UM player gains All-American honor

hockey player Nicole Sevey has been selected to the 2015 Longstreth/NFHCA All-American second team

Sevey, a senior midfielder Skowis the REPORT eighth Black Bear in pro-

gram history to be selected as an All-American and it's the third year in a row that a Black Bear has been an All-American.

This selection includes a year full of accolades for Sevey who was named by for Maine this season and ac-

member of its Northeast All-Region first team last week.

She also has been selected **NFHCA** senior all-star game in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and has been named to the America East allconference first team



She started in all 23 games

University of Maine field Longstreth/NFHCA as a cumulated four goals and a five blocked kicks and holds career high eight assists while leading the Black Bears (19-4) to a berth in the America East championship game, where they were beaten by

Maine Maritime's Burgess on All-East team

Maine Maritime Academy's Michael Burgess of North Yarmouth has been named to the D3football.com All-East Region First Team Defense at the special teams utility position.

Burgess registered a total of

the all-time school-record with 15 career blocked kicks.

The senior recorded a single-game school record of three blocked kicks, including a blocked punt, blocked PAT and blocked field goal to lead the Mariners to a victory over Curry College this

As a punter, Burgess punted a tallied 1,435 yards on 39 punts (36.8 yards per punt), ranking third all-time in a single season, including a long-punt of 64 yards and nine punts inside of the 20-yard line.

Husson's Smith named All-New England

Husson University sophomore running back John Smith has been named to the New England Football Writers Division II/III All-New England Team.

Smith is the second Eagle player to be selected to the team twice and the seventh overall in program history, and he was one of 28 players from 18 different Division II or III institutions in New England to be selected to the team.

This season, Smith broke nine single-season school re-

cords, including rushing yards (1,733), rushing attempts (296), rushing touchdowns (20) and rushing yards per game (173.3).

He led the conference in rushes, yards, yards per rush (5.9) and touchdowns, while surpassing the 100-yard mark in all but two contests, tying his single-season record of eight, which was set last season, and hit the 200vard mark twice.

Smith has 16 100-yard rushing games in his career, leaving him one shy of the

Manziel expected back as Browns' starter

THE SPORTS XCHANGE

Johnny Manziel is expected to return as the starting quarterback for the Cleveland Browns after a twogame benching for his offthe-field behavior, according to reports Monday.

ESPN's Chris Mortensen and NFL Media's Ian Rapoport reported that Manziel will be back as the starter beginning with this Sunday's game against the San Francisco 49ers.

Head coach Mike Pettine said Monday he has not yet decided who will start at quarterback this week.

"I know there's reports out there that that there's been a decision. That's not the case,' Pettine said.

Pettine said he will meet Monday night and decide between Manziel or Austin

Manziel was the backup to Davis during Sunday's 37-3 blowout loss to the Cincinnati Bengals. The Browns have lost seven straight to drop to 2-10.

Davis was 25-of-38 passing for 230 yards with no touchdowns and an interception

against the Bengals in his first full game since he joined the Browns in September. He was sacked three times.

The Browns want further evaluation of Manziel's abili-

> ty on the field and how he handles any

success and failure off it, a source told ESPN. The Browns are uncertain

Manziel whether Manziel can re-es-

tablish the hope the franchise had when it made him a firstround pick in 2014, according to ESPN sources.

Pettine said last week that Manziel, who turned 23 on Sunday, could again play at some point before the season ends.

Quarterback Josh McCown started last Monday night's game because Manziel, who had been named the team's starter for the rest of the season, was sent back to the bench and relegated to No. 3 quarterback against the Baltimore Ravens. McCown suffered a season-ending broken collarbone in the game.

Manziel had been named the Browns' starter after he threw for 372 yards in a 30-9 loss to the Pittsburgh Steelers

Manziel was punished for reportedly lying to the team about when a video of him partying at a nightclub in Austin, Texas, took place. Manziel claimed the video was old, but the team learned it had been shot during the Browns' bye week.

Manziel, who spent three months in a rehab facility he entered voluntarily in January, can be seen drinking champagne and in a general party atmosphere in photos and video published online.

Pettine, who has lost 15 of his last 17 games, acknowledged after Sunday's loss that Browns owner Jimmy Haslam hasn't given him any assurances that he will make it through the season.

"We haven't had those discussions," Pettine said Sunday. "Jimmy and I had good conversations. We talk every week. Frankly, there's a lot of football left to be played. We're evaluated every day,

whether we're evaluating ourselves or whether it is coming from him.

Colts QB Hasselbeck to be evaluated for injuries

Indianapolis Colts quarterback Matt Hasselbeck, who left Sunday night's 45-10 loss to the Pittsburgh Steelers in the fourth quarter with shoulder and neck injuries, is not sure if he will be able to play this week.

Hasselbeck said that he initially got hurt in the first quarter before a third-quarter hit brought the medical staff onto the field.

"I did get X-rays and I'm in a little bit of pain," Hasselbeck said after the game. "I got hit on the top of the head and kind of just got my head compressed into my neck."

The 40-year-old Hasselbeck will be further evaluated on Monday and coach Chuck Pagano said, "He should be OK."

With Andrew Luck still sidelined by a lacerated kidney and shoulder injury, the Colts could be forced to turn to Charlie Whitehurst, who played the final two drives against the Steelers.

changed my life.

Bob Cimbollek is a retired high school basketball coach and athletic director.

Ex-USC coach files suit over termination

THE SPORTS XCHANGE

Former USC football coach Steve Sarkisian filed a lawsuit on Monday, alleging the school wrongfully terminated him in October instead of allowing him to seek treatment for alcohol-

The 31-page complaint was filed in Los Angeles County Superior Court. According to the lawsuit, USC didn't give Sarkisian the reasonable accommodation" of allowing "time off to get help for his disability."

Athletic director Pat Haden fired Sarkisian on Oct. 12, a day after the head coach was placed on an indefinite leave of absence for reportedly showing up for duty under the influence of alcohol. The suit states that Sarki-

sian has, at times, been "a person with a disability" because of his alcoholism, under federal law, and the stress of his job contributed to his alcohol dependency.

"Under the circumstances of this case, California law required USC to make reasonable accommodation of giving Steve Sarkisian time off to get help for his disability and then return to his job," according to the lawsuit. "Instead, USC ignored both its obligations under California law and the commitments it made to

Steve Sarkisian.'



Sarkisian

taken away his team, his income and a job that he loved.'

The suit also alleges that USC has violated Sarkisian's contract by refusing to pay him money he is owed. According to the suit, Sarkisian is seeking damages that include lost wages and payment for emotional distress along with punitive damages against USC.

"Alcoholism is a recognized disability under California law. So firing somebody because of that disability is against the law," Sarkisian's attorney, Alan Loewinsohn, said.

After Sarkisian placed on indefinite leave and then fired, there were multiple reports detailing his misuse of alcohol.

USC plays Wisconsin in the Holiday Bowl on Dec. 30.

Cimbollek

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It had been seven months since I had touched a basketball, but once I got back in condition, I surprisingly found myself stronger physically, much improved and a starter for the first game of ington State Teachers College at Machias and playing almost 40 minutes, scoring 33 points

Behind Merrill's motivation and coaching, I went on to become the school's first 1,000-point scorer and set 25

Miley

and Red Sox.

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with a 3.95 ERA over 832 1/3

innings in 138 career ap-

pearances (134 starts) be-

tween the Diamondbacks

league debut with Boston on

June 25 and went 0-1 with a 6.79 ERA over 10 1/3 innings

in six relief appearances

with the Red Sox in 2015.

Patriots

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Brady moving up

several lists in Sunday's loss

Brady kept moving up

Aro, 25, made his major

records. Our team won Husson's first basketball championship of any kind, went unbeaten in the Northeast College Conference regular season and won the Maine Small College champion-

The two most important records to me were averaging 14 rebounds and eight assists per game for my cathe season, visiting Wash- reer because the goals were always team wins and made my team better.

At the time, some were surprised that I went from a part-time Bangor starter to finishing with a 27.4 scoring average at Husson. Maturing, playing full time, prov-

The right-handed reliever

combined to go 3-3 with two

saves and a 3.04 ERA in 34

relief appearances com-

bined between Double-A

Smith, 26, went 2-5 with 13

saves and a 2.31 ERA over 70

innings in 70 games with the

Mariners in 2015. The right-

handed reliever limited op-

ponents to a .194 average in

his first full season in the

Smith provides the Red

gave him 30 for the year, his sixth 30-TD season, fourth

all time. He also registered

his 71st 300-yard game, third

all time. But he was guilty of

two interceptions, calling

the first one "bad quarterbacking" and the second "a

bad mental error."

major leagues.

Portland and Triple-A Paw-

tucket.

ing a point and a coach who phone call he made that could motivate were the factors that did so.

Before that first game my freshman year, Merrill took me aside to remind me of the opportunity to prove to others, him and myself that I should have been a high school starter.

vation. He said, "if you play to prove a point, you can take yourself to another playing level. Boy, was he right. It be-

That was Merrill's moti-

came the foundation of my Husson career and Merrill deserves all the credit. For that, I will be forever

thankful to him and for the

pitcher out of the bullpen

that now features new closer

Craig Kimbrel as well as

setup men Koji Uehara and

Elias, 27, went 5-8 with a

Junichi Tazawa.

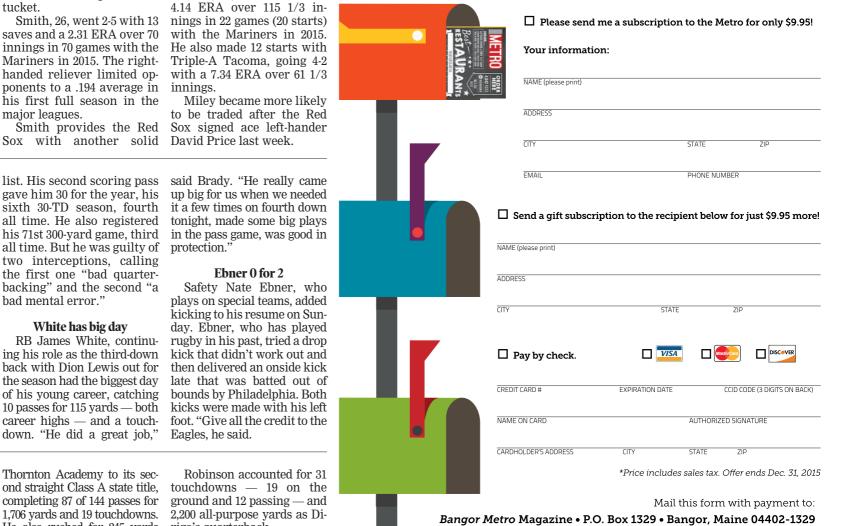
innings.

Sox with another solid David Price last week.



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in the pass game, was good in protection.

plays on special teams, added kicking to his resume on Sunday. Ebner, who has played rugby in his past, tried a drop kick that didn't work out and then delivered an onside kick late that was batted out of bounds by Philadelphia. Both kicks were made with his left foot. "Give all the credit to the Eagles, he said.

White has big day

RB James White, continu-

Ebner 0 for 2 Safety Nate Ebner, who

ing his role as the third-down back with Dion Lewis out for the season had the biggest day of his young career, catching 10 passes for 115 yards — both career highs - and a touchdown. "He did a great job,"

Thornton Academy to its second straight Class A state title, completing 87 of 144 passes for 1,706 yards and 19 touchdowns.

Craig passed for more and two touchdowns. Peck rushed for 1,549 yards and scored 16 touchdowns for Greely and made 70 tackles

Pratt-Holt, a wide receiver and safety, had 796 all-purpose yards on 17 carries and 25 pass receptions while scoring nine touchdowns. He contributed 84 tackles with three fumble recoveries and three intercep-McCrum quarterbacked tions on defense.

Robinson accounted for 31

vards rushing and receiving with 12 touchdowns. He also made 56 tackles, with two pass interceptions as linebacker.

Oak Hill to its third straight Class D state championship, compiling 2,624 all-purpose vards and 28 touchdowns on offense and 36 tackles as cornerback on defense.

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to the Eagles and even caught the second pass of his NFL career — the first

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touchdowns on the ground.

Glidden, an offensive

guard and defensive tackle, contributed 68 tackles, in-

cluding 17 for a loss for Scar-

borough. He also recorded five quarterback sacks.

since 2001 — on a flea-flicker from wide receiver Danny Amendola after a direct snap to running back James White. His second-quarter touchdown pass was the 421st of his career, breaking a tie with Dan Marino for third place on the all-time

He also rushed for 245 yards

than 2,000 yards and 23 touchdowns while completing 60 percent of his passes and added 875 yards and 13 from his linebacker slot.

touchdowns — 19 on the ground and 12 passing — and 2,200 all-purpose yards as Dirigo's quarterback. Shostak gained 1,178 total

Therrien quarterbacked