Lovejoy award honors journalists who sacrificed their lives in 2018

By Bia Malaspina

Each year, the College awards the High Parish Lovejoy Award to a journalist making courageous contributions to journalism. This year, how-

tever, the College decided to give the award to jour-

nalists around the world who were killed in 2018.

The Goldfarb Center for Public Affairs held several events last week in conjunction with the Lovejoy Award, including the screening of a new Netflix film "The Crown Prince of Saudi Arabia," and two panel discussions.

The first panel discussion on Oct. 17 was the Lovejoy Award ceremony, Presi-
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dent David Greene introduced panelists and also spoke to the audience about the select-

ion committee.

"This year is different from any other year as we've ever done in the 67 years of giving out this award," Greene said. "As they consider who is the Lovejoy selection com-

mittee, which is a group of truly distinguished journalists from around the country, we were struck by the unbroken number of reporters and jour-

nalists who were killed in 2018. We see this as a landmark year, and one that we will look back on as a year in which reporting was threatened.

Greene also emphasized the importance of the High Parish Love-

joy, for whom the award is named. The "personification of Lovejoy," Greene said, "is a person who embraces the values of Lovejoy, who has spoken about his position as a jour-

nalist and the events which ultimately led to his assassination."

The panel consisted of Hala Al-Dosari, the Washington Post's inaugu-

ral Arab-American journalist and editor, who is married to one of the respondents. But he had this good personality. We think what happened in Saudi Arabia with the rise of Prince Muhammad bin Naif in 2015, it pushed him out. These media circles in Saudi Arabia became more aggressive and ultra-nationalist.

The panelists also discussed the life of the late Capital Gazette editor and her-

ald, Martin Smith, who was killed in a gunman's attack. The panel was moderated by Martin Lawrence, a National Public Radio correspondent. Lawrence began by dis-

cussing the list of jour-

nalists displayed on the screens above him.

"Some of those people were killed on our home," Lawrence said. "They were casualties, but not targets. But over half were targeted for murder, some of them by state actors. And that's why we've added all those on the list to the Lovejoy Award.

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The Alfond Youth Center introduces food program

By: MATT REICH Contributing Writer

The Alfond Youth and Community Center was both a TV show and a Boys and Girls Club, which makes the only place in the United States that stands alone. The center and the school community building are in the primary mission of the Alfond Youth Center, which family and friends spoke proudly, not only to adopt the program.

More than 4,200 children and 1,300 adults benefit from the program each day.

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A Conversation with JJ Jackson, Interim Dean of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

By CLARA BEMIS

Features Reporter

This academic year the College unveiled Diversity Chair of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) JJ Jackson. As the college’s next step toward inclusiveness, Jackson has spent the last 38 years of his experience in higher education administration developing his recommendations for the College for the future.

How did you find yourself at Colby?

Jackson followed a recommendation from a search firm and discussed with others, Dean Bennett. Jackson himself set out to find a piece of tenure and location at an esteemed university that has the same vision as Colby in this position. With support of the President (Greene), he was interested in finding someone with my experience to provide insightful recommendations for the college’s advancement of the DEI agenda.

How did your career path lead you to this position?

Jackson believes that the DEI position will have good stuff to carry over with what you’re doing now. DEI is crystallized on student development and DEI progressing. He describes the position as one that is risk bearing in dangering our very existence. He believes that DEI is just, which is something that he’s lost. In his experience, he has found a new passion in DEI and the path he is taking.

What do you think DEI is important?

Jackson believes that DEI is his passion and he has always wanted to help younger professionals maintain availability to be able to grow diversity and equity. He describes DEI as important social activity that he’s excited to be a part of.

What do you do to relieve yourself of stress?

Jackson dedicates every moment of his time to Colby and other DEI activities. He describes DEI as important social activity that he’s excited to be a part of. Jackson always works directly with students.

What do you see yourself doing once your time as interim dean is over?

Jackson wants to get to work with his family and returns to teaching. At the same time, Jackson wants to be able to help Colby students develop or advance their careers, valuable in higher education. Jackson intends to break down barriers and change the institution when he has served.

By SHAY LAVIN

Features Writer

The Jewish High Holidays of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur began Sept. 29 at sundown and ended Oct. 1 at sundown. For Colby students, the holiday season marks the beginning of the week of the beginning of the academic year.

Why do you think having a High Holiday during the fall is important?

Jackson believes that Colby’s Jewish community is very unique. The Jewish students come from many parts of the world and have a different sense of spirituality. The High Holidays are more personal and a way to feel the connectedness with friends, as well as opportunities to listen to music (both live or other activity. In the quiet moment that will allow the student to grow diversity and equity. Jackson believes that Colby’s Jewish community is very unique. The Jewish students come from many parts of the world and have a different sense of spirituality. The High Holidays are more personal and a way to feel the connectedness with friends, as well as opportunities to listen to music (both live or other activity.

How do you like Colby?

Jackson has lived all around the world and has grown up on a farm. He describes Colby as the right place for him and has been very happy with his experience. He finds Colby’s students to be very special and he gets great pleasure from live theatre (especially musicals). He enjoys the time at Colby to do something different and new.

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The 34th Volume of PechaKucha Night in Waterville—sponsored by A&E and Opinion Editor of the Waterville Entertain—opened the door to several speakers. The event, which took place on Oct. 2, 2019 at the Whitney Playhouse, welcomed over 125 guests. The evening lasted approximately 2 hours and consisted of 20 speakers, each sharing their stories through 20-second slides. The theme of the night was "Dream," which encouraged each speaker to share their dreams and aspirations. 

Mellen attends Poughkeepsie School in Hamilton, MA before he was involved with the music program at Colby College. Mellen explains, "I joined the drum line as a freshman and was able to put together a band of my own. I was also able to learn on my own and practice my drum skills during my time here."

In regards to his drumming, Mellen says that he is inspired by other musicians and other drummers. Mellen says, "I am constantly learning from other drummers and trying to improve my own skills."

Mellen is currently a part of a group called "The Colby Music Incubator." Mellen utilizes the space as a way to explore his musical interests and make music with other students. Mellen says, "The space has been essential to my development as a musician and I am grateful to have this opportunity to explore my musical interests."
On Oct. 1, Waterville Mayor Nick Isgro announced his intention to declare Oct. 14 Columbus Day once more. This move was in response to Maine Governor Janet Mills’ (D) April signing of a law that reinstates Columbus Day, though the official Mayor of Mayflower Hill. For information on rates and other details, e-mail Business Colby Echo. The ideas expressed in the Opinion section and elsewhere reflect the views of the student of Colby College since 1867. About: The Colby Echo is a weekly newspaper written, compiled, edited, and produced by Colby students since 1867. Student interests in contributing should contact either the Editor-in-Chief or the editor of the section in which they are interested. Contact Luisa Goldman (lgold20@colby.edu) or Shoshi Leviton (slevit20@colby.edu) for more information on how to get involved!

The Echo View: Leaders should be held accountable

In Isgro’s Proclamation regarding the MaineCare announcement that it cannot relate to. Regardless of the content’s intended audience, an individual who speaks in such a dismissive manner is not someone we want to represent our communities and our values.

We recognize that the majority of students are not long term residents of the Waterville community, and we fervently believe that it is our civic duty to hold public officials responsible for discriminatory and prejudicial statements. Be it the obvious prejudicial statements in Isgro’s Proclamation or the obvious prejudicial ideology behind this comment, it also exposes Isgro’s habitual hypocrisy. In Isgro’s Proclamation reinstating Columbus Day, he emphasized the foundational American belief “that all men are created equal.” Voicing this kind of illogical opposition to the MaineCare announcement is anathetical to Isgro’s statement of equality for all. Divisively, he believes that transgender individuals are not worthy of the freedom of healthy autonomy, especially not on the taxpayer’s dime.

When asked in an email if the Echo for clarification of the Facebook post, Isgro claimed that “since the comment was tongue in cheek there is a serious misstep. Gender dysphoria in a serious condition that leads to higher rates of depression and suicide, and now we are seeing the stories of post sex reassignment surgery only compounding these issues. We should be working to help these people but do so in a much more nuanced and compassionate way.” In making this comment, Isgro induced being transgender from a legitimate human identity to a mental illness necessitating treatment. He claims that transgender people often suffer from suicide and post-sex reassignment surgery, an assertion not borne out by relevant scientific literature. Isgro’s ignorance in this area, given his prominent role in Waterville society and politics, will only calcify prejudice and allow bigotry to fester. Isgro has a moral and constitutional, prejudicial, and discriminatory statement. We feel that holding our public officials to a high moral and ethical standard is the duty of any news source. Isgro has repeatedly exhibited qualitative and advanced views inconsistent with our community’s principles and values, and we believe that these opinions must be confronted and challenged to truly say that we oppose prejudice and discrimination in all forms.

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“So we go to pay for their surgery, but do we really need a much deeper understanding than our current climate is giving us.” In making this comment, Isgro induced being transgender from a legitimate human identity to a mental illness necessitating treatment. He claims that transgender people often suffer from suicide and post-sex reassignment surgery, an assertion not borne out by relevant scientific literature. Isgro’s ignorance in this area, given his prominent role in Waterville society and politics, will only calcify prejudice and allow bigotry to fester. Isgro has a moral and constitutional, prejudicial, and discriminatory statement. We feel that holding our public officials to a high moral and ethical standard is the duty of any news source. Isgro has repeatedly exhibited qualitative and advanced views inconsistent with our community’s principles and values, and we believe that these opinions must be confronted and challenged to truly say that we oppose prejudice and discrimination in all forms.
Fun facts about the late night staff

Peter Brown: “I was once expelled from guitar school because I had no rhythm.”

Mary Farshbaf: “I live in a pumpkin. I am basically Cinderella.”

Kevin Ellis: “I taught Woody Harrelson how to wake surf.”

Salma Rubin: “I wore the same halloween costume for ten years and it was a dog. Wool.”

Elsa Pohle: “I have to name my daughter Elizabeth. I do not have a choice.”

Leona Goldman: “I used to play the bells whilst at Colby. The bells call me with their chimes.”

Shoshi Leviton: “I was a body percussionist in high school. It is my true calling.”

Sonia Lachter: “I am doing an independent major in nautical flag studies. The character Jack Sparrow is based on my life.”

Eliza Pohle: “I have to name my daughter Elizabeth. I do not have a choice.”

Sonia Lachter: “I hiked a mountain in my prom dress and in my heels as well.”

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Field Hockey falls to Williams in close game

Will Zillender

Sports Reporter

The 17th ranked volleyball Colby Mules fell to 11th ranked Williams Ephs on September 20th with a memorable game full of action. This Saturday, Colby is now 4-2 in conference, while Williams is 3-1 on the season and 6-2 in conference. Both teams get the chance to make moves towards their seasons and the match ending a close one.

Colby was riding their second game three win streak of the season. Williams took too men an 8-7 on three minutes left, both goals were unassisted. Though the Mules were down two goals at halftime, the team started to swing the momentum in their favor. The Ephs entered the locker room down four goals, alternating only a single goal. They even had two shots of PC's from inside the circle that were blocked and rolled wide of the net. The fourth quarter was Colby's defensive masterpiece, full of counterattack moves, winning face-offs, and controls the ball well.

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