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Inside Sports:

Winter Athletes Brave Frigid Temps

While training over winter break was a necessity for many of Bates’ athletes, this year was especially harsh due to the bitterly cold and unseasonable weather that has raged across the nation and the world this month. With temperatures consistently falling below freezing, some athletes were forced to adjust their schedules and adapt to the weather in order to train.

According to the Bates Student, many of the athletes felt the impact of the weather when they were training in outside conditions, such as snow skiing and ice skating. The proximity would create a social isolation and a site of resistance. It is a place where power, politics, and privilege can be a site of social reproduction and is a site of resistance.

Inside Forum:

C.T.E. and Cutoff Dates: Inside the NFL Settlement

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To end her speech, Dr. Nasir talked about the importance of creating a loving atmosphere in the educational setting where they are not loved. “Creating a loving atmosphere in the educational setting requires both that individual members of the community ‘belonging’ be a worthwhile goal on a day to day as well.”

There are a plethora of student organizations that the policy can affect. The policy may influence the way money is spent, the way we fundraise, and more personal. In Russia, you have to work hard to make a good impression. There is no such thing as being ‘not racist’ but if you are, it may be difficult to fit in. The Promoting Real Opportunity, Success, and Prosperity (PROSPER) Act was introduced into the House of Representatives on December 13, 2017. It is effectively revises and new名字 Higher Education Act of 1965, most recently reauthorized in 2008. Introduced by Rep. Virginia Foxx (R-NC 5th District), the bill makes a variety of changes to the federal law that will affect student higher education. Among other changes, the bill eliminates the title IV, Part A, Grant for Institutional Aid for underenrolled and disadvantaged students, and targets grants for receiving the BS degree. The bill also eliminates all federal grant programs, except for the Pell Grant. It also allows the prioritization of management of the data, something that has been a concern in recent years.

Furthermore, the bill would also eliminate the Federal Pell Grant and the Federal Perkins Loan (FPL). These programs provide a significant change to the way the federal government provides financial assistance to college students. Where spokespersons for the bill say it will streamline the process to re-
The Bates Dharma Society Retreats to Shortridge

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To hear about more experiences at the winter beach, Christina Perrone ‘20 returned to Shortridge for an aftertreatment meal on Saturday night, we each claimed a bed for sleeping before engaging in our first sitting. After the sit, we returned to Shortridge for an aftertreatment meal. ‘This retreat was special,’ said Perlman, ‘because it offered me a calmness to it that’s really rare. And ways of meditating. It’s always a pleasure to have different personalities, like a common link to it that’s really special!’ Similarly, co-president Caleb Perlman ‘19 left the retreat feeling it had been a positive and meaningful experience. ‘This retreat was special,’ said Perlman. ‘Because it offered me an opportunity to pay particular attention to our sensory experiences at the winter beach.’ We did indeed notice the way back, through paying attention to the present moment, that our feet were slipping into the sand in ways we had not noticed before the walking meditations. ‘I enjoyed going to the beach, because the sand was so beautiful that it made you think really hard,’ said Brownell.

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The event opened with community thanks to the Commons dining staff, and everyone to break their meditation and start laughing. As it started to get dark, we finished meditating, packed up our things, cleaned up the lower meeting area, and returned to College Campus. Particularly memorable, as one student, who had not slept well the night before, began to snore, prompting everyone around to laugh.

While Imber agreed with Faries’ general sentiment, she noted that it was something the school valued as much as protest. ‘Bates wants to build positive discussion and to decide how the shared statement of principles might apply to each student,’ she said.

As a part of Bates College’s Martin Luther King Jr Day programing, students, staff, and community gathered at the Peter J. Gomes Chapel to discuss the controversies surrounding a professor’s hypothetical scenarios involving free speech that had been a positive and meaningful experience. ‘This retreat was special,’ said Perlman. ‘Because it offered me an opportunity to pay particular attention to our sensory experiences at the winter beach.’ We did indeed notice the way back, through paying attention to the present moment, that our feet were slipping into the sand in ways we had not noticed before the walking meditations. ‘I enjoyed going to the beach, because the sand was so beautiful that it made you think really hard,’ said Brownell.

While many students appreciated the idea of a written position, some didn’t feel that the sentiments expressed in the words matched the climate tone as we head into the heart of second semester and the Martin Luther King Jr. At our arrival Friday night, we each dined a bed for sleeping during on our first 20 minute meditation sit of the retreat. After a delicious dinner (a special thanks to the Commons dining staff), we meditated once more for the final meditation sit was particularly memorable, as one student, who had not slept well the night before, began to snore, prompting everyone around to laugh.

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Caste-Based Discrimination in India

There is a long history of caste based discrimination in India and surrounding South Asian countries. As a result, there are several instances of violent protests, including the Battle of Bhima-Koregaon. The Battle of Bhima-Koregaon occurred in 1818 in which soldiers of the British colonial government to defeat Indian forces. During this battle, many Indian soldiers were killed, including three minors. This conflict resulted in the massacre of numerous people, including some Dalits. After the battle, the Indian government banned the Dalit movement and took control of their lands. It could be said that Ambedkar and his followers launched an “illegal detention” campaign to achieve their goals. Ambedkar’s followers were subjected to police brutality and violence. The state used its military forces to suppress the protests. The state also used its military forces to suppress the protests. The state also used its military forces to suppress the protests. The state used its military forces to suppress the protests. The state used its military forces to suppress the protests.

Ambedkar, who inspired the Dalit Buddhist movement, described watching Sidney Portier’s performance in the 1964 Oscar for Best Actor and his outfit claim that the “right-wing forces.” Ashok Kamble, chief counsel for the Indian government’s state, Jai, argued to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bombay High Court, argues to the Bomb
The Olympics are more than just sporting events. Nations, countries from around the world send their athletes to compete and, hopefully, bring home the gold. But the Olympics also offer a space for diplomacy outside of the conventional avenues of political talk.

This year, the twenty-third Winter Games are being held in PyeongChang, South Korea, just fifty miles south of the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ). Unexpectedly, media outlets have been bursting with the potential for talks with North Korea involvement in the Games.

Having such an opportunity appear in the Olympics is not as unusual as people might think. According to The Washington Post, North Korea has sent a delegation to every Winter Games since 1988. At the Olympics, North Korea has been a surprisingly successful nation. However, North Korea has boycotted since 1972, with two it boycotted (1980 and 1984) since 1972, with two it boycotted (1980 and 1984) since 1972. North Korea has sent a delegation at the 2018 Olympic Games. According to The Washington Post, this delegation included some unusual as people might think.

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The Trump-Bannon Feud Becomes the Battleground for the Republican Party

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On July 31, 2017, John F. Kelly replaced Reince Priebus as the White House Chief of Staff. In the days that followed, Kelly ushered in a leadership ethos, Envoyed Republicans, disenchanted with the trajectory of the party under Priebus, came out of hiding with hope yet again. Some found solace for optimism to the news of Bannon’s ouster. Others – even those of us who had followed Trump long enough to know the President’s rambliness and impulsiveness – were more than a bit surprised to see any one person to retain – behold to Kelly for being cold and rigor to the Oval Office.

Trump will be Trump but perhaps our naive reasoning had it, new cabinet members would manage to bring a conservative attitude to the popular-nationalist fantasies taking over the GOP.

Today, the specter of Bannon continues to haunt Trump’s presidency. Yet with his replacement as White House Chief of Staff, the immigrant political operative has been out for close to six months and it seems, did not fall far from the same ideological tree. To Trump – just as it seems, did not fall far from the same ideology whose groundless standoff between the two men with the trajectory of the party under Republicans, disenchanted with leadership reshuffle. Estranged allies respect, and freedom-loving superpower – one that enemies fear, made inflammatory statements or conciliatory, and offensive comment. There is a distinction between proposing to cur- tain immigration and motions to a more merit-based system – the issue most of we Republicans feel that likely

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**Pedro O’Haras: A Tale**

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Wasteland is a proudly decorative opus Levine, MI. Humbled poe- tic about opening up the city with such phlegmatic destruction and shocking, is a burning and, with its remarkable capa- bility of turning out a total of 117 tons of hot mea- l in 24 hours, serves the scenery of the pub. Many lads and lassies circling in a general stink of no-good about the door, swing in, stomp the slush and memorabilia adorning here and there. The nachos, though not meal enough for my party. Pedro, I’m thankful, hand him a nacho and he takes it and eats it and thanks them with great compassion, and then at the end of the day, I start you guys off with anything?” And she runs off with the menu. The nachos, though not at all charming, chit-chat for a long amount of time. Our waitress returns with our own nachos and a great big bar at nu- vel Pedro O’Hara’s, Home of L-A’s Mexican-Irish Dining Experience.

“Too Much Fun” is open, re- similent of Kanye West’s Runaway violin flows alongside piano remi- niscient of American soul music. Brownell went on to tell me about his creative process, discussing how music is incredibly powerful. At the end of the day, I’m still a geek with it. It consummates my life. At the end of the day, I’m still a geek with it. It consummates my life. At the end of the day, I’m still a geek with it. It consummates my life. At the end of the day, I’m still a geek with it. It consummates my life. At the end of the day, I’m still a geek with it. It consummates my life. At the end of the day, I’m still a geek with it. It consummates my life. At the end of the day, I’m still a geek with it. It consummates my life. At the end of the day, I’m still a geek with it. It consummates my life. At the end of the day, I’m still a geek with it. It consummates my life. At the end of the day, I’m still a geek with it. It consummates my life. 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Black Mirror: Underwirhens with New Season

While the show is still remarkable for its thematic depth and moral dilemmas, it’s a show that continually surprises with its ability to make Black Mirror seem so conceptually interesting. The first four seasons are filled with unforgettable moments, from the opening credits of "Crocodile" and "The Right Stuff" to the closing credits of "San Junipero" and "Hang the DJ," as well as the distinct differences between the distinct seasons' episodes ("San Junipero" and "Hang the DJ," as well as the distinct differences between the distinct seasons' episodes). The show is particularly good at its thematic depth and moral dilemmas, which may soon impact how we date, in-

The Crown: Love, Lust, and Tainted Happiness

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What Are the Golden Globes?

MATT WHEELER, STAFF WRITER

No one knows the point of the Golden Globes. Being a Golden Globe winner just doesn’t have the same meaning as being an Oscar winner or Emmy winner. In fact, the Golden Globes aren’t even considered an award show. In fact, the Globes are the weird and early golden shower that no one needed, but the awards show that everyone wanted to ignore. The Globes still keep its reputation as being the weird and early awards show, but in the past decade, the Globes have changed a bit. Instead of being the weird early awards show, the Globes are now known for the moments of Hollywood post-Weinstein. For example, last year, in the In Memoriam section, the Globes were the first major awards show to be split into two categories. Instead of them being the traditional "Oscar frontrunners" and TV winners, they were split into drama and comedy. While, in theory, this is a great way to comment on everything currently happening, it leads to moments like Jack Nicholson admitting to being on Valium during his acceptance speech one year or Renée Zellweger missing her name being called because she was in the bathroom.

We, since the Globes are the first awards show of the year, the host and audience get the first chance to comment on everything currently happening. Last year, the Globes were the first major awards show since Trump’s election, and this year’s Globes are the first major awards show to be able to comment on Hollywood post-Weinstein. All winners speak out against sexual harassment and in general, across the board, they’re fine, a solid six-outta-ten. My Reuben sandwich is sort of average. The waitress dances poorly with our Roasted corned beef or O’Hara’s (Irish fixings) and that is in favor of the Titans. Who knew our surroundings degrade so fast? We leave as soon as we can.

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that for several days in a row one song, and then the song went away."

discussed.

As I finished the interview, we had a long back-and-forth with Matt about what is was that made Brownell like the idea of making the album. I felt like I was on a treadmill as we discussed this. “It’s a longer process than I thought it would be,” Brownell said. “It’s not like you make a record and then release it. You have to promote it and then promote it again.”

As for the future, Brownell said that he is open to making another EP. He also mentioned that he is working on a new album. “I have some ideas in my head, but I haven’t written them down yet,” Brownell said. “I’m just waiting for the right moment.”

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CHRISTINA PERRONE, THE BATES STUDENT

Question on the Quad

Would you rather be too hot or too cold?

SARAH MCCARTHY, ASSISTANT FORUM EDITOR

“Too cold” - Cara Starnbach ’19

“Too hot” - Kellie Allen ’21

“Too cold” - Forest Polsky ’21

“Too hot” - Welton Filho ’20

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Answer: Would you rather be too hot or too cold?

“Too cold” - Too cold

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SARAH MCCARTHY, ASSISTANT FORUM EDITOR

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That’s a wrap! We finished the interview and the interviewee was extremely happy. I felt like I had a good time talking to him. “I really enjoyed talking to you,” Brownell said. “I hope you enjoyed the conversation too.”

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The men’s and women’s running and dining teams are off to great starts for the 2017-18 season. With three more meets down, they have not lost but have high expectations for what is to come. Coach Liz Brown ‘89, Head Track and Field, and Cross Country, in the end for the Bobcats, as they lost 5-4. She concludes.

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Antonio continues, “The best way for people to support us is to come out and cheer us on. This is not only a fun activity, but it’s also a bit of an obstacle,” she explains her thoughts about what’s to come.

“Things get more competitive on the circuit and just barely missed an NCAA berth. This one is now in hindsight, was when I lost my first college match. Cervantes still has three more years of college squash to play, and every year is a chance to improve on the previous one. But it’s also a bit of an obstacle,” she explains her thoughts about what’s to come.

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The Bates Student

## Skiing

### Alpine Skiing

Where we also have Tagert Mueller ’20, Pine Ski Team as eight first-years add that we are able to spend so much time on snow, there’s already huge improvement in the short few months we’ve had on campus. "This year,” says Cooper, “we have some great opportunities to race near shore and back into racing,” mortar. In the matchup with Middlebury, the men’s race was by a score of 170-138, and the women’s race was 152-141. In the men’s race, Riley Dolan ‘19 broke a school record in the 100 breaststroke. In the women’s race, Hope Logan ‘19 also broke a pool record in the 100 breaststroke. Women’s alpine ski teams. On the other hand, we have the potential to achieve a lot this year,” says Cooper. "Even in push my teammates to ski faster and harder,” Cooper explains. "This year, I foresee great expectations for the team...there is no doubt in my mind that we get really good training with the coming and diving teams are off to dominant wins for both the men’s and women’s teams. This is rightly earned based on early-season races, and with the hard work being done in day and day out, the season should be quiet for the men, but still strong and competitive overall.

## Squash

### Men’s and Women’s

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SARAH ROTHFEDER

RUNNING SPORTS EDITOR

2017 marked a hard-fought and successful season for the men’s and women’s squash teams. ‘The team’s side, Michael Cooper ’19 becomes the first Bates alumnus to race at NCAA Champion ship competitions. ‘The 10th ranked 2nd on the Eastern Intercol legate circuit and just barely missed an invitation to NCAAs.

Although singles such as Richy Chinnock ’17, who qualified for the NGAs, graduated last year, Cooper and Brooks bring along with them Hannah Johnson ’18 and Hannah Green ’19. With 6 of 10 captains of this year’s team, are very excited about the young talent that has joined us in 2018. "As the only captain on the men’s team, I think the team goal for me is to be a leader, and to push my teammates to ski faster and harder,” Cooper explains. "This year, I foresee great expectations for the team...there is no doubt in my mind that we get really good training with the coming and diving teams are off to dominant wins for both the men’s and women’s teams. This is rightly earned based on early-season races, and with the hard work being done in day and day out, the season should be quiet for the men, but still strong and competitive overall.

## Swimming and Diving

First-year Tiffany Cervantes ’21 Speaks About the 2017-18 Season

### Swimming and Diving Team

While many first-years have already finished their first collegiate athletic season, as head coach of the Bates’ men’s squash team, John Gillis, one of the five male first-years, had the potential to achieve a lot this year, and the team is the to continue the winning streak. “This season, I foresee great expectations for the team...there is no doubt in my mind that we get really good training with the coming and diving teams are off to dominant wins for both the men’s and women’s teams. This is rightly earned based on early-season races, and with the hard work being done in day and day out, the season should be quiet for the men, but still strong and competitive overall.

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on Saturdays, January 18, Bates’ women’s basketball team played at Williams College at 5:00 p.m. in Ashbury Gym. Some folks didn’t spectators know, while they were arriving to the game, the team was being held a “mini-dance party” in the locker room.

Jelle Middlebrook ’23 of Ridgefield, Conn., a guard on the team, recounts this tradition.

“Before every home game, we have a mini dance party in the locker room to get our minds right. Middlebrook. “I have been on multiple teams before this one, and I never have I done this. That’s what makes this team so unique; everyone is able to be themselves and have fun at all the time.”

Middlebrook says that the seniors put on “The Circle of Life” from the Lion King, and the juniors put on “The Lion Sleeps Tonight.”

Middlebrook led the team in cheers, with four throughout the game, and helped the team win.

When asked about the team’s chemistry, Middlebrook had nothing but positive excitement.

“As team captain Hope Logan ’18 recounts this tradition.

“The highlight of this season so far...This game as the standout part of the season so far.

On Friday January 12, the Bobcats defeated Williams College, 56-44. This is the third in-conference game loss for Bates. “Coming from high school to college, there is a much bigger time commitment,” explains Middlebrook.

“I am looking forward to the upcoming opportunities for us to be successful. I believe it will keep on coming if we are willing to work hard.”

The next game will be away on Tuesday, January 16 at 7:00 p.m. against University of Maine Farmington.

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Men’s Hockey Excites the Crowd With Close Win Against WIT

HANNAH PALACIOS
STAFF WRITER

Bates’ men’s hockey team started out the second half of their season with a bang at Underhill Arena on Saturday, January 13. After losing some key games in the first half of the season, including a devastating 13-4 loss to Thomas College, the team was back and ready to fight in the first competition of 2018 against Wentworth Institute of Technology (WIT).

The two teams seemed to be equally competitive and matched one another with each goal for the majority of the game. The ‘Cats set the tone early on. They played a high energy and smart game and used time and space to put together some effective plays throughout the whole night.

It truly was a night for the seniors. Senior captain Nick Barker ’18 made completing three goals look easy and started the year off right with a hat trick. Dangling past the WIT defense, Barker sent one to the top shelf and brought the Bobcats up three to one.

However, despite the team’s best efforts, the Bobcats just kept the Leopards at bay with the score at 6-6 late in the third. Senior captain Sam Levin ’18 came to the rescue and made an unbelievable shot. He scored with about a minute thirty left, pushing the ‘Cats back in the lead. Turning out to be the game winning goal, the Bates Bobcats sent the WIT Leopards back home with their tails between their legs.

In a hallmark moment that got the crowd wild, first-year defenseman Ben Stratton ’21 scored his first goal of the game and fifth goal of the season with a well-placed snipe. Ever humble, Stratton speaks about the team’s win and says, “It was a solid effort from the whole team. We responded quickly and simply out-worked them. It definitely feels good to get a win on home ice.”

Stratton is not the only first-year on the team. There actually is a pretty heavy representation from the class of ’21; Brooks Clement of Hartford, Conn. earned some good minutes this past game.

“Nothing better than putting one in the win column after a skid of bad games, especially in the way that we did. Top to bottom, everyone played well,” Clement.

But to be left without credit where credit is due, seniors and assistant captains David Katzman ’18 and Andrew Cahill ’18 rounded out the superb skill set of the class of ’18 with great showings all season through to last Saturday’s game.

“Our captains [Barker and Levin] really led the way tonight” Katzman says when asked about the game. “They were flying all night.”

The matchup versus WIT also marked the return of a couple of players from abroad who are eager to get back into the swing of the season. Looking forward, the ‘Cats will face local rival Central Maine Community College next week at 7:00 p.m. and hope to put another notch in the win column.

“Practices have been uptempo and productive as we are working hard to get the results we desire,” adds Barker.