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## Students to vote on proposed amendments in SU special election

BY ELLEN JONES  
STAFF REPORTER

Student Union is hopeful that students will have voting on their mind when they log into their WebSTAC accounts on Wednesday and Thursday. A series of revisions to the Constitution of the Student Union will be awaiting their approval as soon as they log in.

Of the proposed changes, the most significant one calls for the restructuring of Student Union's executive branch, replacing the traditional president, vice president, secretary and treasurer design with a newly developed president and four vice presidents format.

According to senior Neil Pa-

tel, president of Student Union (SU), the proposed changes will increase efficiency, particularly within the executive branch.

"The way it is right now seems completely hierarchical, which isn't how it works at all," said Patel. "This will place everyone else on the same level and give more specific roles."

The proposed changes were first suggested by a task force made up of five members of SU, including Paul Moinester, former SU president.

The task force's recommendations were approved by the SU legislature last semester, but are awaiting approval from the general student body.

Each of the four vice presidents in the new scheme would

be responsible for a different aspect of SU: administration, programming, finance and public relations. SU's hope is that the changes will help balance and better define the roles of SU officials.

"Vice president is the heaviest role right now—this will split that up," added Patel.

According to the current SU constitution, two-thirds of the voting student body must vote in favor of the changes before they can be implemented.

SU also hopes that students will vote in favor of including a new mission statement and vision statement in the Constitution. These statements, which can be read on WebSTAC and the SU Web site, aim to better define

SU's goals and responsibilities.

SU has been working hard to increase awareness about these issues on campus.

"[We've] tabled in Mallinckrodt and created a Facebook group in support of the election," said SU Treasury Representative Brent Rubin. "[We] want to make sure that the whole student body is aware of the potential changes."

Even so, it is not likely that many students who are not involved with SU will bother to vote.

"Turnout for SU elections is generally not very heavy," said Rubin. "I hope that this election will have better turnout because

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## Medical school policies leave new parents wanting

BY ANDREA WINTER  
NEWS EDITOR

*This is the second in a series of articles examining the status of women in academia at Washington University.*

At Washington University, it's better to become a new parent at the Danforth Campus than at the School of Medicine.

While tenured and tenure-track faculty of either gender on the Danforth campus are entitled to a semester of paid parental leave when they have a new child either by childbirth or adoption, there is no formal paid parental leave granted to faculty at the medical school.

"As far as paid leave, there is no guarantee of a maternity leave other than what one has accrued as sick leave," said Diana Gray, associate dean for faculty affairs and professor of obstetrics and gynecology.

Tamara Hershey, professor of psychiatry, said that she was dissatisfied with her parental leave experience at the University.

"I have gone through it twice—it's sick days and vacation days," she said. "You basically use them all up in order to have time to recover physically and to take care of a dependent infant and then you go back to work. It does not improve the quality of the work that gets done when you [go] back to work that soon."

Because faculty at the medical school must use sick and vacation days for their parental leave, departments often allow new faculty to draw from their future sick and vacation days, according to Gray.

Many faculty members at the School of Medicine complain that the current policy's requirement that people must exhaust their sick and vacation days is a source of stress.

"I would like to see some actual maternity leave and some recognition that this is a process people go through," said Hershey. "It's not vacation and it's not sickness. It's a special situation, and having a guaranteed amount of

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## Sustainable garden helps students grow food and raise awareness

BY JOSH HANTZ  
NEWS EDITOR

The Burning Kumquat isn't really going to burn anything, as the name suggests. But this new student group is starting an herb and vegetable garden next to the Alumni House in the spring.

The group hopes to promote awareness of small-scale sustainable practices in farming, as well as green living in general.

"It's a chance for people to participate hands-on with their food," said senior Ellen Madden, who is in charge of the group's publicity. "A lot of it has to do with awareness and community building. It's very accessible for anybody on campus."

Sophomore Ted Erker, president of The Burning Kumquat and an environmental studies major, thought of the idea after thinking about where food comes from.

"I realized that I didn't know anything about how some of our most common foods grew," he said. "I don't think I had seen rice growing in dirt until I started working in the green-

house here. Food is so fundamental to everything about people, and I felt I was disconnected and incredibly ignorant of the things I ate."

As he learned more about the process, he decided that starting a small farm would be a great way to "reconnect to the land" and teach others too.

The Burning Kumquat has yet to decide which vegetables it wants to grow, but will look at group input and information from its research committee. Washington University Grounds Manager Paul Norman will help them till the land if necessary or build raised beds in order not to dig it up.

"We'll do all the proper work up until planting season starts," said Madden.

Once the garden starts up in the spring, the group's head farmer, Meghan Lewis, will oversee the watering, weeding, harvesting and other such tasks involved in maintaining a garden. Everyone, however, is encouraged to take shifts during the week, especially in the summer when most of the work is done.

Currently the group, which had more than 100 people at



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Ellen Madden, Caleb O'Brien and Felix Dowsley (L to R) work Saturday afternoon to raise awareness for the Burning Kumquat, a new student group dedicated to starting an herb and vegetable garden on campus. The garden will be located next to the Alumni House on the South 40 and will be planted in the spring.

its last event and has about 30 regular members, is flying the campus and plans to hold a hoedown, pumpkin carving and other informational sessions later in the semester, according to Madden.

"We wanted to be sure we have all the visual stuff set up," she said. "And we want to be as low-impact environmentally as we can. All printed material is

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## New fossils from Africa change understanding of early ancestors

BY KAT ZHAO  
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

A recent discovery in the basement of a medieval castle has begun to challenge scientific understanding of when the first human ancestors migrated from Africa.

Together with a team of anthropologists from around the world, Assistant Professor of Anthropology Herman Pontzer has discovered a series of fossils at the site of a medieval city in what is now Dmanisi, Georgia, that predate any previously unearthed.

During previous excavations, the Dmanisi site has yielded numerous hominid fossils, the earliest dating back to one million years ago.

The most recent discovery, however, revealed that our first ancestors to come out of Africa may have been much older than was previously thought.

"The fossils we found of one million years old are what we can comfortably call Homo erectus, which we believed were the first hominids to come out of Africa," said Pontzer. "With

these 1.8 million year old fossils, we basically doubled that record."

According to Pontzer, the discovery greatly challenges what was thought about how to map the behavioral complexity to the fossil record.

"The new discovery forces anthropologists to throw away the old assumptions of what a species is limited to based on the analyses of its physical dimensions," said Pontzer. "We can no longer say that because it has this brain size and these primitive stone tools, it can never get out of Africa."

Paleoanthropologists began excavating the grounds underneath a medieval castle in Dmanisi in the 1920s. However, the site's significance was hidden until 1983 when a rhinoceros horn was unearthed, strangely out of place in the Caucasus Mountain region. Findings of surprisingly early hominid fossils soon followed.

"It's almost unlike any other fossil sites, because it has been protected underground for so

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### MASTER DEBATERS: MOTHERLAND v. COLONIES



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Seniors Alex Just, from the British National Debate Team, and Sam Levine, from the Washington University Debate Team, face off on Tuesday. They debated the question, "Should the U.S. maintain a military presence in Iraq?" This was part of a series of debates organized by the Washington University Center for the Study of Ethics and Human Values. Check out @Press on www.studlife.com to learn more about the Center.

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## POLICE BEAT

Tuesday, October 2

10:42 a.m. TELEPHONE HARASSMENT—DANFORTH CAMPUS—Complainant reported that an ex-boyfriend is harassing her by text messaging. This has been an ongoing problem that started over the summer. Disposition: Under investigation.

2:05 p.m. AUTO ACCIDENT—700 ROSEDALE, NORTH CAMPUS—Golf cart rolled from parking space and struck another parked vehicle. Disposition: Cleared.

Thursday, October 4

4:25 p.m. TRESPASSING—WEST CAMPUS—Subject has been living in his vehicle parked in the garage for approx. one month. After being told to leave the subject returned. Disposition: Cleared by arrest.

Friday, October 5

12:03 p.m. ROBBERY—MC-DONNELL HALL—Staff member reports walking into her office and finding an unknown black male subject going through her desk. Individual attempted to steal her bag, but she wrestled it away from him. Individual ran through the building, pursued by several students who were just getting out of class. Search of area conducted and suspect located on

Big Bend. Disposition: Cleared by arrest.

5:57 p.m. BURGLARY—EADS HALL—Officers dispatched to a loop cut alarm observed an unknown black male, carrying a large black duffel bag and trying to exit the room. Subject was ordered to stop, which resulted in him fleeing. Suspect was later located at Cecil and Ellenwood. Disposition: Cleared by arrest.

Saturday, October 6

8:43 p.m. LARCENY—UNKNOWN—Complainant reported items stolen from vehicle sometime in the past two weeks at an unknown location. Items taken described as a first aid kit and two floor mats. Disposition: Pending.

Monday, October 8

5:55 p.m. LOST ARTICLE—PSYCHOLOGY BUILDING—Reporting party stated that she lost her wedding ring between Brown Hall and Psychology Building, between the times of 2 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Reporting party thinks that her ring came off her finger because of weight loss. A search of the area for the ring was met with negative results. Disposition: Pending.

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on reused fabric except for public informational pamphlets."

While most of the produce will go to Feed St. Louis, the group hopes to have a stand available for students to purchase food. It has also been working with Gateway Greening, New Roots Urban Farm and City Seeds—local environmental groups that have shared supplies and knowledge with The Burning Kumquat in exchange for volunteer work. Erker volunteers at City Seeds every Friday.

"My personal hope is that

students, in addition to learning about the food production system and alternatives to it, can work and grow their own food with their own hands and share it with the community," said Erker.

Madden has similar goals. "We're hoping to be part of the awareness of how to make a little bit of an impact on a lot of environmental issues facing our world and what it takes to make food so that it's not taken for granted," she said. "It's great to see so many people excited about it."

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long," said Pontzer.

Pontzer reported that a total of five skulls and post-cranial bits from roughly four individuals were unearthed. Although it is too early to say for sure, the team of researchers believes it holds the remains of one male and several females.

Pontzer estimates that the Dmanisi hominids weighed around 100 pounds with a brain volume half that of modern humans. This measure is considerably smaller than the brain size assigned to Homo erectus, placing the Dmanisi fossils closer to Homo habilis, a species anthropologists generally confine to Africa alone.

In addition to the anthropological significance of Dmanisi, Pontzer points out a more subtle implication for modern humans.

"The kind of behavioral flexibility that we take for granted has really deep roots, suggesting that our success did not depend so much on the bigger brains, the advancement of tools or the making of clothes, but rather something more basic," he said. "You can boil this down to an even more fundamental set of behaviors that



COURTESY OF HERMAN PONTZER

A fossilized skull of the 1.8 million year old hominin *Homo ergaster* from the site of Dmanisi in the Republic of Georgia. Findings about this individual's skeleton, and remains from other individuals, were recently reported by Dr. Herman Pontzer in the journal *Nature*.

make us as successful as we are."

Despite the significance of the recent find, the work at Dmanisi remains far from finished.

"There's still a lifetime's

worth of stuff there," said Pontzer. "Maybe two lifetimes. We found an enormous amount of material there, but you're talking thousands of bones in an area smaller than the floor of a dorm room."

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time to go though this process is humane."

However, there is a general consensus that the medical school cannot adopt the same policy in place at the Danforth campus because many faculty members are physicians, making it less realistic for them to take an entire semester of leave.

Even so, many faculty members say that they would like the School of Medicine to adopt a formal policy that would guarantee some paid maternity leave.

"I feel we should have something, a set amount of leave that's guaranteed regardless of whether or not you have accrued enough sick leave or vacation days," said Hershey.

Currently, decisions concerning parental leave are left to the division chief. Because many departments have several divisions, there is not even a consistent policy within departments.

By federal law, the Family and Medical Leave Act allows any employee up to 12 weeks of unpaid parental leave.

But, according to Ann Gronowski, professor of pathology and immunology, there is much involved in taking that leave.

"It is not as simple as 'can you get away because the Family and Medical Leave Act says that you can,'" she said. "I think not having something written puts a lot of pressure for you to return."

The Academic Women's Network is currently working to bring more attention to this issue.

The goal is "actually getting the powers at be—the administration—to acknowledge this is an important problem which requires resources that are both logistic and financial," said Ingrid Borecki, professor of genetics and the current president of the organization.

According to Gray, the University's policies concerning parental leave have an effect on the number of women faculty members it can attract, retain and promote.

"I think it might lend the impression of a more family-friendly institution," she said. "I hope that it would contribute to a sense of a loyalty and a sense that the institution is supporting them."

Lauren Turker, a senior majoring in biomedical engineering and considering medical school, said she was not surprised by the medical school's policy because she had the impression that "hospitals are not typically happy about women having babies."

She said that requiring faculty to use their sick days and vacation time could hinder faculty from taking a sufficient amount of parental leave.

"It probably puts pressure on women to return to work before they're ready," she said.

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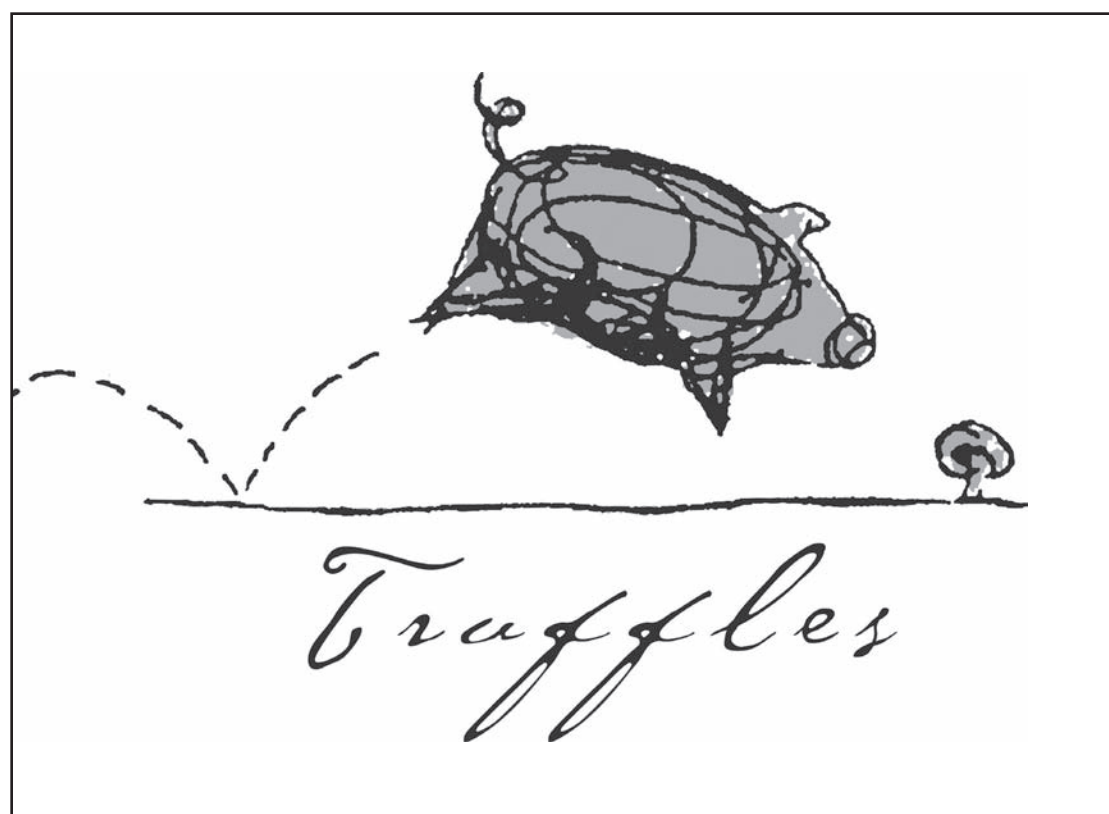
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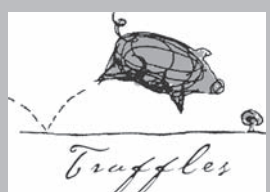


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# SPORTS

## MEN'S SOCCER

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# Bears sustain disappointing loss at feet of Emory

❖ Team prepares for two crucial league tilts this weekend

BY ANDREI BERMAN  
SPORTS EDITOR

It appeared in recent weeks that the Washington University men's soccer team was hitting a comfortable mid-season stride.

Then came Sunday. Looking for a 2-0 start in league play, the 11th-ranked Bears traveled to Emory for a key contest with the 12th-ranked Golden Eagles.

Though optimistic when heading into the match, the Red and Green boarded the plane back to St. Louis with a disappointing 3-0 defeat and a new sense of urgency with just five games to go in the ever-brief UAA slate. The squad's national ranking fell to 23rd.

An inauspicious beginning to this Sunday's game led to a frustrating end. The visitors never found their rhythm at the outset and gave up two late goals to Emory's counterattack. The final score hardly indicated the intensity and closeness of the game, and Wash. U.'s players were disheartened by

**"It seemed like every bounce, every intangible, went Emory's way."**

the result.

"Nobody on our team had a particularly strong game and this was one of the problems. We came out a little flat, made some bad mistakes and just could not catch a break the

whole game," said Elie Zenner, a senior captain.

Emory took advantage of an early goal from Joey Howie, who scored on a pass from Patrick McFarland just under 10 minutes into the action. From there, the Golden Eagles continued to put pressure on Wash. U. sophomore goalkeeper John Smelcer throughout the first half.

Despite the barrage of shots on goal, Smelcer and the Bears defense held steady and Wash. U. trailed by just the one tally at halftime.

In the second half, the visitors went on the attack, outshooting Emory by an 8-5 margin, which included a number of decent chances. But a plethora of questionable offside calls against the Bears continually offset the team's momentum and the guests failed to find the back of the net.

Wash. U. nearly found pay dirt in the game's 76th minute, but a shot attempt by Eric Hill on a free kick was deflected by the Emory goalie, preserving the shutout.

"It seemed like every bounce, every intangible, went Emory's way," said Zenner, who also noted his displeasure with the officiating.

Ultimately, the opposition's aggressive second-half strategy led to a pair of Emory goals, both of which came in the game's waning minutes as Wash. U. had sent most of its players forward on the attack.

Emory points leader Patrick Carver assisted on both scores, the first of which came off the toe of Jack Eisen-Markowitz, while the latter was put home

by McFarland.

With the loss, the Bears fell to 8-3-0 overall and 1-1 in league play. Emory is now 11-1-0 and 2-0 in conference.

Though Zenner believes Wash. U. can still contend for the league championship, he recognized that Sunday's loss will make achieving that goal quite a bit more difficult.

"It was a very disappointing game and gives us a lot less leeway for the rest of the season," he said. "It was a devastating loss, and this will be a real test of character and resilience for

**"This will be a real test of character and resilience for our team."**

our team."

For now though, Zenner and the rest of the squad are itching to get back on the pitch with the hope of quickly erasing the thought of Sunday's result from their minds.

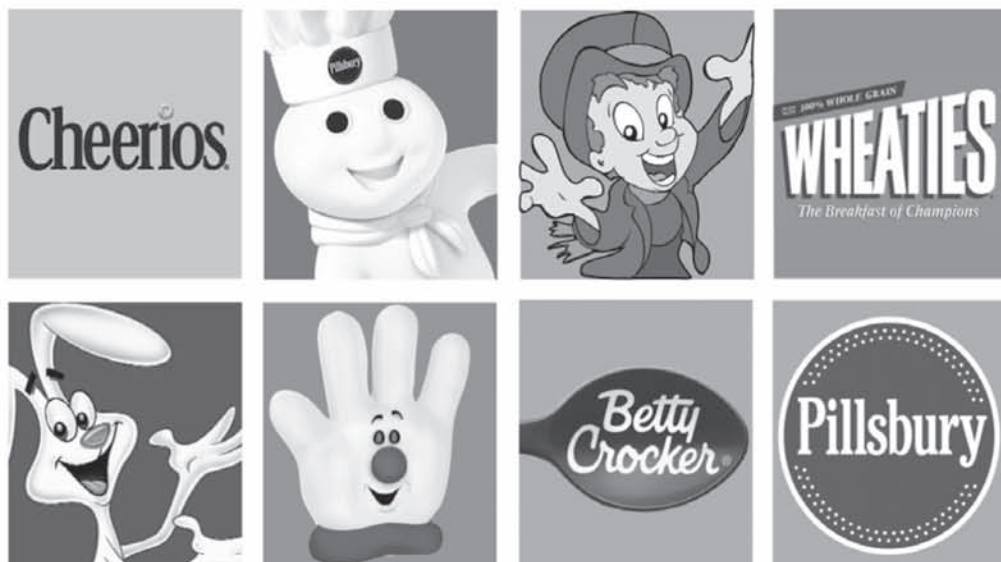
There is no rest for the weary, as Wash. U. looks to resume its run at a UAA title with two crucial league matches this coming weekend. The Bears play at NYU on Friday and then again at Brandeis on Sunday. Both squads are expected to present formidable challenges in their own right.

"Hopefully, our experience and leadership will carry us through. Right now, I think everyone just wants to get back on the field and get the taste of the Emory game out of our system."



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Junior Pierre Hoppenot handles the ball in a recent game against Illinois Wesleyan University. The Bears were handed their third loss of the season Sunday against Emory University.



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# FORUM

STAFF EDITORIAL

## Go to the polls for SU special election

Today and tomorrow, Washington University students will have the chance to go to the polls on WebSTAC and vote on changes to the Student Union Constitution. We encourage students to take this opportunity to let their opinions be heard on a significant proposed change in the way they are represented within the school.

There will be three issues on the ballot, each "Yes" or "No" questions. The first proposed change is the addition of both an SU Mission Statement and an SU Vision to the constitution. The proposed mission statement briefly mentions different facets of SU's general goal to "create a vibrant campus community." The proposed vision addition emphasizes supporting progressive change for the Wash. U. student while "fostering and

preserving tradition."

The second change proposed is to restructure the executive branch of Student Union, which currently includes a president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. With the proposed changes, the president position will remain, though with slightly altered duties, and the other positions will be replaced by vice presidents of administration, of programming, of public relations and of finance. The new structure of executive positions is calculated to further increase SU's transparency and efficiency.

The third change, to the first page of the constitution, changes slightly the organization of this part of the SU Constitution and rewords a number of the statements within it. The exact changes involved in each of these three proposed changes

can be found on Student Union's website, <http://su.wustl.edu>.

The process of these changes to SU began two years ago with David Ader, Student Union president from 2004-2006, in conjunction with 2004-2005 Treasurer Ed Banti. Last year's Speaker of the Senate Jeff Zove also played a large part in organizing the proposals.

These proposals are more than a whim; they have been in the works in Student Union for over two years now. "It's exciting to be part of this process because this how the constitution gets changed," said President Neil Patel. Students should feel the same way. After both proposals were passed by the Senate and Treasury, students are the final say as to whether or not the proposal should be enacted.

At the end of October 2002,

another resolution was passed by students in a similar kind of special election: the resolution to create a separate body from the already existing Senate, called the Treasury. Similarly, this constitution change "was almost two years in the making," according to a Student Life news article from that November.

The current proposed constitutional change, whether it is passed or not, is students' chance in 2007 to comment on the work of SU executives from years before and to affect Wash. U. students indefinitely into the future. Students ought to take full advantage of this opportunity to play a significant role in their student government and that of students in the future.

Today and tomorrow, polls will be open at <https://acadinfo.wustl.edu>.

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We welcome your submissions and thank you for your consideration.

## Testing the limits of free speech

BY DAVE SHAPIRO  
STAFF COLUMNIST

This, my first column of the 2007-2008 academic year, is about championing freedom of expression. The University is a bastion of free-flowing ideas, and ours is no exception. I wonder, however, how much we truly value the rights of others to say what they feel.

It is difficult for me to express my thoughts on this subject without going into a meandering diatribe. Let this not take away from my message.

While you have all been slaving away in your classes and on your work, I've been at home in New York, preparing to go to Oxford for my junior year abroad. You may have heard the president of Iran causing commotion when he spoke at Columbia University.

I was shocked to find out that this guy isn't such a good guy. He has denied the existence of the Holocaust and advocated for the destruction of Israel. At Columbia, he proclaimed that there are no gays in Iran. Now, this guy is a lunatic. People have every right to protest such hateful ideas and the man that espouses them. I am highly suspicious, though, of those who want to completely prevent him from speaking—particularly in an academic setting.

I ask: am I the only person out of the Washington University student body that would choose to hear him speak? I hope not. Cory Booker is nice, but Ahmadinejad? Would you guys really rather hear Chancellor Wrighton dedicate another flowerpot to Danforth than hear the president of the Islamic Republic of Iran speak? Which lecture would you tell your grandkids about? Sadly, the reaction of many students on the Wash. U. campus (from what I could tell from my New York City perch) leads me to believe that too many would choose the former.

Most Americans, particularly those who value the Constitution, believe that everyone should have a voice, no matter how

ridiculous their statements may be (with an extraordinarily few, highly debated exceptions). That's the way good ideas are furthered and protected while bad ideas are rejected. It's the basic "marketplace of ideas" concept that we all learned in high school.

I ask: why would we try to prevent a leader of a foreign country from speaking at an academic institution? The answer is sad but

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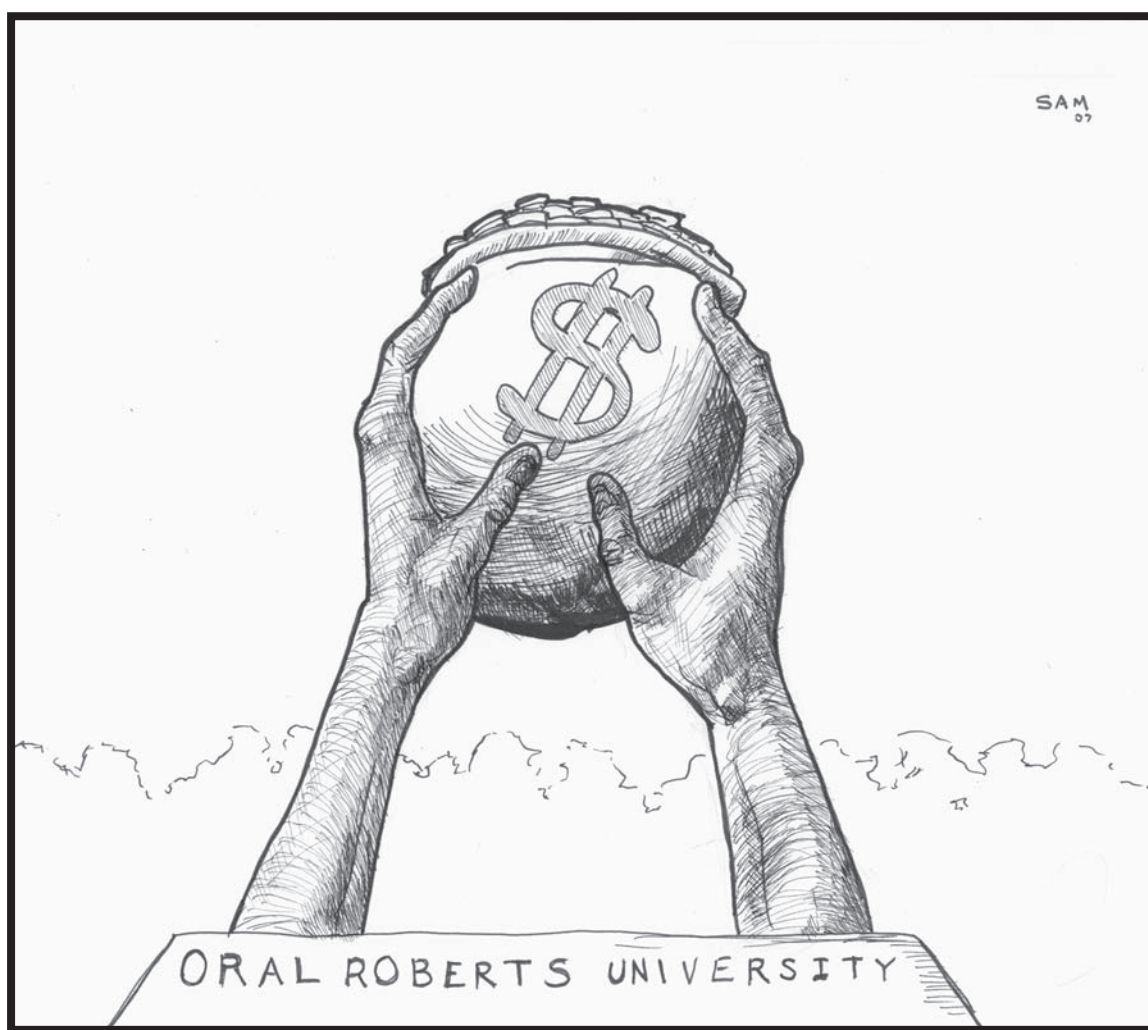
simple. Certain groups, like StandWithUs, preach an unrelenting hatred for all things that promote the Palestinian cause or call for anything remotely related to accountability in Israel. They led the fight to get Ahmadinejad's talk cancelled. They thankfully failed. What worries me, however, is a push from a group that is so ardently pro-Israel that it is bent on blocking the speech of anyone that in any way denounces the existence or actions of Israel.

The Iranian government is a sham at best. But it's still the government. The opinions of its leaders are of great interest to educators and to all world leaders. Stopping their speech from reaching American soil only reduces our knowledge of what they are all about. I commend those students at Columbia who protested Ahmadinejad. I do not commend those that tried to keep him out of the school.

I'll go back to my Mearsheimer now. Send those letters.

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### SAM WASHBURN | EDITORIAL CARTOON



## The Revolution is possible...

When I read the College Libertarians' column, "Don't support Democracy Day," this Friday, I smiled. Why? Because there are two quantitative facets to an opinion.

Most people walk around supporting some half-baked, moderately liberal or moderately conservative ideology espoused by whoever the idol is for their side, but supporting this ideology with extreme vehemence. A person, for example, might argue with fire and passion that war is bad and we should get out of Iraq. OK. War is bad. We should get out of Iraq. You said it quite loudly, you asserted it quite surely, but I wasn't ever really unsure about it in the first



Dennis Sweeney

place. And you knew I wasn't. But it's nice of you to care, I guess.

The College Libertarians, on the other hand, you don't hear from much (at least I don't). But look at the opinions they have quietly been holding this whole time. "The real discussion we should be having

is whether or not the State should exist at all." Holy god. Welcome to the exact opposite of your average overtly liberal war-decryer. This is a group (I apologize for so characterizing the whole group, but it's for convention's sake) who is questioning democracy itself, a word we all take for granted as positive and desirable. This is a group who is advocating that, instead of trying

to address problems through the government, we focus on

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our own lives instead. This is a group that uses the phrase "tyranny of the majority," and

believes it.

And this is the best part: "We think fewer Wash. U. students should vote." Wow. I mean, hey, that's what they think. But can you believe they actually said that? "Frankly, we are frightened to death of how Wash. U. students will 'swing the vote,' inevitably in favor of the tired old Statist ideology." That they had the audacity, the boldness (the cajones, if you will) to say this is to me very admirable. Way to go, College Libertarians. I'm serious.

And I'm serious because of this theory on opinions I have for you. Opinions' two quantitative facets are: how extreme they are, and how extremely they are held. Your average liberal Joe we were talking about excels in holding his opinion in an extreme way, but it's kind of pointless because he's not saying

anything of real novel value, his opinion is moderate and it's boring to listen to him. The College Libertarians, on the other hand, aren't so annoying in espousing their opinion, but the actual opinion that they hold is super-extreme, at least relative to anything we ever see.

I love the second approach because it is so colorful. What ever happened to Communists, socialists, anarchists and libertarians? They clearly are around somewhere—I know they have them in Europe—but you never hear from them because liberal Joe is always yelling about the President and the War and the Other Stuff.

I love that there is actually someone out there that has an opinion extreme enough to be attacked, that doesn't make sure there is no argument against what they say

before they say it, and that, to sum it up, believes something actually worth believing.

I love that there is somebody out there that is actually against "the man" enough to conclude their column with the words, "The Revolution is possible."

This stuff may not all be rational. It may be absurd. But it really needs to be out there. It's worthwhile to hear things that really in all likelihood won't work at all, to read about opinions more than infinitesimally different from your own, to get a dose of extremity every once in a while.

For this, I value the College Libertarians a lot. No matter if they're wrong or right.

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# Social networking tool or social networking fool?

BY TRICIA WITTIG  
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Every Wash. U. student has a weakness. For most of us, that weakness is not alcohol, dark chocolate or members of the opposite sex, but instead the brainchild of a Harvard University student (we don't like Harvard, remember?). That's right, I'm talking about Facebook.

So as not to be viewed as a hypocrite, I will readily admit that I spend variable amounts of time surfing my friends' Facebook pages to peruse photo albums of classmates I have not spoken to in years (or have never spoken to at all). Addiction admitted; now to move on.

As accomplished students of higher education, we could view Facebook as a work of pure genius, or a fad of utter irrationality. Facebook has turned educated students (and now people of all ages) into curious, procrastinating, addicted "groupies." Rare is the student who would not blush shamefully if he or she discovered someone else

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could see all of their hours and activities on Facebook. Beyond the privacy concerns, it is not hard to argue that this "social networking tool" has become just plain ridiculous.

The name Facebook in itself has extended well beyond the scope of its url address. It has, first of all, become a new verb of the (primarily collegiate) English language. "Great! Let's do lunch sometime. Facebook me." It has also created noun personas of all sorts. There is the "Facebook stalker," who creepily sends you messages or friend requests. Then we have the "Facebook whore" who misinterprets "Facebook" as meaning the "skinbook" or perhaps the "shamebook" via various profile pictures. There are those really annoying people

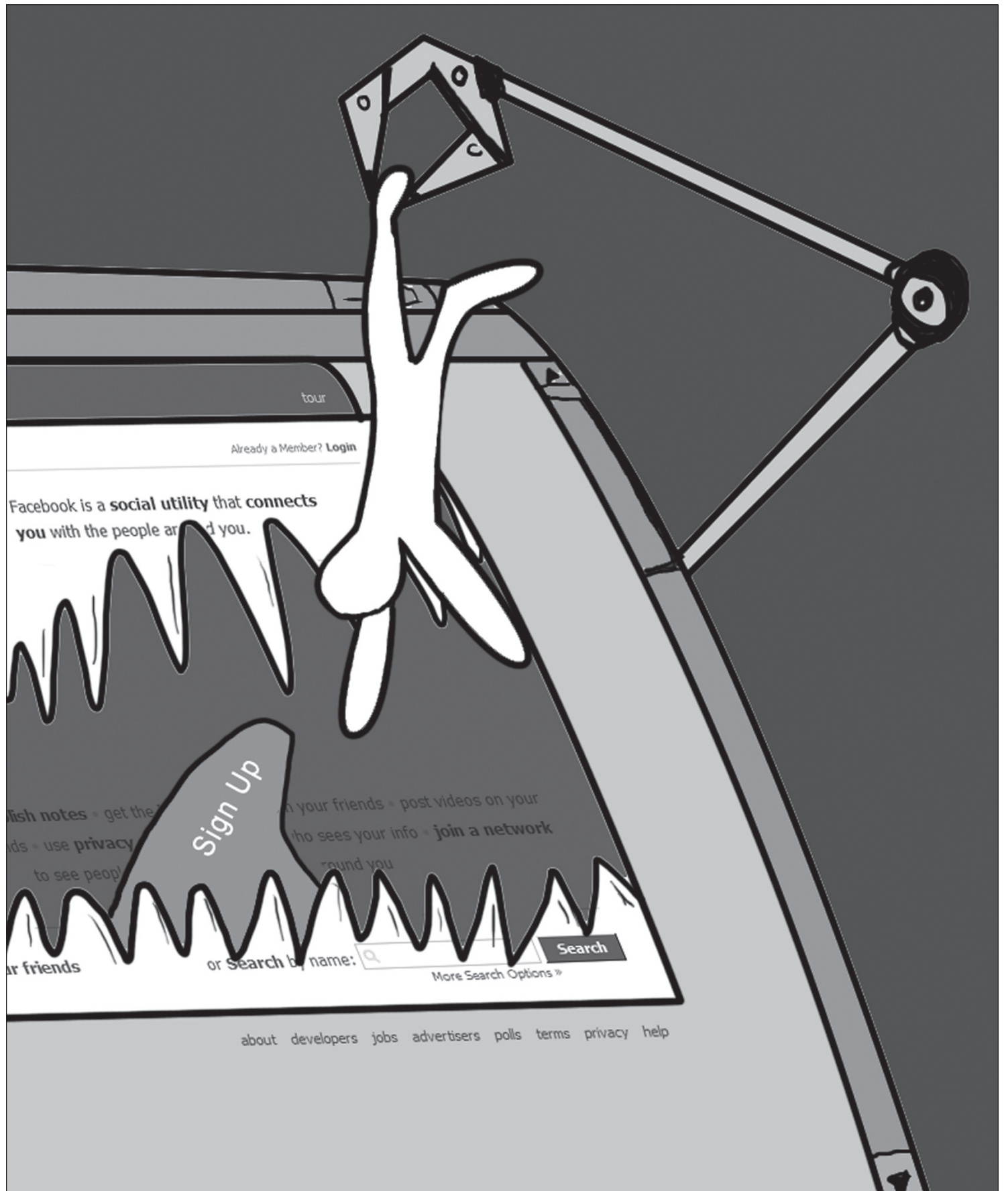
who update their profiles and statuses so often that you can't help but stay up-to-date on their fluctuating moods. Said crime has yet to be named.

There is something to be said for the power Facebook wields over its kingdom of students. The concept of mindless minutes spent wall posting and profile altering holds a particular allure that takes us away from organic chemistry and piles of reading. Now, however, that power has been liberally expanded. Facebook is open to more people and employers, who can easily access information.

Now, my privacy settings are set at maximum levels, but King Facebook has the ability, at any moment, to remove those options. Why would he do so? Well, we often forget that Facebook is a multi-billion dollar corporation and a powerhouse in the business world. Despite protests, it was opened to the general public, thereby granting higher revenue in advertising charges and more opportunities for companies to access profile information. It's all about money. Has anyone out there ever paid \$1 to send a cute pink cupcake animation to a significant other? Those dollars add up.

The most recent exploitation is in the form of applications. Let's go through the process: 1) You receive a little notification that someone has dedicated a song to you, sent you a drink or invited you to see how you compare against all of your friends. 2) Overwhelmed with curiosity, you add the application and therefore increase exponentially the amount of time potentially wasted on Facebook.

Now let's take a behind-the-scenes look at what has just transpired: 1) You have just proven that the hundreds of hours and bandwidth put into developing said application paid off for the roomfuls of software developers around the globe; 2) A marketing research company somewhere has just received your permission to access your information and use it to make money. That's right, folks, they aren't doing it for fun. A recent article in the New York Times noted that the owner of the popular Super Wall application on Facebook



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believed that the application was worth far more than a \$10 million offer to buy his company. Not only are we wasting our time, but we are wasting the brainpower of people everywhere. There are families struggling to buy food, but someone out there is selling "Top Friends" for millions of dollars. Moreover, the appeal of

applications has ingeniously circumnavigated the privacy settings.

I do not intend to skew the issue by placing all blame on Facebook. We are all mature, responsible young adults perfectly capable of controlling our time. Nor am I suggesting that there is not a great deal of usefulness to the Web site.

If not for Facebook, I would have long ago lost touch with several old friends, and a friendly wall post cheers up anyone's bad day. Many a worthy cause has been spread via Facebook, whether it's national political issues or the student anger with cable bundling here at Wash. U. I am simply suggesting an alternate lens

through which to view the popular Web site.

For now, I will continue to check my page five times a day and I personally recommend that you think before you (send a) drink.

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## Reduce mandatory minimum sentencing

BY JOSHUA MALINA  
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Every Friday night at 2 a.m. at Washington University, many drunken undergraduates are eating at Bear's Den.

From the fryer, the pasta line or everyone's favorite, the Mexican station, students have returned from the fraternities and are eager to put something hot and fattening into their mouths.

Occasionally, a student will eat without paying, unstopped by the tired B & D employees protecting Bon Appetit's meal point establishment, thereby stealing from the school and its contractors.

It's not hard to imagine. Two friends arrive at the Den, one wanting mozzarella sticks and the other wanting a quesadilla. The Mexican line is long, the fryer is not and before long, the sticks man has finished his last bit of fried cheese while his friend's quesadilla has only just begun frying. If caught, the sticks man may be forced to pay the cost of his mozzarella sticks, or get kicked out of Bear's Den, or both.

In other words, the punishment is minimal (pos-

sibly even too lenient) and the offender receives little if anything in the way of harsh consequences.

Seventy-five miles south of Bear's Den, someone else steals a donut. Not a Wash. U. student or graduate, and not at a Wash. U.-owned/Bon Appetit-managed eatery, but a normal American man robs a Missouri convenience store of one round pastry. If caught, he pays the cost of the donut, is kicked out of the store or both, or is awarded a 30-year prison sentence. According to the offender in this actual case, he didn't even eat it.

Welcome to the world of mandatory minimum sentencing, a judicial phenomenon that has gripped the United States and other countries in a politically misguided effort to crack down on crime.

These laws take common sense out of the courtroom, forcing judges to prescribe minimum prison terms for offenses of all kinds, from assault to theft to drug possession, often based on the offender's previous criminal record.

Well intentioned, but often with powerful negative effects, these laws have caught in their grip not only the seasoned drug dealers

for whom they are designed, but also petty thieves and drug users who meet their loose set of criteria. This often provides low-level, often non-violent offenders with punishments that don't match their crimes.

Such was the case of Arizona high school teacher Morton Berger, who was sentenced by an Arizona court to 200 years in prison (the

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minimum allowable by state law) for downloading 20 images of child pornography. In this case, each downloaded image gave Berger a minimum of 10 years of imprisonment, which were assigned to run consecutively. Berger received, in

effect, a harsher penalty than he would have had he actually raped or abused a child. The Arizona Supreme Court upheld the case and in February of this year, the U.S. Supreme Court refused to hear an appeal.

This spirit of punishment may find yet its next victim in the Missouri convenience store robber, whose violent robbing of the donut (allegedly, he pushed a convenience store employee on the way out) may land him three decades of prison time, as his "strong-arming" of the worker and his previous criminal record combine, in the eyes of minimum sentencing law, to a punishment that grossly overstates the social injury of his crime.

Mandatory minimum sentencing laws, although a well intentioned political tool for candidates looking to stand strong against crime, often have deleterious effects, including the over-punishment of mild crimes, a principle forbidden, at least in spirit, in the Eighth Amendment to the Constitution, which prohibits "cruel and unusual punishment."

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## Quotables

Professor Frank Flinn: "I want to know how the Flying Spaghetti Monster reproduces."

Student: "Meatballs."

**-Religious Studies Professor Frank Flinn, during a Religion and Science lecture.**

### Corrections:

On Monday, Oct. 8, a feature photo titled "Up in the air" was incorrectly credited to Dana Kuhn. Evan Wiskup took the photograph.

In Monday's article "Bears win third straight on weekend" the score of the game was listed as Wash. U. 31, LaGrange 10. The actual score was Wash. U. 33, LaGrange 10.

Student Life regrets these errors.



# CADENZA

ALBUM REVIEW

## Soulja Boy: 'Souljaboytellem.com'

BY REBECCA KATZ  
CADENZA REPORTER

If you've perused YouTube in the past couple of months or read Student Life with any regularity, you have probably been told to "supersoak that ho" more times than you can count. The phrase originated with Soulja Boy's recent hit, "Crank That," the music video has garnered over 2.5 million views in a period of just four months.

"Crank That" was the No. 1 song on the Billboard Hot 100 in September and has spawned a dance craze whose devotees may account for many of those YouTube hits. Selling out solo shows and headlining across the country, Soulja Boy is quite accomplished for a 17-year-old rapper. That's right, this Atlanta rapper was actually born in 1990, the same year MC Hammer told us exactly what it was we could not touch.

Full of elementary rhymes ("You wanna be my girl, you gotta wipe me down?/Dress so fresh, make the girls say wow"), catchy hooks and synthesizer-heavy beats, "Souljaboytellem.com" is ultimately a blueprint of every standard hip-hop party album. It consists entirely of anthems: anthems about body parts and design labels, an-

thems about dance moves and rump-shaking and anthems about the rapper himself. "Booty Meat" and "Donk" fill the integral role of odes to the buttocks, "Snap and Roll" and "Let Me Get 'Em" teach dance moves through song, and the first track "Intro" introduces the listener to Soulja's voice and prepares us for the emotional journey of the album ahead.

According to Soulja Boy's printed bio, producer Mr. Collipark (who has worked with the Ying Yang Twins) preaches the youth as brilliant.

"[He's] a genius, man," said Collipark. "It's like catching Michael Jackson before he actually hit wax. It's that kind of talent." That statement certainly measures his age, if not his credibility. He has an existing fan base and has been quite successful as an entertainer. "Don't get mad because the kids like me," he sings in the track "Don't Get Mad." When asked about how he distinguishes himself from other upcoming artists, he answered, "I'm different in terms of my style, what I rap about, what I do, how I do it, the way I put it together. I switch up doing comedy, the snap, the dance, the party, the happy, the sad, all of that."

Now, these claims may be

debatable.

Soulja Boy calls for his listeners to play the role of "Soulja Girl": "You gotta step like this to be a Soulja Girl/ You gotta walk it out to be a Soulja Ma."

The crowning juvenile track on the album has to be "Report Card." Soulja Boy cuts to the core of his youth audience by trying to relate to them in a school context: "I got my report card and I looked at it man and I had all F's on it/I took it back to the teacher told him throw some D's on that (expletive)." He raps about irritating teachers who just will not fix his failures. But all is not lost; he adds, "When you see me on 'dem girls/you know that I'm super fresh." Rough life.

While his album is a fantastic fad-feeder, Soulja Boy

does not prove to be a lyrical rapper. The tracks provide fun party music, listening that is supposed to be lively and danceable, but not necessarily innovative and completely devoid of original rhymes. We have to give him a little credit though, as he has taken his awkward and potentially horrifying high school years and made a public name for himself.

So go to souljaboytellem.com, buy some sunglasses that you can decorate yourself with the provided pen (I kid you not, he sells them as a set) and a Soulja Boy poster, and give in to the temptation. "Crank That" is catchy and unhealthfully captivating; take a study break and learn some new moves. It's guaranteed to enliven any party scene.



Soulja Boy  
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Rating: ★★☆☆☆  
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Tracks to download: "Crank That" and "Report Card"

n. a technically brilliant, sometimes improvised solo passage toward the close of a concerto; an exceptionally brilliant part of an artistic work

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## SU ELECTIONS ❖ FROM PAGE 1

these amendments significantly restructure SU's executive branch."

If implemented, the proposed changes would become most apparent when voting ballots for the next SU elections arrive this spring.

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MOVIE REVIEW

# A beautiful film



Tony Leung and Wei Tang star as Mr. Yee and Wang Jiazhi in "Lust, Caution."

BY BRIAN STITT  
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Ang Lee loves doorways. He loves the questions they raise. Are you in or out? Are you coming or leaving? He treats these complex metaphors with the respect they deserve and utilizes their inherent duality well. Some "arty" directors use flashy camera techniques to emphasize thematic elements, but Mr. Lee is more reserved and careful, often underplaying his visual themes. But he is a firecracker with actors. Kate Winslet, Toby Maguire, Zhang Ziyi and Heath Ledger's careers have all skyrocketed after revealing turns in Ang Lee films. So newcomer Wei Tang might see her starring role in "Lust, Caution," Ang Lee's new sexually charged historical drama, as her doorway to stardom. And why not? She is lovely as Wang Jiazhi, a girl who steps through many doors, some unfamiliar and many dangerous.

"Lust, Caution" tells a personal story during the Japanese occupation of China before the beginning of World War II, a setting that is recognizable and grim for many Asians. The story is deliberate in its unraveling and on the surface concerns Wang Jiazhi, a member of a nationalistic student group, infiltrating the household of a Japanese collaborator in an attempt to assassinate him. As Mr. Yee,

a politician and traitor, Tony Leung is wonderful. Why isn't he famous in the states? While in public, Mr. Yee is warmly formal but behind closed doors he displays a chilling frankness. This is one of many contrasts in "Lust, Caution."

Our heroine seems a beautiful yet quiet wallflower when she arrives at college; after becoming the lead actress in an activist theater group, she remains a beautiful yet quiet wallflower. The machinations of the plot are not wholly unimportant: Tang becomes the sexy and proper Mrs. Mak, gaining entrance to the privileged lives of the collaborators and quietly seducing Mr. Yee in an attempt to separate him from his guards so that her friends may assassinate him. In fact, this plot would serve a western drama very well. But Ang Lee has made a very personal film, and thus a very Asian film.

"Lust, Caution" is very long but concisely told, and gracefully explicit. It earns its NC-17 in the bedroom but the sex exploits neither the lead actors or the film's values. All of these seeming contradictions and the use of opposite forces with similar centers resemble the Taoist yin and yang. Right and wrong are not shown in black and white, but there are no shades of gray either. The colors of the film are dazzling and the period costumes and sets are impeccably designed and exquisitely rendered. This is no accident. Ang Lee creates a carefully rendered reality with soft touches of personal style.

Some have complained that "Lust, Caution" is too fundamentally Asian and its slow pace and seemingly contradictory themes will not be palatable to American audiences. But Ang Lee introduced mainstream America to his brand of subtlety when "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" blew up at the box office, so isn't he the perfect choice to expose the States to Asian attitudes and philosophies? Ang Lee's strength lies in the fact that he opens doors but never forces anyone through them. "Lust, Caution" is not easy, but is lovingly made and a wonderful film. It may be Lee's best.

**Lust, Caution**

Rating: ★★★★★  
Directed by: Ang Lee  
Starring: Wei Tang, Tony Leung, Joan Chen

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THEATER REVIEW

# Radio show hits the stage

BY MICHELLE STEIN  
THEATER EDITOR

The only word to describe the cast of "1940s Radio Hour" is excited. I walked backstage to talk to the cast and director before a run-through and the whole place was bustling. It was a veritable whirlwind of activity. I have never met people so excited, dedicated and entranced with the material they were performing.

After practicing 25 hours a week since Sept. 4, I was amazed the cast had any energy at all. All I heard while I was there, though, were jokes, laughter and buzz that gave the show real life.

According to Tony Rodriguez, a junior doing his first show with the Performing Arts Department, "This has been one of the most fun things I've ever done. I look forward to rehearsals."

He said that the people he works with, the director and his fellow cast members make it all worth it. "It's definitely the people," said Rodriguez.

It shows. The cast members took palpable pride in performing such a different piece.

According to junior Kaylin Boosalis, the characters tend to be caricatures. "I'm a character actor, so the idea of playing a caricature is a dream for me."

The cast was so eager to talk about their roles, the musical itself and the whole experience of being in the show.

The show opened last Friday and will run again this weekend, Oct. 12-14. Tickets are \$9 for students and seniors and \$15 for adults. The musical technically starts at 8 p.m. on Oct.



The cast of "1940s Radio Hour." Pictured from left to right are Julia Mancini, Cat Crowder, David Weiss, Jimmy Brooks Jr. and Antonio Rodriguez.

12 and 13 and 2 p.m. on Oct. 14, but the action starts a little earlier as the audience comes in and finds their seats.

"I'm just really excited to get an audience. We've had so many rehearsals and it's been nice working with people who are so excited," said Samantha Chalk, stage manager.

Director Bill Whitaker said one of the reasons he chose this play is the songs—"American standards I grew up with." The play itself makes connections to our own time, with the character Biff Baker leaving for World War II. The musical, Whitaker said, "Feels situated at a time

not unlike our own." Before coming to the show, though, the audience should be warned: "The assumption is, whether you're game or not you become the live audience" [for the radio show]," said Whitaker. "People's pants fall down. It

is an amazingly silly goofball comedy that is fun to watch with just enough seriousness not to dismiss it."

For more rehearsal escapades and information about the show, check out the show's blog at <http://padwu.blogspot.com>.

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## Radiohead leaks "In Rainbows"

BY BRIAN STITT  
SENIOR CADENZA EDITOR

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Upon visiting the Web site and attempting to download, fans are given an empty box to fill in their own price. A helpful question mark responds "it's up to you...no really. It's up to you." A discbox edition is available for around 80 dollars and includes the downloadable album as well as CD and vinyl copies of "In Rainbows," exclusive art and tracks. Purchasers who choose the discbox will not receive their extra material until December.

Whether this is a move by a pompous rock band brimming with their own self worth or by rockers conscious of the problems the internet has caused in music distribution may never be revealed. The band still plans to release their album in stores sometime in February after they sign with a record label.

The untraditional release brings to mind recent stunts by Prince who has included a copy of his album in recent concert ticket sales and given away free copies in newspapers. Maybe these rich stars have just decided to get their music out to the fans with no thought of money, and maybe they just want to keep profits out of record labels' hands.

These are all great questions, but the real question is, will "In Rainbows" be any good? No matter what you felt about "Hail to the Thief" (I was against it), it came out a long time ago. Tune in to [www.studlife.com](http://www.studlife.com) for a review.

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7	4	8	6	2	9	1	5	3
1	3	7	2	4	8	6	9	5
6	9	2	5	1	3	8	4	7
4	8	5	7	9	6	3	2	1
2	6	3	1	5	4	7	8	9
8	7	4	9	3	2	5	1	6
5	1	9	8	6	7	2	3	4

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### Crossword

ACROSS

- Mint, as money
- Cogito \_\_\_ sum
- Go through an allowance
- Square measure
- King of a sort
- Doll
- College sports org.
- Bracket shapes
- Silly
- Finished before
- Sort of threat
- Before, formerly
- Hog haven
- \_\_\_culottes
- Hit the slopes
- Partner in crime, perhaps
- Brought to you (by)
- Writer Zola
- Place of great activity
- More modern
- Icelandic literary work
- First-stringers
- Enduring
- Put up for sale
- Prize money
- Silver screen star
- Existed
- NRC forerunner
- All the rage
- Of the Far East
- Painter's tripod
- Begin moving
- Jason's ship
- Expunge
- Jot
- Panorama
- Yertle the
- Turtle's creator
- Pre-owned
- Fish story
- Switch positions
- Methodological discipline
- Crime partner?
- & others: Lat.
- Square of three
- Landowner's paper
- Queries
- Moving vehicle
- Passover feast
- Conman's trait
- Felled
- The South of France
- "Paper Lion" star
- Oscar winner
- Patricia
- Counterfeit
- Gyro bread
- At an end
- Drive back
- Fixed
- Interferes
- Rocket cap

DOWN

- Tippy vessel
- Come to pass
- Really ticked off
- Approach
- November event
- The Hoosier Poet
- Precious metal
- Diminutive dog
- Scribble
- Open courtyards
- Type of beaver?
- Bozo
- Driving gadgets
- Very unusual
- Jacob's twin
- "Miss \_\_\_ Regrets"
- Word before blue or bean
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10.10-  
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