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## Medical school clears Kuklo of false-data charge

Committee finds former WU surgeon engaged in other misconduct

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A Washington University committee has cleared former medical school researcher Timothy Kuklo of allegations that he falsified research in a military study, but found that he had engaged in other research misconduct.

Kuklo was under federal investigation after members of the U.S. Army accused him of fabricating data for a bone-growth drug study, which he performed at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C. Now, a University committee says the claim that Kuklo made up data cannot be supported, though this does not mean he has been found innocent.

“This is akin to a finding of insufficient evidence, and should not be characterized as a complete exoneration,” the University said in a statement released Thursday.

The University committee found that Kuklo violated school research integrity policies and guidelines for human subject research in other ways.

### History: Kuklo, Infuse and the University’s investigation

The committee’s findings come after seven months of investigation into Kuklo’s case.

Last spring, The New York Times printed allegations from several U.S. Army officials who claimed that Kuklo altered research data on Infuse, a bone-growth hormone used to treat wounded soldiers at Walter Reed.

The Army members alleged that Kuklo had inflated the number of soldiers with leg injuries who were able to be treated effectively with Infuse. Kuklo was also accused of forging

the signatures of four Army doctors when submitting the results of his study for publication.

Controversy heightened around the case when it was revealed that Kuklo had been paid \$800,000 by Medtronic, the company that makes Infuse. The University said later that Kuklo had not disclosed to the school his financial ties to Medtronic.

After the allegations surfaced, Kuklo took leave from the University in May. An article on his study was retracted from the medical journal that printed it. Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, the ranking Republican on the Senate Finance Committee, began a federal inquiry into Kuklo’s case. Kuklo later resigned from the University.

A University committee was then formed to investigate the allegations brought against Kuklo.

### The committee’s findings

Although the University’s full findings have not been made public, The New York Times reported Friday that the committee found it possible that Kuklo had not misrepresented the number of leg injuries that had been successfully treated with Infuse.

The committee based this conclusion on the assumption that Kuklo could have defined the leg injuries he studied more broadly than other Army officials would have. The committee also suggested that some of the questionable data tied to Kuklo could have resulted from problems with record-keeping at Walter Reed.

But the committee found no justification for Kuklo’s forging four doctors’ signatures. The New York Times reported that Kuklo asserted he had only included the doctors’ names as a courtesy, but the committee determined that his forgeries suggested an “intentional deception.”

The University stated that it is not reconsidering Kuklo’s resignation in light of the committee’s findings.

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## 200 seniors protest discrimination at Chicago bar



SCOTT BRESSLER | CAMPUS IN FOCUS

During the senior class trip to Chicago, Washington University students protested the alleged discrimination against six black students who were denied entrance into Mother’s Nightclub Original bar on Saturday night.

Eliza Adelson  
Contributing Reporter

Six black students were denied entry to a Chicago bar during the senior class trip Saturday night, prompting Washington University seniors to protest the bar’s alleged discriminatory action.

“I think it’s because we were a group of predominantly black men and they felt threatened,” said senior Blake Jones, one of the students who was not

allowed into the bar.

About 200 Washington University seniors were attending Mother’s Night Club Original bar on Saturday night as part of their class trip to Chicago, sponsored by the Senior Class Council. According to Senior Class President Fernando Cutz, the six black students were told they would not be allowed in because of their failure to comply with the bar’s “baggy jeans” policy. A few white students who had already been admitted then came out to demonstrate that

their jeans were more “baggy,” but the black students were still denied admission.

The six students offered to change their clothes, but the bar manager still refused to allow them in. The white students were allowed to return.

The management at Mother’s did not immediately return phone calls from Student Life seeking comment.

Two of the students rejected from the club were Ibora Umana and Regis Murayi, the internal vice president and treasurer of

Senior Class Council, respectively. Both of these students were heavily involved in the planning of the trip.

Murayi said he felt the manager was unwilling to listen to what he and the other five students denied entry had to say.

“From talking to him, I felt that no matter what I said, he already knew his agenda, he knew his plan. It was hard to get him to budge from that,” Murayi said. “It was not about the baggy

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## Repeat is sweet: Tennis star Watts takes ITA singles title for 2nd time

Daniel Kurzner  
Sports Reporter

Senior John Watts added another line to the already remarkable list of accomplishments in his career, capturing the ITA Division III Men’s Singles Championship for the second time in the last four years, without dropping a set.

“It was great to win the

tournament,” Watts said. “It was a fantastic feeling when I was done with my finals match [Saturday] morning.”

Watts, coming off a first-place finish at the ITA Regional Tournament three weeks ago, has never stopped working this season to be ready for big tournaments like this one. “This year we worked on his slice, mostly his backhand slice, and we worked on his drop shot,”

head coach Roger Follmer said. “He used a little bit of both this weekend, which he needed to do because he was pushed more here than he has been [recently].”

In the tournament, which took place in Mobile, Ala., Watts defeated Andy Peters of Middlebury in the finals in straight sets (6-3, 6-4), but he insists that the match was closer than the score

indicates.

“I tried to mix up my game. I served pretty well, I came to the net and put him away at net,” Watts said. “A few little points here and there made a big difference.” Watts also dispatched Dillon Pottish of Emory (7-5, 6-0) and Hayden White of Washington and Lee (6-0, 6-2) en route to the finals.

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## Students call McCaskill to action at Power Shift



Members of Green Action at Wash. U. were among those Missouri students who pushed Sen. Claire McCaskill, D-Mo., over the weekend to support a clean energy bill being debated by the Senate.

Joshua Goldman  
Managing Editor

With a clean energy bill on the Senate floor, Power Shift Missouri ’09 ended with a rally on Sunday in front of St. Louis City Hall that aimed to enunciate a clear message for Sen. Claire McCaskill.

The Missouri Democrat has yet to announce how she will vote on the new clean energy bill. Rally attendees called on her to fight for clean energy.

“Climate change affects all of our futures. We demand that you support strong clean energy legislation,” said Adam Hasz, a sophomore at Washington University and the campus coordinator at Wash. U. for Power Shift. “On this issue, when you vote, you represent

more than just Missouri. Your constituency is the entire world. We will hold you accountable if you don’t vote accordingly.”

Hasz gave the first speech at the rally, which had about 60 attendees and concluded the three-day summit.

The summit, which was at Saint Louis University, is one of 11 regional conventions aimed at pushing clean energy legislation through Congress. The student movement was organized in Missouri by Brett Wiley and Hasz and was overseen by the Energy Action Coalition (EAC), an umbrella organization based in Washington, D.C., that helps environmental groups like Power Shift seek environmental legislation.

Missouri was given its own summit since McCaskill has

shown no indication of how she will vote on the clean energy bill and because the state is well above average in its use of coal-based electricity. The proposed energy bill would call for reducing carbon emissions nationally by 20 percent by 2020 and 80 percent by 2050.

Passing a clean energy bill would also show that the United States is ready to lead the fight for clean energy at Copenhagen Climate Conference on Nov. 4, which will be attended by all members of the U.N. Framework Convention on Climate Change.

The statewide summit drew around 100 college and high school students from across the state, and while it was significantly smaller than the

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# THE FLIPSIDE

## eventcalendar

### MONDAY 19

**Your Right to Die? A Debate on Physician-Assisted Suicide**  
DUC, Tisch Commons, 5:30 – 7 p.m.  
Two members of the British National Debate Team will debate two Washington University students on the topic of physician-assisted suicide. Sponsored by the Center for the Study of Ethics & Human Values.

**Tap water vs. bottled water taste test**  
Clocktower Plaza, 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.  
Taste test the difference between tap water and bottled water. Sponsored by Congress of the South 40 Sustainability Committee as part of the ECOlympics.

### TUESDAY 20

**Medical school admissions panel**  
McDonnell Hall, Room 162, 7 p.m.  
Join medical school admissions officers from Case Western Reserve University, Duke University and Washington University in St. Louis as they discuss their programs and answer student questions.

**‘Trashy’ Fashion Show**  
Ursa’s Stageside, 6 – 9 p.m.  
It’s like Project Runway at Ursa’s Stageside! Using only old recyclable materials, transform pieces of trash into the next fashion hit. Materials and prizes will be provided. Sponsored by Congress of the South 40 Sustainability Committee as part of the ECOlympics.

## newsbriefs

### Campus

#### H1N1 watch: Swine flu cases rise on campus

The University saw about 70 cases of the flu among students this September. The number is rising as the flu continues to spread through campus and the surrounding area. Student Health Services is currently offering \$12 seasonal flu vaccines to students at the Habib Health & Wellness Center on campus. The seasonal flu vaccine is not expected to protect against the 2009 H1N1 flu.

The University is waiting for its shipment of the 2009 H1N1 vaccine. This vaccine will be available free of charge once it arrives. The 2009 H1N1 vaccine will be distributed according to CDC recommendations. Initial supplies will be given to those identified as most at risk for the flu, including: pregnant women; people who live with children under 6 months old; health care providers; people aged 6 months to 24 years old; and people between 25 and 64 who have chronic health disorders or compromised immune systems.

More information is available at [www.wustl.edu/flu](http://www.wustl.edu/flu) (Dan Woznica)

### International

#### Pirated Windows 7 versions hit Chinese market

Although Windows 7, Microsoft’s latest version of its Windows operating system, will not be available for another week, illegal versions are circulating in China for a fraction of the listed price. Versions of the software have been selling for just 20 yuan, or under \$3. The list price is over \$300.

Microsoft already slashed prices of other software such as Microsoft Office in order to make it more available to consumers in China, but the rates are still several times higher than those that can be found illegally.

China has often been criticized for its lax rules regarding intellectual property. But recently there have been several events suggesting that the Chinese government is beginning to crack down. Four citizens were jailed in August for distributing illegal copies of Windows XP, a move that China’s official news agency, Xinhua, called the biggest software piracy bust in the country.

China is the second largest market for personal computers, outpaced only by the United States. Some estimates say that 80 percent of software sold in China is pirated. (John Scott)

### National

#### Arizona profiling case continues

An Arizona sheriff whose sweeps around Phoenix have led to allegations of racial profiling has begun a campaign to combat illegal immigration, a few days after federal authorities curbed his powers to make immigration arrests.

The sheriff and his deputies lost powers to enforce immigration laws on the streets under a new U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) program announced Friday, but they are still allowed to exercise their power over detainees held in county lockups.

There are currently 12 million illegal immigrants living and working in the United States. On Friday, the ICE announced that 57 local and state law enforcement agencies across the country would be able to enforce immigration law in collaboration with the federal government, but they would be subject to more oversight. (Eliza Adelson)

## policebeat

**JUDICIAL VIOLATION**—Oct. 15, 2009, 8:55 p.m.  
Location: Frat #4  
Summary: Officers responding to a fire alarm found smoke from student in violation of the smoking policy.  
Disposition: Cleared by referral to judicial administrator.

**LARCENY**—Oct. 16, 2009, 8:51 p.m.  
Location: Danforth University Center

Summary: An employee of Ambius, the company that provides the flowers to the orchid room in the Danforth Center, reported three orchid planters were taken from room 128 over the last month. It should be noted there was a report of two planters stolen under report #090476 on Sept. 16. The planters were valued at \$180. Disposition: Pending.

## KUKLO from page 1

**University sharpens focus on research integrity**  
News of Kuklo’s clearing came at the end of the University’s inaugural Academic Integrity Week.

The week’s events, which culminated this weekend with the Center for Academic Integrity International Conference on campus, included

several panel discussions and speakers on research integrity.

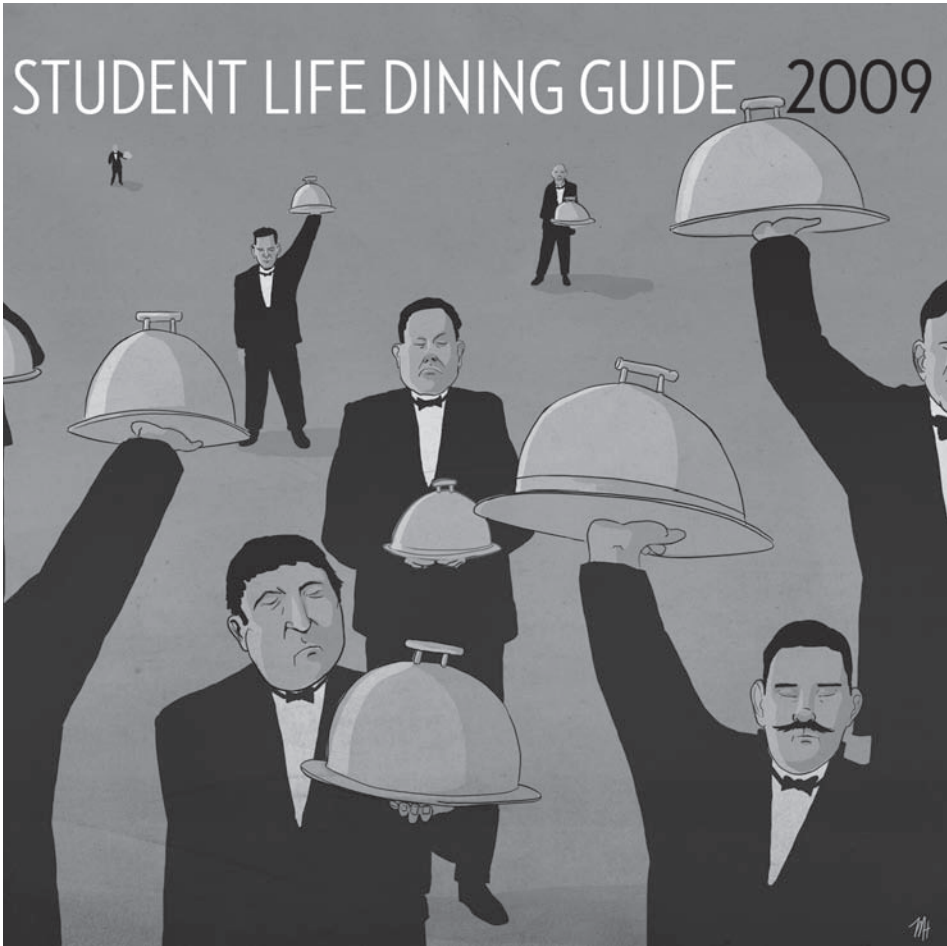
Last Monday, for example, student group Controversy N’ Coffee hosted a forum on cheating called, “Could my Wash. U. Degree Lose its Credibility?”

Tuesday saw a panel discussion on intellectual

property law, and another panel was held Wednesday on integrity in job and graduate school applications.

On Thursday, David Callahan, public-policy activist and author of “The Cheating Culture” and “The Moral Center,” delivered an Assembly Series lecture titled, “Creating a Culture of Integrity.”

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Missouri students at Power Shift encouraged Sen. Claire McCaskill, D-Mo., to support clean energy legislation in Congress. The students said McCaskill has not yet made her stance on the bill clear.

12,000-student rally in Washington last February, the main message was the same.

“Within the next decade, the world needs to start reducing its greenhouse gas emissions,” Hasz said. “At that point, no matter how much we reduce our greenhouse gases, no matter how much clean energy we use instead of fossil fuels, there will be a chain reaction where the climate will deteriorate and there will be nothing we can do to stop it.”

The rally at City Hall was the most public event of the summit, complete with cheers for climate change like, “We won’t be fooled by fossil fuels. Don’t buy it, don’t try it,” and “Stop coal and oil, start wind and sun. This power shift has begun.” But Friday and Saturday were equally important for summit attendees.

Those in attendance spent the days learning the skills necessary for bringing more individuals into the fight for clean energy and beginning to receive the training necessary for working in a clean energy field.

All of these ideas melded

together at Sunday’s rally. Hasz discussed the political side to the rally before Patrick Brown, a senior instructor at the Office of Applied Innovations, spoke on the necessity of training individuals in environmental professions such as weatherizing and solar panel installation. With this training, Brown preached that individuals can make a difference in the fight for clean energy while earning enough money to live and support a family.

The rally was concluded by Jessie Tolkan, executive director of the EAC, who chose to attend the rally to reach out to McCaskill and demonstrate that Missouri, a state with large coal lobbies from Peabody and Arch Coal, was ready for change.

“I do believe that the clean energy revolution will take hold first in the Midwest, and I think that Missouri is a state with enormous potential. It started when the students at Wash. U. did remarkable work around the debates last year, so I knew that Missouri was an important place to come and support the emerging network of new leaders,” Tolkan said. “And I think

we have a tough fight on our hands with Senator McCaskill, and I just want Senator McCaskill to know that we will stand up for her when she leads on this issue.”

Using her speech as more of an inspirational call than a push for agendas, Tolkan asked the attendees of the rally to be ambassadors of truth and insisted that “it’s our generation that’s setting the terms of this debate.”

While Power Shift may have originated to push a political agenda, Hasz will call the summit a success only if the summit attendees bring environmental action to their campuses.

“The only way this movement will be successful is if it continues to spread, and it needs to spread fast given the timeframe of Copenhagen,” Hasz said.

The summit also demonstrated why the attendees feel that action toward reducing carbon emissions is necessary now, which is tough to prove to most young adults.

“We are not seeing the effects [of global warming] in our faces every day, to see

the need to take action now... This is something that needs action now, and that’s what I want to see come out of Power Shift,” said sophomore Arielle Klagsbrun, who worked on recruitment for Power Shift on campus.

Hasz and Klagsbrun, who are also members of Green Action, stressed that their efforts to bring about clean energy action and reform only began at Power Shift. They are planning to reach out to McCaskill, the coal companies and students to fight for clean energy. They also plan on bringing many more University students who were unable to attend the summit due to fall break plans.

St. Louis will be at the forefront of the clean energy community next Saturday, the 350 International Climate Day of Action. The largest environmental rally in state history is set to occur that afternoon. Called Action at the Arch, the rally will come complete with a concert and speeches that continue the call for environmental action. The rally will begin at noon.

# PROTEST from page 1

clothing. It was strictly about the people I was with.”

Other students who went to the bar said they disapproved of the way Mother’s treated the six students.

“Honestly, if I’d known that [they] weren’t allowed, I wouldn’t have wanted to be there either,” senior Tara Benesch said.

**Students protest near bar the next morning**

In response to the incident, students staged a 15-minute protest Sunday morning outside the Hotel Indigo, which is near the bar and is where the seniors had been staying for the weekend. The students gathered there because they were unable get the proper permits to protest outside the bar.

The protest occurred at 11 a.m., the original scheduled time for the seniors’ departure to St. Louis.

Students at the protest held signs and flyers with slogans like, “Mothers don’t hate.”

“It was really kind of a unique mix of emotions at the protest,” senior Kim Halom said. “It was definitely a somber, serious time, but even more than that people were trying to process how ludicrous it was that this had happened the night before.”

Students said the experience shows the reality of life outside Wash. U.

Senior class president Cutz said he has not seen this kind of an incident of discrimination before.

“I thought I was very well informed, I thought I was aware. But I had never been direct eye-witness of a clear-cut event of racism, at least not of such good friends of mine,” Cutz said.

Cutz said the Senior Class Council wants to spread awareness that such acts of discrimination

do occur, as well as to discourage future business at Mother’s.

Cutz issued a press release with facts about the event to 26 different news outlets, diversity leaders and senior class presidents at Chicago universities, as well as to the NAACP.

Murayi, for his part, said the incident is nothing new. He said he has experienced similar treatment at other venues prior to the trip.

“I would say that a lot of people underestimate how much this stuff goes on outside of the Wash. U. bubble,” Murayi said. “This happens frequently. Is this an anomaly? No, this happens all the time from a black male’s perspective, and from an outside perspective I feel like a lot of people don’t know.”

*With additional reporting from Chicago by Michelle Stein*



LIONEL SOBHEART | CAMPUS IN FOCUS

Washington University seniors stage a protest near Mother’s Night Club Original bar in downtown Chicago, where six black seniors were denied entrance Saturday night. About 200 seniors trekked to Chicago over fall break as part of the Senior Class Council’s senior trip.

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# FORUM

STAFF EDITORIAL

## Online course syllabi would help students choose courses

Two SU Senators, junior Jake Novick and sophomore Joseph Marcus, are currently attempting to gather course syllabi in an online format that would allow Wash. U. students to gain deeper insight into the content and format of potential courses before registration. Though Novick and Marcus have gathered approximately 400 syllabi to date, they view their current work as a “test case,” and will need the support of professors and academic departments to make the project a reality.

We believe that the ideas behind this initiative should be cause for faculty support. Currently, many Wash.

U. students treat the first two weeks of the semester as a course-shopping period, sampling several classes before they decide on the ones they most prefer. While the University has rightfully chosen to allow students to drop classes during that time without penalty, there are other negative consequences to the prevalence of course shopping.

Over-registration, encouraged by uncertainty about course content, causes long waitlists that discourage truly interested students with later registration times from signing up for a particular course. Moreover, the need to return books from courses dropped during the shopping period can prevent students

from seeking cheaper alternatives, such as the Lock & Chain book sale and online providers.

Perhaps most importantly, students who sign up for multiple courses during the same time slot disturb the academic lives of both themselves and their classmates. They often start the semester behind because of the classes they inevitably miss. Professors often waste valuable class time redistributing syllabi, adjusting the class roster and even delaying the instruction of important material until class attendance stabilizes.

Finally, these hurdles prevent many students from course shopping in the first place and, as a result, many

students feel forced to take classes that do not meet their expectations. Posting past course syllabi online would be a much-needed alternative.

Students who wish to experience a class or professor in person before deciding on their final course schedule should still have the option of doing so, but those who wish to avoid unnecessary course shopping should have access to as much information as possible in order to make better decisions.

While we know that syllabi change from year to year, past syllabi still give a helpful—if incomplete—picture of what students can expect. Course descriptions are often too short and too unfocused

to provide much insight into the content of the course. Syllabi contain course outlines, reading lists, and information about expectations that can prove much more helpful in making a decision. Making this information available earlier would make it easier for students to take classes that truly interest them. Reading lists in particular could help students avoid classes that repeat material they have already learned.

Access to past course requirements would also better help students manage their course loads and strike the right individual balance between tests, papers and other projects. Although we do not believe students should

choose classes based solely on the workload, more realistic expectations about coursework would allow students to concentrate their time in the areas they care about most. We believe that the quality of student work would improve as a result.

Course descriptions are too short; course evaluations, while helpful, do not fully describe course content or requirements; and sources like ratemyprofessor.com and student gossip are notoriously subjective and unreliable. Professors should support granting students more information to better enable students to take the classes that interest them most.

## Illuminating the question marks: Afghanistan

Kate Marcal  
Staff Columnist

For several years, the situation in the Middle East has been one giant question mark for Americans. Why are certain groups in power? How are elections being corrupted? Why are we at war with Afghanistan and Iraq when a Saudi ordered the Sept. 11 attacks?

In an event sponsored by Amnesty International and the Wash. U. Peace Coalition, professor Robert Canfield led a discussion on Tuesday night called “Afghanistan: Why Are We There?” In his lecture, Canfield illuminated the current crisis occurring in the conflicted region. It quickly became clear that even among the most highly educated, many questions still linger.

The problem that arises when Americans discuss the Middle East is that we are largely uninformed about the political, cultural and religious sentiments of the region. In the United States, the Taliban and al-Qaida are synonymous, Saddam Hussein and Osama bin Laden are interchangeable villains, and Kashmir is a type of sweater.

Professor Canfield’s lecture initially focused on the historical and geographical factors that have created such conflict in Afghanistan. Held in an intimate classroom setting on the bottom floor of Eliot Hall, the event



PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY ERIN MITCHELL

succeeded in making the complex topic accessible to an audience of overscheduled, sleep-deprived college students. The most significant achievement of the evening, however, was Canfield’s ability to engage the room in a dynamic question-and-answer session. That evening, one group of intelligent, educated Americans was able to make the humbling admission that “we don’t know what’s going on.”

By acknowledging the question marks we all have, we were able to begin addressing the issues in a more coherent light. We realized that sometimes, asking questions is all we can do.

“I don’t have the answers,” Professor Canfield admitted again and again. “You’re all

asking really good questions, and I don’t have the answers.”

There were questions about Islamic history, questions about oil pipelines and questions about the future. There were questions about America’s true intentions in the region, which Canfield often referred to as “strategic” because of the abundance of oil and gas reserves.

“I think we have an interest in authentic democracy in that part of the world,” Canfield said, but then there were questions about what “authentic democracy” even means.

There were questions about what is happening now, about what President Obama is going to do next. About how he could have won a Nobel Peace Prize when there is still no peace. About how

the Nobel committee was rewarding nothing more than words and promises. Question marks.

But that, somewhat indirectly, was also illuminated by the event; maybe President Obama’s Nobel Peace Prize is a bit of a question mark, too. Maybe no one really does have the answers, and all we have are really good questions. Maybe all we can do is reward ideas, encourage talk and figure out the rest as we go.

Maybe nothing was really answered in the basement of Eliot Hall. Maybe that’s just the place to start.

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## The Catch-22 of government health care

Richard Jesse Markel  
Staff Columnist

There has certainly been a lot of controversy regarding the government’s latest efforts to “reform” health care. Much of it is certainly deserved, as the American public feels that there’s been a lack of transparency regarding what exactly is in the currently proposed bill. I certainly have no qualms about saying that I really have no clue about what’s being proposed now, save for two specific details. The media likes to harp on two points: whether there’s a “public option” for health care included in the proposed legislation, and how long the bill is on paper. The latter point is rather meaningless; it’s the public option that will determine whether or not this bill accomplishes anything.

Friday’s Wall Street Journal reported that the Senate Finance Committee has voted in favor of a health care reform bill that does not include a public option.

I like to view politics through an economic lens. I think the government ought to take action when the benefits outweigh the costs and, when applicable, the action will better foster competition in the relevant marketplace. If there is no public option, I honestly cannot figure out what the purpose of a health care reform bill would be. Perhaps it would make a few tweaks to obscure policies and change some pointless regulations around, but it wouldn’t do what this nation’s health system desperately needs; it would not lower the cost of health insurance.

The market for health care is not particularly competitive. For example, Missouri, according to the Kaiser Family Foundation’s StateHealthFacts.org, has only 12 HMOs in the state. That’s not a lot to choose from, especially considering that health insurance companies are very localized in their operations. The providers we may be able to select from within St. Louis likely do not overlap with providers in, say, Kansas City or Springfield. This creates a

monopoly-like power imbalance in the market for health care. Because the number of providers is low, the supply side of the market is uncompetitive. Companies thus have less incentive to lower the costs of their care than they would if they faced stiff competition.

We need a government health plan simply to render itself unnecessary. That’s certainly a Catch-22, but it’s true. From an economic standpoint, a government plan would drastically increase the supply of health care available to the general public. This, in turn, would drive prices down. It’s a matter of classic microeconomics. Now here’s the catch: An inexpensive or free health option would force the costs of private health insurance to drop, lest they lose customers to the government’s public option.

Whether or not one has faith in the government to provide health care that’s on par with the best private insurance options is rather irrelevant. In a cost-benefit analysis of a public health care option, the most important benefit is not what will become of the poorest of Americans. Though giving health care to the destitute is an important argument in support of a public option, the largest and most noticeable benefits will come to the middle class. With the cost of health care increasing so rapidly—usually at a rate many times that of inflation—a public option will provide the biggest benefit to those who are struggling to afford medical care by lowering the costs of insurance. This will allow the majority of Americans to get the same or better health coverage at a cost lower than what they’re currently paying. There needs to be a public option, but not for the purpose of the government insuring the public. Instead, government health insurance should exist for the seemingly paradoxical reason of negating the necessity of a public option altogether.

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## Does Columbus deserve a federal holiday?

Kemi Aladesuyi  
Staff Columnist

A week ago, Oct. 12, was Columbus Day—a fact that probably went unnoticed by most, unless they happened to glance at a calendar that noted federal American holidays. Since I have become more aware of the historical inaccuracy and deletions of key facts present in my elementary school’s history curriculum, which continued in various degrees at subsequent levels of my education until recently, every second Monday in October I have been a little miffed about why we recognize Columbus and his “discovery” of the “New World.” I’ll be honest, I have never really thought too long about the matter, in part because until now I have always attended schools in districts that chose to recognize most federal holidays with

days off, but this past Monday, as I flipped through my assignment notebook, I must say that my usual eye roll evolved into a definite huff of annoyance.

I recall the song I learned in elementary school: “In 1492, Columbus sailed the ocean blue...” While I am sure that there are many variations taught in schools across the country, I am also certain that most continue with sickly sweet honey-glossed lyrics that drip with rotten, glazed-over historical half-truths, to be generous. Some of the verses I learned are as follows:

“Indians! Indians! Columbus cried; his heart was filled with joyful pride.”

“He made the trip again and again, trading gold to bring to Spain.”

“The first American? No, not quite. But Columbus was brave, and he was bright.”

It would be more apt if these lyrics were changed to:

“Indians! Indians!

Columbus cried; let’s sell them into slavery and begin a genocide.”

“He made the trip again and again, seizing many innocents to bring to Spain.”

“The first American? No, not quite. But Columbus thought the land of others was his right.”

As more historical truths about Columbus’s journeys to the Americas continue to be uncovered, it has become all too clear that the explorer wasn’t as “brave and bright” as a generic version of the history taught at American schools and the federal holiday named in his honor might make him out to be. I wonder: Is it right to continue to venerate this 15th-century Italian whose explorations of the West Indies led to the enslavement and decimation of indigenous populations through brutality, violence and disease? To me, it is not, especially when we examine those American heroes

who are also honored with national days of remembrance: veterans, Abraham Lincoln, George Washington and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

More than 500 years later, we as a society can no longer continue to glaze over the wildfire of negative ramifications spurned by Columbus’ exploration of the West Indies (and subsequent European forays into the western hemisphere). It seems odd that the government recognizes Columbus as a hero when history testifies otherwise. Why does America, whose history is rich with dozens of heroes who have advocated for freedom, justice and equality, still choose to honor the memory of a lost 15th-century explorer whose journey resulted in ideas and actions that were anything but free, just and equal?

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TV REVIEW

'30 Rock'



Percy Olsen  
Movie Editor



A comedy's third and fourth seasons are akin to litmus tests of how a show will fair in the future. For example, "Seinfeld" didn't lose a step in seasons 3 and 4, and from there it stayed consistently funny until... well, until its last episode. On the other hand, "Scrubs" began to show its cracks by the end of its third season, and was in complete free fall by season 5. The same goes for "Weeds."

A sitcom's third and fourth seasons represent points of no return. If a show can make it past these critical points with its freshness intact, its future will be bright. But, if a show's premise grows stale in season 3 or 4, from that point on, the storyline will likely meander and the jokes will slowly deflate.

Last season was "30 Rock's" third, and thankfully, it did not fall into this trap. The show stayed fresh last season, hitched on the wagon that is

Tina Fey, Alec Baldwin and the comedy's signature cocktail of wit and irony. That's not to say that every episode last season was perfect (regrettably, not every show can be "Arrested Development"), but it was always relevant and instantly quotable.

"30 Rock" seems to realize the pressure that comes with a show's telltale fourth season, and the premiere begins with Jack Donaghy (Alec Baldwin) addressing the camera directly: "Hello everyone... and welcome to Season 4... which is, of course, the name of this restaurant, the number-one Asian fusion restaurant in New York..." And in that instant, "30 Rock" is making a statement: The show knows it's getting up there in years, but it's not ready to give up its subversive humor.

But the rest of the premiere, despite being written by creator and star Tina Fey, is a bit flat. The episode is scattered, with four plots pushing and shoving each other for air time, and it feels like every time one story line hits its stride, the episode has to cut away to fill in the gaps in other threads.

Kenneth and Tracy's plots each have a few memorable moments (like Tracy's attempt to connect with an everyday man: "Do you ever lose your remote control? Do your wife start getting all mad, because the roof won't close, and the bed in the shape of your face is getting rained on?"), but they don't end memorably. Jenna's plot is the exact opposite: no buildup, huge payoff, ending with her singing the opening theme for a show that could be dubbed, "Monday Night Tennis."

Liz (Fey) and Jack, strangely enough, are supporting characters in the premiere, as the other loonier characters dictate their every move. It's as if the show is trying to introduce all of its characters to a new audience who may have been drawn in by all the Emmy buzz, and the result is overambitious.

But like every "30 Rock" episode, it's entertaining and tongue-in-cheek all the way through, and while not all of the stories were memorable, the jokes always were.

"30 Rock" airs on Thursdays at 8:30 p.m. on NBC.

Why you should be watching

'It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia'

Hannah Schwartz  
TV Editor

Are you easily offended? No? Are you sure about that? Well, if you want to test it, maybe you should tune in to FX on Thursday nights for "It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia." Prepare to be offended, but prepare to LOVE it.

"Sunny" revolves around a group of misanthropic friends who own an unsuccessful bar in Philadelphia. There's Mac (Rob McElhenney), a jealous, self-proclaimed meathead, whose enthusiasm earned him the role of "The Brains" in the gang's A-Team paradigm. Then there's Charlie (Charlie Day), a constantly angry and definitely illiterate inhalant abuser who, clearly, lives up to his role as "The Wild Card." There's Dennis (Glenn Howerton), a vain, promiscuous "glam-rock" fan who hit his peak in high school and is constantly striving for that superficial existence once more as "The Looks." His sister, Sweet Dee (Kaitlin Olson), was unpopular in high school and is constantly fighting for acceptance both as an actress and a member in the gang. This did not stop them from assigning her to "The Useless Chick," however. Finally, there's Frank (Danny DeVito), Dennis and Dee's (and possibly Charlie's) father, who financially supplies the gang's shenanigans and comes up with many of his own as "The Muscle."

In the first season, the Gang (also writers and producers of the show) was definitely portrayed

as self-absorbed, manipulative and misanthropic. But they attempted to maintain a bit of the characters' humanity. As the show has progressed into its fifth season, they have (much to the fans' delight) abandoned that and just let these characters become, quite simply, the most horrible people on Earth. But that's precisely what makes this show so brilliant and so hilarious. They are not afraid of diving right into any topic, no matter how controversial, and disregard all reality and all common decency.

A sampling of the topics addressed in previous episodes: abortion, pedophilia, welfare, crack, racism, alcohol, cancer, gun control, death, molestation, Iraq, charity, God, politics, patriotism, the mortgage crisis, dumpster babies, North Korea, sexism, the recession, retardation, serial killers, registered sex offenders, the homeless, the Mob, the gas crisis, interventions, cannibalism. And that's just the start—I am not joking when I say that they literally cover everything. But with lines like, "Hi, I'm a recovering crackhead, and this is my retarded sister that I take care of. I'd like some welfare, please," the Gang goes so far over the line that their deadpan parody is abundantly clear.

There are no consequences for these characters: They get addicted to crack, set buildings on fire, make terrorist threats and always ruin other innocent people's lives. In the next episode, it's like it never happened—and that's what allows the series to continue and each episode to exist strongly on its own. The characters are constantly

manipulating and plotting against each other in a way that should be appalling (Frank: "There is nothing more threatening to a man than a woman who is smart and attractive. We have to pretend you're both!") Dee: "Wow, you're a horrible father."), but viewers can just delight in the fact that, no matter what happens, Mac will always be scheming up ways to make money or get revenge, Dennis will always be trying to seduce women for his own profits, Dee will always be recovering from the boys' incessant attacks, Charlie will always be dressing up in costumes and/or threatening others in his own way (for example, he asks for more money from the Mob by demanding "many, many thousands of green people from history times"), and Frank will always be... well, Danny DeVito.

This show has sparked a sort of pop culture phenomenon: When Charlie mentioned last week that his favorite food is "milk-steak" (steak boiled in milk and honey), it became the number-one searched item on Google that night. They took their musical "The Nightman Cometh" to a few live venues in New York, California and, of course, Philly, and tickets sold out in minutes. And, if you've ever seen anyone running around in a full-length green polyester jumpsuit, now you'll know that they're emulating one of Charlie's characters, Green Man. If you're still offended by any of the examples I've described, fine. Don't tune in. Just be prepared to miss out on a good failed-abortion joke or two.

REALITY TELEVISION:

ROOTING FOR THE 'B\*TCH'

Ashley Johnson  
Cadenza Reporter

As reality programming comes to dominate the television arena, requisite stereotypes of characters have emerged. It seems that every show has a few main staples that no good reality show can do without. But the one role that I am particularly interested in exploring is the role of the "bitch."

The "bitch" has appeared on every popular show and is almost always played by a woman (the only exception to this rule is that of the bitchy gay man). Although I realize that no reality show is actual reality and most of these roles have been carefully produced and edited to achieve these desired parts, it troubles me that producers feel that a necessary component to any entertaining show is that of a bitchy woman.

I was recently having a discussion over dinner with some friends about the most recent season of "Top Chef." When I mentioned that I was rooting for Jennifer, the most talented woman on the show, my (female) friend cried out, "Why, she's such a bitch." Aside from the fact that it bothered me that this was one of my girl friends

who felt this way and not a guy friend of mine, I wanted to explore why she felt this way. I asked her, "Why is she a bitch?" Her response was simple and to the point: "She just is." I continued to challenge her, asking what Jennifer could have possibly done on the show to garner her disrespect, as Jennifer has not made any enemies and has come to be a force to be reckoned within the kitchen, as she is consistently one of the winners.

Jennifer is an extremely talented chef who wins most challenges, and when she doesn't win, there is no crying or whining, only cussing. Used to being the boss at her job, where she is the chef de cuisine for renowned chef Eric Ripert's 10 Arts restaurant in Philadelphia, Jennifer can stand the heat in the kitchen, while those who can't get dismissed each week. In a recent episode, Jennifer won the Quickfire Challenge, which gave her immunity for the main challenge that week. The main challenge had all the contestants working together as a group, and because Jennifer had immunity, one of the other competitors suggested that Jennifer be the team captain, since whether they did or did not do well, she had immunity and could not

be sent home. She agreed to be captain, and her natural leadership skills were readily displayed. Jennifer expected all of the team members to do their part and do it well, walking through the kitchen and telling some people to stop talking and focus on the food, and telling others that their food was not good enough to serve. I can see that this was probably the episode my friend watched, which made her feel that Jennifer was a bitch.

What if this were a man, though? What if the most talented chef on the show were a man? If a man were team captain and demanded the best of these chefs and reprimanded the ones who were slacking, no one would call him a bitch; no one would even comment. This is because it is expected that male competitors are assertive and demanding, but as soon as a woman inhabits these roles, she is immediately marked as the bitch.

One male competitor in particular bothers me, and, in my defense, it is not solely because of his behavior but also because he makes mediocre food and seems to ride on the coattails of some of the more successful chefs. In the premiere episode, the competitors participated in a relay race of chopping and

preparing some basic foods. Michael (the Greek one, not the attractive Voltaggio brother), the male competitor in question, was shucking oysters against Jennifer and commented that when he looked over and realized that she was beating him, he was shocked because no girl should be beating him. In a later episode in which Jennifer won the Quickfire, Michael said that Jennifer won because the judges play favorites and that she didn't deserve it. First, the Quickfires are judged by visiting chefs and not the main judges who preside over the main challenges, and thus they don't know the contestants and obviously judge whose food is best. Michael makes crappy food, but instead of getting over this, he puts down Jennifer and attributes her success to the fact that the judges are playing favorites.

I will continue to watch "Top Chef," just as I will continue to cheer on Jennifer. She's not warm, fuzzy and nurturing, but rather assertive, foul-mouthed and badass. I hope one day that reality television has better standards and doesn't feel the need to resort to such simplifications of human behavior, but until it does, I'm rooting for "the bitch."

GAME REVIEW

'Machinarium'

Paul Dohmen  
Cadenza Reporter

Indie developer Amanita Design hit the scene in 2003 with the flash game "Samorost." Never heard of them? Neither had I when I loaded up their latest effort, "Machinarium." That changed fast though. I spent the next two hours in front of my computer, and I wasn't alone. My roommate watched me play for almost an hour before I had to kick him out. I reluctantly stopped in order to pursue a healthier habit, aka sleep. The next morning, I was back at it again.

"Machinarium" is a classic point-and-click adventure game. You play a small robot, trying to save the city (and your girlfriend) from the meanest bots in the land. The fun thing about the narrative is that there are no spoken words. Everything is conveyed by little animated bubbles. As a result, the plot never gets very complex, but is still engaging enough to keep me wanting more.

The simplistic storyline matches "Machinarium's" art style. The hand-drawn graphics are beautiful, if a little surreal. They do present a slight problem for a point-and-click adventure, since objects that you're supposed to interact with sometimes

blend into the background, making them hard to spot. But after a short period of frustration, you can usually find what you need.

Unlike some adventure games, in which you can progress by clicking at random, you actually have to think about what you're doing in "Machinarium." There's an almost perfect balance of cleverness mixed with frustration, so that you get a real sense of accomplishment after solving a particularly challenging puzzle.

If you do get stuck, don't bother going to GameFAQs. There's a complete walkthrough built right into the game. But instead of giving you instant access whenever you like, you have to earn the help by playing a mini-game. This short side-scrolling shooter was so annoying that I rarely used the walkthrough.

Overall, I would highly recommend "Machinarium" to anyone with a taste for clever puzzles and a bit of patience. Each piece of the game fits together like a jigsaw puzzle, and you actually feel smarter for having played it. Also, if you have time, I would recommend checking out Amanita Design's previous games. Warning: They are highly addictive.





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New group helps students come out

STUDENT LIFE

Dana Glaser  
Contributing Reporter

A new support group for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender students has sprung up this semester to fill what founder Brian Kline says has been a relatively empty niche on campus.

“Open” is a small discussion group focused on helping LGBT students go through the process of coming out to their friends and family. Open, which began this fall, is led by Kline and Bailey Brenton, both of whom are undergraduate students. Open is also assisted by Katie Garcia, graduate social work advisor.

“First and foremost, it’s a safe space for people to go and

speak openly and honestly,” said Kline, a sophomore. “We want to encourage people to move forward with their lives, to move through the coming out process to the extent to which they feel comfortable. But by no means would we tell anybody to come out to people if they don’t feel comfortable or if they feel like they’re in some kind of danger.”

Inspiration for the group came after Kline attended a Safe Zones meeting last fall centered on sharing coming out experiences. Safe Zones is an LGBT peer-educating group on campus. Kline, who came out in high school, said the meeting made him feel welcome. He realized the experience might be even more helpful for those who had yet to come out.

“I started bringing it up at Pride meetings because I’m on Pride Exec,” he explained. “People thought it was a good idea, but no one seemed willing to take the reins. So toward the end of last year, I was realizing that if it was going to happen, I had to be the one to start it.”

Kline approached Brenton to co-lead the group, and together they approached Michael Brown, former program director for LGBT student leadership and involvement. Brown directed the two to ASQ, a flexible 10-week, 10-step group training program on which Open is now loosely based.

Open is not the first organization formed to support students coming out on campus. But past groups, mostly from

Mental Health and Student Health Services, have fallen flat, according to Garcia.

“I think students kind of know what they need and it wasn’t quite that,” she said.

Both Garcia and Kline said they see the fledgling group, which has now had three meetings, as distinct from any other services provided on campus. Pride Alliance focuses on fostering an extended LGBT community—planning social events, sponsoring health-related events and political activism—but in Kline’s view it “didn’t have the capacity or it wasn’t making the capacity to facilitate small group discussions.”

“Plus,” he added, “I felt like somebody who is not comfortable about coming out at all

might not feel comfortable going to an organization called ‘Pride.’”

While Open brings students who are “out” to their friends and family together with students who have never told anybody about their sexuality, the leaders of the group emphasized that coming out is a process for all.

“It’s not something that happens in a mass e-mail,” Kline said. “No matter where you go, if you choose to be out you will have to continue coming out in some capacity. Even if it is a smooth transition to college—it was for me; this is a pretty accepting school. But it still happens again, and it’s still something you have to do again and continuing. It doesn’t stop.”

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PaperCut system presses students to reduce printing waste

Michelle Merlin  
News Editor

Students living in residential areas are all too familiar with the printing ritual on campus: Print, sort through discarded sheets of assorted chemistry slides and short stories, pick up printed paper.

But this tradition will soon be changing. The Student Technology Advisory Committee (STAC) and Student Technology Services (STS) have teamed up to reduce printing waste in residential halls.

Their solution is a system that enables students to print to a virtual universal printer

from anywhere in Residential Life housing. They can then go to a printer anywhere on the residential campus and release their print job from that printer. But they must actually be in the computer lab to print the job.

Members of STAC and STS hope this system will cut down on the number of pages students print and never pick up.

The new system is managed by PaperCut. PaperCut gives Washington University technology services the power to implement many different sanctions, including paper quotas, fees per sheet of paper and the new release system.

Members of STS have high hopes for the new system.

“We hope that by having to physically be at a printer, that will cut back on the amount of waste,” said Barbara Braun, director of STS.

Although STS has not kept count of exactly how much waste there has been in the past, employees say they often observe a large number of packets that just sit in the computer labs until someone recycles them.

Students have also noticed this wastefulness.

“There’s this big tray full of paper that nobody ever uses,” sophomore William Swanson said.

Few students have

reported problems with the new system.

“I think that so far students’ reaction to it in res-halls has been really positive,” said John Bailey, manager of STS. “I think the students like that you can print to the system anywhere and release it to any printer in the system... which I think is a nice thing they didn’t have before.”

Students also seem to understand the need for the new system.

“In terms of wastefulness, yes, it’s a good idea. In terms of convenience it might not be, but when it comes to environmental issues in general, oftentimes convenience has to be sacrificed, because

in the long run what’s most important is that our environment is in a stable condition,” freshman Justin Blau said.

“I think it makes sense because if someone goes there and prints and doesn’t pick their things up, it saves paper,” sophomore Bridgette Zou said.

STS will be tracking the results of the new program over the next few semesters.

“We’re going to be monitoring this fall and this spring, working with STAC to see how printing totals compare and watching recycle bins to see waste anyway,” Braun said. “We’re taking it out for a test drive, and we’ll see what happens.”

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Senior John Watts won the 2009 Division III ITA National Small College Championship singles title Sunday in Mobile, Ala.

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Despite dropping their first match of the tournament to eventual runner-ups Dillon Pottish and Chris Goodwin of Emory, the doubles duo of juniors Isaac Stein and Max Woods won their next two matches on their way to securing fifth place in the field of eight teams.

“The first match didn’t turn out the way we wanted it to, but we knew no matter what happened we had two more matches left,” Stein said. “There was no point in just folding, giving up, so we woke up Friday morning and said, ‘All right, well, the best we can do is fifth, so let’s go out and do it.’”

Stein and Woods have attributed their success on the doubles circuit this year to their experience playing together. “I think we mesh very well together,” Woods said. “Our complementary playing styles help us out a lot.”

“Playing with each other since freshman year, there is this unspoken relationship that I really can’t describe,” Stein said. “We have played so many matches together over three years that we really have an advantage over a team that has only played together for one year.”

Follmer has confidence in these two juniors because of their balanced attack, but he still tries to make each player work on the weaker parts of his game so they can improve as a team.

“Isaac is the returner, and he’s got great hand-eye coordination on the return of serve, but we’ve improved his volleying, especially his half-volleying,” Follmer said. “Max has always been the better volleyer, but we’ve worked on doing different things on his return, sometimes lobbing his return, sometimes hitting his return.”

Follmer also stressed the familiarity among doubles partners as an important key for success.

“When you play with someone a lot, you get used to how to help them when they aren’t playing well and how to find a way to win because you communicate each point,” Follmer said. “The fact that those guys have played together since their freshman year—that’s a big advantage that they have over most teams here.”

In preparation for the spring, the team agrees that being able to stay fresh late in matches will be crucial in reaching next level of competitiveness.

“Fitness is a big part of the game,” said Woods. “If you aren’t in tip-top shape, it really hurts.”

The Bears resume play in early 2010 for the start of the spring season.



It’s hardly what you’d call joining the rat race

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# SCENE

## The Haps: Chuck Berry B. Goode

Kristen Klempert  
Scene Reporter

When I turn 83, I hope still to have control of my bowels and at least one of my original hips. On the other hand, Mr. Chuck Berry, who turned 83 on Sunday, is still rocking and rolling without missing a step. The St. Louis-born rock legend plays at the Delmar Loop's Blueberry Hill once a month, and his performance is impressive for anyone, let alone an octogenarian.

The Duck Room, where his concerts are held, is located in the basement of Blueberry Hill. The small, brick-walled venue with

open rafters and uncovered pipes creates a surreal atmosphere in which you are never more than 30 feet away from the stage. It's like Chuck himself invited you to one of his jam sessions, just to hang out.

There are no flashy costumes or effects for the concert. The performance consists of just a few guys wearing baseball hats, sweatshirts and Guy Harvey polo shirts and playing backup to Chuck Berry and his Gilligan Island-style Skipper hat. It actually makes for quite a beautiful sight.

Unlike most modern rock stars' concerts, while listening to Berry, you never once wonder

how much voice-altering software it took to turn his voice into what's on the record. Berry and his band know how to play, and every song is as good as you remember it to be.

Even if you're not a huge fan, you've definitely heard some of Berry's songs, which include "Johnny B. Goode," "Rock and Roll Music," "Roll Over Beethoven," "No Particular Place to Go" and the always crowd-pleasing "My Ding-a-Ling."

While you're in St. Louis, you should really try to make it to one of his shows. But be warned that they sell out every month. Tickets are available on Blueberry Hill's Web site,

blueberryhill.com, and normally go on sale about a month beforehand.

His next concert is Nov. 18, which means it's the perfect time to try to get tickets. If they are already sold out, however, there's always his December concert to look forward to. Tickets are very reasonably priced at \$30, and the shows normally start at 9 p.m.

While Chuck won't be jumping around on stage like the Jonas Brothers, his concerts are well worth checking out. He was one of the first musicians inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, and even at 83, that boy can "play the guitar just like a-ringing a bell."

## Informal recruitment? It's all Greek to me

Carolyn Swope  
Scene Reporter

This fall, you may have seen some of your friends sporting new shirts with Greek letters — shirts that they hadn't worn last spring. Indeed, while spring rush for the Greek system is highly publicized, few people know about the smaller, more informal recruitment periods that occur during the fall.

Some fraternities and sororities hold a rush period during the fall. While 240 men and 250 women rushed last year during the formal recruitment period, about 75 chose fall rush this year.

For sororities, the fall process is sharply different from the elaborately planned spring recruitment, which is run through the National Panhellenic Council. "Informal is kind of the exact opposite," said Lucy Morlan, coordinator for chapter development. "They don't necessarily have to hold events."

Each sorority has its own process and voting procedures for informal recruitment, she said. "If you want to hold an event — open it, broadcast it, advertise it — you can do that," she said. "If you just want to approach two or three people that you already know, you can do that as well. There really is no structure to it."

The process also differs for fraternities from formal recruitment, said Dave Wallace, coordinator for Greek housing programs.

"The formal process is display oriented. The fraternities will have events, show off their house, talk about their accomplishments, what they're engaged in — a couple weeks of that," he said. "Then they have closed events, which are more brother oriented: those people that the men have clicked with."

"In informal, it's basically that closed event without any of those open events. It's more targeted, it's more, 'I have a friend; I think he would be very much interested in being a part,'" he added. "It is basically a time where you don't have event after event after event, and it's more dialogue driven than event driven."

The makeup of the students and their reasons for pledging can also differ from those of spring recruitment. "Only women who have been in college for a semester can participate in recruitment, so fall informal recruitment is only available to sophomores and above," said junior Melissa Bryan, vice president of recruiting.

"Transfer students, sophomores, juniors, seniors, all go through informal recruitment," Wallace said.

"I believe people usually join that process later because of relationships they've built with members of that organization. And a lot of the time they've been asked," he added.

Sororities see similar reasons, Morlan said.

The additional time allows some students to develop a more accurate perception of Greek organizations. "I would say that as juniors and seniors join, some of their early notions of fraternities and those organizations have been dispelled by some of the relationships they've built," Wallace said. "Some people come to the University and say adamantly, 'I will not join,' and then some of their friends join and they realize that it's really not this heinous media thing that has been created."

They added that students who are unable to return early from winter break or whose schedules do not permit an intensive time commitment during the spring often choose fall rush.

"It all kind of depends per [person]," Wallace said. "There's no cookie-cutter reasoning."

The experience of the fall pledges is little different from that of spring pledges, Bryan said, although in that first semester the small size of the pledge class creates a more intimate experience than in the spring. Because of how they are structured, fraternities are able to make greater use of informal recruitment than sororities.

The National Panhellenic Council rules include placing a cap on membership to ensure a quality experience, Morlan said. "Historically because that number is set at 90, and our groups are already significantly above that mark, that's why we haven't done informal recruitment before," she said. But the number was raised two years ago to 115 per sorority, giving some sororities with remaining spaces after formal recruitment the option to fill them in the fall.

"About half of our community was eligible to do it," Morlan said, although not all chose to.

Twenty-six women pledged this fall — an increase from 15 last year. But Morlan attributed the rising number to the presence of a new sorority last spring: Alpha Omicron Pi (AOPI). As a new sorority, AOPI also engaged in informal recruitment last year, holding a rush period in the

spring the week after the formal period.

Morlan anticipates that in the upcoming years, informal recruitment may not be an option for sororities because different pledge class years have recently been the same size, leaving no gaps in younger classes. But she added that this could change if the cap size were changed, and that it is reviewed and reconsidered every year.

Fraternities, on the other hand, have no cap on their memberships, so they may hold informal recruiting at their discretion. According to Wallace, the number of men rushing in the fall has risen from 40 to 70 during his three years here.

"I think that's a positive direction, because I think there was a thought process out there, 'If I don't join my second semester freshman year, I don't join,' and that's not necessarily the case in all of our organizations," he said.

Morlan, however, cautioned women against thinking of fall rush as an alternative to formal recruitment.

"We don't want women to miss out on the opportunity of joining here and bank on the fact that it'll be available next year when it might not be," she said. "If you don't want to go through formal recruitment, that's completely fine, but there might not be a chance for you to join during fall semester, and we don't want you to get the wrong impression."



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1 "Overhead" engine parts

5 Shoe undersides

10 \_\_\_ the lily: ornament to excess

14 Doing the job

15 Between, quaintly

16 There oughta be one, so it's said

17 "Keep out" sign

19 Turn on a pivot

20 Jungian feminine principle

21 Coll. major for a future concert artist

23 Anger

24 Pay for everyone's dinner

29 Lively Irish dance

32 Peter, Paul or Mary

33 Not shut, in verse

34 German river

36 Like a cold, damp day

37 Type of notebook

40 "All exits are blocked" situation

43 Shiny photo

44 Delivery vehicle

45 WWII submachine gun

46 Floral welcome

47 Mexican money

49 Mag. staffers

50 Throng management

54 Witchy woman

55 Place for a ring

56 On-the-job reward

60 Norse war god

62 Four-on-the-floor, e.g.

66 Atomizer output

67 Division of society

68 Sunscreen ingredient, perhaps

69 \_\_\_ helmet: safari wear

70 Ease, as fears

71 Home on a limb

**DOWN**

1 Musical finale

2 Soon, to a bard

By Mark Bickham

3 Short skirt

4 Defeat decisively

5 Sault \_\_\_ Marie

6 Possess

7 On, as a lamp

8 Like churches, vis-à-vis most taxes

9 Rooster's gait

10 Tank filler

11 Unable to read

12 First lady before Michelle

13 Dork

18 Mai \_\_\_: rum drinks

22 Small stores

25 Traveling show worker

26 Sedona and Sorento

27 Not made of interlaced parts, as fabric

28 Expansive stories

29 Author Erica

30 "American \_\_\_"

31 Precious stone expert

35 Stitch over

37 Man of La Mancha

38 Acted like

39 Contact or zoom

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**Wednesday's Puzzle Solved**

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41 "All kidding \_\_\_"

42 No-food protest

47 Snazzy entrance

48 Bursts into tears

50 Bite vigorously

51 Pie slice edges, geometrically

52 One of Caesar's assassins

53 Actress Lindsay

57 Longest river

58 Roswell sightings, briefly

59 Printer's "let it stand"

61 To the \_\_\_ degree

63 One of many in the Aegean Sea: Abbr.

64 Windy City transportation org.

65 Computer feature that ends each of the five longest across answers

Other happenings:

- MEET AUTHOR RON CURRIE, JR.  
7-9 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 21, at City Museum, 701 N. 15th St. Ron Currie, Jr., award-winning author of "God is Dead" and "Everything Matters!" will be meeting fans and signing books at the event, sponsored by several local bookstores.
- TWILIGHT HAYRIDE PUB CRAWL  
7 p.m.-12:30 a.m., Thursday, Oct. 22, at Molly's in Soulard, 816 Geyer Ave. From 7 p.m. on, Hayride will be taking people throughout Soulard and dropping them off at participating restaurants and pubs. The event includes a costume contest at 9 p.m., and special food and drink prices at the restaurants. Tickets cost \$10 each.
- TOM'S "STYLE YOUR SOLE" PARTY  
1-5 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 24 at Missouri Botanical Garden, 4344 Shaw Blvd. Come support Tom's Shoes, a company that donates a pair of shoes to children in need for every pair it sells. You can buy a pair of shoes and have them decorated by local artists. Entrance fee to the Garden still applies.
- ROCKTOBER FEST  
2-10 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 24, at Laclede's Landing. A Bavarian-themed day of live music, German food and activities, including costume contests, out on the Landing. Proceeds go toward Play It Forward St. Louis, an organization dedicated to funding local music education.
- WASH. U. HAPPY DAY AT J. DUCK'S IN CLAYTON  
Noon-1 a.m., Oct. 24 at J. Duck's, 101 S. Hanley Rd. Bring Wash. U. ID for appetizer and drink specials all day.



SPORTS

FOOTBALL

Wooster's improbable TD run stuns Bears late

Alex Dropkin  
Sports Reporter

The College of Wooster had already been stopped on their previous two trips inside the red zone. Faced with a fourth and one at the 30-yard line, time running out, and an inspired Washington University defense in the way, another stop seemed probable.

Fighting Scots senior quarterback Austin Holter proved otherwise, single-handedly earning the last 30 yards, including a 27-yard TD rush to win the game on Saturday, Oct. 17, 24-20.

“‘Very disappointed’ is the best way to sum up my feelings, because it was definitely a team we could’ve beaten and a team we should’ve beaten,” senior defensive back Tim Machan said.

Despite a stalwart defensive performance in the second half, Holter drove all over the field, accounting for 409 total yards, 272 through the air and 137 on the ground.

“One of the problems [in stopping Holter] was sloppy tackling. There were a couple instances where we had him either for a short gain or no gain at all and missed the tackle,” Machan said.

The Bears came out strong after the opening kickoff. Charging

down the field, backed by two pass interference penalties, Wash. U. quickly took the lead. With 9:58 left in the first quarter, junior running back Jim O’Brien capped the nine-play, 61-yard drive with a one-yard touchdown run.

“We were talking about it before the game...our last 10 or 12 games, whoever has scored first has ended up winning the game. We knew [scoring early] increased our chances of winning a lot,” junior receiver Tom Gulyas said.

Wooster responded with 17 unanswered points. After a field goal and a touchdown pass, Holter’s 30-yard pass with only 1:30 left in the half bumped the score to 17-7, with the Fighting Scots on top.

Freshman running back Chris Castelluccio’s 41-yard return on the following kickoff set up a score for Wash. U. Gulyas caught a pass in the corner of the end zone from junior quarterback Stephen Sherman, cutting the deficit to 17-13. The extra point attempt was missed.

“Two-minute drills—that’s something we do a lot in the game, just because the situation calls for it. It’s something that we work on twice a week during practice,” Gulyas said. “It was really nice to be able to execute almost

perfectly. It felt like we almost scored too quickly.”

The Bears would settle for a 17-13 score entering the break.

Their first drive coming out of the break would change that score. Senior captain Matt Glenn, getting his first major playing time since an injury in the season opener, scored the lead-taking touchdown. His one-yard push into the end zone came after a 13-play, 68-yard series.

“[Matt Glenn] is definitely a great short-yardage [running] back...on a third and one, just let him plunge up the gut and just move the pile into the end zone,” Gulyas said.

Wooster was stuffed in the second half. After being forced to punt on their first two drives of the half, their third drive came down to Wash. U.’s goal line. On fourth and goal, the Bears’ defense came up with a stop on Holter’s quarterback keeper, taking over on downs.

One drive later, it was sophomore defensive lineman Daniel Sufranski who came up with the stop. Sufranski stripped Holter of the ball at the Bears’ 11-yard line and came up with the fumble.

“We had a lot of confidence at that point. We had the confidence that we could beat them and we were definitely feeling good,”

Machan said. “But that quarterback gets loose on one play and it changes everything.”

Holter would not be held down for a third time, scoring the go-ahead touchdown with only 2:18 left in the game.

“We were playing man [coverage] behind, so the secondary was playing the receivers. Any time your secondary is in man [coverage], they don’t react as well to the run because their first read is to protect the pass,” junior line-backer Kyle Huber said. “That gave [Holter] some extra room to run and as soon as that guy gets run, he gets going and he can put a move on some guys.”

Given a chance to respond, the Bears came up short. Sherman’s fourth and 17 pass was broken up, ending hopes for a win with 1:18 on the clock.

Sherman finished the game with 150 yards through the air, while O’Brien had 105 on the ground. Gulyas’s reception put him over the career 1,000 receiving yards mark.

Wash. U. (2-4) returns to action on the road on Sunday, Oct. 24, against Ohio Wesleyan University (1-5). Kickoff is scheduled for 1 p.m. (ET).



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Junior Jim O’Brien runs the ball during last Saturday’s football game vs. the College of Wooster. O’Brien rushed the ball for 105 yards and earned a touchdown, but the Bears couldn’t hold onto the lead losing 20-24.

MEN’S SOCCER

Men split pair of UAA games

Hannah Lustman  
Sports Reporter

The men’s soccer team split a pair of University Athletic Association (UAA) games on Friday and Sunday, coming away with a win over Case Western Reserve University and a loss to No. 6 University of Rochester.

In Friday’s game against Case, the Bears and Spartans played a scoreless match until the 35th minute. When senior captain John Hengel was fouled, sophomore Pat McLean collected a loose ball and set up junior John Duncan for his second goal of the season.

“[The goal] was basically the hustle of my teammates. John Hengel, he actually got fouled really hard and Pat picked up where he left off, dribbling in,” Duncan said. “The ball just kind of got left out in the box for me, and I was able to follow it up and place it in the corner.”

Case Western controlled the offensive stats, besting Washington University 20-7 on shots, but the team credits its success to intensity.

“It was one of those times in the season where we needed a result and we came out and everyone played well as a team. We hustled and had an intensity that was to a new level,” Duncan said. “We always kept pressure, smart pressure. We kept the ball moving quickly and tried to dictate the game.”

Sophomore Michael Chamberlin brought the Bears to a 2-0 lead with a goal early in the second half. A free kick from senior co-captain Nat Zenner set up the score.

“[Coach Joe Clarke] talked to me before the game about being due to score,” Chamberlin said. “I wanted to try and get it over the top and get my head on the ball, and I was able to...I was glad I played it.”

In the final minutes of the game, Case Western lost senior defenseman Will Green to a red card after he fouled McLean. Senior goalkeeper John Smelcer finished the contest with his sixth shutout of the



DANIEL EICHOLTZ | STUDENT LIFE

Sophomore forward Pat McLean pushes the ball down the field during an unfortunate 1-0 loss to University of Rochester on Sunday.

season.

“We played as a group today and we played hard and we played at a higher pace, higher intensity,” Chamberlin said.

The Bears were limited in creating offensive opportunities in the first half against Rochester on Sunday. Both teams were held scoreless in the first 45 minutes of play.

“We didn’t play as well as we could have in terms of keeping possession of the ball,” Zenner said. “We kind of got sucked into the way they wanted to play; they’re a big, physical team and they used that to their advantage by playing lots of long balls and challenging for head balls.”

The Bears opened the second half with an increased offensive attack. However, the team had to continue to battle Rochester’s corner kicks. The Yellowjackets had an 11-2 advantage for the game.

“We just talked about trying to play our game, trying to keep the ball on the ground and connect a lot of passes. At halftime we talked about coming out with a lot of fire, and I think that’s what caused that little burst,” Zenner said. “Although [corners] were the biggest challenge, I think it was the one we responded best to.”

After 83 minutes without a goal from either team, Rochester briefly caught Smelcer out of position and scored a late goal that was the game-winner.

“What I can say is we did battle, and we didn’t really deserve to lose that game, especially across the back defending so many corners and long throw-ins,” Zenner said.

The Bears face Berry College in their last home game of the season at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 23.

CROSS COUNTRY

Women ahead of the pack, men strong at Oshkosh

Matthew Green  
Sports Reporter

Only the number one team in the country could beat Wash. U.’s women’s cross country team in Saturday’s meet at Oshkosh, Wis. The men’s team finished seventh out of 35 as the women beat out 32 other squads.

The women were led by junior Taryn Surtees with a time of 21:04, finishing sixth overall. The men were led by sophomore Michael Burnstein who had a time of 24:48, finishing 13th in the meet.

Surtees was followed by senior Molly Schlamb, finishing 10th overall, with a time of 21:55. Rounding off the Bears’ top three female finishers was junior Jessica Londeree, who was good for a 20th place finish with a time of 22:09.

“The meet was awesome; we had a great team race with tons of personal bests,” Schlamb said.

The women’s team was only beaten by top-ranked Calvin College, whose runners combined for 80 points in the

meet, beating out Washington University by 13 points. Coming so close to the first place victory showed the Wash. U. team that they have promise to be one of the top contenders in the cross country field, but lots of practice is necessary for that to happen.

“Yesterday showed that we are going to be ready to make a really strong showing in the upcoming meets,” Schlamb said. “The next few weeks we have some tough training to get through.”

Following Burnstein in the men’s race was freshman David Hamm (25:18, 35th), senior Alex Bearden and junior Dave Spandorfer (25:30, 51st), fresh off of an early season knee injury. Finishing off for the Red and Green was sophomore Malik Nabulsi at 64th place, 10 seconds behind Spandorfer.

“We have four weeks until we return to Oshkosh for the nationals qualifying meet in one of the most difficult regions in the country, but by that time we will be a much faster and smarter team,” Nabulsi said. “We’ve only just

begun increasing the intensity of our training.”

The team is focusing on training for the time being to get ready for the University Athletic Association meet. “We’ve got some difficult competition from Emory and NYU, but if things keep going the way they have been, it will be a very successful weekend,” Nabulsi said.

Despite all that, the team is keeping its eyes on the prize, with Regionals looming in the middle of November. They are buckling down on their training while figuring out what doesn’t work and fixing it. “Specifically we are increasing our speed work but still maintaining our mileage. We need to continue to work hard in practice to prepare for UAAs and regionals,” Burnstein said.

With enough hard work and determination, this team looks ready for great things at regionals and beyond. “We will line up at nationals knowing that we are ready to see what this team can do,” Schlamb said. “I’m excited to see what we can accomplish together.”

Club volleyball hosts first tourney

Johann Qua Hiansen  
Senior Sports Editor

While the girls are away, the guys did play.

For the first time in at least four years, the men’s club volleyball team, which is reestablishing itself on the club scene, hosted a tournament in the Athletic Complex.

The tournament

The Bears, heavily affected by teammates who went home for Fall Break, picked up one set win and dropped seven in the day. “We got a good look at what skills they bring to the table,” co-captain senior Ryan Winograd said.

Wash. U. saved some of their best volleyball for their first round elimination match against the College of DuPage. After tying the game at 18 each, Wash. U. was unable to sustain the momentum and fell 25-19 in the first set. The Red and Green stayed competitive throughout the second set. Down by seven points, the Bears clawed back to net the game at 21-21 by taking advantage of DuPage errors. DuPage escaped with

a 25-22 win.

The tournament featured pool play in the morning with teams playing two sets of 21 points apiece. Later in the afternoon, teams competed in an elimination round. Schools represented in the seven-squad tournament included the College of DuPage, SIUE and Missouri S&T.

The program

“We like to keep an intense program as best we can,” Winograd said. “We don’t have a coach. We don’t have all the resources.” But the team has heart, practicing on South Campus for four hours a week on Monday and Thursday evenings.

Unlike in previous years, the club team has three captains. Winograd is in charge of Sports Club Federation interactions, senior Brad Pelz handles practices while junior Adrian Lee takes care of external duties such as entering tournaments. “It takes a group of people to work,” Pelz said.

The club men’s volleyball squad represents a wide diversity of both skill levels, ages and locations. According to the captains, some players

have been playing competitive volleyball since middle school. The squad is composed of everyone from freshmen to some graduate students.

The Bears also come from a wide array of backgrounds. Pelz is an electrical engineer major while Lee looks to graduate with majors in finance and economics. Winograd is an economics major. Despite their workloads and other time commitments, the team makes time for volleyball. “You can always make more time in the day if you really want to,” Winograd said.

In another sign of improvement, the Bears competed at Nationals for the first time in four years last season. Last year’s Nationals hosted more than 400 squads with some of the top teams in the country. “If you love volleyball, you want to be at Nationals,” co-captain junior Adrian Lee said. “You want to be in it.” The Bears are slated to compete in three tournaments in November and aim to compete in Nationals in the spring.

The next step for the Bears: “Practice on Monday,” Pelz said.

<b>Men’s Soccer</b> Wash. U. def. Case Western Reserve 2-0	<b>SideLines</b>	<b>Volleyball</b> Wash. U. def. Emory 3-0 (25-19, 25-17, 25-18)
No. 6 Rochester def. Wash. U. 1-0	<b>Cross Country</b> Men’s: 7th of 35 Women’s: 2nd of 34	Wash. U. def. New York University 3-1 (25-15, 21-25, 25-17, 25-19)
<b>Women’s Soccer</b> No. 16 Wash. U. def. Case Western Reserve 2-0	<b>Football</b> Wooster def. Wash. U. 24-20	Wash. U. def. University of Chicago 3-0 (25-17, 25-23, 25-19)
No. 16 Wash. U. def. No. 21 Rochester 2-1 (OT)		Wash. U. def. Carnegie Mellon University 3-2 (22-25, 25-21, 24-26, 25-21, 15-8)