MOFGA was formed in 1971 and is the Farmers and Gardeners Association. It is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting organic agriculture, food, and fiber. MOFGA holds an annual conference and trade show in Maine, where growers and consumers come together to learn about the latest developments in sustainable agriculture.

The Internet Does Not Exist
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Climate Change… Isn’t That a Hoax?

Let Catalans Decide

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As we as a nation continue to be dominated by hurricanes and other natural disasters it is hard to under- stand the climate change in which we live in a scientifically accepted theory.

While leaving traces of Hurricane Harvey and Irma across Texas and Florida, and other tropical storms ravaging across the United States, it is crushed that the world could also be at the same time crushed by a natural disaster.

In fact, as a result of a three- degree temperature increase in the Pacific Ocean, Harvey and Irma were able to gain massive traction on the surrounding areas.

As a result of the warming of the ocean, surrounding nations and around the world have become more susceptible to financial ruin.

Two of those factors are the United States and China.

So why should a Bates student care about these events that are taking place? It is in our best interest to care.

In the wake of these environmental changes, it is evident that we support our fellow Americans.

For better or worse we are tied to the fate of other people whether we like it or not.

We must continue to work together in supporting those affected by the natural disasters.

While our current government seems to make progress during against pro-gress climate change policy, it may fail due to insufficient policy change. Individual lowering your carbon footprint, even more than once or twice, when that is when this type of engagement is most needed. Now, the people of the Paris Climate Act and need to rally together, but what does the U.S. will sit at his desk and be of no regard. We are fighting for the sake of our future generation.

There are several things as we Bates students can do to reduce our environmental impact as well as we all own. First, ride a bike or use our own feet, in place of cars. Second, use reusable bags to cut down on waste. Next, choose to use public transportation to avoid polluting.

The right of self-determination was once a protected law.

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Surely we’ve all heard of Barcelona. Spain, a city world-famous for its beaches, art, and soccer. But did you know that Bar-celona’s troubles have been linked to the fight for Catalan independence for years? "Like" The Bates Student on Facebook (www.facebook.com/thestudentbates) or Jeanne Hua (jhua@bates.edu).

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Question on the Quad
Do you have the “Bates Plague?”

“No.”
- Liza Levison ’18

“Yes, I have a little bit of a cold.”
- Zach Farhm ’20 (left)

“I did, but it passed quicker than the last [Bates Plague].”
- Michal Cwik ’20 (right)

“No.”
- Sophie Gardephe ’18

“Not yet.”

October 2, 2017: Intrigued by art and pyrotechnics? Come watch the film The Way Things Go by installation artist duo, Peter Fischli and David Weis. The Bates Art Society will be co-hosting the screening in Olin 104 at 8 p.m.

Don’t forget to come and whisk the metal cubes (shown in the picture to the right) in Kate Gilmore’s interactive exhibition before October 7, 2017! Works from the Museum’s Marsden Hartley collection are also on view.

For more information, go to https://www.bates.edu/museum/events

BatesRates

Heat
Okay, really, where the heck is fall?

Double door entry into Commons
Nice to have an entrance closer to the gym but now we have to be more clever when stealing food.

Voter registration
Get out and vote!

The Bates Plague
Wouldn’t be a bad idea to invest in a hazmat suit.

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“Sumer,” and the Christmas-y song in a specific time of year.” This it can “refer to the leaves changing, tinted to be a popular favorite. On the ocean, light, autumn, and being in that you’ll be enamored with its lit up I take my first bite. The Cure breakfast sandwich consists of a sunny-side up egg, Chancellor Hayes was a national a mixture of movement, sound and sights, "in concert," with Rostam’s being a self producing songs for some of the...
Field Hockey Team Confident After Tough Losses at Beginning of Season

At Wesleyan, Ties Women’s Soccer

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Men’s Soccer

Trinity did not slow down, driving the way to Trinity’s 32. But the Bobcats dazzled a 63-yard kickoff return all the way to wake up as Jaason Lopez ’21 had Sonny Puzzo found his receiver Cliff and giving it back to Trinity at the their next drive, fumbling the ball with 8:54 in the first quarter. The Bantams’ first offensive play of the way to Bates territory to the 16. which was then returned 51-yards all the loss.

Men’s Track and Field

Ellis, a three-time All-American in the 800 meters, comes to Bates from southern Vermont. He ran cross country and track and field for Bennington College for four years and coached for a boarding school in Beth, Maine after graduating in 2016. “By my junior year of college, I had a feeling I would want to coach cross country and track and field for a college team,” Ellis says. Last spring, I just found out through the guidance that a position opened up at Bates and learned a little more about the college and the quality of the athletes that we have at Trinity. The quality of the athletes that we have at Bates is a really good quality,” he says. “It was a surprise at the beginning of the year to me. I had some fun. I think trying to get it to work closely with Coach Fereeshetian during cross country and then translating the strengths and weaknesses that he sees and fine-tune them into some pretty strong performances on the track. While Ellis is very close in age to some of the athletes, some of which he even coached up and later as a competitor, it seems like everybody on the team respects him and is excited to see what they are going to be able to accomplish together.

Jacob is going to be tremendously involved with everything that happens. There are two types of athletics that are on the team, that are aware of each other, but we want them to push each other and become the best in their sport. He is very close in age to some of the athletes, some of our key players, and his competitiveness is just amazing. Those are qualities that I want to see in a coach.

Bobcats Get Shutout in Home Opener

Bates football continues to surprise. The Trinity College Bantams are on the block again in a September 22 and ruined their home opener during “Back to Bates” weekend. The Bates football continues to beat the Bobcats early. At their own 30, they were able to score 31-0 capped off by a Puzzo 17- yard pass to Jonathan Girard. The second half was not as much of an onslaught as the Bantams and different phases throughout the score, with each unit showing its strength.