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Social Programming Board merges, seeking leadership

DIVYA KUMAR NEWS EDITOR

Washington University's biggest and highest funded student programming body is in the midst of a major facelift.

The Social Programming Board (SPB), which includes Team 31 Productions, the Gargoyle Committee and Campus Programming Council, is implementing structural changes to its system with the addition of new president, director and treasurer positions by next semester.

The new positions will be charged with facilitating interaction between the three groups and overseeing work done by each. Individual directors will still be in charge of planning events and programming, but the SPB president will now call meetings and facilitate communication among and within the groups.

"We're hoping this will make the board more collaborative," junior and Vice President of Student Union Programming Bailey Breems said. "Right now these entities don't really work together, but we're hoping this new board will help their events grow and facilitate more leadership and development with the members." Benefits of the new structure also include financial bargains and increased flexibility between

programming events, Breems said. "If we can see that students are becoming less interested in one event, we can shift our programming over to other events, allowing us to more easily change to what the student body needs and desires," senior and Student Union President Julian Nicks said. "The new structure also allows people who have a mixed variety of interests that overlap join the board, rather than making them choose between one of the three groups to be involved in."

Applications for president and treasurer were due Oct. 31, and applications for director are due Nov. 7 by 5 p.m.

"It seems like we have some good interest so far, both from people currently involved and some from outside members looking to join the board," Breems said. "Because of the new structure, it's going to take time for the board to grow and become an efficient machine, and of course we always want to see more students involved, but so far it's looking really good."

Participants in the fourteenth annual St. Louis Area Dance Marathon celebrate fundraising with 12 hours of dancing.

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According to Breems, this structure is similar to ones implemented at other schools with similar programs and similar sizes as Washington University.

The timing of the structural changes coincided with the end of election cycles so that none of the groups'

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Professor Bill McKibben presses for divestment from fossil fuel

WEI-YIN KO NEWS EDITOR

For Bill McKibben, the only way to fight climate change is to dismantle the fossil fuel industry's grip on society.

The prominent environmental activist spoke to a crowd that packed Graham Chapel on Nov. 1. The diverse audience included students, faculty and local community members. Seating was so limited that some students had to be moved to a remote site to watch a live stream of the event.

McKibben began by expressing his distress over the devastation of New York City by Hurricane Sandy. He acknowledged that climate change has been affecting many countries around the world but noted that the impact has not been felt in this country until last week.

"What happens when climate change happens not on some distant

place or poor person, but on the financial and media capital of the world? New York's tragedy may be the planet's watershed moment," he said.

In addition to the hurricane, McKibben cited the moisturization of the atmosphere, the unprecedented heat wave in July and various studies as signs indicating that the planet temperature is indeed rising at an unprecedented rate. He said that climate change pushes the planet into a new era environmentally.

"We are in a desperate adventure into something new. We do not know what it would be, but every sign of it tells us it is bad," he said. "Global warming is the biggest thing human beings have ever done. By far, by far, by far, by far. We can't let it go on any longer."

McKibben said the U.S. government has a poor track record for environmental efforts.

"Every year for 20 years scientists

have gone on into Capitol Hill to explain what is going on...and got ignored," he said. "The most powerful and wealthy industry the world has ever seen has been able to block any real progress on climate change."

McKibben urged students to participate in divestment from what he deemed a "rogue industry," that is, energy companies relying on fossil fuel, coal and other non-renewable energy sources.

"The fossil fuel industry is, beyond any other industry, the richest enterprise human beings have ever conducted. Exxon Mobil made more money last year than the entire history of making money," he said. "They are outlaws not against the laws of the state...they are outlaws against the laws of physics."

He cited the influx of political contributions from these companies as the main reason for the lack of climate change dialogue in this year's election. "Five days ago, Chevron made the single biggest political contribution ever made since [Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission] to a conservative Super PAC to make sure that Congress would give them all the support [it needs]," he said.

After many years of writing about climate issues, McKibben has come to a conclusion on how to tackle the problem in the United States.

"We are going to figure out how to win this fight when we are outspent...we are going to have to figure out how to make things work. That's what movements are. We bring other currency—passion, spirit, creativity—to the fore, making them count as much as money," he said.

McKibben described his movement, which started with the foundation of 350.org and led to the recent Keystone Pipeline protests.

In the second stage of the protest

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Bill McKibben spoke to SNRE and Program in the Environment students Sept. 14, 2012 before hosting a stustainability conference on the campus of Washington University in St. Louis, November 1-3, 2012.



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MONDAY 5

"Girl Next Door: A United States Sex Trafficking Awareness Production" Seigle Hall, Rm. L006, 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Part of Human Trafficking Is Modern Slavery Awareness Week. Featuring the a cappella group Deliverance, WU-SLam poets, dance, live music and acting by Wash. U. students. There will be free gooey butter cake and a chance to sign a petition supporting the renewal of the "Trafficking Victims Protection Act."

TUESDAY 6

Tuesday Tea @ 3

DUC, *Tisch Commons*, *3 p.m.* Relax and gather with Wash. U. friends and colleagues over tea and cookies most every Tuesday when classes are in session. This week is co-sponsored by Stressbusters.

Election Watch Party and Student Panel *College Hall and DUC, Tisch Commons, 6 p.m.*

to 11 p.m. Join us for dinner, giveaways and a student panel on "What Voting Means to Me" in College Hall. Then move to the DUC for dessert and an election watch party. Cosponsored by the DUC, CS40, WU Political Review, College Democrats and College Republicans. The watch party is open to all Wash. U. students, faculty and staff.

WEDNESDAY 7

The Writing Center Fall 2012 Workshop Series

Eads Hall, Rm. 109, 5 p.m. "Writing Essay Exams." Register by emailing writing@artsci.wustl.edu or in person at Eads Hall, rm. 111. The workshop is free and open to all Wash. U. students and faculty.

Chamber Music Series

DUC, Goldberg Formal Lounge, 7:30 p.m. Missouri Woodwind Quintet. Co-sponsored by the Department of Music. The performance is free and open to the public.

OUOTE OF THE DAY

"The most powerful and wealthy industry the world has ever seen has been able to block any real progress on climate change." - Bill McKibben, environmental activist, in an address at Graham Chapel Nov. 1



MATT MITGANG | STUDENT LIFE

Dance Marathon fundraising co-chairs, senior Traci Krasne and junior Briana Willcockson announce the fundraising total for the event after twelve hours of dancing. Over 1,000 dancers registered to participate in this year's 'under the sea' themed dance.

ABBY ZHU CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

Amidst dazzling lights and loud music, more than a thousand people came together Saturday afternoon to dance into the night.

The thirteenth annual St. Louis Area Dance Marathon (DM) was held in the Athletic Complex's recreational gym on Saturday, Nov. 3rd from 2 p.m. to 2 a.m. Participants included members of the Washington University community as well as students from other local colleges and high schools and members of the local community.

DM celebrated a year-long fundraising effort and spread awareness of Children's Miracle Network Hospitals of Greater St. Louis (CMN), a branch of the national non-profit organization. The DM proceeds will go toward two local children's hospitals, St. Louis Children's Hospital and SSM Cardinal Glennon Children's Medical Center.

"All the college kids are so nice and so engaging with the kids. They really bring them into the activities and play with the kids," said Laura Farmer, mother of Hailey Farmer, who has been a patient at SSM Cardinal Glennon Children's Medical Center for 11 years. "All kinds of students

come and introduce themselves. Then they ask about Haley and find out what's going and what has happened."

This year's event raked in \$128,569.22. While event organizers stated that there were more participators at the event this year, this amount fell short of last year's \$150,000.

Much of the money raised comes from registration fees. Registration involves paying a participation fee and either sending a minimum five fundraising letters and raising \$20, or raising \$150. During visiting hours, those people who had not registered had the option of paying \$15 to enter the event.

Many students relied on their own personal networks to raise money.

"I just sent five emails to my friends and family, and now I have \$180 in my account," sophomore Min Tang said.

The DM executive board also held several benefit nights in the weeks preceding the event as well as a texting campaign on Oct. 25. On that day, cell phone users could text "WISH" to 80077 to donate \$5 to the cause.

Hailey There was also a silent auction held SSM outside the gym that featured items such as water bottles, sunglasses and other udents essentials. The gym was divided into several different areas including the dance floor and a family tent, which provided a place for the Miracle Network families to interact with dancers throughout the night.

This year, DM tried to bring as many families from the Miracle Network as possible.

"Our biggest challenge is to get our cause out, and we really try to bring the kids' faces to campus and have people know the kids and their stories," junior Ali Truwit, one of the event's organizers, said.

Student organizations from across campus and from different universities were involved. Many students stayed until the event's conclusion at 2 a.m.

"We brought snacks and different outfits, and we are staying the whole night," junior Jaime Zucker said during the event.

Junior Madeleine Coutre found the event both enjoyable and meaningful.

"I can't believe how inspirational it is every year...This is my third year doing it, and it feels very similar every time, but for me personally, it's different," Coutre said. "I'm older and I realize that this is one of my last chances so it's kind of sad, but I feel that I'm connected to the community. And when I see the alumni, I know I'll come back."

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last year, more than 10,000 activists came to Capitol Hill and surrounded the White House. More than 30 Washington University students participated.

"We weren't going to solve climate change one pipeline at a time or one coal mine at a time...if we're going to do it, it is going to be systemic structural reform," McKibben said. "We are going to do it by going after the industry that [is causing it]."

McKibben communicated his plan to get schools and other institutions to divest from fossil fuel and coal.

"One of the things that we are trying to do, as students have already been doing here, is divestment movements," he said. "We are trying to get school institutions and churches to divest their money in stocks from fossil fuel, like what universities did during the apartheid years." During his speech, projections on the screen behind McKibben displayed pictures of 350.org supporters around the globe.

"For all of my life, I have heard that environmentalists were rich white people who have solved all the other problems and wouldn't be in the movement if [that weren't so]," McKibben said. "This turned out to be absolute nonsense. There were [participants] from all around the world who were black and brown and Asian because that's what the world consists of, and they are exactly as interested in our future—if not more so."

Students responded positively to McKibben's remarks.

"I think his talk was very passionate and insightful. One of his main points was divestment from fossil fuel. I think that's a very important goal for Wash. U. and St. Louis as something to set our sights on," junior Alison Tune said.

Noting that most students at the University live in affluence, sophomore Ericka Robert responded to the images from different countries.

"It is very eye-opening to see how our culture can have an effect on those who don't get to enjoy the luxuries [we have], yet they are the ones who have to suffer [for our actions]," Robert said.

McKibben was brought to campus by the Sustainability Office in response to a student request.

"[He] is seen by many as the icon of the environmental movement right now," Sustainability Coordinator Will Fischer said.

McKibben's visit launched the Sustainable Cities Conference from Nov. 1-3. After the election, McKibben plans to launch a crosscountry tour of college campuses.

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leaders were pulled out of their roles early.

"I am eager to see how the exec presence will change [and] how these groups function," junior Casey Hochberg, head of productions for Team 31, said. "I anticipate there will be better coordination between events and event leaders but hope the committee structure doesn't take away from the sense of ownership and reward that comes from being on an exec board for one specific event."

"The leaders we currently have are great leaders, and they're great at what they do," Breems said. "We're just hoping to combine these groups in order to enhance communication and develop effective leadership skills."

Students curious about the board or interested in joining can email programming@ su.wustl.edu for more information.

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STAFF EDITORIAL

Our endorsements for Missouri ballot measures Why to vote 'No' on Amendment 3, Props A and E, 'Yes' on Prop B

While most of you who will be voting tomorrow have probably decided which candidates you're going to vote for, if you're voting in Missouri there are four ballot measures you should also carefully consider (not counting Proposition R for those of you in the City of St. Louis). Here's our take on these four initiatives.

Amendment 3: "Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to change the current nonpartisan selection of supreme court and court of appeals judges to a process that gives the governor increased authority to: appoint a majority of the commission that selects these court nominees; and appoint all lawyers to the commission by removing the requirement that the governor's appointees be nonlawyers?"

Our vote: No.

The job of any judge is to interpret and enforce laws. Injecting any sort of politics into the selection of judges not only complicates matters but also creates an unfair judicial system. Under the current system, the governor can appoint three of seven members of the commission that appoints Missouri Supreme Court justices. This amendment would allow him to appoint four members of the committee, constituting a majority. This would effectively allow the governor to control judicial appointments instead of allowing a nonpartisan board to do so.

Proposition A: "Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to: allow any city not within a county (the City of St. Louis) the option of transferring certain obligations and control of the city's police force from the board of police commissioners currently appointed by the governor to the city and establishing a municipal police force; establish certain procedures and requirements for governing such a municipal police force... and prohibit retaliation against any employee of such municipal police force who reports conduct believed to be illegal to a superior, government agency, or the press? State governmental entities estimated savings will eventually be up to \$500,000 annually. Local governmental entities estimated annual potential savings of \$3.5 million..."

Our vote: No.

Though very confusingly worded, this proposition would effectively transfer oversight of police operations in St. Louis and a few other areas from state-controlled boards to local officials. While there may be some cost savings to be had in this, it would open the door to a great deal of potential corruption and remove transparency from police oversight. According to the American Civil Liberties Union, if this proposition were passed, internal police investigations and their results would no longer be a matter of public record, leaving the public in the dark on such matters.

Proposition B: "Shall Missouri law be amended to: create the Health and Education Trust Fund with proceeds of a tax of \$0.0365 per cigarette and 25% of the manufacturer's invoice price for roll-your-own tobacco and 15% for other tobacco products; use Fund proceeds to reduce and prevent tobacco use and for elementary, secondary, college, and university public school funding; and increase the amount that certain tobacco product manufacturers must maintain in their escrow accounts, to pay judgments or settlements, before any funds in escrow can be refunded to the tobacco product manufacturer? Estimated additional revenue to state government is \$283 million to \$423 million amually..."

Our vote: Yes, but with some dissent.

Cigarettes cause a vast array of health problems and any sort of tax that limits their use either through the education of young people or by reducing demand for them is an excellent idea. Missouri also has the lowest cigarette tax in the nation at 17 cents and the tax revenue will benefit Missouri's education system.

Proposition E: "Shall Missouri Law be amended to prohibit the Governor or any state agency from establishing or operating state-based health insurance exchanges unless authorized by a vote of the people or by the legislature? No direct costs or savings for state and local government entities are expected from this proposal...."

Our vote: No.

Though it may appear that this proposition is a statewide, wholesale rejection of Obamacare, this is not the case. This proposition does only one thing: prevent the governor from creating a health insurance exchange program for Missouri residents. Under Obamacare, all states are obligated to create a health insurance exchange (essentially a big market for health care in which individuals can shop for insurance), and if a state fails to do so, the federal government creates one in that state. So the only thing this referendum will do is prevent the governor from creating this exchange, which is hardly logical, and fuel right-wing proponents who think this may somehow allow them to block Obamacare.



The Ivory Soapbox: No Sandy sabotage

MATTHEW CURTIS FORUM EDITOR

he destruction wrought by Hurricane Sandy covered multiple states, caused billions of dollars in damages and took more than 100 lives. Additionally, concerns have been raised as to the storm's effect on voter turnout, with alarmists worrying that the Democratic vote in particular will be suppressed. While fewer votes may be cast, turnout will not be greatly affected, and election results will remain unchanged.

The most obvious reason not to worry is the length of time between when Hurricane Sandy struck and the election. The hurricane made landfall early on Oct. 29 and by Oct. 31 had largely dissipated. Over six days will have been available to make sure that voting is uninterrupted and President Barack Obama has been a huge proponent of recovery efforts.

Additionally, extra measures are being taken to ensure that, in the event that voting remains difficult, Americans will be able to cast a ballot on Election Day. New Jersey, the state hit hardest by Sandy, has issued several directives to ameliorate the effects of the hurricane. For example, voters will be allowed to vote electronically either via fax or email until 5 p.m. Further, all displaced voters will be able to cast a provisional ballot from any polling location in the state, with local officials ensuring that the vote will be counted in the proper district.

The discussion on voter turnout has centered specifically on Democratic voter turnout, with The Economist noting that "car-driving conservative retirees still turn out in driving rain, when bus-taking lower-income workers just back from a night shift are more likely to give rain-soaked polls a miss." This may be true in extremely general terms, but many of the most affected areas are, in fact, staunchly Republican. Ocean County, for example, which voted for McCain by a margin of about 50,000 in 2008, was demolished by the hurricane, as were other GOP strongholds, a rarity in New Jersey. Indeed, relative to their total state populations, it's possible that Republicans will be more affected by the storm than will Democrats.

leaning solidly enough in the Democratic direction that their election results will not be affected. The only races in which the storm might possibly affect the outcomes are for the House of Representatives, but coastal districts are almost all relatively safe in one direction or the other. The only true toss-up in the area, New York's first district, will see Democratic turn-out increased with a Democratic incumbent sitting on the top of the ballot, making up for any potential losses due to the storm. Regardless, control of the House is unlikely to change hands this cycle, with Democrats needing to pick up 25 seats to take the majority, so even if a few races are pushed in a new direction, the national effect would be negligible.

On a philosophical level, it's a tragedy that voter turnout might be lower because of the hurricane. Voting is a right and a responsibility, and it is incumbent upon everyone who is capable of casting a ballot to do so. Practically speaking, however, few Americans who wish to vote will be prevented from doing so, and the only conceivable effect Hurricane Sandy might have on the election would be to deliver the popular vote, by the tiniest of margins, to Mitt Romney.

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Assuming, however, that it is primarily Democratic voters who vote in decreased numbers because of the storm, there is still no reason to worry. The states affected are all staunchly Democratic and are expected to vote for Obama for a second time. As far as Senate races go, the states are, once again,

OP-ED SUBMISSION

Rape culture and homophobia in politics

KEVIN LIN CLASS OF 2013

here is a rampant misogyny and homophobia running through much of the Republican Party's rhetoric. This is a bold statement to make, so I want to back it up. I am sure by now most of us at Wash. U. have heard about Representative Todd Akin's comment on "legitimate rape" and maybe his comparison of his female opponent to a dog. Yet, he's received a \$2 million influx of cash recently from Republican groups. Senate candidate Richard Mourdock said that pregnancies that arise from rape are "something that God intended to happen." Joe Walsh asserted "when we talk about exceptions, we talk about rape, incest, health of a woman, life of a woman. Life of the woman is not an exception." He then proclaimed that modern technology has made it so that the life of a mother is not in danger during pregnancy, completely ignoring ectopic pregnancies and other still common conditions. GOP hopeful John Koster is yet another politician who has made comments against abortions in the case of rape.

Former Senator Rick Santorum said we should "accept what God is giving you," referencing raped women who had become pregnant. Wendy Long said she was "100 percent pro-life" in contrast to other politicians who would offer exemptions for rape, health or incest. Vice Presidential candidate Paul Ryan implied in an interview that rape was just another "method of conception." Rep. Roger Rivard got into controversy for his comment that "some girls rape easy." Some of these comments should disturb even pro-life people. According to William Saletan at Slate magazine, at least 12 of 28 non-incumbent Republican Senate candidates would ban abortion including in the case of rape. Rape is a horrific crime and it still remains shockingly prevalent in our society, while women's rights to their own bodies continue to be under constant attack. These various politicians have tried to backtrack on their comments, but they frequently issue half-apologies. The burden of responsibility is constantly placed on women who are raped, and yet none of these politicians have made a comment on rapists themselves. Presidential Candidate Mitt Romney said

"Today, same-sex couples are marrying, under the law, in Massachusetts. Some gays are actually having children born to them. We've been asked to remove the phrase 'mother' and 'father' and replace it with 'parent A' and 'parent B.' It's not right on paper. It's not right in fact. Every child has the right to have a mother and father." These comments are indicative of ignorance and a lack of compassion that I believe should not be present in someone running for the highest office in our nation. The idea that gay and lesbian couples cannot be good parents is offensive, and contrary to plenty of studies that show that children of LGBT couples are just as well-adjusted and frequently more open-minded than any other children. Gay and lesbian adoption rights are constantly under attack, despite the shortage of parents willing to adopt in the U.S. As governor of Massachusetts, Romney rejected revising the birth certificate for same-sex parents. Every child born to a same-sex couple had to have their birth certificate individually reviewed and parents had to win approval from government lawyers to make changes to the section listing "mother" and "father." Even then, parents were only allowed to cross one of those out and add "second parent."

In an MSNBC interview, Romney even opposed civil unions: "I'm going to want to see a marriage limited to a man and a woman. I don't want to see civil unions either. Of course, if we find ourselves in a setting where the only choice is between civil union and marriage, I will prefer civil union. But I would prefer neither." He also vetoed hate crimes legislation in 2003 protecting LGBT people.

I am not actually entirely against the Republican Party—Olympia Snowe, Ray LaHood and many others are fantastic, but the GOP needs to be sent a message. The party needs to retake itself from its deplorable fringes and show us that they are a viable party for civil rights and for the 21st century. Unless we show our dissatisfaction with the extremist fringe of the party with our votes, then the increasingly marginalized moderates and level-headed members of the party will be shut out forever. This is not to say that the Democrats or Independents do not have their major share of problems, but they at least do not seem to be trying to marginalize various minority groups.

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NATIONAL ELECTION RACES

PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES

MITT ROMNEY (R)



A father of five and graduate of Brigham Young University and Harvard Business School, Romney, 65, was the co-founder and CEO of Bain Capital, a major private equity firm, from 1984 to 2002. Once a Mormon missionary to France, Romney was governor of Massachusetts from 2003-07, during which the state passed major health care reforms that led to near-universal coverage. He also advocated against gay marriage and pro-choice legislation.

Romney has promised to repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA). Many, though, have noted the significant parallels between PPACA and the system Romney instituted during his term as governor of Massachusetts, when he was a large proponent of the idea of the "individual mandate." The plan was highly successful when implemented in Massachusetts.

Romney's website says he will cut the corporate tax rate to spur domestic growth and job creation, reduce the tax burden on individual job creators, repeal Obama-backed regulatory policies like the Affordable Care Act and the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and restore free trade and free enterprise.

Romney would cut federal spending by repealing PPACA and reforming entitlement programs like Social Security and Medicare. He has promised to place a hard cap on spending to promote fiscal restraint and work toward a balanced budget. Romney has stated his opposition to tax increases, saying they would stifle economic growth.

Romney has a track record of successful leadership, albeit not at the presidential level, and with an unemployment rate lingering at nearly eight percent, new blood in the Oval Office could be a good thing.

BARACK OBAMA (D)



Hailing from Honolulu, Hawaii, Obama, 51, was elected President in 2008 following three terms in the Illinois Senate and one term in the U.S. Senate. A graduate of Columbia University and Harvard Law School, his presidency has been marked by the passage of the 2009 economic stimulus package and the health care reform act, as well as the killing of Osama bin Laden in Pakistan. The father of two girls, Obama also won the 2009 Nobel Peace Prize.

In 2010, Obama signed PPACA, which prevents insurance companies from denying patients coverage due to pre-existing conditions and allows children to stay on their parents' health care plans until age 26. The law has come under fire primarily because of its "individual mandate," which requires citizens to purchase insurance by 2016 or face a fine. The Supreme Court upheld the individual mandate in a 5-4 decision.

Last year, Obama released the American Jobs Act, calling for tax cuts on small businesses and middle-class earners, tax credits for businesses that hire long-term unemployed workers or veterans and spending on infrastructure and public schools. Congress rejected many of the measures, except for extensions of the payroll tax holiday and unemployment benefits.

Obama would combine tax increases on families that annually earn \$250,000 or more with corporate tax reform and selected spending cuts to lower the debt. Obama has said he will lower the corporate tax rate but close loopholes to ensure that corporations pay their intended share. He claims his plan will cut the deficit by \$4 trillion, but some analysts have raised doubts.

The economy may still be struggling, but he's made major strides in passing health care reform, averting the full-blown depression many worried about and leading a successful kill operation on Osama bin Laden.

NOTABLE THIRD PARTY CONTENDERS:

GARY JOHNSON (LIBERTARIAN PARTY)

Republican Governor of New Mexico from 1995-2003, Johnson, 59, is known for his lowtax policies and interest in wellness. He has sought marijuana legalization, non-interventional foreign policy and limited government. He originally ran for president as a Republican, but failed to gain traction and chose to run as a third-party candidate as a result. A fitness enthusiast, Johnson has climbed Mt. Everest and participated in numerous Ironman Triathlons.

JILL STEIN (GREEN PARTY)

Graduate of Harvard College and Medical School, now a physician specializing in Internal Medicine, Stein, 62, has spent much of her career discussing the correlation between health and the environment. She advocates for Social Security and a "Green New Deal," which entails creating jobs through investments in renewable energy. She has been endorsed by author/activist Noam Chomsky and Pulitzer prize-winning journalist Chris Hedges.

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DEBT

WHY VOTE

HEALTHCARE

TODD AKIN (R)



U.S. SENATE

Todd Akin, 65, is a graduate of Worcester Polytechnic Institute and Convenant Seminary, Theological where he received a degree in management engineering and a Master's of Divinity, respectively. Previously an officer in the U.S. Army and salesman for IBM, Akin has been a U.S. Representative since 2001.

WHY VOTE AKIN...

If you can look past his many (often offensive) gaffes, Akin offers a strong conservative voice in issues such as abortion and second amendment rights.

JONATHAN DINE (LIBERTARIAN)



Personal trainer Jonathan Dine, 32, is a twice-convicted felon, once for identity theft (he bought a car with his brother's driver's license) and once for marijuana possession. Dine, who considers himself less conservative than Ron Paul, ran for state senator in 2010 but took only around three percent of the vote. (The New Republic)

...DINE

He opposes America's foreign policy, partisan politics and overspending-and he supports marijuana legalization

CLAIRE MCCASKILL (D, INCUMBENT)



A graduate of the University of Missouri, Claire McCaskill, 59, became the first woman elected to the US Senate from Missouri in 2007 after eight years serving as State Auditor. Once rumored to be a vice presi-

Mother of one and res-

Illinois

becoming a

dential option for Obama, she has three children.

...MCCASKILL

McCaskill is a vocal advocate for veteran rights and Obamacare, and she doesn't make comments about "legitimate rape" in TV interviews.

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

LACY CLAY (D, INCUMBENT)



A graduate of University of Maryland-College Park, Clay, 56, is an African American in a majorityminority district. He has been serving in the US House since 2001, where he has cemented his reputation as a progressive voter, authoring Missouri's Hate Crimes Law and supporting the Employment Nondiscrimination Act.

ROBB CUNNINGHAM (LIBERTARIAN)

Mo.,

Hailing from Overland,

has attended several

Universities across a num-

ber of states, including

Webster College. A major

opponent to America's

wars and corporate tax

breaks, Cunningham is a

musician who works on

the road and cruise ships.

His Facebook page had 38

likes as of Nov. 4.

Cunningham



...CUNNINGHAM

He's certainly from outside the beltway, and if you care about his two running issues, he's a fair third-party choice.

ROBYN HAMLIN (R)



...HAMLIN

She's running as a Republican, but says her only real platform involves bringing jobs to St. Louis. As she says on her website, she "will have an (R) next to [her] name because this city is our city." Yes, "our."

WHY VOTE CLAY...

Supporting anti-discriminatory legislation and opposing the war in Iraq, Clay has a proven track record as a liberal voice in Congress.

ON THE MISSOURI BALLOT....

PROVISIONS/AMENDMENTS

MISSOURI CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 3

LATEST POLLS: 21% YES, 56% NO, 23% UNDECIDED

What is it about: Allowing the governor to appoint a majority stake of the committee to determine State Supreme Court and Court of Appeals judges and allow non-lawyers to represent the governor's appointees

Why is it being considered: Initially groups were frustrated with the lack of directly elected judges. The amendment as written simply transfers the majority of control to the executive branch, which is opposed by the same groups that demanded the amendment in the first place.

Voting "Yes" means: The governor gets to appoint a majority of the selection committee for State Supreme Court and Court of Appeals judges with lawyers.

Voting "No" means: The governor has less control over the nomination committee and cannot appoint lawyers (Committee is chief justice, three governor appointed nonlawyers, three Missouri Bar lawyers).

MISSOURI PROPOSITION R

LATEST POLLS: N/A

What it is about: This proposition would reduce the number of aldermen in the Board of Aldermen of the city of St. Louis from 28 individuals and wards to 14. It would take effect by 2022.

Why is it being considered: Proponents of the bill feel that all the work of aldermen could be accomplished by half the current board, considering that in the 102 years since the current system was conceived, St. Louis' population has dropped 53.7 percent. They also think that the approximately \$448,000 saved by cutting 14 aldermen's salaries

could be put to good use. The Board of Aldermen itself voted 21-7 in favor of this proposal. Those against the bill think it will lead to larger staffs and greater bureaucracy. They also argue that the Aldermen will pay less attention to the fine details of the larger wards.

Voting "Yes" means: The boundaries for the city's 28 wards will be re-drawn into 14 wards in 2022 to reflect the 2020 census.

Voting "No" means: The city's current system of 28 wards and aldermen will persist in the foreseeable future.

MISSOURI PROPOSITION A

LATEST POLLS: 50% YES, 28% NO, 22% UNDECIDED

What is it about: This proposition would allows for municipal police forces in cities not located inside of counties.

Why is it being considered: This would allow police forces local control, giving them more independence.

Voting "Yes" means: Cities not within counties (i.e., St. Louis) will have the option to establish municipal police forces.

Voting "No" means: Cities outside of county divisions will not be able to establish their own municipal police forces.

MISSOURI PROPOSITION B

LATEST POLLS: 52% YES, 40% NO, 8% UNDECIDED

What is it about: This proposition would increases taxes on cigarettes from 17 to 90 cents per pack. It would increase taxes on other tobacco products as well.

Why is it being considered: Missouri's taxes on cigarettes are currently lower than any of its neighboring states.

Voting "Yes" means: Creating a Health and Education Trust fund that will tax \$0.0365 per cigarette, 25 percent of the manufacturer's invoice price for roll-your-own tobacco and 15 percent for other tobacco products. Those funds will be used to reduce and prevent tobacco use and for school and public university funding.

Voting "No" means: The cigarette tax per box of cigarettes should stay at about 17 cents.

LATEST POLLS: 57% YES, 25% NO, 18% UNDECIDED

What is it about: Under the terms of the Affordable Care Act, individual states must set up health care "exchanges," which allow consumers to compare multiple private health insurance plans. Proposition E will prohibit Missouri's governor from establishing an exchange without a vote on the part of the state or the electorate. If the

state does not submit a plan for establishing an exchange by Nov. 16, 2012, the federal government will run the state's exchange.

MISSOURI PROPOSITION E

Why is it being considered: Some right-wing individuals are concerned that, despite words to the contrary, Governor Nixon may enact a healthcare insurance exchange should he be re-elected.

Voting "Yes" means: The governor of Missouri and other state agencies will not be permitted to establish a healthcare exchange without the approval of the people or the state legislature.

Voting "No" means: The governor or other state agencies will be able to establish a health care exchange without going through the electorate or the state legislature.

GOVERNOR

JIM HIGGINS (LIBERTARIAN)



Higgins, 64, received a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from Ohio University. His top priority is to reduce the "lobbyist problem" in America, reducing the size of government and transforming our "crony capitalism" into a true free market.

JAY NIXON (D, INCUMBENT)

Elected governor of Missouri in 2008, Nixon garnered the highest margin of victory for any non-incumbent governor in 44 years. Nixon has a law degree from the University of Missouria state senator and attorney general. Although the latter part of his term was uneventful, early on Nixon passed an economic devel-

DAVID (DAVE) SPENCE (R)



initially Although claiming a degree in economics from the University of Missouri-Columbia, Spence, 54, recently clarified his educational background is in home economics. Before his political pursuits, Spence served as president of the manufacturing firm Alpha Packaging and then as

Columbia and served as

WHY VOTE HIGGINS...

If you are feeling nostalgic for Ron Paul's presence in the presidential race, Higgins serves his role in Missouri. For those libertarians out there, he ascribes to all of the party platforms.



opment bill that maintained the presence of manufacturing jobs in Missouri and legislation that requires insurance companies to cover children with autism.

...NIXON

Nixon's actions, including extensive use of the veto, may be one of the few powers obstructing legislation produced in a majority Republican state Congress. If you are hopeful that Nixon will return to his early proactive ways, he may be the best bet to inject bipartisanship into our red state.

chairman of Legacy Pharmaceutical Packaging.

....SPENCE

If you believe the country should be run like a business, Spence may just be the candidate for you; his gubernatorial platform is "I want to be CEO of Missouri."

ATTORNEY GENERAL

DAVE BROWNING (LIBERTARIAN)



Formerly a sergeant in the Army Reserves, Browning, 63, spent 20 years as a private practice litigator. He ran for the U.S. House of Representatives in 2008 but won less than four percent of the vote.

WHY VOTE BROWNING...

Browning says he hopes to defend the constitution and protect his office from special interest groups, and he does have nearly four decades of legal experience.

CHRIS KOSTER (D, INCUMBENT)



Serving as a Republican state senator for two years before switching parties, Koster, 48, earned his MBA from Washington University in 2002. His reasons for switching parties included irreconcilable differences in views over stem cell research and workers' rights.

...KOSTER

With a degree from Wash. U., bipartisan interests and a record for taking a hard line against fraud, Koster brings experience and credentials to the election.

ED MARTIN (R)



Martin is a graduate of Saint Louis University School of Law, and worked at Bryan Cave Law firm for two years before starting his own law firm. Martin served as chief of staff for former governor Matt Blunt.

...MARTIN

Martin's strength is his background in law, and he brings experience from several high-profile cases including those against former Illinois governor Rob Blagojevich and ACORN.

Credits: Wikipedia, http://votesmart.org, hamlinforcongress.com, http://seanotoole4mo.com/about-thecandidate.html, ballotpedia.org, The Examiner (for Higgins's lobbyist problem), http://governor.mo.gov/ about/Jay-Nixon.php and candidate websites

For more election coverage, follow @studlife on Tuesday!

Inebriation 2012: a decidedly nonalcoholic drinking game



he presidential election polls are showing a virtual dead heat in the presidential race. A long night awaits the election results watcher. What better way to make time go faster than with an election-themed drinking game? Enjoy your "grape juice"!

Drink if:

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3	A newscaster refuses to call a state that is obviously going Obama or Romney's way, like Texas or New York, because it's "too early."
	way, like Texas or New York, because it's "too early."

James Carville is misunderstood because of his thick accent.

CNN uses holograms. Drink twice if the hologram is of a celebrity.

Buzzed words

- Underdog victory
- Hope and change
- Libya/Benghazi
- Failed leadership
- Someone uses an interactive map to explain something much less complicated than the map makes it seem.
- Fox News claims that Hurricane Sandy affects turnout in a state not hit by the hurricane.
- A Romney son (Tagg, Matt, Josh, Benjamin, Craig) is misidentified. Finish your drink if someone refers to a Romney son by one of the Palin names (Track, Bristol, Willow, Piper, Trig).
- Sarah Palin makes the election about herself.
- Bill Clinton makes the election about himself.
- Joe Biden mentions trains.
- The camera closes in on Paul Ryan's baby blues.
- Someone trashes Nate Silver's model.

plicated Binders of women Big Bird Obamacare Romnesia Believe in America" (Forward!"

How to maintain friendships while watching the election results

patterns include: friend loss, hoarse throat and delusional behavior.

ALANA HAUSER SENIOR SCENE EDITOR

Watch parties can be a great space for educated political discourse, or they can be a catalyst for apocalyptic, friendship-destroying, competitive ideological battles that often include name-calling like Guevarian communist or Milton Freidman incarnate. To avoid splitting your friend group down party lines, make sure to keep in mind the following on election night:

1. Passive aggression is better than physical aggression.

When your friend approaches you after his or her party just won a swing state, do not respond by excessively detailing the ways in which your party's candidate can still win or why that swing state matters in the election about as much as Jerry matters to the Department of Parks and Recreation. That will only lead to an unnecessary web of ifs (Read: the New York Times 512 Paths to White House infographic). Rather, I propose a more passive aggressive approach but not one blatant enough to strike tension. Try eating all the heads off of some elephant or donkey shaped cookies to channel your hostility toward inanimate objects as opposed to the people you love.

2. Dub-don't mug.

Fox News or MSNBC or ABC or Comedy Central? You are constantly going to be encountering this question throughout the night as people vie for their biased news site to be the featured

channel of choice. Whenever someone turns to Fox News, my first instinct is to spit out Regina George's infamous line—Boo you, whore. In an effort to avoid using this tactic, try switching back and forth between a number of different channels to appease everyone. When an unappealing news program pops up, try mentally (this is key, do not do this verbally) dubbing over everything the newscaster is saying so as to avoid repeated heavy sighs of exasperation that may spark a fight. So when Bill O'Reilly says "Obama doesn't seem to be looking good across the board," you can really just hear, "Obama mustn't mean to be cooking a food smorgasbord."

3. Dough to Door can be a learning tool.

Disclaimer: I have yet to successfully enact any of these suggestions. Side effects of overzealous and hostile speech

Expect to be in the presence of a few friends mumbling all night that the popular vote really isn't that important, and they didn't vote because it just doesn't matter. If you are inclined to discuss the merits of the popular vote versus the electoral college, I highly encourage that. However, it you are just annoyed by the incessant mumbling, try exemplifying the merits of voting in a semi-non-confrontational way. For example, take a poll of what types of Dough to Door cookies you should order to share with everyone as you all await the incoming results. When your friends lacking political efficacy voice their opinion, calmly and

respectfully say, "I'm sorry. Only those who believe popular votes are significant can have a say in the cookie election."

4. If all else fails: Settle.

No, I'm not talking about settling on the issues at hand, finding a common ground between two sides. I'm talking about whipping out that Settlers of Catan game you have sitting on your shelf in the corner and channeling your election anxiety or frustration or even glee into an hour-andhalf game of strategy, conquest and domination. Once you achieve that monopoly on the wood resource, the election tensions will all wash away.

Men's soccer shares UAA title, hopes for NCAA bid

ZACH KRAM SPORTS REPORTER

With just one goal on Saturday against the University of Chicago, the Washington University men's soccer team would have guaranteed itself a spot in the Division III tournament. But all the Bears' shot attempts sailed wide, high or straight at the Maroons' goalkeeper. Now they must endure a waiting game to see if they are given a shot at competing for the national championship.

Wash. U.'s 0-0 tie, combined with other conference results, has led to a four-way tie in the final University Athletic Association standings. The complex tiebreaking procedure favors Carnegie Mellon University in earning the conference's lone automatic bid, leaving Wash. U. hoping that its recent bout of success is enough to earn one of the available at-large bids.

The Bears have a record of 2-3-1 against ranked teams,

proving them "a lot stronger than many teams that are going to be candidates," head coach Joe Clarke said. "Our strength-of-schedule is one of the best in the nation, so I think we have a lot of things going for us."

Yet they almost didn't get this chance, as a loss to Chicago would have been devastating to the team's at-large hopes. In the 27th minute, a routine clearance attempt by junior goalie Jonathan Jebson deflected off of a Maroon attacker and caromed toward the Wash. U. goal. What appeared to be an unlucky bounce and a one-goal deficit instead turned into an incredible save by Jebson, who needed every inch of his sixfoot-three-inch frame to grab the ball just before it crossed the goal line.

Besides this one scare, Chicago had few serious threats, with key plays by defenders such as senior Brian Wright and junior Nik Patel neutralizing the opposing

attackers.

"Our defense, they're just studs...they did a great job. They've been doing that for us all year. They're the reason that we're going to possibly be in the tournament," senior Zac Query said, adding that Jebson "did a great job coming out, made some big saves for us."

On the offensive side, the Bears had numerous chances throughout the match to score that one necessary goal but failed to capitalize on any of the opportunities. Patel sent a free kick just wide of the post early in the second half, and minutes later, junior Michael Flowers sailed a shot over the bar with Chicago's goalie caught out of position.

junior Then Jeremy Kirkwood used his blazing speed to generate several scoring chances late in regulation. In the 74th minute, he weaved between a swarm of Maroon defenders to create a one-onone opportunity but had his attempt saved by Chicago's onrushing netminder. With



SAHIL PATEL | STUDENT LIFE

After a foul with less than 10 seconds to play in overtime, junior goalkeeper Jonathan Jebson's free kick misses the Bears' heads and is blocked by the University of Chicago goalkeeper (far left). The men's soccer team tied the Maroons 0-0 but still came out with a share of the UAA title.

less than a minute to play in again, and we might score six regulation, Kirkwood was the goals. It's just really the way it beneficiary of nimble passing works-you got to get lucky." Still, claiming a share of by the Bears' midfielders and, with the home crowd rising to the UAA crown is a remark-

able achievement for Wash. "It's disappointing because U. "Considering the battle that this season has been in in earlier games, we were terms of healthy bodies and able to finish most of those so many new players," Clarke chances," Query said. "Today we had more chances than we said, "our team's made great did all season, and they just progress." weren't really hitting the back

"We [have] defended our championship," he continued,

Women's soccer wins 16th game

"and I'll be disappointed that we didn't win a game and take it outright, but actually I'm pleasantly surprised that we're in this position."

This position consists of sweating through the selection show on Monday and hoping that the name "Washington University" flashes across the screen as an at-large team. For the moment, the Bears' playing future is out of their control.

Football clinches UAA title

DEREK SHYR SPORTS EDITOR

The Washington University football team was staring at a bleak 1-4 record halfway through the season, but coach Larry Kindbom remained confident in his team, and the Bears focused on improving each week, knowing they could still finish the season on a high note.

Saturday, Wash. On U.'s focus and perseverance paid off against Case Western Reserve University. With a chance to clinch University Athletic the Association title for the first time since 2004, the Bears' defense played one of its best games of the season, limiting the Spartans to only 184 yards of offense and giving the Red and Green a 10-7 victory, their fourth straight win, and the crown as 2012 UAA Champions. "That was a pretty exciting game for us," Kindbom said. "We obviously didn't see a lot of wins in the beginning of the season, but we sure are seeing them now. We got good run stop on the defense, [and] the offense finished when we needed them to. Things are finally coming together for us." With the win, the Bears have improved their overall and conference record to 4-5 and 2-0, respectively.

fighting," junior quarterback Eric Daginella said. "It was really an awesome win for us, and the whole mood in the locker room was incredible. We're very proud of how we've come back."

The Bears' defense was the key to Saturday's win as it faced a tough Spartan offense that came in averaging 320.3 yards and 21.2 points per game. Despite the daunting numbers, Wash. U. stepped up its game, giving up only seven points, 86 yards on the ground and 98 yards through the air. The Bears sacked Spartan quarterbacks Erik Olson and Billy Beecher four times for a loss of 22 yards. "Our defense has started to get healthier, and they've carried us a lot throughout these past few weeks," Daginella said. "They're pretty incredible and reliable. It's nice to know that they've always got your back covered when you can't finish a drive ... just a great performance as a whole." With Case Western on its own 47-yard line near the end of the second quarter, junior defensive back Tate Byers intercepted a deep ball to end the potential Spartan scoring drive. "I followed [Olson's] eyes, and I had a feeling he would throw it near me, and he did. Fortunately, I had enough time to get in front of the receiver and make the catch," Byers said. "I think it probably cut the momentum that Case was having."

On offense, the Red and Green had trouble moving the chains throughout the first half, forcing Wash. U. to punt the ball on six out of the their eight drives. Despite being shut out for two quarters, the Bears came back strong on their second drive of the third quarter as they set up freshman kicker Alex Hallwachs and the field goal unit for a 25-yard chip shot.

"They did a good job of mixing up coverages, so we weren't to do a whole lot," Daginella said, "but we started to figure things out and moved the ball a lot better in the second half."

DANNY SCHWARTZ SPORTS REPORTER

of the net...We play this game

its feet, fired just wide.

On its Senior Day, when teams honor the hard work and achievement of their longest-tenured players, the Washington University women's soccer team notched another win, making another big step toward this season's goals. The Bears wrapped up the University Athletic champion-Association ship with an impressive 2-1 win over the University of Chicago in their regular season finale.

Nine seniors were honored in a ceremony before the game: Allie Betley, Lauren Clatch, Emily Gosché, Caitlin Heim, Jaques, Nicole Clara Martin, Jodi Rosenzweig, Murphy Stanley and Hilary Stepansky. This year's group of seniors has an overall record of 62-18-6 (.756) over four seasons with the

Bears.

[defender], so I wouldn't say there was a lot of skill involved."

Wash. U. added a goal in the 74th minute, when sophomore Kaylin Balley threaded a feed from Johnson inside the right post, where Reid couldn't do anything to stop it. It was Balley's second career goal. "Off of a University of Chicago goal kick, we did a great job of winning the first ball," head coach Jim Conlon said. "[Balley] did a good job of freeing herself up on the far side...she had a great shot over the keeper.

minutes) and Stepansky (four minutes) also spent time in goal for the Bears.

"We were fortunate enough to get all nine [seniors] in the game, which is difficult to do, given our normal rotation," Conlon said, "The fact that they got recognized before the game is what they deserve. For them to all get in and contribute to a good team win... it means a lot to them."

Wash. U. remained undefeated at home, and they have not lost at all since a mid-September contest against Wheaton College. Ending the regular season with a 16-1-1 record, the Bears hope to carry their regular season success to the playoffs. "We're looking to go all the way," Martin said. "We do not set our goals short. We have an absolutely amazing team this year, but we're going to take it one step at a time. We're definitely not done yet." With the NCAA selection show set for Monday afternoon, the Red and the Green will soon learn who they play and where, with the hope that they can host a game or two at Francis Field. "They don't let bad teams into the NCAA tournament," Conlon said, "so we have to prepare ourselves, take things one game at a time and see if we can make this season a little longer."

"We've been through a lot this season. Whether it be injuries or close losses, we've had to adjust and keep

With the Bears still down

by four late in the third quarter, Daginella took a shot down the field on third and ten from the Wash. U. 35-yard line, connecting with sophomore wide receiver Tim Bartholomew for 64 yards and setting up the game-winning one-yard touchdown run by Daginella.

"They've got a really good defense. Daginella and the offense did an excellent job of making key plays when we needed them to," Kindbom said. "I thought we controlled the ball pretty well in the second half, and I think that's why we won."

Wash. U. has its last game of the season on the road against the University of Chicago next Saturday at 12 p.m. The Bears hope to keep the Founders Cup a second straight season and improve their series record to 19-7.

While both teams were aggressive in the first half, moving the ball up and down the field, the game stayed tied until the 41st minute, when a shot by Clatch from the top of the box was deflected by junior Jessica Johnson past the Maroons' goalie Jacinda Reid, who was diving to stop Clatch's shot.

"Clatch hit it, and it kind of hit off the bottom of my foot," Johnson said, "and then it hit off the Chicago

of understanding where to put that ball and with what pace."

She did a phenomenal job

The Maroons seemed to wake up after facing the 2-0 deficit and began to attack more aggressively in a physical game that featured 15 total fouls, many ugly collisions and tackles that went uncalled. Wash. U. had an advantage in shots, 11-9, and in corner kicks, 7-5, and the tight margin in the statistics indicates how close the game was in the second half. In the 78th minute, Chicago broke through with a goal from Julia Ozello.

"After that goal, right off the kick off, [Chicago] came on real strong, all guns blazing," Conlon said.

Despite this single lapse, Wash. U.'s defense held, and senior goalkeeper Clara Jaques earned her schoolrecord 60th win. Heim (11

Volleyball avenges Chicago loss, falls to Emory in UAA final

ZACH KRAM SPORTS REPORTER

For the ninth straight year, Washington University and Emory University faced off for the University Athletic Association volleyball championship. The two conference elites had split the previous eight matchups 4-4, but this ninth entry to the championship rivalry was nowhere near even—Emory controlled the majority of the match en route to a four-set win (25-15, 22-25, 25-16, 25-18) and the UAA crown.

Three weeks earlier, Wash. U. had defeated Emory in five sets, the third straight time a match between the two rivals had gone the distance, and a similarly competitive

final was expected. From the onset, though, Emory dominated long stretches of points, turning a set that was backand-forth early into a blowout with several lengthy service runs.

In the second set, Wash. U. weathered a five-point run by Emory and used several key blocks and digs on Emory star Breanah Borque, whose 17 kills led all players in the match to even the final at one set apiece. With 14 kills and only two hitting errors in the set, the Bears were clicking offensively and seemed poised to wrest control of the match.

The third and fourth sets followed the pattern of the first, though, with Emory quickly transforming close scores into lopsided ones behind a well-balanced attack and strong defense. In the fourth set, Wash. U. trailed 12-5 and mustered a spirited effort to get back in the set, twice coming within two points of Emory. But another five-point run rebuilt the sizable lead and all but ensured the Eagles of the title, handing the Bears their third loss of the season.

"We didn't execute how we needed to execute," senior Drew Hargrave lamented. "The last time we played them, our blocking was really good, and [Saturday] it fell through quite a bit, so that's something we're really looking to work on this week."

The struggles continued on the offensive side as well. Wash. U. hit a season-low

.125 in the match, as Emory's tall front line consistently stymied the Bears' attacking efforts. That statistic was boosted by a .261 mark in the victorious second set; in the other three combined, the Red and Green hit .070 with nearly as many errors (20) as kills (28). Junior Emily Tulloch tallied 12 kills and Hargrave added 10, but the team's usual offensive firepower was missing for most of the match.

En route to the championship match, Wash. U. won its first two matches this weekend. It cruised against the University of Rochester (25-23, 25-19, 25-14) before avenging its only regular-season conference loss by besting the University of Chicago

in the semifinals (25-15, 25-23, 23-25, 25-23). Against Chicago, senior setter Marilee Fisher recorded 55 assists, an impressive total in only four sets.

"Our match against Chicago this weekend was a really good match," Hargrave said. "The first set we played was one of the best sets we played all year. Our passing was really great in that match...so that's something we're really excited about."

But the optimism afforded by the victory against Chicago was diminished by the team's poor showing against Emory. The loss was the Bears' first in fewer than five sets since November 2010 when they were eliminated from the Division III tournament in the semifinals, also to Emory.

"I think it's a really good learning experience," Tulloch said. "It's a feeling that we don't want to feel again...and this is going to be the last loss of our season, hopefully."

As the Division III tournament, which begins next weekend, is single-elimination, the Bears know that another loss will end their season.

"At this point, it's lose and go home," Tulloch said, "so we're just going to have to bring the intensity for every game because we have a huge target on our backs. We've been number one...almost all season. I think everybody's gunning for us at this point, and we need to respond to that."

Why cable television needs Glenn Beck

MARK MATOUSEK CADENZA REPORTER

Political television is boring. Most correspondents are bland, "just the facts, ma'am" types, forbidden from offering any commentary whatsoever. While we need those newscasters to prevent the media from devolving into a petty ideological battle similar to the one currently being waged on Capitol Hill, they can't provide the entertainment value offered by the more partisan networksnamely Fox and MSNBC. Yet the top commentators on these networks (Chris Matthews, Sean Hannity, Rachel Maddow, Bill O'Reilly) come across as smug and combative, turning off everyone who doesn't already agree with them.

So what's left for the rest of us who want lively political coverage devoid of bitter arrogance? Sure, there's "The Daily Show" and "The Colbert Report," but for the past year and half, there has been an unmistakable void in the world of political television, a void that can only be filled by Glenn Beck. Now before you tear apart your copy of Student Life in disgust, let me be perfectly clear: I'm not here to promote or even defend Glenn Beck's radical conservatism. Rather, I'm merely arguing that as a form of entertainment, cable television is better with Glenn

Beck than without him. For those of us who don't consider the emotional abuse of toddlers on TLC mindless fun, Beck fulfills our desire for sheer, unbridled insanity.

I'll admit it. I used to follow Beck religiously, not for the primal satisfaction of watching a grown, relatively articulate man indirectly compare Barack Obama to Adolf Hitler but rather because I was a member of his crazed cult. Rest assured, I eventually started reading real news and soon learned the error of my ways, and for a couple of years, I hated Beck for turning me into the type of ignorant sap that he claimed to despise.

But a couple of months ago, amidst the endless tedium that is presidential campaign season, I felt something that I never thought I'd feel again. I missed Glenn Beck. I missed his highly irrational, tear-soaked monologues. I missed his delusional conspiracy theories. I missed his feuds with Jon Stewart and Keith Olbermann. I missed his dizzying, chalkboard-aided dissections of liberal culture. Can you imagine how much more exciting the election coverage would have been with someone like Beck to latch onto every absurd, dead-end story imaginable? Instead of settling for day after day of the same tired talking points, we could have had multi-week

investigations into the lives of every liberal acquaintance Obama has ever made. It would have been hilarious, and I'm sad that we were deprived of such a privilege.

Last Thursday, Beck wrote a scathing post on his website that gave a brief taste of what could have been. The piece, entitled, "Five days away from fundamentally transforming the United States of America, again," is classic Beck—as inflammatory as it is oddly hopeful. Highlights include Beck's assertion that the Labor Department skewed unemployment figures because, "[he's] been in the business long enough to know they're cooking the books." If that's not rock-solid evidence, I don't know what is. In addition, he criticizes President Obama for not going after the Black Panthers (do they still exist?), for showing sympathy for Trayvon Martin, and for associating with "Muslim Brotherhood radicals." He advises parents to "get your kids out of school...find a different way to educate your children." And just when you think he can't get any crazier, he unleashes a tirade against Disney. Yes you read that right, Disney, in which he claims, "I don't ever sit my kids in front of Disney, the Disney channel and think, 'OK, they're safe.' Not evennot even for a second." The channel that provided



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Glenn Beck speaks to the crowd at FreePAC, a grassroots gathering of Tea Party and conservative activists and supporters on Thursday, July 26, 2012 in Dallas, Texas. Among the featured attendees were U.S. Senate candidate Ted Cruz, and Sen. Mike Lee, R-Utah.

a significant portion of your childhood entertainment? Radical, leftist propaganda. Sorry, but you've been indoctrinated. Beck defies parody

because he is a parody, and an incredibly captivating one at that. In an election season defined by monotony, Beck's outsized personality would

have proven a welcome respite. On behalf of frustrated political junkies across the country, I urge you, Mr. Beck, to come back. We need you.



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Cadenza's pick for president



JAY L. CLENDENIN | LOS ANGELES TIMES | MCT Amy Poehler arrives at the 64th Annual Primetime Emmy Awards on Sunday, September 23, 2012, at Nokia Theatre, L.A. Live, in Los Angeles, California. Poehler's TV alter ego, Leslie Knope is Cadenza's nominee for President of the United States.



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Unemployment is high. The deficit is massive. The economy is in flux. It's pretty clear. The United States is at a crossroads, and this election represents a choice between two clear sides. Cadenza is concerned for our country, so we felt it was our civic duty to weigh in and endorse a candidate for president.

Unlike all the bad news in America, it's been nothing but good news recently for our pick for president: Councilwoman Leslie Knope from television's "Parks and Recreation." She waged a great underdog campaign to beat a well-funded candidate in

a close election. She just got engaged to Ben Wyatt, who chose her love over his career. And now, we want her to be our president.

Leslie Knope, masterfully played by Amy Poehler, has been one of the most memorable characters in television over the past few years. She's admirable and optimistic. Ambition has carried her from deputy director of the parks and recreation department to the city council. Her loyalty and kindness to her friends is nearly unparalleled. She never shies away from a challenge and wants to fix problems. Who better to be our first female president than Leslie Knope?

Sure, we don't know where she stands on some key issues. We do know that she is Pawnee's Queen of the Gays and presumably supports marriage equality. But we also question her attempt to get a soda ban a la the one New York passed. The show has refused to reveal her party identitywe might be endorsing a Republican, a Democrat, or even someone from a third party. But isn't that what America needs: a nonpartisan figure to lead us through these troubling times?

The team that she would bring with her would be undeniably amazing as well. First Man Ben Wyatt would be one of the best first spouses in history-more Hillary Clinton than Mary Todd Lincoln. Andy Dwyer could be in charge of the

Secret Service. Ann Perkins could take over as secretary of health. And imagine Ron Swanson as part of our national government. He hates it, but we would love it.

You might think we're crazy, choosing a small-town, first-term councilwoman from Pawnee, Ind. But the partisan gridlock in Washington is worse than ever. Maybe she's the outsider we need to bring the country together again. She's already shown she can hold her own next to Washington heavyweights like Senator John McCain and Senator Barbara Boxer. The choice between Barack Obama and Mitt Romney couldn't be clearer: Write in Leslie Knope.

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My goal... increasing youth civic engagement.

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Anna Applebaum, who will graduate in May 2013 with majors in the interdisciplinary project in humanities and

French, interned with the Wyman Center this summer

and currently serves as Washington University Political





know what skills you can bring to the internship and show initiative!



In The White House garden during my summer 2010 internship

Getting to know myself ...

Review co-editor-in-chief.

At Wash. U., I've had the opportunity to explore my interests in so many ways, inside classes and outside. I'm able to intellectually explore through clubs and through the people I know.

Bringing my story to life ...

engagement with community youth.

Adding to my love of public service and dialogue, as co-editor in chief of the WU Political Review, I get to hone my leadership skills while fulfilling all kinds of intellectual curiosities. I'm looking to apply that broad range of thinking to a future career that I'll love.

I'm very passionate about public service, and my internships reflect that. I've interned at The White House, worked within public health and advocacy, and at the Wyman Center to increase civic

Up next ...

I know that public service will be a part of my life in some way. I'm excited to figure out what that looks like.

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"Take the initiative, and you'll have a much more rewarding experience." **Anna's Career Tip**

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