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## Wrighton urges WU community to vote for Prop A

Puneet Kollipara  
Copy Chief

Chancellor Mark Wrighton on Monday called on community members to turn out for the April St. Louis County election to vote in favor of a sales tax for funding Metro, as Washington University continued efforts to mobilize the community around the measure.

In an e-mail to the school community, Wrighton sought to remind the community of its reliance on Metro and the benefits of transit to the region, while warning that the failure of the measure, Proposition A, would lead to a nearly 50 percent reduction in transit service. He cited the nearly 2.3 million times that community members used Metro last year, and the U-Pass program, which gives most students and employees free Metro access.

"These numbers clearly indicate the commitment of the Washington University community to public transit and reflect the vital importance of Proposition A to our students, faculty and staff as well as the St. Louis region," Wrighton wrote.

Proposition A would increase the St. Louis County sales tax by half a cent, and trigger a quarter-cent tax that was passed in the city of St. Louis in 1997. Supporters say it would raise about \$80 million per year for Metro, enough money to restore service to where

it was before Metro's service cuts on March 30, 2009.

Previously, Wrighton has appeared in a pro-transit commercial in which he cites the 25,000 people in the school community who use Metro as a reason to support public transit. Though the commercial does not mention Proposition A, the University did throw in its support for the measure last fall, when it gave \$25,000 to the supporting campaign.

The administration's efforts strongly resemble those taken during the campaign for Proposition M, a similar sales-tax measure that voters defeated in November 2008 by three percentage points. Wrighton sent a similar e-mail to the school community in fall 2008, and the University donated \$25,000 to that year's campaign.

But after many Proposition M supporters complained that 2008's campaign failed in part because it was spearheaded by businesses and civic leaders, local advocates have attempted to take a more grassroots approach and are conveying a decidedly different message this time: Some people ride transit, but all people need it.

Campus advocates have sought to convey this message to students through a partnership with Bon Appétit. Advocates have given pro-transit buttons for some campus chefs to wear.

"Students are reminded when

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## Census set to begin; students required to fill forms in Mo.

### A new way to count heads

The U.S. federal government has changed the way it conducts the 10-year census. The long form is gone; instead, every household will be mailed a 10-question short form, which must be completed.

#### What we will be asked

- How many people were living or staying in this house, apartment or mobile home on April 1, 2010?  
Helps get an accurate count of the number of people in the household
- Were there additional people staying here April 1, 2010 that you did not include in Question 1?  
Helps identify people that may have been excluded in Question 1; asked since 1890
- Is this house, apartment or mobile home: owned with mortgage, owned without a mortgage, rented, occupied without rent?  
Indicator of U.S. economy; data used to administer housing programs; asked since 1890
- What is your telephone number?  
In case Census Bureau needs to contact respondent for incomplete or missing info

Please provide information for each person living here. Start with a person here who owns or rents this house, apartment or mobile home. If the owner or renter lives somewhere else, start with any adult living here. This will be Question 1. Repeat Questions 5-10 for every member of the household.

#### Why the census matters

- Data is used to apportion congressional seats and more than \$400 billion in federal aid
- Also used to monitor compliance with anti-discrimination provisions, such as those in the Voting Rights Act and the Civil Rights Act
- Used by economists, sociologists and other researchers who analyze social and economic trends

#### Participating in the census

63%-71% 72% (average)  
73%-81%



Under federal law, everyone must respond to the census; individually identifiable answers cannot be shared with anyone, including other federal agencies, law enforcement agencies, and review portfolios with a professional.

100 percent compliance would save the government about \$1.5 billion in follow-up visits by census takers

Map at the left shows participation rates, by state, for the 2000 census

NOTE: Alaska and Hawaii are not to scale

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Washington, DC, 2008

Jack Marshall  
Staff Reporter

The ancient biblical ritual of counting the congregation is set to begin again in the United States. The start of a new decade means that the population of the United States will be counted once again in the U.S. Census.

Washington University students must register in Missouri and not in their home states.

Census forms are sent out to all citizens every 10 years. The census counts the number of residents in each city, county and state, determining program funding and demographics. The most

significant role of the census is to determine the number of congressional representatives allotted to each state and how to redraw district lines.

"The census is important not only for figuring out how many seats each state gets in the House, but also for allocating funds to local and federal programs," Professor of Political Science Bill Lowry said.

While the 12,000 undergraduate and graduate students of the University only make up about 1 percent of St. Louis County, most of these students live in University City or Clayton. These two cities had a combined population of 49,772 in the 2000 census. As

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## Health care reform and you



A breakdown of the passage of the extensive health care bill which extends coverage to millions of Americans and will most directly affect students by allowing them to remain on their guardians' health insurance policy until 26.

David Messenger  
Senior News Editor

After almost a year of negotiations, argumentation and lobbying, the House of Representatives approved a drastic overhaul of the nation's health care system, with President Obama signing it into law Tuesday. In a 219-to-212 vote, the House passed the legislation that the Senate passed in December. In addition, the House passed a package of changes as part of a budget reconciliation bill by a vote of 220 to 211.

All Republicans voted against the bill. Thirty-four Democrats also voted against it.

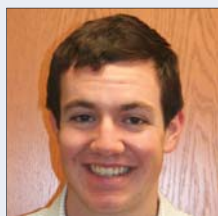
Throughout the day Sunday, while the House held a lengthy debate over the bill, protesters gathered outside of the Capitol Building and chanted "Kill the bill" and "Don't tread on me."

The House Democratic leadership gained the necessary votes for the legislation only hours prior to the scheduled vote. Obtaining the votes required leadership to broker a deal

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### Fast facts

- The bill will require most citizens of the United States to have health insurance.
- It is expected to bring coverage to 32 million people who currently are not covered under a health insurance plan.
- The health care bill is also going to add 16 million people to the current population covered under Medicaid.
- Private coverage is going to be subsidized for people who have low and middle incomes.
- Many employers will be required to present employees with health coverage under penalty of a fine.
- Insurers are required to allow children to remain beneficiaries on their guardians' health insurance policies until the age of 26.
- Despite its cost, around \$940 billion, it is expected to reduce the deficit by \$143 billion in the next 10 years.



Michael Offerman, sophomore

I am kind of worried about how everything is going to be paid for, but I am also anxious to see all the good that can happen as a result of it. While a lot of people will be insured who weren't before, I am nervous how it will be paid for.

Trevor Erickson, junior



I feel like something needed to be done, but the fact that it was passed by such a narrow margin makes me uncomfortable. Something that important I think should have to be passed by more than just a simple majority.

## Junior Jumpstart expanding beyond pre-health students

Early registration deadline is approaching

Re-I Chin  
Staff Reporter

As students' academic and career interests grow to be more diverse, Washington University has made upgrades to its career counseling program, Junior Jumpstart, in hopes of meeting students' needs.

Junior Jumpstart is a one-day conference for third-year students to explore their career interests after final exams in May.

Through this program, students can meet with deans and advisers, interact with recent alumni and professionals in different fields, and attend informational sessions on a broad range of topics from creating a résumé to applying to medical school.

Back when dean Sarah Johnson founded this program more than 20 years ago, Junior Jumpstart was exclusively for pre-health students. For the last couple of

years, however, this program has expanded to offer sessions and resources for those in engineering and art.

On the new engineering track, sessions will be given by deans, professionals, teachers and current graduate students to provide a full perspective on attending graduate school and getting a job after receiving a B.S. degree.

On the art track, students can attend presentations given by artists and designers; learn about strategies in evaluating and applying to Master of Fine Arts (MFA) programs, residencies and fellowships; participate in a discussion with "creative community" professionals; and review portfolios with a professional.

While the additional engineering and art sessions mostly benefit students from those respective schools, they will also enable students interested in multiple disciplines to seek advice in one setting.

"In our day and age, students don't like to be put in boxes," said program coordinator Wilmetta Toliver-Diallo, a dean in the College of Arts & Sciences.

"You might be a student in the School of Engineering, but you might want to go and get a Ph.D. in physics. You might be a

mathematics student who wants to go to graduate school in engineering," Diallo said. "Having all the schools there and helping us offer very diverse programs is best for all the students."

Similarly, Junior Jumpstart's diverse tracks enables students to combine their interests in one area with those in other fields.

"Because of the diversity of the sessions, art students can structure their own day, which may include a portfolio review, but also, say, a workshop on writing a personal statement or a session on applying to law school," said Jennifer Meyer, a career adviser to art students at the Career Center.

In addition to adding new tracks, the program coordinators have also expanded the scopes of current tracks. For example, the pre-health track now emphasizes options beyond attending medical school and becoming a doctor for those interested in health care.

To inform students of the various careers in health care, the pre-health track will host a new session in which professionals such as doctors, social workers and genetic counselors collaborate together to interact with patients.

The program coordinators strongly endorse this more flexible and comprehensive philosophy

on health care because students should be able to find careers that best suit their interests.

"Our students' happiness once they get into their desired field and build a career is what we are really reaching for. We are hoping to connect students to their individual passions," said Liz Drury, a public service coordinator involved in the planning of the pre-health track.

Overall, the program coordinators are very excited about the opportunities that Junior Jumpstart will offer to students.

"I'm really excited to help put on a program that can lift people out of those mid-college blues and get them ready for senior year and whatever comes beyond," said John Menze, a junior representative from the engineering school who helps to plan Junior Jumpstart.

"It [takes place] the day after finals, so people are usually a bit tired, but people find that they get all the information they need in one day," Toliver-Diallo said. "It is really a way to jump-start the summer."

While some students have a clear vision of what career they want to pursue, others still

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# THE FLIPSIDE

## weatherforecast

Wednesday 24

Cloudy  
High 64  
Low 48



Thursday 25

Rain/Thunder  
High 68  
Low 39



## eventcalendar

### WEDNESDAY 24

**Naomi Klein**  
Graham Chapel, 11 a.m.–noon  
Listen to Naomi Klein's keynote address, "The Present and Future of American Capitalism" as part of the Assembly Series. Her speech will be followed by a 2 p.m. discussion with a panel in the Women's Building Formal Lounge.

**Salsa for Student Scholarships**  
McMillan Café, 5 p.m.–7 p.m.  
Come to the Niños/Cambios/Puertas Latino Youth Mentoring Program's night of Latin American food, music and dancing, featuring a Mariachi band and WUSauce. They are fundraising to provide scholarships for local Latin-American students to go to college. Dinner is \$7.

**Shared Traditions**  
Catholic Student Center, 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.  
Attend Jewish Student Union and Catholic Student Union's event, looking at Passover and the Last Supper from Jewish and Christian perspectives. As food will be provided, space is limited. RSVP to sharedtraditions@gmail.com.

### THURSDAY 25

**We Are Not For Sale**  
Wilson Hall 214, 7 p.m.  
This campaign, sponsored by the International Leadership Program and International and Area Studies, works to show the consequences of human trafficking. Join Christina Heberts, the International Operations Manager and director of the Student Abolitionist Movement, to learn about Not For Sale's projects and her experiences with human trafficking in San Francisco and Ghana. Free dinner provided.

## newsbriefs

### Local

#### Lt. Robert E. Lee riverboat destroyed

A Sunday fire destroyed the Lt. Robert E. Lee riverboat, which had been moored in about a quarter mile south of the Gateway Arch since 2006. The boat had been a fixture in St. Louis during the 1970s, when it was a popular restaurant on the St. Louis riverfront. It closed multiple times during the 1990s before relocating and reopening in Kimmswick, a Mississippi River town about 40 miles south of St. Louis, in 2004. It was shuttered and brought back to the St. Louis riverfront in 2006. Before the boat burned down this past week, owner Steve Petroff, who bought the boat in 2008, had intended to move the boat on March 31 and reopen it as a restaurant on the Missouri River in St. Charles. The cause of the fire is currently unknown. (Jack Marshall)

### National

#### ACORN to disband

The Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now, better known as ACORN, will close its remaining offices as a result of financial difficulties. ACORN, which has existed since 1970, faced wide scrutiny during the 2008 election as a result of perceived voter fraud favoring Barack Obama. It faced even more trouble when they were caught in a sting operation advising two conservative activists, disguised as a pimp and prostitute, on how to cover up past crimes, such as tax evasion and sex trafficking. This bust led to removal of ACORN's federal funding from Congress and to ACORN's disassociation from the 2010 United States Census. These financial difficulties led to the closing of 15 of ACORN's 30 chapters from September, when the videos were made public, to mid-March. (Jack Marshall)

### International

#### France decides to stop working toward implementing a tax for carbon dioxide emissions

France has ceased working on a tax approved for domestic carbon dioxide emissions. After failing in court last year because the Constitutional Council said that there were too many exemptions in the plan—and so too few people would have to pay the tax—the government was still trying to get this passed.

The government has now decided to focus instead on getting a tax passed that is Europe-wide, as opposed to just in France. This way, they will be better suited to compete in the economy with countries like Germany. The United Kingdom, however, is currently opposed to a European Union-wide tax. (Lauren Olens)

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are uncertain about their future directions. In either case, coordinators of Junior Jumpstart strongly encourage all students to attend the program.

"Expand your mind. Come to Junior Jumpstart to see what else is out there," Osborn said. "If you are decided on a job after graduation, great; join in to see what info you can get to help make that option a reality. If you are unsure what your path will be, come and get ideas to make your senior year

a productive one."

Students can register for Junior Jumpstart at <http://college.arts.wustl.edu/advising/juniors/junior-jumpstart>. Early registration (before March 31) costs \$45, regular registration (April 1 - April 30) costs \$65 and walk-in/late registration (on May 13 only) costs \$85.

Still have unanswered questions? Contact Dean Wilmetta Toliver-Diallo at [juniorjumpstart@wustl.edu](mailto:juniorjumpstart@wustl.edu).

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they get their food that a lot of other people use public transit, even if the students themselves may not use it," said Liz Kramer, an administrative fellow at the University who has helped coordinate several pro-Metro advocacy events for young St. Louisans.

And improving transit, local advocates say, means jobs—a message they hope will resonate with voters as the local economy continues to struggle.

With no major races on the ballot on April 6, campus transit advocates are trying to minimize the likely drop in turnout among students, a key group of supporters. "Most students are saying if they've registered, they're coming out to vote," Kramer said. "But it's a matter of reminding them."

Like Wrighton, supporters have emphasized that the ballot measure's failure would harm the economy and reduce travel options for students.

"Public transportation links workers to employment, patients to health care providers, students to schools and universities, and everyone to cultural and sporting venues," Wrighton wrote. "Whether we are frequent or occasional riders, we all have access to our public transit system, and we all rely on it."

Kramer recently appeared on campus dressed in a tiara as her self-created personality, Miz MetroLink, to encourage students to register to vote. Some students have adorned boxes painted to look like buses, and Prop A supporters have handed out more than 1,000 pro-Metro buttons.

A couple of opposition groups, including John Burns' Citizens for Better Transit and Tom Sullivan's Public Transit Accountability Project, argue that the proposed tax would harm poor families disproportionately, and feed tax revenue to an agency that went millions of dollars over budget when it built the cross-county MetroLink line.

Supporters counter that the tax would cost a typical family about \$50 per year, which they say is outweighed by the benefits of increased transit.

Unlike during the Proposition M campaign, Student Union may not pass a resolution supporting this ballot measure. "I don't know if we're going to do one," said senior Jeff Nelson, the student body president. But Nelson added that some SU leaders, including senior Chase Sackett, the speaker of the Senate, have been working with administration officials on campaign efforts.

## policebeat

**INVESTIGATION**—Mar. 19, 2010, 1:07 p.m.  
Location: EADS HALL  
Summary: Investigation into computer crash.  
Disposition: Pending.

**DAMAGED PROPERTY**—Mar. 19, 2010, 5:13 p.m.  
Location: PARKING LOT #55  
Summary: Complainant reported a damaged windshield which was possibly caused by a softball from a game in progress.  
Disposition: Pending.

**DRUG OFFENSE**—Mar. 20, 2010, 2:24 a.m.  
Location: RUBELMANN DORM  
Summary: Officer arrived at the dorm in response to a call for the smell of marijuana. Subject was located who admitted to being responsible.  
Disposition: Referred to JA.

**DRUG OFFENSE**—Mar. 20, 2010, 2:39 a.m.  
Location: UMRATH HOUSE  
Summary: Subjects observed smoking marijuana.  
Disposition: Referred to JA.

**LARCENY**—Mar. 20, 2010, 11:33 p.m.  
Location: URSA'S  
Summary: Complainant reported the theft of her phone. TOC 10:30-11:15 p.m. Value \$250.  
Disposition: Pending.

**DISTURBANCE**—Mar. 21, 2010, 12:46 a.m.  
Location: ATHLETIC COMPLEX  
Summary: Two intoxicated students arrested after attempting to enter an event at the Athletic Complex.  
Disposition: Cleared by arrest.

**DISTURBANCE**—Mar. 21, 2010, 2:38 a.m.  
Location: ATHLETIC COMPLEX  
Summary: Intoxicated subject arrested after attempting to enter an event at the Athletic Complex.  
Disposition: Cleared by arrest.

**LARCENY**—Mar. 22, 2010, 3:18 p.m.  
Location: ATHLETIC COMPLEX  
Summary: Student reported the theft of a backpack from the Relay for Life event. TOC 3/21 5:30-5:45 a.m. Value \$615.  
Disposition: Pending.

## DRINKS FOR DIVERSITY



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Members of the senior class enjoy a wine-tasting event, sponsored by Mothers bar in Chicago, as part of the bar's settlement with black students in the senior class who were denied entrance to the bar last October. Admission was \$10, and all profits were donated to Cultural Leadership in St. Louis. The event was organized by the Senior Class Council and featured wine from Mt. Pleasant Winery in Augusta, Mo. Seniors Alex Baron and Ibora Umana provided live music.

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a result, the number of University students who fill out the forms can make a major difference in the funding that Clayton and University City receive.

Students currently attending college are required to fill out the census from the state where they reside on April 1, 2010. Because the last census occurred in 2000, when most undergraduate students were not even teenagers, nearly all undergraduates are filling out the census forms for the first time.

"The census is the key to ensuring that St. Louis gets the amount of federal funding it needs and also for ensuring that Missouri's representation in Congress accurately reflects the actual population," freshman Charles Herrera said.

Herrera knew that he was required to fill out the census information in St. Louis and not in New Jersey, his home state. He had no objections to this law because of the amount of time he will spend in Missouri until his graduation.

Students have also noticed a marked difference in the national awareness of the census this year.

"I find it interesting that the census is targeting youths," senior Carter Malouf said, citing commercials about the census that have aired on television in the last few months.

Malouf acknowledged that while the commercials are not very informative, they do raise awareness about the census, which she believes is important for everyone to participate in.

"It's really important for people to fill the forms out, because states can be misrepresented and not receive the funding that they need," Malouf said.

Missouri has nine congressional districts and has not lost a seat in Congress since the 1980 census. Lowry does not expect that Missouri will lose any seats in Congress this year, but it is possible that the districts will be redrawn.

"Redistricting is an essential thing to do because people

do move and the state legislature wants to have districts drawn so they represent comparable numbers of people, but they are often drawn for political purposes," Lowry said.

While some state legislatures have drawn controversy for biased district lines in the past, such as Texas' redrawing in 2003 after the 2000 census, which went to the Supreme Court, Lowry expects the state legislature, controlled by Republicans, to work with Democrats to help keep all of the incumbents in power. Although there is relatively little controversy around incumbent gerrymandering, Lowry cautioned that redistricting in its current form can lead to stagnancy in Congress.

"The consequence of redistricting is a reason why it's so hard to unseat incumbents in this country," Lowry said. "It's something we need to rethink, about whether it's a good thing or not."

*Editor's note: Herrera is a Forum columnist.*

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with Democratic opponents of abortion by promising that Obama would issue an executive order declaring that federal funds provided by the bill would not be used for abortions.

The reconciliation bill is set to go to the Senate. The bill is aimed at altering the Senate bill that passed the House on Sunday and was signed into law by President Obama on Tuesday.

"The Democrats finally figured out a way to use reconciliation to resolve their differences to avoid filibuster, and now the challenge is to use reconciliation to get it passed through the Senate," said Steven Smith, a professor of political science. "It's not clear that they'll be able to do it, because there are vulnerabilities in the bill."

The process by which the Democratic leadership in the House went about passing the bill has drawn criticism from opponents of the bill.

"People are complaining, but it seems to me the Democrats are doing it [using special reconciliation procedure] now, but the Republicans were doing it when they had control," law professor Cheryl Block said. "I think it's a procedure that they tended to use at the budget stage, but now its gotten overused. But you can't point fingers, because both sides have done it."

The overhaul will require most citizens of the United States to have health insurance. It is expected to extend coverage to 32 million people who currently have none. But analysts currently suggest that 23 million people will remain uninsured.

The health care bill is also

going to add 16 million people to Medicaid. Additionally, private coverage is going to be subsidized for people who have low and moderate incomes.

According to the Congressional Budget Office (CBO), the bill will cost the government \$938 billion over 10 years.

Under the terms of the legislation, many employers would be required to present employees with health coverage under penalty of a fine. Additionally, each state would set up a market-based exchange in which citizens without coverage could shop around for insurance.

According to the CBO, the costs of the program will be alleviated by Medicare savings and newly created taxes, including one on investment income. Despite the reform's costs, it is expected to reduce the deficit by \$143 billion in the next 10 years.

One of the most controversial parts of the bill was one that prevented health insurers from denying coverage to children with medical issues or ceasing coverage for people who become ill.

The bill also has benefits for students. Under the health care bill, insurers are required to allow children to remain beneficiaries on their guardians' health insurance policies until the age of 26.

"The most immediate and obvious [way the bill affects students] is that students will be able to remain on their parents' health care policies through age 26, which allows them to get into and maybe through grad school and into a job with a small business that lacks a health care plan or simply ride through a transition

period where it's difficult to get employee-based health care by remaining on a parent's plan," Smith said.

Smith noted that the bill would lead to increased costs in the future for students, while leading to increased access to adequate care.

"Eventually the students will face the requirement that they purchase health care insurance," he said. "That's something that some people currently just out of college avoid. They just don't have health care insurance, and they get by because they're lucky to be healthy for a while, but they won't have that choice anymore, they will have to get health care insurance or pay a penalty. And I think for most students and graduates, that will mean they will have additional expenses, but they will also have more complete access to health care."

The reconciliation bill that the House passed also contains provisions to revamp the federal student loan program and get rid of the fee paid to banks that serve the role of intermediaries. The federal government instead will enlarge a direct lending program that would save \$61 billion over 10 years. The money would then be used to increase Pell Grants.

The maximum Pell Grant is scheduled to rise to \$5,975 within seven years from the current \$5,350. The initiative also provides \$13.5 billion to cover deficits resulting from the rise in the number of Americans attending college.

The bill will allocate \$36 billion more to Pell Grants over the next two years.

*With additional reporting by Lauren Olens*

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**Majors:** All Majors  
**Apply end:** 3/28

**Capital One**, Richmond, Virginia

**Recruiting for:** Analyst Development Program-Data Analyst  
**Majors:** All Majors  
**Apply end:** 3/31

**Central Realty**, St. Louis, Missouri

**Recruiting for:** Assistant Property Manager  
**Majors:** All Majors  
**Apply end:** 3/31

**Citi**, Taiwan, China

**Recruiting for:** Management Associate Program  
**Majors:** All Majors  
**Apply end:** 3/31

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security**, Washington, D.C.

**Recruiting for:** Acquisition Professional Career Program  
**Majors:** All Majors  
**Apply end:** 4/1

## INTERNSHIPS & CO-OPS

**Savvis, Inc.**, St. Louis, Missouri

**Recruiting for:** Accounts Payable Intern, Business Analyst Intern, Marketing Intern, Software Engineer Intern, Network Product Engineer Intern  
**Majors:** All Majors  
**Apply end:** 3/25

**Dallas Museum of Art**, Dallas, Texas

**Recruiting for:** Adult Programming Intern, Curatorial Intern, Family Experience Intern, Programs & Resources for Teachers Intern, Teaching Programs Intern  
**Majors:** Art  
**Apply end:** 3/26

**St. Louis Children's Hospital**, St. Louis, Missouri

**Recruiting for:** Summer Intern  
**Majors:** Business, Economics, Mathematics  
**Apply end:** 3/26

**District Schools of Columbia**, Washington, D.C.

**Recruiting for:** Associate-UELIP Program  
**Majors:** All Majors  
**Apply end:** 3/30

**Colgate-Palmolive**, Nationwide

**Recruiting for:** Customer Development Summer Internship  
**Majors:** All Majors  
**Apply end:** 3/31

**Entertainment Software Rating Board**, New York, New York

**Recruiting for:** Ratings Intern  
**Majors:** All Majors  
**Apply end:** 4/1

**St. Jude Medical**, Sylmar, California

**Recruiting for:** Mechanical Engineers Co-op  
**Majors:** Mechanical Engineering, Biomedical Engineering  
**Apply end:** 4/10

## INFO SESSIONS

**Fund for the Public Interest:** 3/24, 2:00-3:00 PM, Danforth University Center, Room 234

**USPIRG:** 3/24, 4:00-5:00 PM, Danforth University Center, Room 234

**Store Supply Warehouse:** 3/31, 6:00-7:00 PM, Knight Center, Room 200

## EVENTS & WORKSHOPS

**WORKSHOP WEDNESDAYS:** The Career Center offers a variety of workshops every Wednesday. For a more extensive list, visit CAREERlink.

- **FINDING A JOB ABROAD:** 3/24, 12:15-1:00 PM, Danforth University Center, Room 111
- **RELATIONSHIP BUILDING:** 3/24, 4:00-5:00 PM, Danforth University Center, Room 111
- **FINDING AN INTERNSHIP:** 3/24, 5:00-6:00 PM, Danforth University Center, Room 111

**NONPROFIT CAREERS ROUND TABLE:**

**3/24, 4:00-5:30 PM in the Danforth University Center, Room 276**

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## STAFF EDITORIAL

## Condemning the new state of Texas textbooks

The conservatives have won another battle in Texas concerning student textbooks: On an 11-4 vote, a new standard for textbook drafts were released recently, and it has caused quite a stir. Among other things, the new draft standards include the teaching of “alternative” economic theories, a required section on political conservatism in American history, and the replacement of the teaching of Enlightenment ideals with such great theologians as Calvin and Aquinas. At the same time, Thomas Jefferson is no longer required learning for

today’s Texan students. Quite frankly, the level of politicization in students’ textbooks is unnerving, especially given the influence of school systems on developing minds. While it is up to the discretion of Texas to govern its own state’s textbooks, given that Texan textbooks are often used as the standard for American textbooks, we sincerely hope that these changes do not affect students across the U.S. The extent to which ideological textbooks damage the education system reaches far beyond Texas, and so we have an ethical obligation to condemn

these textbooks and discourage their sales as a matter of principle. Far from merely being annoyed neighbors, the actions of Texas affect the entire United States in a profound manner, insofar as their actions directly impact the content and distribution of textbooks across the nation. Especially given the lack of textbook standards coming out of California, with no counterbalancing standard, the duty falls on us as citizens to resist these blatant acts of spinning textbook content in whatever manner we can. As a University, we can not only collectively disparage the

existence of these textbook standards, but we also have the power to influence the St. Louis community and its schools on the problems that these new textbook standards raise. To under-educate, or to intentionally miseducate, is a moral problem that needs to be addressed on a national scale. By creating textbook standards within a state-based framework that affects people on a national level, these standards conflict with education standards in other states. Consequently, it’s up to us to make sure that these textbook reforms are made public knowledge and are ardently fought against.

## The case for curling

Daniel Michon  
Op-Ed Submission

It’s been called the “breakout hit of the Winter Olympics.” San Francisco 49ers tight end Vernon Davis has taken it up, and the former fastest man in the world, Carl Lewis, says, “It’s so difficult to do... but it’s easy to follow, and I just got sucked in.” It has received extensive coverage in the New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Christian Science Monitor and even the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. It scored some of the highest television ratings in February’s Winter Olympics, captivating audiences from Wall Street to Southern California. And you can’t find it anywhere within 100 miles of St. Louis.

Not yet, that is. Already one of Canada’s most beloved pastimes, curling is steadily taking a hold on the States too. Clubs from New Jersey to Oregon were swamped at their open houses in the weeks following these past Olympic Games, many reporting several hundred people coming to learn more about the “roarin’ game.” The United States Curling Association, curling’s governing body in the U.S., has received hundreds of requests from groups interested in starting their own clubs. Yet despite this popularity, we’ve all heard the critiques of the game—“bowling on ice,” “frozen bocce” and “professional housecleaning.” But of those who take these unwarranted jabs, how many know anything about the sport beyond what they saw as they walked past the television?

The first misconception is that the sport is easy—that anyone with some spare time and a pond in their backyard can soon be an Olympian. Just like golf, curling is a precision sport. And anyone who says golf is easy has obviously never even stepped on a fairway. Likewise, anyone naïve enough to call curling “bowling on ice” hasn’t bothered to visit a club. Games are often won and lost by inches—anyone who watched the terrible misfortunes of the U.S. women’s team in Vancouver can attest to that. If a player releases a stone 1 or 2 inches too far to their right, it could turn into 1 or 2 feet at the other end of the sheet. Players must also judge how much power to push the stone with to land it within a 12-foot circle—that’s more than 40 yards away. Add to that the difficulty of controlling a 42-pound stone, and it quickly becomes obvious

why the men and women we watch on television only got that far after years of honing their skills.

But a deeper look beneath the surface reveals a game awash with strategy, earning its other nickname, “chess on ice.” Watching the American broadcast team walk its audience through the basics of the sports makes it seem rather simple—get your rock closer to the “bull’s eye” than your opponent. A casual flip to TSN or any other Canadian sports network reveals another world—one where the complex dynamics of guards and draws and biters and lies perform a delicate dance that only the most experienced can truly understand.

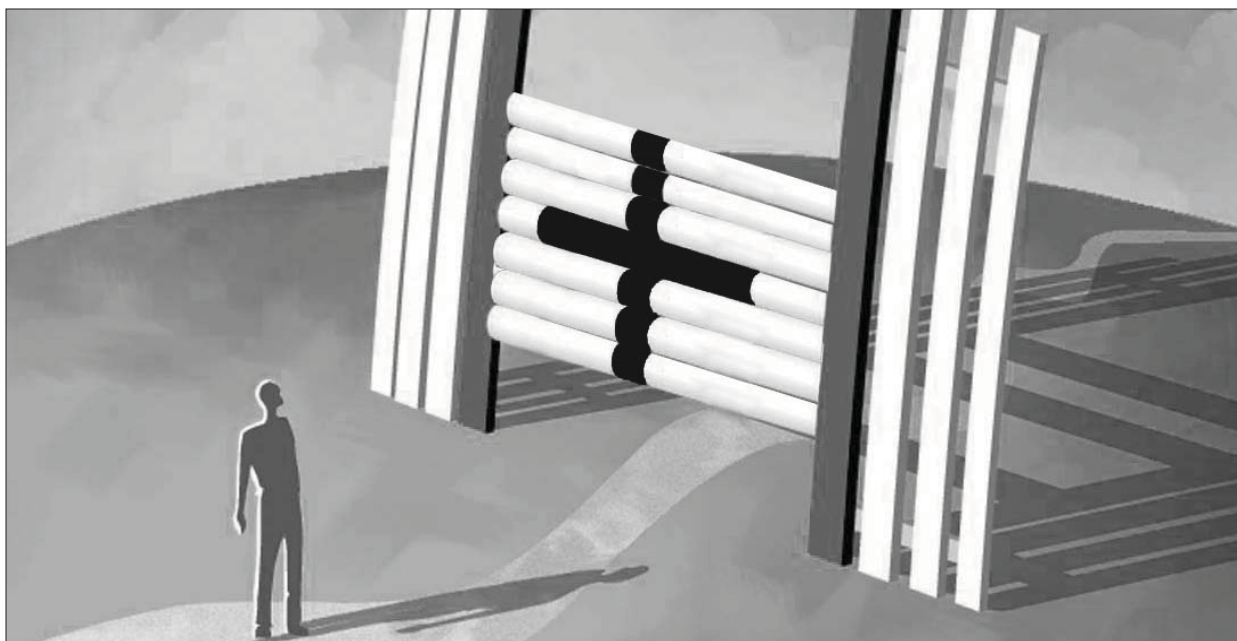
Despite the difficulties in mastering the game, though, one can learn it in under an hour. Within an afternoon you can go from knowing absolutely nothing about the sport to playing a game and starting to understand its appeal. The game has a culture that stresses what we don’t often see in sports anymore. There are no scandals in curling—no steroids, shootings or affairs. It’s a game dominated by sportsmanship—as there are no referees, players are expected to call their own fouls. Men and women can compete on the same level—even the physically impaired can play. It is the world’s most universal sport, in which sons can play alongside their fathers and age differences between siblings bear no weight. You don’t need to be athletic or a genius to play—all that is required is the willpower to try something new. It’s exactly what sport is meant to be, but we seem to have lost sight of—fun.

There will always be those who unfairly attack the sport, those who mock its relaxed nature and its odd rules. But were they to take the effort and try it out, they would undoubtedly see a different side of the sport and come to love its quirks and nuances. As such, Wash. U. Curling is proud to host its first meeting Wednesday, March 24, at 8 p.m. in Seigle Hall L002. If you have years of experience or simply want to understand what “biting the house” means, come. With your help, we can finally bring one of the world’s oldest sports to St. Louis.

Good curling,  
Daniel Michon

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## Health care reform faces hurdles



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Well, the dust has barely settled around the passage of health care reform, and the debate is still going strong. President Obama signed the Senate’s bill Tuesday, and the Senate is now working on the budget reconciliation package that the House of Representatives passed. Given that the Senate bill is already facing challenges on electoral and legal fronts, we are clearly not done yet, but what could possibly be next?

For one, there were legal challenges to the bill before President Obama even signed it. I would be a fool at best and self-discrediting at worst if I were to try to divine how the courts would rule, but fortunately we know now that one of the primary challenges has been stopped in its tracks. In passing health care reform, the House did not use the controversial

“deem and pass” rule that was more popularly referred to as the “Slaughter Solution.” This was the right decision; “deem and pass” would have been more divisive than reconciliation, not to mention extremely difficult to justify politically. While the rule does have precedent, it is one of the most obscure tactics House Democrats could have used. Further, it would have been a tough one to defend to the voters, since it would have looked like the House had passed health care reform without actually voting on it.

Naturally, there are still other possible challenges to the legislation, most notably the insurance mandate, according to a New York Times article on March 21. The article says that Virginia Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli would cite a law exempting Virginia from the mandate in his arguments. I am no legal expert, but that seems to lie contrary to the Supremacy Clause. Formally known as Article VI, Clause 2 of the

Constitution, the Supremacy Clause establishes federal law as having a greater influence than any state laws. This is why Mr. Cuccinelli has also tacked on a constitutional challenge, based on Congress’ ability to affect interstate commerce through the Commerce Clause. I do see where an argument could possibly be made that health insurance is only intrastate commerce, but we should leave it up to the courts to decide this matter.

Both parties will also have a showdown over health care reform at the polls in November’s midterm elections. It is just about given that the Democrats will be touting the benefits of the bill and the specific provisions that will come into effect this year. Thus, the more interesting point, at least for now, is what the Republicans are trying to do. In short, the GOP is going to try its hardest to repeal the legislation. As a political observer, I wish them luck. Not only do the Democrats have control of both the

House and the Senate, but also the majority in the House of Representatives is widely considered to be safe.

Even if by some turn of events, the Republican Party manages to recapture both houses, there is still the matter of President Obama. It is well-established that the president has the power to veto anything he feels like, and the Republicans have very little chance of regaining standard majorities in both houses of Congress, much less the super-majorities needed to overcome a veto. Plus, how are the Republicans going to balance the value of a repeal against the provisions that have already taken effect? I for one will be angry if somehow a repeal succeeds; we need this health care reform. Given that it has been enacted via the established process, it should stand as law.

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## In response to the Israeli settlement policy column

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Allow me to sum up Alex Greenberg’s Israeli settlements policy: Israel has been building settlements in East Jerusalem since 1967; Palestinians have never been happy about the settlements; the peace process hasn’t worked; therefore, Israel should build more settlements. To my eye, that is not sound logic.

In his article “Some perspective on American-Israeli diplomacy,” [Mar. 19] Greenberg makes some far-out claims while supporting continued and unconditional U.S. support of Israel, specifically in regard to its settlement policies; and as an American Jew with a drastically

opposing opinion, I feel obliged to respond.

For starters, Greenberg gives us a clear distinction between bad settlements (extreme-rightist settlements in the West Bank run by “zealots” and representing “a fervent opposition to the more liberal land-for-peace doctrine”) and good settlements (East Jerusalem settlements that are extensions of already existing Israeli suburbs in a “fairly evenly” split population).

According to Greenberg, since it “reclaim[ed] Jerusalem... in 1967, Israel has every right to build as it pleases, especially in a Jewish suburb.” Remember, of course, that this construction refers to the settlements not rooted in zealotry.

The use of the term “reclaimed” is highly intentional on Greenberg’s part and

essential to Israel’s “argument” for its continued settlement of East Jerusalem. Incidentally, Israel refused to make any argument to the World Court in 2004 when the court gave its unanimous opinion against the construction of Israel’s separation wall. In its opinion, the World Court reiterated that “The territories situated between the Green Line... and the former eastern boundary of Palestine under the Mandate were occupied by Israel in 1967 during the armed conflict between Israel and Jordan... Subsequent events in these territories... have done nothing to alter this situation. All these territories (including East Jerusalem) remain occupied territories, and Israel has continued to have the status of occupying Power.”

That is to say that the World

Court did not find that Israel had “reclaimed” Jerusalem at all, but rather “occupied” it. Far from being a “PO-TAY-TOE, PO-TAH-TOE” distinction, word choice here has had the terrible price of bloody conflict and loss of human life.

As for Israel’s “right to build as it pleases” that Greenberg suggests, the World Court had the exact opposite opinion, stating that the Israeli practice of building settlements in all occupied territories, including East Jerusalem, has “no legal validity.” It doesn’t stop there, though, as the court went on to call upon “Israel, as the occupying Power, to abide scrupulously by the Fourth Geneva Convention” (i.e., to stop building settlements and to rescind its past actions).

Which brings us to

Greenberg’s exhortation to “consider the track record of Israeli land policy that accommodates Palestinian interest.” Greenberg instructs us to remember Israel’s withdrawal from Gaza, supposedly an olive branch that only resulted in “increased rocket attacks,” as the cornerstone example how Israel’s generosity has been exploited by Palestinians.

It seems the author is selectively remembering only that Israel withdrew its settlements from the Gaza Strip. What he is neglecting to remember is that Israel also removed its industry in Gaza, resulting in increased unemployment. Coupling its withdrawal from Gaza with a hefty blockade, Israel maintained its control of Gaza’s borders (including its sea border), a condition that

most rational adherents to the Geneva Convention view as continued occupation rather than emancipation.

How this land policy in Gaza can be viewed as accommodating Palestinian interests is beyond me; but I do fully agree with Greenberg that this example is representative of Israel’s track record.

I encourage all members of the Washington University community who aim to give perspective on American-Israeli diplomacy to at least entertain a whole-picture view of the Palestinian-Israeli conflict before lobbying our government to support 62 more years of failed policy.

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# Gender discourse should move beyond accusations of misogyny

Dennis Sweeney  
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We Americans might well be considered to have reached an ideologically advanced state where students at major research universities, if not the hoi polloi, believe that women and men ought to be treated equally. The laudable attendance of classes in Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies shows an academic interest in the problematic concept of gender that is ingrained in the contemporary world. The recent movement toward the hiring of a coordinator for the prevention of sexual assault, though sexual assault does not happen only to women, demonstrates the growing willingness of the University's administration to confront an issue of major concern for many women on campus. And many students, even outside of classes convened specifically to focus on gender, do not hesitate to remark on the gendered nature of texts and those texts' problematic approaches to women,

sex and gender.

Many of these minute protests, I have found, take the form of broad accusations of misogyny against these texts. In my view, such accusations, in a world where the problematic gendered nature of discourse and of human interaction has already been established, reduce a complex problem to a simple wrong on the part of the accused. Though an unthinking male chauvinist might be productively rebuked by an explicit denigration of his ignorant viewpoint, in the classroom, and in other venues where the stakes are more theoretical, one benefits quite a bit less from such broad criticism.

Allow me to give an example. "Forever Overhead," a story by David Foster Wallace included in the collection "Best American Short Stories 1992" narrates a newly adolescent boy's introspective visit to the pool on his birthday and the build-up to his plunge from a diving board after the story's finish. The story is narrated in the second person. Its second paragraph identifies "you," the protagonist, as an adolescent male. Among other signifiers of

such a state is when "two weeks of a deep and frightening ache this past spring left you with something dropped down from inside: your sack is now full and vulnerable, a commodity to be protected." "You" are, compulsorily, male.

A student might easily, and rightly in some ways, say, "This story is profoundly misogynistic!" His/her classmates would have to agree, both because the story disallows female identification, portraying the paradigmatic experiences of adolescence as solely male, and because the defense of a text accused of such a thing as the hatred of women would set the defendant up for a similar, if implicit, indictment. From there, then, no discussion proceeds. This "misogyny" remains a black mark on the text, but spurs no further remarks in the class. A blatant value judgment establishes the superiority of the students who have joined in diagnosing the text, and with grim but satisfied unanimity, other topics are raised.

It seems to me not only that such broad diagnoses of the text are unproductive due to their lack of rigor, but also

that they undermine the purpose many of the finger-pointers try to advance by diagnosing the text. By identifying a very simple and very unjust fault in any text's approach to gender, one eliminates the significant complexity into which more professional academic accounts tend to delve. This particular story of Wallace's may allow readerly identification only in the biologically male reader, but in other places Wallace uses "she" as the generic subject pronoun instead of "he"; in the same story collection wherein "Forever Overhead" is found, he includes a story cycle depicting men as the often disgusting (or "Hideous") human beings as which they might be seen by the other gender; and his fiction in general works against the narcissistic male-centered sexuality depicted by Philip Roth and John Updike (see "The Naked and the Confused" by Katie Roiphe).

In other words, Wallace's approach to women, gender and sexuality is much more complex than a simple "misogyny." To label his, or any, text with that simple condemnation eliminates the possibility

for any serious consideration of those topics. To allow for nothing other than "misogynistic" texts and "not-misogynistic" texts further solidifies the male-female polarization against which an equal-rights point of view would argue. To eliminate complexity from such accounts precludes any productive, civilized discussion of gender and sexuality and allows only for laconic pronouncements by those who see themselves (in the view of this article, wrongly) as those topics' greatest advocates.

In class, and in any consideration of gender and sexuality in texts, we should strive to engage in conversation that does not begin and end with "This is misogynistic." The next step, after our collective realization that men and women deserve to be treated equally, is to develop more complex understandings of why, despite the good intentions of at least this institution of higher education, they are not yet.

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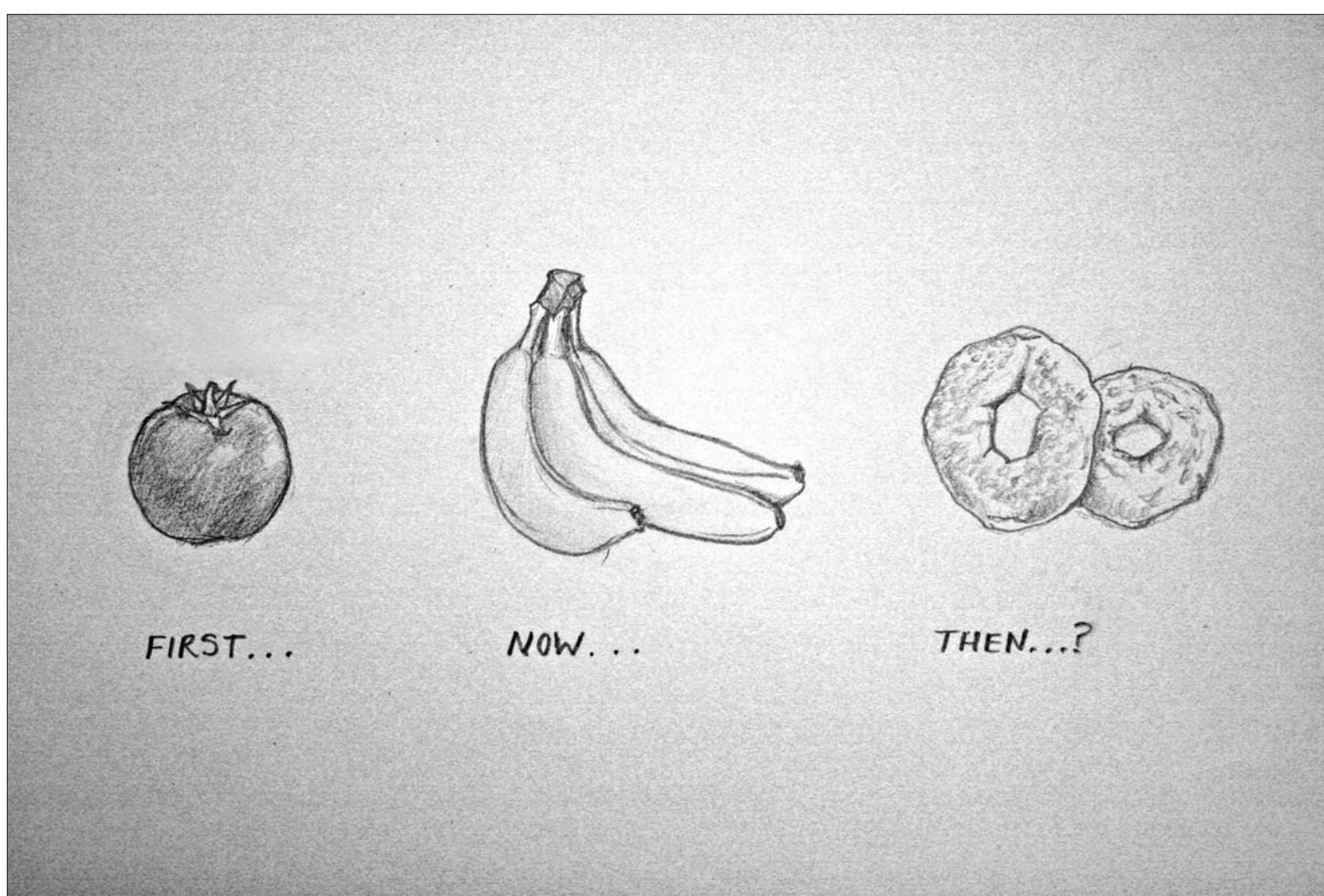
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## Handshake? Or, no...

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Last Friday, I found myself entangled in a rousing game of Taboo, lightning-round, tiebreaker style. My team was up and my friend jokingly gave the clue to me. "It's like our fist pound, but what white people do!" I said a handshake, but no. It turns out it was a high five, but my team still wound up winning, which was accompanied by several confusing instances of fist-pound-high-five-bro-hug-secret-handshake ambivalence.

I realized in that moment that I am an extremely awkward person.

Granted, it's not always easy to interpret the signs given by your friends/bros/what have you, even among the best of friends. But there's still something to be said about my complete inability to know what kind of shake to do when. If I had more experience, I would probably compile a list of certain instances when whichever salutation/congratulation is available, but judging from my situation on Friday, I obviously do not have that kind of knowledge or experience, which is quite a shame, really.

I know I've mastered a couple, though, even if it's only with a small group of

people. For example, when I greet my friends at church, it is always with our secret handshake that they taught me a couple months ago (I felt so cool learning it). Yes, it's very dorky and very "Boy Meets World," but I know for a fact that it is how we greet each other, which makes me feel slightly less awkward.

But my inexperience continues to show itself in many greetings. While I have realized that in most business or introduction situations, the general manner of greeting is a handshake, I have found that that is not always the case, so I wind up going in for one when this new person wants, hey, a hug!

I have nothing against the introductory hug, but I find that I usually only go in for one when one is not solicited and wait too long to go in for one when it is warranted. This whole greeting thing just goes to exaggerate my awkwardness, which can also be found in my inability to engage in small talk, my frequent tripping when there is nothing on the ground, and my tendency to, at times, only wear one sock around my dorm room. And, furthermore, how awkward is it to write an entire column about a person's awkwardness?

What I really want to say in this, though, is not that I absolutely fail at knowing which kind of handshake to do when,

but rather that I am an awkward person at a school filled with awkward people, and it is amazing. In my short amount of time here, I have encountered so many wonderfully hilarious incidents and people, which leads me to believe that everyone is a bit awkward. I mean, really, because at how many other places around the country do all the students, even the ones who party on the weekends until they pass out, hole themselves up in their rooms and do homework all night the night before studying for orgo? We have such a hilarious system filled with nerds who are cool but aren't but are, in spite of their awkwardness.

This wonderfully mundane revelation makes me too happy because I know that even though I do have a copy of "Pokémon Blue" sitting in my desk here and a mild fear of ovens, I am not alone. I know that when I have some intention of greeting someone with whatever derivative of a handshake that I choose, they do not always pick up on my signals, and that's OK. Because none of us really knows what we're doing, but we'll find out after a couple of tries and some not necessarily desired hugs.

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## Is Wash. U. segregated?

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In the elections just before spring break, nearly three-fourths of voting students approved the creation of the Diversity Affairs Council as a way to organize and administer diversity initiatives at Wash. U. To be honest, I had and continue to have doubts about the DAC, partly because of doubts that the council can be effective in influencing University policy regarding admissions and faculty hiring (I hope I'm proven wrong).

But what most troubles me about the DAC is its explicit goal: diversity. Diversity is certainly an admirable aim; without a society's appreciation for diversity, I, a racial and religious minority, wouldn't have nearly as many opportunities as I do now. Yet I wonder if the real issue on campus is segregation—that is, self-segregation. Should we be sanctioning not a DAC but a SSAC?

Please don't misinterpret me: Wash. U. could use more diversity. I'd personally like to see greater diversity in race and religion, and I commend the efforts of WU/FUSED to make socioeconomic diversity a priority. But if Wash. U. becomes a perfectly diverse university whose students nevertheless sequester themselves into various exclusive groups, can we really claim success? As we press forward with the issue of diversity, we should

simultaneously tackle self-segregation. One without the other leaves something to be desired.

It seems to me that our student body—and American society as a whole—clusters into independent groups. I know I am guilty of hanging out mostly with friends from my freshman floor. Others associate mostly or exclusively with, for example, members of their extracurriculars or of their fraternity or sorority. I'm willing to claim Wash. U. students segregate themselves on the basis of race and religion as well. I admit not having the statistics to prove this claim, but when you have a moment, think about the people with whom you spend the most time. Look around the DUC or watch a passing group of friends and notice the similarities and differences at each table.

I freely acknowledge that I am decrying more than self-segregation. I am challenging an aspect of our inner natures, an unconscious drive to associate with the people who look like us, talk like us and act like us. Humans feel most safe and most comfortable with familiar people, people who enjoy the same interests and customs. In the end, self-segregation's main explanation—which I would argue is also its main problem—is that we stick to our comfort zones. We develop our personal communities, be they freshman floors, fraternities or sororities, etc., which inevitably distract us from the broader Wash. U. community.

To go beyond this, we

students need to challenge our comfort zones and broaden their boundaries. In the past, Connect 4 has hosted events promoting dialogue on self-segregation, which I applaud, yet a stronger stimulus is needed to move beyond complacency. I would argue that the Mothers bar incident was an example of that stimulus, albeit an unfortunate and unnecessary one. The student body's response to the episode was admirable, because we broke down our self-constructed barriers and came together for a reason. We were no longer freshmen or seniors, Jewish or Christian or atheist, Greek or non-Greek, black or white or whatever. We were Wash. U. students, united in our outrage.

I don't advocate that we eliminate student groups or other divisions: Wash. U. is far too big for every student to develop a personal, meaningful relationship with everyone else on campus. Also, one needs these ways of refining one's identity. I advocate, however, that Wash. U. fosters a more fluid social dynamic, so that interactions among students of different backgrounds and interests are more prevalent and less awkward. What I hope for is a campus that has been stimulated beyond individual comfort zones, one that is not only more diverse but also less self-segregated.

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# SPORTS

## MEN'S TENNIS

### Stein captures 100th win as Bears trounce Graceland

Daniel Kurzner  
Sports Reporter

In the midst of the No. 2 Washington University men's tennis 7-2 victory over NAIA No. 9 Graceland University at home on Saturday, junior Isaac Stein hit a new milestone: his 100th and 101st victories.

"Getting the 100th win feels great, but honestly, after getting a taste of team success my freshman year [when the Bears won the NCAA Division III national championship], personal accomplishments can't even come close," Stein said.

Stein's landmark weekend featured an 8-3 doubles victory with partner Max Woods and a 6-3, 6-0 singles victory over the Yellowjackets' Matthew Waite. "I'm happy for Isaac. He has really improved his defense and net play," head coach Roger Follmer said. "If he continues to put time and effort into his serve, I think he can compete with anybody in Division III this spring." Though Stein is riding a 4-1 singles and a 3-1 doubles streak, he reassured that his sights are set

much higher for the team.

"I think the goal of everyone at the beginning of each season is to do whatever they can to make the team perform well, not what they can accomplish individually," Stein said.

While freshmen Adam Putterman and Kareem Farah lost their doubles match to Graceland's Yassir El-Ghazi and Jeremy Ackerer, Levy and sophomore Cameron Chiang won at third doubles 8-4 to give Wash. U. a 2-1 advantage over the Yellow Jackets heading into singles play.

In addition to a Stein singles win, the Red and Green also took four out of the other five singles matches with straight-set victories by Woods, senior John Watts, freshman Adam Putterman and senior Danny Levy.

"We out-fought them physically, hustling for more balls, and, mentally, keeping our composure better than GU," Follmer said. "Hopefully, the guys see the benefit of playing this way versus taking the easy way out, as GU did against us for whatever reason."

The Bears maintained their

No. 2 ranking with a 5-1 record in March. Their only loss came against the top-ranked Division II school, Armstrong Atlantic State University.

As he has preached all season long, Follmer credited the team's success with its strong doubles play. Follmer cited No. 10 California Lutheran University sweeping No. 1 University of California, Santa Cruz this weekend en route to a huge upset as evidence of why doubles are so critical.

"As expected, when Cal. Lutheran [swept doubles], they knocked off a team they haven't beaten in 10 years or more," Follmer said. "That is a team in UC-SC that won two of the last three NCAA team titles and won our ITA 2010 National Indoor title."

Overall, however, everyone agrees that the team will have to play its best tennis to avoid a fate similar to UC-SC. "I hope we have not hit our full potential and that we will continue to improve throughout the spring, culminating in UAAs at the end of April and NAAs at the end of May," Stein said.

## WOMEN'S TENNIS

### Lady Bears emerge victorious in first home match in 6 months

Kurt Rohrbeck  
Sports Reporter

After being gone for a while, it was nice to be home for the Washington University women's tennis team.

In its first match back in St. Louis in six months, the No. 14 Lady Bears put together a 6-3 victory over Graceland University on Saturday.

"It was nice to not have to be on a bus going hours to some place and not have bus legs," sophomore Natalie Tingir said. "We were pretty fresh, and it was good."

The freshness the Bears had was reflected in their play. In singles competition, Wash. U. won four of the five completed matches and got a fifth win when Graceland conceded sixth singles.

Freshman Kate Klein and Tingir made quick work of Graceland's Carolina Verdorto and Valerie Avina at first and second singles, winning their respective matches 6-1, 6-0 and 6-0, 6-0. Junior

Elise Sambol and freshman Paige Madara took third and fifth singles as well, with senior Grace Fox's narrow 6-4, 6-3 loss being the only setback.

"Not really any one player stood out. We were all rallying each other, we all supported each other," head coach Kelly Stahlhuth said. "We were also able to get most of the team out there to play, which was nice."

Doubles was a bit tougher for the Bears, as both of the pairs that the Yellow Jackets were able to field took out their Bear counterparts. Junior Kalee Cassady and Madara went down 8-3 in first doubles, while Tingir and Fox—playing together for the first time because senior Allison Dender, Tingir's usual partner, was out for the weekend—were narrowly defeated 8-6 in second doubles.

Yet given the circumstances, the girls were happy with their play. "I think we did pretty well for our first time. I

think we made a pretty good team," Tingir said of working with Fox. "We were able to communicate pretty well. We were able to come back at the end and almost had them."

Noteworthy was not only that this the first time the Bears were at home since the Wash. U. Invitational on Sept. 18-20, but also that in that invitational the Bears faced off against Graceland as well. Six months later, the team has noticed some improvement.

"We've been getting doubles teams to gel," Stahlhuth said. "Basically we're just more cohesive."

"Everybody's just been working really hard in practice," Tingir said. "Especially during spring break, we just really focused on tennis. It was a really great experience and something that boosted our confidence and really helped us out."

The Bears are back in action at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday as they face Lindenwood University at the Tao Tennis Center.

## MEN'S TENNIS

### Golf team still looking to find its groove

Michael Rosengart  
Sports Reporter

Washington University placed third out of seven teams at the Subway Classic this weekend at Maryville College, but their play has yet to repeat a fall season in which the Bears cracked the national rankings for the first time in program history.

The Bears posted a score of 353 in weather described by senior co-captain Kris Zeschin as "probably the worst conditions we've ever played in, between the cold and the rain and the course getting soggy."

The weather cleared up on Monday, and the Bears brought their number down to 341, but the course was still damaged from the rain.

The 694 total put them behind Division II University of Missouri-St. Louis and host Maryville University. The Bears beat out Lindenwood University (364-345, 709), McKendree University (389-373, 762), Des Moines Area Community College (387-380, 767) and Quincy University (389-381, 770).

Freshman Melanie Walsh led the way for the Red and Green. She shot an 86 on day one and improved three strokes on day two to finish in sixth place. Walsh was the only Wash. U. player to break 90 in both rounds.

Her classmate, Hannah Buck, came in as the team's next best scorer, with a nine-stroke improvement from day one to day two for a 175 total to finish in 10th place. While her first-round score

of 92 was the team high for the day and wasn't counted, her second-round score of 83 matched Walsh for the team's lowest 18-hole score of the weekend.

Zeschin, who struggled at the Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational during spring break, rebounded with a 177. The scores brought her back to around her average numbers for her career and were low enough to give her a tie for 11th place in the 42-golfer field.

Junior co-captain Kate Pettinato shot a 178 for 13th place, and sophomore Katie Homa was one stroke behind her for 14th place. Wash. U. was the only school to place all five of its group participants in the top 15. Sophomore Sarah Miller, who competed individually, carded a pair of

95s for 25th place.

The results from the Aberdeen Country Club in nearby Eureka, Mo., are an improvement from the tough trip to Florida the other week, where the Bears failed to post a score under 380.

"We improved from our last tournament and we improved in this tournament, so we're definitely on the right track and we'll get there," Zeschin said.

"We have to work on our fundamentals a little bit more," Walsh said. Like her captain though, she finished by saying, "We're close."

The Bears will continue this weekend at the Northern Kentucky University Invitational in hopes of qualifying for their first NCAA national championship appearance in program history.

### Bears compete at Rhodes Open

Several Washington University track and field athletes participated at the Rhodes College Open Meet in Memphis, Tenn., in which no team scores were kept. It was the Bears' first outdoor meet of the season. According to junior Jess Londeree, athletes used the opportunity to see where they stacked up against their competition and to set goals. Londeree ran a personal best, placing third in a field of 39 in the 1,500-meter run, while classmate Taryn Surtees took seventh in the 5,000-meter run. On the men's side, junior Scott Pettit placed fourth in the pole vault, senior Alden Black took fifth in the 5,000-meter steeplechase, and senior Keith England came in fifth in the javelin throw. The Bears host the Washington University Mini Meet with Wheaton College, Greenville College, UW-Stevens Point, UW-Platteville and Truman State University all day Friday at Francis Field. The team is excited to participate in the first home meet of the season. (Johann Qua Hiansen)

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# SEX

## Extras

### What, what? In the butt!

Lucy Moore  
Sex Columnist

In Claire Cavanah and Rachel Venning's 2010 publication, *Moregasm*, the founders of the progressive New York City- and Seattle-based sex shop, Babeland, start their "Guide to Mind-Blowing Sex" by examining all the erotic zones of both the male and female bodies. Although I found myself familiar with everything from nipples and areolas to the pubic mound and even the perineum (that's the space between the anus and the genitals), Cavanah and Venning's section called "Your Butt" stood out. Okay, yes, to clarify, I do know what a butt is, but what I didn't know was that "blood flow, nerves, and the PC muscle all connect the V-hole to the A-hole." Moreover, I was unaware of the butt's almost mystical power to release tension and stress. As Babeland's creators say, "The term 'tight ass' was coined for a reason." The butt is not just for sitting and pooping. Even if you avoid penetration of the anus or rectum, tension-releasing massages of the cheeks, and spanking, can "resonate nicely through all the genitals." But the topics of anal penetration and anal play—that is, incorporating the actual orifice—cannot be metaphorical stones left unturned.

In *Moregasm*, the authors hold that anal penetration, when done correctly, exercises the involuntary sphincters in the rectum. This exercise, whether between heterosexual or same-sex partners, can actually improve your intestinal function, making for fewer glasses of Cetaphil later in life. However, the anal-rectal area is one that is not only made up of involuntary muscles, but also contains no self-lubricating mechanism. To properly penetrate the anus with fingers, toys or a penis, the area needs to be prepped (think deep-tissue massage gently probing towards the rectum—which, if you are a woman, may dually stimulate the vagina through the thin wall between them). It must also be properly slicked up—and we're not talking spit here; lube is necessary!

In reassessing the subject of the pleasure that comes from anal penetration, a gendered approach may provide more useful insight. While talking to several women about the subject, experiences varied from discomfort and pain to (here's that phrase again!) "mind-blowing" sexual fulfillment. Though the discomfort and pain likely come from improper preparation, the sexual fulfillment can come from stimulation of the clitoris simultaneously with anal penetration, or stimulation of the female prostate. As one sophomore confided, "The best anal is not necessarily anal sex, but the use of butt toys and simultaneous vaginal penetration. However, butt play also becomes a problem of entertainment in that I don't want my germs in my vagina, mouth, eyes, etcetera, which can interrupt or end an otherwise nice evening."

On the male side, the dichotomy of discomfort and pleasure was similarly expressed. But discomfort mainly stemmed from an aversion to anal play in general—as one junior noted, "Put her fingers in his butt? That's an easy way to get dumped." As for pleasure, when asked whether an orgasm from anal penetration (receiving) felt better than a masturbatory orgasm, one senior offered, "It really depends, but there's no doubt that prostate stimulation enhances an orgasm. It's a sensitive area though—it's a potential pleasure point, with or without the prostate involved." As with the vagina, anal play and penetration can stimulate the penis or the prostate, making for a more intense—if suitable—orgasmic experience.

The topics surrounding the butt and its erotic functions are endless. What about douching or anal bleaching? What kind of toys one might use to stimulate the area? The sheer mass of these subtopics attests to the almost-mystical power of the butt I spoke of earlier. It is not just a bodily exit. It is Sir Mix-A-Lot's career. Hey—it's Sisqo's career too (who can wear a thong without a butt?) And it's another erotic zone bringing pleasure around the globe.

# Beneficial or boring?

## The Freshman Reading Program

Sasha Fine  
Scene Reporter

The Freshman Reading Program: It's one of the most overlooked and forgotten elements of a freshman's appearance on campus, yet it is something we all went through almost immediately after arriving at Wash. U. You would sit in a group with some portion of your floor and talk about whatever book had been assigned to your class. Yes, the process was invariably somewhat awkward. Nobody really knew anyone else, some of the people certainly hadn't completed—or even started—the book, and who really wanted to have an academic discussion before classes started, anyway?

Despite this characterization, the Freshman Reading Program has not been a truly negative force. It continues, drawing students together for their "first academic exercise at Washington University," according to the program's Web site. Students have the opportunity to meet a faculty member outside the formal classroom setting, yet still in a teacher-student fashion. Through this, students get a feeling of what classes are like at Wash. U., and learn about their fellow undergraduates.

The Class of 2013's book was "When the Emperor Was Divine" by Julie Otsuka, designed to tie into several of the year's events. Commemorating the

Japanese-American internment during World War II, Wash. U. tied in several events throughout the fall, culminating in the author's talk on campus midway through the semester.

The administration's intention to make the Freshman Reading Program applicable to more than just Orientation is not limited to the Class of 2013. Throughout next semester there will be talks and other activities centered around the themes found in next year's book. This is designed to "provide a common intellectual experience" for the incoming freshmen and foster some form of camaraderie between them. Jeremy Auster, a freshman, echoed this sentiment, saying, "It was one of the first things we did as a floor, and it helped me get to know the kids on my floor a little bit better."

The book for the incoming freshman class is "The Reluctant Fundamentalist," by Mohsin Hamid. The novel itself has been popular, becoming an international best-seller and reaching the New York Times Best Seller List soon after its release in April 2007. Most notably, it has

been popular at various colleges. Wash. U. is by no means the first university to make "The Reluctant Fundamentalist" required reading for incoming freshmen. In 2008, Tulane University in Louisiana sent a copy to all incoming undergraduates, and the University of St. Andrews followed suit in 2009.

Student's reactions to the program itself have been balanced. "Honestly, it didn't stand out, and I don't remember it that well," said Auster, "I don't necessarily regret reading it, but I don't feel like I absolutely had to read the book. The discussion itself wasn't that meaningful necessarily—it wasn't important to do that—but it was good to discuss an interesting issue with kids I hadn't met before."

Some students believe that the program is an encouraging concept, but improperly implemented. Freshman Madeline Rossman said, "It was good in theory, but in practice it didn't work out. Nobody wanted to be in class at the beginning of the year, and it was awkward because the teacher asked questions and some people hadn't read the book. We got to meet new people though, so that was good. It would have been better if the book had been more modern." Hopefully, with "The Reluctant Fundamentalist," Wash. U. has found a book to which the incoming freshman class can connect.



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### Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

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**ACROSS**

- "The \_\_\_ Kid": early TV Western
- Suit parts
- "the season ..."
- Choir members
- Even if, for short
- Cal. neighbor
- "Sam in 'Casablanca,' e.g.
- Spinner
- Squealed, so to speak
- Be under the weather
- Formally unsay
- Cutlass or 88
- She plays Julia in "Julie & Julia"
- Tack on
- Standards of excellence
- CEO's degree
- Dirty
- "Fast-paced
- "Wake Up With Al" weatherman
- China's Mao \_\_\_ tung
- Studio stand
- "Collapsible headgear
- "Honor Thy Father" author
- Sun, to Esteban
- Outcome
- Canonized 26-Down
- Festival showings, perhaps
- Quartz variety
- Began the betting
- UN anti-child-labor agcy.
- Old oath
- Menu phrase
- Big finish, and what the first words of the answers to starred clues can be
- Roofing material
- Part of a list
- Best-seller entry
- NBC fixture for nearly 35 yrs.
- Dirty campaign tactic

**DOWN**

- Limits
- Hip bones
- Ollie's partner
- Zaire, today
- Disney toon panda, "Special Agent \_\_\_"
- Travel bag
- Airline to Tel Aviv
- Farm home
- "Spider-Man 3" actress Russell
- More ticked off
- "Hank Aaron's 6,856 is the career record
- Heavy metal
- Back-to-school mo.
- Rice source
- One of a drum set pair
- Scales of the zodiac
- Swiss miss, maybe: Abbr.
- Foil-related prefix
- Soil to grasp
- 1962 Gene Chandler hit
- Helpers: Abbr.

**Monday's Puzzle Solved**

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- Capital east of the Elbe River
- Substantial
- Elation
- Base melody
- Boring
- Like a \_\_\_ bricks
- Obama attorney general Eric
- Tyke's block
- Arc lamp gas
- Granola ingredient
- Word after flight or floor
- Ancient Peruvian
- Contributed
- Away from the wind
- Farmer's place, in song
- "Wheel of Fortune" buy
- Printer need

# CADENZA

## GAMEPHOBIA: TOO MANY GAMES

Percy Olsen  
Senior Cadenza Editor

The perfect storm snuck up on me. I didn't realize it was here until it was too late. When I browse the Web, I take mental notes of all the things that interest me—usually movies, “Lost” recaps, video games and the occasional deal from Woot. However, I see now that I forgot to do one important thing

while logging these shiny things into my memory: combine them.

I took each one separately, each in its own bubble, without thinking about how they might clash with each other. No, I'm not saying I bought a dog and a cat or a bomb and a bomb squad. It's much worse than that. Over the past month, I've somehow convinced myself to buy four video games this week.

The perfect storm snuck

up on me. I guess that's what makes it a perfect storm.

There's a hierarchy to these games, but they've all passed the “Buy Me” threshold, so now I'm in a bit of a pickle. Should I buy the new “Pokemon,” with its old-school mentality and new-school pedometer, or should I buy “WarioWare: D.I.Y.,” which finally lets gamers choose how they want to pick that nose?

What about the game seeking

redemption, “Red Steel 2”? I could see myself diving behind a few couches, if you know what I mean...

And then there's “Cave Story,” the greatest game that never came out 20 years ago, and it's only \$12! I try to convince myself that I can afford two games, the inexpensive “Cave Story” and anything else. But I know I can't. It's a matter of money, and it's a matter of time. I don't have time to play two games, or

even one game. There are obligations everywhere (like a hastily written article, for example), and things I need to get done in the real world, which lead to real-world consequences and rewards.

I've read comments online that actually blame the game industry for releasing too many great games at a time. I think this is one area where gamers need to take a step back and realize that they are essentially faulting the

medium for being too good.

The real problem isn't the game industry. It lies within. It's that impulse to buy every wrapped game out there with Mario's mug on the cover. We should actually thank game makers for giving us options, and in the event of a perfect storm, we need to learn, or at least I need to learn, how to control our trigger fingers and only buy one game at a time. Or two to three, if they're used.

### 'A TOWN CALLED PANIC'



COURTESY OF AARDMAN ANIMATIONS

Eugene Kwon  
Cadenza Reporter

These days it's difficult to go to theaters and watch an animated motion picture that is not in 3-D. With Pete Docter's “Up” deservedly garnering an award for Best Animated Feature and, more notably, a symbolic nomination for best picture, it's very likely that theaters will be swamped with animations intricately made with computer graphics in the future. Considering this trend, I find myself worrying that 2-D animations won't be produced anymore. Was it because of grandiose special effects that everyone loved “Wallace & Gromit” and Hayao Miyazaki's works? No—we loved those films because they were bursting with a child's imagination and held us to our seats with gripping plotlines.

Directly going against the major shift to 3-D and computer animation, “Panique au village”

(“A Town Called Panic”), a stop-motion picture directed by Stéphane Aubier and Vincent Patar, is a real treat. Originally a TV series produced in Belgium, “Panique” features three main characters: the Cowboy, the Indian and the Horse. They live as a family in a town situated God-knows-where, where animals take music lessons, and shouts and bouts of panic are considered normal. This unlikely trio of heroes winds up traveling to the tundra, the core of the Earth and the deep sea where strange pointy-headed creatures dwell. Shenanigans that occur during this bizarre trip are better left to be experienced than explained.

What's interesting about “Panique” is how Aubier and Patar make these toy characters move like actual toys. Their movements are far from smooth;

they move about jerkily, like they're high on caffeine. But these movements become natural with time as the film shapes its own reality. The Cowboy and the Indian, with little green mountings attached to their feet, fitfully move sideways as they climb down the stairs. The Indian shoots arrows at the Cowboy as he runs for his life, and Aubier and Patar take brief pauses after the deadpan jokes and gags. These details are just too hilarious to miss.

“Panique” is a montage consisting of unrelated events, yet it holds together, even though its momentum dwindles after the brilliant first half. No matter what flaws it might have, a film with a horse who loves hard rock-n-roll, drinks coffee in the morning, falls in love and builds brick houses will always grab my attention.



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### GETTING YOU UP TO SPEED: 'NURSE JACKIE'

Alex Terrono  
Movie Editor

Showtime's dark comedy “Nurse Jackie” returns tonight, bringing with it laughs, tension and a handful of pills. Edie Falco stars as nurse Jackie Peyton, an emergency room nurse who doesn't always follow what she recommends. She pops pills, has an affair and nurses her own way.

Jackie doesn't like to follow the rules of nursing, but she doesn't care, and neither do we. In the pilot episode, which premiered last summer, Jackie's psychopathic patient has diplomatic immunity and can't be punished for his crimes. No doubt breaking plenty of rules, Nurse Jackie takes matters into her own hands and flushes his cut-off ear down the toilet. As I said, Jackie nurses her own way.

Elsewhere in the show, Jackie shows her equally rebellious, but less heroic, attitude, as she constantly pops pills and cheats on her husband with the hospital's pharmacist Eddie (who incidentally gives her the pills). While many people have cited

this as a reason for disliking her character, they seem to miss the internal struggle that Jackie is facing. On one hand, she is engaging in “destructive” behavior, like drugs and cheating, but she still does have a conscience. She knows when she needs to do something morally right, even



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an array of hilarious supporting characters. Jackie's best friend at work, Dr. O'Hara (Eve Best), is a British doctor who is both blunt and sympathetic. Jackie also confides in male nurse Mo-Mo (Haaz Sleiman), who is one of the best characters on the show, but who will be inexplicably missing from the show when it returns. In the hospital, she has to deal with her new first-year nursing student Zoey (Merritt Wever), who seems to be somewhat inept but has a “heart of gold.” Jackie's life is also made harder by Dr. Cooper (“Twilight's” Peter Facinelli), a

quirky new doctor with whom

Jackie just can't get along. As the show returns, the biggest question is whether “Nurse Jackie” will be able to retain its funny, clever dialogue, along with its intriguing story line. While the first season was one of the best new shows of last year, the second has a lot to live up to. In the end, I have confidence in the show's writers and Edie Falco. They can bring the laughs and the drama, and create a second season that surpasses the first.

The show is livened up by

### 'ALICE IN WONDERLAND'

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Underland, oh Underland. Yes you read that right. Apparently young Alice had some hearing issues. What, oh what happened to you? Having watched enough book adaptations and read both of Carroll's books, I went into the movie not expecting a word-for-word interpretation of either book. The movie takes an 18 year-old Alice and follows her return to Wonderland. Her return is set up well, and barring a few moments in the movie, “Alice in Wonderland” was like every other CGI Epic.

Yet this Burton-sized, CGI epic lacks the charm to be “The Nightmare Before Christmas.” Don't get me wrong. It was a great movie, just a little bit average. There were a few things that made it memorable. For one, the Mad Hatter (Johnny Depp) and the Red Queen (Helena Bonham Carter) nailed their roles. The Mad Hatter is the right amount of crazy, alternating between his loony self, semi-

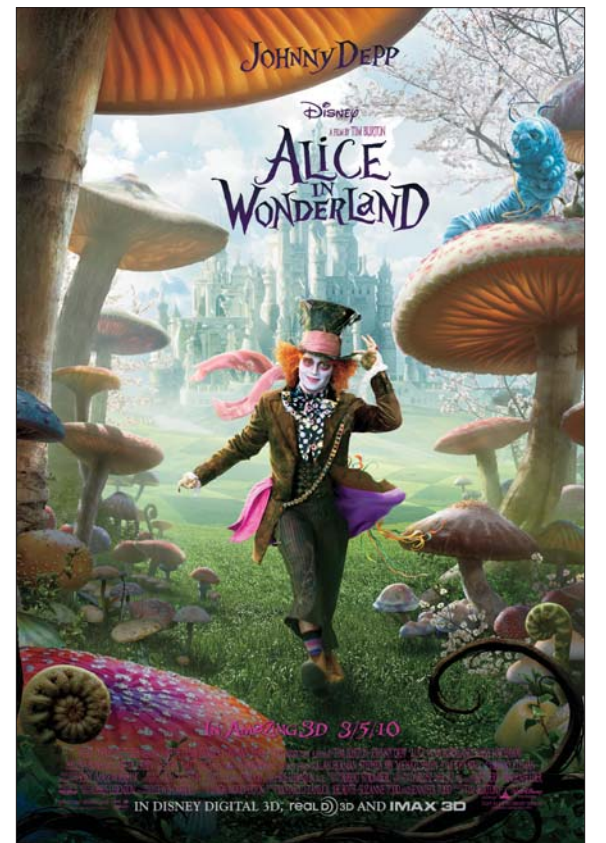
depressed sanity and the occasional Scottish outburst. The Red Queen has the perfect expressions of anger and arrogance. I guess it also helps that she has a huge head and looks like an evil bobblehead. The tea party with the March Hare, Dormouse and the Mad Hatter is faithful to the book. All of the characters are just the way I imagined them.

Johnny Depp is pretty good as the Mad Hatter. He makes really good switches between his different personalities, given the stark variation between each of the roles. In the books, the Mad Hatter was a supporting character, present at the tea party, but not a major role; yet in the movie he somehow becomes Alice's guide and protector. It would have been nice to get more of the Cheshire Cat (Stephen Fry) and the Caterpillar (Alan Rickman, whom you know as Professor Snape).

As great as the characters are individually, the sum of their parts is missing something. For one, the Red Queen is essentially the White Witch of Narnia, an evil person who needs to be vanquished for doing evil things

and well, for just being evil. You don't get much insight into her motives. The other thing that must be noted is that the Red Queen and the Queen of Hearts are two different people in the books, but they are combined in this movie and in essentially every other Alice adaptation.

Character issues aside, the movie missed what Carroll's books stood for: Nonsense. Sure, reciting a parody of “Twinkle twinkle little star” is nonsensical, but it's more fan service than anything. Burton's success seems to have made him more cautious and less willing to take risks. I miss the insanity that he had in “The Nightmare Before Christmas.” As far as adaptations go, “Alice in Wonderland” is nothing like “Star Trek.” Burton didn't need to do an exact interpretation, but it would have been nice to see the spirit of the books in his movie.



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### THE VILLAGE MUSIC SERIES: DANA LEONG

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Besides peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and Philly cheesesteaks, the Village has one more secret. Village Residential College Director Dan Sepion started the Village music series. This monthly event brings up-and-coming musicians from around the United States to perform at the Village.

This month's guest is Dana Leong, a Juilliard-trained musician who plays the cello and trombone. His unique twist to the performance is the use of a laptop to manipulate the sound of his instruments through real time processing.

The result is a fusion of electronic and other genres, including jazz and hip-hop. Leong has worked with many famous artists including Ray Charles, Diddy and Kanye West.

Leong and his band were chosen by

the Lincoln Center and the U.S. State Department's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs for The Rhythm Road: American Music Abroad program in 2007. The program sends ensembles specializing in jazz, hip-hop and other American roots music to tour a region for four to five weeks.

Leong and his band will be performing in the Village House this Thursday (March 25) at 7 p.m. For more information, go to [www.dana-leong.com](http://www.dana-leong.com).