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Men's head ice hockey coach retires mid-season

An anonymous letter and conflicting statements leave reasoning behind the change unclear.



Photo courtesy of USM Athletic Department

The men's hockey team huddles in a recent game under their new head coach.

Francis Flisiuk
Managing Editor

After 28 years as head coach of the men's ice hockey team, Jeff Beane retired over the winter break and the reason why has been left unclear.

According to Chris Quint, USM's executive director of public affairs, Beane would have ideally finished up the rest of the season with his team, but a "variety of factors" spurred talks of Beane's early retirement amongst Beane and President David Flanagan.

Quint mentioned an anonymous letter that was sent to both Beane and Flanagan expressing some concern with the longtime hockey coach. Quint said he didn't care to get into the full details of the letter, but that it was first mentioned in the press by the Maine Hockey Network.

"Now, after Coach Beane announced his retirement, we're looking towards the future and the hope of rebuilding this team," said Quint. Beane declined to speak about his retirement to the Free Press, but told the Maine Hockey Journal that the decision to retire was not entirely his.

"The decision was made [President] David Flanagan. I didn't choose to leave now on my own.

There are six weeks left in the season, and I would have liked to finish them out. [Athletic Director] Al [Beane] is taking the blame, but the decision was not his," Beane told a MHJ reporter.

The Division III Husky's are 1-9 this year and have suffered nine consecutive losses. Beane has been working with the hockey team for 30 years and 28 as head coach. The last time the team had a winning season was in 2008. Since Beane's time at USM, the Huskies have been 260-380-50 and without a championship title.

"The hockey team has been struggling for some time now," said Quint.

In the meantime, former player and assistant coach, Ed Hardy will take Beane's place as coach, but just temporarily. According to Hardy, he was the last person to know of Beane's retirement and received a phone call saying the hockey program was "in a bit of a jam." After meeting with Beane, he agreed to take over Beane's position.

"Hardy's our new interim coach," said Quint. "He's here to stabilize the team and start building towards a new season. Once that's over, we'll announce the search for a new, permanent coach."

As of now, Hardy plans on sub-

mitting his name for consideration as the new, permanent head coach.

Hardy has coaching experience with the Lewiston Maineiacs as well as at North Yarmouth Academy, Casco Bay Youth Hockey and the New England Wolves junior team.

According to Hardy, his goals are to make sure the four seniors on the team get the most out of their last season playing, citing that college is supposed to be the best years of a person's life.

"I don't want them to leave here with a bad taste in their mouth," said Hardy. "Win or lose, we're going to play hard and we're going to have some fun doing it."

Players like freshman double major in international business and marketing, Victor Ivarsson thought highly of former coach Beane and are sad to see him go.

"This is an unfortunate situation for us all, but we'll rebuild and get even stronger," said Ivarsson. "I enjoyed having Beane as a coach and I'm positive many others did as well."

Quint is also optimistic about the future, adding that although they've faced some challenges, the team still has a lot of potential.

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Administrators layout goals for spring semester

Francis Flisiuk
Managing Editor

Now that the framework to balance USM's budget has been drafted, the administration has focused its efforts to securing a bright future for the school, through four main initiatives that they hope to have completed before President David Flanagan steps down at the end of the semester.

"The budget is balanced and the hardest part is over," said Quint. "We're shifting our efforts to the future now."

One of these goals includes putting together the framework behind

to create administrative efficiencies? Those are the kinds of questions we're asking ourselves," said Quint.

The third administrative project under way is an amelioration of student services.

According to Quint, the administration is in the process of recruiting a new vice president of enrollment management that would be overseeing athletics, student life, admissions, financial aid and academic advising.

The other effect that an increased attention on student services would be an easier time for students to engage with the com-

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Chris Quint, Director of Public Affairs

USM's new persona as "Maine's Metropolitan University."

Quint said that he wants to get the right people involved and engaged in their advising group, and is always open to feedback from faculty and the community.

"We'll be hosting a series of 'lightening chats,' which will be an opportunity for us to exchange questions and ideas with community members," said Quint.

According to Quint, the ultimate goal during Flanagan's time here is to send USM along a path that leads to the receipt of the Carnegie Designation by 2020. According to their website, the Carnegie Designation is the leading framework for recognizing and describing institutional diversity in American colleges. It's what Quint described as, "the gold standard of what it means to be a metropolitan university."

A second goal for the administration this spring semester is a redesign of some of the academic departments.

While Quint didn't get into specifics, he did say that the three colleges will be restructured to align themselves with the metropolitan model.

"Does this program make sense in this department? What classes or programs could we combine

community and find internships.

"The idea is that when a student walks on campus, they'll have both an academic and professional advisor," said Quint. "This will make it easier for a student to plan for both life in college and life afterwards, which in turn will help with retention."

Retention and recruitment is something that Quint believes should always be worked on. This semester Quint said the administration is going to have a "laser-like focus" on ways that USM can increase its applicants and keep them from leaving.

"We're out in the field aggressively working on it, from marketing to admissions," said Quint. "We're going to deploy 900,000 more dollars right now to current students through financial aid."

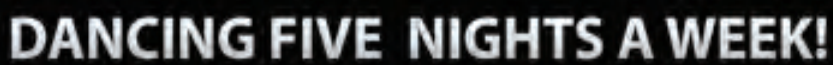
According to Quint, administrators don't want students to get to a point where they feel like they have to leave because they can't afford to stay.

Quint said that in the future he hopes that USM is able to widen their advertising reach, and progress from email and Facebook ads into more radio and television spots.

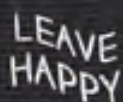
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Interview process for new president to start soon

Sam Hill
Editor-in-Chief

University of Maine System administrators will soon be interviewing candidates who have applied to be the next president at USM after current president David Flanagan leaves at the end of

Search consultants met with small groups of USM students, staff, faculty and community members throughout the fall semester in order to gauge what USM needs in a president and leader, which resulted in the drafting of an official leadership statement which was posted along with

“ We want someone to be an agent of change, someone who will continue the process we started. We need someone to articulate why USM matters in this community. ”

James Irwin, UMaine system trustee



Sam Hill / Editor-in-Chief

President David Flanagan at a board of trustees meeting last semester. Flanagan is now in his final semester as interim president of USM. The search committee will soon begin interviewing candidates for the position.

the spring semester.

The window to apply for the position closed in mid-December and the candidate pool has been whittled down to a workable number. Applicant details, such as name, prior experience and background will remain confidential until they are chosen as a last-round candidate and are invited to visit the USM campus, which will happen in February.

the job description and application.

According to the statement, the new president will be tasked primarily with continuing to implement the metropolitan university vision and strategy, building enrollment by reversing headcount declines, raising retention rates and being more engaged with students and faculty.

“We want someone to be an agent of change, someone who will continue the process we started,” said James Irwin, a UMaine system trustee who has led the search committee, in an interview with the Free Press in December. “We need someone to articulate

why USM matters in this community.

Flanagan has repeatedly told the Free Press that he is only on board for the remainder of the academic year and has no intention to stay at USM or apply to extend his contract into the following year.

According to Irwin, the goal is to have a new president start during the summer and be comfortable by the start of the fall semester.

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Majority against academic calendar change

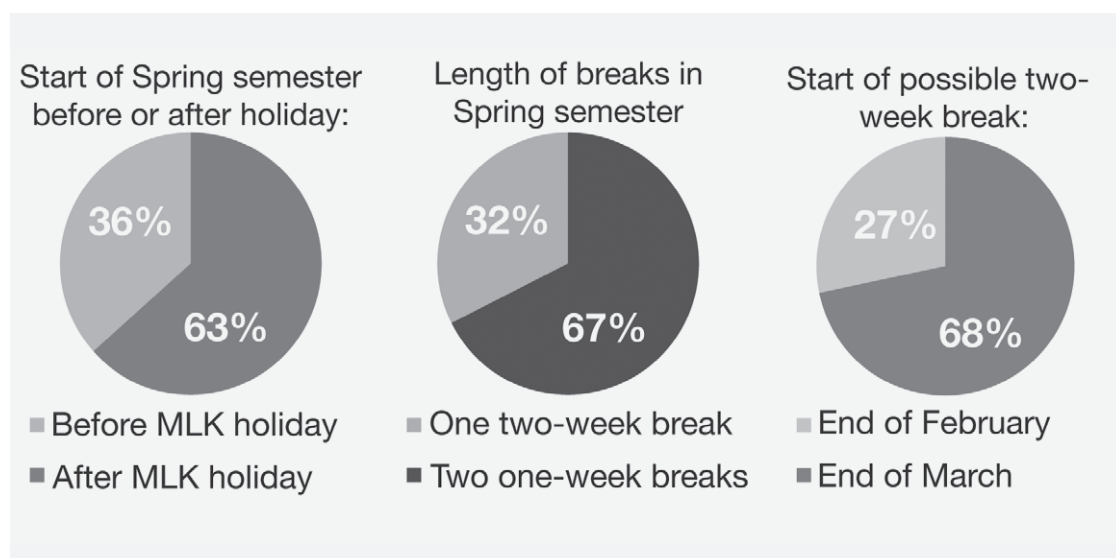
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When the faculty senate reached out to the USM community in early December for input on possible changes to the academic calendar, survey participants said they wanted everything to stay the same.

The idea to align the academic calendars of all seven UMaine campuses has been brought up regularly throughout the fall semester by system-level administrators as a way to unify the many arms of the system. System administrators are looking into changing USM’s spring start date, changing the dates of breaks and possibly moving from having two one-week breaks to having one two-week break instead.

The USM community says they’re content with our current schedule though, with 67 percent of 753 respondents saying they prefer multiple one week breaks over a longer break.

Right now, USM’s academic schedule is molded to match that of the local K-12 programs. Because the university has such a non-traditional student body,



Source: data from faculty senate common academic calendar survey

Abigail Johnson-Ruscansky / Design Assistant

many respondents noted that being able to share vacations with their children is an absolute must.

“For faculty who have children in schools, having our break align with the K-12 school breaks

as much as possible is optimal,” commented one respondent. “This is also true for our non-traditional students who are parents.”

If parents’ schedules didn’t

match up with their children’s breaks, they would have to find childcare coverage, which can quickly become expensive in many cases.

“Not having the same time off will greatly impact their attendance in classes,” wrote another respondent on students with young children.

Other comments noted that

switching to a two-week break would halt any progress being made in class and that students can forget a lot in or find it hard to get back into the swing of things after two weeks of vacation.

“The one two-week break makes it seem like school is done,” wrote a respondent. “Going back after [would be] really difficult.”

“You should definitely keep the two separate one week vacations. It provides us students with the opportunity to get a small break in between stressful classes,” wrote another.

There were some supporters of the two-week break among the replies, most citing the want to align our spring break with other colleges for serious vacation time and general unity of the campuses. Some supporters of the change still recognized that this would be an inconvenience to parents.

When the survey was distributed, there were some in the community who were alarmed, thinking that USM was going to alter our breaks for the coming semester, which would affect vacation plans which some people plan months ahead of time.

Christopher Quint, the executive director of public affairs, emailed all students, staff and faculty, reiterating that the administration was gathering input on possible changes to vacations in future academic calendar years, not the spring of 2015.

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All programs require pre-registration.

Program Preview - Schedule is subject to change

Class fees are per semester offering 9-14 weeks depending on offering

BARRE:

RASAMAYA® BARRE is an athletic workout specifically designed to strengthen and lengthen the body. Limited to 12 participants. **Instructor Carrie Tyler.**

Schedule: M Time: 12:15pm –1:05pm, (1 day/week)

Begins: 1/26/15 Ends: 4/27/15 Fee: \$20 students, \$50 member, Alumni, Faculty/Staff or Gen Public w/membership, \$100 without membership

Crosstraining:

This program includes cardiovascular and anaerobic exercises, strength training, and plyometrics! This is an advanced general fitness program. Group exercise is appropriate for all fitness levels. Drop in as part of the group exercising together boot camp style!

Schedule: M-W-F, 5:15 pm-6:00 pm, (3 day/week) a full-fledged advanced fitness class. Ongoing year round drop in group activity
Fee: Free to all wishing to drop in & exercise as group

Indoor Walk/Jog Drop In AM: Open gym time for walk jog. The main gym is 12 laps to a mile.

Schedule: M-W-F 6:00am-9:00am (3 day/week)

Indoor Walk/Jog Drop In Noon:

Schedule: T-Th 12:00pm-1:00pm (2 day/week)

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Pickleball: A paddle sport created for all ages and skill levels. The rules are simple and the game is easy for beginners to learn, but can develop into a quick, fast-paced, competitive game for experienced players.

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Begins: 1/20/15 Ends: 4/28/15

Fee: Free to Students, Alumni, Faculty/Staff or Gen Public w/ membership w/Campus ID & current gym membership, \$5 drop-in day fee for all non-members

Spin IT!:

Group fitness workout on spinning bikes. **Instructor Jillian Magee.**

Limited to 14 participants.

Schedule: M-W-F 6:00am-7:00am (3 day/week)

Begins: 1/26/15 Ends: 5/1/15 Fee: \$15 students, \$30 member, Alumni, Faculty/Staff or Gen Public w/membership, \$120 without membership

Spin IT! – Lunch Spin Express: A moderate to vigorous 45 minute workout that will include a warm-up, 35 minutes of spinning and then cool down and stretching. Good for exercisers of all levels. **Instructor Niffy Allen.** Limited to 14 participants.

Schedule: T-TH 12:00pm-12:45pm (2 day/week)

Begins: 1/27/15 Ends: 4/30/15

Fee: \$10 students, \$20 member, Alumni, Faculty/Staff or Gen Public w/membership, \$100 without membership

Women’s Strength & Power Hour: The Women’s Only Fitness Hour will focus on providing women with all the essentials to get in shape. Circuit strength training for increasing muscular strength, bone density, core stability, balance and mobility. With cool down stretching at the end. Get all the benefits of a good balanced work-out. Modifications can be made to meet different fitness levels. **Instructor Niffy Allen.** Limited to 12 participants.

Schedule: T-TH 1:30pm-2:30pm (2 day/week)

Begins: 1/27/15 Ends: 4/30/15

Fee: \$10 students, \$20 member, Alumni, Faculty/Staff or Gen Public w/membership, \$100 without membership

Yoga: Pre-registration for yoga class offerings is a must. If you are signing up for this program, you should be prepared to make a 12 week commitment to one class per week.

Fee: \$20 students, \$50 member, Alumni, Faculty/Staff or Gen Public w/membership, \$100 without membership

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Schedule: Classic Yoga- Tuesday 12pm-1:15pm (1 day/week)

Classic Yoga- Thursday 1:15pm-2:30pm (1 day/week)

Vinyasa Yoga Evening: Instructor Jeanette Richelson

Schedule: Vinyasa-Tuesday 7:00pm-8:15pm (1 day/week)

Begins: week of 1/27/15 Ends: week ending 5/1/15 Fee: \$20 students, \$50 member, Alumni, Faculty/Staff or Gen Public w/ membership, \$100 without membership

Zumba:

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Begins: 1/27/15 Ends: 3/26/15 – 9 week offering only

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FMI: E-mail the Blade Society usmbladesociety@gmail.com

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Fee: Free students/members Must pre-register. Limit 20

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Fee: Free for students and members with ID, \$5/day public

FMI Visit the Ultimate website: www.portlandultimate.com or email Toby Jacobs: asdf.tobyisatcloudbridge@gmail.com

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Schedule: Appointments made in advance by calling 780-4939. Therapists often need a couple of days to a weeks’ notice for scheduling appointments as they schedule at other locations based on interest!

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Mock-up design of potential property design in Bayside

Chipotle, Dunkin’ Donuts could come to Bayside by next January

Darren Fishell
BDN Staff

Chipotle and Dunkin’ Donuts franchises are set to anchor a new retail center in Portland’s Bayside neighborhood, where the project’s real estate broker projects construction will start in May 2015. The commercial real estate brokerage CBRE The Boulos Co. began marketing the property earlier this month, advertising two spaces available for lease in a building shared with Chipotle and Dunkin’ Donuts as anchor tenants. It would include another freestanding building. It would be Chipotle’s first location in Portland, though the burrito chain has stores nearby in South Portland and Westbrook. The location at 45 Marginal Way includes Century Tire, a business that closed in February after about 88 years in operation. In a nod to that storied Portland business, the developers have dubbed the project “Century Plaza.” Joseph Porta, the broker marketing the property for developer Northland Enterprises, said that Northland has signed letters of intent with Dunkin’ Donuts and Chipotle and is in negotiations with a third tenant he could not disclose. Portland’s Bayside neighborhood has been a focus for development in

recent years as the city continues to grow. “It’s the only part of Portland’s peninsula that doesn’t have any density,” Porta said, noting that corridor along Marginal Way has been popular for national retailers. The project would be near a planned mixed-use residential and commercial Midtown development from the Federated Cos., which recently reduced the size of the project in hopes of securing a permit from city officials. The property is currently owned by Atlantic Bayside Investments LLC, which bought it for about \$1.5 million in April, according to city records. Porta said Northland is now working on finalizing commitments from the tenants and then would close on buying the property from Atlantic Bayside. Northland is a Portland-based development firm run by Rex Bell and Josh Benthien, whose projects include the former Baxter Library that now houses the VIA Group advertising agency. In a brochure advertising the development, Boulos said they plan to complete the project by January 2016.

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Police Beat



Selections from the
USM Department of
Public Safety police log
December 7 to 16

Sunday, December 7 Police sanctioned kegger

9:01 a.m. - Suspicious incident. Officer checked out item. All set.
Glickman Library, 314 Forest Ave.

Ganja helps test scores

12:47 a.m. - Reported marijuana odor. Unable to locate source.
Upperclass Hall, 25 Husky Dr.

Thursday, December 11 I’ll huff and I’ll puff and blow your door down

6:47 a.m. - Vandalism. Damage to main entry door
Robie Andrews Hall, 39 University Way

Cop-sponsored Thirsty Thursday

7:29 p.m. - Report of a disturbance. Officers found a loud gathering, all set.
Robie Andrews Hall, 39 University Way

Friday, December 12 Iron Chef burns ramen

10:06 a.m. - Fire alarm activation due to burnt food. Gorham Fire Department responded and reset the system. Philippi Hall, 19 Campus Ave.

Big word for po-po

6:11 p.m. - Warning to operator for imprudent speed. G11 Parking Lot, 52 University Way

Saturday, December 13 You’re supposed to eat the roach

4:07 p.m. - Summons issued to Sengmolicka Vuthy, 18 of Gorham for possession of drug paraphernalia. Woodward Hall, 20 University Way

Sunday, December 14 RA joins party, surprises no one

12:20 p.m. - Report of a large gathering. Handled by residential life staff.
Upton Hastings Hall, 52 University Way

Monday, December 15 What’s suspicious about a hobo in the stacks?

11:22 a.m. - Suspicious person. Unauthorized subject moved along
Glickman Library, 314 Forest Ave.

Tuesday, December 16 Who burns an elevator?

7:10 a.m. - Arson. Burn marks reported in the passenger elevator
Upton Hastings Hall, 52 University Way

Don’t forget to compost joints

7:01 p.m. - Report of found marijuana. Disposed of. Upton Hastings Hall, 52 University Way
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Arts & Culture

Previewing the college of art's spring lineup



Photo courtesy of Erin Bartoletti

Richard Lee's Ravenna Mosaics will be on display starting on Jan. 26.

Krysteana Scribner
Arts & Culture Editor

This semester, USM students and staff will be performing and directing a variety of events that are sure to enthrall anyone who attends. From an instrumental concert to a Shakespearean comedy, this spring is full of exciting shows and exhibits that are sure to both educate and entertain its audiences.

1.) Book Arts paper Trail Exhibit: Rebecca Goodale, a part-time lecturer of arts and coordinator for

the Center of Book Arts, suggests that all students attend the Book Arts Paper Trails Exhibit, which is scheduled to be on display from Jan. 26 to April 30. The artwork on display was done by Richard Lee, an important artist and educator in Maine who organized many exhibits and taught paper making at his studio in Brunswick.

"This exhibit is a retrospective of his work, especially his handmade paper, artist's books and journals," said Goodale. "The exhibit will show beautiful and inventive forms made from paper pulp that Lee cre-

ated in his Maine studios."

Goodale also adds that Lee's hard work and determination in his career field show through his artwork, and because of that he is an inspiration to students as well as other artists.

2.) Constructing Identity Exhibit: The second art exhibit planned to be on display is called "Constructing Identity" and features the work of Artist-in-Residence Traci Molloy. Her artwork explores adolescent culture, loss, and violence through photography, digital art, painting and printmaking, and this exhibit will be open from Feb. 23 to May 1.

3.) "Catch Me If You Can": The spring musical, "Catch Me If You Can" will be debuting in Russell Hall on Gorham Campus from March 13 to the 22nd. This musical is based on the antics of 1960's con-man Frank Abagnale, who successfully poses as a doctor, airline pilot and lawyer all while making millions of dollars.

Wil Kilroy, professor of theatre and director of the musical, believes all students should attend this event because of the terrific modern music and fantastic dance numbers featuring stewardesses, pilots, doctors and nurses.

"The cast consists of very talented USM students, from both the theatre major and the musical

theatre major," said Kilroy. "The rights for this show recently became available, so it's a chance to see this Broadway hit here in Maine!"

4.) "As You Like It":

The Theatre department will also be performing the play, "As You Like It" which is a Shakespearean comedy featuring American Sign Language shadow-signing and will be showing from April 17 to the 26. Assunta Kent, associate professor at USM said this play is as unique as it is comical.

"Every actor has an individual shadowing them throughout the play, interpreting what they say in sign language," said Kent. "I have been waiting for the right moment to do this and it's exciting to finally get the chance to have a performance like this at USM."

5.) USM Composer Ensemble:

Later in the semester, USM's Music Department will be hosting a variety of concerts the showcases both faculty and student work. The first concert series features the USM composers Ensemble, who will be performing for their ten year anniversary on April 17.

"I believe it is a worthwhile event because of its uniqueness, because of the quality of the music and also because of its relevance," said Daniel Sonenberg, associate professor and resident composer at USM. "This is all music of today made

by musicians responding to their world and the circumstances of their lives."

All music is created and performed by students, and all members of the ensemble perform. Their high quality performance is backed by multiple rehearsals, hard work and dedication to their passion for music. The concert itself will include original work by alumni composers.

"The USM Composers Ensemble is a unique ensemble, not just in Maine but in the country," said Sonenberg. "For the 10th Anniversary concert, we are inviting alumni composers to submit short pieces to be performed by the group, which will give a sense of the breadth of accomplishment through the years," said Sonenberg.

6.) Opera Workshop Showcase:

On April 25, the Music Department will also host a opera workshop showcase, which will have students perform an opera Scene from a fully staged production of the comedic opera "Iolanthe".

With so much going on throughout the semester, students and staff alike are welcome to attend any event that peaks their interest.

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HEAVY ROTATION

WHAT CAUGHT THE EYES AND EARS OF OUR STAFF THIS WEEK



Walt Disney Pictures

Into The Woods

The newest film from Disney, *Into the Woods*, provides experiences of musical symphony, lucid visual imagery and dark story-telling. This newest musical is based on the 1980's Broadway play by the same name and explores the wondrous world of Grimm Fairy Tales. The intertwining of classic characters must meet in the woods to solve their unique problems together. It has dark parts, it has some comic relief and it lends itself to be felt more than merely passively watched.

- Sergey Miller
Free Press Staff



Zeppotron Productions

Black Mirror

The British television series, titled *Black Mirror*, is about the darker side of technology and what power it possesses. Each episode is a story in itself, the plot of each one focusing on a certain aspect of technology. One of the episodes, titled "The Entire History of You" tells the story of humans who have a memory implant that allows them to record everything they see, do and hear. This television series is definitely worth a watch for anyone who likes suspense and science fiction.

- Krysteana Scribner
Arts & Culture Editor

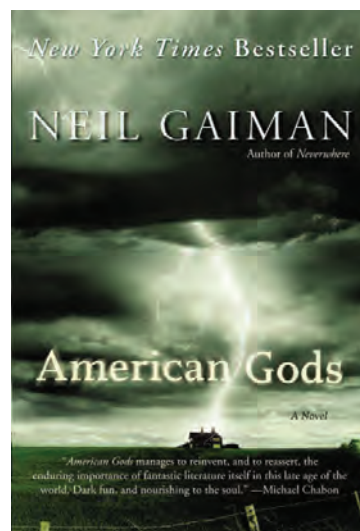


History Channel

Down East Dickering

This show follows real 'Mainers' around the state as they look through Uncle Henry's classified ads for junk to buy, clean up and then sell to "flatlanders" from Mass. It's a hilarious romp through Maine as rednecks dicker for bargains without opening their wallets and do odd jobs like remove a church bell, put on a new roof or catch chickens. There's awesome accents, guns and lots of jerry-rigging and welding. The first season of the show is available for free on the History channel's website.

- Brian Gordon
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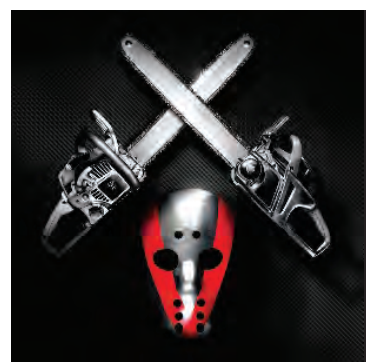


Neil Gaiman

American Gods

After reading "American Gods," Neil Gaiman solidified himself in my mind as one of the best contemporary writers. It takes a lot of ambition and courage to try and tackle the very nature of our American belief system, but Gaiman does so masterfully and engrossingly. In an incredibly well researched novel, *Shadow* is released from prison and is enveloped in the world of ancient deities. Old gods like Anubis and Thor wage war against the "new American Gods" of internet, media and technology. It's creepy, suspenseful and oddly relevant.

- Francis Flisuiik
Managing Editor



Shady, Interscope

Eminem Shady XV

Eminem's new album "Shady XV" features one disc of his new material and one that has his greatest hits. His song, "Detroit Vs. Everybody" reminds listeners of how far he has come from being a man on the streets of Detroit to a world-renowned rapper. He raps, "Comin' from them streets where they thirsty, starvin' to eat / Just a step away from failin'." Each song seems to tell a story straight from the heart of his struggles. His raw undeniable talent and ability to create a string of lyrical magic will have listeners switching between his greatest hits and his newest songs for months to come.

- Krysteana Scribner
Arts & Culture Editor

What caught your eyes and ears this week? Let us know! arts@usmfreepress.org



A&C Listings

Monday, January 12

Gallery Poster Sale
Woodbury Campus Center
96 Falmouth St.
Starts: 7:00 a.m. / Ends: 10:00 p.m.

Black Label Society Band
State Theatre
609 Congress St.
Starts: 8:00 p.m.

In'finiti Movie Series
Fermentation Distillation
250 Commercial St.
Starts: 8:00 p.m. / Ends: 10:00 p.m.

Tuesday, January 13

Karma To Burn Rock Band Performance
Geno's Rock Club
625 Congress St.
Starts: 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 14

Myq Kaplan Comedian
Bull Feeney's
375 Fore St.
Starts: 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 15

Improvisation Comedy Show
University of Southern Maine
96 Falmouth St.
Starts: 5:00 p.m.

"Owners" Performance
Space Gallery
538 Congress St.
Starts: 7:30 p.m.

The Whitfield Family Band
Downtown Portland
One Longfellow Sq.
Starts: 8:00 p.m.

Friday, January 16

Potluck With a Purpose
South Gorham Baptist Church
53 County Rd.
Starts: 6:30 p.m.

Friction Fridays Music Event
Flask Lounge
117 Spring St.
Starts: 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 17

"Diary of a River" Art Exhibit
University of Southern Maine
96 Falmouth St.
Starts: 7:45 a.m. / Ends: 11:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 18

Rusty Rocket in Full Dome!
Southworth Planetarium
70 Falmouth St.
Starts: 3:00 p.m. / Ends: 4:00 p.m.



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Perspectives

Our Opinion

Remembering to fight intolerance amidst terrorist attacks in France

Shortly after we said goodbye to 2014, a year that already saw 61 journalists killed on the job, another assault against “freedom of expression” occurred in Paris, by, yet again, extremist radical Muslims.

Last Wednesday, three masked gunmen stormed the offices of French satirical magazine, “Charlie Hebdo,” and took with them the lives of ten journalists and two police officers. What was the gripe of these aggressors that carried out one of the worst terror attacks on French soil? Political cartoons.

Sure, the cartoons are pretty vulgar and offensive. What spurred the violent attacks were specifically lewd depictions of the Muslim prophet Mohammed, like one where the holy leader is saying, “100 lashes if you don’t die laughing.”

But we believe that in the spirit of journalism and comedy that, no topic should be off limits to be investigated, or poked fun at. Freedom of expression, is exactly what French President Francois Hollande described it as: “the spirit of the republic.” Perhaps the cartoonists should have been more a bit more culturally sensitive, however, they’re not obligated to. Part of a journalist’s job is to expose the absurdities of the human condition, and people shouldn’t have to die because organized religion is the perfect fodder for that.

And Charlie Hebdo slammed all religions, not just Islam. Another offensive caricature depicted Pope Benedict holding a condom

over his head in a manner similar to the administering of the holy Eucharist. However, you seldom see angry Christians retaliating by opening fire and killing innocents. Outrage over offensive and religiously intolerant jokes should take the form of protests, petitions or Facebook posts, not the barrel of a Kalashnikov rifle.

However, in the wake of these attacks it’s incredibly important that we don’t demonize all Muslims. Westerners are quick to label Islam as a violent and extremist religion, when the majority of terrorist attacks are committed in the name of Allah. However it’s immature to generalize a complex religion of over 1.6 billion, diverse and peaceful worshippers. Political forces here at home are going to be relying on these deadly stereotypes to possibly generate support for future wars. Countless muslims around the world condemned the Paris attacks, saying that the (now dead) terrorists tarnished the image of Mohammed in a worse way than the cartoonists ever could.

Respect the diverse faiths of the world. But also respect a person’s right to say, draw or write whatever they want. And never, should a grievance be resolved by murder.

Let’s make sure that our solidarity with the French journalists and our rage over their deaths is focused on ending discrimination and intolerance for everyone, regardless of whether or not you subscribe to their beliefs.

New president needs to be in it for the long-run and student-friendly

As administrators continue the search for a new president, we believe a key factor in deciding our new leader should be potential longevity.

In the past four years USM has been headed by three different presidents, each with their distinct goals, tone and communication styles. Amidst financial crisis and a structural deficit, each has been the target of criticism and even ridicule over their attempts to lead this university, and we believe some of that dissatisfaction is coming simply from changing horse mid-stream.

USM needs a leader for the long-term. Like in the classroom, students need a coach and someone to help them grow, not someone to fix problems without consultation or teaching. Our past two presidents (including David Flanagan who will leave after the spring semester), have come out of retirement and served USM, but only as quick-fixes for problems that needed long-term solutions.

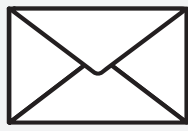
The community needs to feel comfortable with whoever is selected to take the reins here next fall. We need to be able to build a relationship with our administration, something that has been impossible to attempt in recent years with the constant revolving door of leaders.

We hope that whoever is chosen to be the next USM president is ready to commit to communicating with the student body and becoming part of the community, not just ruling it. This is not to say that past presidents have been cruel or working behind curtains, just that it’s difficult to become a member of a community in such short spurts, especially for those brought in with a mission.

We look forward to meeting the potential president come February and hope that the entirety of the USM community is in mind during the selection process.

Have your own opinion?

The Free Press welcomes letters to the editor and guest commentaries from the USM community. Letters to the editor may not exceed 400 words and op-eds may not exceed 700 words without prior approval from the Editor-in-Chief. Any content must be submitted electronically and must include the author’s full name, school year or relationship to USM. We reserve the right to edit or refuse all materials submitted or solicited for publication. Columns do not reflect the opinions of The Free Press or its staff. We have a gender-neutral language policy. Deadline for submissions is the Wednesday before publication. Send submissions to editor@usmfreepress.org.



Letters & Comments:

Bring USM politics to Augusta

For the better part of the last twelve months, I have been a participant observer to the discussion groups and protests held on the USM campus. As a student myself, I have watched as a number of student leaders have struggled to make their voices heard to the USM student body. I have observed students marching, shouting, and celebrating the accomplishments of their school and their peers. I have also observed students’ dissatisfaction at the lack of results their efforts have brought. I was a dissatisfied student. A short time ago, I was offered a position with the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration. I accepted this position because I believe that one can only create change if they seek out all of the information first.

I am not asking to debate whether USM or the U Maine System at large is undergoing a budget crisis. I know that many people refute the numbers that have been presented. Instead, I am asking for help. Help me bring this discussion to Augusta. Not for a single afternoon press conference, but for a schedule of days in which we can bend the ears of our legislators in a series of personal conversations about our school, its programs, and the invaluable lessons we have gained both in and out of the classroom. You and I may disagree about the veracity of the budget numbers, but I think we can all agree that USM is worth fighting for.

I have a vision of a powerful core group of students who would travel with me to Augusta next month in order to begin strategically identifying legislators from key districts whom we can persuade to fight on our behalf. If you have been engaged with this fight and would like to try another tactic, please join me. If you’ve not yet become involved but have a desire to advocate for your school on a larger scale, please join me. I can be reached at lauracyr@maine.edu or at my office at 106 Bedford St.

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Simple Science

What makes a snowflake?

Donald Szlosek
Contributor

Do you ever look out your car window and notice the intricate design of a snowflake? Have you ever wondered how snowflakes are formed and whether they really are truly unique?

First off, the formation of ice crystals, more formally known as snowflakes, takes place in the lowest portion of the Earth’s atmosphere, known as the troposphere. This region contains 99% of the atmosphere water vapor and aerosols (such as pollutants and dust particles).

In this region water maintains its gaseous form at temperatures as low as -40C. Some water molecules start to aggregate loosely, but then fall apart due to the turbulence in their environment. Snowflakes will only form if there are some dust particles floating around in the air. These particles act as crystallization seeds, allowing the water molecules to bind and start aggregating to a solid surface.

Wait, does that mean the snowflakes are not purely water?

Yes, in fact snowflakes can only occur when there is an interaction between vaporized water and dust particles. All other frozen water droplets are called sleet.

Sure, this is how ice crystals start to form, but what about their intricate patterns? For this we have to look down at the atomic level.

Water is made up of one part negatively charged oxygen and two parts positively charged hydrogen. Thus water is polar, meaning part of the molecule has a negative charge while the other has a positive charge. This causes water molecules to have a bent shape. Snowflakes are symmetrical (or patterned) because they reflect the internal order of the crystal’s water molecules as they arrange themselves in predetermined spaces (known as “crystallization”) to form a six-sided snowflake. Thus every ice crystal you see will have six sides due to the electronic properties water molecules.

As the hexagonal lattice forms, it gets lifted higher by turbulence, (much like when you rise up after opening a parachute). After reaching a certain size, they begin to fall again. Every snowflake forms differently depending on the temperature and humidity of their respective air layers they are floating across. Thus every snowflake is structurally different in the formation of their ice crystals. So the next time you see it snowing outside, take a look at a snowflake and see how truly unique they are.

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An open letter and petition addressed to President Flanagan and the BoT

Gideon Rosen
Guest Contributor

The following is the entirety of an online letter and petition opened in mid-November. 508 people have signed the petition as of print-time.

Dear President Flanagan, dear Trustees:

We the undersigned, scholars and teachers from colleges and universities around the world, write to express profound concern about the decision by the President and Trustees of the University of Southern Maine to decimate its faculty, eliminating fifty positions currently occupied by tenured or long-standing non-tenured members of the faculty.

This decision has been taken in clear violation of AAUP guidelines as set out in the Statement of Principles on Academic Freedom and Tenure (1940), which provide that any such decision must be made in close consultation with the faculty and with procedural safeguards for faculty members who face termination. The process leading up to these decisions at USM — which include the decision to close five programs and to consolidate many others — was kept secret from the faculty. Many tenured members did not learn of their terminations until they were publicly announced. This is unconscionable and bespeaks a profound failure to appreciate the values that have informed American higher education for the past half-

century.

This violation of core procedural norms would be bad enough if there were a compelling rationale for the cuts. But the stated rationale — the need to close \$16 million “budget gap” — has been called into question by credible independent observers, including Eastern Michigan University Professor of Accounting, Howard Bunsis, who notes that the USM system is in fact “in very strong financial condition, with solid reserves, annual operating cash surpluses, and a very high bond rating”.

It is clear from public statements that the real purpose of the cuts is to facilitate a quick reorganization of the system, converting the University of Southern Maine from the strong regional university it has long been into a “metropolitan university” (a buzzword favored by the administration whose meaning has never been explained). We cannot judge the wisdom of this reorganization, but we can say this: decisions about the core academic mission of the university must be made in meaningful consultation with the faculty. They are the experts on higher education at USM. They know the students, the institution, and the community in the way that a small number of administrators, most with no significant experience in higher education, simply cannot.

This lack of input from the faculty is reflected in the nature of the cuts, which make no academic sense. The university has moved to close the French department, despite

the fact that Maine has one of the largest Francophone populations in the United States; the program in Geosciences, despite the growing relevance of geoscience to industry and public policy; and the program in American and New England Studies, despite the fact that this is one of the most distinctive programs in the University. It has moved to consolidate the departments of philosophy, history and English, despite the fact that this collection of fields is a hodgepodge with no clear intellectual unity, and the list goes on. A university in which students cannot study modern languages, or in which students interested in climate policy cannot learn the basic science necessary to address this issue, is a university that no longer pretends to fulfill the function of a university: to provide its students with access to an education in matters of central intellectual and practical importance.

We urge the administration and the trustees to reverse the cuts immediately and to restart the process, involving the faculty, the students and the public in a sustained and transparent discussion of the future of the University.

To view the current signatories, or to sign the petition yourself, go to: <http://www.petitionbuzz.com/petitions/usmletter>

Gideon Rosen is Stuart Professor of Philosophy at Princeton and a visitor in the School of Social Science at the Institute for Advanced Study.

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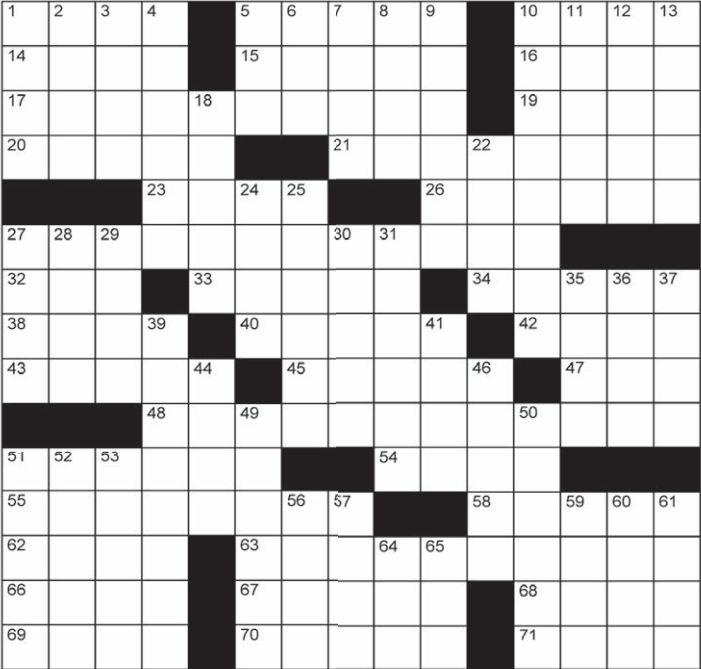
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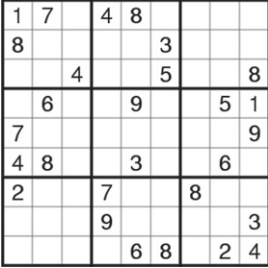
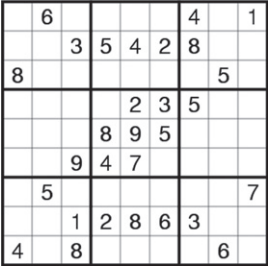
Crossword

- Across
1. "Hallelujah! I'm ___"
5. Ship's crane
10. Carpentry fastener
14. Barrett known for her dish
15. Use TurboTax, say
16. Lough ___, in Ireland
17. Move back and forth
19. Pete Sampas org.
20. It's no mansion
21. Bandleader of renown
23. Oil apparatuses
26. "___ choose to run...": Coolidge
27. Men in charge of troops
32. Gums
33. 1972 U.S./U.S.S.R. missile pact
34. Island in the Cyclades
38. First planet: Abbr.
40. Openings of the nose
42. Jr.-to-be
43. Sat for Hals
45. Units of medicine
47. Letter before "cue"
48. Mingle (with)
51. Mark of the PGA
54. Met, Nat or Card
55. TV actor
58. Intimate
62. "Me here!"
63. Reconsider
66. On the ear: comb. form
67. Wife of Muhammad
68. Old MacDonald's song mate
69. Customs
70. Far from original
71. New York's state flower
- Down
1. Place for a keystone
2. Queens or Staten Island, informally
3. Coil's cousin
4. Lesotho's capital
5. Xmas time
6. Congo's continent: Abbr.
7. Cello's cousin
8. Fraulein's name
9. "Gypsy" character Tura
10. Emotional disorders
11. Some insurance fraud
12. Split
13. Was resting (against)
18. Vent features
22. Place to sleep in an apt.
24. F.B.I. agent
25. Caesar and Waldorf
27. ___ pump: waste disposal device
28. Queen of the Nile, for short
29. Rowing pair
30. Name in brewing
31. Attulies, as a rope
35. Leisurely pace
36. 0, on a telephone: Abbr.
37. "___ All That": 1999 comedy
39. Arts and crafts class
41. Pas ___ (solo dance)
44. Brain membrane
46. Took a siesta.
49. Something to put drinks on
50. Till
51. Buckeye State sch.
52. Actor Damon and others
53. Dinsmore or Venner
56. ___ pet (onetime fad item)
57. Hillbilly's possessive
59. Italian island resort
60. Some calculator readouts, for short
61. Style of 1960's French pop music with a repetitive name
64. Shelter grp.
65. ___ Kan (pet food)



Sudoku

A sudoku puzzle consists of a 9 x 9-square grid subdivided into nine 3 x 3 boxes. Some of the squares contain numbers. The object is to fill in the remaining squares so that every row, every column, and every 3 x 3 box contains each of the numbers from 1 to 9 exactly once.



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Every letter in a cryptogram stands for another letter. Use the hint to crack the code.

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M ZVLSMI XVPADWG
AGIIGP TG ISNG
RAPSNSWO M EMHFF
BGQSDB?

And here is your hint:

B = M

The solution to last issue's crossword



Weekly Horoscope

★★★★★ great
★★★★ good
★★★ average
★★ alright
★ difficult

Aries ★★★★★
March 21-April 19

Beauty moves your soul--in your appearance, attending galleries or museums, creating beautiful things, or listening to music.

Taurus ★★★★★
April 20-May 20

Try visiting the beach today or a water slides. Wet laughs are likely. How about a relaxing bath? Splash your way to pleasure.

Gemini ★★★
May 21-June 20

Today, the old and the new may seem to be vying for attention in your approach to sensuality. Take the best from both worlds!

Cancer ★★★
June 21-July 22

Issues of fairness arise with family. A desire for justice is accented. Practical problem solving brings you the best results.

Leo ★★★
July 23-August 22

A good day for interacting with others. Choose something sociable which you would like to do with the one you love--and do it!

Virgo ★★★★★
August 23-September 22

A strong desire for justice motivates you today. Competitive interactions are possible, but you can choose to be charming instead.

Libra ★★★
September 23-October 22

Working from your home increases your efficiency. Minimize interruptions and maximize accomplishments.

Scorpio ★★★★★
October 23-November 21

Family and friends want to play with you today. Find activities everyone can enjoy. A blend of the familiar and new works well.

Sagittarius ★★★★★
November 22-December 21

Social interaction is highlighted. You may be drawn to a party or some kind of celebration. Get together with compatible souls.

Capricorn ★★★
December 22-January 19

Time for something NEW in the way of fun. Do something you've never tried before. Experiment and your enjoyment increases!

Aquarius ★★★★★
January 20-February 18

Take the family portrait, give your lover a sexy boudoir photograph, or create some pleasing visual memories.

Pisces ★★
February 19-March 20

The mind and independence are a focus in your relationships. Find ways to be unique without stifling or being stifled by others.

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USM COMMUNITY PAGE



Community Spotlight: Huskies' baseball to host spring clinics

USM Athletics
Staff Reports

The University of Southern Maine Huskies' baseball team and coaching staff, led by Ed Flaherty, will be hosting a pair of clinics during the months of February and March. The Huskies' 25th Annual Winter Clinic will be held on Sunday, February 22 (9 a.m. – 12 p.m.) and the Huskies' Advanced Clinic will be held on Saturday, March 7 (9 a.m. – 4 p.m.). Both clinics will be hosted in the Costello Sports Complex Fieldhouse on the Gorham Campus of the University of Southern Maine.

The 25th Annual Winter Clinic is geared towards players in grades 3 – 8. Coach Flaherty will give a short presentation on what it takes to be successful in baseball that will include topics such as skill development, work ethic, academics and social development. Players will then participate in a series of drilling stations that teach the fundamentals of hitting, base running, pitching, infield play and outfield play. Players should wear appropriate attire, including sneakers and bring their own playing equipment. The fee for the 25th Annual Winter Clinic is \$50.

The Huskies' Advanced Clinic is for serious players in grades 9-12 with aspirations to play intercollegiate baseball. The Huskies' Advanced Clinic will be limited to 40 participants. The morning session will include pitching, hitting and defensive play along



Photo courtesy of USM Athletics Department
USM's baseball team after a victory last spring.

with testing of running speed and arm strength. The afternoon session will consist of games in the spacious USM fieldhouse. Position players will receive at least two live plate appearances and pitchers will throw a minimum of one inning. Players will be evaluated and given feedback. The fee for the Huskies' Advanced Clinic is \$100. Players should wear appropriate attire, including sneakers and should pack a lunch.

One of the nation's elite Division III program, the Huskies' baseball team advanced to the NCAA Division III World

Series in back-to-back seasons after winning the NCAA Division III New England Regional in 2013 and 2014. After finishing as national runners-up in 2013, USM finished fourth in 2014 with an overall record of 37-15. Coach Ed Flaherty will begin his 30th season at the helm of the Huskies. He has a career record of 879-394-4.

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Campus Events

Monday, January 12

Gallery Poster Sale
7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
AREA Gallery, Woodbury
Campus Center, Portland

USM Mindfulness Group
4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.
Sullivan Sports Complex, Multi-
Purpose Room, Portland

The Astronomy Cafe: Winter Sky
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Southworth Planetarium

Circle K Meeting
8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
113 Upperclass Hall, Gorham

Tuesday, January 13

LGBTQA Winter Social
7:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Lower Level Brooks Student Center, Gorham

Gorham Events Board Weekly Meeting
8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Husky Center, Gorham

Wednesday, January 14

Greek Info Session
4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Brooks Student Center,
Lower Level, Gorham

Norman Ng Magic Show
7:00 p.m.
Woodbury Campus Center, Portland

Crayon Art
8:00 p.m.
Brooks Student Center,
Lower Level, Gorham

Thursday, January 15

Improv Comedy Show
5:00 p.m.
Woodbury Campus Center, Portland

Science Lecture: "Waiting in Lines"
7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Southworth Planetarium, Portland

Cupcake Decorating
8:00 p.m.
Brooks Student Center,
Lower Level, Gorham

Friday, January 16

First Red Cross Club Meeting
11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.
Luther Bonney 524, Portland

Minute To Win It!
8:00 p.m.
Brooks Student Center,
Lower Level, Gorham

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