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## New dining options on 40 draw mixed student reviews

Chloe Rosenberg  
Staff Reporter

The new South 40 dining facilities located in the South 40 House opened a few weeks ago to mixed student reactions as residents adjusted to major changes in an area that had become a staple of campus and residential life at Washington University.

The former Wohl Center, which had housed Bear's Den and Center Court, was demolished during the summer as the finishing touches were added to South 40 House and the new dining facilities.

"It's pretty conspicuously in a transitional phase," sophomore Stuart Davis said of the dining situation on the South 40. "It is a shame that they couldn't offer something better for the students now as opposed to students one or two years down the road."

The new facilities are also facing technical issues, including long lines and lengthy food preparation

time.

"The food is better here, but it takes a lot longer for them to make it," sophomore James Midkiff said. "I think it is going to be better when they finish."

Some students think the longer wait time may result in a decreasing number of students who eat their meals on the South 40.

"I am definitely less likely to eat here," said Davis, who plans to pick up meals each day on the Danforth Campus when her returns class.

The administration is taking these issues in stride, according to Nadeem Siddiqui, resident district manager for Bon Appétit.

"A little pain this year will provide a huge gain in the future," Siddiqui said.

Despite their shortcomings, the dining facilities are receiving praise from students for the new variety of healthy food available on the South 40.

"There are a lot of healthy food options, which I really appreciate," freshman Julie Pfeffer said.

This is a common sentiment among other South 40 residents.

"I love the food," freshman Jennifer Ibe said. I think it's great they have such a wide variety of selections."

Sophomore Lexi Klein said: "As time goes on, I think they will be improving the options and selection."

Bear's Bakery & Grill, a permanent facility located downstairs in the South 40 House, has a vegetarian station, grill station, sandwich station and bakery.

The lower dining area has seating for 60. New menu selections include falafel, puppy chow and other bakery items.

The unnamed, temporary dining area—located on the first floor of the South 40 House—houses the new Bear Mart, a salad bar, pasta bar, global station, taqueria station and kosher station. There is seating for 350 in this temporary section.

Students can attend a Center Court-style all-you-can-eat brunch on Saturdays and Sundays in the South 40

House's upper dining facility.

"Six for \$6," the popular program which offers students six \$6 value meals each day, will return for its second year as well.

Other changes to the South 40 dining situation include additions to the menus at Urso's. The veteran South 40 eatery now offers gelato and quesadillas in lieu of crepes. Wraps are still available.

The current South 40 dining facilities are temporary. The upstairs dining facility will be open only this year before being converted into office space and a kosher kitchen.

The downstairs portion will be expanded to include an Indian station, a Mongolian grill and a permanent Bear Mart. There will be seating for 600.

The facilities will be completed in time for the 2010-11 school year.

"It is going to be one of the top food programs and living and learning concepts in the nation," Siddiqui said.



## Coalition aims to boost socioeconomic diversity

Alan Liu  
Staff Reporter

A new student-led coalition called Washington University For Undergraduate Socio-Economic Diversity hopes to raise socioeconomic awareness and diversity on campus.

At its first meeting yesterday, the group (WU/FUSED) elected seniors Chase Sackett, speaker of Student Union (SU) Senate, and Fernando Cutz, senior class president, as its co-chairs.

Sackett called this new initiative a "young effort." It is a topic he had thought about throughout college, yet never acted upon.

"We started looking into it at the end of last spring and I contacted Fernando [Cutz], who was at the time co-president of Connect4," Sackett said.

The students who showed up at the first WU/FUSED

meeting represented not only student groups focused on socioeconomic diversity issues, such as Alliance of Students Against Poverty, TRIO and Connect4, but also other student groups like Bear Buddies and Controversy N' Coffee. Students not specifically affiliated with any student group were also at the meeting due to their interest in helping this cause.

Cutz described WU/FUSED as an initiative of students who care about socioeconomic diversity issues, but he said he hopes faculty and staff of the school administration will eventually join the coalition as well.

Naomi Daradar, coordinator for student involvement/multicultural leadership, is one staff member who is already involved and working with WU/FUSED.

"When you think of diversity

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## A glance at: Jazz at Holmes

William Shim  
Staff Reporter

For more than a decade, Jazz at Holmes has been a Thursday night tradition at Washington University.

The jazz music series took off informally in July 1996 as part of the first Arts & Sciences summer weekend program, bringing St. Louis' finest jazz musicians to campus, according to Steve Erlich, associate dean for undergraduate and special programs and co-coordinator of the Jazz at Holmes committee.

The committee has undergraduates, graduates, University College students, faculty and other administrators.

Jazz at Holmes offers about 10 performances each semester, in addition to four to six performances in the summer.

This fall's first performance will be outdoors, unlike subsequent performances that will be held in Holmes Lounge. It is scheduled for Sept. 10 on the Brookings Quad under the Ridgley Arcade. Holmes Lounge has been designated as the alternative location in the event of rain.

All the performances are free of charge for University students, faculty and staff. The Jazz at Holmes committee depends on monetary contributions from a number of sources, including the College of Arts & Sciences, the Office of Campus Life and Student Activities, and the music department.

Student Union and the Congress of the South 40 also annually support the weekly jazz program, said junior Aeron

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## University-backed smoking ban referendum to appear on ballot

Puneet Kollipara  
Copy Chief

St. Louis County Executive Charlie Dooley signed a bill on Friday to put a Washington University-backed smoking ban referendum on the November ballot, following weeks of heated County Council meetings and public debate.

"If you had asked me two months ago if I thought the voters in St. Louis County would have this opportunity in November, I would have said no," said Robert Blaine, a medical public policy specialist at the University. "So I think it's a significant step forward."

The signature virtually assures the ban will go on the county ballot, meaning students registered to vote in Missouri who live west of the Brookings parking lot can vote on it. The bill's sponsor, County Councilwoman Barbara Fraser, D-University City, has said the final step of getting a court order is a formality.

The final bill, its third ver-

sion, will ask voters if they want to ban smoking in most indoor public places in the county. The ban would exempt bars—places where 75 percent of sales come from alcohol—casino floors and smoking lounges at Lambert-St. Louis International Airport. Areas west of the Brookings lot, including a major chunk of the Delmar Loop, would fall under the ban.

On Aug. 4, the University pushed the County Council to put as comprehensive a ban on the ballot as possible. That day, the council was considering the first two bill versions: one with and one without exemptions for bars and casinos only.

Despite the final bill's exemptions, Blaine said the University supports the ban going on the ballot and letting voters decide the issue.

"I think the University would encourage any individual to educate themselves about this issue and make a decision on their own," Blaine said.

Many in the school community are in favor of the ban

going on the ballot. Some have also praised the University for supporting a ballot measure and planning to go tobacco free in July 2010.

Still, some on campus remain unhappy with the University's tobacco ban, saying officials failed to weigh student input before announcing it.

The University's support of the referendum has sparked some debate over how much student input school officials should seek when taking a stance on local issues.

"The issue of student input on these sorts of decisions is an interesting thing we should look into more," said senior Chase Sackett, speaker of the Student Union Senate, which passed a resolution last April decrying the lack of student input that went into the school's tobacco ban.

The ballot measure will likely face an uphill battle because there are opponents on both sides of the debate. Smoking ban opponents, including a coalition of business owners led by Bill Hannegan of Keep St. Louis Free, worry a ban



St. Louis County Executive Charlie Dooley speaks at last Tuesday's County Council meeting, where a University-backed smoking referendum bill passed. The measure, a smoking ban for most indoor public places, is virtually assured to go on the November ballot after Dooley signed the bill Friday.

would drive business from St. Louis County.

Some supporters of a comprehensive smoking ban, including the American Cancer Society

and the American Lung Society, oppose the ballot measure because they say it's too weak. They also say the county will have trouble working its way up

to a strong ban if it enacts a weak ban first.

"Tobacco Free Missouri is

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# THE FLIPSIDE

## weatherforecast

Monday 31

Sunny  
High 75  
Low 53



Tuesday 1

Sunny  
High 78  
Low 52



## eventcalendar

### MONDAY 31

**Disney Movie Appreciation Club DMAC**  
8 p.m., Ursa's  
DMAC will be playing the popular Disney movie "Heavyweights" from 8 to 10 p.m.

### TUESDAY 1

**Cardinals Outing**  
*Congress of the South 40 (CS40)*  
7:15 p.m., Busch Stadium  
CS40 is sponsoring a discounted Cardinals game at Busch Stadium. The Cards are playing against the Milwaukee Brewers.

**Washington University Mock Trial Informational Meeting**  
7 p.m., STS Classroom in Gregg Hall  
Mock Trial will be holding its first informational session for people interested in joining the team. Another session will be held on Thursday at 7 p.m. in January Hall, room 110. Those interested need to attend only one session.

## newsbriefs

### Campus

#### Visiting professor to lecture on Jewish music

Israeli musicologist and pianist will lecture at Washington University on Sept. 2 in a presentation titled "Embattled Israeliness, Embedded Jewishness: Jewish Influences on Israeli Music."

According to an article published in The Record, Assaf Shelleg "will discuss moments in Israeli history in which Jewish music penetrated the newly invented Israeli nationalist and art music."

Formerly a professor at Hebrew University in Jerusalem, Shelleg is the Efrogmson Visiting Israeli Scholar this year. His lecture corresponds to a course that he will teach this fall called "Musica Ebraica: Jewish Identities in Western Music from 1600 to the 21st Century." The course looks at the music of the Western world from the 17th century to the 21st century through the scope of music that was written for and by Jews.

Free and open to the public, the lecture is sponsored by the Jewish, Islamic and Near Eastern Studies program in Arts & Sciences. For more information, contact Stephen Scordias at 314-935-8567. (David Messenger)

#### SU approves \$15,000 for Team 31

On Sunday night, the seven members of the Student Union Executive Council unanimously voted to approve an appeal that gave an additional \$15,000 to Team 31 for purposes of finding talent for the upcoming fall W.I.L.D. This increases Team 31's initial allocation to find talent from \$55,000 to \$70,000. Team 31 has a total budget of \$139,030.00. According to the Student Union Web site, the Executive Council decided to grant Team 31 this additional money since many students felt that more money should have been allotted to Team 31 at the 2009-2010 General Budget meeting last April. There is \$15,000 remaining in the Executive Appeals account. (Perry Stein)

### National

#### Flames flare in Los Angeles area

The mountains north of Los Angeles are being ravished by a quickly growing wildfire, which has quadrupled in size since last Friday. Thousands of acres have been burned, and 10,000 homes are in danger of being burned. Already, 35,000 acres of underbrush have burned.

The magnitude of the fire is increasing due to the high temperatures, topping out at more than 100 degrees in parts of Los Angeles, and low humidity. The area has been largely untouched by fire for the last 50 years.

This particular blaze is referred to as the station fire and is one in a group of fires that has been plaguing southern and central California.

Though no casualties have been reported, there have been three burn-related injuries and one case of smoke inhalation. (Chloe Rosenberg)

#### Robocalls banned by FTC

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) recently announced a ban on pre-recorded commercial calls from telemarketers known as robocalls. The ban takes effect on Sept. 1.

Regulators are threatening a fine of \$16,000 per message for telemarketing companies that violate the decision.

Under the previous system, robocalls were required to give people an opt-out opportunity should they not want to receive future calls. Public service announcements and other informational calls not intended to sell goods will be exempt from the ban. The new ban is a component of amendments to the FTC's Telemarketing Sales Rule, which took effect a year ago. Calls not covered by the ban include those from charities, banks, insurers, phone companies, survey calls and certain health care messages such as prescription notifications.

Since the FTC announced its decision, telemarketing companies have begun to phase out automated calls and have reverted to having live people make calls. Though a great variety of robocalls will continue to be permitted, telephone users can continue to register their phone number with the National Do-Not-Call Registry, a government-sponsored national database that collects the phone numbers of people who do not wish to continue receiving telemarketing calls. (David Messenger)

### International

#### Democratic party of Japan wins election

Japan's ruling conservative party suffered a drastic defeat on Sunday as voters overwhelmingly elected a leftist opposition group that promises to reinvigorate the Japanese economy and give energy to a country after 54 years of single-party rule.

The opposition Democratic Party of Japan is set to gain 300 out of the 480 seats in the Japanese parliament. This election forced the Liberal Democrats, who had ruled Japan for all but 11 months since 1955, out of power.

Voting closed on Sunday night. Despite weather forecasts predicting the approach of a typhoon, voter turnout was high. The high turnout is indicative of a Japanese electorate interested in turning the tide of Japanese politics.

The Liberal Democrats' loss opens the way for the Democratic Party of Japan, removing Prime Minister Taro Aso from power and establishing a brand new cabinet, which could happen in the next few weeks.

According to a statement issued by the Democratic Party of Japan, "the ruling party has betrayed the people over the past four years, driving the economy to the edge of a cliff, building up more than 6 trillion yen (\$64.1 billion) in public debt, wasting money, ruining our social security net and widening the gap between the rich and poor."

The Democratic Party also stated that they will make Japan's diplomacy centered less on the U.S. But Yukio Hatoyama, who heads the party, assures he will not pursue change in Japan's foreign policy, saying the U.S. and Japan relationship will "continue to be the cornerstone of Japanese diplomatic policy." (David Messenger)

## policebeat

Aug. 27, 2009, 8:32 a.m.

**LARCENY, TIETJENS HALL-**  
Report of a vending machine found insecure with approximately \$30 in items missing. No damage to the machine, which had been serviced and filled on Monday.  
Disposition: Pending.

Aug. 27, 2009, 8:32 a.m.

**LARCENY, PARK DORM-**  
Summary: Student reported that unknown person(s) had stolen his bicycle from the bike rack located west of Park Dorm.  
Disposition: Pending.

## quoteoftheday

*"When you're in a sorority, it's usually hard to get to know everybody. That's what I really like about our small numbers, because you get to know all the girls. To go through this entire process together and to be able to build it from scratch has been a really great experience for all of us."*

Senior and AOLL Philanthropy Chair  
Alex Choi, on joining AOLL

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# AOII pumps up for first large philanthropy event

John Scott  
News Editor

Since its founding last spring, the Delta Kappa chapter of Alpha Omicron Pi—Washington University's newest sorority—has been hard at work programming for this coming year.

Now, the chapter is preparing for its first large philanthropy event to benefit the sorority's national cause, the Arthritis Foundation.

"We've been working really hard to get our philanthropy off the ground," said senior Sandy Chen, chapter president.

According to information published by the sorority, 70 million American adults are affected by arthritis, and several types are more prevalent in women than in men.

"Arthritis is one of the most widespread diseases in the U.S. It affects a lot of people—one-third of all adults—and yet is really one of those that fly under the radar," said senior Alex Choi, philanthropy chair for AOII. "You don't hear a lot about it or see a lot of fundraisers for it."

The entire philanthropy effort consists of a week of events for fundraising and raising awareness about ar-

thritis. The week will culminate in a flag football game on the Swamp next Sunday called the Rose Bowl—named for AOII's rose symbol.

The football event will draw participants from other campus Greek organizations—the 12 fraternities, six sororities, in addition to AOII, and other Greek organizations.

Chen said that in the future, the event will feature participants from other student organizations and the broader campus community as well.

"We want to set the trend of trying to be more inclusive to the community as a whole," Chen said.

Since the event is the chapter's first one of this scale, the decision was made to have Greek organizations participate only.

The sorority is encouraging University students to attend its fundraiser dinner on Thursday night at Racanelli's Cucina on the Delmar Loop. A portion of the proceeds from that night will go to the Arthritis Foundation.

"A lot of our event is about incorporating campus groups into this particular philanthropy event," Choi said.

To raise awareness about arthritis, Choi said the so-



The new chapter members of Alpha Omicron Pi pose at last April's Rose Banquet, a formal dinner following the initiation ceremony that took place earlier in the day. The sorority is preparing for its first charity event, which will benefit the Arthritis Foundation.

SCOTT BRESSLER | CAMPUS IN FOCUS

rity will be encouraging students on campus to get arthritis facts from its members for points.

"Education is so important in this particular cause, because if you start taking

medication early for arthritis, it is pretty much treatable."

According to Chen, the chapter's women have done a great deal of work during the colonization process, as well as after the chapter be-

came recognized under the national Alpha Omicron Pi (AOII) sorority, such as writing bylaws and several other important aspects of starting a new chapter.

"Last year was crazy.

Usually it's a 10-month process [for colonization]," Chen said. "We had three months to do the work of 10 months."

—With additional reporting by Kat Zhao.

## JAZZ from page 1

Small, an undergraduate representative on the planning committee for Jazz at Holmes.

Small, who is majoring in biochemistry and minoring in jazz studies, is thrilled to be listening to live music on campus.

"I am very excited to see the Birth of the Cool event in October and the Miles Davis event in November," he said. "Both events play the music of albums that I very much enjoy."

Junior Zach Moscicki has attended Jazz at Holmes almost

every week in the past two semesters.

"It's a nice place to relax after classes and provides a good atmosphere to sometimes do homework," Moscicki said.

Though the planning committee brings in mostly local St. Louis musicians, it often solicits nationally well-known artists as well. In the past semesters, famous jazz musicians including artists Gary Peacock, Bill Stewart and Marc Copeland have agreed to perform.

The program is also known for staging a wide variety of

jazz music from across different styles and generations.

"It might seem that music such as that of Scott Alberici, who performs music of the Swing Era, and music from Miles Davis cannot comfortably fit into one category of music, but both have played a part in the history and evolution of jazz music," Small said. "Jazz at Holmes allows students to experience many styles of jazz from swing to bebop to modern."

Students respond favorably to Jazz at Holmes every year.

### Fall Jazz at Holmes schedule

#### September

- Sept. 10—Jazz tribute to Woodstock (Outdoor)
- Sept. 17—Fresh Heir
- Sept. 24—Utter Chaos (music of Gerry Mulligan)

#### October

- Oct. 1—Clarinetist Scott Alberici (Swing)
- Oct. 8—"Birth of the Cool"
- Oct. 15—Trumpeter Danny Campbell and drummer Maurice Carnes (modern)
- Oct. 29—Pianist Ptah Williams Group

#### November

- Nov. 5—Saxophonist Willie Akins and his quartet
- Nov. 12—In a Silent Way/Petit machins (music of Miles Davis)

#### December

- Dec. 3—Drummer Steve Davis with guitarist William Lenihan

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Featured New Media:

*migration (empire) – linear version*

On view through September 7, 2009



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# University appoints six members to board of trustees over summer



**George P. Bauer**

**Affiliation:** GPB Group Ltd.  
**Education:** Bachelor's and master's degrees in engineering from Washington University.

Bauer is chairman and CEO of GPB Group Ltd., an investment-banking firm based in New Canaan, Conn. Bauer has spent 31 years with IBM Corp., holding executive positions in marketing, finance, and business systems, including chief financial officer positions of several IBM divisions. He also held leadership positions in IBM's European operations. After his retirement in 1987, he became executive professor of management information systems at Georgia State University.



**Gregory H. Boyce**

**Affiliation:** Peabody Energy  
**Education:** Bachelor's degree in mining engineering from the University of Arizona, advanced management program degree from Harvard University's Graduate School of Business.

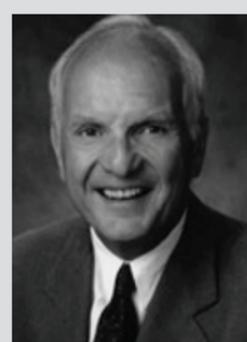
Boyce is chairman and CEO of St. Louis-based Peabody Energy, the world's largest private-sector coal company. Boyce was once CEO for Rio Tinto mining company in London as well as president and CEO of Kennecott Energy Co., which became the nation's second-largest coal company during his tenure. In April 2009, Boyce was ranked 114th in the country for highest CEO salary by Forbes magazine.



**George Paz**

**Affiliation:** Express Scripts Inc.  
**Education:** Bachelor's degree from the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

Paz is chairman, president and chief executive officer of St. Louis-based Express Scripts Inc., one of the largest pharmacy benefits management companies in North America, with more than 50 million members. Paz joined Express Scripts in 1998 as senior vice president and chief financial officer. Previously, he was a partner at Coopers and Lybrand, managing the firm's Midwest insurance practice, and was executive vice president and chief financial officer for Life Partners Group.



**Harry Seigle**

**Affiliation:** The Elgin Company  
**Education:** Bachelor's degree from Washington University, J.D. from Northwestern University.

Seigle is principal of The Elgin Co. in Elgin, Ill., a company involved in real-estate acquisition and management, private investing and philanthropy. Previously, he was chairman and president of Seigle's Inc., an Elgin-based, family-owned building supply company that was sold to Stock Building Supply in 2005. He worked for Chapman and Cutler LLP in Chicago before joining his family's business, then known as Elgin Lumber Co., founded in 1881.

**Steven F. Leer**

**Affiliation:** Arch Coal Inc.

**Education:** Bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the University of the Pacific, MBA from Washington University's Olin Business School.

Leer is chairman and chief executive officer of Arch Coal, Inc. He was president and chief executive officer from the time the company was formed in 1997 to 2006. Prior to the launch of Arch Coal, he was president and chief executive officer of Arch Mineral Corp., one of Arch Coal's predecessor companies. He also has held executive positions with the Valvoline Co., Ashland, Inc. and Ashland Coal, Inc. Leer is a member of The Wall Street Journal's CEO Council, a yearly conference that covers worldwide economic issues.

**John F. Dains**

**Affiliation:** Helm Financial Corp.

**Education:** Bachelor's degree from the Olin Business School at Washington University.

Dains is chief executive officer of Helm Financial Corp., a leading railcar and locomotive operating leasing company based in San Francisco. Dains joined Helm Financial Corp. in 1987 as chief financial officer and was named president and chief operating officer in 2000. In 2005, he was named CEO. Before joining Helm Financial Corp., Dains worked at IC Industries in Chicago as vice president of finance for the Railroad Products Group of the Abex Corp. subsidiary. Dains made significant contributions to Hillary Clinton's campaign.

## A quick look at 11 of the 56 trustees on the board

### Maxine Clark

**Affiliation:** Build-A-Bear Workshop, chief executive bear  
**Education:** Bachelor's degree from the University of Georgia, Honorary Doctor of Laws from Saint Louis University.

### William H. Danforth

**Affiliation:** Washington University, chancellor emeritus  
**Education:** M.D. from Harvard Medical School.

### Hugh Grant

**Affiliation:** Monsanto Company, chairman, president and CEO  
**Education:** Bachelor's degree in molecular biology and agricultural zoology from Glasgow University, master's degree from Edinburgh University, MBA from the International Management Center in Buckingham, United Kingdom.

### Steven H. Lipstein

**Affiliation:** BJC Healthcare, president and CEO  
**Education:** Bachelor's degree in economics from Emory University, master's degree in health-care administration from Duke University.

### Jai P. Nagarkatti

**Affiliation:** Sigma-Aldrich Corporation, president and CEO  
**Education:** Master's degree in chemistry from Osmania University in India, doctorate degree in organic chemistry from Texas A&M University-Commerce.

### Philip Needleman

**Affiliation:** Pharmacia and Monsanto/Searle, former chief scientist; Washington University School of Medicine, former professor and head of pharmacology department.  
**Education:** Bachelor's and mas-

ter's degrees from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, Ph.D. in pharmacology from the University of Maryland Medical School.

### Craig D. Schnuck

**Affiliation:** Schnuck Markets, Inc., chairman of the Executive Committee  
**Education:** Master's from Cornell University's S.C. Johnson Graduate School of Management.

### Andrew C. Taylor

**Affiliation:** Enterprise Rent-A-Car, chairman and CEO  
**Education:** Bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Denver.

### Barbara Schaps Thomas

**Affiliation:** HBO Sports, senior vice president and chief financial officer

**Education:** Bachelor's degree from Washington University.

### Arnold W. Donald

**Affiliation:** Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation in St. Louis, former president and CEO.  
**Education:** Bachelor's degrees in economics from Carleton College and in mechanical engineering from Washington University, MBA in finance and international business from the University of Chicago.

### Lee M. Liberman

**Affiliation:** Laclede Gas Company, chairman emeritus  
**Education:** Master's degree and doctorate in interdisciplinary studies from Washington University's Graduate School of Arts & Sciences.

Eliza Adelson  
News Editor

Chancellor Mark Wrighton recently announced six new members to Washington University's board of trustees. New board members Gregory Boyce, John Dains, Steven Leer, George Paz and Harry Seigle began their terms July 1. George P. Bauer began his term in December and has been serving as the chair of the board.

The new members were selected in a collaborative effort by both Wrighton and the board. The board of trustees' main goal is to oversee the implementation of the mission of the University and to select and evaluate the chancellor. Much of what the board does relates to the endowment and how the interest from the endowment is spent each year.

"We try to pick people who have high integrity and commitment to the values

we have for the community, which include an aspiration for innovation," Wrighton said.

Of the six new board members, two are prominent leaders in the coal industry.

Leer, in the past, has promoted clean coal technologies, such as carbon storage and sequestration, as a means of balancing increasing global demand for electricity with a need to stabilize atmospheric carbon levels. Leer received criticism from environmental activist groups who criticize Arch Coal's aggressive policies.

Wrighton, a chemist by training, said, "I know the chemical industry has been aggressively criticized in the past. The leaders have a very strong conviction about conducting themselves in the safest way as possible for the public and for those who buy their products."

"I know the choices we have in this country for energy are in fact quite limited.

Coal represents a source of energy that represents 50 percent of the energy in this country," Wrighton added.

Wrighton also said the University has a responsibility to partner with innovators in the energy industry.

"We must strive to be involved in education and research that will lead to the implementation of new technology for combustion," he said. "I think that's an incredibly important undertaking."

Wrighton also said she's glad to see the University go tobacco free and hopes the county will consider passing a stricter ban.

Fraser initially favored the first bill version, which had no exemptions, but the council voted it down on Aug. 4. After she amended the bill that same day to include the exemptions for bars and casinos, the council voted 4-3 to move it to a final vote.

But then Fraser opted to reintroduce the bill on Aug. 11 due to worries that a procedural problem at the Aug. 4 meeting would

open the bill to legal challenge. The reintroduction, which added the airport exemption, caused the council to miss its deadline last Tuesday for putting items on the November ballot without a court order.

Public-health groups opposing the ballot measure preferred the bill version without exemptions. Their opposition could be a major blow to the ban's chances of passing. The low turnout characteristic of off-year elections could also harm the ban's chances.

It's unclear, though, how the vote will be affected by the special election that day to replace former state Rep. Steve Brown, D-Clayton, who resigned last Tuesday due to a federal corruption scandal.

The county ban would take effect in January 2011.

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disappointed that it's not a comprehensive law," Nancy Mueller, chair of Tobacco Free Missouri statewide coalition, said Tuesday night. "I think that the county is not setting the precedent and the model that the rest of the state should be following."

Mueller also said she's glad to see the University go tobacco free and hopes the county will consider passing a stricter ban.

Fraser initially favored the first bill version, which had no exemptions, but the council voted it down on Aug. 4. After she amended the bill that same day to include the exemptions for bars and casinos, the council voted 4-3 to move it to a final vote.

But then Fraser opted to reintroduce the bill on Aug. 11 due to worries that a procedural problem at the Aug. 4 meeting would

open the bill to legal challenge. The reintroduction, which added the airport exemption, caused the council to miss its deadline last Tuesday for putting items on the November ballot without a court order.

Public-health groups opposing the ballot measure preferred the bill version without exemptions. Their opposition could be a major blow to the ban's chances of passing. The low turnout characteristic of off-year elections could also harm the ban's chances.

It's unclear, though, how the vote will be affected by the special election that day to replace former state Rep. Steve Brown, D-Clayton, who resigned last Tuesday due to a federal corruption scandal.

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## DIVERSITY from page 1

ty, you automatically go to race. We barely ever look at some of the other aspects of diversity, one being class and socioeconomic diversity," Daradar said. "These students are passionate about it, and they are going to get something done about it. And clearly, it's the beginning of the process, but it looks really, really bright."

Currently, the University ranks last in the list of the top 26 universities ranked by U.S. News & World Report for the percentage of undergraduates who receive Pell Grants, which many experts claim is the best indicator of economic diversity on campus.

Pell grants are provided based on financial need and are most often given to families with incomes less than

\$20,000, though higher income families may qualify if they meet certain other criteria.

Only 7 percent of undergraduates at the University receive Pell Grants, compared to over 30 percent for the University of California, Los Angeles and University of California, Berkeley, which top the list. There is a large gap between the top two schools and the third-ranked Columbia University, which stands at 17 percent.

The University has already begun to tackle this issue of socioeconomic diversity on campus. In an e-mail sent out this past April, Chancellor Mark Wrighton revealed five broad goals stemming from the Plan for Excellence and embraced by the board of trustees. Two of

these goals included strengthening diversity and enhancing the financial resources of the University, especially through financial aid for students at all levels.

"We were very fortunate to find out that this was an issue that became important to the Board of Trustees almost at the same time, so we made sure that not only will it be coming from the top but it will also come from the bottom," Cutz said. "We've encountered a lot of support for what we're doing."

At the same time, Sackett and Cutz recognized that the goals of WU/FUSED would not be something that could be accomplished in a semester or even a year, but hope this will be continue to be a top priority

long after they have graduated.

"I think that there will always be some red tape. People are very used to the status quo and are very comfortable staying with the status quo," Cutz said. "Anytime we want the administrators, especially those who are higher up, to change the status quo, we have to show them that we're serious, that we have a lot of support and that we have a good cause."

"I think in this case we're going to be able to do all three," he added.

Sackett said he is extremely pleased overall with how the meeting went yesterday.

"I really think we can make a huge impact on Wash. U. this year," he said.

# FORUM

## Prop 8 challenge will set precedent for future civil rights cases

Richard Jesse Markel  
Staff Columnist

The U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California is about to become the battleground for a momentous challenge to California's Proposition 8, the state's constitutional amendment banning gay marriage. Led by former U.S. Solicitor General Theodore Olsen and high-profile litigator David Boies, former opponents in the 2000 Bush v. Gore electoral contest, the Perry v. Schwarzenegger challenge to California's infamous amendment is set to go to trial in January.

The Perry case is in response to an amendment to the California Constitution. It inserts the text "Only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California." This is, to be blunt, unconstitutional. Contrary to the rather conservative view that marriage is a states-rights issue, the U.S. Constitution provides in the Fifth Amendment that "...no person shall be...deprived of life, liberty, or property." Similar sentiments are echoed in the Declaration of Independ-

dence.

Marriage is, according to the unanimous 1967 Supreme Court opinion in *Loving v. Virginia*, "...one of the basic civil rights of man..." Being so fundamental a right, it is the purview of the federal government, according to Thomas Jefferson in the Declaration, "to secure [this and other unalienable/fundamental] rights" for the people.

The lawsuit has stirred up considerable criticism on both sides of the issue. Even traditionally pro-LGBT organizations have opposed the lawsuit and attempted to halt the legal challenge, afraid of the potential ramifications of a loss on the Supreme Court level in the likely case of an appeal. Indeed, on a superficial level, it would appear as though the Supreme Court is tilted toward a more conservative ideology, a view sustained by the supposed proclivity of justices Roberts, Alito, Scalia and Thomas toward ruling together on constitutional issues by way of so-called "conservative" legal interpretations.

However, this is not entirely the case. In his dissent in *Lawrence v. Texas*, Justice Scalia pointed out that the court had unfortunately strayed from its ideal

position as a neutral body and that laws ought not be based on society's dynamic views of morality. If Justice Scalia favors court neutrality and is indeed a scholar of constitutional law, then the assumption that he will decide in favor of Proposition 8 is incorrect.

Where the terrain becomes rocky, however, is with Justice Thomas. Supposedly a steadfast originalist in his interpretation of the Constitution, Thomas has a strange propensity toward ignoring the Ninth Amendment. In the aforementioned *Lawrence v. Texas*, Thomas dissented, arguing against people having a "general right to privacy," saying he could not find any such right mentioned in the Constitution. It is thus suspect to believe that he is truly an originalist or a conservative when the words of the Ninth Amendment quite clearly say, "The enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people." Something is amiss if he truly believes that a right must be explicitly stated in the Constitution for it to belong to the citizenry.

If there is one thing that is apparent, it's that this case

will set a strong precedent for future civil rights cases. While the Honorable Vaughn Walker's decision in the first tier of the federal court system will certainly carry weight as legal precedent, the appeals that will undoubtedly ensue are where this case could get murky. The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, the logical next step after the Northern District of California's federal court, is unpredictable at best, since judges selected to hear the appeal come from an extraordinarily large pool of 29. This adds an element of randomness to the possible outcomes. This case is certainly going to the Supreme Court.

Perry v. Schwarzenegger considers what is certainly one of the most important civil rights issues of recent time. The question of whether equal protection applies equally, as one might assume, or only to a select portion of Americans has implications not just for the gay community, but also for any and all citizens who wish to enjoy the freedoms written into the Constitution.

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### STAFF EDITORIAL

## Cutting the Center for Ethics a regrettable, responsible decision

Last Spring, we made a policy prescription for the Washington University administration, given a newly anemic endowment and the resulting diminished operating budget. In a staff editorial published on April 28, 2009, we wrote, "Any changes in the operating budget should prioritize internal well-being above public image." We stand by this statement now as we did then, and we maintain that the most important part of the University's internal well-being is the quality of our education, which hinges on the salaries paid to our professors. Because of these priorities, we see the University's recent elimination of the Center for the Study of Ethics & Human Values as a regrettable but responsible decision.

We admit that closing down the center reflects poorly on the University's external image. The economic crisis that led to the cuts in the University's operating budget can be partially attributed to a lack of prudence in big business, and the Jeff Smith and Timothy Kuklo scandals demonstrate a lack of ethics in faculty members' actions. Symbolically, it would seem that the center acted as a foil to these problems, demonstrating a University commitment to the pursuit of ethical actions across disciplines.

However, the truth is that perhaps tailored commitments to ethics can be individually pursued in each school. In the medical school, aspiring doctors can still be taught medi-

cal ethics. In the law school, aspiring lawyers can continue to argue about the nature of these ethics. In the business school, new rules for sharing information and bundling derivatives will continue to emerge as we rebuild our economic structure. And in the philosophy department, the study of ethics will continue to be vibrant—that is, provided that the student body continues to engage with issues surrounding the study of ethics and human values.

Our endorsement of the University's decision does not come without careful consideration of the administration's operating budget. Difficult changes have been made elsewhere—for example, the delay of construction on the South 40. It appears thus far that the University is avoiding sacrifices to the things most important to inner University well-being: professors' salaries and student financial aid.

Our endorsement also does not come without another prescription: We ask that the administration take strides to ensure that the center's programmatic benefits continue. We ask that the University continue to bring in speakers such as Peter Singer and Carl Bernstein for the Assembly Series—speakers who encourage us to consider and reconsider the ethical implications of the way we live. And we ask that administrations at the different schools at the University continue to emphasize the importance of an ethical education as well as an intellectual one, especially as we move into an era with fewer excesses.

### DENNIS SWEENEY PHOTO EDITORIAL



In the alley between Kingsbury Boulevard and Washington Avenue, home to a multitude of Washington University students (many of whom live in Wash. U.-affiliated Quadrangle Housing), dumpsters for landfill-bound trash outnumber the alley's mere two recycling dumpsters. Though University City is ultimately responsible for the distribution of these dumpsters, Washington University, because of its affiliation with Quadrangle Housing and its objective of increasing the sustainability of the student body, should demand an equal distribution of recycling and trash dumpsters in areas where Wash. U. students live.

These two photographs were taken in this alley on the same day, and they illustrate that students are not only willing to recycle when it is convenient, but also that they will go out of their way to ensure their own sustainability even when the relevant facilities are not adequate. Quadrangle Housing and Wash. U. have a responsibility to their customers to provide an equal number of recycling and trash dumpsters. Banning bottled water on campus has been a bold and public step. Ensuring the possibility of a sustainable lifestyle for students off campus will not gain as much press, but it will indicate that Wash. U.'s commitment to sustainability is more than a "green" facade.

## Loss of U.S. presence in Latin America is cause for alarm

Issac Amon  
Staff Columnist

The Monroe Doctrine of 1823 was extremely significant for the early foreign policy of the United States, and it helped to create a special relationship between the United States and Latin America. Chiefly aimed at European colonial powers, this document boldly declared that colonization of newly independent states in Latin America would not be permitted. However, in later years, the United States ignored the original intent of the document, replacing the colonial powers by interfering in sovereign states' internal affairs, through such measures as invading and occupying Nicaragua from 1912-33 and Haiti from 1914-34.

Throughout almost two centuries, the Monroe Doctrine has withstood the test of time, with no other nation having dared to really challenge the absolute hegemony of the predominant superpower in its own backyard. However, due to the military

conflicts in Afghanistan and Iraq, the United States' attention and interest has been refocused halfway around the world.

With U.S. power challenged more and more by rivals such as China or Russia, America's monopoly in the region has dissipated, creating a gap where rival countries have started to move in, both economically and militarily.

For example, the People's Republic of China has begun making inroads among several Latin American countries, including the domains of several hostile American leaders. On Aug. 21, 2009, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, ruled by the repressive Hugo Chavez, announced that it had raised its joint investment fund with the Chinese to \$16 billion.

Chavez has repeatedly spoken of decreasing his country's economic dependence on oil sales to the United States. Thus, the nominally communist Chinese and the other country, i.e., Venezuela, engage in a very lucrative and beneficial quid pro quo; the Chinese continue their drive to obtain and then main-

tain energy supplies for their growing demand, and the other country receives an enormous infusion of cash and investments while weakening its dependence on the United States.

This economic agreement between China and Venezuela is indicative of the decreasing influence, both militarily and economically, of the United States within Latin America. Another example of this phenomenon is the massive protest across the continent against the usage of military bases in Colombia by the United States, ostensibly aimed at rooting out drug trafficking, illegal arms sales and armed militias, within Colombia, such as FARC. Even though U.S. Congress has limited the number to 800 soldiers and 600 civilian contractors, many Latin American countries have expressed resistance to this idea.

This time, however, the protests and concerns have come not just from hostile Venezuela, Bolivia and Ecuador, but also from more moderate Brazil, Argentina and Chile. There is a deep-rooted suspicion

that the United States intends to "dominate South America and act freely across the continent," as Hugo Chavez alleged.

Hypocritically, while certain countries (such as Venezuela) fiercely oppose an American presence in the region, Chavez has recently purchased billions of dollars worth of weapons from Russia, including advanced fighter jets and tanks. Even Brazil has announced its intention to buy five submarines from France, one of which will be of the nuclear variety.

In the end, this loss of focus on our traditional sphere of influence gives cause for alarm at present and raises serious concerns about the future relationship of the United States with Latin America. America should take notice of the change in the status quo and act now. Otherwise, the day is not far off when the United States' traditional relationship with Latin America will come to an end.

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## University should push for paperless textbooks

Kate Gaertner  
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The sight has become familiar: In late August and early January, we become accustomed to students walking across campus, laden with white-beige campus store bags. The act has become ritual: Every semester, we find ourselves in the lower level of the campus store, carrying red baskets and meandering through aisles until we're 50 pounds heavier and \$500 poorer.

In May, Amazon introduced the Kindle DX as a way to read textbooks, newspapers and other large documents in electronic form. The new device rides off the success of the Kindle, which has expanded since its introduction in 2007 to include 275,000 book titles. This fall, six colleges and universities will test the DX as a substitute for textbooks in a pilot program for students, and the success or failure of this program may determine the future of our book-laden days.

When the original Kindle was first introduced, its discussion in casual conversation seemed to center around a cost-benefit analysis: Does it detract from our experiences as readers when we see print on a screen rather than on a page? Admittedly, there is something special—sacred, even—about the act of page-turning. There is something unique and significant about owning this book, writing in it, dog-earing it.

This is perhaps true on an individual level—and we have every right to be emotionally attached to that copy of "The Catcher in the Rye" from 10th grade—but in a collegiate set-

ting, our books, unfortunately, often become irrelevant after the semester ends. We may have been thrilled to take a class on memory and cognition, but a book full of brain diagrams and case studies isn't something that we'll go back to after we cram them into our heads during finals week. Because of the frequency at which teachers change their preferred editions and schools change their course offerings, our books often can't be resold or reused, and what we end up with are stacks of now-useless paper, print and cardboard.

The speed at which editions change reflects the speed at which human knowledge changes; the subjects we study and the pedagogies by which we're taught them are constantly evolving. Because textbooks aim for accuracy and objectivity, electronic textbooks—which can be updated instantaneously when inaccuracies are discovered—are ideal.

Especially in light of recent green initiatives—sustainable construction, paying for printing—it seems reasonable for the University to offer incentives for courses to use paperless textbooks or textbooks with paperless options, and for our professors to push for paperless editions in their published work. Our relationship with technology changes as quickly as knowledge itself, and a future without heavy, wasteful and expensive textbooks is not only possible, but also preferable.

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# CADENZA

## In Defense of...

### Nintendo 64 over every other gaming system

Bill Chapman  
Cadenza Reporter

My parents never allowed me to own a video game system. Sure, I had a Game Boy and a handheld Sega when I was younger, but never a device that hooked up to the television. I was a small kid growing up, restricted to a tiny screen matching the size of my palm. Meanwhile, all my friends in elementary school had Super Nintendos, PlayStations, Nintendo 64s (my favorite), or whatever the newest system was that money could buy. It was not a matter of funds. I begged to pay for any gaming device with my own money, even my treasured Bar Mitzvah cash. But I pleaded to no avail. My parents always told me that video games were "bad for me." They rotted my mind, diluted my childhood and weakened my character. As much as I loved to play sports outside, and as respectable as I was as a student, my mom and dad would not budge. At least, not for a couple of decades.

Because of my deprived in-house upbringing, I always ran straight to the TV sets at my friends' houses, inserted the game cartridge into whichever system they owned, and exercised my fingers (certainly not my mind) until the dinner bell rang. And after, I moved

straight to a different game for dessert. But eventually I would have to go home, back to the place where television shows and lame computer games failed to satisfy my appetite. Then, everything changed this past summer.

Back home after my freshman year, my 20th birthday came around in early June. After a delightful hibachi meal, my mom and dad handed me their gift. I slowly opened the bag and found resting at the bottom the one treat I have been craving for two decades: a Nintendo 64. The system just sat there, peering up at me, as metaphorical tears dripped from my eyes onto its black curves and vents. It took them 20 years, but my parents finally allowed me to hold what they always denied. I owned my first video game system.

This tragic yet inspirational tale forced me to look back over my relationship with video games. I have played every popular console in the United States, but my favorite was always the Nintendo 64. Sure, everyone loved it for its first few years of existence before the new millennium, but I defend to this day that the N64 is still a game system superior to any kind created before or after its birth. No doubt, the graphics and ingenuity have improved with each new technological transformation,

but gaming quality has never transcended that of the N64.

First, consider the complexity of today's systems. Does anyone else think that the controllers for the newest Xbox and PlayStation consoles are far too complicated? It seems impossible to just pick up a controller and understand how to capably play any game with the mass of buttons, toggles, and gadgets. It is unquestionably overwhelming. Meanwhile, the Nintendo 64 controllers have only two primary buttons (A and B, imagine that) and one main joystick. The Z-trigger serves as a nice addition, especially with the sleek and comfortable three-prong design of the N64 controllers. The arrow pad and C-buttons await for difficult situations, but they rarely play a role in most games, keeping the N64 from overstepping its genius minimalism. Give a new gamer an N64 and then an Xbox 360, and see which one she gets the hang of faster. Simplicity always triumphs over complexity.

Accompanying its ease comes the personal advantage of the Nintendo 64. Those newfangled devices continue to dig deeper chasms in human gaming interaction. My parents used to not let me buy an N64 because it would keep me inside all day and away from my books. Now imagine

adding the element of the Internet and other technological advances. My friends back home used to lie inside all day playing video games (no problem there), but now when they play Xbox and PlayStation against their friends, each player is in his own respective house, communicating over those dorky headsets, epitomizing the lazy gaming nerd that my parents visualized in my childhood. At least with the N64, my opponents have to be in the same room as me. That system always kept gaming life on a personal and human level. Nowadays, the latest devices force gamers to talk to their friends through a screen. Call me old fashioned, but I like to ridicule my opponents in person. Nintendo 64 allows for me to do just that.

Everything before it possessed inadequate screen quality, a mere 32 bits or less of CPU. Everything after it convoluted the true essence and personality of gaming. There is no doubt that the Nintendo 64 is the most superior gaming system ever created. The advancements of the Wii have established a new type of gaming that may eventually provide competition, but still the N64 stands the tallest. It took me 20 years to own my first console, but I would wait longer if it meant owning the be-all and end-all of video gaming, the Nintendo 64.



## ALBUM REVIEW Light | Matisyahu

Andrew Senter  
Cadenza Reporter

After listening to Matisyahu's newest album "Light," it would be reasonable to ask what part of Jamaica he is from. But Matisyahu is not from Jamaica. His only connection to Jamaica is that he may have enjoyed its favorite herb while being a Phish groupie during the 90s. Instead, Matisyahu is a middle-class kid from Westchester who, after one too many Phish shows, found God, converted to ultra-Orthodox Judaism and discovered how to make dub music. Good dub music. Sometimes great dub music. And it is the strength of his music, not the novelty of his religion, that makes his latest release, "Light," a worthwhile if not essential listen.

One of the strongest aspects of Matisyahu's new album is his willingness to go beyond pure dub music. Even though this experimentation is not always successful, some of the best songs on the album show him attempting to expand his palette. In "One Day," he makes a plea for world peace and the hope that his children will encounter a better world. Its religious imagery recalls some of reggae's classic artists, and Matisyahu's voice is in stellar form. On "I Will Be Light," his use of religious metaphor and traditional reggae rhythms would make his song sound right at home on a playlist with Bob Marley and Desmond Dekker. Unfortunately, his experimentation is not always successful. Songs such as "Motivate" and "Struggla" are hindered by awkward attempts at musical expansion, such as a misplaced guitar solo in "Motivate."

Matisyahu's experimenta-

tion, though not always successful, is worth applause. Even tracks such as "Motivate" and "Struggla" are noteworthy because they strive for originality. What causes the album to lose its luster are a number of bland songs. Tracks such as "Escape," "So Hi, So Lo" and "For You" can be considered Sean Paul knockoffs at best. Matisyahu sounds staid and listless on these tracks. His unconventional lyrics are unable to mask generic songs that contain almost no traces of originality. That is not to say all of Matisyahu's attempts at dub are disasters. Songs such as the opener, "Smash Lies," and "Darkness into Light" are danceable and original. They demonstrate his deft ability to combine singing and rapping in a way that is perfectly fitted for dub.

The ability of Matisyahu to produce top-notch dub music is laudable. Some of his songs, especially as he looks to move beyond pure dance-hall reggae, are original and insightful. Unfortunately, his tendency to rest on his laurels and produce generic dance tracks hinder his latest album. So even though it is not perfect, "Light" is at times engaging and original. It shows that if Matisyahu continues to search for original means of musical expression, the results could be spectacular. For now we will have to settle for occasional glimpses of his potential.



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## The top 10 N64 games

1. Mario Kart 64
2. NFL Blitz
3. Mario Party
4. GoldenEye 007
5. Super Mario 64
6. Major League Baseball Feat. Ken Griffey Jr.
7. Cruis'n USA
8. Super Smash Brothers
9. Star Fox 64
10. Diddy Kong Racing

## Humbug | Arctic Monkeys

Nick Hawco  
Cadenza Reporter

Your average TV show runs at 24 frames per second, which is faster than your brain can register—fast enough to create the illusion of reality from a series of slightly different pictures. Following this philosophy, the Arctic Monkeys have, by hammering guitars and pummeling drums to such a blinding speed, transformed cheeky accounts of Sheffield pub-crawling into something more sensational. Their first album, 2006's "Whatever People Say I Am, That's What I'm Not," established the Arctic Monkeys as heir apparent to Britain's long line of pop-punk kings. 2007's "Favourite Worst Nightmare" was faster, stronger and more

over the top than the debut: "Now that we're here, we may as well go too far," sings frontman Alex Turner on "This House is a Circus," and Arctic Monkeys tracks have typically been divisible into two categories: those that are cranked up to 11 and those that are not.

No more. With "Humbug," the band's first release in two years, the Arctic Monkeys seek a more comfortable, albeit darker, middle ground. The pop hooks that were once front and center now define a three-dimensional framework, one where Turner can settle in, wiggle around and unload his insults.

Gone, however, is the self-assured brat who asked, "Who wants to be men of the people when there's people like you?" The new Alex Turner writes in code, his indignation modulated and complicated with masked lyrics that hint at previously unknown vulnerability. "I smelt your scent on my seatbelt, and kept my shortcuts to myself" he coos on "Comerstone," by far the album's prettiest song.

But prettiness isn't what the Arctic Monkeys are going for. The band recruited Josh Homme, of Queens of the Stone Age fame, to produce "Humbug" and to hold Turner's hand as he dances with the dark. "I've got this ego mechanic, she's always trying to give me vitamins," he

croaks on "Potion Approaching," adrift among the fuzzed guitar riffs and echoed, ominous drums. Even the track's last line—"Would you like me to build you a go kart?"—seemingly reminiscent of the sarcasm that defined their first two albums, falls flat; the rhythm collapses, pulling the rug from underneath both Turner and the possibility of returning to their old identity.

Which is not to say that they can't do a good job of faking it. "What came first, the chicken or the dickhead?" Turner shouts on "Pretty Visitors," whose verses, which hurdle to the ground at top speed, revel in that vintage Arctic Monkey insolence. The chorus, though, stocked with organs and surrealism, proves that such a return is short lived. Sure, the Arctic Monkeys can still scour the dance floor, but they seem to be much more at home in the attic.



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# SCENE

## FACULTY PROFILE

Mary Jo Bang

Hana Schuster  
Scene Regular  
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As students, we easily get so wrapped up in our lives here at Washington University that we forget that there is life beyond the Danforth Campus. We also forget that our professors have lives of their own.

For professor Mary Jo Bang, director of the Creative Writing Program at Washington University, life outside the classroom includes five published books, countless awards, five educational degrees and one heartbreaking tragedy.

In 2008, Bang was awarded the National Book Critics Circle Award for Poetry for her most recently released work, "Elegy," a collection of 64 poems that was published in October 2007 by Graywolf Press. Although she was honored to receive the award, the win was bittersweet for Bang; "Elegy" concentrates on Bang's thoughts and feelings surrounding the tragic death of her son, Michael Van Hook.

Van Hook died in the summer of 2004 from an accidental prescription overdose. Following his death, Bang decided to use her writing as a way of continuing a lost conversation with her son, as a way of expressing all the things she wanted to say but were impossible to put into words.

She determined that she would write these poems for exactly one year, and then she would stop—she would put them away and never go back to them. "I decided I could never write about it again," she said. "Otherwise it would become too central to my life. It would keep going on. I was worried I wouldn't be able to stop it."

She intended the poems to be a distraction from her sorrow; they offer no hope, no consolation and no solution. Audiences and editors responded positively to the poems of "Elegy," which Bang did not understand at first. Trying to make sense of their receptiveness, Bang said, "We have a desire for poems to mirror our deepest feelings. These poems are of a state of unrequited longing,

which probably echoes some longing or loss others may have experienced."

Grief, after all, is one of the most isolating feelings a person can experience. Through reading "Elegy," readers will not discover solutions to their emotions or to Bang's grief, but they will find company in it. They can find solace in her honesty.

After that one year, Bang immediately began writing something else. This collection of poems, "The Bride of E," will be released Sept. 29. These poems explore a contrast between high and low culture. She wrote each of them through the lens of an invented character, rather than through her own eyes and her own emotions.

"I tend to reject the notion that poems should somehow reveal something about the poet's life," she said. In "The Bride of E," Bang returns to a style she is much more comfortable and familiar with—these poems are lighter and more humorous, with a less elegiac tone. Bang will read from this collection to the Wash. U. community at an open reading in November.

Bang grew up in a poor household in Ferguson, Mo. "It was somewhat limiting," she said of her childhood. So Bang immersed herself in library books. "I always loved reading," she said.

She graduated *summa cum laude* in 1971 with a sociology degree from Northwestern University. In 1975, she received her master's degree in sociology, also from Northwestern. Before completing her undergraduate years, Bang married, gave birth to a son and divorced.

Through college, Bang was deeply concerned with the Vietnam War and social justice issues. After completing her master's degree, she moved to Philadelphia, where she did antiwar work with a Quaker group for several years, before returning to Missouri.

Back in Missouri, Bang enrolled in a physician assistant degree program through Saint Louis University so that she could pursue a career in medicine. Bang remarried in 1978, and she and her husband moved back to Evanston, where she enrolled in a night class at Northwest-

ern for creative writing. This is where Bang discovered her love of writing. Though the class was a fiction writing class, which, Bang said, "didn't really come naturally," she still knew she wanted to pursue writing further.

Bang eventually took on a new passion: photography. She enrolled in photography courses in Chicago and continued to study it even when she and her husband moved to London. She graduated from the Polytechnic of Central London in 1989 with a photography degree. Through that program, Bang became interested in the relationship between texts and images, so she began to write poems in relation to her photographs. "I had never written much poetry before, but it came more naturally and I loved it," she said.

Bang and her husband divorced and she returned to the United States. She was then accepted to Columbia University's Master of Fine Arts program, where she received her fifth and final degree. Before she graduated in 1998, Bang published her first book, "Apology for Want," which received the Bakeless Literary Publication Prize.

Bang continued to write and publish many successful works. Award after award was announced in her name. She published poems in various journals, such as The New Yorker, The Paris Review, Volt, The New Republic and Best American Poetry.

Bang joined the Washington University community in 2000 and became the director of the Creative Writing Program in 2005. "I am so fortunate to come into poetry so late in life and still be able to publish as much as I have," she said. "I have a job here that really supports and respects writers. It's a great department." Bang loves teaching poetry at the University and admires her talented student writers for their creativity and hard work.

Despite her turbulent life, her many successes and dismal heartbreaks, Bang can still sit serenely in her small, comfortable office in Duncker Hall. "I love writing, but I also love teaching," she said quietly.

## The Haps: Trivia nights

Kristen Klempert  
Events Columnist

Who was the 13th U.S. president? In what movie does Henry Hill say, "As far back as I can remember, I always wanted to be a gangster"? What was Lewis Carroll's real name? If you know these answers without the help of Wikipedia, then a good trivia night might be for you. It might seem nerdy or even too stereotypically "Wash. U." to spend a night answering trivia questions, but do it in a bar and add a plate of chicken wings, and it's a good time.

St. Louis has plenty of trivia nights around town to try out. J. Buck's in Clayton has recently started hosting Tenacious Trivia Tuesday nights starting at 8 p.m., with gift certificates offered to the top-scoring teams.

Mike Duffy's in the Schnuck's Plaza on Clayton Road in Richmond Heights holds a trivia night on Wednesdays, starting

at 10 p.m., and gives away beer buckets as prizes. Duffy's can attract a standing-room-only crowd, so they suggest that you arrive early. It is also rumored that Brandt's Café on the Delmar Loop may soon be bringing back its Wednesday night trivia.

Most of these events follow a similar formula: Friends show up and form a team, questions are asked, answers are written and turned in, and points are awarded. Details like category types, background music and question difficulty vary with location. For instance, Wash. U. physics majors would go to J. Buck's for an easy win, but they'd go to Duffy's for a real challenge.

For those who have never been to a trivia night, here are a few good things to know. First off, unless the trivia night is a onetime deal to benefit charity, it's free to play. The games normally last a few hours. Also, just because it's held in a bar doesn't mean it is a 21-and-older event. If you are lucky enough to be

of age, however, there are normally some decent drink specials during the game—Duffy's, for instance, offers \$4 pitchers.

Finally, show enthusiasm! Not just to pump yourself up, but to get on the host's good side. This way, if you make questionable spelling choices or leave out words from your answers—if you write Chuck and Larry instead of the official title "I Now Pronounce You Chuck and Larry"—they'll be more likely to give you a break and award you points anyway. Plus, if you don't know an answer, handing in a completely ridiculous response will get you in with the hosts.

So if you think you've got the brains, stop by a local trivia night. Besides, what's a better way to justify our \$45,000-a-year education than by winning a few beers from a pop culture competition?

Oh, and in case you're still wondering, the answers were Millard Fillmore, "Goodfellas" and Charles Dodgson.

## Other happenings

**Big Muddy Blues Festival** Sept. 5-6 at Laclede's Landing, starting each day at 1 p.m. and running until around 11 p.m. Outdoor festival featuring local and regional blues artists and groups.

**Girls' Night Out** Sept. 1 at Beauty Brands, 8582 Eager Rd. (by Target), 5:30 p.m.-8 p.m. A free evening of mini spa treatments, samples and food for the ladies. Go to <http://www.beautybrands.com/girlsnightout> to reserve a spot.

**Wash. U. Happy Day at J. Buck's in Clayton** Sept. 5 at J. Bucks, 101 S. Hanley Rd., 12 p.m.-1 p.m. Bring your Wash. U. ID card for appetizer and drink specials all day.

**Pirate Night** Aug. 31 at Delmar Restaurant and Lounge, 10 p.m.-3 a.m. Eye patched themed night with drink specials and music.

**Flannel—A Tribute to Grunge** Sept. 5 at House of Rock, 5 Ronnies Plaza, Crestwood, 9 p.m. A 21-and-older show covering the best of the grunge rock era.

**Japanese Festival** Sept. 5-7 at the Missouri Botanical Gardens, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. (Labor Day, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.) Festival of Japanese culture including tea ceremonies, Japanese gardens and more. Admission price \$15.

**Star Party** Sept. 4, St. Louis Science Center in Forest Park, 7 p.m.-10 p.m. St. Louis Astronomical Society hosts a free event allowing all to ask questions and see the stars through provided telescopes.

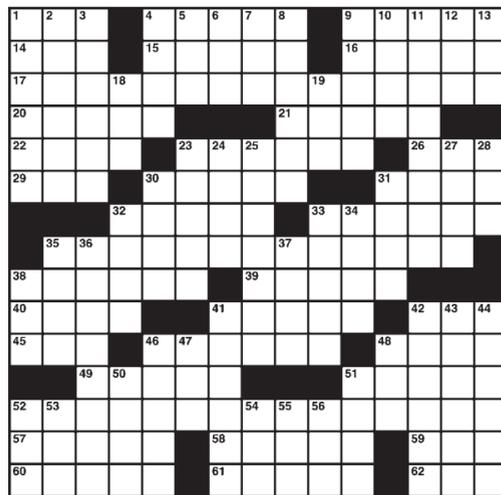
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### Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

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- 14 www address
- 15 Pic
- 16 Knight's protection
- 17 Magician's deception
- 20 Kept in reserve
- 21 Dewy
- 22 Eve's first home
- 23 Really smart people
- 26 Cubes in a freezer
- 29 Old salt
- 30 Investigation
- 31 Read, as a bar code
- 32 Southern breakfast side
- 33 Concurrence
- 35 Magician's deception



By Norma Steinberg

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#### Friday's Puzzle Solved

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- 6 Chaney of film
- 7 Takeoff approx.
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- 9 Wrapped garments seen in Agra culture
- 10 Says "2 x 2 = 5," say
- 11 :-), e.g.
- 12 Palme Cannes film prize
- 13 12-mo. periods
- 18 Barbie's boyfriend
- 19 Cyclotron bit
- 23 Naval jails
- 24 IRA
- 25 Choose not to vote
- 27 "Pick a \_\_, any \_\_"
- 28 See 38-Down
- 30 Holier-than-thou type
- 31 Surgery reminder
- 32 Wilder or Hackman
- 33 Subsequent to "Moonstruck"
- 34 Oscar winner
- 35 Magic act, for one
- 36 Texas symbol
- 37 Ye Tea Shoppe
- 38 With 28-Down, novel conclusion
- 41 Square dance leader
- 42 Live (at)
- 43 Take the family to a restaurant
- 44 Building site giants
- 46 Shoestrings
- 47 The Gay Nineties, e.g.
- 48 "Fill 'er up" filler
- 50 Just in the \_\_ of time
- 51 Occupied
- 52 Select, with "for"
- 53 Like "mice" and "men": Abbr.
- 54 Land in the Seine
- 55 Fib
- 56 Young guy

## SUDOKU

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## SPORTS

## WOMEN'S SOCCER

## Bears kick off title run against Ill. Wesleyan

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Senior Sports Editor

If Washington University's women's soccer team had one rival, that rival would be Illinois Wesleyan University. Fittingly, the Lady Bears kick their 2009 campaign off on Monday against the Titans at 5:30 p.m. on Francis Field.

Although Illinois Wesleyan leads the all-time series 4-3-4, Wash. U. won both meetings last year. In their last game at the NCAA regional finals, the Titans and Bears squared off through regulation and two scoreless overtime periods.

The ticket to the 2008 NCAA sectionals was punched during a penalty shootout as 2009 Wash. U. graduate Amanda Boe made save after save. Sophomore Alyssa Marulli scored the deciding shot.

"We don't lose at home," senior co-captain Carter Schwarberg said. "It's our field."

Two new things will debut at the game against the Titans. One is a new offense-minded formation designed to put the pressure on opponents early on. The other is free live streaming videos of home soccer games via the athletics Web site.

Eight seniors return filling various leadership roles. Co-captain Libby Held was an All-American back while co-captain Becca Heymann and Caryn Rosoff earned All-Central Region honors. "All three of them will be the heart [of the team]," head coach Jim Conlon said. "Everything will feed off of those three. There's no doubt about it."

Last year, a freshman scored the first goal of the season in under nine minutes against Calvin College. That freshman, now-sophomore Lee Ann Felder, returns with a host of other talented sophomores and juniors. The returners have greatly improved over the summer and are expected to fill the role of

last year's graduates, according to both captains. "It's just a question of who's going to step up," Heymann said.

While the current batch of freshmen may not make an immediate impact offensively, three freshmen are in contention with junior Katy Southworth for goalkeeper. Southworth has 80 minutes in goal and made three career saves in her two seasons. Conlon said the Bears will evaluate the go-to keeper throughout the first week of play.

Heymann and Schwarberg feel a strong team chemistry has already formed. "We have a philosophy this year of no excuses," Schwarberg said. "Losses and wins are on our shoulders."

The No. 8 Bears face an even larger test after the Titans. Over the weekend, the Red and Green head to Baltimore, Md., to square off against No. 6 John Hopkins University and No. 4 William Smith College. The John Hopkins match will be

personal, as Libby Held plays against her twin sister, midfielder Natalie Held.

"We're only going to achieve great things this season if we keep challenging ourselves," Heymann said.

Although Wash. U. is ranked higher in the pre-season, the UAA has picked us to finish second this season. The conference has tabbed No. 16 University of Chicago as the 2009 champion. With both teams ending their regular season against each other, the UAA title may only be decided on Nov. 7. UAA rival Emory University is ranked No. 22.

The Red and Green will become road warriors, playing 11 of 19 regular season games away. The final home game is on Oct. 25 versus neighboring Fontbonne University.

"I'm confident that if we make the Final Four, we can handle the rest," Heymann said. "We just need to take every game one at a time and don't get ahead of ourselves."



Senior co-captain Carter Schwarberg clashes with an Emory University defender in an Oct. 12, 2008 game at Wash. U.

## WOMEN'S SOCCER CAN'T-MISS HOME GAMES

Sept. 1 Illinois Wesleyan University @ 5:30 p.m.

Season opener and regional rival

Sept. 11 Claremont-Mudd-Scripps @ 7 p.m.

NSCAA No. 23

Sept. 25 Southeast Missouri State University @ 7 p.m.

Division I opponent

Oct. 11 Carnegie Mellon University @ 1:30 p.m.

First home UAA conference game

Oct. 25 Fontbonne University @ 1 p.m.

Final home game of regular season

## AWAY GAMES

Sept. 5 John Hopkins University

NSCAA No. 6

Sept. 6 William Smith College

NSCAA No. 4

Oct. 4 Emory University

UAA rival and NSCAA No. 22

Nov. 7 University of Chicago

Pre-season UAA favorite, NSCAA No. 16  
and final conference game

## CROSS-COUNTRY

# Team hungers for success

Becky Chanis  
Sports Editor

After an intense summer of training, the Washington University men's and women's cross country teams are in shape and raring to go.

"I think our senior class is very hungry," Head Coach Jeff Stiles said. "Over the summer, some of them were running up to a hundred miles a week—you can do the math on how far that is a day—so they're highly motivated and are in unbelievable shape."

A preseason poll by the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) ranked the Wash. U. women's squad as first in the D-III Midwest region and the men as eighth. The USTFCCCA also ranked the women's squad as third in the nation.

"Pre-season rankings... are not super accurate," Stiles said. "On the women's side, it's more of a compliment to our tradition than to what people actually know."

The women have qualified for the NCAA Division III Championships eight times since 2000. In those eight, they have finished as a top-four team five times.

Still, the Lady Bears' high ranking is incredibly

exciting for the team.

"It's a really good sign," junior Taryn Surtees said. "We have pretty big goals for the season... We think top three [at Nationals] would be awesome—and even better than that would be ideal. But of course it's a long season, and there are a lot of variables."

Surtees, who finished 30th out of 279 competitors at the 2008 Division-III NCAA Cross Country Championships with a time of 21:36.03, is looking forward to her personal upcoming season.

"I have goals, but I'm trying not to be too ambitious at this point. Mostly it's just to do my best," she said.

For the men, the rankings mostly reflect the hardships they faced last year. After a frustrating bout of injuries on the men's team, the Bears are looking to prove themselves this season.

"I think we can be a lot better than that, but it's a fair ranking based on what we've done," Stiles said.

Currently, the men are taking a new approach to training and racing this season. While hopeful, they are unsure of what to expect.

"A lot has changed since last year. We're switching up the workouts we're doing," sophomore Nick Carroll said.

"This year we have two guys that should be up front and a whole pack of guys right behind. Our race strategy is going to be—and the way that we're going to take on training is going to be—a lot different and hopefully more beneficial than last year."

Despite the new training, the most important factor for the men will be to stay healthy.

"I think there's no question we have the depth, and I think there's no question we have talent," Carroll said. "It's whether we can stay healthy this season and get in some really good training."

The goal for both teams is to qualify for nationals.

"We did in 2006, and that's the only time it's been done in school history," Stiles said. "We've got a great chance to do it again."

The Red and Green start the season with the Big River Running Early Bird Meet, scheduled for Sept. 5 at 9 a.m. It will be hosted in the central fields of Forest Park in St. Louis. It is the first of eight meets before NCAA Division-III Championships.

"Our senior class is kind of leading the way just based on pure motivation," Stiles said. "They're really setting a great standard. It's really exciting to find out what we'll do."

# Hunting for the elusive intramural T-shirts

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Students at Washington University have received many "free" T-shirts in their time here.

Some, like the Red Alert T-shirt, only require an e-mail address. Others are given by residential colleges at move-in or at various student events. Only one shirt provides bragging rights. Only one shirt can be earned through sweat, effort and mental agility. That shirt is the "Intramural Champion" shirt.

Two years ago, they were gray. Last year, they were forest green. This year, IM champions will wear navy blue.

In the 2008-2009 school year, intramural sports had more than 6,000 participants, including undergraduates, graduates and those who play multiple sports. Regardless of the sport or activity, all champions receive the same shirt.

Both single-gender and coed activities are available. Events range from the most strenuous, like flag football and basketball, to those that require more intellect, such as the sports trivia bowl and euchre. While many traditional sports are available, inner-tube water polo and other nontraditional activities can be fun changes of pace.

According to senior Tim Olivos, a participant and IM official, basketball and foot-

ball are the most popular sports.

Students interested in IM sports don't necessarily need to compete. According to Sean Curtis, director of intramural and club sports, more than 150 students work as sports officials keeping track of scores and regulating games. Those interested in officiating can go to the Intramural Office.

Olivos finds officiating a good way of making money while having fun and getting involved.

Officiating can be tough depending on the intensity of the game. "You have to be on top of your game," Olivos said. "[You're] trying to make sure everyone is having a good time."

Officials receive training

with meetings to go over the rules and practice games that they officiate. "It's not too bad, and you get paid," Olivos said.

Although most sports are on campus, a few require facilities in the St. Louis area. Students can bowl and get a score sheet printout for IM bowling. Golfers can bring in their scorecards and take advantage of special rates with local golf courses.

The time commitment varies depending on the level of competitiveness. "It runs the entire scope of competition, from completely recreational to actually highly competitive where they have practices and they are trying to definitely win the league," Curtis said.

Most leagues have games

once a week, with each game lasting up to an hour. While the majority of teams show up just for games, several hold weekly practices.

For teams comprised of fraternity, sorority, or residential college students, there's added competition. Last year, Wayman Crow won the Res College Point League with 368 points. Kappa Kappa Gamma edged out Delta Gamma by 10 points in the sorority league. The reigning fraternity champion is Sigma Phi Epsilon, beating out Phi Delta Theta by 7 points.

Senior Fan Ye, a participant in flag football and basketball, gave several reasons why people play IM sports.

"IM gets to compete with other people and friends," Ye

said. "People of all different levels can enjoy playing team sports."

Though playing to win is nice, Ye said his primary goal is "getting to bond."

For some participants, an intramural championship shirt is the pinnacle of their athletic careers. Curtis has had some seniors come up and say, "It took me three and a half years, but I finally got it."

The first deadlines are fast approaching with coed Ultimate Frisbee and kickball on Sept. 3. Entry forms can be picked up at the IM Office on the third floor of the Athletic Complex. The hunt for the navy blue IM championship shirt and all bragging rights begins this September.