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Students undress, sprint around campus to raise money for charity



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Runners take off outside the Danforth University Center for the first ever Nearly Naked Run. The event was hosted by Mr. Wash. U. to raise money for City Faces. Each participant paid \$5 in advance or \$7 at the event to register, and the event raised about \$500. **SEE VIDEO AT STUDLIFE.COM.**



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PARKER CHANG
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

Some of them donning nothing more than Israeli-flag underwear, tighty whities or Superman briefs—complete with cape—more than 40 students paid for the opportunity to strip and sprint 1.2 miles around campus Saturday night.

Mr. Wash. U. hosted the first Nearly Naked Run in Washington University history to raise money for City Faces, an arts outreach program for underprivileged St. Louis youth. Runners included 14 of the

16 Mr. Wash. U. candidates and approximately 30 additional students. Participants paid \$5 to pre-register or \$7 to register at the event, which raised approximately \$500 overall.

The race's winner, freshman James Fitzhugh, said he was not particularly fazed by the near-nudity or the cold weather.

"It was pretty much just going out and running a mile in the cold, I suppose," he said.

The runners passed around Brookings Hall and by the Athletic Complex, beginning

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Study finds psychopaths appear more attractive

BECKY PRAGER
NEWS EDITOR

Fictitious male model Derek Zoolander once said, "There's a lot more to life than being really, really, ridiculously good-looking." He may want to think again.

A new study conducted by two Washington University professors found that personality traits like narcissism, psychopathy and Machiavellianism, or cunning and duplicity, are positively correlated with attractiveness.

Psychology lecturer Nicholas Holtzman and psychology professor Michael Strube had 111 student test subjects to take two separate photographs—the first photograph was taken as soon as the students walked in, but for the second, students were asked to remove their own clothes and accessories and change into gray sweatpants and a T-shirt. Girls were asked to remove their makeup and put up their hair.

The photographs were then shown to a group of strangers who ranked each subject on his or her level of attractiveness.

The student test subjects also took personality-trait surveys and provided the email addresses of a few of their friends, who were then asked questions about their friends' personality. The

researchers combined the peer and self-ratings to calculate a final personality score for each participant.

Holtzman and Strube specifically focused on students scores in narcissism, psychopathy and Machiavellianism, combining the three into a "dark triad" score.

They found that students with high dark triad scores—ones whose personality tests revealed high degrees of narcissism—were rated as more attractive than their less psychopathic peers, at least in the photographs where the subjects wore their own clothes.

But the researchers found that the same correlation was not found between "dark triad" scores and the photographs in which the students wore sweatpants and a T-shirt, suggesting that it is not necessarily physical appearance that creates attractiveness, but rather one's ability to dress oneself up and present oneself to others.

In other words, those with "dark triad" personalities seem to be better at appearing attractive, even if they are not necessarily physically attractive, when given the freedom to dress, style and accessorize themselves as they please.

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Wash. U. faces new year without definitive plan to handle fiscal cliff

Cuts would cost WU millions in federal funding

WEI-YIN KO
NEWS EDITOR

As the fiscal cliff looms over Capitol Hill, Chancellor Mark Wrighton and others have begun to worry that its detrimental effects may result in a significant loss of research funding at Washington University.

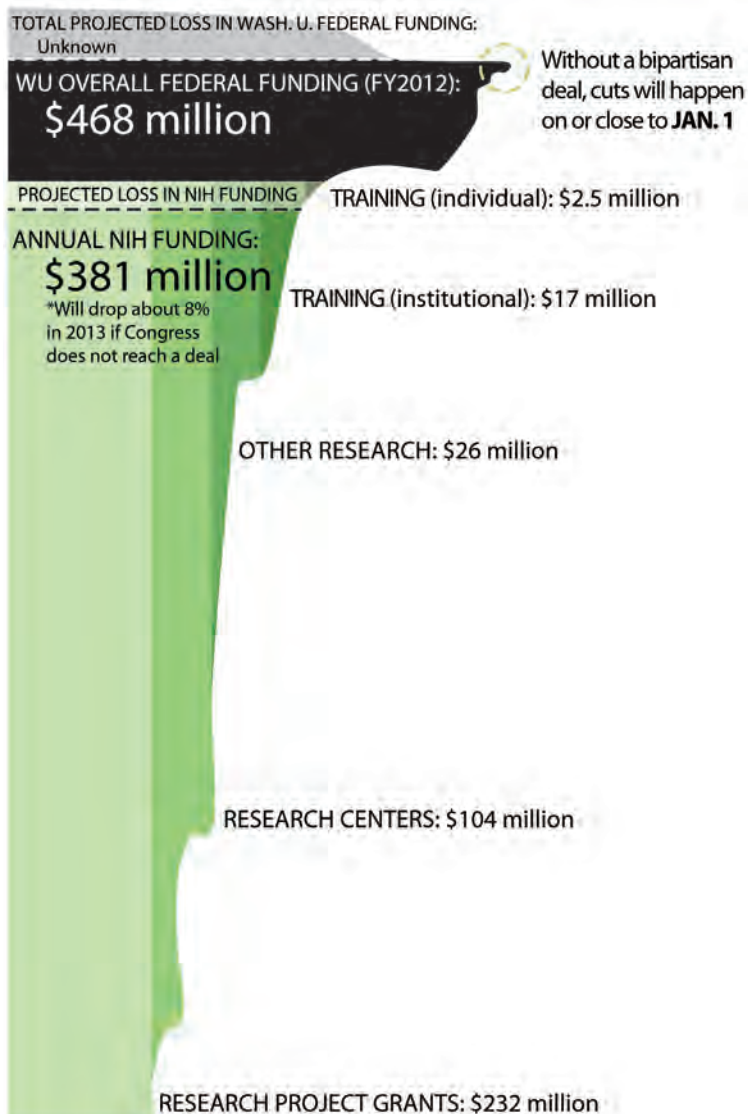
The immediate funding cuts executed on a national scale could impact funding for numerous University programs and initiatives including federal work-study and research funding, and the school has yet to develop a firm plan on what it would do should the U.S. government not act before Jan. 1.

"We have very major research funding from the federal government, and if sequestration occurs, ...we would lose about 8 percent of our funding on an annualized basis," Wrighton said. "That could be up to a quarter of \$50 million or more."

Sequestration refers to the across-the-board, automatic spending cuts totaling about \$200 billion

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Advanced Organic Chemistry Laboratory Poster Session
Laboratory Sciences Building, Second Floor, 2-3 p.m.
Students will present their independent projects. This event is free and open to the public.

Department of Music Concert
Graham Chapel, 8 p.m.
Flute Choir Concert with Jan Smith, conductor. Includes performance by the Clayton High School Flute Choir. The concert is free and open to the public.

TUESDAY 11

Department of Music Concert
DUC, Goldberg Formal Lounge, 8 p.m.
"Chamber String Ensembles" with Elizabeth Macdonald, director. The concert is free and open to the public.

WEDNESDAY 12

Office of Sustainability: Professional Development Series
DUC, Rm. 276, 12 p.m.
"Repurposing and Living With Less", presented by Jenny Murphy, Wash. U. alumna and executive director of Perennial LLC. Explore the creative re-uses for old, readily-discarded items and the complementary mindset shift. RSVP to sustainability@wustl.edu.

POLICE BEAT

December 5 Larceny— At 7:25 p.m., a Bon Appetit employee reported \$20 had been stolen from her wallet, which had been left unattended in a jacket. Disposition: Pending

Investigation—At 8:30 p.m., a complainant observed a suspicious subject in the formal lounge of the Danforth University Center who made an offer to perform an obscene act. Disposition: Pending

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I would eat with Ira Glass, who's the host of 'This American Life.' I love documentary radio, and I think he's one of the most insightful people working in it right now. I also think he's got a very calming personality, so he'd probably be one of the more soothing people to hang out with before the apocalypse."
- Talya Zax, junior

NARCISSISM

FROM PAGE 1

Some students were not surprised by the study's findings. Junior Madeleine Parker, who is in the business school, explained that the phenomenon is visible in everyday life.

"That's why the business school is more attractive than the other schools," Parker said.

Others were confused by the results.

"Why people find narcissism attractive is beyond me," said sophomore Rachel Catanese. "It's never fun to hear somebody always talk about themselves."

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that would be triggered around Jan. 1 if Congress fails to reach an agreement on the federal budget.

Wrighton recently sent a letter to U.S. Senators Claire McCaskill and Roy Blunt, of Missouri, and Richard Durbin and Mark Kirk, of Illinois, expressing his concern about the consequences of a compromise not being reached in Congress by the beginning of 2013.

But while other schools like the University of Michigan and Johns Hopkins University have lobbied against sequestration—or the automatic spending reductions that will happen on Jan. 1, Washington University has not lobbied on the issue at all, according to opensecrets.org records that go back to 2006.

The loss of research funding would not only affect the University's research in several fields of medicine, but may result in job losses as well.

"There are significant adverse effects for much of the University," Wrighton said. "If the funding is reduced, we have to cut back scale of the projects. Depending on the projects and who is involved, it could mean that we would have layoffs of personnel."

The issue was also discussed in Friday's meeting of the University's Board of Trustees.

"I want to make sure that our Board of Trustees knows that we have some major challenges if the fiscal cliff is not resolved," Wrighton said. "[Our] very significant programs in cancer annulment and Alzheimer's disease, diabetes, cardiovascular disease...all of these areas [in which] we are heavily involved would be curtailed."

Going over the fiscal cliff would significantly reduce funding from federal agencies like the National Institutes of Health (NIH), which contributes substantially to research at the Washington University School of Medicine.

"There could be 8-17 percent cuts across the board of the discretionary part of the federal government. Those cuts would result in less funding to those agencies which provide research to Washington University," Evan Kharasch, vice chancellor for research, said.

Larry Shapiro, executive vice chancellor for medical affairs and dean of the Washington University School of Medicine, wrote an op-ed for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch on how cuts to the NIH would devastate the funding for research in the medical school.

"There were no specific proposals or plans as to how the University might deal with that because it is too preliminary at this time," Kharasch said. "Washington University is very carefully monitoring what the federal government is doing. We are very aware, and we are communicating our best information to our University community including our faculty so they can have the most up-to-date information."

Wrighton pointed out that although the medical school would be hit hardest by the fiscal cliff, the effects would be felt by all facets of the University.

"The majority of our research funding goes to [the] School of Medicine. That's about 85 percent of our research," Wrighton said. "But it does affect Danforth campus as well in the sciences, engineering and social work."

Some students voiced concern with the potential loss of funding due to the University's strong reputation as a research school.

"If the funding for our research is threatened, I think the University should do everything they can to counteract that," senior Connor Liu said. "I'm sure Wash. U. is not the only one in this situation, I'm sure universities across the nation are having similar threats to research. Keeping that in mind, universities should either on their own or together come up with a plan or at

Special Events during reading week

DUC Open until 2 a.m.
Free coffee at the DUC at 8:30 p.m.
Cookies and milk at 12 a.m. at the DUC
Olin Library Open 24 hours (Dec. 8-19)

TUESDAY

Bear's Den and the Village: Moonlight Breakfast, 11 p.m.
This legendary free breakfast buffet only happens once a semester – don't miss it!

Bear Necessities: Holiday Sale (Dec. 11 and 12)
Stock up on Wash. U. gear at a discounted price – it makes a great holiday gift!

The Dreidel Games: Beat Your Hunger Chabad (7018 Forsyth Blvd.), 5 p.m.
Chabad Student Association is hosting a Dreidel tournament with chocolate gelt as a reward for the participants. A dinner of deli subs, latkes and sufganiot (donuts) will also be served.

WEDNESDAY

Chill Bar
DUC, 9 p.m.
Come "chill out" with free frozen yogurt!

Women's basketball vs. Fontbonne
Francis Field House, 7 p.m.
Support the Lady Bears in one of their last games of the semester!

THURSDAY

Nightmare Before Christmas showing
Ursa's, 10 p.m.
Grab a friend and come enjoy some popcorn and a holiday classic!

FRIDAY

Movie Theatre: The Hobbit, 12 a.m.
Take a break from studying for finals to stand in line with other bearded, costumed fans to see the newest Tolkien flick. Next week you may want to die (and just might, if the Maya have their say) but for now, may the hair on your toes grow longer!

EMILY SYBRANT, SADIE SMECK, ALEX LEICHENGER | STUDENT LIFE

least have a voice in that debate."

Liu stressed that the school's research reputation attracts students from all over the globe.

"One of the big allures of Wash. U. is...the research opportunities that are available here, he said. "Taking away from research would take away some of the things we value about Wash. U. most."

Sophomore Claudia Garza noted that it may affect opportunities for students to work on research projects.

"I was involved in [pulmonary] research at the med school. [The potential funding loss] would be a loss of research opportunities for students," she said.

Wrighton said that the potential decrease in investment would undoubtedly be harmful to the University.

"An investment in research has powerful positive effects down the road, and disruption in research is very difficult [because] we depend on a continuity of funding," he said. "The sudden decline can be a major setback to important research programs."

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Participants in the Nearly Naked Run enjoy some refreshments outside the Danforth University Center after completing the jog. About 44 students braved the cold to run around campus while scantily clad.

and ending at the Danforth University Center. Runners were encouraged to wear anything from pajamas to underwear to costumes, given that their attire covered all the areas that a bathing suit would.

The run was aligned with the DUC's monthly DUC In/DUC Out program. DUC In/DUC Out also featured a mechanical bull, karaoke and a chili buffet for runners and other students following the race.

Mr. Wash. U. candidate and sophomore Ben Sass hoped the run provided students with a welcome break from studying.

"I think it [was] a good way for people to get out and get crazy in the midst of finals," he said.

Cash prizes of \$50, \$25 and \$15 awaited the run's top three finishers, respectively.

Second-place winner, freshman Jon Okenfuss, said he enjoyed the race.

"It was a lot of fun and a nice way to start the evening," he said.

Josh Gruenke, assistant director for programs at the DUC, was the first to propose the idea to the Mr. Wash. U. executive board after organizers approached him seeking to host an event in collaboration with the DUC. Gruenke coordinated a Nearly Naked Run at Northern Kentucky University,

where he worked previously.

"Mr. Wash. U. wanted to host a DUC In/DUC Out. They wanted to do something different, something that hadn't been done before," Gruenke said.

The Mr. Wash. U. executive board considered the event a success.

"It went really well. It seemed like everyone had fun," senior Jon Merrill, president of the group's board, said. "That's what we were going for, the novel factor."

Mr. Wash. U. also hosted a Thanksgiving silent auction in order to benefit its extended partnership with City Faces. Merrill noted that the two events drew very different crowds.

Next semester, the group plans to host a Vermonster challenge and gallery night, where they will auction off the artwork from kids involved in the City Faces program.

Merrill and Sass found the Nearly Naked Run unique among the fundraisers and hope to continue the run in future years.

"We've definitely talked about making this an annual event, and now that people know what it is, hopefully they will have the guts to come out and race," Sass said.

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FORUM

STAFF EDITORIAL

A doomsday bucket list

Friends of Forum, it's been fun. If mistranslated Mayan calendars are to be believed, the End of Days is nigh. We've stockpiled canned foods and twinkies in the StudLife office, along with lead aprons from the med school radiology department and plenty of second amendment guaranteed hand-cannons to discourage zombie assaults. But for all you readers unlucky enough to be bunker-less, here's a list of suggestions for your final days.

1. Get to the top of Brookings
"Easier said than done" or "where

are the stairs" are excuses for the unprepared. The REI in Brentwood sells climbing ropes, carabiners, chalk bags and ice picks. Just charge it to your Mastercard—no one's going to be around to demand payment.

2. Discover all of the secret tunnels

Some of the pipes in the older maintenance ways are allegedly lined with asbestos and lead. For once, those things might save your life.

3. Bowl at the Chancellor's house
Invite yourself into Mark's (after the apocalypse, everyone is on a

first name basis) crib as he and his wife adjust to the idea of the world to come, which may or may not but probably ought to have glow sticks. Their privacy comes second to your need to bowl a perfect game.

4. Get a hug from every BD staff member

Those that stick around are the ones who love you most.

5. Get married in Graham Chapel

Anyone can be a minister these days, thanks to the Internet. Among the Student Life staff, we have one bishop of the Church of Tomorrow-Day Good Guys, four wizards of the United

Congregation of Reptaur, and one Lord Xenu of Scientology.

6. Take a shower in the DUC
Seriously, try this. It doesn't even need to be the end of the world. The water pressure is sublime.

7. Attend a Wash. U. athletic event

Hints: We're called "the Bears" and our colors are red and green. The more points we have, the better, except in golf and cross country.

8. Go to the observatory

Get a better view than anyone else of the lunar crash into the Arch. Maybe it'll drop a Moon's Tear, or you'll see a masked imp dance atop

the Med School.

9. Get drunk on sangria at Ibbey's

It'll be awkward to be there with the dipsomaniacs who are ignorant of their demise, but that's hardly important at the moment. Another chorus of "Piano Man," anyone?

10. Spend a day without getting kicked off of WUFI-S

Just kidding.

11. Have sex in each of these places.

Because why the hell not?

It's been fun, everyone. See you on the other side.

—Studlifers

EDITORIAL CARTOON



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

RE: Voices from the Middle East

ELANA WIDMANN
CLASS OF 2014

I think it's safe to say I would not have been accepted into Washington University in St. Louis in March of 2010 had my personal essay contained as many "likes" as my interview in StudLife has.

What's my point? Well, I'll tell you.

Amanda Packer and I were asked by StudLife to do a Skype interview in the aftermath of the

most recent Israel-Hamas conflict since we are studying abroad in Israel. Little did we know, we were being recorded for a verbatim Q&A.

I am incredibly disappointed that StudLife chose not to inform its interview subjects of the style of the interview and the formatting of the article. Amanda and I were under the impression that our Skype meeting with editor-in-chief Michael Tabb was a conversation in which he would get a feel of

our situation and from there create an original piece using specific quotes. We were never informed that our conversation with Michael was being recorded word-for-word for a transcript that would be visible to the entire WUSTL community and beyond. Had we been informed of his intentions, we would have asked for some time to format our answers and slowly share our thoughts, enabling us to sound more professional and cohesive.

In particular, my recount of hearing the rocket in Tel Aviv and Amanda's anecdote about her Shabbat dinner were two of many instances that were poorly captured because of the verbatim recording.

We agreed to do the interview to be helpful to StudLife and the Wash. U. community. We would have appreciated it if StudLife had given us the courtesy of informing us of its intentions.

The Q&A published by StudLife did not accurately capture

the essence of our thoughts and anecdotes. Rather, the style and structure of "Voices from the Middle East" took attention away from what we wanted to share.

I look forward to my return to Wash. U. when Amanda and I can report in person about our experiences abroad in Israel.

I just want to, like, be able to share and, like, tell everything! Like, what do you all think?

Kidding.

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A semester in retrospect

NATALIE VILLALON
SENIOR FORUM EDITOR

For the last issue of the semester (and possibly of all time. Fingers crossed), it seems vaguely appropriate to offer a few retrospective thoughts and weigh whether or not we've made progress as a campus over the semester. Full disclosure: I didn't come to a conclusion, but here are a few of the highlights from the highly scientific process of evaluation.

The cost of college is still too darn high, as evidenced by the recent tuition forum. Wash. U. can't go need-blind without sacrificing investment in quality professors and facilities; while this is troubling, it seems that this isn't a result of the powers that be flipping the bird at us whilst greedily counting their goblin-gold but rather a carefully considered decision. Hopefully, Wash. U. will eventually be able to go need-blind.

Student Union elections were underwhelming, in terms of competitiveness, but that's nothing new. Maybe, imbued with a new sense of civic duty and school pride, SU will band together to finally get us those joint events with Saint Louis University and videos in the WhatSUp emails. At the very least, let's have some more transparency when it comes to "special elections" next semester.

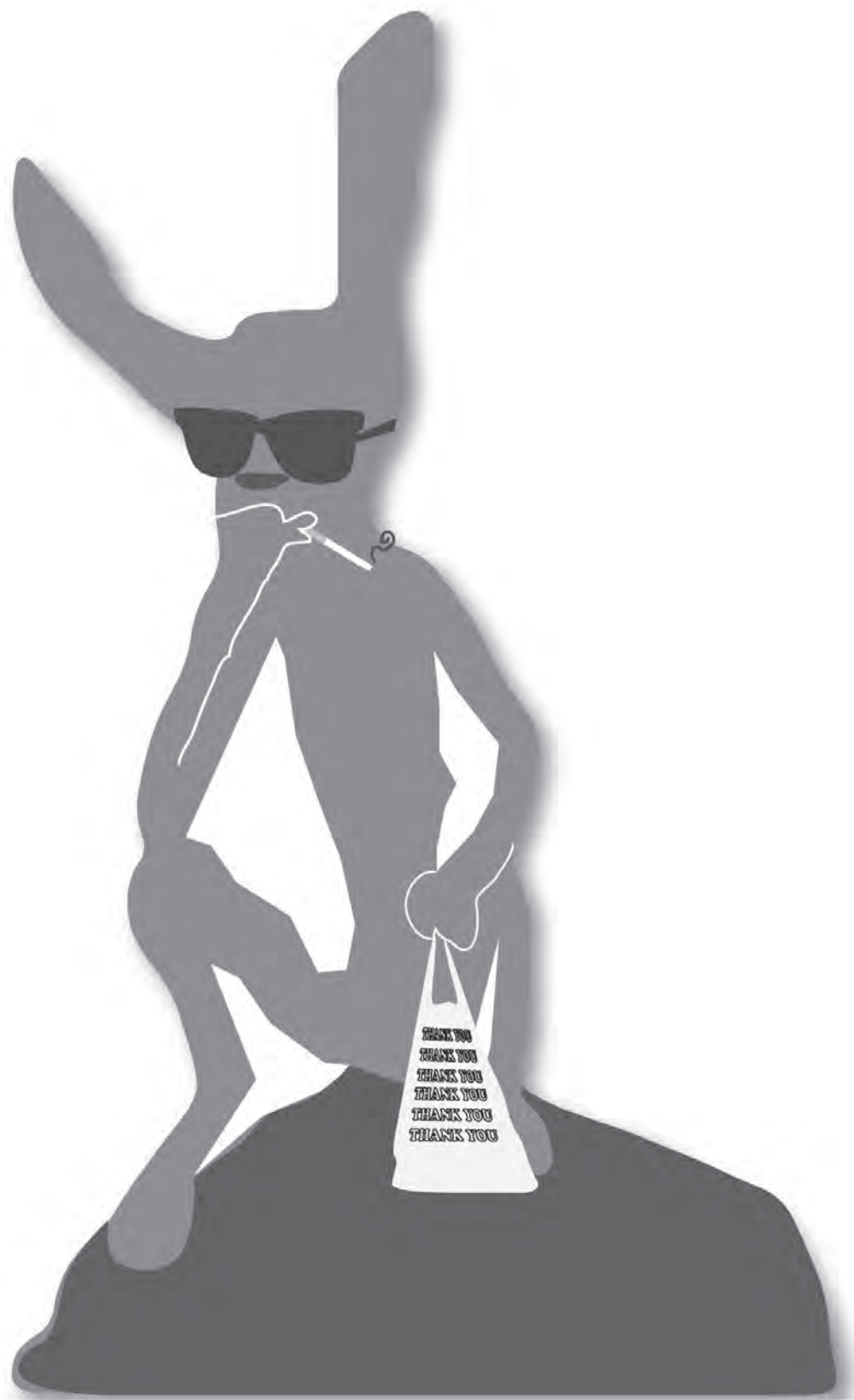
Speaking of student government, the plastic bag debacle was (and is) just irritating to me. It's just an example of well-meaning but not particularly well-reasoned projects being advanced in the name

of environmentalism. Out of spite, I'm going to drive my car in figure eights in Brookings Quadrangle every day from 4-5 p.m. whilst smoking an entire pack of unfiltered cigarettes. Hope to see you there.

Sammie and Sig Ep getting busted could really go either way. On the one hand, justice is being served, or something. On the other hand, this makes me worried for my own questionable activities (WUPD might start cracking down on eating in the B stacks, for example. Sometimes I've just got to have a sandwich). Honestly, I'd rather that more time and discussion be invested in sexual assault education and prevention (everywhere on campus). But that's just me.

Wash. U. has made some progress, though. We finally knocked down that concrete brick building, Elliot Hall, officially taking away the only homage to "Soviet chic" architecture on campus.

The Bunny is no longer naked all the time, which is a victory for decency. Mr. Wash. U. parlayed near-nudity into money for City Faces, which, as it turns out, is less like prostitution than it sounds. The School of Medicine figured out that free birth control leads to fewer abortions and teen pregnancies. The new fundraising campaign began. We had a second and successful Trans Awareness week this November. Kal Penn came to speak. And Macklemore is coming for WUStock; if that's not a sign of progress, I don't know what is. So here's to looking back on a pretty good semester, Wash. U. I'll catch you on the flipside.



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EDITORIAL CARTOON



'Sequester whatever you want, just let me keep my glow stick.'

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thumbs up

Thumbs up to classes being over. Who actually works during reading week?

Thumbs up to Wash. U. actually pulling off a nearly naked run. Next year let's show Berkeley that we can go full monty like some of our peer schools.

Thumbs up Hanukkah falling early this year when we can celebrate with friends on campus, even if some people are too tense to play dreidel.

Thumbs up to Moonlight Breakfast. There's no break from studying an hour while waiting in line for some free greasy food.



thumbs down

Thumbs down to men's basketball losing out by two points in the last seconds of Saturday's game against Wheaton.

Thumbs down to people finding people with narcissistic, Machiavellian and psychopathic personalities hotter. When do the nice guys win?

Thumbs down to the end of the Mayan calendar; we just spent months obsessing over our next president and all for what?

Thumbs down to people who've already gone home for break. Some of us are in full stress mode.

SPORTS

Buzzer-beater gives men's hoops first loss of the season

KURT ROHRBECK
SENIOR SPORTS EDITOR

Every time down the court during the second half of Saturday night's Top 25 men's basketball matchup, Wheaton College looked like it had taken the step that would put it ahead for good—a three-pointer, an and-one lay-in, a steal on the defensive end; each time, however, Washington University came right back and brought it back within reach.

Finally, Wheaton hit one last shot—and for once, the Bears had no chance to respond.

The Thunder's Tyler Peters hit a turnaround jumper as time expired to give No. 22 Wheaton a 66-64 win and hand the sixth-ranked Bears their first loss of the season.

"It came down to the last shot: they made it, and we didn't get it," head coach Mark Edwards said. "I give our kids a lot of credit... two good teams really went at it, and on their court, we just came up short."

The game, as predicted, was a battle between the Bears' rebounding and post play and the Thunder's shooting. Wash. U., which entered the night with the best rebounding margin in Division III at plus-15 per game, out-rebounded Wheaton 40-25 and had a 32-10 edge in points-in-the-paint. Wheaton, which came in with the fifth-best three-point percentage in the country at 46.2 percent, shot 11 of 24 (45.8 percent) from behind the arc.

"It was two teams that

had very different styles of play going head-to-head," Edwards said. "They shot the ball really well. That was really hard to overcome, their three-point shooting."

That was particularly noticeable in the first half. In a half that was otherwise fairly even in most facets, Wheaton hit seven of 13 from three-point range, helping it keep a small but steady lead. The Thunder took a 7-6 lead at the 16:02 mark of the half but only led by more than five points twice in the half and took a 33-28 margin into the break.

"It's frustrating," Edwards said of the Thunder's shooting from downtown. "It can demoralize you. Our kids withstood it; they just kept playing and were able to keep themselves in position to win."

In that first half, sophomore Nick Burt scored eight of his career-high 10 points, and sophomore Matt Palucki put up 7 points and 6 rebounds.

After Palucki's jumper and a three-pointer from junior Alan Aboona knotted the game up early in the second half, Wheaton went on multiple quick runs to try and seize the momentum for good. But every time the Thunder looked ready to pull away, the Bears responded, usually thanks to solid free-throw shooting, some great passing from Aboona (eight assists, including five in the second half) and finishing underneath the basket.

Wheaton scored to go

ahead 45-37 with 15:57 left before the Bears scored two quick buckets to cut the lead in half. The Thunder led 51-41 with 14:33 left, but that lead was followed by six straight points for Wash. U. And after the Thunder gained a 57-47 advantage with 8:39 remaining, the Bears went on a 10-1 run to make it a one-point game.

"They believe in each other," Edwards said of the team's resilience. "They stuck with their plan and played their system. Nobody tried to take it upon themselves to score big baskets. They let their teammates work with them, create scoring opportunities...it put them in a position to win."

After a lay-up by junior Chris Klimek tied the game up with 1:30 remaining, the teams traded three-pointers to give Wheaton the ball with 23 seconds left after a timeout. A three-point attempt from the corner was short, but the ensuing scramble pushed the ball out of bounds, giving Wheaton possession with three seconds left.

That set the stage for Peters' heroics.

"We had a guy on him. He hit a tough shot. That's what it takes," Edwards said. "Unfortunately, they were the ones shooting it."

Palucki's 15 points and 10 rebounds were both team-highs in the game. Klimek had 14 and 8, and senior Rob Burnett added 11 and 5. Wash. U. shot 45.8 percent for the game had 17 assists as a team.

The Bears will take the



PAUL GOEDEKE | STUDENT LIFE

Sophomore Matt Palucki goes up for a lay-up against Illinois Wesleyan University on Dec. 1. Palucki recorded 15 points and 10 rebounds in the Bears' 66-64 loss to Wheaton College.

next two days off before opening up practice again on Wednesday. They will look to get another winning streak going in the Field House on Saturday when they face Elmhurst

College at 7 p.m. The two teams played last year in a game that, coincidentally enough, ended with a buzzer-beater by Dylan Richter that gave the Bears a 67-66 win.

"We're going to just keep doing what we've done, and that's get better with each game," Edwards said. "[Elmhurst] plays a lot of tough games, too, so it'll be a good matchup for us."

Women's basketball wins with strong rebounding, defense

ZACH KRAM
SPORTS REPORTER

The No. 5 Washington University women's

basketball team weathered a late rally at Augustana College on Saturday to extend its winning streak to four and move to 6-1 on

the season. The 74-61 final score belies that the game was a defensive battle—for most of the first half, there were fewer baskets made

than minutes played—but the Bears' sizable advantages in rebounding and free-throw shooting proved to be the difference against an upset-minded opponent.

As has been the storyline for the team's season thus far, strong defense carried the Bears even when their shooters were slumping. Augustana's first basket came 5:15 into the game, and the Vikings were held to 32 percent shooting in an 18-point first half.

The final 20 minutes told a different tale as Augustana shot 55.6 percent and sank five three-pointers en route to 43 second half points. After leading by as much as 19, Wash. U. saw its lead dwindle to seven with 7:57 remaining in the contest, but the Bears' strong free-throw shooting (26-33 for the game, including 13-14 in the final 3:18) and a four-minute scoring drought for the Vikings sealed the victory.

Although the Bears played a base man defense for most of the game, they sprinkled in stretches of a zone and of a full-court man press to spice up the defensive variety and force the Vikings to rely on their second and third options.

For instance, after Augustana's Jessica Baidis scored two buckets from the post to open the Vikings' scoring, Wash. U. switched to a 2-3 zone on the next few possessions to cut off passing angles into the block; Baidis was held

scoreless for the remainder of the half.

"If they go on a run of points, we want to stop that as soon as possible," sophomore Melissa Gilkey said. "They hit a couple big shots...I think we were just trying to mix it up to slow them down and get them out of that rhythm that they were creating, and it worked."

"Of course we were worried because we didn't want to give this one away," sophomore Maddy Scheppers said of Augustana's second-half surge. "It was a tough road game...of course they had their spurt, but we controlled it and got back to where we wanted it with our rebounding and defense."

Gilkey recorded her second-straight double-double with 15 points and 13 rebounds, and Scheppers tallied one of her own with 12 points and 11 boards.

Wash. U., however, did not fare much better than Augustana in the first 20 minutes, shooting only 34.2 percent, but the many misses created a plethora of offensive rebounding opportunities, of which the Bears took full advantage.

The Red and Green had a 46-32 rebounding margin for the game, highlighted by 25 offensive boards and a 24-6 advantage in second-chance points. Rebounding is "especially important," Gilkey said, "because when our shooters...are off, the only way

to get back on is to keep shooting, and the only way that they're going to feel comfortable keeping on shooting is that they know that they have those rebounders."

Saturday was the second-straight road game—including a Dec. 1 win over Elmhurst College—in which the team's shooters couldn't find a rhythm. In the past two games, Wash. U. has shot less than 40 percent and a combined 2-18 (11.1 percent) from downtown. While those percentages are only good on an organic chemistry test, the Bears aren't worried about the struggles.

"I think it's a fluke because I feel we've been shooting pretty well," Scheppers said. "Our rebounding covers a lot of our shooting mishaps, so I think we'll be fine in the shooting department... maintain our defense and rebounding, and we'll be good. The shooting will come."

For their next two games, the Red and Green return home, where they have shot 48.1 percent from the field and 39.5 percent from three-point range this year. If the friendly confines of the Field House cannot bring back their shooting strokes, the Bears' recent road games reveal the formula needed to win even if their shots aren't falling.

Wash. U. will face Fontbonne University on Wednesday evening at 7 p.m.



ERIC CHALIFOUR | STUDENT LIFE

Sophomore Maddy Scheppers drives to the basket on Dec. 5 against Millikin University. Scheppers recorded a double-double with 12 points and 11 rebounds on Saturday against Augustana College as the Bears won 74-61 to improve to 6-1 on the season.

SCENE

Free food for all: The best spaces to scavenge

DANIELLE WU
STAFF WRITER

With the honeymoon period of the freshmen First 40 well in the past, it's time to face the reality that there won't be a WUSA or random club handing you granola bars and cookies in every alleyway. General body meetings offering free bubble tea to the first 100 attendees are long gone. Avoiding malnourishment during finals week can be a real problem; suddenly it doesn't seem like such a great idea to join crew, swim team, lacrosse and pack on 21 credits in classes.

Whether your meal points are dwindling or they ran out long ago, it seems that the suggested balance never comes close

to what you actually need to make it through the semester. Discussing the economy of meal points creates some noticeable class distinctions at Washington University. While those who are on the Silver Plan may snicker as they gorge on their potato gnocchi from Ibby's in disbelief that anyone could possibly "run out" of points, those on the Bronze Plan or the even poorer Off-Campus Plan must strategize. Sometimes buying the foot-long of the month for the 10th day in a row at Subway is motivation enough to find more creative ways to shamelessly scavenge for food.

Although there are plenty of events that waste exorbitant amounts of money on food as a way to

bribe audiences to attend, everyone knows that the best events to score a full stomach are lecture receptions. Washington University has a tradition of offering a full spread of hors d'oeuvres whenever anyone vaguely important talks. Often catered by Bon Appetit, these events cost the University hundreds of dollars to offer trays teeming with fruit, pastries, bruschetta, luxury cheeses and delicacies, all typically served with unmonitored wine. There is usually so much excess that full platters are thrown away. Hungry students who can't believe such discreet and anonymous opulent meals exist should flood the tables. Guest lectures are offered in every department and expect better quality food

if the speaker happens to be from Harvard or Yale University.

The best receptions by far take place in the Sam Fox School of Architecture and Design. Especially make note of Mildred Lane Kemper Art Museum exhibition openings, where the people who plan the events carry over their worldly taste in art into choice in food; past menus have included smoked chicken tartine with cranberry relish, feta frittata bites and edamame hummus with pita crisps. Expect vegan options, vegetarian options and several courses that scale the food pyramid. For a few seconds, you can ditch your reputation of starving student and feel like a noble, nibbling on mushroom pâté and sipping

pinot noir while admiring contemporary photography in the museum's atrium.

DUC 'N Donuts and DUC Tuesday Tea don't appear frequently enough to sustain you, so take advantage of one of the last events for the fall semester: the longstanding tradition of Moonlight Breakfast on Tuesday, Dec. 11, from 10 p.m. to 12 a.m. Expect long lines of confused freshmen if you show up for the one in Bear's Den at 9:55 p.m. and bring something to do in the hour that you'll be waiting for a few pieces of melon and a donut. Instead, try the Village Dining Hall at 11 p.m., where you'll find a practically deserted feast of endless pastries, bacon, waffles and other breakfast

fare waiting.

When all else fails, old tactics of becoming friends with freshmen and living off the coffee vending machine in Olin Library always come in handy. It's lucky that every receptionist on campus seems to have a full candy jar at all times. Although, when the campus squirrels are looking plumper than you are, perhaps it's time to bite your lip at the disdain of using non-imaginary currency and simply pay for things. But ultimately, attending some of these events for the free food could do more than save you money; they may pique your interest in something unexpected. You could meet some genuinely fascinating people, and enjoy something more than just a full stomach.

Word on the Street: Apocalyptic confessions

ALANA HAUSER
SENIOR SCENE EDITOR

Doomsday is almost upon us. Well, at least according to those of us who continue to ignore reassurance from archaeologists and anthropologists alike that Dec. 21, 2012, although the last day of the "Great Cycle" in the Mayan Long Count calendar, certainly doesn't mark humanity's last day on Earth.

People around the world have been preparing for the "impending apocalypse" in various ways.

Tourists have flocked to Bugarach, a small town in southern France, in the hopes that come the fateful day, aliens living in a nearby mountain will welcome the town-dwellers aboard their spaceship, saving their lives. In Mexico, where ancient Mayan civilizations spanned the Yucatan and southern part of the country, the atmosphere is one of celebration rather than despair. The Mexican government plans to host celebrations of Mayan culture, hoping to attract tourists to their

cultural centers. In the U.S., meanwhile, sales of a variety of supplies, including 2012 books and movies and even survival shelters, have increased.

Whether the apocalypse is actually approaching or not, Scene wanted to know what Wash. U. students might do to prepare for the possible apocalypse, so we asked: if you could have dinner with one person before the apocalypse dawned upon us, who would it be and why?

With additional reporting by Manvitha Marni.



Post-baccalaureate student Laquita Brown:

ALANA HAUSER | STUDENT LIFE

"I think it would be Jesus Christ just because I'm a Christian and I think it would be a great conversation and I could get like some tips on how to handle the apocalypse."



Junior Talya Zax:

MANVITHA MARNI | STUDENT LIFE

"I would eat with Ira Glass, who's the host of 'This American Life,' for a couple reasons. I love documentary radio, and I think he's one of the most insightful people working in it right now, so I'm sure he'd be a good conversationalist. I also think he's got a very calming personality, so he'd probably be one of the more soothing people to hang out with before the apocalypse."



Sophomore Brittany Scheid:

ALANA HAUSER | STUDENT LIFE

"I would have dinner with a very intelligent, top-of-the-field scientist, and perhaps together we could come up with a solution to avoid the ensuing apocalypse."

FEATURE PHOTO: HANUKKASINO



KASTYN MATHENY | STUDENT LIFE

Students play craps during Hanukkasino in the DUC's Tisch Commons on Sunday night. The event is part of a greater campus celebration of Hanukkah and gave students an opportunity to take a break from studying for finals.

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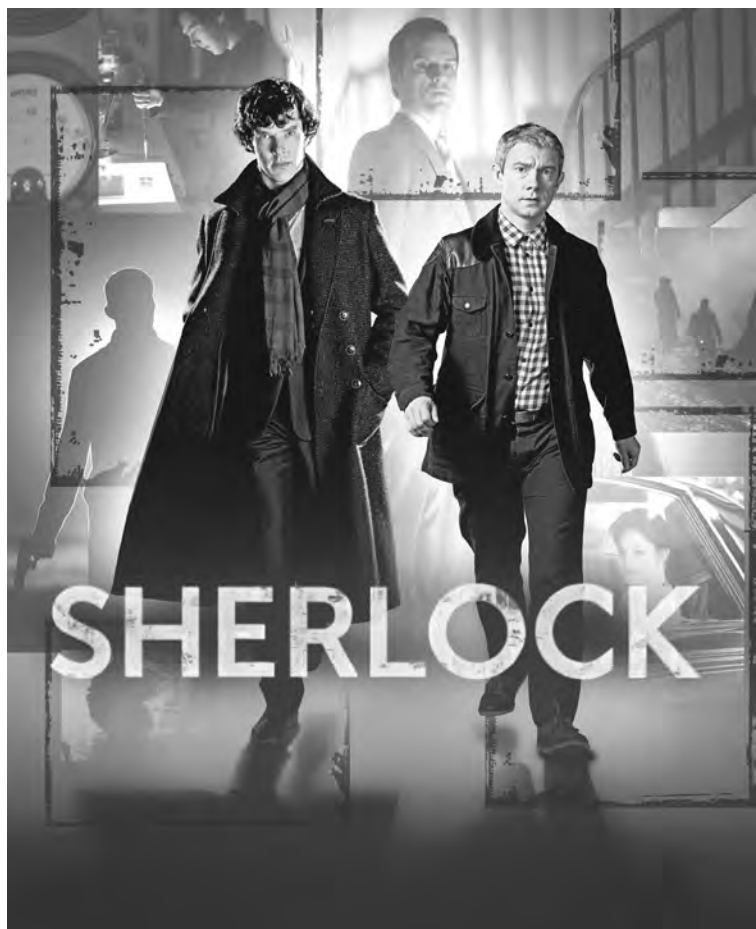
CADENZA STAFF

Whether you're a slave to studio, indentured to essays or bonded to biology, chances are you've missed out on some pop culture this semester. Don't worry though, Cadenza has you covered. Use winter break (or reading week, it's really up to you) to catch up on what you've missed.



The final season of "30 Rock"

There are only five episodes left of Tina Fey's hit television show. Let that sink in. Only two and a half hours left. Your University College class is longer than what we have left of this brilliant comedy. It's a national tragedy that "30 Rock" is ending, but a bit of a miracle that the show even made it to seven seasons, considering it's on NBC. But props to NBC for allowing the show to go out with its head held high—this season has been consistently hilarious with nary an episode wasting any screen time of its core ensemble cast. Jane Krakowski has been particularly amazing, turning every moment she's on screen as Jenna Maroney into an instantly quotable moment. If you haven't been keeping up with the exploits of Liz Lemon and company this season, take a quick trip to Hulu and get yourself caught up. It's your last chance, after all. — *Georgie Morvis*



"Sherlock"

Netflix instant watch. Six episodes. An hour and a half each. British accents. Brilliance. This is not Sherlock Holmes with Robert Downey Jr. or Sherlock Holmes in antique print. This is the BBC television series "Sherlock," and it will blow your mind. The creators of this show took inspiration from the Sherlock Holmes stories and completely modernized them. I'm talking iPhone ringtones, terrorist threats, CSI-style labs, etc. The two stars of the show, Benedict Cumberbatch (Sherlock Holmes) and Martin Freeman (Dr. Watson) are all the rage right now, and after watching the show, you'll know why. They're not too bad as eye candy either. Every episode is well put-together, with a genius plot and stunning cinematography. In fact, it is very likely that you will want to devote nine hours straight to watching the whole shebang. I don't blame you, but maybe your family will when they are waiting for you to get your act together before their holiday party. Better yet, just rope your family into watching so you can all be late. You'll thank me later. — *Jamie Gottlieb*

The Future of Video Games

2012 has been a mediocre year for gaming, as seen through the fixation with games that haven't been announced ("Half-Life 3") over the ones that actually have come out. The beloved Gabe Newell announced on Saturday during an interview with Kotaku that he anticipates companies, including Valve, will sell PCs for the living room. These are systems that would run Steam, a gaming platform for PCs, out of the box and would compete directly with the Big Three's eighth generation consoles. Newell believes that "consumers and developers are gonna find that [the PC is] a better environment," echoing the sentiments of countless PC gamers. Newell also stated that Valve's "hardware will be a very controlled environment," a statement that unfortunately seems to go against the company's typical modus operandi. Despite this, a PC/console hybrid, one that combines the customization of PC gaming with the local multiplayer typically reserved for consoles, has been one of the most intensely desired objects of the gaming community for years. While many analysts have come to see the eighth generation as the decline of console gaming, Newell's "Steambox" has the potential to integrate our gaming experiences across multiple platforms into the acclaimed Steam system, which could serve to reinvigorate the console market. So over break, as you're pondering reviewing organic chemistry or procrastinating, why not have intellectual, thought provoking discussions about the future of video games? — *Glenn Harris*



@BigBirdRomney

Just in case you haven't heard because you've been stuck in the library for the past three months, Obama will still be our president in January. But, in the midst of presidential debates, Romney unleashed a very angry Big Bird fighting for his own survival. In the first presidential debate, Romney said, "I like PBS. I love Big Bird. I actually like you, too. But I'm not gonna keep on spending money on things to borrow money from China to pay for it." And that got Big Bird going—on Twitter, that is. If you haven't checked out @BigBirdRomney on Twitter, it's well worth your time. Plus, if you're in political science classes, you can totally count this as studying. Scroll back to the very beginning of his Twitter feed and read. — *Alieza Schwimer*



"Beauty and a Beat" music video

If you haven't heard Justin Bieber's new-ish song "Beauty and a Beat" that's a crime in itself. However, if you haven't seen the music video, I'll forgive you and just say you should get on that. First, the song is extremely catchy and has a great beat. But even more importantly, for part of the close-to-five-minute music video, it's questionable whether J. Biebs is wearing pants (they're white, but he's in water...). The whole "I made this video by myself" vibe—Bieber holds the camera for most of the video—is cool because the video clearly wasn't just made by him alone. Plus, Nicki Minaj's appearance at the end is great—they grind on each other for a few seconds and it's clear no one is comfortable. When Nicki Minaj raps her line, "I gotta keep an eye out for Selena," I cry a little inside because of her and Bieber's break-up (but really, are they broken up?). Altogether, it's a great five-minute study break because after you watch, all you'll want to do is learn Nicki Minaj's rap. And who actually studies during reading week? — *Alieza Schwimer*



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INTERNET TENDENCY

Timothy McSweeney's Internet Tendency (<http://www.mcsweeney.net/tendency>)

My love affair with Internet Tendency began when I was directed to "Monologue: I'm Comic Sans, A-hole" and has exponentially grown since. Not only are the pieces entertaining to read (and short), but they serve as reminders of how fun writing can be, which is very necessary post-essay writing binge (a.k.a. finals). The majority of the pieces are LOL-inducing and some even inform the reader about pop culture, such as "Harold Brodkey Explains Carly Rae Jepsen's 'Call Me Maybe.'" McSweeney's is a publishing company in San Francisco that produces a variety of literary media, such as Internet Tendency, various literary paper publications and books. More recently, it worked with Beck Hansen (Beck) to produce his latest work, Song Reader, a music book that encourages fans to play along with his new songs instead of playing his music on Spotify. Internet Tendency and the McSweeney's website as a whole is a fun, innovative way to spend the holiday season. Not to mention there's a store, so you can check some names off of your holiday gift list—and add some items to your own wish list. Happy holidays and merry reading! — *Jamie Gottlieb*

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Epic Systems Corporation

Dec. 16
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Bank of America

Dec. 19
Center for Reproductive Medicine Internship Program
The Cleveland Clinic Foundation

Dec. 20
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Emerson

Dec. 27
Morningstar Development Program - Finance / Accounting Team
Morningstar, Inc.

Dec. 30
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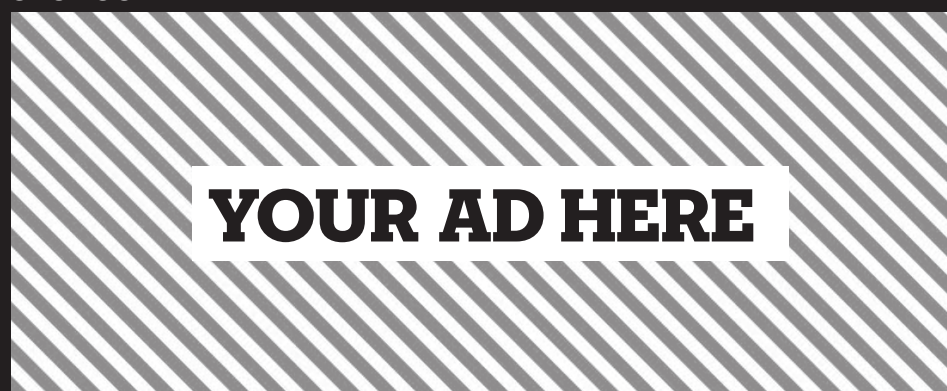
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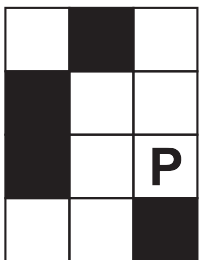
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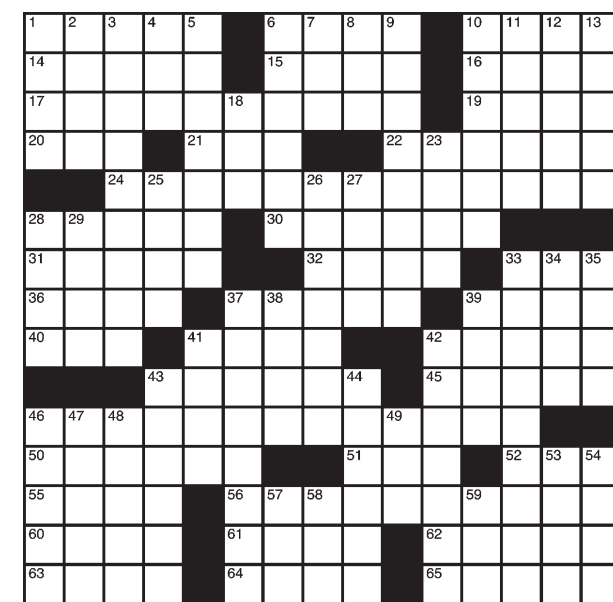
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- 16 Muslim prayer leader
- 17 Impish chutzpah?
- 19 Enemy of un ratón
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- 24 Royal handyman?
- 28 '90s trade pact
- 30 Agreeable
- 31 Geometry staple
- 32 Sign on for another hitch
- 33 Airport near Forest Hills, N.Y.
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- 39 Trash can
- 40 Legal ending
- 41 Wedding ring, e.g.
- 42 Watson of the PGA
- 43 Fads
- 45 Electron circuit
- 46 Betty Crocker's empire?
- 50 Its components are often bought separately
- 51 Come-__: teasers
- 52 "Gross!"
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- 60 Posting place
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- 65 Valentine's Day gift

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By Marti DuGuay-Carpenter

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I'm a major foodie and love FEAST, a St. Louis food magazine

Betty Liu, who will graduate in May 2013 with a major in architecture, interned with SPACE Architects in St. Louis this summer.

Getting to know myself...

The studios in architecture and my internship experiences helped me develop the skills I need to enter the workforce. And, after interning at Pure Design in Shanghai, I wanted to explore what the industry was like in the U.S.

Bringing my story to life...

In December, I started preparing my resume and portfolio and targeting organizations. After attending the Architecture Fair and talking to the

SPACE recruiter, and I ended up landing an internship there. My duties at SPACE included a lot of technical drawing and design work. Plus, I saw through a project from concept to construction.

Up next... Through my internships, I discovered that I really enjoy talking to clients and interacting with people. I'm continuing to explore options that will allow me to listen to people's needs and then find solutions for them.

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"Start early and don't hesitate to ask for help."

Betty's Career Tip

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