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Students evacuated after fire in Robie-Andrews

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Last Wednesday, a small fire broke out in Robie-Andrews Residence Hall on the Gorham Campus. Thankfully, no one was hurt, and students were evacuated immediately and allowed back in the building once the situation was assessed to be under control.

With approximately 200 students

“I looked around my room and nothing seemed wrong, but a second later I saw flames engulfing the back of my fan.”

Katie Hubbard, senior art major at USM

and saw flames engulfing the back of my fan. It was simply a random fire that could happen to anyone.”

According to Hubbard, a firefighter said the fire was caused when something failed mechanically within the fan, but didn’t investigate further because it was melted beyond repair.

“Initially the fire seemed small enough that I could handle the situation and then tell someone,” said



Photo courtesy of Katie Hubbard

Hubbard’s room is smothered in soot after a fire engulfed her fan. Students were safety evacuated.

in the Residence Hall, everyone was able to get out quickly and efficiently, leading to no known injuries. The cause of the fire was determined to have started in a dorm room on the second floor of the building, when senior visual arts major Katie Hubbard’s fan caught fire and left charred black soot covering her room.

“We don’t really know what happened, but I do know I woke up to the sound of an electrical crack,” said Hubbard. “I looked around my room and nothing seemed wrong, but a second later I heard another crack

Hubbard. “After I picked it up and moved it away from anything flammable, I grabbed a towel and tried to smother the flames. When I realized the fire wasn’t going to go out. I ran and got an RA and tried to alert people.”

Once notified, an alarm went off in Hubbard’s unit of the building and two minutes later the entire building was echoing an alarm. Students rushed outside seeking safety, curious to know what was going on.

Matthew Macdonald, a senior art

major, had woken up earlier than normal that morning. As he laid in his bed thinking he had more time to sleep, the building alarm began screeching. After the chaos of evacuating, he realized his friend, Hubbard, had been in the dorm room that

caught fire.

“When we were outside, I saw her standing there with worried expression on her face. She told me what happened and how random the event was,” said Macdonald. “I was surprised that it was something that

would happen to someone I know, but I’m glad to hear everyone is okay.”

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USM mourns the loss of Professor John Broida



Abigail Johnson-Ruscansky / Multimedia Editor

Last Saturday, people gathered together at the Wishcamper center to honor the life of John Broida, who was a professor of Psychology at USM known for his charismatic personality and passion for education.

Thomas Fitzgerald
News Intern

The USM community has lost a long time hard working professor with the passing with Dr. John Broida on September 6, 2015, who passed away surrounded by family and friends of Pancreatic Cancer.

As an associate professor of psychology, Broida had many achievements here at USM, most notably starting a foundation of technology in the classroom with the introduction of online quizzing in 1995. His plans for improvement to online technology was an asset to help students better prepare themselves for class.

His dedication as a Professor, mentor, and family man were all brought to recognition at the celebration of his life last Saturday at the Wishcamper center where students, peers, and family members gathered to honor his life.

“Having class with Dr. Broida was always a pleasure. Being able to use the technology that he has worked hard to develop shows his true passion for us as students,” said former USM student Erica Brown at his memorial on Saturday. “Whenever I handed in an assignment I knew I would get great feedback in return, which made me a better student.”

“Our hearts and prayers go out to his family, friends, colleagues and students during this difficult time,” was the official statement of the USM president, Glenn Cummings, to the campus community

Although his success in education is very admirable, it was the charming nature of his personality that stood out to many. He had a unique way of humor that helped students feel more comfortable in class.

“He had an interesting way about his humor, and it was not always easy to understand at first. Once you got to know professor Broida you could

not help but love his charm, and care for every student in the classroom,” stated Brown

Professor of geography, Lydia Savage, had nothing but inspirational words to say about Broida, stressing how much hard work he put into the protests of budgeting cuts at USM. The most notable of times being a silent protest, where he and others stood with signs as a plan of intimidation while University committee members.

“Members of the University committee were forced to walk through a line of signs to the point where one member looked back and said ‘Do I really have to walk through this?’ And it was so powerful to me because nobody in the protest group was even saying anything.”

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New changes to take place in advising

Students should be more prepared before meeting advisor

Thomas Fitzgerald
News Intern

Advising is something that is crucial to the experience of every student's education, but is every student informed about changes that have been made to the advising process?

Students who are currently enrolled are being assigned a multitude of advisors as they make progress toward graduation. It is important to be able to distinguish the differences they have in order to help you succeed.

Dr. Dan Panici, an associate professor of the communication and media department, outlined the distinct difference that advisors play within a student's academic career.

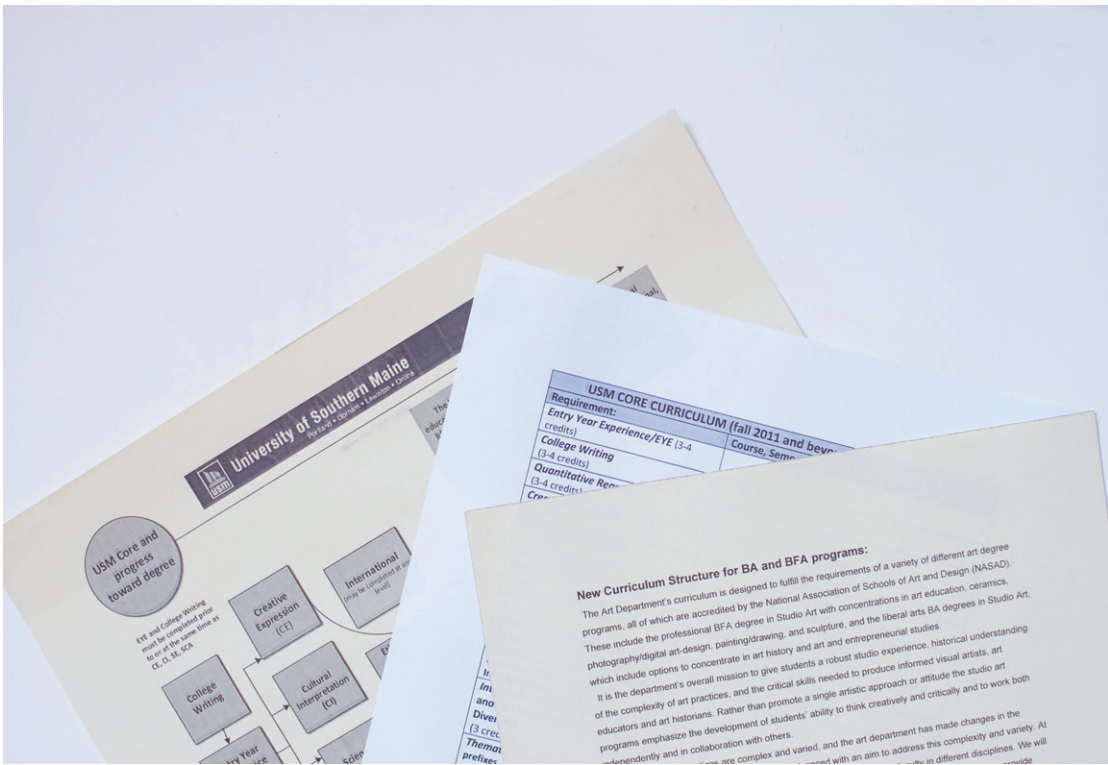
Under his role as an Academic advisor, he focuses on both the scheduling of students and other inquiries that students may have

are the three main components of employment for professors, and advising falls into the service component."

Although not all staff members may specialize in advising, it is still part of their employment that should be fulfilled as passionately as their teaching.

To improve the quality of advising among different departments, there has been an advising committee established at USM where an appointed advisor from each department will meet in order to discuss opinions and changes that have been put in place.

"When we move student services to the first floor of Luther Bonney, it will become sort of a one stop shop for students, where they can get all the help and support they may need in one place," Said USM President Glen Cummings, who believes providing proper advising for students



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Students should be asking themselves ‘What do I need to know?’ before coming in.”

Dr. Gunther von Hagens, anatomical artisan

within a semester.
“Advising is a component of teaching,” stressed Panici. “Faculty advisors need to focus on being more consistent in order to generate a more transparent advising process. Teaching, scholarships, and services

it an important goal to reach.
“Come in with questions, and actively listen during meetings,” says Panici. “I have to know what students need when they schedule an appointment with me, so students should also ask themselves ‘What

do I need to know?’ before coming in.”

One of the more important aspects of advisors is to keep students on track with adding classes that are relative to their degree. With what seems to be strict options for classes that complete what is needed for a particular degree, students may feel obligated to take what they can in order to obtain their degree. Panici stated that many students may not realize there are alternative options that can be taken just in case the cluster is not formidable to their academic needs.

“If a student looks through the pre-assigned option of clusters, and

does not see something that is of interest, they can instead complete three courses of the two-hundred level that are not related to their field of study,” said Panici. “If that is still not satisfactory, any student in pursuit of a minor or a second major can qualify with that.”

All of these alternatives to the thematic cluster offer students a variety of choices on how to pursue the future of their academic career based on what their standing is.

“Building a personal relationship with students is very important to the process,” continued Panici “because if they meet with me and are uncertain about what they want to

gain from our meeting, it can be difficult.”

Students who feel uninformed about the process of advising are highly recommended to make an appointment with their faculty advisor, and to discuss the options that are best fit for their academic career.

If students are finding that they are struggling with the advising process, there are many different tips offered from surveyed academic advisors that USM has made available through their website.

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Science Exhibit in Portland uses real body parts

Samuel Haiden
Contributor

An anatomical exhibit described as a mix of “art, science, and circus freak show” will inspire and educate audiences here in Portland starting Friday, September fourth.

The exhibit features real live human corpses, which have been voluntarily donated to the cause by the deceased- in most cases. These corpses are preserved by a process called plastination, developed by the anatomical artisan himself, Dr. Gunther von Hagens, to display the complexity of the human body, frozen in perfect composure to allow for a deep and pensive look into the clockwork of our very own bodies.

The process imbues organic tissue with silicone, leaving the musculature with a waxy and plastic appearance; but the lack of robustness does no injustice to the incredible complexity of the human anatomy.

In fact, the artificiality of the experience makes it much more approachable. Human legs are referred to as “lower extremity with knee-joint prosthesis.” The blood and gore expected with the display of disembodied human flesh is absent, bearing no resemblance to the zombie-like appearance of traditionally preserved cadavers.

In fact, the plastinated cadavers have become so popular that multiple European universities have purchased them for the study of human anatomy.

Hagens presents his exhibit as a “living anatomy,” in contrast with the traditionally preserved “anatomy of the dead,” and his fascination with the study of living anatomy has been compared to



Jared Lank / Online Content Curator

Exhibits at the Portland Science Center display bodies to educate students on the muscular system

the zealous study of physicians in the Renaissance period.

The nature of Hagens’ pursuits, however, carry with them a series of criticisms. The primary material in the process of making plastinated cadavers, of course, is dead people. The obvious criticism is that the exhibit is discomfiting and nauseating: many complaints were made about the exhibit during the first several years of its debut, and it was protested in both Europe and Asia. These claims are quickly quelled by emphasizing the overwhelming educational benefit that the experience provides especially for University students studying medicine.

Some claims, however, are not so easily overruled. Within the first two years of the exhibit’s de-

but in 2004, many questions were raised about the source of the bod-

his Chinese plastination facility were executed by a shot to the

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Dr. Gunther von Hagens, anatomical artisan

ies. These questions are detailed in a Guardian article from the same year indicating that at least two of the 647 corpses stored in

back of the head: implying that the corpses belonged to executed Chinese prisoners.

Von Hagens admitted to these

claims and returned the bodies to be buried.

Two years later and to the contrary, he states in an NPR article, “What I certainly never use for public exhibitions are unclaimed bodies, prisoners, bodies from mental institutions or executed prisoners”;

The exhibit has become a rampant success: and with good reason. Due to the highly academic nature of the plastinated corpses, the exhibit is very educational. It ran in Boston in 2014 and many members of the USM learning community made the pilgrimage to attend.

David Champlin, an Associate Professor of Biology at USM, found the exhibit to be an excellent learning tool. He was surprised to find that even within a group of science students, some were intrigued and some were repulsed.

“There are a small set of people who find the body fascinating whether it is healthy or ill or large or small,” he said. “Lots of them are heading into careers in health care and will help take care of us when we get sick, injured, or old.”

Ben Stone, a Pre-Med student here at USM agrees, “I saw the exhibit in Boston and really enjoyed it,” said Ben Stone, a junior pre-med major. “I believe there was a piece portraying the development of a fetus, which was really cool.”

When asked about his opinions on the discomfort exhibited by some attendees, he seemed perplexed by the notion that anybody should be grossed out by it, adding, “it’s what’s inside of us.”

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Tourism program takes learning outside the classroom

Erica Jones
Contributor

Learning in an environment outside the classroom can be a rewarding experience. Through hands-on practice and observation, many students find that their time in programs such as internships and off-site trips supply valuable knowl-

day stay in Bermuda was selected by interns in the Tourism and Hospitality program, a driven group of students that included USM seniors Jenna Rossnagel and Haylee Munson, who interned with AAA last spring.

“Opportunities like the internship with AAA and the cruise class allowed me to fuel my passion for the

“ Being part of this program exposed us to several aspects of the Tourism and Hospitality industry... ”

Jenna Rossnagel, senior at USM

edge that common college course formats, such as online or in a classroom, cannot offer.

Last May, eighteen students in the Tourism and Hospitality program hosted a cruise to Bermuda. The cruise was a collaborative effort between USM, AAA of Northern New England, and Holland America.

As reported in the Portland Press Herald, the trip was primarily funded by private donations, which allowed students to pay less to embark on the trip. The program was envisioned and headed by the Chair of the Tourism and Hospitality department, Tracy Michaud Stutzman. The itinerary for the cruise’s four-

tourism industry,” said Munson.

Michaud-Stutzman commented that the cruise allowed students to “apply their knowledge and have an unprecedented learning experience in the ‘real world.’”

Last month, USM, Holland America, and AAA of Northern New England hosted a fundraiser luncheon that’s success ensured the cruise program’s continuity for at least one more year, according to the Portland Press Herald.

“This year we are working more closely with locals on Bermuda to create an even more engaged itinerary of the Island,” Michaud-Stutzman explained.



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“Also, we really hope to have more than just Tourism and Hospitality students taking the class,” said Michaud-Stutzman.

Students interested in broadening their horizons through travel and incomparable experience should apply for an internship position with AAA or sign up for the class, TAH (Tourism and Hospitality) 307. This year’s cruise departs from Boston on May 21, 2016.

“Being part of this program ex-

posed us to several aspects of the Tourism and Hospitality industry that we can further pursue in the state of Maine,” said Rossnagel on the success of the cruise, “whether that is through a local company or starting our very own company in the future.”

And with Maine being the popular tourist destination that it is, the stability and future of the state’s economy—particularly Portland’s economy—rests in the hands of talented

young people like these students.

“Students who travel outside Maine can bring back new ideas and innovation,” said Michaud-Stutzman. “This perspective will benefit Maine and Portland as these students contribute to growing and managing tourism here so that we retain what makes this place so attractive in the first place.”

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Student enrollment down -6.7 percent from last Fall

What is being done to combat the low number of undergraduate, graduate and law students here at USM

Zachary Searles
Title

Enrollment has been down at USM over the past few years with a 13 percent drop since 2010. Last fall, there were 8,428 students that enrolled at USM, which is a 5.5 percent drop from the year before, according to the Office of Institutional Research.

This past July, it looked like USM would be following the same trend with enrollment being down around 13 percent from what was anticipated when creating the budget for the upcoming school year.

USM isn't the only university that has been hurt by enrollment numbers. According to the Education Advisory Board, 59 percent of public universities in the nation missed their enrollment target for the 2013-2014 school year.

Christopher Quint, Executive director of Public Affairs, and President Glenn Cummings, explained that enrollment has been seeing an uptick since July. The numbers are still down, but now they are only down 6.5 percent from the original projections.

Quint did point out that those numbers are based on snapshots in time and no final numbers will be in until the middle of October, so he does expect them to change.

Since enrollment is still down though, USM is looking at a \$2.5 million dollar shortfall in the budget that will have to be accounted for somehow.

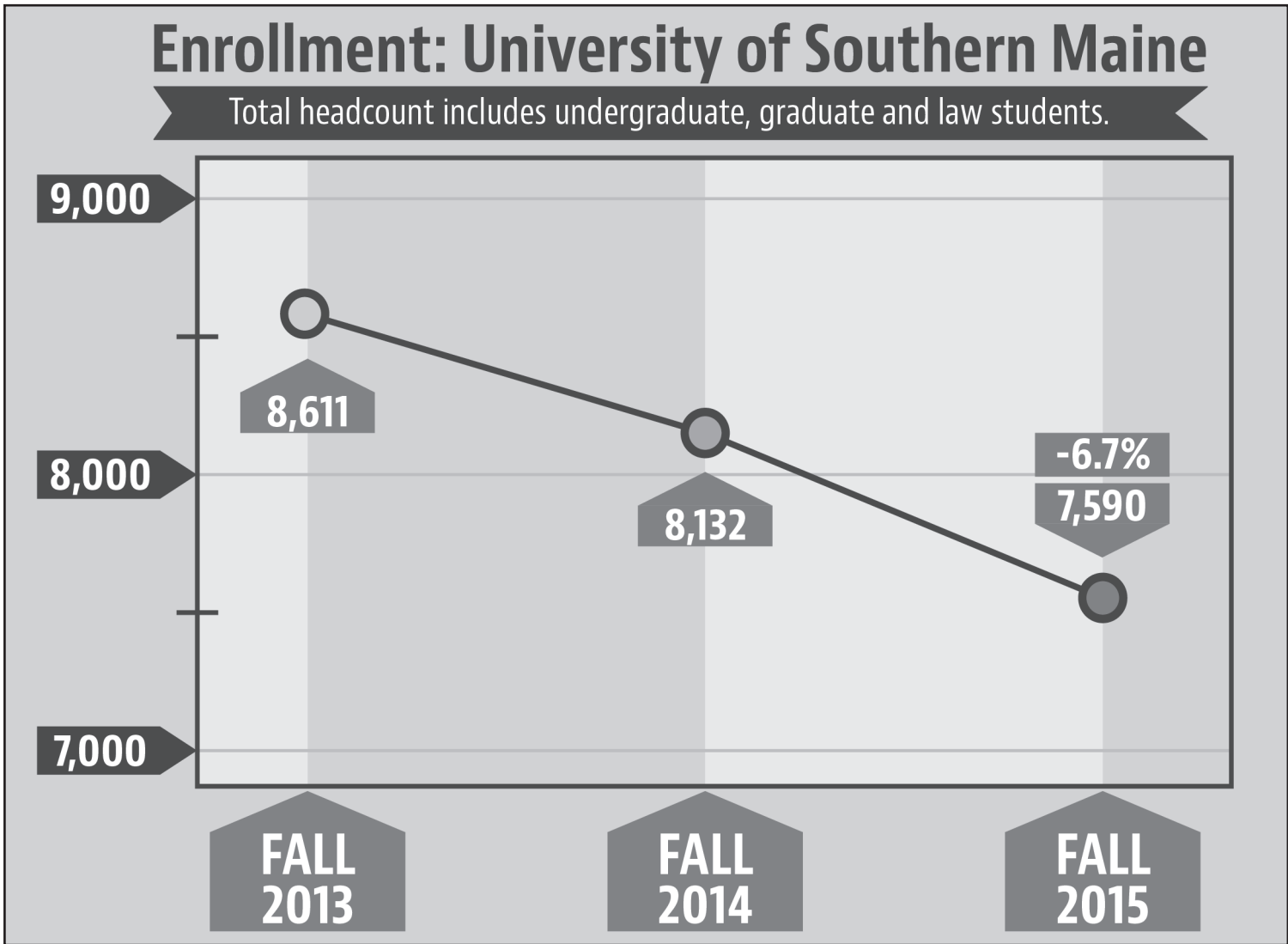
Buster Neel, USM Chief Financial Officer, said in an interview with the Portland Press Herald that USM won't have to cut any more programs in order to fill the gap.

Instead, USM will dip into some of its savings and delay facility upgrades to make up the shortfall.

According to the Portland Press Herald, President Cummings said that his first priority is to rebuild trust with students and faculty following the cuts that had already been made.

Last year, USM launched an ad campaign to help combat these low enrollment numbers, but Quint said that they can't know for sure if the campaign has any direct correlation between the rise in enrollment from down 13 percent to down just 6.5 percent.

But Quint believes that the campaign did achieve some other things, "What that ad campaign did that is hard to measure, but



Hannah Lyon / Design Director

The data in this graph is provided by the Registrar's office and may vary from data taken from the Office of Institutional Research.

that we know, both on anecdotal and we know from metrics that we see from online marketing, is that it increased the awareness in

to showcase that USM had \$1 million dollars in scholarships to give out. The money was disbursed amongst transfer students,

pointed out that there were many others that gave donations and some of them were around the same size as Flanagan's.

thousand before financial aid is even factored in.

"It's important that we, as a public university, remain affordable and accessible to students," said Quint.

It is still too early to tell if tuition will be frozen for a sixth straight year. Some of the factors that could force USM to raise tuition is the cost of goods and services, enrollment numbers, and staff and faculty contracts, which are still in negotiation as of now.

According to the Portland Press Herald, a survey showed that students at USM felt "lost" and President Cummings wants to add services to make it possible for students, but particularly freshman and sophomores, to feel more engaged in the USM community.

On August 31, the first day classes resumed, the dining services in Gorham served over 2,000 meals, which is the most that USM has ever done in one day. Quint believes that this shows that students are more engaged, so maybe things are looking up for USM.

Quint also anticipates that by the time the final enrollment numbers are in on October 15, capacity for the dorms should be close to 100 percent full, if not completely filled.

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a positive way about USM.”

The ad campaign was financed through savings in the budget that resulted from cuts in faculty and staff retrenchments last fall. These cuts are apart of the 51 faculty positions and five academic programs that have been cut in the past year.

The point of the campaign was

new students and students who were already at USM.

“Our first priority was to meet the needs of students who were potentially having trouble covering the cost of the university,” said Quint.

This scholarship money included half of President Flanagan's salary that he donated, but Quint

“Donors will give a lot to scholarships because that is the most impactful for students. If we can increase our scholarship money, then we’re going to reduce the cost for students,” Quint said.

Reducing the cost for students has been on USM's radar the past few years, becoming the only school in the country to freeze their tuition for five straight years. This is especially critical now that we live in a time where student loan debt has eclipsed \$1 trillion dollars and affects 40 million people in the United States alone, according to CNN.

“No other university system has done that,” Quint said, “That’s a distinction that we have. We can go out there and say with confidence that we, and USM specifically, are one of the most affordable and accessible university in this region.”

USM has also focused on making it affordable for not just in-state students, but out-of-state students as well. According to Quint, an out-of-state student could come to USM, live on campus and see a bill that’s under \$20



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In Brief...

Maine universities committed to increasing local food on campus

The University of Maine System announced last Monday that it has committed to purchasing 20 percent of food served on its campuses from local producers within the next five years.

The system has released a request for proposals, seeking a company to supply dining hall and other food services at six of the system's seven campuses.

The request for company proposals notes that the provider should be able to ensure at least 15 percent of the food be locally purchased in the first year of the contract, increasing by 1 percentage point annually to reach 20 percent by 2020.

That 20 percent equates to about \$1.7 million in local food purchases, according to the system, which spends about \$8.6 million per year feeding students and staff.

Food is considered local if it is harvested or produced within 175 miles of the campus at which it is served.

However, a food provider that does business with any campus may sell food to any of the other seven campuses, according to the system. That definition was developed through discussions with Maine farmers and surveys of 2,500 dining hall customers, according to the system.

"Local food production is part of Maine's legacy and could be even more important to our state's future," UMS board Chairman Sam Collins said to the Bangor Daily News on Monday.

"The farmers, fishermen, producers and processors that bring sustainable, local food to our tables are a top priority for university research and spending."

People gather for overdose victims as Maine death toll increases

People around the state are talking about drug abuse and the increasing number who have died

from drug overdoses.

A vigil was organized last Monday, Aug. 31 in Monument Square. Organizers said that previous years had been focused on raising awareness, but that the tone had changed this time around.

"This year it's much more of a somber mood," said Brittney Dunham, an organizer with the volunteer-based group I AM HERE Outreach Team, which focuses on overdose prevention and community education.

Deaths from overdose in Maine increased during the first half of the year, according to officials in the office of the attorney general. First responders have attributed a spike in heroin-related overdoses to the dangerous addition of the pain medication fentanyl to drugs being sold here.

City officials announced that effort earlier this month, after a weekend when first responders in Portland handled 14 overdose calls in a 24-hour period.

Officials said that disposed needles in public parks and other public spaces have become a more frequent problem and urged residents to call the public dispatch service at 874-8493 rather than attempting to handle them.

Longtime LL Bean leader dies

Leon Gorman, grandson of L.L. Bean and longtime leader of the iconic outdoors store, has died from cancer. He was 80.

Gorman, known among employees for his soft-spoken manner and for often bringing his hunting dogs into the office, helped to take the family business from a folksy \$4.8 million catalog company to a \$1.61 billion retailer with retail stores in Japan and across the United States.

After retiring as president in 2001, he became the company's chairman and increasingly focused his attention on volunteer and philanthropic causes, giving his time and money to conservation groups as well as many charities in Maine, where he lived with his wife, Lisa.

Gorman died at his home in Yarmouth.

For the fourth time in company history, the 24-hour Freeport store — which has no locks on the doors — closed during his funeral service from 8 a.m. to noon on Sept. 13.

Portland bumps up minimum wage

A citywide minimum wage of \$10.10 per hour will go into effect Jan. 1, 2016, after the City Council approved the ordinance

by a 7-2 vote Wednesday night.

"I am pleased that with this vote, Portland will finally raise its minimum wage to \$10.10 per hour. This would give Portland the most progressive minimum wage in New England," said Mayor Michael Brennan. "In order for our city to thrive long-term, our growth must be sustainable and all Portlanders must be able to share in its success. Raising the minimum wage will give all workers currently making less than \$10.10 per hour a much needed and deserved raise.

The ordinance will increase the minimum wage to \$10.68 per hour on Jan. 1, 2017, and future increases will be pegged to the rate of inflation in the Consumer Price Index urban measure.

Councilors, in effect, approved the ordinance for the second time in two months, but did so after reconsidering their 6-3 vote on July 6, so they could revise how workers making at least \$30 per month in tips will be paid.

Councilors Nick Mavodones Jr. and David Brennerman voted against the ordinance.

Court finds panhandling ban unconstitutional

A federal appeals court on Friday struck down a city law banning panhandling on median strips, delivering another in a series of recent victories for free speech groups.

U.S. First Circuit Court Judge David J. Barron wrote in a decision issued Friday that Portland's ordinance violates the First Amendment right to free speech "because it indiscriminately bans virtually all expressive activity in all of the city's median strips and thus is not narrowly tailored to serve the city's interest in protecting public safety."

The ordinance was successfully challenged by the Maine chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union in U.S. District Court, prohibiting enforcement of the law. The city appealed the ruling to the First Circuit, where it lost Friday.

"This is a really important victory and not only for our clients who are in Portland but for activists around the country," Zach Heiden, legal director of the Maine ACLU chapter, said.

"We've seen more and more cities and towns using ordinances like this to try to keep people out of downtown areas, and this decision is a reminder that those people have First Amendment rights, too."



Police Beat

Selections from the USM Department of Public Safety police log August 13 to August 31

Thursday, August 13

Late Night Reads

Criminal Trespass, Glickman Library. Staff called in regards to a known subject back at the Library. Officer removed subject from the area. Report Taken.

Saturday, August 15

Criminal in the Law Building

Suspicious Person, Law Building. Officer advised of an intoxicated Male bothering pedestrians, looking for money. Person was last seen heading to Law Building. Officer checked area. Gone on arrival. Officer was advised person left area via Brighton Ave. 911 call, E-Phone G20. Phone is malfunctioning. Email sent to notify of condition.

Monday, August 17

Give me my bike back!

Theft complaint, Wish Camper Center, Student reports a bike stolen. Report Taken. Bicycle was found and returned to Owner.

Thursday, August 20

Don't waive health insurance just yet

Motor vehicle crash, Portland parking garage. Report taken by officer.

Friday, August 21

Too fast, now furious

Motor vehicle crash, Gorham campus, 36 University Way Extension. Report taken.

You're outta there!

Disturbance, Glickman Library. People asked to leave. Handled by officer, Report taken.

Creepy, but compliant

Suspicious person and activity, Glickman Library. Moved along. No report.

The great escape

Security Alarm activated, Upton Hasting Hall. Emergency Door activation. Alarm Reset.

Tuesday, August 25

Thought it was a light switch

Security alarm, alarm activation in error. No report.

Thursday, August 27

Ain't no party like a parking lot party

Liquor law violation. Possible drinking in public, G16 parking lot. No report.

Saturday, August 29

Is this the Krusty Krab?

911 call, Glickman Library. False call. No report.

Most popular door, apparently

Security alarm, Upton Hastings. Emergency door activation. Alarm reset.

Sunday, August 30

Grandparents day

Abandoned motor vehicle, Vehicle parked in middle of University Way. Owner located, vehicle moved. No report.

Monday, August 31

The Hastings Hulk

Vandalism, Upton Hastings. Hole punched in the wall. Officer investigating. Report taken.

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Arts & Culture

Students explore local eats at Taste of Portland

From local restaurants to big name businesses, the variety was endless

Dora Thompson
Arts & Culture Editor

Nothing draws more student crowds than the promise of free food, and that is exactly what occurs at the Annual Taste of Portland last Wednesday. Food trucks and booths gathered to show off their stuff while students milled about to sample foods of several different vendors. A success in the past, this year was no different. The Wishcamper lawn outside the Glickman library never smelled so delicious.

Portland's food community is more alive than ever, sizzling its way into 8th place in The Huffington Post's "Best Restaurant Cities in the Nation" by the Huffington Post. These tasty hidden gems often hide around busy streets in the Old Port. Taste of Portland helps to change that, offering students accessibility to foods and business they might otherwise not have known about.

believes Portland has one of the best food communities in the U.S. Every year, USM hosts a welcome week for students with several events. The Taste of Portland event was part of this series. At the first Taste of Portland in September 2013, Chris O'Connor, the director of Portland Student Life, talked about the events formation.

"One of the things we think about when we plan USM events is that students love free food, and Portland is known for this food truck phenomenon. Student love these food trucks so this year we thought 'why not try something different?' and it's been widely more popular than we could've imagined."

Lily Denmeade, an undeclared freshman is originally from Vermont but heard about the quality of Portland's restaurants, which didn't hurt her decision to go to USM. Denmeade said she'll continue exploring the cities food options after The Taste of Portland.



“Most of Leonardo’s business is students. We’re the best pizza in Portland!”

Curtis Scott, Leonardo’s Pizza Employee

This year, students sampled food and drinks from Leonardo's Pizza, Coffee by Design, Kamasouptra, The Marshmallow Cart, and many more. Curtis Scott, an employee of Leonardo's Pizza, said the event will definitely bring more business to the shop.

"Most of our business is students," he explained. "We deliver fast too, people are always surprised. We're the best pizza in Portland!"

Navid Rohani, a junior Human Biology major, disagreed. "I think Otto's Pizza was scumdidly-umptious," he exclaimed. Rohani

Taking his place behind his marshmallow cart was Madison Gouzie. This particular food vendor sells artisanal street-side roasted s'mores on homemade graham crackers, warm and gooey rice krispie treats and belgian waffles. They also make flavored marshmallows. At this event, his specialty marshmallow flavors included root beer, coconut and vanilla.

Hailing from Westbrook, he and his friend from college started the cart, experimenting with recipes and perfecting flavors. Their business has taken off from there. They've gotten quite a bit of good



Abigail Johnson-Ruscansky / Multimedia Editor

Top: Students mill around the different food trucks and booths hoping to taste what Portland has to offer. Bottom: Leonardo's Pizza serves free slices to hungry passerbys each year at the Taste of Portland



press and have made it to the second round of the entrepreneurial game show, Shark Tank. The episode is set to air in a few weeks, so look for them! The duo has operated out of New York City, where they did very well, but they wanted to get back to Portland.

"The food scene here right now is awesome because it's still growing," said Gouzie. "I run into other carts all the time. If you go downtown, you see so many carts, all with so many different options."

Some of Portland's most famous food trucks what weren't in attendance on Wednesday are El Corazón, a trendy Mexican truck, famous for their hot dogs and

fish tacos. You can scout them out on Temple or Strong Street. The more nomadic The Muthah Truckah sells an impressive array of sandwiches. Love Kupcakes is extremely popular, vending organic, local cupcakes out of a 1960's travel trailer. Check out their twitter to see where they'll be selling their sweets next!

FoodTrucksIn.com is also a great website to help track your favorite trucks throughout the streets of Portland.

Maggie Coffin, an undeclared freshman, partakes in Portland's food culture all time. "I support it because it's just really different from anything else. It's so welcoming, different, and eclectic," she explained. "There are so many choices. In central Maine, you just have Texas Roadhouse."

So if you're a USM student, do not hesitate to support Portland's vivacious and growing food scene. Whether you choose a sit down restaurant or a food truck, you're sure to have a quality meal. Try some authentic Asian cuisine, test your spicy tolerance with some Mexican, or grab from a large variety of good-old American hamburgers. Portland's food culture is waiting for you.



A&C Listings

Monday, September 14

Pugwash
One Longfellow Sq.
181 State St.
Starts: 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 15

Eggs & Issues Meeting
Holiday inn by the Bay
88 Spring St.
Starts: 7:00 a.m. / Ends: 9:00 a.m.

Book Talk: The Painters Panorama
Maine Historical Society
489 Congress St.
Starts: 11:59 a.m. / Ends: 1:00 p.m.

X-Ambassadors
Port City Music Hall
504 Congress St.
Starts: 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 16

Half-day Kayak Trip
Portland Paddle
East End Beach
Starts: 9:00 a.m. / Ends: 1:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 17

Second Annual Art of Giving Gala
O’Maine Studios
54 Danforth St.
Starts: 5:30 p.m. / Ends: 9:00 p.m.

American Tribal-Style Belly Dancing Classes
Bright Star World Dance
108 High St.
Starts: 6:15 p.m. / Ends: 7:15 p.m.

Artist Talk and Book Signing: Thomas Moser
Maine College of Art
522 Congress St.
Starts: 6:00 p.m.

All Time Low
State Theatre
609 Congress St.
Starts: 8:00 p.m.

Friday, September 18

Free Admission to “Rose Marasco: Index”Exhibit
Portland Museum of Art
7 Congress St.
Starts: 5:00 p.m. / Ends: 7:00 p.m.

Chris Smither
One Longfellow Square
181 State Street
Starts: 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 19

Grand Opening of MAMM Celebration
Maine Academy of Modern Music
125 Presumpscot St.
Starts: 10:00 a.m. / Ends: 2:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 20

16th Annual Trail to Ale 10K Race/Walk
Eastern Promenade
Starts: 9:00 a.m.

Portland BBQ & Blues Festival
Maine State Pier
56 Commercial St.
Starts: 4:00 p.m. / Ends: 10:00 p.m.

TV Series

Rotten Tomatoes loves *Mr. Robot*



U.S.A Network

Krysteana Scribner
Editor-in-chief

USA’s television series *Mr. Robot* has received a 98 percent rating on Rotten Tomatoes, leaving viewers lacking negative feedback for a psychologically mind-bending series that uses clever plot pacing and secret layers of the main character that are sure to leave the viewer impressed.

The plot of this series is simple: a computer programmer who worked for a cyber-security firm ends up being recruited by a sketchy underground organization that spends all it’s waking hours dedicated to the destruction of corporate America and greed.

The main character, Elliot, is played by Rami Malek, who you may remember from *Night at the Museum* or *Need For Speed*. Malek’s acting performance was so well done, I had a hard time trying to figure out what Malek may act like in the real world.

Intelligently shy, Elliot deals with problems that most others

face at least once in their lifetime - drug abuse, mental health issues, loss. This television series doesn’t have many humorous moments, but you do feel the awkward tension of what it must be like to be Elliot, the philosophical and mentally unstable drug addict who can solve problems faster than the Evil Corp Hacking Company portrayed in the series.

This isn’t a series that you can just play in the background while you do homework for an online class: this show deserves all of your attention. Elliotts character is relatable and likeable simply because he is a scattered human being dealing with realistic life problems while facing a hacking industry that wants to change the world. He’s a modern superhero, if you will. He hides behind computer monitors and keeps his thoughts enclosed within emotional internal monologues that only you, as the viewer, have the ability to hear.

Clever plot pacing allows this USA television series to take a difficult subject of interest and make it relatable and easy-to-follow. Not only does it have great acting and plot, but it was also very visually striking.

Elliot becomes an important character for the viewer but is often filmed amongst crowds, looking average to the passerbys but known to be secretly smart to the viewers. This is worth a watch for anyone that likes complex, mind-bending psychological thrillers that provide you with a desire to create more change in a world where society has the most say.

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Film Review

A Walk in the Woods



Broad Green Pictures

Anora Morton
Contributor

The Appalachian Trail runs from Springer Mountain in Georgia, 2,200 miles North to Maine’s Mount Katahdin. This trek of a hike is very popular with young people, but *A Walk in the Woods* follows two seniors, Bill Bryson (Robert Redford) and his long estranged friend Stephen Katz (Nick Nolte), on their adventure up the Appalachian trail.

Bill Bryson, a retired travel writer, is bored with being old. *A Walk in the Woods* stresses this fact, spending a sizable amount of time brooding over old age and its setbacks with a funeral scene.

A Walk in the Woods is perfect for when you are at the end of a long day, with an exhausted brain from school and work all day, but still ready for an adventure.

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Perspectives

Our Opinion

Why renovating Luther Bonny's computer lab isn't worth the cost

Editorial Board
Free Press Staff

With a new semester upon us, President Glen Cummings has arranged a variety of changes to take place on campus in order to better serve the student community. When everything is finished, the hope is to have updated and consolidated the center for Student Advising, Student Financial Services and Community Engagement and Professional Development in Luther Bonney. He addressed these changes by saying that consolidating the space will allow for a "one-stop shopping location" in the center of campus, where services such as the Prior Learning Assessments, Veteran's Services, Disability Services will be close together for students to access.

One of the biggest changes to take place this semester will happen in Luther Bonny, where USM plans to create an updated computer lab. In early October, the plan is to temporarily move the computer lab and help desk to the third floor of Glickman library. IT

staff will be relocated to the fifth floor of the Science building, and construction is anticipated to be finished by January (with February being the latest in which construction may be completed).

The funding of this project is coming primarily from the savings in ending off-campus rents, maintenance, heating and cooling of vacated white houses off campus. But do we really need to spend money on a new computer lab? Personally, we believe that student success isn't based around the appearance of a computer lab - if anything, our focus should be on student involvement and community outreach. Why do we need to renovate a computer lab that is in perfectly good condition? Other than providing a more attractive space (which may be persuasive in a student's choice to go to USM) why do we need to renovate this area, especially during the semester when students need it the most?

We understand that involved staff are doing everything they can to assure students are getting computer access and IT help from

a different location, but what we don't understand is why we're using money saved from expenses once spent on the 7 white residential buildings. If we want to create a University that feels more like a community, the focus should be on using the space from these buildings to ultimately provide an area for student groups and involved faculty to work together.

Our Free Press office is located on 92 Bedford St. in a white building. All students involved in our student group would say that the white building has provided them with a safe space to learn and grow. We've made connections here, created lasting friendships and ultimately obtained that "community feel" that many commuter students do not feel when they attend USM.

The money saved that will be spent on the computer lab changes could be spent on something else more important. What if we utilized the "white houses" as space to make students feel welcomed? What if we used that money to pay professors the income they deserve? It's understandable that

the University doesn't want to waste money maintaining buildings that are not being used, but if we put our heads together and planned ways that they could become a larger part of the student experience, then it wouldn't be such a problem.

As Chris Quint said in an interview with the Portland Press Herald this past spring, "A lot of those white houses on Chamberlain are secluded over there in silos. We want to bring people back on campus and make people feel like they are part of the campus, not stuck off where no one knows where they are," he said.

We disagree with his statement. In our opinion, the white house's broaden campus life. Spending money on renovating a better looking computer lab may seem like a good choice right now, but when we're looking to spend money on creating a larger, stronger student community, we may be out of luck at that point.

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Student Struggles

Can students really afford textbooks in this day and age?

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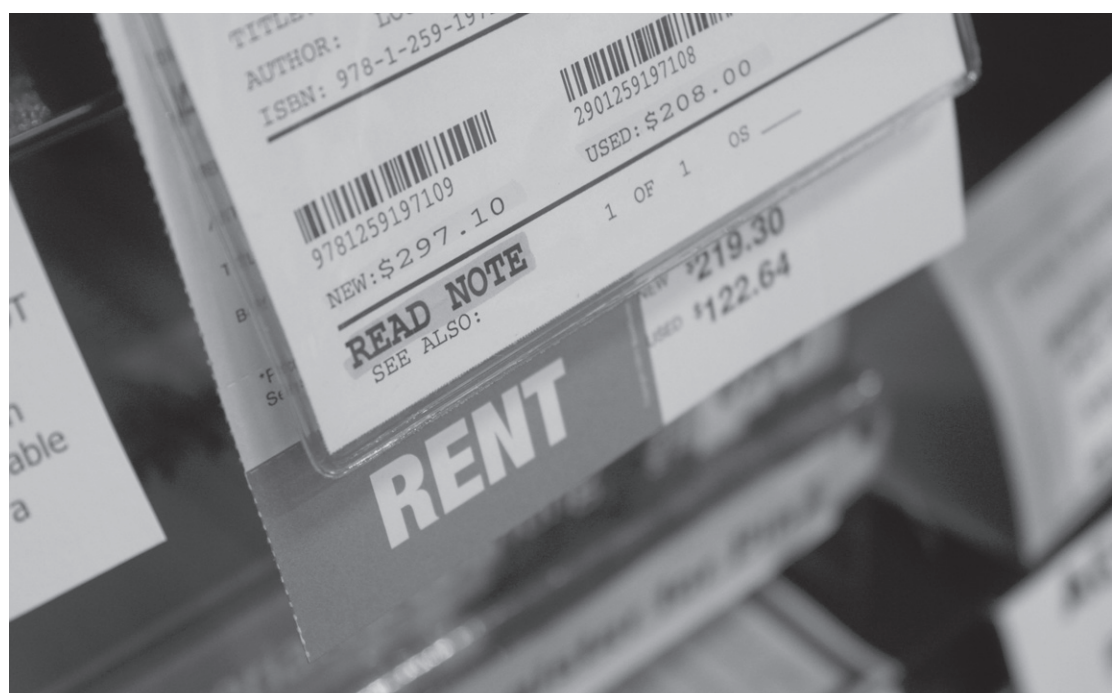
According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, new textbook prices are a staggering 1041% higher than they were in 1977. This is an astronomical amount which has nearly tripled the rate of inflation within the United States during this time period. This trend of increasing textbook prices is detrimental to students as many are already dependent on student loans and financial aid to pay for schooling. Unfortunately, book companies do not show any signs of lowering their book prices any time soon.

Much like the Pharmaceutical industry, major textbook companies invest in wooing professors and schools rather than in the end consumer, the students, who are the ones ultimately using these books.

Unfortunately many universities and the professors within these universities are not price sensitive, and do not consider a books cost when assigning it to students. This can make buying books a nightmare for students each semester.

A recent study done by the advocacy group U.S. PIRG stated that the average full time student paid \$1,200 yearly on books and other school supplies. This is a massive expense that many students at USM and other college campuses throughout the United States struggle with paying for every semester.

Fortunately, there are ways that we as students can combat this rising expense. Students can qualify for a textbook and course material tax credit of up to \$2,500 annually. Renting books is one solution that has increased in popularity in recent years, but with renting comes the



Nate Baril / Contributor

absence of selling books back at the end of a semester. Some college students have turned to e-books, as they tend to be a bit cheaper than physical books. Other students have turned to torrenting their books online, although it is illegal, it is completely free.

James Suleiman, a business professor at USM, claims that USM should attempt to move towards being revolutionary in regards to the issuance of their textbooks. Schools such as Purdue and MIT have a multitude of online educational resources that are available for both students and professors to use outside of their universities.

Professor Suleiman has been an integral part in changing the standard way of buying books for classes. In

previous semesters, Professor Suleiman has solely used online articles for his classes, completely negating the cost of buying a textbook. Professor Suleiman's MBA 674 class still does not use a textbook.

Although he is required to use textbooks for some of his classes, he makes it a point to never use shrink wrapped books, books that have an online access code bundled, so that students will have the ability to buy the books used and sell them back at the end of a semester.

Professor Suleiman is not the only professor at the University of Southern Maine who is striving to diminish what students are spending on textbooks.

Professor Robert Sanford has co-written books that are used within

the university, and is currently working on another book which he will use for his ESP 101 class. His goal with these books is to create a product that is both superior in quality and cheaper in price than the books that are currently in use.

According to many students and professors, the textbook market is far from perfect. Fortunately, awareness amongst professors at USM is prominent, professors seem to actively search for books that are affordable for their students. Some, such as Professor Suleiman, seek alternative methods such as using online articles, negating book costs altogether whenever possible.

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Semester at Sea

"I'm a 43 years old college student and I've never done anything like this before."

Joie Grandbois-Gallup
Contributor

In just a couple of weeks I'll be leaving the country for three months to take part in the Fall 2015 voyage of Semester at Sea. I've spent the past 10 months raising funds, applying for visas, getting the necessary vaccinations, filling three months worth of prescriptions, finding someone to care for my cat, organizing a bon voyage party and it just occurred to me today that I need figure out what to do about my mail.

I've also realized I don't own any appropriate rain gear, my hiking shoes have holes in them and all of my underwear has chosen this week to disintegrate into fabric shreds.

When I was accepted to the program in November, the fall of 2015 seemed so very far away, and the amount of funds I would need seemed so very great. The time to departure is now measured in days and my needs are down to the details (how much shampoo does one use in three months?). Of course all of this organizing, sorting and packing stressful as it may be, is the easy part. What is proving far more difficult are my mental and emotional preparations.

At 43 years old I have never done anything like this before. Okay, 20 years ago I did a few of the "let's see how far \$250 get's us" road trips which led to living for a time in Colorado and California. I was young with few ties to anything and even though California is 3,000 miles away from Maine there was still so much to be found there. That was easy, today I find myself setting aside a job, a performance career, my apartment, my home and stepping completely out of my life to study abroad for three months.

There are definitely moments that I ask myself what in the world was I thinking when I decided to do this? In what moment of brilliance did I think this was a good idea? And then I remember that I'll be visiting ten countries which I have never been to before. I'll be meeting people from all over the world and learning from professors I'd not otherwise have the opportunity to study with. I'll experience a trans-Atlantic crossing, cross the equator twice and travel through the Panama Canal. All things most folks will never have the opportunity to experience.

And so I pause, and I breathe, and I tell myself that this is going to be the experience of a lifetime, and that life changing experiences are often frightening. I know I will be okay and that this is going to be, well, awesome.

I had various reasons that I de-

sired to study abroad. Some were academic; I am a sustainable business major with an environmental sustainability minor. I know that many of the issues we face when it comes to sustainability are global ones. While I had certainly studied global issues while at USM I wanted to have a more direct experience of the global view than just that which can be taught in a textbook. Other reasons were personal ones; though I am partially into my fourth decade I'd had little experience with traveling abroad. I realized that while my life was quite full with school, art and work I was also in perhaps the most flexible time of my life. If I was going to step out of my life for a semester now was the time to do it.

What I didn't know is where I wanted to study. Other than a smattering of French, I do not speak another language. I would not be able to attend a school where my studies would be conducted in languages other than English but I wanted to be able to experience cultures very different than mine. I wanted to see as much of it as possible. I wanted as global an experience as I could get.

I recalled that when I first started at USM my advisor had just returned from teaching in a program during which she spent three months travelling the Pacific Ocean and visiting a variety of countries. When I looked into the program, Semester at Sea, I realized it had all of the things I was looking for. An international body of students, intensive study in classes with a global perspective, and the fall 2015 voyage, the one I'd be applying for, visited ten different countries in three months. I approached my advisor about the program, which she wholeheartedly endorsed and which she also thought I'd benefit greatly from. With her blessing and letter of recommendation I applied for the program.

Ten months later I find myself preparing to leave my life for three months so that I can have the experience of seeing the world. In just a few days I, along with over 500 other students, will be boarding the MV World Odyssey in Southampton, England and embarking on a journey that will take me to ten different countries on four continents. I still have moments of pinching myself, wondering if this is really happening. And indeed it is. At 43 years old, when many folks are well settled into career, family and life, I'll be starting the adventure of a lifetime.

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Portland Problems

Restaurant workers deserve pay equality

Brian Gordon
Free Press Staff

Look around your classes. Chances are a lot of your peers work in the foodservice industry and many of them rely on tips to pay their tuition. Portland's city council recently repealed a wage increase for the many tipped workers in town. That means when the city's minimum wage workers get a raise from the statewide minimum of \$7.50 to \$10.10, on January 1, servers will not be getting half of that, \$5.05 as their base wage, as previously promised. The councilors sided with the restaurant industry to keep it where it stands now, at \$3.75 an hour.

Restaurant owners and advocates like having the customers pay servers wages so they can increase their profits. Which is fine for summer, when a glut of tourists flood the Old Port with fat wallets. But it also means depending on the precariousness of a stranger's whim. Maybe the server didn't sing and dance enough to

a Bostonians liking, which means they could leave nothing for a tip or something extremely under the going rate of 20%. Restaurant owners are required to make up the difference to meet the minimum wage if a tipped worker doesn't make enough over the course of the day, but that lies in a grey area.

Servers making over \$200 a day in the summer months may see their nightly take drop to \$60. Heather McIntosh Environmental Science Policy & Planning Junior, single mother of one and worker in two Portland restaurants who recently marched in a Labor Day rally to raise the minimum wage to \$15 says it's tough to make ends meet as a tipped worker in Portland especially in winter, when heating bills are higher and costs are generally more.

"Everyone deserves a fair wage and Councilor Hinck and Mayor Brennan are allowing portland's most vulnerable workers to live in poverty so that their employers can enjoy the surplus of profits and maintain the status quo"

As more restaurants open every month in Portland, more workers are living an insecure life of not knowing how much they will make day to day. For full-time students who have enough to worry about with their classes, this is just another unnecessary burden of the haves vs the have nots.

In my view Portland has a chance to become something great, an East Coast model of what could be done, that's happening in cities like Seattle and San Francisco and most of Europe—ban the antiquated tipping model and pay restaurant workers, front of house and back of house a base wage of \$15 or higher. Lord knows the restaurants in town can afford it. Owners crying broke is a joke. There's many dynasty owners in town that have multiple restaurants, if they can afford to open several brick and mortar shops in town, they surely can afford to pay their own workers.

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Poetry Corner

Hollowed Spawn

Dustin Kelly
Contributor

I am compelled to hold you accountable for the beast I'm hiding within. They examine this face I wear and judge based upon the smile I donate to feelings.

Confronting myself I cannot fathom how I have possessed your fraudulent self. It sheds my true colors and displays illusionary shades of hate merged with sin.

Your sickness channeled through floods of ego and pierced my soul providing loathe. This cancer unwillingly suffered and governed in a vessel so naïve to this fierce taste

Fresh eyes observe nature placing instinct on my chest promising worthier love. Strength in my selfish ego riddled backbone swells as superiority devours yours.

No beast of us will abandon and demand self-absorbed honorable glory. Forsaken in my course of journey your self pity with weakness enlightened I.

Absence affixed on a pathetic coward will birth an excuse such as your being. Solely a father has bled all insecurities onto a spawn of his own corrupting forever.

I tread on you daily thinking nothing of whom is ghost to the pain I once felt. Your existence is fiction in the eyes I read life with which hunger enough to see all

Wrapped in shame and trapped in ego you have forced a soul to swim in shards. Unleashing this beast will hurt most all therefore I bleed inside to protect another

It's torture to imprison a demon that must surface my thoughts and brand my heart. Forgiving you is a lie my past conjured up to fuel rage and break my silence

Forgetting you is allowing me to cease your views once burned into my retinas. The skewed perception and tainted mind did not brush my sense of wonder

Bruised and bloody heels will persevere and I shall prevail a god of a man. I hike the path of superior one so a void such as you may never cross it.

Political Opinions

Support local petitioners

Sam Haiden
Free Press Staff

There have been some political petitioners on our campus lately, and they are trying to do a very important thing. They are trying to end the prohibition of Cannabis.

Maine could be a leader in prohibition reform- and Portland could be the spearhead of that reformation movement- after all, we've already established municipal legalization as it is. We are in a unique situation here in Maine.

Here in our superpowerful country, we are upon the cusp of a massive social and economic change. Bills have been formed to establish the federal legalization of cannabis: Sativa, Indica, and Ruderalis. Politicians are openly changing their minds about cannabis every day. Major officials in the fields of medicine and science like Sanjay Gupta are turning on the institutions that have denied cannabis for decades, helping to uncover "the big lie."

Major media publications like Times magazine, Popular Science, and National Geographic are exploding with articles surrounding cannabis, and major television corporations have also jumped on board, creating television shows surrounding the birth of a legal cannabis industry in this country.

The hype is justified. Billions of dollars are generated by cannabis every year, and in places like Colorado, people are beginning to see the massive economic change that can be encouraged by such large volumes of money. Millions of dollars in taxes are flowing into the Colorado state government, and those dollars are going straight back to the people in the form of education tax credits; and all this because of a natural flower that happens to have a staggering medicinal effect on mammals. And we haven't even started to talk about

hemp, or Cannabis Ruderalis- the plant that can singlehandedly give us the raw materials we need to make biodegradable plastics, renewable fuel for automobiles, building materials like hempcrete, super-tough textiles and highly nutritious food.

I've seen these petitioners outside of Luther Bonney hall, shouting at everybody who approaches. I've been astonished at the number of people who simply walk right by. These brave young souls have devoted all of their free time to the political advocacy of this plant.

They work day in and day out to help people help people. They are, in a sense, working to save our environment by providing us with a source for biodegradable plastics. They are working to save people with terminal diseases by helping encourage research which will save their lives.

If you believe in cannabis, it's the least you can do to stop for five minutes and sign the petition.

If you don't believe in cannabis, you probably don't believe in global warming or vaccines either, because you don't pay attention to scientific facts. The facts all point towards legalization; and I hope that here at USM we can represent the future, the progressives, the positive change, by getting our signatures on that petition.

As far as I know, the leading petition needs sixty thousand signatures. We've got less than ten thousand here at USM, but that's still a pretty big chunk.

I'd be proud to see every person at USM sign that petition; and I'd be glowing if we all told our friends and family to do the same.

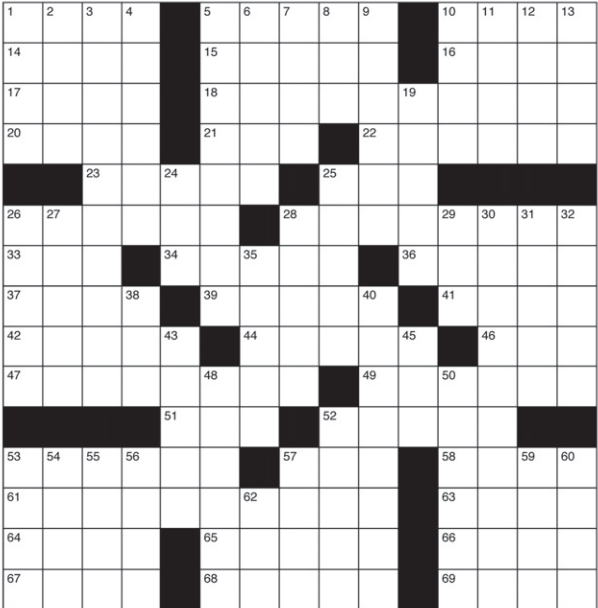
Support change. Support progress. Support scientific advance in every way possible. Support the America. Support Cannabis. Find your local petitioner and sign.



Crossword

Across

- 1. Ornamental vases
- 5. Not suitable
- 10. Stoker of "Dracula" fame
- 14. Canadian revolutionary Louis
- 15. Early 19th century English hubub
- 16. "____ Suave"
- 17. Farmland parcel
- 18. Stops
- 20. Son of Jacob
- 21. "Well, ____-di-dahl!"
- 22. Droopy-eared hound
- 23. Adult tent caterpillar
- 25. Schmoose
- 26. Zeroes
- 28. Leaves undone
- 33. 22nd Russian letter
- 34. Artsy gathering place
- 36. Keith with a daytime TV show
- 37. Low growth
- 39. Hysteria
- 41. Cato's "well"
- 42. "All systems ____!"
- 44. Isaac Asimov's genre
- 46. One thing ____ time
- 47. Without corrosion
- 49. Key of Saint-Saëns's "Danse macabre"
- 51. Teutonic lang.
- 52. Polite interruptions
- 53. Thing spun by a spider
- 57. First name of "Tokyo Rose"
- 58. Lamb tenders
- 61. Bullied
- 63. A hole in a bucket, maybe
- 64. Writer Jaffe
- 65. System start-up?
- 66. Arnaz Sr. or Jr.
- 67. Randy of Alabama
- 68. Horse gaits
- 69. Did an imitation of

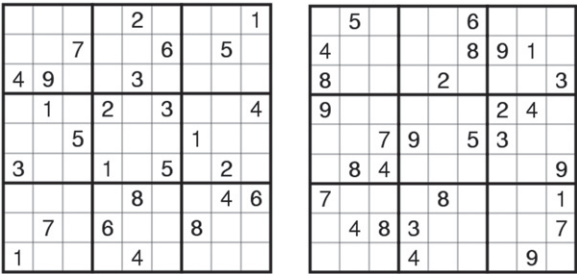


Down

- 1. Caspian Sea feeder
- 2. Basmati, e.g.
- 3. Chemical weapons
- 4. Santa's transport
- 5. Personification of America
- 6. An absence of musical skill
- 7. Ichthyologist's topic
- 8. Suffix with robot or poet
- 9. Pekoe packet
- 10. Jewish ritual
- 11. Rivers, in Spain
- 12. Complexion woe
- 13. The better part of
- 19. Small Indian drum
- 24. Sporty coupes
- 25. Mensa members
- 26. Man's name that means "great"
- 27. ____ Peak, Kilimanjaro's highest point
- 28. Time being
- 29. Receding tide
- 30. Decisive victory
- 31. Scout's rider
- 32. Say on scout's honor
- 35. Surgeon's tool
- 38. Elev.
- 40. Kabul natives
- 43. Gift ____
- 45. Beatles song "____ Mine"
- 48. Not long ago
- 50. Famous first name in the Philippines
- 52. Circumvent
- 53. River in Spain
- 54. Sprout
- 55. Used up
- 56. Adult cygnet
- 57. "Tell ____ the judge"
- 59. Comfort
- 60. ____ Row
- 62. Ear (prefix)

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.



Cryptogram

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

PA'G MFAPJH MEK
DEF AE CKPSY QHK
CKHRVMRGA PS CHI.
GQH TES'A ARVH PA
JDPSY IETS.

And here is your hint:

K = R

The solution to last issue's crossword



Weekly Horoscope



Aries
March 21-April 19



Be alert for a business opportunity or a chance to show your worth on the job. You gain respect.



Libra
September 23-October 22



A friend tries to tell you what to do and how to behave. You're an adult; assert your independence!



Taurus
April 20-May 20



Enduring excitement is a possibility, but a critical eye could set up roadblocks. Focus on what you love in a partner for best results.



Scorpio
October 23-November 21



Today you need to take at least one concrete, definite step toward creating the ideal working situation you have in your mind.



Gemini
May 21-June 20



Fun and games time! Today's the day to play with the kids (or your inner child) in whatever ways you can all enjoy. Be frivolous!



Sagittarius
November 22-December 21



Someone close to you is dealing with issues of addiction. Encourage a 12-step approach.



Cancer
June 21-July 22



If there are important children in your life, buy them something to stir any artistic interests they might have.



Capricorn
December 22-January 19



Sales people don't want to hear "No" today. Stand firm and don't purchase items you don't need.



Leo
July 23-August 22



Express yourself verbally today. Your mind, tongue and general coordination are keener. Use your mental alertness wisely.



Aquarius
January 20-February 18



You feel critical of people or situations that do not measure up to your expectations. Take one small step to improve your sharing times.



Virgo
August 23-September 22



Contact with children feeds your inner child and creative enthusiasm. Be spontaneous!



Pisces
February 19-March 20



You have much vitality for success today, but strife is possible if you let others "bug" you. Tune out unimportant distractions.

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Community Spotlight:

Students connect at 15th Annual Husky Fest

Rahma Ali
Community Editor

Last Wednesday, the lawn between Payson Smith and Luther Bonney was filled with students eager to learn more about USM through student information tables, great food and upbeat mu-

“We want them to connect to USM and find ways to be involved that will enhance their skill.”
Joy Pufhal, Dean of Students



Jared Lank / Online Content Curator

Students gather around tables at the Husky festival in hopes of learning more about the student organizations and campus groups that they can join this semester.

the opportunities USM offers,” said Loeurm-Ho, “this event was definitely aimed at making students feel welcomed and I had a fun-filled day.”

Reza Jalali, Coordinator of Multicultural Student Affairs said that this festival offers students a helping hand in the club recruitment process. He explained that most student activity groups are in need of new members all the time. The Husky Fest becomes a platform for active veteran members of groups to find new members to replace them.

“Meeting the new University President and witnessing the excitement

that our need students had upon arrival to the campus really proves just how much life this University still has,” he said.

For Pufhal, the ultimate goal of the festival each year is to bring positive energy to incoming students by associating the beginning of a new academic year with the free food, friendly people and the ability to create a community feel amongst students.

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Hans is a third year Studio Art major with a concentration in photography. He spends most of his free time taking photos, and hopes to get a job as a full-time photographer after graduation.

He likes to take photos of the ocean, found objects and document interesting things that are happening around Portland. You can see more of his photos on his Instagram at Hansn_207.

Do you know any interesting students?
Email us:
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Campus Events

Monday, September 14

Eight Planets Omni Dome Show
Southworth Planetarium
USM Portland Campus
Starts: 1:00 p.m. / Ends: 2:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 15

Women in Cartography Exhibit
Osher Map Library
USM Portland Campus
Starts: 10:00 a.m. / Ends: 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 16

Annual International and Multicultural Welcome Reception
Wishcamper Center 102
USM Portland Campus
Starts: 4:00 p.m. / Ends: 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 17

Opening reception for Picturing Maine: The Way Life Was?
Art Gallery
USM Gorham Campus
Starts: 12:00 p.m. / Ends: 4:00 p.m.

Carto-Crafters!
Osher Map Library
USM Portland Campus
Starts: 4:30 p.m. / Ends: 6:30 p.m.

Field Hockey: UNE vs. USM
Starts: 4:00 p.m. / Ends: 7:00 p.m.

USM College Planning Workshop
Lewiston-Auburn Campus, Room 283
Starts: 5:30 p.m. / Ends: 6:30 p.m.

Friday, September 18

Natural Selection
Southworth Planetarium
USM Portland Campus
Starts: 7:00 p.m. / Ends: 8:00 p.m.

2015 New Faculty Orientation and Welcome Event
Abromson Center
USM Portland Campus
Starts: 11:00 a.m. / Ends: 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 19

Climate Action Training Workshop
Talbot Auditorium, Luther Bonney
USM Portland Campus
Starts: 8:30 a.m. / Ends: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 20

Leah Neuchiller Piano Recital
Corthell Concert Hall
USM Gorham Campus
Starts: 5:00 p.m.

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