

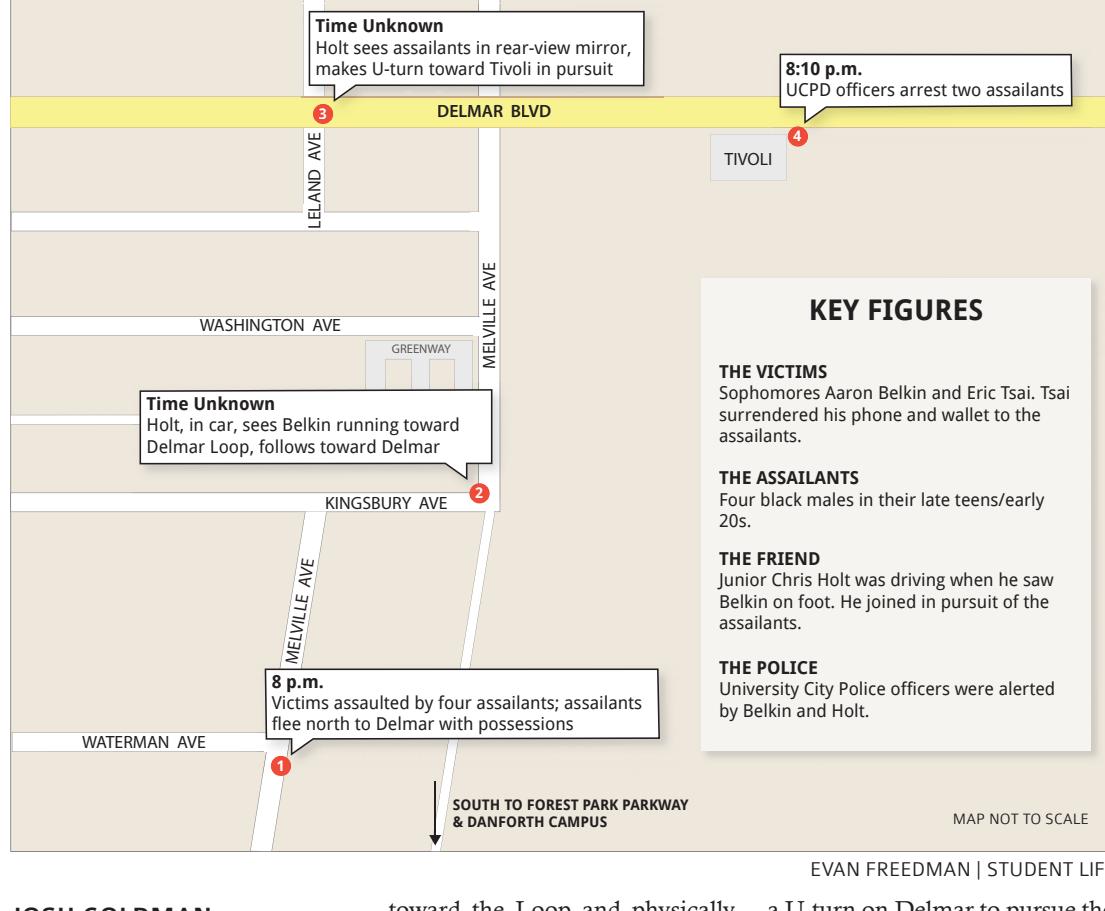
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## Students mugged near Loop

*Friend helps them capture assailants*



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& MICHELLE MERLIN  
STUDENT LIFE EDITORS

Two students were mugged at the corner of Waterman and Melville avenues Sunday evening but helped police arrest two of their assailants after a friend came to their aid.

Sophomore Aaron Belkin said he and classmate Eric Tsai were mugged by four assailants as they were walking toward the Delmar Loop.

Junior Chris Holt, a friend of the two students, picked up Belkin in his car after seeing him chase two of the assailants on foot. Belkin and Holt continued the chase by car, and they updated the police of the assailants' position until the two assailants were arrested on the Loop.

The four assailants were described as black males wearing dark sweatshirts. Belkin said the four followed him and Tsai

toward the Loop and physically assaulted the two around 8 p.m. Tsai surrendered his wallet and cell phone to the assailants.

At least one assailant instructed Tsai to run toward Washington University. Two of the assailants fled the scene while the remaining two pursued Belkin, who was running around the area looking for help.

"I started yelling, 'Someone call the police,' and nobody heard," Belkin said. "I was helpless; I was trying to find someone, and they were punching my friend."

Belkin said he saw a girl getting out of her car on Kingsbury Boulevard and told her to remain in the vehicle and call the police. The assailants then tried to flee, and Belkin pursued them.

Holt said he was driving on Melville toward Delmar Boulevard when he saw Belkin pursuing two of the assailants on foot near the Greenway dumpsters. Holt, who eventually drove on Delmar and Leland Avenue, picked up Belkin at the street corner before making

a U-turn on Delmar to pursue the two suspects.

During this episode, Holt said, he dialed 911 and continued to relay the suspects' location to the University City Police Department.

"We ran down there, and I made eye contact with one [of the suspects], and he looked at me and looked really frazzled," Holt said. "He made wild eyes at me. He looked so angry, like he was about to hurt someone."

The chase concluded on Delmar near the Tivoli Theatre, where police arrested the two assailants around 8:10 p.m., Holt and Belkin said. The suspects were identified because they had Tsai's phone and wallet.

Tsai, whose face was bruised, arrived and identified the suspects by their faces. The entire ordeal ended by 8:20 p.m.

UCPD would not comment on or confirm the robbery.

Holt, whose actions helped

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## On tight budget, U. of Missouri System hikes tuition for first time in 2 years

CHLOE ROSENBERG  
NEWS EDITOR

For the first time in two years, the University of Missouri system is raising tuition.

The tuition hikes comes as a response to an increased budget gap caused by a decrease in state funding.

Public education funding is typically an untouchable slice of states' budgets, but because of economic recession, states have had to cut back, forcing public universities to raise their tuition.

The plight of the UM system, which consists of campuses in Columbia, Kansas City, Rolla and St. Louis, illustrates how tuition increases have plagued not only private research institutions like Washington University, but also even historically lower-cost, taxpayer-subsidized public institutions. With the recession having taken its toll on tax revenues, states have had to cut spending in historically

untouchable areas like education, inevitably forcing public universities to increase tuition.

Last year, the University of California announced a 32 percent increase in tuition, which led to massive student protests.

Gov. Jay Nixon has voiced concerns about the Missouri tuition hikes.

"This tuition proposal is well beyond the increase in the cost of living allowed by statute. Universities should look first at achieving every efficiency in their operations before taking this type of action that affects families' ability to pay for higher education," Nixon said in a statement.

According to Natalie Krawitz, vice president of finance and administration for the University of Missouri, the university system will also look into cutting back even more to make up for its \$42 million budget deficit.

These cuts may include firing unnecessary staff, spending less on maintenance and reducing

travel expenditures.

According to Krawitz, economic conditions have made the state cuts unavoidable.

"If there were more resources, we know they would want to provide us with them," Krawitz said.

According to University of Missouri-St. Louis Student Government Association President Dan Rosner, UMSL does not have much room for cutbacks, and students would prefer a tuition hike in the long run.

"With UMSL being a newer university, we don't have too much to cut, and at some point we are going to be cutting out core programs. If programs are getting cut, students will be more unhappy than [they would be] if tuition were to be raised," Rosner said.

The tuition hikes will take a toll on students.

Already Rosner has seen

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indicated that they will be increasing their presence in that neighborhood and that they would be actively enforcing the ordinances of the city as it relates to noise, public consumption of alcohol and behavior that might be disruptive to the neighborhood," Strom said.

Junior Chris Holt hosted one of the recently broken-up parties on University Drive. He is also a member of the Neighborhood Police Council, which works toward a peaceful relationship between students and residents. Before throwing the party, Holt went to all of his neighbors to alert them to the potential noise. He gave them his phone number and told them to let him know if the party was getting too loud so that he could shut it down.

The police still broke up the party.

Holt's front door was stuck shut, and as a result, a group of people crowded around it just as a public security Neighborhood Security Patrol drove by. The security patrol called the police, and the party was shut down.

"They helped us get everybody out of there," said Holt, who added that he was trying to get people to leave after it became clear that a larger crowd than expected had shown up to the party.

A group of students got into a confrontation with one of the neighbors as they were leaving, according to Holt. The students trashed the neighbor's lawn.

Holt and the other hosts of the party are being held responsible by the University City Police for these students' actions. They received a summons for exceeding the maximum occupancy of their apartment.

"If someone's at your party, you're responsible for them on the way and going back," Holt said. "Parties are loud places, and students are

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## Noise complaints increase in Ames Place

MICHELLE MERLIN  
SENIOR NEWS EDITOR

The Office of Residential Life has advised students to refrain from engaging in disrespectful behavior in off-campus areas and has warned of plans from police to increase local patrols.

Over the past three weeks, city and county police have responded to an increased number of noise complaints in the Rosedale Heights and Ames Place neighborhoods, prompting the warning e-mail, which ResLife sent to students living off campus.

Students and administrators are hoping that the recent disturbances do not lead to more police citations and arrests over the remainder of the year.

"We had a fantastic fall," said Jenni Harpring, an acting neighborhood liaison between the University and community and also a program manager for the Gephart Institute. "Students were really respectful, and the residents in the neighborhood had really positive things to say. Hopefully, this is just a little hiccup, and we'll be able to get on track back in the spring."

Last year, the sheer number of noise complaints prompted University City Police to enforce a zero-tolerance policy. The policy, which was never explicitly articulated for students by the University City Police Department or the University, stipulated that students could be arrested or cited for making too much noise. Some supports of the policy have credited it with reducing noise problems in off-campus areas.

Already, police are increasing surveillance in student neighborhoods, according to Washington University Police Chief Don Strom.

"In conversations that I've had with U. City Police this week, they've

## Abortion-rights backers blast rape language in federal funding bill

BECKY PRAGER  
STAFF REPORTER

was still in the bill as of Sunday night.

"Rape is more than forcible rape—you don't have to have physical marks for it to be rape," said junior Brett Jordan, who is restarting the abortion-rights student group Students for Choice. "The government shouldn't be able to say that something that happened against your will is your problem to deal with."

Supporters of the bill assert that this is not its intention. Rather, they say, the term "forcible rape" is meant to eliminate loopholes in the pre-existing law that make it easier for women to get federal funding for abortions through programs like Medicaid and Medicare.

"Basically, as a libertarian feminist, I believe that the role of the government to provide services, any services, for any medical reasons, should be limited in and of itself," junior Becca Craig said. "For me, the abortion issue is not about defining life or defining rape. It's about defining what the government should provide for its

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## WEATHER FORECAST

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SUNNY  
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**TUESDAY 15**

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## Awareness week explores modern eating disorders

WEI-YIN KO  
STAFF REPORTER

This week, Eating Disorder Awareness Week will examine the social demands that modern media puts on women's bodies.

The series of events will focus on the social pressures exerted on the modern woman and how they can lead to the development of eating disorders.

The events are organized by Reflections, a Student Union group that aims to educate students about body image issues.

In previous years, the focus of Eating Disorder Awareness Week has been the biological and emotional aspects of eating disorders. This year, the week will place a larger emphasis on social issues, including unrealistic conceptions and images of women in the media and in the fashion industry.

"I think the most important part [about the week] is to open up a dialogue about eating disorders," said Rebecca Lester, a Washington University sociocultural anthropology professor who has worked with Reflections to organize the week's events for the past five years. "There is so much shame and secrecy about eating disorders; we are trying to reduce the stigma and misconception to talk openly about it."

The week will begin Tuesday with a lecture by Courtney E. Martin, a renowned author, teacher and speaker, who will read from and discuss her new book, "Perfect Girls, Starving Daughters: The Frightening New Normalcy of Hating Your Body" at 7:30 p.m. in Seigle Hall, Room 304.

Martin argues that the continuous pursuit of perfection threatens a new generation of girls as the mantra "you can do anything" has been twisted into "you must do everything."

On Wednesday, the documentary "America the Beautiful" will be shown at 7:30 p.m. in Lab Sciences, Room 300. The screening will be followed by a panel discussion, featuring the film's producer, Darryl Roberts. Dr. Kim McCallum, the founder of McCallum Place, a nationally renowned eating disorder treatment center in St. Louis, and Lester will complete the panel.

According to Rachel Mandelbaum, chair of Eating Disorder Awareness Week, the University does not do enough to help students overcome unachievable social images.

"I think the most important message is that we go to a school where everyone tries to be perfect, which is not realistic," she said. "While Wash. U. is not the cause of these unachievable goals, it is also not helping."

According to Mandelbaum, Washington University students should stop buying into these social norms.

"You don't need to be perfect in every sense," she said. "Because nobody is."

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## EVENT CALENDAR

**MONDAY 14**

### Sigma Tau Delta Valentine's Day Celebration

Duncker Hall, Hurst Lounge, 4 p.m.

Enjoy sweet treats and poetry performances by professors, sponsored by the English honorary Sigma Tau Delta.

### Valentine's Day dinner

Ibby's Bistro, 5-10 p.m.

Ibby's Bistro is offering a romantic 3-course dinner. The cost is \$40 per person, and reservations are available by phone. Call (314) 935-3940.

### Dessert Demonstrations

Danforth University Center, Tisch Commons, 6:30 p.m.

and 8:30 p.m.

Come watch live dessert demonstrations by renowned pastry chef and author Jim Dodge and campus pastry chef Starr Murphy.

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catch the two suspects, said he was trying to help his friends.

"I've never heard they actually caught the person who did it, and I saw the two guys there and thought I'd see if I could follow these guys and just help out," Holt said.

Belkin and Holt were not injured.

Belkin blamed poor lighting and not enough emergency blue lights for some of the events of the night.

"I couldn't find a blue light, and I couldn't find security patrol," Belkin said. The lighting is bad: They came out of the shadows, and they were wearing dark clothes. We're so close to campus it's ridiculous."

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considering the times that they walk to and from the party as the acceptable times to be acting like they're at the party, and I think that's the issue."

When Holt met with the police in response to his summons on Sunday, the police suggested that the zero-tolerance policy would come back.

"One of the main points that [one of the police officers] mentioned is that they're definitely going to be lowering the tolerance for these kinds of issues around here, because the issue has been persistent," Holt said. "In the event these things happen again, there's no guarantee that they won't be making arrests. Their attitudes toward off campus partying is returning things to the way they were last year."

Students have already noticed an increased police presence near student apartments. Junior Mike Gruber, who lives on Kingsland Avenue in Ames Place, said that there were three police cars on his block Saturday night.

"I haven't noticed it being any louder than usual the past couple of weeks," Gruber said. "We are more wary of where we go. If there is a party and there are a lot of people there, we try not to go because we assume it is going to be broken up. We try not to [throw parties] because we don't want them to arrest us."

Not all neighbors are hostile toward students.

"I love having Wash. U. students as neighbors. I have four kids, and everyone is pleasant with them," Melville resident Christina Lawrence said. "I love the effort Washington University puts toward integrating the community. I see a constant effort."

In the annual Ames Place meeting on Sunday, responses to student behavior were varied, according to Mike Brown, who lives on Pershing Avenue. Though residents acknowledged and appreciated the effort that the University extends toward positive relations, such as neighborhood parties that integrate students and residents' families, they were also angry about student vandalism, such as stealing signs and urinating on people's lawns.

No students attended the meeting.

"When it's 1 a.m. and I hear people screaming, it's not conducive to my lifestyle," Brown said, acknowledging that in the past 18 months, he's noticed that the neighborhood has been significantly quieter. "The folks on Trinity and Melville get the worst of it. I've never had anybody urinating on my lawn."

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### Tuesday Tea @ 3

Danforth University Center, Tisch Commons, 3 p.m.

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students are welcome.

### Eating Disorder Awareness Week speaker

Seigle Hall 304, 7:30 p.m.

Author and speaker Courtney Martin will be discussing the pressures that face today's youth. Her book, "Perfect Girls, Starving Daughters: How the Quest for Perfection is Harming Young Women," focuses on unrealistic expectations.

### Mortar Board Noodles & Co. fundraiser

Noodles & Co., 4-10 p.m.

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five percent of proceeds go to Mortar Board.

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students move out of their dormitories because they cannot afford both tuition and housing. Now he fears that more students will face this difficulty.

Still, Rosner says that many UMSL students acknowledge the tuition increases as an unfortunate necessity.

"Most of the students have kind of realized that there would be a little bit of a jump in tuition. If the state continues to take money, that money will have to come from somewhere else," Rosner said.

The rise in tuition will vary among the four universities in the system, ranging from 5 to 6.5 percent.

UMLS charges per credit, with 15 credits currently costing \$3,684 for in-state students.

"We are trying to keep the cost of the university both affordable and accessible for students who are trying to attend," Krawitz said.

Over the past few years, Washington University has experienced cutbacks similar to those expected to occur at the Missouri public universities. Last year, the library and Student Health Services budgets were reduced, staff members were laid off and campus upkeep was downgraded.

The University announced in January that tuition for the 2011-2012 school year will rise 3.9 percent to \$40,950.

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constituents. It's not a rape issue—it's a funding issue."

Restrictions on abortions already exist in Missouri, where women under 18 cannot receive an abortion without parental consent or a court-mandated order.

Clinics that provide abortions are required to ask women if they would like to see an ultrasound, tell them that the fetus may feel pain and offer anesthesia for the fetus.

A 24-hour rule currently requires women who seek abortions in Missouri to come in one day before the abortion is performed to give them a day to consider their decision. But because there are few clinics in Missouri that provide abortions, many women have to take time off work and travel long distances for the procedure, which may make it difficult to return for a second day.

According to Jordan, the provision would hit women on Medicaid especially hard. These women may not be able to afford an abortion on their own, and these funding cuts would make it almost impossible for them to obtain one.

The provision would also affect women in the military, because their health care is also supported by government funding.

"People in the government aren't the ones dealing with the consequences; these women are," Jordan said. "Politics shouldn't get in the way of health care and of women making their own decisions."

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## Phillips sets provisional qualifying time at Fighting Scot Invitational

ALEX DROPKIN  
SENIOR SPORTS EDITOR

Junior co-captain Liz Phillips set a provisional qualifying mark in the mile run, to go along with the Washington University track and field team's five first-place finishes on Saturday at the Monmouth Fighting Scot Invitational.

Phillips ran the mile in 5:00.01 to finish in first place, one of two victories for the women's team at the meet. Her time is the seventh best in Division III this season, which currently qualifies her for the 2011 Division III Indoor Championships in March.

"It was definitely a good race," Phillips said. "It wasn't a ton of very intense competition, but I got to hit a provisional qualifying time, and that was a confidence boost."

Freshman Gabby Reuveni, running in the 5,000-meter race, picked up the other victory for the women with a time of 19:25.56. Two other freshmen grabbed second-place finishes, Jasmine Williams in the high jump (1.58 meters) and Anna Etherington in the pole vault (3.45 meters).

"We had some great things from freshmen," Phillips said. "A lot of the girls on the sprinting side hit some personal records and had some fast splits in the 400[-meter run], so we're

definitely seeing a lot of improvement."

The men's side picked up three first-place finishes. Junior Dan Davis ran a 7.51 in the 55-meter hurdles, missing his record-setting time, by just 0.01 seconds that he set on Jan. 29. Teammate Tyler Jackson finished in third place in the same race (7.92).

"I didn't hit the time that I wanted to hit, but...it was nice to validate [my qualifying time] and to be able to say that I can run that when I need to, and so when it comes down to important meets, I'll be able to turn up the throttle a little bit," Davis said.

Senior Alden Black and junior Michael Burnstein took first and second in the 3,000-meter run, respectively. Black finished in 8:47:00, while Burnstein came in right behind him (8:48.20). Junior Paul Garcia, recording the other victory for the Bears, finished with a time of 15:06.25 in the 5,000-meter run.

Elsewhere for the Bears, senior co-captain Chris Malaya picked up second-place finishes in the 400-meter dash (50.78) and the 200-meter dash (23.04). Fellow captain and senior Ben Harmon cleared a season-best 4.65 meters in the pole vault, good for third place, and senior Chris Brennan took second in the 800-meter run (1:57.07).

"Overall, it was just a very good meet for moving in the right direction," Malaya said. "A

lot of people tweaked their races and came out of it thinking that they had done better, knowing they had done better, and knowing that they could, by conferences, be really peaking their times."

The Bears have just one more meet to prepare for the University Athletic Association Indoor Championships. With the temperature rising, the team is looking forward to being able to practice outside.

"Every opportunity to use the [outdoor] track is really a great opportunity for us," Phillips said.

"Obviously, there won't be an instant drop in times, or something, but it's all part of the process, and I definitely think there will be a lot of improvements."

The team's next competition, the North Central Cardinal Classic in Naperville, Ill., begins at 5 p.m. on Saturday.

"The meet before UAAs is always kind of a funny one, just because we're not going to be killing ourselves," Malaya said. "We'll still be training through the meet, and we'll be getting a big workload, but knowing that UAAs are coming up, that week coming afterwards is going to be very much dedicated to tapering down and being ready to perform at our best." Write to Alex Dropkin at ALEX.DROPKIN@STUDLIFE.COM

### SPORTS BRIEF

## Men's tennis goes 2-1 in exhibition matches

The Washington University men's tennis team kicked off the exhibition portion of its season facing No. 18 Drury University and No. 36 University of Southern Indiana (both NCAA Division II schools) and No. 20 McKendree University of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics. While the Bears dropped their first match against Drury 6-3 on Feb. 6, they bounced back over the weekend to defeat Southern Indiana, 5-4, and McKendree, 7-2.

Freshman Tim Noack continued his breakout year, extending his career singles record to 10-0 with victories against Southern Indiana and McKendree. The longtime doubles team of Isaac Stein and Max Woods went 1-2 in doubles in their first three matches.

The Bears head to Fredericksburg, Va., this weekend to take on No. 9 North Carolina Wesleyan in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association National Indoor Championships.

Daniel Kurzner



MATT LANTER | STUDENT LIFE ARCHIVES

Senior Dave Spandorfer runs alongside junior Will Forrester at the 2010 Washington University Invitational.

### SCORES FROM THE WEEKEND

#### Men's basketball

Friday, Feb. 11

Washington University – 67  
Emory University – 92

Points: Gay (21)

Rebounds: Gay, Richter (7)

Assists: Hoener (6)

Sunday, Feb. 13

Washington University – 78  
University of Rochester – 83

Points: Gay (23)

Rebounds: Gay (10)

Assists: Hoener (5)

#### Women's basketball

Friday, Feb. 11

No. 6 Washington University – 74  
Emory University – 60

Points: Berger (32)

Rebounds: Berger (10)

Assists: A. Hoover (7)

Sunday, Feb. 13

No. 6 Washington University – 61,  
No. 16 University of Rochester – 71

Points: Berger (18)

Rebounds: Berger,  
Schaeperkoetter (6)

Assists: A. Hoover,  
Schaeperkoetter (2)

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## STAFF EDITORIAL

### Our suggestions for Student Union executive slates

**I**t's that time of year again: Student Union election season is starting up. Every year, we write an editorial around this time encouraging students to run for office and ensure that student government elections are competitive enough to be truly representative of the student body. Most years, we've been disappointed. So, this time around, we've decided to tell you exactly who we think should create an executive slate.

#### Green Action

Many of the most pressing issues and controversies at Washington University right now are related to sustainability. Green Action has been at the forefront of this topic, but we feel the group could enhance its effectiveness and reach if it had the Student Union label behind it. Whether it's managing the SU fund for sustainability initiatives or encouraging the University to drop its advocacy of so-called

clean coal, a Green Action slate could have a large impact.

#### Greek life

We know that IFC and Panhel have grievances that have not been adequately addressed. Want SU funding for programs like philanthropy events? Think certain University policies are unfair toward Greek life? It would be a lot harder to ignore your needs if you had the backing of the student body behind you.

#### College Democrats

Bristol Palin is only the latest in a long line of controversial, SU-funded, conservative speakers. Why protest the likes of Alberto Gonzales and Karl Rove when you could deny them funding instead? Or, better yet, fund big-name liberal speakers. Ensure campus-wide support for voter registration. Make SU a venue for creating a more politically active campus.

#### Washington University Political Review

For a more bipartisan approach that would essentially serve the same function as the College Democrats, we'd point to our campus's political journal, whose members like to ask why students don't care more about national issues. Don't you think it's high time you turned that discussion into action and used your powers of verbal persuasion to mobilize the student body?

#### Student athletes

We think both varsity and club athletes would benefit from a stake in SU. Sufficient and easy-to-navigate funding for club sports, improvements to the Athletic Complex, and better attendance at University sporting events are all issues that fall within the purview of SU and would benefit from greater student athlete input. Plus, there's no denying that sports teach teamwork and leadership—valuable

qualities in any SU executive board.

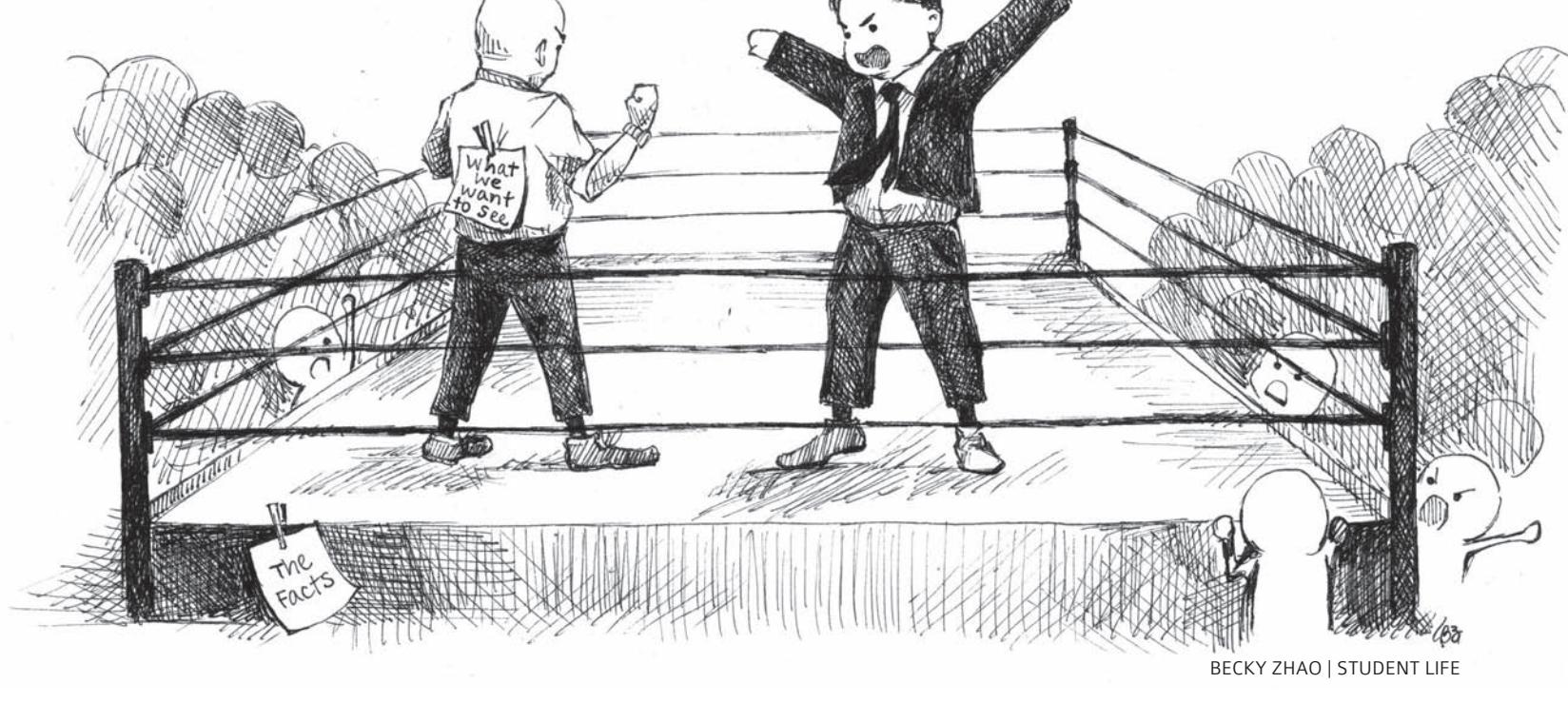
#### A melting pot

What we really think is that leaders in all of these groups ought to combine to form a slate that could accurately reflect the desires and grievances of multiple elements of the student body. But if that can't happen, there's always...

#### Yours truly

Maybe what Wash. U. really needs right now is a Student Life slate. It's about time that the media control the government. Instead of merely urging SU to take action on these pages, we could make whatever decisions we wanted and then fill the newspaper with propaganda supporting our actions. Journalistic integrity and editorial independence are overrated anyway. Vote Student Life Editorial Board 2010-2011! (You can call us the "Inscribed Slate.")

### *A new moderation for our generation*



BECKY ZHAO | STUDENT LIFE

SOPHIE ADELMAN  
FORUM EDITOR

**A**ddressing a packed auditorium, Strobe Talbott, the president of the Brookings Institution, spoke last Monday about political polarization and its effects on the functions of universities and think tanks. And while it appeared that Talbott had reached a point of agreement with the nodding heads in the room as he pledged the need for more consensual politics, I was not entirely convinced.

Talbott advocated a stronger sense of moderate discourse, with an emphasis on facts over rhetoric. He recommended that we demand a higher sense of responsibility from our news media, which have devolved into talking heads hurling spittle and spite at one another. The truth has become

secondary to entertainment, and while the masses might not have found politics particularly appealing in the past, they can certainly find it entertaining with today's cocktails of spin and anger.

In a world that values fabrication over fact and rhetoric over reality, research and dialogue have indeed been pushed aside, deemed irrelevant and, in some cases, elitist. It's difficult to imagine where moderation fits into this scheme. As the consumers of this so-called news, we deserve better than having to endure unmitigated, inexplicable anger pouring from our radios, streaming from our televisions, flooding from our computers.

My point of contention is the model used by Talbott to illustrate a better age of moderation. In his speech, Talbott used measured examples from the 1950s and 1960s to illustrate his point, looking to the

gently color-tinted pages that, to him, did not signify consensus politics. But what Talbott missed, in my mind, is that the 1950s and 1960s were also a time of political and social repression. And in part, it is avoidance of the facts of this era—which sparked a generation of nationwide discontent—that has both plagued and been perpetuated in the current government. Members of the baby boomer generation, many of whom now hold the most powerful seats, have seen the ascent of polarized politics in the last 40 years. They don't want to go back to being stifled by consensus. They also don't have to.

As students, we stand on the threshold of a new era of moderation. It is up to us to redefine what moderation encompasses, even with the overwhelmingly unforeseeable future of the Internet and new media. It doesn't mean the repression of ideas outside the norm or caving in to societal

pressures. It does, however, mean promoting civil discourse, for the millions who share their voices and ideas across the world every day. We have all experienced the thrill of enlightening conversation—the kind that challenges and provokes thought, the rhetoric of arguments that actually lead us to actually reconsider our perspectives and redefine our positions. We've seen it around seminar tables in classrooms and huddled around steaming cups of coffee in Whispers. It does exist here at Wash. U., and it's up to us to bring the spirit of real, factual and civil discussion to the world we will soon inhabit—a world that is real and more in need of our fresh perspective than ever.

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### RE: Without Palin, abstinence panel draws small crowd



"So all those folks that were protesting Miss Palin were doing so because they wanted a serious discussion on abstinence at a reasonable cost. Miss Palin's replacement was a medical profes-

sional which should have met those requirements — yet the chapel was half empty."

-Matt Davies

"I personally pro-

tested Ms. Palin coming to WashU... truly because \$20,000 for one speaker, who would have a chance of bringing a bigger crowd isn't what I think the discussion on abstinence was meant to be. ..."

Yes, she's a prevalent name, but is the name really what we wanted?"

-Wanda

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cially for running it under this headline...I think that this article does point out a distinct contradiction in the words and actions of our student body."

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# cadenza

## Thee Oh Sees, Paper Diamond headline upcoming KWUR Week shows

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In its 19-year history, KWUR Week has strived to bring up-and-coming artists to Wash. U.'s campus, peaking five years ago when concert organizers brought Of Montreal to the Gargoyle's stage before the band made it big. Last night Pokey LaFarge kicked off the festivities, and three nights of shows await this weekend. Besides the concerts, look for KWUR this week in the Danforth University Center, where members will be playing music and giving away treats.

KWUR will team up with Jazz at Holmes for a night of avant-garde jazz on Thursday at 7 p.m. featuring the Jazz X-Tet with David Stone and Peter Schlamb. The Jazz X-Tet, based at the University of Chicago, is a loose

collective of a dozen or so musicians renowned for their wide-reaching understanding of jazz; their genre-bending shows feature everything from standards to hip-hop. They will be joined by saxophonist David Stone and vibraphonist Peter Schlamb. For the uninitiated, a vibraphone is the xylophone's trippier, echoing, electric little brother.

Saturday night will bring electronic artists Paper Diamond, Robotic Pirate Monkey and up-and-coming student disc jockey Peter Kaufmann, creator of the blog "Bright Shiny Music."

"We wanted to bring crowd pleasers," said Matt Curry, events director for KWUR. Curry notes the performers' dance ability and points to Paper Diamond's recent EPs, which have earned a dedicated online following. Though many students, even some within KWUR, are unfamiliar with

Paper Diamond and RPM, the night is sure to win them some new fans.

The week will come to an exciting close with Saturday's Wave Night at the Gargoyle featuring Thee Oh Sees, Fergus & Geronimo and Flaming Death Trap. First up: Flaming Death Trap, one of the biggest rock bands in St. Louis, who recently opened for Oberhofer at Saint Louis University's Billiken Club and even recorded in the KWUR studios last June, combine a folk sensibility with surf-rock sound. Next, Fergus & Geronimo will bring their eclectic blend of lo-fi, '60s soul, garage rock and psychedelic-pop sound in what's sure to be a fiery St. Louis debut. Finally, after years of refusing to perform in St. Louis, Thee Oh Sees will unleash their mix of reverberating psychedelic-garage rock to close out the night and the festival. If you want to dance, rock out, hear some

fantastic music and support KWUR's great efforts, this night is not to be missed.

*All shows are free with a student ID or \$5 for the public. Public tickets are available for purchase online at <http://www.metrotix.com/search.php?method=search&keyword=&category&venue=255&page=1>, or you may pick them up in person at the Edison Theatre box office in Mallinckrodt Center.*

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## Where are the 'Friends' now?



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Jennifer Aniston and Adam Sandler star in the Columbia Pictures comedy "Just Go With It." The movie opened last Friday.

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**MOVIE EDITOR**

With a legacy that has lasted past its ten years on TV, "Friends" is one of the defining shows of our generation. We will always consider "How you doin'?" to be an acceptable pick-up line, and I don't think any of us will use the line "But we were on a break!" The six friends kept us laughing and crying for 10 years, and then continued in countless reruns on the CW, TBS and a myriad of other channels. Unfortunately, the friends have not been as successful since, but maybe they're turning their luck around. What are they up to now?

### Jennifer Aniston, 'Rachel'

Always the most famous and well known of the cast, Jennifer Aniston looked set to take over the industry. Unfortunately, she is more recognized now for her personal life than her career. After starring in "Marley and Me" and "He's Just Not That Into You," it looked like Aniston's career was about to take off. Since then, she's starred in "The Bounty Hunter" and "The Switch," both of which failed at the box office. Her newest movie, a romantic comedy with Adam Sandler, isn't set to fare much better—it currently holds a 19 percent rating on Rotten Tomatoes.

### Courteney Cox, 'Monica'

The only "Friends" cast member not to be nominated for an Emmy, Courteney Cox has also had her career lows. Three years after the end of the

series, Cox starred in and produced the FX show "Dirt," which featured her as the head of a TMZ-like tabloid. After it was canceled, Cox guest starred a few times on "Scrubs," but was otherwise AWOL until 2009. Starring in and producing her own show again, Cox now stars in ABC's "Cougar Town," which is relatively well respected by both critics and viewers. On top of that, Cox will also be starring in the revamp of the "Scream" series ("Scream 4") when it is released April 15.

### Lisa Kudrow, 'Phoebe'

Lisa Kudrow may have kept herself out of the spotlight, but she has managed to keep herself in the industry's memory. Although she hasn't had any headline performances, Kudrow has appeared in eight movies since the end of "Friends," most recently "Easy A," which was both commercially and critically successful. She also starred in her own HBO series "The Comeback" for one season, which, while canceled, was lauded by critics. This year, Kudrow is set to release "The Other Woman" with Natalie Portman and the romantic comedy "Ten Year" with more than 15 other stars.

### Matt LeBlanc, 'Joey'

Matt LeBlanc had it rough. Yes, he got his own "Friends" spin-off, "Joey," in which his beloved character moved to Los Angeles to pursue his acting career. Unfortunately, the show flopped and will be used as an argument against spin-offs for years to come. After the show's cancellation, LeBlanc stayed

quiet for a while until his new Showtime series "Episodes" debuted last month. Thankfully, the show actually has some promise. LeBlanc may actually have a success on his hands.

### Matthew Perry, 'Chandler'

As with most of the other friends, Matthew Perry's first show after the series' end, the Aaron Sorkin-produced "Studio 60 on the Sunset Strip," failed. Perry didn't find much success elsewhere until he starred alongside Zac Efron in "17 Again," in which he is transformed into his 17-year-old self. The film, while not exclusively Perry's, managed to make \$136 million worldwide. Just this past week, Perry's new show "Mr. Sunshine" premiered as a mid-season replacement on ABC. Make sure to catch the second episode Wednesday at 8:30 p.m.

### David Schwimmer, 'Ross'

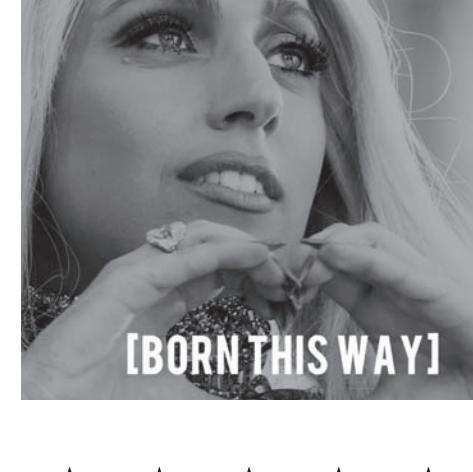
David Schwimmer has been the least active of all of the friends. Aside from guest starring in a few shows, Schwimmer has just one claim to fame: Melman, a lovable giraffe in the animated "Madagascar" series. Granted, both installments have been wildly successful. The third film in the series is scheduled for release in 2012. Other than that, Schwimmer made his feature film directorial debut in 2007 with "Run, Fatboy, Run," which holds a 48 percent on Rotten Tomatoes and made \$34 million worldwide.

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**SINGLE REVIEW**

### 'Born This Way'

#### Lady Gaga



for fans of  
**Lady Gaga**

singles to download  
**'Born This Way'**

**GEORGIE MORVIS**  
**CADENZA REPORTER**

Lady Gaga has the rare talent of always being able to live up to her own hype. She built up anticipation to the release of her single "Born This Way" by releasing snippets of lyrics to her Twitter fans and performing lines from the song on awards shows. These past two weeks, she released the full lyrics and the album cover to reward her fans, whom she affectionately calls "little monsters," for being so active on Twitter. And finally, on Friday morning, she released the song. It rocketed to the top of every country's iTunes charts, becoming number one in three hours—an unparalleled feat.

The best part is that the song is actually amazing. The lyrics, which sound cheesy in print, are incredibly good over the '80s-style dance track. Its message of tolerance and living your life the way you want resonates much better than it does in songs like "We R Who We R" and "Firework." Lady Gaga genuinely supports her gay fans; she doesn't just support them for sales. The production is close to flawless. Some critics have said the song sounds too close to Madonna's "Express Yourself." I say they don't know what the words "inspiration" and "homage" mean. It's probably Gaga's catchiest song to date and definitely her danciest. Expect the song to get tons of radio play and to hear it at every club. Her 17-track album will be released on May 23.

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# scene\_

At Missouri's biggest liquor store, it's all about the variety

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With 6,700 wines, 900 beers and 1,450 unique spirits spread over 24,000 square feet, Lukas Liquor Superstore isn't your average package store.

Located about 30 minutes west of Washington University in Ellisville, Mo., Lukas Liquor aims to make itself worth the trip, according to Shelby Durham, a spirits and beer consultant at the store.

"Since we're in the boonies, we know that our customers will really be venturing out here for the store. We're kind of geared towards a higher-end clientele that wants more than just the mainstream stuff," Durham said. "We sell pretty much everything, and we're for all kinds of customers, but our stuff is definitely unique."

The store offers the services of five wine consultants, five beer experts, four spirit advisers and one cigar expert. Customers can pick their own six-packs of beer from the store's hundreds of options, and the store offers over 50 different varieties of kegs, available for orders upon request.

Lukas can be an educational experience in different brands and varieties of liquor, with everything from obscure foreign beers to whiskeys from small Midwestern distilleries.

According to Durham, customer service is a priority, and the store attracts many regulars. Owner Gary Bilder has worked in retail since the age of 15 and practices a "customer is always number one" philosophy.

"They were fantastic," said senior Brett Simon, who visited the store last month. "They offered to help get our many bottles of liquor and beer out to the car. I thought it was very

helpful and very classy."

Despite the adult nature of the store, the owners maintain a family-friendly environment. Lukas is located next door to a Chuck E. Cheese's, and there are lollipops at the checkout for children of all ages.

And despite the store's high-end selection, prices are low. Durham said that managers scout prices in the area about once a month to ensure that prices are always kept lower than those at local supermarkets, such as Schnuck's and Dierberg's, and other liquor stores.

For Wash. U. students, the novelty is what makes the trip worthwhile.

"It was more about the social experience of going all the way out there and sharing the experience of being in the biggest liquor store I've ever seen with some good friends," Simon said. "The experience can be overwhelming, but that's also the beauty of it."



COURTESY OF LUKAS LIQUOR SUPERSTORE

With additional reporting by Hana Schuster.

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## Sextras How to talk dirty

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Sex starts in the head. Some assume that intercourse is nothing more than a mechanical motion: thrusting back and forth like jackrabbits. Ultimately, however, your brain controls everything that you consider doing; your mind and body are one. This is why exercise gives you a clear and peaceful head and why stimulating your imagination can turn your sex from an activity that feels "sort of good" into a completely mind-blowing experience. Dirty talk is one way to achieve exactly that. After a series of discussions with friends, I have compiled a list of the most important aspects of great dirty talk:

**1. Relaxation.** Talking dirty is all about

feeling comfortable with yourself and the person you are intimate with. Let go of your insecurities. Focus on the moment. Be silly, but firm. And guys: Don't talk to your penis! He cannot hear you. Just relax and let him do his thing. He'll be fine—it's his job, after all.

**2. Anticipation.** The difference between good sex and bad sex is similar to the difference between eating Pop-Tarts for dinner instead of steak—steak takes more work, but it's so much more rewarding. This is the difference between good sex and bad sex. Even though it takes time and work, building up anticipation for what is to come is essential. That way, when you do get some, you will be able to appreciate it properly.

**3. Perceptiveness.** Try to understand what the other person wants. I am not saying that

you have to be able to read another person's mind, but when a girl is whispering sweet nothings into your ear, it may not be the best moment to start talking about the yellow wart on your foot. Try to pick up on the subtle hints your partner drops to completely fulfill their needs.

**4. Modern means of communication.** It is not necessary to have a cell phone to be able to talk dirty, but it certainly can't hurt. The more means of communication you use to tell your special someone about all the dirty things you want to do to him or her, the better. It's a great way to build anticipation for things to come. Imagine you're a guy sitting in class when you get a text from a girl that reads, "I can do it with no hands." You may have to hold your coat over your pants as you leave class. And all

day long the text about blowjobs will pop up in your head and, ergo, the thing in your pants as well. Let technology enhance all aspects of your life, even dirty talk.

**5. Creativity.** Yes, none of us is Shakespeare, but the person you're about to hook up with is probably aware of that. This biggest guideline for being creative when talking dirty is, simply, don't say anything that feels fake. Instead, enhance your natural self by letting yourself express some of the things you would normally repress. Talk about the way your partner smells and how much it turns you on, or the way she bites her lip during foreplay—be creative by turning your thoughts and feelings into sexy sweet nothings.

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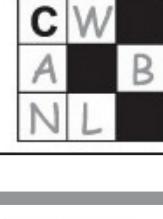
"Red Riding Hood"

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#### Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

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- 15 Straddling
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- 24 2011 Rose Bowl champs: Abbr.
- 25 From A—
- 28 Fox-sighting cry
- 31 Dallas hoopster, for short
- 34 "Tosca" or "Pagliacci"
- 36 Hawaiian neckwear
- 37 Gradually lose color
- 38 Examine quickly
- 42 Strong as —
- 43 Wall climber
- 44 Skating jumps
- 45 One of a D.C. 100
- 46 Golfer Craig known as "the Walrus"
- 49 Once called, in wedding notices
- 50 Disco \_\_ of "The Simpsons"
- 51 Followers: Suf.
- 53 Frolic vigorously
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By Ian Livengood

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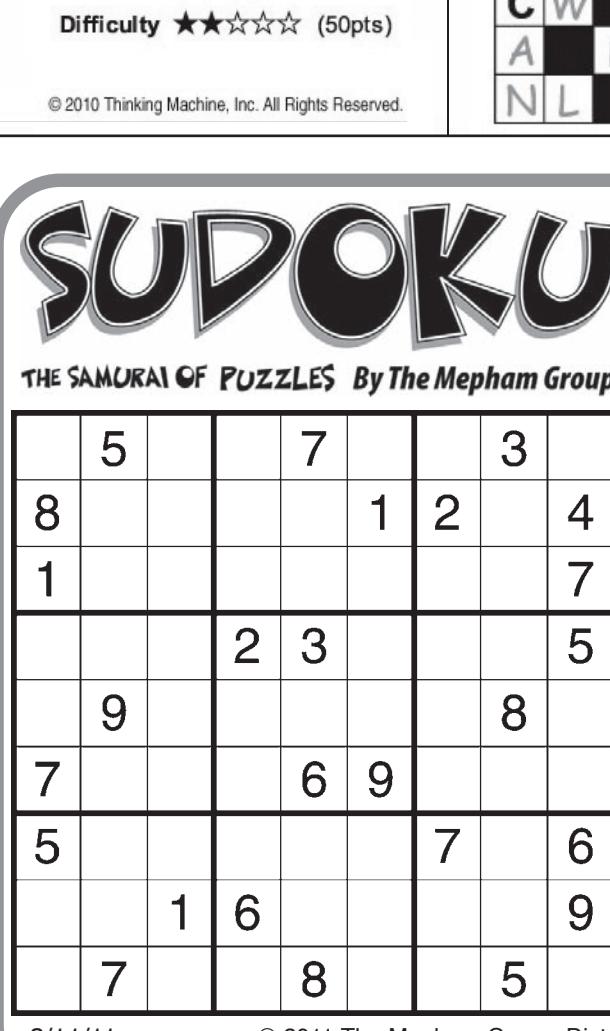
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# SEX

## POLITICS AND CULTURE

No matter how you look at it, sex is everywhere in 2011, from the undercurrents of partisan politics to the overemphasized innuendos of your favorite pop song. Sexuality undergirds politics and culture—the transformative forces of any society. And at Wash. U., there's no getting away from our sexuality, whether we experience it through thought, media or interaction, in the abstract context of a literature class or the concrete one of a fraternity basement.

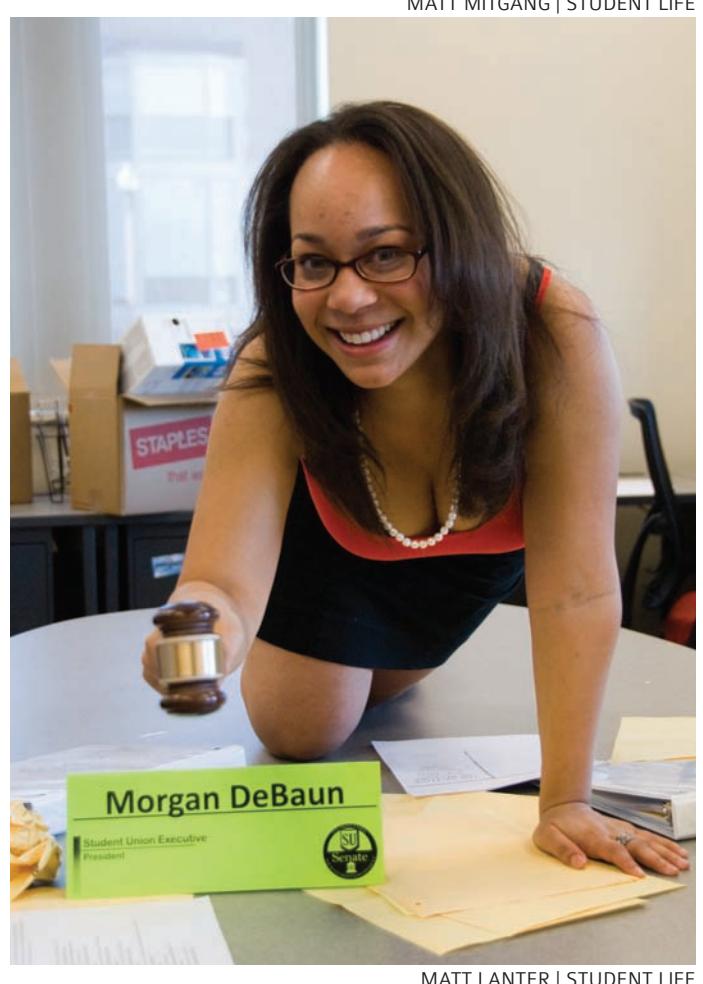
**Row 1:** KWUR 90.3 FM is Washington University's student-run radio station, broadcasting a variety of programming 24 hours a day to the surrounding community. Here, a KWUR disc jockey models a pair of carefully selected 45s. **Row 2, left:** The Washington University Political Review (WUPR) is a bipartisan publication committed to encouraging and fostering awareness of political issues on campus through discussion and debate, both written and oral. Here, WUPR's editors stimulate conversation about partisan politics. **Row 2, right:** Student Union President Morgan DeBaun is the official representative of students to the University administration and greater community. Here, Morgan partakes in some creative decision making. **Row 3:** The KWUR staff gets in the mood for some good vibrations. **Row 4, left:** KWUR DJs gently finger the controls. **Row 4, right:** WU-SLam is Washington University's premier spoken word performance group. Its aim is to offer all people in the Wash. U. community a chance to tell their stories through poetry and performance. Here, members of WU-SLam listen to a performance and offer their unabashed critiques.



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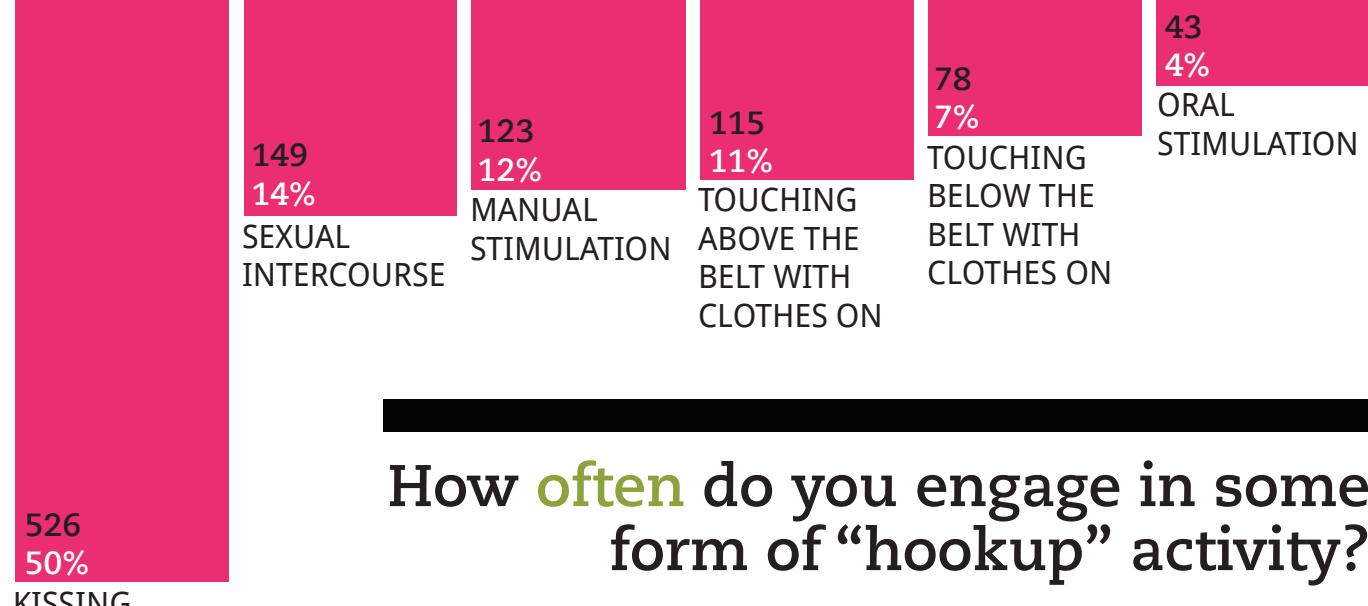
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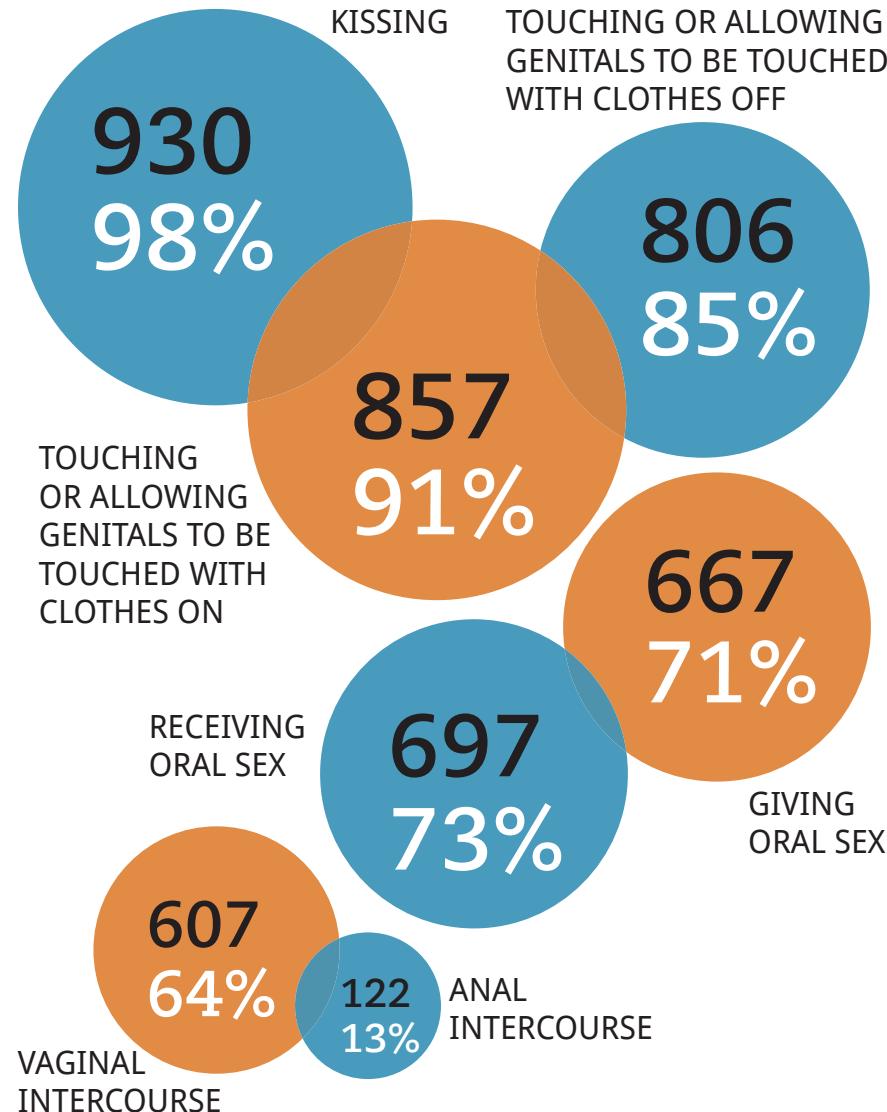
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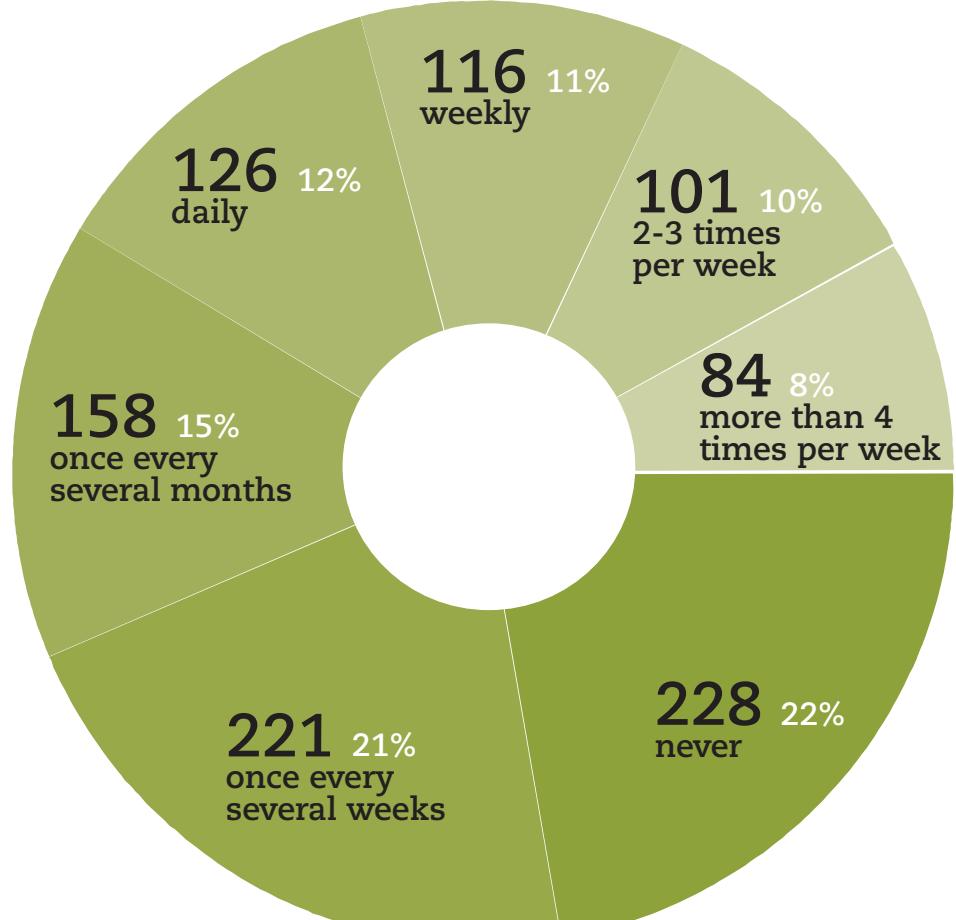
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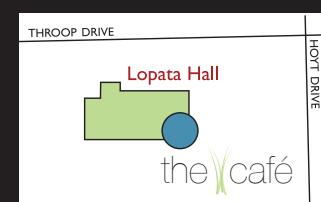


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## The Little Dildo That Could, Part 3

The Little Dildo Becomes a Lion Tamer



### one

The Little Dildo That Could stood on the steps outside his old apartment, holding only a book, a condom and a Metro pass. After training with his old owner, he was now ready to take on the world alone. "I'm prepared for anything!" he thought. "The world is my oyster!" But then the Little Dildo had a startling realization. He needed a way to earn money. "I'll just get a job," he proclaimed. "I mean, really, how hard can a job be?"



### two

The Little Dildo soon found a job working as an assistant to a pastry chef. Kneading dough was easy enough, but eventually, the Little Dildo found himself in a sticky situation. "Maybe this just isn't the right kind of job for you," the head chef advised as he escorted the Little Dildo out the door.

### three

The Little Dildo tried out lots of different jobs, but he could never quite find his rhythm. For example, the Little Dildo tried to be a sex educator, but he offended some parents and got caught up in vicious PTA politics. The Little Dildo also tried to become a pilot, but he was deemed unqualified when the doctors were unable to examine his eyesight. After a brief stage of wanting to be a musician, the Little Dildo was all but ready to give up.

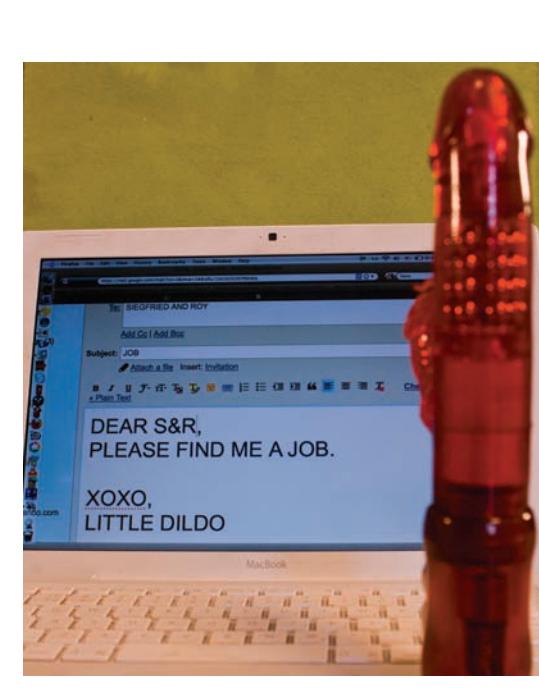


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Though the Little Dildo had failed as a professional musician, he did make an important connection by befriending Siegfried and Roy on his quest for fame. After a few weeks of wallowing, the Little Dildo swallowed his pride and e-mailed the duo his resume and cover letter. "I'm up for anything," he told them. Soon they replied—they only had one job open: lion tamer. The Little Dildo was a little nervous, but he was already desperate. "I'll take it!" he told them, and he hopped on the first plane to Vegas.

### six

But it turned out the Little Dildo was wrong. He had gotten too cocky and had failed to pay proper attention to details. One day, he was running late, so he didn't put on the safety gear he was supposed to use when in the lion cage. As he entered, the Little Dildo moved too quickly and startled one of the lions, who mauled him. A few days later, he woke up in the hospital in a full body cast. Next to him on the table was a note from Siegfried and Roy. It said, "Dear Little Dildo, the doctors said you'll be OK, but it will take you a few weeks to heal. Whenever you are feeling up to it, you can have your job back. Just remember, don't get too cocky. Even if you're in a hurry and having fun, always use protection!" After a few weeks, the Little Dildo went back to his job, always remembered to use protection, and lived happily ever after. THE END.



### five

The Little Dildo turned out to be a great fit for the job. He was agile and brave enough to go where no man had gone before. He taught the lions to do all sorts of tricks, like jumping through rings, which never failed to pleasure the crowd. Soon, Siegfried and Roy called him into their office and asked him to be the head trainer, an offer he happily embraced. As he left their office, he thought to himself, "I'm the best in the world! Nothing can stop my ascent to fame!"



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## Without Palin, students still discuss abstinence

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The controversy surrounding the cancellation of Bristol Palin's speaking engagement at Washington University has opened a dialogue on campus about abstinence, a topic that many students feel has long been underrepresented.

Many students at the University who practice abstinence, especially those in faith-based groups, often feel like a forgotten presence within the campus sex culture, and have expressed relief and support for an increase in abstinence awareness.

"It's sort of this silent, sizable group of students who are choosing abstinence," said Father Gary Braun, director of the Catholic Student Center. "I feel like they might get overlooked, and they feel kind of embarrassed to speak out much about it to their peers, who are more vocal about their activity, the hookup side of things."

Sophomore Carolyn Carpenter, a small-group leader for Grace Presbyterian Fellowship, suggests that this reticence may be due to a different approach taken by many abstinent students, who view their sexual choices as personal, not necessarily something to promote or discuss at large.

"There aren't many people speaking out for [abstinence] necessarily," Carpenter

said. "I think it's underrepresented or under-realized because people who are abstinent are not advocating it for other people, or pushing their own decisions on them. It's more of just like 'This is what I've chosen to do.'"

But according to Nena Salazar, a leader in Overflow, another Christian fellowship on campus, surrounding oneself with a community of abstinent peers is both influential and important.

"I know it's not just peer pressure to not [have sex], but it definitely helps that none of my friends do," Salazar said. "During Sex Week, the focus definitely seems to be on the people who are having sex. Other than during Sex Week, I feel like everyone is like me, and then I realize that most people aren't, and that most people are having sex."

Although students who practice abstinence may feel like they are in the minority, they do not feel that the environment on campus is necessarily opposed to their individual choice.

"I don't really see many people talk about [abstinence] or advocate it, but I wouldn't say that if I told someone [that I practice abstinence] they'd be against it or hostile," sophomore Chelsea Brown said.

What most students do notice is a highly prevalent and visible hookup culture on

campus.

"It does seem like people are hooking up all the time," Salazar said. "I feel like certain situations lend themselves more [to hooking up]. At Wash. U., when most people say 'I'm going out,' that means, 'I'm going to the frats, and I'm going to hook up.' I know that's definitely the focus of most people's hanging out on the weekends."

The term "hooking up" is a phenomenon that continues to confound both adults and youth of this generation, with its range of multi-faceted and ambiguous connotations.

For those who choose to abstain from hooking up, it might seem like this choice is overshadowed or considered less legitimate by some of their fellow students. But according to Braun, the culture on campus might be shifting.

"I think many students are finding the hookup culture a little bit wanting. Some people are left more lonely hooking up than they would be were they not," he said. "I think people are somehow looking for a way out, a way to date at Wash. U. and not hook up. That's the bottom line question. There's got to be a way."

According to Scott Elman, president of the Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC), the controversy surrounding Bristol Palin's potential inclusion in an panel on abstinence has brought or returned

abstinence to the attention of many students.

"In the weeks since the whole Palin controversy, I've been getting e-mails, both of hate, but also of support from certain students who do practice abstinence that are very happy that this is an issue we're addressing that hasn't been addressed before," Elman said. "It's beginning a conversation with people that do practice abstinence, feeling more comfortable saying that they do practice abstinence and forming groups of support among themselves for people that do feel underrepresented on campus."

SHAC hosted a panel discussion about abstinence in Graham Chapel on Monday during Sexual Responsibility Week. While Elman was pleased with how the panel discussion went, he had hoped to see more students in attendance. Graham was filled to approximately 10 percent capacity.

"I would have liked for more people to have gone, to hear [the] opinions of both experts and people from campus ministries, because I think that's how more of an informed conversation and dialogue have been started," he said. "I am pleased that it is a topic that has, to some extent, made it to the forefront of issues on campus recently."

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## St. Louis ranks highest in reported STIs in U.S.

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St. Louis is regularly recognized as having the highest rate of STIs (sexually transmitted infections) in the country.

And in a sexually-charged environment like college, Washington University students are no strangers to STIs either.

According to Melissa Ruwitch, assistant director of Student Health Services, the clinic sees a fair number of infected students.

"The SHS medical service providers see students with herpes, HPV and Chlamydia pretty often. They see students with gonorrhea and syphilis occasionally. They have seen some HIV-positive students in the last few years," Ruwitch wrote in an e-mail to Student Life.

SHS does not collect statistics about STIs, according to Ruwitch. The information that they do have is contingent upon students reporting to them. SHS has not done an official survey of students' sexual activities since 2007.

In St. Louis itself, there has been an increase in syphilis and gonorrhea, according to Scott Elman, president of Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC). Elman attended a panel on STIs in St. Louis, and said that it would not be surprising if the University saw an increase in these diseases as well.

Over the past year, the city has seen more people contract STIs. In St. Louis County in 2010, there were 1,570 new cases of chlamydia, 744 new cases of gonorrhea, 49 new cases of syphilis and 305 new cases of HIV, according to a report by the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services.

Elman recommends that students use condoms to prevent STI infection.

### STIs in STL

Number of reported new cases in 2010:

**CHLAYMIDIA—1570**

**GONORRHEA—744**

**HIV—305**

**SYphilis—49**

However, not all STIs can be prevented by using condoms. Condoms are useful in protecting against STIs that are transmitted through fluids. Both herpes and HPV can be spread through skin to skin contact.

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## Students learn kink from erotic educator

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Kink 101: Intro to Creative Exploration and Play kicked off Washington University's Sexual Responsibility Week on Monday evening.

About 50 students gathered in January 110 to listen to Lee Harrington discuss kink.

Students were disappointed with the relatively poor turnout.

"The room was relatively small, and it probably wasn't even half full," freshman Emily Couch said. "For a lot of people, it probably piqued their curiosity, but they may not have gone for fear of being looked at as different, which is a shame."

Harrington, who has worked in the past as a poet and an adult film star, is a transgender erotic educator. He has taught courses on three continents, covering topics that range from gender paradigms to safer sex.

According to his website, he serves as a spiritual educator in addition to being an erotic one.

Topics of the night ranged from BDSM to polyamory and swingers.

Harrington stressed that kinky sex differs from abuse in that it is necessarily consensual.

"It is not Poly[amory] if you have seven boyfriends and haven't told any of them about the other ones. It's the notion in kinky sex that what we're doing is agreed upon by all parties involved."

He added that while many kink-related terms, from "fetish" to "masochism"—the M in BDSM, are clinically diagnosed forms of insanity, the kinky sex community has simply appropriated them as slang.

"It's those lines between the psychology department and the reality of our sex lives," Harrington said.

Harrington distributed kink items ranging from eye masks and hoods to restraining mitts and rope. He noted that kink could range in cost from a free paint stir stick from Home Depot to elaborate drag costumes or a full-scale prison built in one's basement.

He also noted the potential dangers of kink. Harrington told a story of a couple that went to a sexy bed and breakfast to try out their sexual fantasies, only to realize their bodies couldn't handle them.

He noted that such tools as handcuffs are much more dangerous than the media suggests.

"Handcuffs have broken people's wrists, have left lacerations; there's a really common torture system called strappado, which literally means handcuffs behind the back," Harrington said. "Literally, people fall to the ground, dislocating and tearing their arms out of socket. We can see how for many people, this may not be sexy."

Many were caught off guard by the seriousness of the discussion.

"It was a lot more serious than I anticipated; I was assuming it was going to be more demonstrations," Couch said. "People who didn't go to his lecture can break their wrists now."

Harrington also mentioned the danger in modeling sex life after pictures of pornography

### KINK VOCAB

#### KINK

A multitude of different forms of sexual pleasure

#### BDSM

Bondage and discipline, dominance and submission, sadism and masochism

#### SADISM/MASOCHISM

Getting extreme pleasure by giving or receiving (respectively) extreme sensations, the SM of BDSM

#### LEATHER

Gay male culture originating after WWII, part of the BDSM movement

#### POLYAMORY (POLY)

Engaging in multiple simultaneous relationships with all members' awareness and consent

#### SWINGERS

People in sexually open but otherwise committed relationships

#### FETISH

Sexual excitement brought about by a physical object

stars or fantasies.

"What isn't revealed, except within the world of porn, is this thing called the sixtieth-of-a-second rule. To take that picture, that person only had to be in that position for a sixtieth of a second," Harrington said. "If we're replicating images that we see on the internet, something to keep in mind is that we don't know the whole story."

He noted that while the kinky community has become more accepted by society as a whole, people are still discriminated against for their lifestyle choices.

"We're being ourselves, being authentic in our personal sexual and emotional desires, and yet other people make it their business that it's wrong," Harrington said. "As long as we're living in a country where this still happens, people will keep having scene names or nicknames instead of their legal names."

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# frisky forum

STAFF EDITORIAL

## Keep funding for Title X

Last Wednesday, the House Appropriations Committee announced in a press release that it would cut \$327 million worth of federal funding for Title X, a resolution that the House of Representatives is expected to vote on next week.

Title X is a 40-year-old government program dedicated to providing family planning services for those in need. Started in 1970 by President Richard Nixon, the program is the only source of federal funds dedicated solely to family planning and reproductive health. By law, the funds must be spent on health care other than abortion services, such as contraceptives, pelvic exams and safe-sex counseling.

The cut would effectively wipe out funding for Title X, which was authorized \$327 million in 2011 and appropriated \$317 million. Most significantly, Title X provides a main source of funding for Planned Parenthood,

which received \$16.9 million worth of Title X funding in 2009.

In light of our 2011 sex issue, which seeks to provoke dialogue surrounding the sexual norms and sexual health of Washington University's campus, we feel that this Congressional resolution—despite the lighthearted tone that "frisky forum" would imply—merits a serious conversation.

Six in 10 women who access care from a family planning center such as Planned Parenthood consider it to be a main source of health care, according to data from Planned Parenthood. Furthermore, five million women and men received services through 4,500 community-based clinics in 2008, according to the Department of Health & Human Services.

More important than these numbers are the demographics of those who benefit from this funding. Planned Parenthood provides disproportionate amounts of sexual health

care for those who are poor, young and belong to minority groups. For college students, Planned Parenthood is a resource that empowers those who would otherwise not be able to afford oral contraceptives and other sexual health care.

Moreover, the funding provided for Title X provides access to means of contraception other than abortion, which helps to keep women away from the emotional distress and high costs associated with these procedures.

We feel that the push for this legislation from the Republican Party demonstrates a marked fear of sexuality, specifically female sexuality. Though Sex Week is over, we hope that the dialogue it has sparked will continue and that students will take action against the resolution.

We are fortunate enough to attend a school where something like Sex Week is embraced and where a campus publication such as our own can publish a Sex Issue with statistics

about STIs in St. Louis and include a cover photo in which students defy gender norms. Part of this openness toward sexuality and sexual health is the result of an insistent push since the 1970s for more dialogue surrounding these issues. We cannot emphasize enough the extent to which we feel that this resolution is a step backward from the work that has taken place over the past 40 years.

We do not want our children to inherit a society in which men and women alike lack access to education about sexual health, nor do we want rates of abortion and sexually transmitted infections to increase. It is our civic duty to take action. We encourage students to write letters to their congressmen voicing their opposition to the resolution. We also encourage those who have benefited from services offered by Planned Parenthood and other community-based clinics to speak out and share their stories.

## Sex and pizza

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You know it's tough being a guy. Rodney Dangerfield said it best with his "I get no respect." When it comes to dating, it's difficult to be the man. Right off the bat, women think that all we want from them is sex. Come on, ladies. It's 2011, the new age of dating. Give us a break. We want that and then some.

Women are a beautiful creation. Women have that great smell, those amazing physical features and of course, the ability to become great moms. Admit it, guys, we'd be nothing without our wonderful moms.

The problem lies not in the great attributes of a woman, but the difficult challenge of finding, catching and keeping one. We can't club them over the heads and drag them back to the cave anymore. The good old days.

The difficult part of any relationship seems to be in the introduction. Guys, think about all the times you wished you asked the girl at the grocery store out but didn't. You were afraid of rejection. It happens. The worst news, however, is when you find out that one of your bucket-head friends finally did. He'll remind you of how great she is for the rest of your life. And ladies, think about all the times you complain to your girlfriends about being home alone on a Friday night, wondering if Mr. Right will ever ask you out.

So if it's so hard to ask a girl out, why don't women make it easier for us? I understand that girls hate cheesy lines, but maybe they should rethink our advances not as a sleazy attempt to get in their pants, but more as a way

of showing just how funny we can be. Playboy said that women love a sense of humor. See, ladies? We do read it for the articles!

Let's imagine for a moment that women liked outlandish pick-up lines. Just think, we as men could finally walk right up to that cute girl outside the bookstore and say, "Excuse me, but do you believe in love at first sight? (No.) Well then, maybe I should walk by again." Come on ladies, you know that's a good one. Even the thinking rabbit would like that line...shoot, he might try it on his lady rabbit friends himself.

There are all kinds of come-on lines guys could use to break the perennial ice. A few slick ones are: "Wanna have sex and pizza? (No.) What's wrong? You don't like pizza?"; "Hey, baby, you look cold. Want to use me as a blanket?"; "Damn, if being sexy was a crime, you'd be guilty as charged!"; "I was wondering if you had an extra heart. Mine seems to have been stolen"; "There isn't a word in the dictionary for how good you look." And then, there's the worst one I actually overheard in a bar: "Hey, beautiful, are those pants made out of Windex? Because I can see me in them."

Guys, let's be polite about this. If women really do decide to make it easier for us to get their attention, let's not screw it up. For some reason, we're notorious for that. And ladies, be patient with us; it's not easy to figure out ways to ask you out. We mean well, kind of. But seriously, who doesn't like pizza?

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In high school, I was on the Constitution team and my boyfriend looked like the dude with long hair from "Dazed and Confused." When I got to Washington University, I was in heaven. There were smart, attractive guys everywhere and I was finally ready to spread my wings, become a woman and stop wearing my retainer during the day. I had only kissed one boy before I got to college, which is why I was overwhelmed yet somewhat excited by the college hookup culture. Unfortunately for me, instead of meeting mature, handsome intellectuals like I expected to, I ended up with one of the weirdest college stories ever.

One night, I headed over to a nondescript frat and began chatting with some friends when this striking, tall drink of water locked eyes with me. He approached me and told me in a really bro-chill voice that he was on his way to becoming the beer-pong champion of the night and that he would definitely find me later. I was about to leave the frat when my guy rushed after me and told me that he was a student at Bucknell and was visiting a friend at Washington University. He explained that he could not find his friend and was in dire need of a place to stay. His story sounded plausible, and so I told him that he could sleep in my common room.

When we got to my romantic old freshman triple on Lee 1, my two roommates were thankfully sleeping. Ben (real names are used because I do not care about protecting the identity of an idiot), smelling deliciously of stale Natural Light

and with perfectly unkept hair, suddenly looked at me longingly and went in for the kiss. If I saw fireworks and unicorns, I don't remember, probably because I can't seem to shake what happened soon after.

About three hours later, Ben casually woke up and seemed to be studying the contents of my desk. I never took him to be the intellectual type, so I got up to see what Shady Ben was really up to and gasped when I saw that he was taking his morning pee on my desk. I calmly asked him to put his junk away and I began to clean up the awful, warm urine that coated my desk, my computer and my final draft of an essay for a class that I will leave anonymous. I suddenly began to freak out on this bro. He obviously was not used to being reprimanded and excused himself to go to the bathroom.

I never saw Ben again. I took my brand new MacBook to the Apple Store the next day to buy a new hard drive. I was forced to turn in a copy of my essay decorated with a pee stain because all was lost when my computer crashed. Thankfully, I remembered Ben's full name and found him on Facebook. I sent him a message that I will copy and paste below:

Laura McGinnis: Hey! Sorry I freaked out the other night. Hope you made it back okay to your friend's place!

Shady Ben: Hey ya everythings fine, what happened tho, whyd you freak out

Laura McGinnis: Are you kidding?! you peed on my desk!!! You pissed on my computer and my essay is covered in your pee!!

Ben never responded. College is college.

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## Accept those who challenge gender norms

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I get the question, "So Jon, do you give it or take it?" surprisingly often. Never from other gay guys, who might have a legitimate interest in knowing; it's always straight guys who seem most curious. This question, of course, ignores the fact that many gay men enjoy both "topping" and "bottoming," often in the same sex session. Furthermore, by using fingers and/or sex toys, two men can mutually penetrate each other at once. So much for easy dichotomies.

Still, as it happens, I do have a clear preference. If you ask me in person, I would be happy to tell you if I like to "take it" or "give it." But first, you'll have to answer me this: Why are you asking? What is it you really want to know about me?

I think this question really means: How gay are you? How far do you deviate from my idea of normality? How tough will it be for me to accept and respect you as you are?

After all, we tend to link sexual orientation with gender performance. When we say, "That guy seems really gay," we don't mean we saw him staring at a dude. We

mean that his body language, voice, clothes or interests don't match our expectations of "proper" masculine behavior. Especially in liberal bubbles like Wash. U., it's increasingly acceptable to be gay as long as your gender performance is conventional. Many people effortlessly accept gay men who are "normal guys." However, the same folks may still snicker at—or just feel uncomfortable with—gay peers who break masculine gender norms.

No gender norm holds more symbolic power than the supposed dichotomy between penetrator and penetratee. We are taught to view male and female bodies as complementary opposites, the "pole" and the "hole," designed for a single purpose in sex. Onto this imagined binary, we overlay themes of domination and submission, power and weakness. We imagine that the supreme masculine act is to penetrate and the supreme feminine act is to be penetrated. So for a man, being penetrated is the ultimate gender nonconformity: the ultimate act of feminization and therefore humiliation. It is the ultimate boundary of normal and acceptable manhood.

In fact, up through WWII, American culture usually labeled men "gay" only if they sought to be penetrated. As in many areas of Latin America today, men could routinely

seek sex with other men without any stigma as long as they (claimed to) exclusively take the "masculine," penetrative role. Sexual identity was defined by your gender performance and not by the sex of your partner. Although our sexual definitions have changed, these older models still influence our perceptions. To be penetrated—and to like being penetrated—is often understood as the absolute antithesis of manhood.

That's why people are so curious if a gay man "pitches" or "catches." They feel it's somehow easier to respect a guy who only "tops." It's also why many straight men are so opposed to (scared of?) exploring anal pleasure, which is a sad and ridiculous loss on their part. They feel that exploring anal pleasure would "make them gay" and/or somehow threaten their manhood.

However, like all rules of gender, the "penetrator/penetrated" dichotomy is a cultural myth and not biological fact. As many people know, men of all sexual orientations have a "male G-spot"—or as I like to call it, the "A-spot." Located on the prostate, about an inch inside your rectum, this nerve center can blast any guy's orgasms with extra oomph (just google "male G-spot" to find endless diagrams and how-to guides). Most

men can draw intense erotic pleasure from being penetrated, whether by a finger or something more risqué. Gents, regardless of your orientation, your A-spot has always been there, and always will be. Straight dudes, if you like fingering your girlfriend, maybe she'd like fingering you. Straight ladies, looking for a way to spice up Valentine's Day? The A-spot is certainly one option. And remember, folks, condom+finger (or toy or whatever) = no mess.

Obviously, the A-spot complicates our notions of sex, gender and sexuality. In terms of pleasure, male and female bodies are more parallel than opposite. We all have "poles" (the penis/clitoris) and "holes" (the vagina/rectum). The lines between penetrator and penetratee, dominant and submissive, masculine and feminine, are blurry and permeable. People of all sexes and all sexual orientations can fluctuate constantly across these boundaries, mixing and matching categories, and love every minute. It's certainly dumb to think you could judge anyone's worth or dignity based on these sexual tastes.

So do I give it or take it? I do what I want.

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# sultry sports

## Turning sports terms into sex positions

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Sports are dirty; sometimes they're rough. You can play them with a team or go solo, and they make you all sweaty and tired but also make you feel good and want to pat other people on the butt. What we're trying to say is, sports are just like sex. And whenever we're watching them on TV, the commentators are always saying things that make us giggle because, well, we're immature. So that got us thinking: What if all those dirty-sounding sports terms were actually sex positions? And thus this list was born.

### hockey

**Dangle:** This one works for anal or vaginal penetration. Think reverse cowgirl (or boy!), but vertical. The dangler's legs are wrapped tightly around the waist of his or her partner, and while hands on the floor can provide support, true athletes go hands free. Extra points if you can take it for a 360-degree spin while you're at it. It's like the Ice Capades!

### basketball

**Crab dribble:** Since this is just LeBron's fancy term for traveling, we envision this act to be quite similar. As a man masturbates, he travels his partner's body, all the while dribbling semen on his partner's arms, chest, stomach, legs (with permission, of course). Perfect excuse for a sexytime couple's shower! If performed correctly and safely, the crab dribble will not result in crabs.

**Over the back violation:** A vertical option for oral sex or anilingus. The receiving partner stands and holds the ankles of the other to their shoulders. The giving partner hangs over the other person's back. For height reasons, legs may need to be wrapped around the waist instead.

*Disclaimer 1: Despite the name of the position, we do not condone sex as a "violation," so be sure to get your partner's consent before attempting this one.*

*Disclaimer 2: Seriously though, this one is dangerous. Be careful. Student Life is not responsible for any choking or fall-induced head trauma that may occur.*

*Disclaimer 3: We recognize that this might not actually be humanly possible. But hey, you can try it.*

### golf

**Hole-in-one:** No foreplay—straight for the hole. For those nights you just ain't feelin' the romance.

**Backswing:** For this one, make your thrusts even larger and more emphatic than usual. After all, a good backswing is key to a good stroke.

**Four-man cha cha cha:** Four people. Tournament style. The rules are...there are no rules.

### soccer

**Offsides:** Haven't you ever just wanted to ask your partner to fuck you sideways? We thought so. You're flat on your back. Your partner is nestled up on your side. It may take a little while to get the angle right, but just trust us on this one. We're journalists.

**Handball:** Using your hands in soccer is a violation, but when it comes to sex, we're all about it. If you're performing fellatio, try to have some fun with the sensitive area known as the testicles. Tease and tickle, but always be gentle. And while you're at it, alternate between moving your mouth and hands up and down the shaft. And do it upside down. On a roller coaster. Under the sea. That's some good handball.

### baseball

**Backdoor slider:** Going through the backdoor should always be a slider. Come on, people, lube up. It's common sense.

**Corking the bat:** You know what's hard? (Hehe...we said hard.) Opening a bottle of champagne, that's what. You end up kind of delicately twisting the cork out, afraid that it's just going to pop off and hit you smack in the head. But on the bright side, gyration is generally a good thing when it comes to sex. For



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corking the bat, a woman straddles her partner, moving not only up and down on the "bat," but also twisting from side to side to emulate the motion of teasing a cork out of a bottle. Just hope nothing goes flying across the room.

**Knuckle Ball:** Fisting. Just fisting.

### football

**Three-point stance:** We know what you're thinking: "I don't want to try all these new positions! Just let me stick to doggie style! It feels so good!" Well, friends, here's a variation for those of you who are sick of having your knees chafed on the carpet. It's just like the three-point stance used in football: crouched down, one hand on the ground, the other arm resting on your thigh or perhaps groping your partner's sexy, muscular calves. And...thrust.

**Cradling:** A woman's legs are wrapped around her partner's waist. Her partner cradles her by

placing his or her arms under her butt for support. This intimate position should build trust in the relationship, not to mention abdominals and biceps, which are sure to come in handy later.

**Unnecessary roughness:** Maybe you opt for completely bare. Maybe a nice trim. Or perhaps you prefer to let those luscious locks run wild. Everyone has their preferences. Just remember, ladies and gents: If you're expecting your partner to go down on you, nobody likes the feeling of stubble on his or her face.

**Excessive celebration:** It had been a while, but dammit, it was so good. But don't let the celebration get TOO raucous. Don't pump your fist, and please don't start chanting your own name. That's a 15-yard penalty applied to the kick-off. Assuming there is another kick-off.

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## Sexting: Not for childhood heroes

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Almost four years ago, I settled into my seat in the upper deck of the Edward Jones Dome to watch the St. Louis Rams take on the Green Bay Packers. Our section had managed to avoid any of the notoriously well-traveled Packers fans for most of the pre-game ceremonies, but just prior to kickoff, an elderly couple shuffled by me. They showed no indications of Packers allegiance, but I realized their grandson was in tow—the young boy clad in a foam block of cheese that seemed much too heavy for his head and a green-and-yellow jersey with the number "4" across the back. When we asked his grandparents why they had traveled so far for this game, they responded simply: "We wanted him to see Brett before he retires. He's the best ever."

I couldn't help but think about that young

cheesehead when I saw this headline on ESPN.com: "NFL reviewing allegations of racy Brett Favre messages." The story originally broke on the sport website Deadspin with information from New York Jets employee Jenn Sterger. The website acquired several voicemails asking Sterger to meet Favre in his hotel room, a request Sterger claims she never agreed to. If that wasn't bad enough, Favre, husband of his high-school sweetheart (a cancer survivor), a father of two with a grandchild, also allegedly sent picture messages of his penis to Sterger.

Thank goodness that young Packers fan now has a Super Bowl victory to distract him because "the best quarterback ever" should know better than to sext. A grandfather should know better than to sext.

Sending illicit text messages isn't becoming of a college freshman, let alone a 41-year-old professional athlete. In fact, it's sexual harassment.

I'm disturbed by the fact that the argument among sports pundits seems to be "will this affect Favre's legacy?" I think it's clear that it should.

Favre used to define the word "legacy" in the NFL lexicon, but if no one can mention your Super Bowl victory without a disclaimer about your place in the "Creepy Hall of Fame," your identity as a man that young boys could look up to as a role model on and off the football field is long gone. To those who say that his undeniable skill as a quarterback should define him in the memories of football fans, I would point to a number of quarterbacks who have also presented incredible talent, earned as many (or more) Super Bowl rings than Favre and also managed to be savvy enough to avoid harassing young women. If what makes someone the all-time best at his position is subjective, why shouldn't Favre's legacy be replaced by the

likes of Peyton Manning, Drew Brees and Kurt Warner?

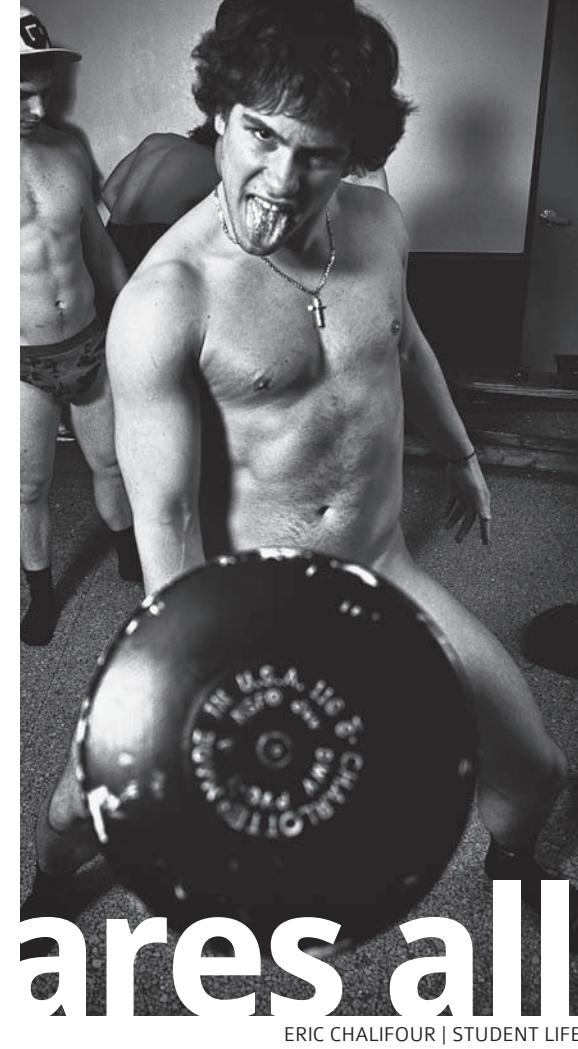
It's the most trite argument about celebrities: Whether they like it or not, they're role models. Young boys looking up to NFL players as heroes is inevitable. My buddy from that game in 2007 looked up to Brett Favre along with millions of other youngsters, including some who have become NFL quarterbacks in their own right, but I certainly hope they don't anymore.

The argument that instances like those between Favre and Sterger are unimportant, common occurrences in pro-athlete culture because of the fast-paced, luxurious, powerful lives the pros lead is an insult to the men who have found it easy to be both athletically talented and morally upstanding.

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Bomb Squad bares all



The Phi Delta Theta Bomb Squad attends every men's basketball game at the Field House and provides vocal support for the Washington University Bears from their spot across from the visiting team's bench. Left: Members of the Bomb Squad bare their chests in a photo shoot for the 2011 Student Life Sex Issue. Right: A member of the Bomb Squad shows the sexy side of team pride.

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## The first pornographic video game: 'Custer's Revenge'

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With the introduction of every new form of multimedia comes a fountainhead of new pornographic material. In an America when VHS was the peak of technology, the Atari 2600 allowed for vast new forays into porn-material-porn-user interaction. From this brave new world emerged "Custer's Revenge" on Oct. 13, 1982.

The first entrants into the virtual world consisted of nothing more than slideshows of naked women served 8-bit style. This was a step backwards, as the creators of "Custer's Revenge" no doubt believed. They designed a game with sex-based characters, a sex-based plot and a glorious victory: sex.

"Custer's Revenge" follows the plight of General George Custer in his dangerous-yet-noble quest to violently rape a particularly

well-endowed Native American woman named Revenge, who is tied to a pole near a tent city. However, savagely raping someone tied to a pole is never as easy as it seems. In order to reach his prize, Custer must constantly sidestep a shower of arrows fired from off-screen Indians who, we are forced to assume, disapprove of Custer's vicious lust.

"Custer's Revenge" truly excels in character development. Custer, the "hero" in this story, is portrayed as the average man. He wears no clothing except for a trendy cowboy hat, a comfortable pair of cowboy boots and a vibrant bandana. He also sports a hearty 8-bit erection. With a single glance at his impressive six diagonally arranged pixels, one can truly feel Custer's desire. After a quick playthrough, it's hard to blame him; just across the way is a completely bare Native American woman wearing nothing more than a feather in her hair. The graphics designers were kind enough

to bestow upon her a magnificent ass and pair of tits. As Custer approaches, his imposing manhood visible, she must surely feel the urges as well, since she does not scream, struggle or make any attempt to escape.

The decision to make the gameplay arcade-style instead of putting it in story mode should be heralded as brilliant. When Custer finally gets his Revenge (ha), the game does not end. Instead, a hilarious romping ensues, with each thrust gaining the player 1 point. With arrows still raining down upon Custer, the player must carefully evade and hump with cat-like reflexes should he or she want to get the high score.

A surprising addition unseen in most video games was the attention to detail. A tent in the background sends up sporadic smoke signals to give an authentic westward-expedition feel. With each step, Custer's erect schlong bounces up and down with tense anticipation. Each

plunge into Revenge causes her feather to sway back and forth while her legs fly up and down. Arrow wounds cause Custer to experience blood loss leading to low blood pressure and an unfortunate limp dick.

"Custer's Revenge" made a big splash in the video game community and has been lauded by many prestigious gaming institutions to be one of the worst video games of all time. Many criticize the game for its adult themes, inherent racism and attempt at making rape fun. However, they miss the true messages of the game: political commentary on the application of manifest destiny, comedic satire on the political correctness of the 2000s and a boyish manifestation of our primal desires. "Custer's Revenge" was truly ahead of its time.

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## 3 euphemisms we (should) live by

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For me, one of the enjoyable aspects of reading Shakespeare is interpreting his figurative language. In particular, the Bard's employment of euphemisms, or substitutions of indirect expressions for unpleasant or embarrassing things, adds color to dialogue. For example, "what the Dickens," originates from "The Merry Wives of Windsor," with Shakespeare replacing "devil" with "Dickens." While some euphemisms tend to the morbid or dramatic, like "shuffled off this mortal coil," others are far more cheerful and humorous. Here are three euphemisms from Shakespeare that

deserve a more glorified position in modern English.

### "Stand to, and not stand to"

This expression appears in "Macbeth," a play that actors refer to euphemistically as the "Scottish Play." In the darkest of Shakespeare's tragedies, a drunken porter recounts to two characters the effects of alcohol. Carousing, he claims, is an "equivocator with lechery" and makes one "stand to, and not stand to," indicating that alcohol can arouse and induce impotence. This euphemism could conceivably be the foundation for the worst pick-up line ever: "Are you a general? 'Cause you really make me stand to."

### "Die in thy lap"

In "Much Ado About Nothing," Benedick swears to Beatrice "I will live in thy heart, die in thy lap and be buried in thy eyes." The pledge sounds romantic, and it is, but it includes a more carnal reference as well. The Oxford English Dictionary notes that in the 16th and 17th centuries, "die" was a metaphor for experiencing sexual climax. Benedick seems to have only one thing on his mind. Furthermore, this use of "death" and "die" in another play permits frightening interpretations of the dialogue between Romeo and Juliet.

### "The beast with two backs"

Iago lies to Othello about a steamy affair

between Othello's wife and a trusted lieutenant with this visceral choice of words.

"The beast with two backs" did not earn its place here for its cheer or humor, but rather for its untapped potential. Specifically, this euphemism could be used wonderfully to report adulterous scandals. Imagine if the media had chosen the "Lewinsky beast with two backs" rather than the bland "Lewinsky scandal." Admittedly, the phrase is a mouthful, but the nation would have shared Othello's feelings of anger and betrayal.

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## 5 movies that will not get you laid

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### 5. "Human Centipede"

"Human Centipede" is a 2010 horror film that deals with a mad German scientist who decides to surgically alter his victims. He does this by connecting his victims' mouths to their anuses to form the aforementioned "human centipede." Not only will it make you despair at the sick, depraved depths of human imagination, but your night will be spent either at a church praying for the filmmaker's sullied soul or in the bathroom vomiting your dinner.

### 4. "Revolutionary Road"

"Revolutionary Road" is a movie about marriage and suburban life from the cynic's point of view, a companion piece to "American Beauty." Sam Mendes decides to answer the question "What would have happened if Leo had survived and married Kate?" Well, Kate would have children she didn't want, Leo would cheat on her with his secretary, she would cheat on him with their neighbor and then perform a self-abortion and die. An indictment of couple life, it is more likely to leave you considering your escape route than sex.

### 3. "Schindler's List"

If you were looking for a film that would

get you laid, you'd probably go for something light-hearted, cute and funny with a sticky-sweet ending, like "Notting Hill."

Three-hour-long, black-and-white films about the Holocaust, on the other hand...

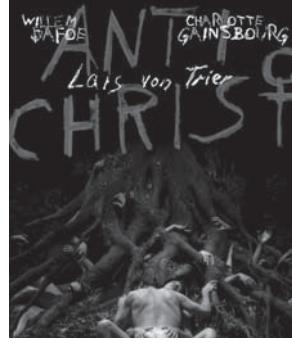
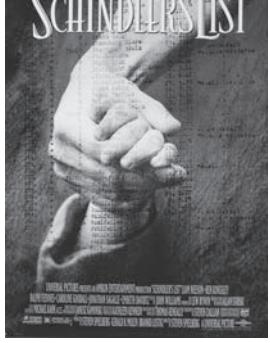
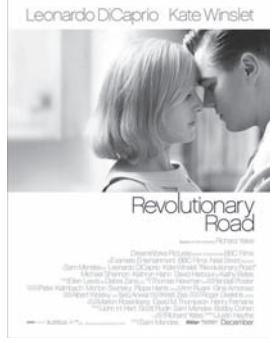
### 2. "Hard Candy"

A pre-"Juno" Ellen Page tries to force a presumed pedophile to admit his crime. Page plays Hayley Stark, a 14-year-old who meets Jeff Kohlver (Patrick Wilson) in an Internet chatroom, agrees to meet up with him and follows him to his house. He tries to make her drink in order to sleep with her. However, Ellen Page turns the tables on him and prepares to castrate him. We also eventually learn that he was a pedophile who raped and killed a girl.

So a film about Internet predation, rape, pedophilia and castration. What could possibly top that in the no-way-are-we-having-sex stakes?

### 1. "Antichrist"

"Dogville" was bad enough in getting your boy/girlfriend to consider making the night a little longer ("Hey sweetie, let's watch a film about mass gang rape!"), but somehow, "Antichrist" goes way, way beyond it. In this film straight from Lars Von Trier's twisted mind, every single sex scene leads to something horrific. First of all, Gainsbourg and Dafoe's child falls out



of a window during shower sex. As part of Gainsbourg's recovery process, Defoe decides to take his wife out in the mountains. They have sex under a tree, and hands start growing from the roots and seem to claw at the couple. So, creepy, but nothing overtly soul-destroying, right?

Wrong. In the "Oh my God, What the hell is happening, oh...NOOOOO! GOD NOOO! WHY??? WHY WOULD ANYONE DO THAT?" moment, Gainsbourg grabs a piece of wood and CRUSHES DAFOE'S PENIS WITH IT. Then she drills a hole in his leg. And as she does its, she gives Dafoe a handjob until he ejaculates blood. It will make every man in the audience cringe for days and possibly curl up in a ball at the mere mention of sex. Bear in mind that this does not happen off screen. You see an actual penis being crushed by a rock and then actually ejaculate blood.

Von Trier also decides to scar female audiences for eternity by making Gainsbourg cut off her clitoris with a pair of scissors.

So remember when you're at the video store reaching for a tape, Lars Von Trier's life mission is to single-handedly ruin your sex life.

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## 5 TV-inspired ways to lose your virginity

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**5** After a school dance ("Beverly Hills 90210"—Brenda to Dylan): This is the ultimate cliché, which is why it makes sense that it appears on this list.

**4** To a married man you've been on and off in love with for years ("Gilmore Girls"—Rory to Dean): At the end of season four, Rory ends her complicated freshman year of college by sleeping with her high-school boyfriend, who just happened to get married a few episodes earlier.

**3** After convincing yourself you've found the perfect guy who you love madly, sleep with him only to have him turn him into a huge jerk ("Buffy the Vampire Slayer"—Buffy to Angel): Our favorite vampire with a soul was cursed to lose his soul after experiencing a moment of perfect happiness, which apparently happens to coincide with the moment of orgasm. Even undead, he's a typical male.

**2** After saving yourself for marriage and getting married in your sophomore year of high school just to have sex ("One Tree Hill"—Haley to Nathan): Haley didn't want her recently emancipated boyfriend to grow up without her and with Internet porn, so this was the next logical solution.

**1** During a Madonna montage ("Glee"—Finn to Santana): This one needs no explanation. It was just weird.

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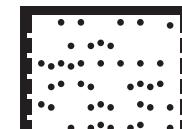
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