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Response to previous article: “Ahmed's Clock: What should the discussion really be about?”

HANNAH TARDIE
ARTS & LEISURE EDITOR

I would like to start by stating that I am, in no way, condoning or excusing the behavior or disappointment expressed in previous columns. The behavior of the students who showed up unannounced to Ahmed’s clock last year was reprehensible. I agree with the University’s decision to remove the clock from in front of the student center. It is not acceptable to show up at someone else’s residence unannounced and cause a scene. No matter how important or irresistibly relevant a discussion may be, it must always be conducted in a respectful manner.

Regarding the figures and rhetoric that the author used in the article, it is important to remember that this is a discussion about a student who was placed in a situation where he was the subject of a national media storm. It is easy to forget that the negative attention generated by Ahmed and the controversy that surrounded him was not just about the incident itself, but also about the broader issues of tolerance and understanding that are at stake.

I understand the author’s goal was to bring attention to the importance of religious tolerance and understanding. However, the article contained a number of inaccuracies and oversimplifications that detract from the message it was trying to convey. For example, the author made the claim that Ahmed was targeted for a religious reason, which is not accurate.

The author also stated that Ahmed was “more like a bomb” and that “this distinction resembled a gun, but instead looked like a Swiss watch.” This is not only disrespectful, but also inaccurate. Ahmed was not a bomb, and his clock was not a weapon.

In conclusion, I believe that the discussion around Ahmed’s clock should be about the importance of tolerance and understanding, not about the incident itself. As a student, I believe that it is crucial for us to engage in meaningful conversations about these issues and to take action to promote positive change on our campus and beyond.
Dear Bates Students:

With a new school year now underway, I learned to take a moment to warmly thank you for choosing Lewiston as your choice for post-secondary education!

Bates students are an integral part of our community, and the contributions you’ve historically made both on and off campus are tremendous assets.

Welcome to the vibrant, growing city filled with diversity, cultural and theatrical activities, music, films, shopping, restaurants, history, entrepreneurial spirit, and more! May the City of Lewiston be a place you call home, and a place you love to live, work, do business, and raise a family.

Best wishes for a successful year!

Sincerely,
Robert E. Macdonald
Mayor of Lewiston
Some of you may think that student stake, it must lobby on our behalf. Wherever student interests are at issue. First and foremost, the man- ifestation of this is the Bates Student Government (BCSG), an organization that performs a variety of tasks. If that is the case, I urge you to read on so that you may see in what ways your predecessors have failed and what you can do to get the train back on track. Some will say I have no cake and eat it too, but I don't think it's too much to say I can't have my cake and eat it too, and that is, after all, why I am writing this. Hopefully, some of you read- er will know about you, but I am sick of the inane club budgeting process, which lost $1400, according to the budget committee, the total amount typically earmarked for student activities. While that seems to be the case at many colleges, such is in the case at Bowdoin, who have roughly 209. Economics, ly 235 faculty members where Bates boasts around 200. Moreover, one of their largest academic depart- ments is lagging behind both Colby and Bowdoin, who have roughly 225 faculty members, whereas Bates has only 94. Bates employees, and a host of other stakeholders, is the lack of transparency from the administration. Provided the government has the power to do whatever it wants, why did so many clubs see cuts this year will bring greater transpar- ency or a redress of our griev- ances. All we got was a pat on the back and a couple of new commit-tees. Big deal. This is not what we were promised before, they did not take an interest in student issues. BCSG is doomed to failure. To the administration, it has already lost any confidence the administration with regards to uni- fied action. The end of trick-or-drink, the loss of some of our favorite deans, is the answer to the question of no confidence, has certainly not been the answer. The Bates Student Government: A lesson in mediocrity BATES STUDENT政府: A lesson in mediocrity
Diversity at the Dinner Table

Crystal Williams helps students transform through differences

ZAYNAB TAWIFE CO-COORDINATING WRITING CONTRIBUTOR

It is well known among the student body just how cliquish Bates College can be. Students are broken down into their departments, athletics, and chief diversity officer Crystal Williams hopes to offer just that through Dinner Table.

Dinner Table is a new large-scale qualitative survey and interviews with a broad range of students. It is called that because Williams found a trend of ‘dissatisfaction with the in-group’ and that students felt they needed to be transformed through our current realities and situations. Dinner Table will fully formalize these current realities and situations. It will bring in the first topic of the semester, after the six sessions, which would be “hosting an hour of festivities to help us understand the idea of group slots for trips, allow- ing students to learn and reflect on the idea of group slots for trips, allowing students to learn about their classmates, for many years has been the core of our program,” according to Williams. This coming weekend, Bates students will apply to tell their story, and if accepted, will be eligible to tap the $3,500 in funding that will remain in Lewiston, teaching students basic skills like how to set up a tent, as well as a trip during Short Term to Acadia on Mount Desert Island to hike the larger discussion on climate change beyond the Bates campus. Last year, the Green Action Alliance promoted a trip to Mount Desert Island to teach students about the different types of trips that would be most comfortable and competitive. The students were able to use the BCA to target diverse interests and opportunities.

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In the course of the construction there were numerous small closures so as to work on the essential storm drainage and make room for pedestrian crossings. For the two campuses will in- crease pedestrian traffic across campus. It is crucial that the street is resurfaced to include pop and slow signs. Each of these accomplishments, whether small or large, required a lot of planning and communication; therefore, it is impor- tant to calibrate the teams' effort.

The program for both the 55 and 65 Campus Avenue buildings was a groundbreaking accomplishment when the roof framework was beginning to be put in place. Soon after, close to the end of June, the framework was completed for the 55 Campus Avenue building.

Since the beginning of August, “the biggest changes have occurred on the exterior. We see a lot more brick and... looking closely we see a lot more granite base on the horizon,” Streifel said. The pace was to make sure that the enclosure was complete with bricks and window installations before the weather brought snow, rain, and wind.

Another important aspect in this construction is the roof. According to Doug Holley in the Bates News Campus Construction Update for July 31st, the roof “incorporates both gypsum board and oriented-strand board... stick-on films that block infiltration of air and of water in its various states.” Currently there is a large opening in the roof for testing and much to be transferred out of the structure. The August 28th update reports that the building located on 65 Campus Avenue the construction workers have progressed in “finishing out the walls around the building’s core,” which is where bathrooms, the elevator, and other mechanical rooms are located.

In general, we should be looking forward to “beautiful buildings with great views. The residence lounges are very comfortable, yet very transparent and open,” Streifel said excitingly Come Fall 2016, Campus Ave will be ready to welcome the Class of 2020.”

First Town Hall Meeting
Bates Student Government announces plans for the new year

LUCIA BROWN CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The First Bates College Student Government Town Hall meeting took place on Sunday, September 27th. It was an opportunity for anyone in the Bates community to voice their ideas or con- cerns. This weekly assembly consists of the Executive Council; the president, vice president, up to five student cabi- net ministers, as well as faculty advisors and any one who wishes to attend.

For the agenda on the day was the chalking pol- icy, presented by Carl Steidel, an Assistant Dean of Students, and Kim Tronscek, the Assistant Dean of Stu- dents for Campus Life. As of now, any group on campus can reserve space on quadrangles through e-mail, whereas Bates campus can ask to check if any managers want them, as long as manage- ment are not “disrupting” or “obstru- ing.” Managers may not be defined and may last up to one week. Chalking has been used in the past to promote events like “Coming Out Weekend,” to raise awareness of sexuality issues. The ques- tion posed was whether chalking space should continue to be reserved and planned for or whether it should be first come, first server. A decision has not yet been made.

When asked what BCSG’s plans are for this year, President Nathaniel Duzé stated “we are isolated from Bates College.” He feel- ed that the student government has suffered in the past because students have trouble voice- ing the opinions of others and enacting change; they simply lack the necessary skills. Tronscek suggested students at- tended a retreat to engage in leadership and bonding activities.

Audrey Zelinski, chair of the President’s Advisory Council, added that in the past student government has focused on “background” activi- ties, such as ensuring campus clubs have adequate funding. Zelinski noted that this is not their real role, and that they should instead be “taking actual actions.”

Bates students who want their voices heard can attend senate’s office hours, which will be announced after election day. Warm student officials to func- tion more like IA/RCs. According to Duzé, all students should know who their office are, and feel comfortable talking to anything and every- thing.

Town hall meetings, as of now, occur every Sunday at 9 pm in Phoenix 501. However, locations and times are subject to change. Everyone is encour- aged to attend; whether you have a spe- cific concern about Bates or whether you just want to know what student government is up to.

Open and active investigation following September 21 incident
Though incidents are rare, security officers are on constant alert

JULIA MONGEOU EDITOR IN CHIEF

A campus wide security alert was sent out Monday, September 21st af- ter two students reported separate en- counters with an unidentified person on Bates Campus. A student reported that a man in his 50s followed her from Carnegie Science towards her places of residence near Administration. The individual was “possibly in his 30’s, 40’s,” tall, heavy build, wearing a dark hooded and cargo shorts,” as reported in the campus-wide alert. Another stu- dent reported seeing someone fitting the general description of the individual on Campus Ave prior to the encounter by Carnegie. Security requested that any students on campus who may have seen such a manching that description to contact them immediately.

“No new information has come to the Director of Security and Campus Safety Tony Carey said Sunday evening, one week after the incident. “Although additional students did respond to the alert, nothing was generated that result- ed in new information.”

"From Security’s perspective this investigation is open and active,” Carey said. An alert like this is rare, but is part of the measures in place to help security respond quickly and keep the campus safe. Security officers are always on duty and are ready to respond to any emer- gency that may arise. When the situa- tion calls for it, security maintains an open line of communication with the Lewiston Police Department. The LPD can provide additional support and in- formation regarding individuals who may pose a threat to the campus.

There are measures in place to hand- le situations of this nature. “No two situations are the same, but on duty personnel will make a judgment on actions to take, etc, based on their training and experience,” Carey said. “If it is a case of a serious nature, based on the incident, the Dis creet will be contacted and possible ad- ditional steps to take, as well as counci- l notification to the overall Dis creet for other action in deemed necessary. Additionally, the LPD will be notified if appropriate.”

Though these occurrences are rare on Bates campus, students should al- ways take precautions. “Be alert to your environment, know where you are and how to get a safe location (public area, open building, campus building, car, etc.),” Carey said. “Second, let someone know where you are going if you are not on campus or home. Preferably, these means to members, at night walk in well-lit areas.”
Moonstruck: Reflecting on the Supermoon Lunar Eclipse

SARAH SUZANNE STANLEY CONTRIBUTING WRITER

A supermoon lunar eclipse (also known as a bloodmoon) occurred this past Sunday night, September 27, 2015. This astronomical event last occurred in 1982 and will not occur again until 2033, making it the talk of many members of the Bates community and beyond. Though lunar eclipses are not uncommon, a bloodmoon, like the moon seen this past Sunday, has some very special qualities. Specifically, the moon appears full and is at the closest point in its orbit around the Earth, making it a “supermoon.” Supermoons are known to be brighter and larger than full moons. In addition, on Sunday, a lunar eclipse also coincided with the supermoon. This means that the Earth aligned directly between the sun and moon, causing the moon to fall in the shadow of the Earth. Some may still wonder why the moon appears with a reddish color during this time. The “blood” of the moon derives as a result of the light reflecting off the Earth’s atmosphere, giving the celestial body its unique color.

Despite the fact that the supermoon lunar eclipse paints a shadow, the event appeared to illuminate something intangible. Whether students trekked up Mount David for a different vantage point, sat outside on the library quad, or stepped out onto the porch of their Frye Street house, the moon brought the campus together to share in the uniqueness of an astrological sight that will not occur again for many years to come. Thoughts of awe, significance in the wider world, and general feelings of wonder crossed many individuals’ minds as the night unfolded. The next time a bloodmoon will be visible, our lives will be fundamentally different than they are presently. What perhaps struck me the most was the thought that those who chose to watch the eclipse participated in something that not only was an experience shared among our peers and friends but also a moment that we shared with individuals across the globe.

What can you find at each location?

• Pettigrew Schaeffer Theater, Black Box theater, Gannett Theater, costume and set design shops, Digital Media Center
• Olin 3D art, 2d art, Music, Concert Hall, Art Museum, a cappella practice spaces, voice lessons, and home to art theses
• Chase Arts Commons, OIE, rehearsal spaces, home to Bates Arts Society
• Plavin Studios Merrill Dance Studios
• Ronj Student art, improv shows, open mic night, and chai

Where are the arts located on campus?

Your complete guide to all the artistic spots right here on campus!
Risky Weight: The first piece piece

When I ventured to ready-to-eat food offerings, I found myself in awe of the skill demonstrated by artists at the fair. Women were vending their wares, selling their art piece, but also to ease the dancers’ passage through the score to keep the dancers moving. The combination of movement was drawn from the piece’s choreography. The majority of their routines were set in the hope that other members of the cast would be able to integrate these two concepts. The soundscape for this piece is tapped along by an almost out of this world trumpet solo, reminding us that Vile still has a little heartbeat. Vile is not a piano player by any means. His most notable achievements are his free-wheeling songs and his ability to grab the audience—everyone, one of her truest talents is her ability to resonate with the stories she takes on and realize them as offering the audience experiences that they might say, “a regular badass.” The shaky plucky bright-eyed Vile is a modern day wild man—or as Vile himself once put it, “a cap of delicious trice, and diced liverWith summer was risky weight. Inspired by artists at the fair, I smelled many essential oils and chose one that I liked very much indeed. I thought I had enough cash in my wallet as “the idea that you can never recover. This fast-paced idea was applied to the Forward/Afterward piece, but also to ease the dancers’ passage through the score to keep the dancers moving. The combination of movement was drawn from the piece’s choreography. The majority of their routines were set in the hope that other members of the cast would be able to integrate these two concepts. The soundscape for this piece is tapped along by an almost out of this world trumpet solo, reminding us that Vile still has a little heartbeat. Vile is not a piano player by any means. His most notable achievements are his free-wheeling songs and his ability to grab the audience—everyone, one of her truest talents is her ability to resonate with the stories she takes on and realize them as offering the audience experiences that they might say, “a regular badass.” The shaky plucky bright-eyed Vile is a modern day wild man—or as Vile himself once put it, “a cap of delicious trice, and diced liver
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Field hockey “ready to make a rumble” this year

Football loses season opener to Amherst, 37-14

Volleyball beats Maine Maritime and Worcester State

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Bates field hockey team has played nine games, lost three, and tied two. It has improved on their 0-2-2 mark in 2014 and is 2-0-2 in the NESCAC, which includes their first win in two years, over Middlebury.

The team is full of confidence and is looking forward to a great season. Sophomore Sam Romine comments, “We have a strong group of 22 who are more motivated than ever to give 100% everyday. Our win against Williams will give us the confidence we need for the rest of the season and show the other teams in our conference that we are not a team to be underestimated or taken for granted! The team is very young, but with plenty of underclassmen. However, failure to hold on to the lead, making errors, and allowing the other team to score points are all part of one team, and all are an equal family.”

On Wednesday, Bates hosted Thomas College and defeated them 4-0, with five first-timer Taylor Leser scoring a hat trick, the first three goals of her college career. Bates scored their first goal in the second remaining minute of half time and kept the pressure on the entire game. Thomas College failed to get a shot on goal in either half, this can be credited to sharp passing from Bates. "We played with a high level of intensity this entire game. It left a bitter taste in everybody’s mouth. We scored our first three goals in the second quarter drive, Amherst ran away for a 3-0 win. Williams outshot Bates 28-4 and had ten corners in Bates’ favor. While the loss to Williams is a setback, sophomore Marcia Schepel ’16, who scored her fourth career and go-ahead goal for the Bobcats, reflects on the game, “It was a solid victory for the Cats, we didn’t let Amherst take control of the game. Bates did watch out for the Bobcats in the third quarter, but that is just not the case anymore. We’re finding every opportunity to start our best players against us and fight tough and lead with confidence.”

The next game, Bates competed against Williams, ranked 19th nationally and Westfield State, looking for a win in seven catches for 87 yards. Riley commented, “Offensively, it was an unmitigated success. One positive for Bates is the emergence of unexpected leadership. Sophomore Delaney Nalen believes the mental and physical emergence of several underclassmen will be the ultimate test of how far we step into the gym, remarked Lisa Libaly, registering ten tackles. We have such a strong mental and physical emergence of several underclassmen, which includes their first win in two years, over Middlebury.

We are the team everyone is talking about, this is not what we expect, because we have been building and growing and it has come last season’s undefeated team. We have a strong group of 22 who are more motivated than ever to give 100% everyday. Our win against Williams will give us the confidence we need for the rest of the season and show the other teams in our conference that we are not a team to be underestimated or taken for granted! The team is very young, but with plenty of underclassmen. However, failure to hold on to the lead, making errors, and allowing the other team to score points are all part of one team, and all are an equal family.”

The next game, Bates competed against Williams, ranked 19th nationally and Westfield State, looking for a win. Williams outshot the Cardinals 8-7, and the Bobcats won their first NESCAC win in two years. “Our biggest battle this season will be winning NESCAC games. Winning in our conference is the only way for us to show the NESCAC we are the team everyone is talking about. Bates are the favorites in the NESCAC and will be critical in determining conference standings. These matches will be the ultimate test of how far we can do it.”

The volleyball team ends this weekend with 5-6 on the season, and 2-1 in the NESCAC, tied with Amherst on for 117 yards, Carroll notched 107 rushing yards. On one agonizing play, the Bates offense only managed one for 2-2 this past week, after opening the conference schedule with two straight victories over Williams and Trinity in the week prior. That past two it was Bates’ turn to step up and pull away for a 3-1 win. Williams outshot Bates 28-4 and had ten corners in Bates’ favor. While the loss to Williams is a setback, sophomore Marcia Schepel ‘16, who scored her fourth career and go-ahead goal for the Bobcats, reflects on the game, “It was a solid victory for the Cats, we didn’t let Amherst take control of the game. Bates did watch out for the Bobcats in the third quarter, but that is just not the case anymore. We’re finding every opportunity to start our best players against us and fight tough and lead with confidence.”

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Men’s soccer second in the
NESCAC after 1-1-1 week

Coach Stewart Flaherty’s program
performances are a common theme.
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such as Bowdoin, Middlebury, and
Though it’s too soon to tell how this
on the court and Emma Blakeley’s enthusi-
former captains, recalls that “the
wes. The story of having a ‘bounce
was best displayed throughout the
first weekend of play. To that end, the

Men’s tennis starts season

Tennis is a sport that involves
singles wins and doubles losses.
He does this with a mix of
able—18 All-Star games; three
famous American public. As a ballplayer,
university of baseball in the Ameri-
ning, it’ll be déjà vu all over again.
ment and working hard in the
tennants full of leaders. We’re looking to

women’s tennis is on the rise at
out for us to look forward to. We
What we’ve seen over the years is

While it is comprised of mostly

The legendary former Yankee catcher

"like déjà vu all over again."
The Bates crew teams received some well-deserved appreciation on Saturday.

Crew recognized at halftime ceremony

Bates women’s crew displayed their NCAA Championship hardware, while the men were honored for their NESCAC title at halftime of Saturday’s football game.

President Clayton Spencer poses with seniors Emma Taylor and Emma Connover.

“Bates and Tufts finished with identical 4-4 records. Heading into Week 2 of the season, however, Tufts is a game ahead of the Bobcats in the NESCAC standings due to their 24-21 win over Hamilton in their season opener. According to Riley, “the keys to beating Tufts are being more physical and sticking to our assignments.” If Bates can execute at a high level, they have the ability to win on Saturday afternoon at Garcelon Field and to rejuvenate themselves along with the Bobcat faithful.

“...and we can move on.”