College in New York. She then moved on to get her masters from Northern Arizona University, only 90 miles from the Grand Canyon! From there, Madigan worked in public health with AIDS/HIV counseling and testing, as well as academic advising, until she was hired at UNE in the fall of 2008.

Her position here includes a number of different things, including counseling for students in the pre-health fields such as pre-med, physician assistance, dentistry, public health, etc. She is there to assist students in exploring the medical field at many different stages of their education.

Most students find her useful to help create a strong application, explore a specific profession or talk about requirements of graduate school. Madigan stated that the most common thing that students want to know is if they are on the right track. She can help them determine what an admissions office of a certain graduate program wants to see on an application. It is also important for students to decide if this is the right career choice for them. Madigan often encourages her advisees to do an "informational interview" with someone in their future career path so that they can make an informed decision about their major knowing exactly the types of opportunities that major has to offer. The more often a student meets with her, the better she can assist them.

Along with her job of being a pre-health advisor, Madigan is also first-year advisor for Biology and Marine Science students and the chair of PHPAC. PHPAC is a very useful resource for students fulfilling the PHPAC process, because she knows exactly what the committee looks for.

For those of you who don’t already know, PHPAC stands for Pre-Health Professions Advisory Committee, and it is a group of advisor’s and faculty that will write a committee letter of recommendation for graduate schools. Many medical schools require such a letter because it offers a less biased point of view than a personal letter would.

Tracey Madigan would like to encourage all students to “come see me.” Very soon, Whitney Mills will be starting to work alongside Madigan as another pre-health advisor. There will be many upcoming events and speakers next year to help students choose where to go after college and how to get there. Her office hours are Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 9:30-11AM and 3:40PM as well as Thursday 4-7PM. You can either make an appointment or just stop by her office in Decary 121, and you can also find her on Facebook!

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**Before I Go I Should Say**

**BY MINA SABIR**  
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Last year at this time I had just signed the contract to join UNE for one academic year. Now I can’t believe that I’ll be packing to go back to my country after a few weeks.

I still remember how overwhelmed I was when I first got to UNE, though it didn’t take me long to get used to everything here and feel the sense of belonging at UNE. Some people even tease me by saying that I became a “Mainer.” As the departure time gets closer and closer I realize how hard it will be to leave all the great things that I experienced and enjoyed here.

A lot of people asked me how/why I chose Maine and UNE. My answer was always and simply “It wasn’t my choice.” But to be frank if it were up to me, I wouldn’t have chosen a better place. The fascinating place and the amazing people around me couldn’t have made my stay here anything but extraordinary. I won’t begin to list all of the many people who have made my experience here so wonderful because I worry it would take up this entire page and the next one, but it would be enough to say that a lot of amazing people from UNE have made my experience here worth living.
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men are those who mix up culture with religion. You might not understand the real message of Islam.

Every time I insist that the young American minds should try hard to go beyond what their local media wants them to know. In my class discussions, I insist that my students build up their critical thinking with regard to facts and stereotypes, but embrace personal choices and research. I believe this is the only way with which we will have a prosperous future with a generation that is ready to contribute, cooperate and coexist in a "village"-like world. It always fascinates me how Americans are nice and friendly and open minded when we talk about current issues.

Before I go I should say, that the best time I've spent here is the time spent with the students, and with my friends. I'm glad to say that my students are really surprising me with all their hard work to learn Arabic (which is quite frankly a challenging language). My happiest moments are when my students express their enthusiasm and their motivation to be in my class. I can only say that I'm proud of them and I will miss them so much. Throughout the year we've managed to build a wonderful climate in our classes, not only for Arabic learning, but for mutual understanding of our cultures and life values.

My sizable nature has helped me to make a decent network of great lifelong friends on and off campus from all different religions and ethnicities. My diverse friends have always been there to cheer me up when I felt down and to be my family when I felt homesick.

The last thing I would like to say before I go is that it's just amazing how diverse souls and minds from different places around the globe can become closer to you than your family for the sake of nothing but love and appreciation of diversity. So, thank you UNE for all the respect, kindness and support you have shown me during my unforgettable year in Maine.

Maintenance Makes a Difference at MARC

BY CODY CHERTEN
Nor'easter Contributor

You don't need to be an Environmental Studies student to understand that going green can be costly and time consuming. More and more organizations are popping up around the country to try to help schools, businesses, and working class citizens find ways to become energy efficient. One leading program in the construction industry is L.E.E.D. (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design), which is a standard for energy efficient and sustainable building designs. Bowdoin's ice arena, UNE's new pharmacy school, and one of USM's residence halls are all L.E.E.D. certified. But what do you do for a building that's already built and functional?

When the Marine Animal Rehabilitation Center, or MARC, was built at UNE it was designed to be a state of the art rehabilitation center. However, Zach Schmesser, UNE's Outdoor Recreation program director, was eager to learn more about this exciting new program. Zach worried about what this would entail for the upcoming semester, for each year the university has grown. Two years ago roughly 255 bikes were distributed to the incoming first year students; however, this past year's first year class had the option of receiving either a bike or zip car hour, free of charge. Zach was keen on keeping the number of bikes to distribute bicycles in this same fashion towards the class of 2014, Zach explained, "the increase of bikes on campus would be unmanageable.

Part of the Bicycle Expansion Program entails that only 125 bicycles will be given out to next semester's first year students. This will be done on a first come to deposit first serve basis. The giving of this limited number of bikes will coincide with two new bicycle rental programs. The second student on campus will have the availability to access bicycles when they please. Zach summarized the program's mission to "expand opportunities for upperclassmen so they too can take advantage of using bikes on campus. The program will also about composing it. For the past few years, first year students have had the option of receiving either a bike or zip car hour, free of charge.

BY KATHLEEN RAUMANN
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Two first year UNE students majoring in Environmental Studies, Jon Powers and Walker Mates, have been looking into better transportation options on the Biddeford Campus. They have taken on a sustainability project entitled "Alternative Transportation" and have been working diligently with Zach Schmesser, UNE's Outdoor Recreation Coordinator, to reach their goals.

Zach has kept very busy this past year working on numerous forms of on-campus recreation opportunities for students including: ice-skating, canoeing, kayaking, cross-country skiing, sailing, hiking, biking, and surfing. However, Zach did not stop there. He set out to propose a bicycle expansion program that he hoped would be added to the University's Biddeford campus's Outdoor Recreation program this upcoming fall. His proposal was recently approved so Jon, Walker and I were eager to learn more about his plans.

I interviewed Zach to learn more about this exciting new program. In our meeting he explained to me what his "bicycle expansion program" entailed, and why he went to do it.
The Final Doony Tunes

By Brian Muldoon
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8:00am: Wondering why I am going to Biddeford, Maine for college.
8:02am: Dad asks me why am I going to Biddeford, Maine for college.
8:07am: Arrive for move-in day early so I don't end up on top and can race most of the closet.
8:15am: Roommates arrive - make the kind gesture of taking the top bunk after my bed was made knowing that they would refuse to switch.
9:00am: Make a bet to see if I could toss an apple from Assisi and hit an apple from a distance.
10:09am Roommates finds 25 bloody feathers in my room.
10:44am Bring couch from Padua along with my clothes in the field hockey game.
10:53am: Realize that having chronic pain is hard to fully describe the experience. Ref stop game to give verbal return.
5:01pm Roommate realized that big paper in 10 weeks.
10:46pm Wake up after Halloween.
11:01pm Roommate mulls the idea of breaking up a marriage.
11:23pm Give a broken karaoke machine as a birthday gift at a birthday party we were not invited to.
11:46pm Wake up after Hallowe'en Realize that Junior Mints are a great way to make up for not having a toothbrush.
12:00am &*#@ I owe UNE a ton of money.
11:59pm About to walk across the stage at graduation. Thank myself to God I came to Biddeford, Maine for college.
12:00am &*#@ I owe UNE a ton of money.
4:12pm Jumped off roof into pile of bacon.
6:02pm Place raw chicken on Campus.
7:30pm Place raw chicken on Campus.
8:00pm Power goes out in New England. Say 139, Sleeper in front of a cozy fire.
10:41pm Roommate finds 25 bloody feathers.
Softball is Really Good

BY SEAN DOYLE
Nor'easter Staff

Softball is hotter than a pistol these days. After 20 games the women come in at an outstanding 15-5, maybe an even more impressive feat is their record of 9-1 in the CCC. After a winning streak of six straight games, all of which came against conference opponents, the lady Nor'Easters are completely dominating, it's almost a joke.

The season started under the sunny skylines, and citrus soaked fields of Orlando, FL. The ladies weren't there for a pleasure trip, although it became one, they had some serious work to do and some games to win. When all was said and done the women won their first five games, before dropping their final three.

This put the women up against Regis in their home opener and first conference games in a double header. Eventually, when the dust settled and the chalk lines had been wiped away, UNE had taken Regis' pride. This sparked UNE as they went on to win seven of their next eight games to further establish their dominance.

Rugby Joins UNE

BY STEVE SCRIVENER
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Rugby is one of the most prominent and exciting sports. Although football is undoubtedly the biggest sport in the world, Rugby is a clear second. Despite its worldwide popularity, it was not until recent years that the sport finally came to America. Rugby is an intense game that combines soccer and football that truly separates the boys from the men.

Although nobody is 100 percent certain how this man's game originated, it is believed that Rugby first became a sport in 1823 thanks to a young British lad named William Webb Ellis. Ellis was a 16 year old student at the Rugby School in England. While playing soccer with his classmates, William became very frustrated with the rules and decided to play the game on his own terms. He put up with being limited to using just his feet, he picked up the ball and ran with it, across the field. Stunned and amazed by his guileless moves, Ellis' classmates quickly spread the word and began playing this alternative form of soccer that allowed them to use their hands. And quickly, this became an actually sport, named after the place that it was created, The Rugby School.

After many years, the historic sport of Rugby has become a worldwide phenomenon. Now it will be a part of the UNE community as the school is set to have a club rugby team as of fall 2010. For several years there has been talk about the potential which began April 26. There is an ongoing discussion, but for baseball and softball the old adage "The best offense is a good defense", but for baseball and softball the less the fielders have to do, the better. Pitching is key, and the Lady Nor'Easters have one who has given above and beyond the call of duty.

Junior Amber Zablowsky heads into the season's final double-header on April 24 with a 13-4 record and an almost non-existent 1.18 earned run average. She has allowed just 20 runs in just under 120 innings pitched, walking just 15 and striking out 55. That averages out to one walk every eight innings, or less than one per game, and about three strikeouts per game. Zablowsky has started 16 games this season, and 15 of them she has gone the distance and pitched complete games. She allowed just 42 hits over the course of the season, and held opponents to just a .223 batting average.

This was a break-out season for Zablowsky. She set career highs in every category, with significant jumps in her innings, strikeouts, and wins, while the number of hits, runs, and earned run averages all dropped. She almost matched her career statistics in innings pitched and will more than double her career strikeouts this season, and the 42 hits is almost half of what she allowed in either of her first two seasons. The increase in innings pitched and major cut down on earned runs allowed has allowed for a earned run average that is a third of what it was in the first two seasons of Zablowsky's career, and the effect is evident. She is credited with 13 of the teams 23 wins, and even has stepped in to pinch run a couple times.

Pitchers like Zablowsky are key for the long-term success of a team. It doesn't matter if a team averages four runs or 14 runs per game, if you give up more you lose. Pitchers are the first line of defense come game time, and the less work fielders have to do the more energy they have for the rest of the defense. Leading the charge is Amber Zablowsky, her name is visible in the stolen bases of UNE. They stole 43 bases, and got caught just ten times. Although there is no direct relationship between a pitcher's effectiveness at walking quickly and keeping their teammates off the field defensively, its hard not to think that it doesn't benefit everybody. Amber, keep up the good work and good luck to you and the rest of the squad.
Women's Lacrosse

BY SEAN DOYLE
Nor'easter Staff

Coach Sue Frost has herself a winning lacrosse team this spring. At 10-4 overall and a dominating 8-2 in the conference, the lady Nor'Easters are playing excellent lacrosse and are not about to stop now.

The official season started way back on March 13, when the women squared off against the Blue Pride of Wellesley College. Unfortunately for Wellesley their pride was crushed as UNE went on to an 8-6 victory. UNE was led by a sorority of scoring with Danielle Cate and Mallory Long pouring on three goals apiece to drown Wellesley starting their season off right. Tara Geraghty turned away an outstanding 15 shots to protect the Nor'easter net.

After dropping their next game to Colby, UNE went on to win their next six games in a row all coming against conference opponents.

Back on March 20, UNE got that very win streak rolling with a dominating victory over Anna Maria College. In this one, as in every blowout defense and scoring was the story for UNE. In the middle of the first half it was 9-0 in favor of UNE. Mallory Long, Danielle Cate, and Jenna Barton were responsible for the offensive surge with two goals apiece. When the first half closed UNE was up 13-3 and there were no signs of weakness, ousting their opponents 48-5. Geraghty and Jasslin Aslin split the goalie duties between the pipes to carry UNE to a 15-2 drubbing of the Amcats.

This brought the women to a matchup against New England College home of the Pilgrims. This one became the Danielle Cate show starring, Danielle Cate, with best supporting actresses going to Cara Cole, Angel Jamarus, and Mallory Long. Cate had an astounding seven goals, one short of the record for a single game at UNE. Cole, Jamarus and Long accounted for the rest of the points forcing the Pilgrims to hit rock bottom.

Cate continued her scoring rampage with nine goals in their next game against the Renegades of Endicott University. With the help of 18 saves from Geraghty UNE went on to win this one 22-12 in yet another convincing win.

Over the next two contests against Curry College, and the University of Southern Maine, UNE relied heavily on familiar names and faces to bring home two more wins. Cole, Cate, Long, and Geraghty all played very well providing the offense and goaltending to help the women be victorious.

Just when it looked like UNE would never lose again, the Endicott Gulls beat UNE 18-8.

The Golden Bears of Western New England College arrived at UNE for their next match. UNE was outscored 7-2 over the last 20 minutes of this one but held on to a 12-11 victory. Again Care, Long, Barton, and Jessy Dvorak, led UNE on offense to support the consistent goalie play of Geraghty.

UNE crushed Regis in their next 17-2 before dropping their next two in a row to Roger Williams and Bates.

A late.unassisted goal by senior Dani Wood, broke an 11-1 tie late in a game against the Fighting Scots of Gordon College, giving the women their most recent win.

All year the women have relied on Cate, Long, and Geraghty to lead them to victory and the playoffs will be different.

The change will be effective once the 2011-2012 academic year begins. In the fall, two classes of students from the nine institutions will meet up and establish by-laws for the new conference, which has yet to be named.

The schools leaving The Commonweath Co-Court Conference along with UNE are Curry College, Endicott College, Gordon College, Nichols College, Roger Williams University, The University of Southern Maine, The Institute of Technology, and Western New England College. The institutions leaving share a focus on student-athlete success and competitive play, and new conference along will make sure that those policies will happen.

The Other NCAA Tournaments

BY SEAN DOYLE
Nor'easter Staff

No, it's not the NFL. It's a bit closer to the USG, intramural softball playoffs haben started and the brackets have started but the excitement will not be exercising and great game play. There are sleepers, heavy favorites, underdogs, upsets, the only piece reigning is Dick Viharo.

On the men's side the action has been intense. With Coitus Interruptus, and The Skeeters entering the tournament unranked, the Pilgrims have already awoken. One would have to pick them as favorites to win the bracket, but that's why the games are played. All teams had a ticket to the prim to dance, but not all games were meant to dance. Every defeated team, Ram Rod and Rays Mitt got to feel the bright lights, and hear the sound of flash bulbs popping, as reporter took notes on the games. Unfortunately, for them their fate was miffed and bit dry as they are boomed in their opening round matchups.

The Dollar Store Dimples, drew the 9 seed and met up with the 8 seed against the Fighting Scots of Gordon College. The Fighting Scots are the women's most recent win.

The other two features against Curry College and the University of Southern Maine, included. With that said Williams would like to see some improvements. I'd like to see the student staff continue to grow and improve. Although they have already made great strides, we still have a long way to go to improve the consistency of our rules and policies, our professionalism, and our reliability.

Williams highlighted a few strengths about the program that are already in place now. "UNE's intramural program is great because a majority of the student body is involved. Whether they play, watch, or know someone who is involved. Having students who care about our program helps validate how important it is and helps us get the word out. This year I'd like to offer a successful program."

Williams recalls one of her most proud days as intramural staff Bio-Hazard, with the Renegades battling the 12 seed Bio Hazard promptly stifled four as they soared past the Celtics.

As summer gets closer the action comes from her background in recreational sport and her educational background. "I starting working for intramural sports department as an undergraduate at the University of New Hampshire. At the time I was un-declared and really had no idea what I wanted to major in. I started off as a student aid and scorekeeper and then worked my way up the ranks to a supervisor position. I really enjoyed working for intramurals and later decided to change my major to Recreation Management and Policy and pursue a career in the field of Recreational Sport and Policy and pursue a career."

The intramural program at UNE has become significantly better over the past year and the intramural Director, Patty Williams, is a huge reason why. All across the board intramurals have grown.

Participation, depth, and intensity of the program have really increased since Williams joined UNE.

Patty's expertise in the field comes from her background in "I started working for the intramural sports department as an undergraduate at the University of New Hampshire. At the time I was un-declared and really had no idea what I wanted to major in. I started off as a student aid and scorekeeper and then worked my way up the ranks to a supervisor position. I really enjoyed working for intramural sports and later decided to change my major to Recreation Management and Policy and pursue a career in the field of recreational sport and policy."
Dance Team Wraps Up Successful Year

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If you think the University of New England's dance team is just a bunch of students who perform at halftime of the basketball games, think again. They are a group of talented students who pour their heart and soul into the team, and it shows. The team placed eighth at the National Dance Association College Nationals, and were third in the challenge cup. This was a little slip from last year, when they finished third, but considering the team lost five seniors from last year—including a three-year captain—and had four new freshmen on the squad, the feat is quite amazing. It shows how truly talented the team is, and with just one senior on this year's squad, expect the team to be even better next year.

With only a ten-person squad, four new dancers meant virtually a three-year challenge for an injured dancer. Williams has really increased the number of student-athletes, and added she and her co-Captain Marisa Dzioba, who also happens to be the lone senior dancer, “are both extremely proud of how well they performed”.

With effectively the entire team returning in the fall, the expectations should be fairly high for the ladies. A veteran team is a plus no matter what they do, whether its dancing or playing soccer or working in an office. But no matter what, there will always be room for improvement. “Next year we hope to continue improving our technique and choreography for nationals,” DiVito said, adding that their goal every year is to place first at nationals. This could very well be an achievable goal for the dance team next spring. If this were to happen, the impressiveness would be enhanced by the team’s self-sustaining style. They coach and choreograph everything they do themselves, putting them in the minority. Most of their competitors at Nationals has both coaches and choreographers. So while the team is losing one senior, the loss of a captain like Dzioba is almost the equivalent of losing a coach. She and DiVito choreographed, taught and performed the Nationals routine. Despite having a young team, the ladies achieved most of the goals they had this season. “The goals of Marisa and I were to rebuild the team after losing five seniors and improving our techniques,” DiVito explained, adding they achieved both of those. They met their technique goal, scoring between eight and eight-point-five. This was a full point improvement from last year, which for dance is an unbelievable improvement. Technique ended up being the highest scoring category for the team, but it proves they can do it. With most of the dancers back, improving this even more and raising the scores of other categories isn’t a far-fetched idea, and neither is an incredible showing in Daytona at the 2011 NDA College Nationals.

Headed into next year, expect the dance team to keep pressing forward. With practices three days a week, and another Nationals performance providing valuable experience behind them, look forward to great performances by the ladies. National gave DiVito a good feeling. “It is a really fun and good experience for the girls to see what other teams from around the country have to offer,” she said, and that it offers the chance to “improve our own choreography and dance skills.”

There may not be many opportunities to see the dance team in action again until later on in the fall semester, but expect some great routines for sure. The team has a lot of momentum headed into the summer, and despite the loss of Dzioba, expect DiVito and the other returning dancers to step up and fill her shoes.

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director here at UNE. *There have many memorable moments this year in intramural sports. One that sticks out in my mind was just yesterday (Sunday, April 11). I was on campus for nearly 10 hours and was amazed by the number of students who were doing some sort of recreational activity on campus. We had organized intramural sports going on (7 beach volleyball games and 4 softball games were played throughout the day) but there was also lots of informal activities taking place (outdoor soccer, Frisbee, playing catch, even a home-made slip and slide next to Padua)! It seemed that everyone was excited to be outside and participating in recreational activities. UNE is a very active campus and intramural sports is an excellent outlet for students to de-stress from the pressures of papers, presentations, and exams.*

All things considered Patty Williams has really increased the quality of the UNE intramural program here at UNE.
UNE Players Put On One-Act Plays

BY EMELINE EMEY
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The UNE Players presented three one-act plays at Biddeford City Theater. The plays were "Hush Little Celia, Don’t Say a Word," “Sweeney Todd,” and “Cotton Girls” in order of performance, all directed by Bob Pecchia. All of their hard work paid off as the one-acts were a huge success Friday and Saturday night, as well as a Sunday matinee.

Students in the Rotaract Club were the ushers for the weekend. With Lorainne Pecchia as assistant director, Ashley Moore, Tara Connel and Jess Hamel helping with hair and makeup and Ed Kohler, Codi Riley, Travis McCafferty, Molly Kelleher and Mike Tripp back stage, the shows came together as a major accomplishment for everyone involved.

The stage managers (again, in order) were Sara She, Michael Earle and Tara O’Brien.


"Hush Little Celia, Don’t Say a Word," was the first one on the program, with the largest amount of actors included the UNE students, including Walter Pecchia, Wendy Lawson, Melanie Ostrowski, Kyle Galliani, Brisa Chu, Eric Pepin, Catherine Skeen, Anne Marie Mandarakas, Amy Lugirabali, Brandon Hotham, Brett Peterson, Tara O’Brien and Shannon Martineau.

If you missed the play, you probably missed a rare opportunity to see what your classmates would be like as kindergartners.

The play starts out with Gibson as Todd narrating his story about his life growing up with Dumi and Celia. Right at the start, it is clear that Celia chooses not to speak while her classmates, parents and teachers deal with their frustration with Celia in different ways. She makes the perfect student at St. Joseph’s Elementary school since their belief is that "children should be seen and not heard," but the children have a little bit of a different view. Almost everyone body teases her and think she is strange for most of her life.

Todd is the only boy that ever tries to get to know Celia even though he has trouble understanding her. While Celia stays quiet with selective mutism, Todd is very outspoken and uses humor to escape difficult situations. In the end, the audience comes to the understanding that people "talk but fail to understand one another," and that there’s "no easy way to see inside somebody’s soul." Even with such a deep message, "Hush Little Celia, don’t say a word," was full of clever metaphors, sentimental moments and humorous lines which were executed perfectly by these talented actors.

Next on the program was "Sweeney Todd," by Raymond Hull. Students John Pecchia, Harmony Bell, Lauren Boudrea, James MacMunn, Chase Sheaff, Michael Earle and Caroline Phiney acted in this Victorian melodrama. Todd played by Pecchia and his evil lover/partner in crime Claudiette Mincey played by Bell; murder their customers for their money so that they can run away together to Montreal. After Todd slit their throats while getting a shave, he pulled a lever and watches them fall backwards off the chair into the basement, where Mincey retrieves the bodies to use them in the meat pies at her bakery. Although this play was dark and creepy it was packed full with subtle humor that kept the audience at the edge of their seats, with anticipation and laughter.

Finally, Ashley Taylor, Julia Furtado and Danielle Cropley performed in "Cotton Girls," by Robert Pecchia.

"Cotton Girls," was full of clever metaphors, sentimental moments and humorous lines which were executed perfectly by these talented actors. The play took place at a carnival where the girls were stuck at the top of the Ferris wheel for quite some time. Even though they were best friends before, it took this particular situation right before graduation to bring them closer to each other than ever before. These actresses did an excellent job portraying a theme that I’m sure many of the audience members could relate to.

"UNE players" have grown significantly in the past 3 years since I’ve been here, from doing a student written play in the MPR’s, of the campus center to producing several outstanding plays and musicals at Biddeford City Theater this year. While the talent has always been great, the program is growing in numbers like crazy. The University of New England community should be very proud of everyone involved with this event.

The movie itself gives you a look at the life of the EOD members, and to the untrained eye it seems very realistic.

However, to those who have served in the military, the movie may have a different effect. Sergeant Matthew Chandler USMC, Scout Platoon, who served two tours of duty in Iraq, came away with a very different view of the movie. "I’d enjoy the movie as an action movie. It was filled with some moments of suspense but, he continued, "as for its realism, it missed the mark.

Sgt. Chandler gave some examples as to how the movie "missed its mark" in regards to the realism saying "no matter how salty an EOD tech maybe, he would NEVER remove his bomb suit." Sgt. Chandler continued saying "I have had the honor of working with some EOD techs in my two deployments and these guys were some of the most meticulous professionals."

Seeing that Chandler thought the movie was a good fictitious action film, but the accuracy of the movie itself was "outside the black," which is a term used on a rifle range meaning you missed the center.

The movie starts off with an intense opening scene, and from that point on you are at the edge of your seat, gasping and anticipating the next move by the EOD squad. It brings the viewer into the movie and never has a dull moment. There is constant action and thrilling scenes that allow the viewers to stay involved in the picture. The team that they are following have a month left in their tour of duty, and the team is patiently counting the days and trying to do whatever they can to survive the danger that they face everyday they go back out. The movie has scenes that will leave any viewer breathless.

The movie itself was filmed in Jordan and Kuwait and the director Bigelow, wanted to make sure that it had a fictional look to the movie, and make sure that they were not using anything when it came to the filming of the movie. During some parts of the movie, they were less than four miles away from an active zone.

Overall the movie was released in film festivals, and became more and more popular. Eventually the movie gained so much steam that it was released in the U.S. and made a huge splash at the box office in the summer. The Hurt Locker won six Oscars this year including best motion picture, best director, and best writing and screenplay. Overall the movie was nominated for 9 Oscars in 2010, and took the awards by storm.
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Relay For Life Raises More Than $20,000

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What were you doing on Friday, April 16th? I'm not sure about you, but I was walking from 6:00pm to 6:00am, in the campus center at the UNE's fourth annual Relay for Life event. Relay for Life is a 24-hour event held nationwide where people put together teams and raise money for the American Cancer Society. During the twelve hours everyone is walking. We walked throughout the night, symbolizing the never ending fight against cancer.

The Relay raised over $21,000 this year, the most raised at UNE so far. It was an exciting night of fun, games and costume contests. The theme this year was "It's time for a cure" and each activity was centered on the theme. Each hour was dedicated to a different time period, which involved games corresponding to that time. Before the themes began, however, the opening ceremony was filled with people walking during this survivor and virtual survivor lap. During this lap, people decorated a sign that was dedicated to someone who has survived the battle against cancer and they walked in their honor. After the opening ceremony and laps, the games kicked off with an ice age theme with Scrap's Scavenger Hunt, during which teams were asked trivia questions and the winning team was awarded a prize.

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Shhh, Let Me Whisper in Your Ear: Ying Yang Twins to Come to UNE

BY JM CASCIO
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Shhh, let me whisper in your ear, the spring concert is quickly approaching and you believe it? The University of New England has actually gotten a well-known artist to headline it. I know, I won't believe it until I see it, either. As many of you, if not all of you, know this year's headliner is the Ying Yang Twins, making what will most likely be their first, and last, trip to Biddeford, Maine.

UNE has some very questioned choices dating back to the beginning of my four years here. I honestly couldn't even tell you the bands that headlined my freshman year spring concert back in 2007, but that's not important.

And don't forget about Hanson that headlined our spring concert in 2008. I mean most of my friends at home laughed out of sheer embarrassment when I told them this. Finally, rounding out the past three years was Rehab in 2009. I was not in attendance but I was told Rehab wasn't a total bust but they were an up and coming band at the time.

I don't know if they are still around or have made it big, but I'm sure they are doing just fine after a concert at UNE. However, things have changed this year with spring concert and I think we are going to have some fun.

"We wanted to get something different. Something hip hop," said UPB Co-Advisor Alysha Torka. "We worked with different agents and looked for something a majority of people would enjoy or be interested in. Looking at budgets and our options, we decided that the Ying Yang Twins were our best fit."

Best fit, especially considering the last few bands we have had here. I personally believe that UNE will be in for a wake up call from both the response the students give and the music the Ying Yang Twins sing.

"Ultimately I think it is awesome that the Ying Yang Twins are coming to UNE," said Senior Kim Anderson. "It finally means UNE is stepping up into the big leagues."

Opening up for the Ying Yang Twins is a more alternative sound coming from the bands of Keep Me Conscious and Hit the Lights.

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Hair: UNE Students Participate in Community Arts

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Besides the UNE Players and other student groups supporting the performing arts, there are some students who have taken their talents to the stage. Many people have really done nothing seriously in musical theater since middle school, I am not a singer by trade; I am a Medical Biology major. No, I am not a singer by trade. Nevertheless, I have put on a few productions at UNE.

I was lucky enough to catch Harmony Bell and discuss with her the experience of working on this upcoming production this summer.

"I have never heard of the production when she was attending, but it is a new musical production of "Blood Brothers" last summer. For this production, she was a costume assistant. While helping, she got to be part of the Biddeford City Theatre's production of the musical of "Hair.""

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David Smith's *Why We Lie* is Translated to Chinese

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Dr. David Smith, a philosophy professor at UNE, had one of his books, *Why We Lie*, translated into Chinese by East China Normal University Press. *Why We Lie* was first published in 2004 with St. Martin's Press. The premise of the book is to explain the various ways that people lie and deceive, including the self-deception in which everyone participates, according to Smith.

Smith said, "We lie to one another and deceive one another every day, and we deceive ourselves into thinking that this is not the case ... I think that it is very important for us to come to grips with the darker side of our nature." He explores why we lie to each other with tactics such as using make up, lying on job applications, telling "white lies" and lying to deceive others. He also examines how we lie and deceive ourselves in order to justify our behavior.

Smith's book is written for a fairly broad audience and can appeal to both scholars and regular readers. He said that he wants to write books that can be enjoyed and read by more than just a few people in the academic field.

According to Smith his work and research rarely relates back to his teaching at UNE. Sometimes he can bring up his research in a class, but because UNE does not have a philosophy major, much of his work is not used in his classes.

Smith hopes this will change in the future when he develops a class about the philosophy of deception and self-deception. This would enable him to relate his scholarship much closer with his teaching at UNE. He adds that he is excited to continue his work with the students at UNE and would like to create a reading group for students who are interested in learning about philosophy and other serious thought.

Previously, he was a psychoanalytic psychotherapist and a Freud scholar while receiving his MA in philosophy. Smith then received his PhD in philosophy from the University of London in the United Kingdom. It was during his time at the University of London that Smith "focused on the philosophical dimension of Freud's theories," This led him "to study the sociology of deception and self-deception."

Smith has written two other books during his ten years at UNE: *Psychoanalysis in Focus* and *The Most Dangerous Animal: Human Nature and the Origins of War*.

Smith's next book will be about dehumanization; the tendency for us to think of others as less than human and its role in our lives.

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Student Spotlight: Greg St Denis

**BY STEVE SCREVEN**
Nor'easter Staff

Greg St. Denis, Fr. Undeclared
Hometown: Auburn, Maine
1. Do you play any sports and/or involved in any extracurricular activities? I run cross country for the school and used to play hockey in high school. I'm involved in the Make-a-wish club, Habitat for Humanity, CCMP, and Relay for Life.
2. What was your favorite UNE sponsored event? Semi
3. Who is your favorite teacher? Dan Rothermel because his class is very engaging, he explains the material very well and is able to relate his students on a personal level.
4. What was your least favorite class? Biology, because I hated labs.
5. What do you spend most your $ on? Food
6. What is your favorite restaurant in the area? Applebee's
7. What is something people would be surprised to know about you? I am a Cancer Survivor.
8. Do you have any special interests or anything that you like to do during your free time? Play hockey, community service, and hanging with Robi and the be

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Respect: A Lost Value

BY BRANDON HOTHAM
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There is something that I have noticed lately amongst my fellow UNE peers: a lack of respect.

Of course, not all students are lacking this value. I find that many UNE students are here to learn, do well in their academic courses, and strive towards goals that they have set for themselves, both personally and academically.

However, I have encountered a few incidents this semester that have really raised red flags. For example, I witnessed one student openly refuse to answer a professor’s question in class. Are you kidding me? Ok, so you are having a bad day, but if this is the case, why did you come to class?

The professor is an authority figure in the classroom setting, and deserves your respect. Yes, in a sense, students are paying for professors to be here. However, these individuals who dedicate their careers to education have a lot to offer to students. Why would you ever treat them with disrespect?

Another issue that I have noticed is students moving around objects in a classroom or just generally being distracting during lecture; to the point where the professor actually has to acknowledge the student’s behavior.

I'm sorry, is this high school? I pay to take classes where I feel intellectually stimulated, not where I feel like I'm taking a behavioral course.

Now that the warmer weather has hit, I've noticed some fellow UNE peers acting in a way that I do notonia about.

They don't take their phones out of their pockets when they receive a text message, and will not put them away even when it is time to put them away. This is a lack of respect.

There are no excuses for this behavior. I've been to class with my phone on silent when I needed it, and I've been to class with my phone off when I didn't need it.

I'm not the only one who feels this way. I've spoken with many of my classmates who feel the same way.

So, let's stop acting like this. It's not respectful and it's not smart.

On Tea-baggers and Their Tea-parties

BY HARVEY O'CONNOR
Nor'easter Staff

There is this 'tea party' going on. And, no, it's not a party of young girls in ballet outfits sipping hot tea or old ladies in matching purple hats discussing potting soil, or even a party of long-since-dead judges discussing the constitution. This is a political movement.

Perhaps you’re right. Perhaps they are just afraid. And they fear what they cannot understand. And they feel much like scared little children, children who pin themselves at sleepovers, and don’t know why, but don’t want to admit to any accountability.

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**Why Just One?**

**BY HUGO MARGOC & KAITLYN BOUCHER**

Nor'easter Staff

Lately, tabloids have been buzzing with stories of relatively unexpected infidelities: Jesse James’ inked mistress, John and Katie’s plus one, or better half, of home runs, and Tiger Woods’ countless hours in one. Magazines have portrayed these infidelities as negative aspects of their relationship. It can only be thankful that there is something to work with, as opposed to nothing, which offers nothing. But that is a story for another day. The teabagger- partisan premise is that we simply think of those folk, these teabaggers of which I speak have but a clue as to how said moral legislation will affect America in the short-term and in the future. And only be thankful that there is something to work with, as opposed to nothing, which offers nothing. But that is a story for another day. The teabagger-partisan premise is that we simply think of those folk, these teabaggers of which I speak have but a clue as to how said moral legislation will affect America in the short-term and in the future.

**Things I Wish I Knew as a First-year**

**BY EMELINE EMERY**

Nor'easter Staff

Be a good roommate. How many of you are sick of your roommates by now? Well the feeling is probably mutual, so while the end of the year approaches, let us make the best of it that you can. When you are together all of the time you can either get extremely close or on each others last nerves ... or usually both.

Most of you haven't had bunk beds since second grade and it's hard to get used to living with someone else. Now instead of being stuck in a room with your siblings bickering about who has to set the table tomorrow night, your paying to bunk up with one or two random people and fighting about who owes the other alcohol money. Just keep in mind that your roommates are going through the same thing that you are. It's just as much of a change for them as it is for you and if you're frustrated, chances are they are too.

In order to make things a little smoother for the last couple of months, whether you hate each other or your best friends that have just been seeing a little too much of each other, keep these things in mind.

Consideration: You don't have to trust your roommate completely but you're forced to trust them at least a little. You are sharing a small space with them and you both have to live with the limitations that are put on your living style. Be respectful of your roommates' things. People have different reactions to sharing, but no matter what you should always ask before you borrow or eat something of theirs.

Cleanliness: Just because you're close friends doesn't mean you should live to be gouged. And really, don't throw apple cores on the floor because then the only way to get them up is just to get them up. And really, don't throw apple cores on the floor because then the only way to get them up is just to get them up.

And finally, compatibility: For next year, try to find a roomate that you're compatible with. Because you're going to be living with that person for the rest of the year. The tea-bagger patriots are merely spewing the nonsense that they know, when in all reality, they are merely spewing the nonsense that they know.
The Good Old Days

BY DANIELLE CROPLEY
Nor'easter Staff

Picture the stereotypical onversion of three elderly women. One, Delores, can't remember who she is. A second, Carol, is always yelling because her hearing aids are turned off. Pretty much a gorgeous topic of onversion that you follow could be turned into a late night comedy sketch. However, if you really put some thought into it, you just let your mind wander, you might just lose yourself, or forget your name again.

Being old and getting old are two things that plague peoples conscience. It's literally the bane of some people's existence, and most do whatever's in their power to slow it down. Be as much as possible, use a head's up people, tanning yourself, there's not for you, dyeing your hair, the color of a twelve year old child, plasticizing every appendage, and purchasing superpered, under sized articles of clothing is not going to make you stop getting older. Sure, there're some aspects of growing up and aging that might not be the most glamorous, I know I'm not looking forward to memory loss, chy joints, and wrinkles, but there are definitely some things I look forward to in the future. Maybe walking with assistance or cruising around in a chair with wheels isn't your ideal means of transportation. Maybe watching the mind that you once knew run the world into the ground isn't your cup of tea. And, maybe, eating with fake teeth or without teeth at all is not the best way to live in the world. But, think of the choices. You can choose to be lazy and have someone wheel you around all day or venture out on your own (with a completely inconspicuous weapon). You can choose to yell "Hey get off my lawn" or scowl at children for no reason; just because you can. Or, you can choose to eat with or without teeth and force people to prepare special chewable or drinkable meals just for you. The possibilities are truly endless when you're old, so 'what's with all the fuss?'

Although some people see being old as a plain "old curse," you can choose just how rad you want to be. If you want to rock the nursing home as an elderly spitfire that plays bingo as if it's the lottery and thinks staying up past eight is living it up, then go for it. If you feel like knitting sweaters, Afghans, and scarves for every grandchild, child, and pet you've ever had is the shit, do it up. And, if you think that you can just have a no holds barred way of living because you've seen more things in your life than the nurse who helps you shower, which allows you to hit on whoever you want, then I'm not going to stop you. Being old doesn't mean you have to be boring or lame; it's really up to you. If you've chosen how to live your life thus far, no one should stop you from revamping your life once you reach the trifocal stage.

It's a simple fact that there's a little bit of little kid in all of us. But, have you ever thought about the little bit of old person in you? No? Well maybe you should start. Sure, we've got plenty of time till we reach the land of depending on Depends® and whackering people with our canes but still, it doesn't hurt to think about it just a little. Every now and again it's good to picture your life 50, 60, or even 70 years down the road. Sure our predictions could be way out in left field, but when you're old you're not going to care about fly balls. Hell you probably won't be able to catch it! Maybe I'm the only person on campus who wonders about being an "old fart," but oh well. Just something to think about.

Senioritis

BY JM CASCIO
Nor'easter Staff

Tis the season at UNE where the arctic winds begin to warm, flip flops, skirts, and shorts begin to appear, and those horrible salt stained JGG boots finally start to disappear. However, with all these items we thought we were going to come the disease everyone seems to know and love, senioritis.

UrbanDictionary.com defines senioritis as; "A crippling disease that strikes college seniors. Symptoms include: laziness, an over-excessive wearing of track pants, old athletic shirts, sweatpants, athletic shoes, and sweatshirts. Also suffers a lack of studying, current absences, and a generally dismissive attitude. The only known cure is a phenomenon known as a "normal" grade point average.

Many students seem to agree with this because they have all fallen a victim to it, and I would be liar if I said it didn't affect me. I know it all started for me after a winter break trip to sin city; Las Vegas, Nevada. Once I touched back down in the frozen wasteland of Biddeford, Maine, I couldn't wait until final week. I know this sounds strange but as a graduating senior with 16 credits- six of which are internship and one of which is that over so important citizenship class, I cannot foresee many final exams, Enter stage left: seni­oritis.

Normally I would be up to date on all my coursework and class attendance would not really be an option. However, senioritis completely flips this for me, allowing me to think it is ok to skip class because it is a record breaking heat wave in the month of April, and just so happens it is six weeks away from graduation. I mean an 88 degree day makes it real easy to just push that paper a few days down the road, or start studying for that test tomorrow.

But I mean it is not all bad. Senioritis allows me to enjoy the last months of school as best I can. It allows me to spend time with my best friends who I have lived with for the past four years. And most important of all, it allows me to fully use up the excuse; "What? I'm in college."

Class Selection

BY TANYA LAWRENCE
Nor'easter Staff

Like every other junior, I was sitting at my computer on April 1 at 9:00 pm frantically signing up for classes. I had, of course, planned out my schedule several days before, after examining the necessary classes I still needed to take before graduating next year. I am currently double majoring in medical biology and biochemistry and though after this semester, I am done with my courses for my medical biology degree, I still have to dedicate my time to completing my biochemistry degree.

In order to complete a biochemistry degree, it is required to take nine credits of elective advanced chemistry courses. Unfortunately, most classes in this major are offered every other year, which forces me to take six of my nine elective credits in the spring semester of my senior year. Due to the timing and the number of classes available, the students have no choice but to take each advanced chemistry course offered because there are just enough for nine credits, otherwise we would be forced to do research for credits, which I still may have to do! Furthermore, classes that are required to graduate are being offered every other year and others do not even have professors available, even though they are on the course offerings.

Now, do not get me wrong. I think UNE is a great school and has a lot to offer for its students. I love the small environment and small classes that allow for student-professor interaction. I do worry, however, that UNE is expanding without considering its majors. Although the chemistry department is relatively small, it is growing. I believe it is critical to ensure that each major has sufficient class offerings for the students to choose the electives and not have to struggle with completing the necessary courses, just because the class is offered every couple years.

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2009-2010

September, 2009:
UNE unveils a 9", 2,700 lbs. marble statue of former President George H.W. Bush. It is now on display on the third floor of The George and Barbara Bush Center.

September, 2009:
UNE begins expansion across Route 9. The new building, which has now been named Sokokis Hall, is a dormitory and is slated to open in the Fall of 2010.

September 30, 2009:
The first ever Doony Tunes is published.

November, 2009:
The Nor'Easter News begins publishing every other week!

October, 2009:
The Freedom Without Walls exhibit comes to UNE to mark the 20th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall.

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General of the Federal Republic of Germany to New England, Friedrich L. Lohr, gives a lecture at UNE.

New COM Dean, Mark Hahn, D.O.

September, 2009:
Mark Hahn, D.O. joins the UNE team as the new Dean of the College of Osteopathic Medicine.
UNE Field Hockey Team won the ECAC Tournament with a 3-2 overtime win over Plymouth State University.

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UNE grants degrees to over 300 nursing students in Israel. UNE administration attends the graduation in Tel Aviv.

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Players perform "Grease." Huge Success.

January, 2010:
UNE students help raise more than $400 as part of the Love for Haiti campaign.

UNE students dressed in traditional Middle Eastern attire show elementary school children how to write in Arabic.

March, 2010:
UNE hosts more than 200 local 4th grade students who came to participate in a global village.
A Good-Bye:

Three years ago, a small group of students and myself took it upon ourselves to give the University of New England a student newspaper. It was an uphill battle and at times, we weren't sure we were going to create something lasting. However, now as I look back, I am sure that the legacy we will leave through the Nor'Easter News is nothing short of lasting.

We have come so far. The Nor'Easter News has become a staple in the UNE community and I am proud to have been a part of it. We have doubled the number of papers we put out every year and more importantly, we have established the first fully functional and successful student-run publication at the University of New England. However, there is a long way to go for the Nor'Easter News. The newspaper is to be an outlet for student expression. It has touched on that, but there is so much more it can do for the student body. I hope some day, it will be taken advantage of.

I would like to thank every one at UNE that has helped get us to where we are. Daryl Conk, Josh Pahigian and Bistra Nikolitovora, our esteemed advisors. The administration at UNE, the former editors of the paper that helped in the past, and all of the students. I would also like to thank the people that helped me, personally, as we developed the newspaper. Professor Brian Duff, Professor Matthew Anderson, Trisha Mason and Dean Arthur Goldman, just to name a few. We would not have been able to bring the paper to where it is without the support of the students and faculty at UNE. I hope the level of support continues (and grows) in the future.

With all of that said, my three years as an editor for the Nor'Easter News will always be some of the greatest of my life.

I will miss the arguments over deadlines, the 18 hours every weekend I spent in the newsroom, and the excuses when articles aren't done on time. I will miss hearing complaints when a caption is spelled wrong and I will miss yelling at my staff when they won't turn down the Lil Wayne music in the newsroom. I will miss getting e-mails when one of our stories gets controversial and I will miss hearing how much people love the security blotters. But more than anything, I will miss how proud I feel whenever I see people walking around campus with one of our papers in hand.

To my editors and staff,

You're all unbelievable people. Every time I started to doubt myself or the paper, I had all of you there to remind me of why we do this. You have become not just my staff, but my friends. Through the tough decisions, the late nights working on layout and all the annoying meetings, you made every second worth it. I can't express in words how much I will miss all of you. You have helped shape what the Nor'Easter News is and what it will be in the future. Seniors (and others leaving), the newspaper will not be the same without you. I know I will not be. Next year's staff, I leave you with my complete trust that you will take what we have done thus far and take it to new, exciting levels. As sad as I am to no longer be a part of the paper, I know how capable all of you are and in that respect, I have no qualms about saying goodbye. (Brandon, I wouldn't leave the paper to anyone but you. Thank you for adopting my "child". Love it as dearly as I have).

So with a heavy heart, I sign this...

F iner Editor-in-Chief,
Marissa Simoes

TO OUR READERS:

It is hard for me to remember a time when the Nor'Easter News did not exist. Yet, it was only three years ago that it came into being. And now, it is time for me to say my tearful good-byes.

A Welcome:

for the immense growth that this newspaper has seen over the course of this short academic year.

I started at the Nor'Easter News as a contributing op-ed writer. From there, I took over the Opinions Editor position from the late, and great, Diane Fitzpatrick. It is in this position, my current position, that I have grown and learned the most as a journalist. Writing pieces that cause people to think and question certain ideas and facts has been extremely rewarding. Discussing various opinions with my writers, and readers, of the paper has been my favorite experience thus far.

I love the opportunity that the paper offers to students to learn more about their community, in and outside of UNE. I love that the paper has become an independent student voice, where students can express factual news, interesting human-interest features, and provocative and inspiring opinions. This theory, the theory of student voice, is what makes me most energized to take on the position as Editor-in-Chief of the Nor'Easter News next year.

I have to admit, I have high ambitions for the paper. I expect a lot. Bottom line, although my ambitions are high, I know that all the goals I have set for my staff are reachable. I want to increase readership, scholarship, and integrity amongst the perception of the paper.

The paper has grown and accomplished so much this year, thanks to the heartfelt, generous, and inspiring guidance of our current Editor-in-Chief, Marissa Simoes. Through this transition, Marissa has been nothing but helpful and supportive of new ideas and goals. Everything I have brought to her attention, she has supported. She has always made me feel like my ideas can become something more: reality. The Nor'Easter News will miss her greatly.

Though I have big ideas, they are merely in accordance with the trajectory that the paper has already taken on. I am confident that with my staff next year, both new editors and new writers, that we can make the paper better than ever. I look forward to new faces and increased involvement.

Now, as my final plug, I want to remind everyone that the paper is here for them. Feel free to submit a piece, and express yourself in anyway. This is the only regularly published student voice on campus, and I encourage all of you to keep that going. I will be here, in full force, to continue to support this. The newspaper is growing, and I hope that you will all, as readers (and maybe future staff) become a part of it. Until next year...

With Ambition, Integrity and Gratitude,

Brandon Hotham
Editor-in-Chief

"I got way more than I bargained for when I signed up for the newspaper my freshman year. I can't believe how much work it has been starting a paper from scratch and building it into what it is now, but its all worth it when the paper is finally printed. Good luck next year, I'll be reading it from Portland!" -Emeline Emery, Photography Editor

"It was a good time and I enjoyed my time." -AJ Fredette, Managing Editor

"It has been a good past three years on the paper. Seeing this paper come from an idea to what it is now has been a rewarding experience. I can only hope it continues to grow in the future." -JMC Cascio, Sports Editor
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