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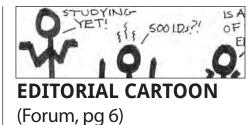
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Faculty opinion divided on online education group Semester Online

EMILY SCHIENVAR NEWS MANAGER

After a yearlong trial, Washington University faculty remain divided over offering online classes.

About 150 faculty members filled Wilson 214 during Friday's faculty meeting to debate whether to pass a resolution to continue working with the online education platform Semester Online, the for-profit business that currently runs the program.

Semester Online, a consortium of several major universities and colleges hosted by 2U that allows students to take online classes offered by any of the participating schools, has held a contract with Washington University on a trial basis for the past year.

While many faculty members feel that the trial should be extended for another two years through the spring semester of 2016 for further assessment, others came to the meeting to voice lingering concerns and frustrations with the pilot initiative. Some were concerned by the program's lack of transparency, but others wanted to support professors' rights to teach through online classes.

Faculty members will vote via an automated email so that members can express their decision without fear of judgment from their peers. The voting period will remain open until March 31, when the decision to continue or terminate the contract with Semester Online will be

Doug Chalker, chair of the his committee recommended passing the resolution but added that the recommendation was not unanimous.

The Curriculum Committee recommended further ment on the basis that it remains unclear how the platform complements the University's main programs and how it will affect enrollment in summer courses. Michael Sherberg, a member of the Curriculum Committee who voted against the resolution, argued that the University's relationship with 2U was questionable because of the lack of transparency and misrepresentation.

"Semester Online was conceived

and advertised as bringing added value to our curriculum—in theory, students could take courses online that we do not offer here," Sherberg said. "So far, only a few of the courses 2U has developed actually bring added value to our curriculum; the rest of the courses we already teach."

Calling the relationship a "bait and switch," he stated that he felt that 2U was not following through on its promises. "Regardless of the intentions of 2U at the inception of this project, we are left now with a relationship that raises questions of bad faith. In part, we cannot trust this relationship because there is a frustrating lack of transparency about it," he said. "The question here is not one of efficacy...nor is it a question of the role of online learning in arts and sciences, which is a broader conversation. Rather, it is a question of whether 2U and the University's relationship with it are trustworthy."

Professor of biology Allan Larson was skeptical about how useful voting on the issue would be. "It seems like the online course issue is bound to return even if we vote no on it now," Larson said. Michael Wysession, an associate professor of earth and planetary sciences who is teaching a Semester Online class this semester, was pleased by the results of the program, which features online "discussion sections" via Skype. "I have never felt more personal Curriculum Committee, noted that connection with students in any classroom, even in smaller seminar courses," Wysession said. "The reason is that there's no hiding...you see every facial twitch of everyone in the class and nobody hides. Everyone is right there." "I've been to a lot of these meetings... One point that we haven't talked about is the academic freedom for people who want to teach courses this way. A lot of the times in these meetings, it seems like the people who have really spent a lot of time developing these courses and really enjoyed making the courses and

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Freshman Elise Hess runs during the Soulard Mardi Gras parade while carrying the Washington University flag and giving high-fives to the crowd. About a dozen Wash. U. students marched in the parade Saturday.

Wash. U. students march in Mardi Gras parade

SAHIL PATEL EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The things they carried ranged from two \$40 cases of beads to a 30-pack of Budweiser. And for around a dozen Washington University students, the burden Caster and Hess decided to honor came with the added benefit of marching in the 2014 Soulard Mardi Gras parade Saturday

Senior Bryce Caster marched in the parade for the first time in 2012 when he walked up to some guys in the parade and asked to join in. In 2013, he invited his friend, recent graduate Andrew Hess, to join the Gateway Precision Lawn Chair Krewe, a group of men doing synchronized dances with lawn chairs.

But when the Krewe informed the pair that they would not be invited back because of missed

team practices and late financial dues, Caster and Hess took matters into their own hands and decided to form a walking krewe of their

"We just looked it up on the website and were like, 'Wow, this is actually doable,' both financially and logistically," Caster said.

"It really isn't exclusive or anything. Anyone can apply for one, and we just emailed the guy, and he said, 'Sure,'" Hess said.

The theme for this year's parade was "250 Cheers for St. Louis," so the city's universities and named their group "Celebrating Higher Education in St. Louis."

"We're all students. It's our background, and that's the most we have to offer regarding St. Louis history," Hess said.

When the theme was approved, they got to work contacting the various universities in the area. In the end, only four were represented.

Saint Louis University donated its mascot, the Billiken, which charged up and down the line giving out high-fives and posing for pictures. Harris-Stowe State University was represented by the

Honeycombs, a dance group that marched at the front of the krewe. Washington University students clad in University apparel brought up the rear of the procession, waving flags for Wash. U. and SLU and tossing beads to the crowd, while Fontbonne University was represented by a Wash. U. student wearing a purple Fontbonne

According to the students who marched, the SLU contributions were much more popular to the drunken throngs than those from

"People would have hated us if we [only had Wash. U.]," senior Connie Shao said. "They hated me when I was wearing my Wash. U. sweater, but when I was carrying the SLU flag, they were like, 'Oh, Billikens forever! I went to SLU!' But when I was just wearing my Wash. U. sweater, they were like, 'Oh f--- you! Get out of here!'"

The SLU mascot hadn't been confirmed until three weeks after initial contact and just days before the actual parade. University officials at Wash. U., Fontbonne and

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2014 Veritas Forum focuses on interplay between religion, wealth

EMILY SCHIENVAR NEWS MANAGEER

Being a true Christian and achieving financial and professional success don't have to be mutually exclusive, attorney and social entrepreneur Kyle Westaway said at this year's Veritas Forum on Thursday evening. Westaway offered his perspective on blending success and a sense of purpose in professional endeavors at this year's forum, titled "Twerk, Work, Retire, Die: Finding Purpose Beyond the American Dream."

Sponsored by the international Veritas organization and various Christian groups on campus, including Cru (Overflow), the Association of Christian Truth Seekers and Campus Outreach, the event was set to focus on engaging the questions of significance and success in life and the relevance of Christianity in the discussion. As someone who started his own business and law firm, Westaway noted the importance of purindependent initiatives. "In the past, we used to think of

work as being really hinged to a company...The unhinging of work from necessarily having to be at a central company is actually empowering if you take that opportunity," Westaway said. Westaway decided after passing the bar exam that he wanted to do something for the world rather than simply finding a low-level job and working his way up the chain of command over time. He said that he saw a disconnect between the searches for success and purpose and

sought a way to unite the two. "I didn't see, necessarily, those that identified as followers of Christ really pursuing the path set out by Christ in the New Testament," Westaway said. "I said to myself, 'I want to try to figure that out.' I don't know if that means we go to Africa or Southeast Asia and give up everything to live a life of poverty or if that meant something different, where my skill set would take me in a different direction." He talked about the discrepancy between the ideas of the older and younger generations about success in the workplace and making a change in the world but wanted to bridge the gap between the two. "We find ourselves in a paradigm where we're making choices that either I do good or I go make money, and they're somehow very black-and-white differences. Do good somehow means I'm taking a vow of poverty and living off Ramen for the rest of my life, or the idea of making money is like I sold my soul and I don't care about anything in the world. It feels like those are two diametrically opposed decisions, but I'm not sure that that's true, and it doesn't have to be true," Westaway said. parents' generation... would think that first you get successful, and then if you have time, you think about significance," he added. "But we can pursue both at the same time." Westaway also discussed the idea of finding a purpose in work to lead a more meaningful life.

"I think it makes life a lot more fulfilling to have [a purpose]...you don't have to have a purpose, but life



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Attorney and social entrepreneur Kyle Westaway speaks at the 2014 Veritas Forum held in Graham Chapel.

is a lot more hollow if you're trying to figure out what you're doing, and you'll enjoy life less," he said.

Severa1 surveyed students found it difficult to express their reactions after the event, but senior Nate Hardy felt that Westaway made some strong points about finding purpose. "I did think it was interesting the

way that he talked about his view of this generation and the disconnect we have from everyone...I'm so focused on the now that I don't necessarily take the time to think about what drives me, what pushes me forward. That's something I've struggled with, and a lot of people struggle with, especially our generation as college students these days."

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EVENT CALENDAR

MONDAY 3

DUC/Filmboard — Free Movie and Popcorn Danforth University Center, Tisch Commons,

"Mandela: Long Walk to Freedom." Cosponsored by African Student Association. The screening is free and open to the public.

Department of Music Student Recital 560 Music Center, Recital Hall, 8 p.m. This student recital is free and open to the

TUESDAY 4

University Libraries Workshop Series Olin Library ARC, Level A, 2 p.m. "Research Studio - Relational Database Design." In this workshop, we will focus on the basics of database planning, organization and storage. The workshop is free and open to University faculty, students and staff.

Tuesday Tea at 3

DUC, Tisch Commons, 3 p.m. Relax and gather with friends and colleagues over tea and cookies and learn about the events scheduled for the week.

WEDNESDAY 5

The Writing Center Workshop Series South 40, Cornerstone Seminar Room, 4 p.m. "Pre-Health Personal Statement Workshop." In partnership with the Engineering Communications Center and the Writing Center, Cornerstone offers personal statement workshops for students applying to medical school and other professional schools in health-related fields. The workshop provides students with brainstorming strategies, insider information on the qualities of an effective personal statement and examples of good and sub-par statements. The workshop is free and open to University faculty, students and staff, although registration is

Assembly Series-Witherspoon Memorial

Graham Chapel, 5:30 p.m.

"Change Your Brain by Transforming Your Mind" by Richard Davidson, neuroscientist, Center for Investigating Healthy Minds, University of Wisconsin, Madison. Cosponsored by Religious Studies Program and Department of Psychology. The event is free and open to the public.

Department of Music Faculty Composition Recital

560 Music Center, Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m. Features compositions of Ju Ri Seo, lecturer, composition. The recital is free and open to the public.

POLICE BEAT

February 25

Sexual Assault—A parent anonymously contacted Washington University police to advise that she believed her child, a former student, was sexually assaulted by another student in a residence hall in March or April of 2013. The parent indicated that her child did not wish to report the incident. Disposition: Information forwarded to the University Title IX Coordinator

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"That was one of my favorite parts, after the wagon broke down, because I was carrying the 30-rack of beer. Occasionally, I would lift it up like Simba and everyone would start cheering. - Senior Bryce Caster, one of two organizers of a Mardi Gras contingent celebrating higher education in St. Louis

Zach Kram named Student Life 2014-15 editor-in-chief

EMILY SCHIENVAR NEWS MANAGER

A self-proclaimed sports fanatic known by his colleagues for his sarcastic wit and tough-love personality, sophomore Zach Kram has been named editor-in-chief of Student Life for the 2014-15 academic year.

appointment was His announced at Friday's annual banquet of Washington University Student Media Inc. whose board of directors oversees Student Life.

Hailing from Brookeville, Md., Kram, 19, is pursuing a psychology major and a writing minor. As editor-in-chief, Kram will be in charge of managing staff, supervising the production of Student Life and making executive decisions.

Kram started with the paper during the Freshman Press pre-orientation program, working as a sports reporter his freshman year and quickly advancing to become a staff reporter and copy editor. He is currently the paper's copy chief and co-senior sports editor.

He began writing for his high school newspaper during his junior year before becoming the paper's sports editor as

a high school senior.

Kram hopes that his experience with student groups on campus and his involvement with the paper for the past two years will give him the perspective and skills needed to guide the production of Student Life for the next year.

"I see Student Life as sort of the center of all campus news. We should fill a niche as a campus-centric, St. Louiscentric newspaper," Kram said. "If someone...wants to know what's going on at Wash. U.'s campus, we should be the top source."

He is proud of the paper's role in the community and of what it has become under the leadership of his predecessors. Kram hopes to work closely with the newspaper staff to help develop the skills of new members, improve the overall design of the paper and place more campus-centric content in its pages to improve readership.

"We have a really strong group of staffers who run the gamut from design to writing to editing, and we work really hard on our product," Kram said. "As a school that doesn't have a journalism school, especially, we put out

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a really professional-looking newspaper twice a week, and it's something that's hard to do because everything is volunteer work."

Sahil Patel, Student Life's current editor-in-chief, is confident that Kram will take the paper to another level.

"I think that he's going to be great for the paper, and he has a great vision for where this paper needs to go next," Patel said. "He's very talented and can do every aspect of production very well. I fully approve of the selection, and I'm confident that he can uphold Student Life's standards and can keep us moving forward."

Kram will assume his role as editor-in-chief on April 1, and his term will last through the following spring.

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teaching them have been kind of on the defensive, trying to justify what they've been doing," Brett Hyde, professor of linguistics and philosophy,

Ed Macias, former provost, responded, "From the beginning, we only took volunteers. We only took people who were interested and wanted to try. It's not uncommon to try a new teaching method... that's something we've always prized and want to allow." Mark Pegg, professor of histhat the opposition is not

afraid of change but rather is concerned by the process itself.

"Nobody opposing this

motion has thought that online learning isn't a good idea or that technology might not be useful. It's not fear that our jobs are going away; it's not fear of online learning or 2U," Pegg said. "It's the process. It's the fact that there has been a lack of faith. It was a dictate from on high. We were told to fall into line; we never had any transparency." Provost Holden Thorp noted tory, wanted to make it clear that discussions about online education are unavoidable, but

regardless of what happens with the vote, the University will continue to look into the idea of online courses. "We should just do these things, and then in a few years figure out if they work because we spend a lot of time talking about this, but as far as Semester Online is concerned, if it's voted down, Wash. U. will withdraw from the consortium. But I'm sure we'll be back here talking about larger online courses, free online courses...this topic is going to be here for a while," Thorp

Death camp escapee speaks on importance of remembrance

DYLAN BASSETT STAFF REPORTER

Although the stretched for more than two hours on a Thursday evening, about 300 students, faculty and community members gathered to hear an impassioned speech about the importance of remembrance given by Holocaust survivor Philip Bialowitz.

While being held at Sobibor, a Nazi death camp in Poland, Bialowitz helped orchestrate an uprising during which the camp's working inmates attempted to flee during evening role call. Historians estimate that at least 250,000 people were murdered at Sobibor over the course of World War II.

Out of the 600 working members who tried to escape the camp, 200 survived the initial escape. Of the remaining 200, 50 were able to survive the one-year period between their escape from Sobibor and the liberation of Poland from the Nazi regime by the Russians.

Surviving the rounds of a Nazi firing squad by playing dead was one of the many horrifying experiences Bialowitz shared. Bialowitz, who was a teenager during World War II, had the job of cutting the hair of female prisoners before they were taken to the gas chambers.

Bialowitz noted that while Jewish people who had come to the camp from Poland knew that Sobibor was a death camp, others who had come from the Netherlands fell victim to the illusion crafted to make the camp appear hospitable. Upon arrival, the first things a new prisoner would notice included a garden of flowers planted outside the main gate and music playing over the loudspeaker system.

The effort of the Nazi government to disguise the death camp as a labor camp went beyond the development of an attractive facade. The camp's "kommandant" told new arrivals to leave their luggage behind because it would be personally delivered to their cabins. Many women asked Bialowitz about how they would claim their jewelry after they had taken their shower.

Earlier this year, Rabbi Hershey Novack of Chabad on Campus commemorated the 70th anniversary of the rebellion at Sobibor through a post on his personal Facebook account. Sophomore Bennett Kelberman of the Chabad Student Association commented on Novack's post by saying that his late grandmother had survived the rebellion.

After being elected to Chabad's executive board, Kelberman pursued the opportunity for another Sobibor survivor to speak at the University. Bialowitz had known Kelberman's grandmother personally, and they

visited each other after immigrating to the United States. Kelberman's grandmother died before he was born.

Since he retired from his jewelry business in New York City, Bialowitz has traveled throughout the world to speak about his experiences during World War II and the need to tell the world about those experiences.

"My concentration is on the young generation, for they have to take over the torch of remembrance. And the education is the key to the better world," Bialowitz said. "You have to tell your children and grandchildren because we have many deniers, but I'm a living witness."

"This man and his willingness to dedicate his life to making other people aware and making the world a better place, in light of all the horrors that he experienced, is truly inspirational," Randy Pierce, a local high school teacher who attended the event, said.

Bialowitz, along with his brother Symcha, was featured in the British TV movie, "Escape from Sobibor" (1987), an excerpt from which was shown at the beginning of Thursday's event. Filmmakers are currently filming a movie based on his recently published memoir, "Promise at Sobibor: A Jewish Boy's Story of Revolt and Survival in Nazi-Occupied Poland."

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MARK MATOUSEK MUSIC EDITOR

I'm convinced Annie Clark is an alien. Don't believe me? Take one glance at the cover of her fourth solo album under the St. Vincent moniker. You'll find her staring with laser-like intensity, arms symmetrically perched on a space-age throne, while she sports a jagged shock of white hair and a sleek purple chrome dress. She certainly looks the part. No mere human could don such an outlandish getup with this kind of unwavering confidence. She carries herself with complete conviction in the fact that she owns you. And she does, for each of the album's forty

This sense of control runs throughout Clark's discography, and is among the keys to understanding St. Vincent. Her persona—which has evolved from 1920s pixiestarlet to extraterrestrial ice queen—is among the most fascinating in all of modern music. In an age when artists seek connection through

minutes.

social media and incessant touring, Clark is at once unmistakably present, and perpetually distant. Nothing she does is anything less than compelling, but she never pulls up the curtain. She's always performing, and it's

an act that grows stranger by

the year.

In publicity photos, she conveys the finely crafted features of a marble sculpture. These aren't the four-dudesstaring-blankly-into-space shots you get from your average indie rock outfit. This is modern art masquerading as publicity. Or maybe it's the other way around. You never know with St. Vincent; inscrutability lies at the very heart-or should I say hard drive-of her essence.

The other key to St. Vincent is a near-pathological obsession with contrast. Mannered and rowdy, angelic and demonic, quiet and loud—Clark likes

nothing more than to see her compositions clash, both physically and conceptually. But when they do, they lock together with a yin-yang duality. On "St. Vincent," she explores some of her most jarring contrasts yet, with "Huey Newton" leading the pack with its gutpunch of a transition.

It begins with one of

Clark's customary, glass-like arrangements. Synths lightly shimmer and her vocals exude a refined delicacy, a soft gurgle of distortion that only hints that things are about to take an abrasive turn. A little over the halfway mark, that gurgle becomes a roar that sucks the rest of the song into its proto-metal black hole. Outside of standalone single "Krokodil," it may be the nastiest cut Clark's put together, and it's in many ways emblematic of her approach for the rest of the album.

On previous releases, Clark infused her precise compositions with a sinister undercurrent, as if the delicate façade was just a gentle tap away from imploding. Here, she lets more of that darkness in, coarsening her textures with a scuzzy art-punk veneer. This is the dystopian future technological alarmists insist is imminent, when computers invade every nook and cranny of our lives. While not quite malicious, the digital blips and bleeps make their presence abundantly

distinctly noxious fume. But Clark's not going to go down without a fight. She's navigated the divide between the terrestrial and otherworldly before, and here she both attacks it with razor-sharp riffs ("Birth In Reverse") and ponders it with ethereal ambience ("I Prefer Your Love"). On first

clear, emitting hints of a

contact, she may be a little cold to the touch, but give her time, and you'll find the nakedly human sentiment beneath her alien sounds.

Despite Clark's many merits as artist, her work can't escape the slightly stifling air of a graduate thesis, a highly successful one, but a thesis nonetheless. Even when she's letting lose, she's just a bit too rigid to completely sell her recklessness. She's managed to shed some of her self-consciousness with each album, but its presence is still undeniable. It's a minor quibble, but one that prevents her from reaching the sublimity teased by her immense talent.

Reservations aside, "St. Vincent" stands among Clark's best work. Punk rock in spirit, art rock in execution; it's her punchiest, boldest album yet. Skynet be damned, Annie Clark will have the last laugh.



TV REVIEWS



I've been watching "Portlandia" from the first season, but, to be honest, I missed most of the third season. Somewhere between college admissions and trying to figure out my life, "Portlandia" fell through the cracks. So it's great to come back to season four. which premiered Feb. 27, and find that the show is not only still good but also getting better. Fred Armisen and Carrie Brownstein, the show's creators and stars, still lovingly parody and embody the eccentricities and strangeness that is the

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city of Portland. However, they also seem to be growing bolder in straying from the strict premise of the show. The "date fact checker" sketch could have occurred in any place where 20- and 30-somethings are worried about dating. The title sketch of season four's first episode, "Sharing Finances," is loosely based on the types of relationships that could be found in Portland, but it gains most of its power from exploring relationship dynamics that are universal. It also continues to escalate its premise and shift focus throughout. It's a trend that occurs throughout the episode and is a good step for the show. "Portlandia" does not

suffer from leaving behind the immediate geographic premise. Instead, it shows the ability of Armisen, Brownstein and the rest of the show's writers to come up with sketches that are just plain funny.

The episode also uses its guest stars to great effect, as the show often does. Kirsten Dunst opens the episode, playing the tortured inhabitant of a house haunted by Portlanders who died from arguing about what things are good and bad for you. Kumail Nanjiani, a series regular, excels as the date fact checker, and Vanessa Bayer of "Saturday Night Live" plays a bank clerk who does not approve of a couple opening a joint bank account. Steve Buscemi also guest starred in a web short, titled "The Celery Incident," that premiered shortly before the episode and is worth watching. Buscemi does a fantastic job of playing off the show's premise and enhancing the jokes rather than being just a famous face.

Some of the greatest strengths of "Portlandia" have always been its editing and music, both of which are on full display in "Sharing Finances." No doubt Armisen and Brownstein heavily influence the musical aspect of the show, since both are musicians in their own right. The musical cues fit perfectly with the jokes, adding believable terror when a character visits an advertising firm or reflecting that magic feeling of dipping your fingers into a hot tub. The editing is rhythmic, transitioning between quick cuts and slow, careful buildups. Most sketch shows have difficulty ending a sketch, but "Portlandia" does not. Much like Terry Gilliam's animations in "Monty Python's Flying Circus," the short interludes between sketches effectively transition from one scene to another without feeling forced. The editorial and musical elements that the show employs work well with the humor and give everything a consistent tone that has become a trademark of the show in my

One complaint about this season's premiere was that it focused mostly on relationship sketches. Although these sketches were welldone and funny throughout, they left me wanting more character-centric sketches, such as ones involving the feminist bookstore women or any of the Portland mayor's adventures. Most likely, this balance between focuses will return in future episodes. Although the season has barely begun, there's no reason to believe that "Portlandia" will decrease in quality any time in the



KATHARINE JARUZELSKI SENIOR CADENZA EDITOR

In the cold open of the series premiere of "Late Night with Seth Meyers" last week, Meyers paid homage to his "Late Night" predecessor with some Jimmy Fallonstyle thank-you notes. Over the course of the next few episodes, though, Meyers proved that he isn't going to be Fallon 2.0.

When NBC announced last year that Jay Leno would be handing over the reins of "The Tonight Show" to Fallon, there was much speculation as to who would take over "Late Night." Meyers was the natural choice. Like Fallon, he got his start on "Saturday Night Live," where he made his name as anchor of "Weekend Update" and developed a close relationship with Lorne Michaels, the executive producer of NBC's late-night trifecta. Meyers' "SNL" experience certainly transfers well to his new hosting duties, to a point where the show sometimes feels like a longer version of "Weekend Update." Whenever he says "I'm Seth Meyers," my brain still automatically finishes the sentence with "and here are tonight's top stories."

Not that there's anything wrong with that. In fact, Meyers' "SNL" background has not only honed his hosting skills but also lent him a fantastically weird sense of humor that should help set

him apart from his predecessor. There were plenty of moments during Meyers' first week that felt oh-so-Fallon, but Meyers managed to put his own spin on them with some classic "SNL"-style strangeness. Exhibit A: Wednesday night's "Fake or Florida" quiz. The bit, which easily could have just been a bland game show segment, turned into one of the most hilarious bits of the week thanks to funny sound effects, arbitrary rules and a very Kristen Wiigesque assistant. In a handful of segments—a Friday night segment called "Next Week's News" comes to mindthings got a little too weird and the joke fell flat. Finding that balance between too safe and too strange is likely something Meyers will have to focus on going forward.

On "SNL," Meyers was known for expertly setting up his fellow cast members for laughs as he played the straight man to other characters' craziness. That ability has particularly shown through in his nightly banter with Studio 8G bandleader and fellow "SNL" alum Fred Armisen, who has been sharing ridiculous, made-up project ideas (like a fill-in-the-blank self-help book) with Meyers each night. Between "Portlandia" and all his other projects, I still don't understand how this Armisenas-bandleader thing is going to work out, but I love seeing him and Meyers hanging out together again.

And for those who were concerned that Meyers' interview skills wouldn't transfer to real guests, fear not because the interviews have been the high point of almost every episode so far. Meyers definitely played it safe with the premiere, bringing in Amy Poehler (his former "Weekend Update" co-anchor) and Joe Biden (the funniest, most down-to-earth guy in politics) as guests. Both interviews were great, and the banter between Biden and Poehler was even better. Tuesday night, on the other hand, was definitely going to prove more of a challenge, with notoriously hard-to-please Kanye West appearing as a guest. This was a chance for Meyers to prove himself as an interviewer, and he did so masterfully, making West feel at ease while still getting in plenty of jokes. Once again, Meyers proved that he's no Fallon: rather than giggling through the interview and falling back on praise and platitudes, Meyers expertly navigated the conversation, getting real answers out of West and steering the conversation back whenever his guest went on a tangent.

"Late Night with Seth Meyers" is definitely still finding its footing, but so far, Meyers is off to a great start. Between his deftness with interviews and penchant for eccentric humor, Meyers has already established himself as a powerful force in the latenight lineup.

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CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Senior Bryce Caster adds more beads to his arm in preparation of marching in the 2014 Soulard Mardi Gras parade; senior Katie Stillman yells for the crowd to make more noise during the parade; senior Piril Erkul personally loops a string of beads onto a bystander's neck.

the University of Missouri-St. sure for some people, it was just Louis were unresponsive, but another of [Hess and Caster]'s Hess received an email one day crazy adventures. But for me, I whelming. Armed with nearly who said he had set it all up.

On top of difficulties getting hold of mascots, Hess said the group had trouble finding students interested in marching in the first place.

"A couple other people I invited were like, 'In the parade? What would I do? Am I cut out for that?"" Hess said.

"We had a bunch of people who didn't want to do it. They were like, 'I want to do Mardi Gras with my friends.' This is the first thing that happens, and the rest of Mardi Gras happens afterwards," Caster said.

Shao, on the other hand, needed no convincing. She had never been to Mardi Gras before and just wanted to have a good

"I'm really good friends with Andrew [Hess] and Bryce [Caster]...this was second semester senior year, and I was like, 'Why not?'" Shao said. "I'm their adventures."

Everything came together in the end, and around a dozen students met up to begin preparations at 8 a.m. Saturday morning. The krewe was feeling generous, giving beads to anyone who boarded their MetroLink carriage as well as the MetroLink transit officer missing out on festivities because of work at the Skinker station.

Meeting diverse St. Louis figures from professional sports mascots to the Budweiser Clydesdales, the students spent about two hours mingling before the start of the parade. They collected shot glasses from the conductors of a giant steam engine, posed for pictures in souped-up go-karts, waved miniature Italian flags courtesy of the float representing the Hill and even learned the "Polar Vortex" lawn chair dance that Caster and Hess's old krewe had created for

Once the parade started, the undeterred, making the crowd beg. Some spun the beads like a lasso, others motioned with their arms for the crowd to make more noise and a few made motions for people to lift their tops.

"I'm just glad we were able to pump people up, being like, 'I can't hear you' and teasing them with beads. That was really fun," Shao said.

"Just being able to interact with them was great. The high-fives, the screaming, the beads," Caster

"They'll do anything for

beads," Hess added. For the students, one of the best parts of the whole experience was running into their friends who were incredulous at their participation in the march.

"At least everyone was able to recognize a St. Louis school, but a lot of us got a lot of Facebook tags of people seeing us because of the flag," Hess said.

The krewe was not named as screams for beads became over- one of the top five for the year's parade, in part because the wagon from an administrator at SLU just wanted to join in on one of 1,500 beads, the students were Hess purchased on Craigslist to carry extra beads and beer broke down right in front of the judges' table. Despite the misfortune, all participants enjoyed the festivities and their roles.

"That was one of my favorite parts, after the wagon broke down, because I was carrying the 30-rack of beer. Occasionally, I would lift it up like Simba [in 'The Lion King'] and everyone would start cheering," Caster

If anything, the group has inspired other Wash. U. students to try to start their own krewe for next year's parade.

"I was on the Metro going back with some [resident advisors] who were like, 'We should do a float with RAs next year," Shao said. "They were like, 'We're going to carry around a red flag and ask people if their parties are registered.' I just thought that was so

Caster is a senior this year,

and Hess graduated in December and was only visiting for the week. Nevertheless, the krewe featured some underclassmen. namely freshman Elise Hess-Andrew's younger sister-and sophomore Julie Rub, who are looking to continue the tradition. Caster, Andrew Hess and Shao are already planning to return to march in next year's parade.

"I came back for Mardi Gras, basically, and it was definitely worth coming back for. For the next couple years, we can use our new recruiting chairs, Julie [Rub] and Elise [Hess]," Andrew Hess said. "After that, we'll figure it out, but in the meantime, we have some people who are younger and would like to do it again."

The memory is one the krewe will not easily forget.

"You have thousands of people screaming you on, cheering for you...It was so great; I've never felt more like a celebrity in my life," Shao said. "At one point, I remember Andrew [Hess] turning to me and saying, 'Isn't this the best?""

Eating Disorder Awareness Week:

A review with Reflections member Kim Grunde

ERICA SLOAN STAFF REPORTER

Reflections is a club that aims to spread awareness and provide peer support regarding the issues of body image and related eating disorders. This past week was National Eating Disorder Awareness Week, and Reflections hosted a number of events to call students' attention to these issues. At the culmination of this week, I had the opportunity to talk with junior Kim Grunde, the Reflections member who was in charge of planning the events, to understand more about the importance of body image awareness and her reasons for bringing this concern to the forefront at

Washington University.

"There are certain personalities and age groups that are predisposed to eating disorders, and Wash. U. students fall right within both of those demographics because college-age women are specifically prone [to eating disorders] and especially those that maintain a Type A or perfectionist personality," Grunde explained.

While body image issues are socially contagious, they are often ignored; evidence that these issues are occurring can be as simple as a comment on what a person is

The week began with a "love your body" yoga class taught by

a Wash. U. alum who focused on

mindfulness of the larger picture despite the stress caused by academic and social obligations.

The main highlight of the week was guest speaker Yomi Abiola, the first African face of Maybelline, who spoke to students on Tuesday. Grunde and other members of Reflections were able to connect with Abiola through an organization called Campus Community Wellness Speakers, a collection of inspirational speakers who discuss mental wellness issues with college students. Reflections chose Abiola from the list because her experiences with Maybelline capture relevant issues regarding the influence of the media on women's opinions about body

image. The evening began with students reading sheets of paper with different reasons to love your body and then progressed to Abiola's presentation about her experiences in the fashion industry. The event concluded with an open discussion in which students volunteered their own stories about popular culture's influence on body image.

The final Eating Disorder Awareness Week event, an information session to help students learn how to help friends that they believe might have an eating disorder, occurred on Wednesday, Feb. 26.

Grunde joined Reflections as a sophomore after realizing

the extent of body image issues

existing at Wash. U. that she had not experienced in previous years. Witnessing these issues firsthand as opposed to merely reading about them in a health textbook encouraged Grunde to join Reflections in order to take action in raising awareness and promoting self-esteem for women at Wash. U.

"I would really like for Reflections to do more of this type of event in the future because even if you don't know someone with an eating issue now, this is an important skill to have for a possible future situation," Grunde said. "Hopefully, as we build our presence on campus, it will remove some of the stigma of talking about these issues."

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STAFF EDITORIAL

'What is the The Hot 12?' and other epistemological concerns

s the 11 hottest members of the Student Life editorial board, we take this bit of broadsheet reserved for our weekly pith and pontification to announce our displeasure (read: lack of pleasure) with the recent campus-wide infatuation with "The Hot 12."

Rumors surrounding The Hot 12 began following an on-campus party last semester, when 12 freshmen girls allegedly attempted to gain entry to a full fraternity house by asserting they were members of what has since come to be understood as the most exclusive group on the Danforth

But unlike a typical drunken night your freshman year, this blacked-out memory didn't simply go away.

On Dec. 9, a since-deleted post in the "Wash U Admirers" Facebook group declared, "The Hot 12 are

definitely the finest looking girls on this campus. Hot damn. Call me?" quickly going viral with 11 "likes" as of printing. Sophomore Scotty Jacobs launched a write-in campaign on the thread to be the 13th of the Hot 12, garnering 146 likes as of printing. It remains unclear whether he was successful.

When several of the students entered sorority recruitment, multiple failed to secure bids because their known status among the 12 got them blacklisted (though according to poster "idgaf" on the venerable greekrank.com, many are currently in Pi Beta Phi). On Jan. 11, junior Spencer Tong tweeted, "I think the question everyone is asking is: WHERE WILL THE HOT 12 GO? #rush2014?"

It didn't end there. Sophomore Noah Simon and "RGK" retweeted Tong. Ten days later, "Wash U

Admirers" named one freshman female "literally the hottest of the 12," which she denied was an actual group in a subsequent comment.

A topic of contention for quite some time now, the story of The Hot 12 has spread across campus like wildfire, or perhaps more aptly, like news of an open fraternity party. Months later, the women continue to be the brunt of many a joke outside your average fraternity party, where you may hear a freshman mumble, "Maybe I should just say I'm in the Hot 12" before vomiting in a bush. And as a center for all campus discussion, we have decided to take to these pages to come to some sort of consensus.

Now, just for starters, what sort of standard are we using for hotness here? What does "hot" even mean? Were their cheeks red because they'd had too much to drink? Are they

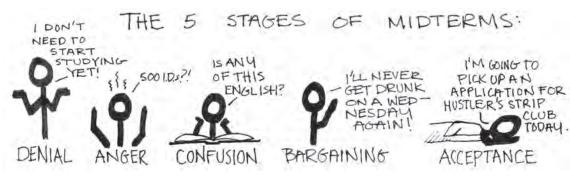
model hot or girl-next-door hot? Is Hilary Swank hot (there is much debate)? Is there a difference between hot and pretty? If John Stamos met them on a plane, how would he say they compare to Regina George? Would it make a difference if they were wearing neck braces?

If nothing else, Wash. U.'s Hot 12 provide at least some competition for Harvard's recently anointed hottest 15 freshmen. One of the Harvard Hot 15 (sure, they alliterate better) claimed to know that he was sexy since the second grade, but this only raises more questions. When did The Hot 12 discover their hotness? Are they willing to share it? If so, why didn't they pose for our sex issue? Are they only hot with clothes on (can we find out)? Did anyone see them at Mardi Gras? How many beads did they have?

Most importantly, what kind of

guys are The Hot 12 looking for? How far will a sense of humor get us? Or are they too hot for men? Is it an essentialist kind of hotness, or is it socially constructed? Can we deconstruct their hotness and reconstruct it for ourselves?

In the end, the onus is really on the administration. Now that applicants may send in a photo with their Common App, the Office of Undergraduate Admissions has a responsibility to set an objective criteria for the hottest 12 incoming freshmen. No more arguments, no more getting turned down from closed frat parties or subjective determinations of physical attractiveness. We could even send a certificate to these hot new students. They could present it at the door to any on-campus party to gain free entry and shots. They might be just like you. Except, you know, they're hot.



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On the importance of gender-inclusive housing:

DIVERSITY AFFAIRS COUNCIL

he first genderinclusive housing option at Washington University was made available in 2008 on the North Side: six years later, the only gender-inclusive housing options remain limited to the North Side and to off-campus housing. In simplest terms, it has taken the University far too long to expand its genderinclusive housing options. As such, the Diversity Affairs Council (DAC) believes that gender-inclusive housing should be made available for the entire student body-including firstyear students—starting in the fall of 2015. This will provide the University with enough time to research the gender-inclusive housing options available at peer institutions and then create and implement a housing policy that will better meet the growing and changing needs of Washington University's diverse students

The DAC believes that gender-inclusive housing is not an issue pertaining to certain identity groups but rather to our entire community as a whole. Choosing housing should not require students to disclose information about aspects of their identity, and students should be free to live with whoever makes them feel most comfortable and safe. We as a community will become more inclusive when students feel completely safe where and with whom they live. Thus, creating and implementing a genderinclusive housing policy would

help create an environment which acknowledges, appreciates and respects the diversity of the student body. More specifically, it would help make the University a more inclusive space for LGBTQIA students, students in the process of discovering their gender identity and/or sexual orientation, students who feel uncomfortable rooming with members of the same gender and students who simply feel that they would be more safe and secure with a roommate of a different gender, regardless of the reason.

Moreover, there is a financial component of this decision. Currently, singles are the only gender-inclusive housing options available to students. It is important that genderinclusive housing options be expanded to doubles, triples and traditional dorms—in all residential areas of campusso that students do not have to choose between being truly comfortable with their living situation and having a more affordable housing option. When thinking about how such a policy would be incorporated into existing procedure, it is also important to note that gender-inclusive housing would be a choice, so no student would be placed into gender-inclusive housing without explicitly and willingly choosing that option.

Chancellor Mark Wrighton states that Washington University has a "goal of inclusive excellence," but the fact that gender-inclusive housing is not readily available for all students attests to the opposite. Moreover, it puts the University behind its peer institutions that currently offer such options to all students. As a result, the University is not only losing diverse students to these other institutions but is also missing out on the talent and potential these students could bring to

our campus. Despite the room for growth in the University's current housing policies, we do want to acknowledge the work that Residential Life Staff has already done to bring genderinclusive housing to campus. We thank them for the research they have already done and look forward to working with them moving forward with this concern.

If you would like to discuss gender-inclusive housing further, please feel free to join us and voice your opinion at the Open Forum on Gender Inclusive Housing held in Tisch Commons on Wednesday, March 5 at 7 p.m.

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Stupid and proud: Anti-intellectualism

STEVE WENZEL STAFF WRITER

mong the greatest gifts a republic can give its citizens is an open mind. In order to be effective voters, people must constantly expose themselves to new ideas and thoughts. They must ward away intellectual stagnancy and constantly push to better themselves. By strengthening the mind, we can strengthen the nation.

At least, that's the idea. But there is a deep, deep flaw in our national consciousness concerning intelligence. It is present in almost every facet of our culture, from smart kids being bullied as "geeks" and "nerds" to Secretary of State John Kerry praising America's "right to be stupid." In this country, we distrust educated people, denouncing them as elitists who have lost touch with the common man. What's worse, however, is that ignorance has become a point of pride. That's how people who believe the world is only 6,000 years old (give or take) can be elected to office.

Ignorance itself is not necessarily a point of contrition. Not everyone is given the same opportunities in life, and in a school system as uneven as ours, it is to be expected that some people would not know as much as others. But the idea that ignorance is somehow superior to intellect has got to stop. It is damaging our country in a very real way. After all, would you want someone who deliberately ignores facts and is proud of it to lead your country? You wouldn't hire a plumber to fix your roof, so why a hockey mom to fix your economy?

The truth is that in America, you do not have the right to be stupid. Ignorance is the domain of totalitarian governments, not free states. In fact, even the phrase "right to be stupid" is a smack in the face to not just our heritage but to every man and woman who has died to

make this country what it is. Rather, it is both a right and a privilege to be educated. As Thomas Jefferson said: "If a Nation expects to be ignorant and free in a state of civilization, it expects what never was and never will be...If we are to guard against ignorance and remain free, it is the responsibility of every American to be informed." After all, the first freedom is that of the mind. If a person's thoughts can be governed, then he is in bonds as effective as any chain.

Today, Americans live with a constant barrage of media bias and entertainment designed to cater to the lowest common denominator. News outlets from all sides of the political spectrum shout diatribes and are cheered on by their followers. Both sides view the other as evil, and little, if any interaction between groups takes place. The only way to properly navigate such waters is to keep an informed head. People who do not have the facts or who get information from only one source are much more likely to be led astray.

And we encourage it. Compromise, which is the foundation of this country, has become an anathema. Politicians tell their supporters that they will get exactly what they want and that as representatives, they will not budge an inch. Such fanatical adhesion to doctrine has led to congressional deadlock and is a major reason why this country is currently going nowhere. No one is willing to accept that the other side might have a point, and the few sensible people are drowned out by the screaming and finger pointing of others.

But what is to be done? To quote another president: "Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country." It is the civic duty of every American to stay informed of current events, to push his mind and reach out beyond his own experiences. Only then can we make this country what it was always meant to be.

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Men's basketball secures undefeated UAA record with victory at Chicago

NICK KAUZLARICH SPORTS EDITOR

Senior guard Alan Aboona scored his 1,000th career point and the Washington University men's ketball team clinched its second undefeated University Athletic Association record in school history in a victory at the University of Chicago on Saturday.

The No. 3 Bears defeated Chicago 86-73 and improved to 14-0 in the UAA (23-2 overall) to become the fourth team in UAA history to finish with an undefeated conference record. The last time the Bears finished with a perfect UAA record was in the 2001-02 season, when the Bears lost to DePauw University in the second round of the NCAA Division III tournament.

With Wash. U. leading 77-64 with 3:58 left, Aboona drew a foul and knocked down the first of two free throws to obtain his 1,000th career point, joining 21 other Bears in the 1,000- point club. According to Aboona, he didn't realize that he was so close to 1,000 until a 2012 Wash. U. basketball alum and fellow 1,000-point club member, Dylan Richter, pointed it out to him from the bleachers.

"I didn't realize how many points I had, but [Richter] looked over at me and told me I had one more point to go," Aboona said. "I kind of just wanted to force the issue, get to the free-throw line and get it over with, but it was a cool moment because everyone knew it was coming so they cheered for me after it happened. It was a pretty cool moment that I'll remember for the rest of my life."

Down 7-6 early in the game, the Bears went on a 13-0 run to take a commanding 19-7 lead. For the remainder of the first half, Chicago could only get as close as eight points, and a conventional three-point play by Aboona put the Bears on top 40-23, its largest lead of the half. The Bears would go on to lead 43-28 at halftime.

The Red and Green were able to maintain a substantial lead in the first half by shooting 60.7 percent from the field while limiting Chicago to a 36.7 shooting percentage. Junior forward Matt Palucki



STEPHEN HUBER | STUDENT LIFE

Senior guard Tim Cooney takes a contested jump shot against a Carnegie Mellon University defender on Feb. 23. Cooney shot 2-6 and scored seven points against UChicago on Saturday.

attributed the high shooting percentage to the team's experience.

"It's a result of our ball movement and the experience we have as a team. I feel like we all know where everyone is on the court, which allows us to move the ball really quickly and get very high-percentage shots," Palucki said.

In the second half, the Bears maintained a doubledigit lead until a pair of Chicago three-pointers cut the lead to 64-56 with 8:40 remaining in the game. Nonetheless, the Red and Green responded as Palucki made a layup and Aboona notched a three-pointer to regain a 13-point advantage.

Behind Palucki's 26 points, the Bears went on to win 86-73. The Bears shot an efficient 8-16 from behind the arc while Chicago shot just 3-15 on three-pointers. Aboona finished with 25 points and 8 assists while senior forward Chris Klimek added 15

Furthermore, the Bears outrebounded Chicago 40-28, an ingredient of success for the Bears, who are 22-1 when outrebounding their opponents.

"I think it's a point of emphasis that the coaches always give us every game, that we want to control the boards and only give the other team one shot on offense, which allows us to keep their points down," Palucki said.

Having already clinched a playoff berth weeks ago, the Bears will find out their firstround opponent during the selection show at 11:30 a.m. on Monday. The Red and Green have a good chance of playing their first game at home, where the Bears are 14-0 this season.

According to Aboona, the Bears are looking to get past the second round-after losing in that round each of the last two years-and make a deep postseason run.

"We're riding an 18-game winning streak right now, but we aren't overconfident. We know that we have a really good shot at making a good run this year, and we're ready," Aboona said. "We aren't looking past the first round or anything, but the second round has been our kryptonite the past couple years, so we're just taking it one game at a time and really pushing for a long run."

Men's track wins 13th UAA title, women place a narrow third



The Washington University men's track-and-field team poses with its tropy after the University Athletic Association Indoor Championships. The men's team won the meet by 58 points while the women placed third, falling short to the University of Chicago and Emory University.

SAHIL PATEL **EDITOR-IN-CHIEF**

On paper, the Washington University men's track-andfield team was the favorite heading into the University Athletic Association championships.

The Bears lived up to the billing over the weekend in Waltham, Mass., winning eight of 16 events en route to their 13th UAA Indoor championship and fourth in the last five years.

The men's team was in control of the meet, defeating runner-up Carnegie Mellon University by 58 points. The women's team finished third as the University of Chicago outpaced the rest of the field by

36.5 points. Wash. U. finished just 0.5 points shy of secondplace Emory University.

"We really performed well on both sides, men and women. On the women's side, we knew that, on paper, Chicago had a big lead and it was pretty much theirs to lose. I thought we competed really well," head coach Jeff Stiles said. "On the guys' side, we came in with a decent lead on paper and just ran unbelievable and competed unbelievably well. We were contending to win in almost every event and scoring two- or three-deep in almost every event."

The strong showing by the men was highlighted by a first-through-third sweep of the 3,000-meter race, in which junior Drew Padgett paced the field. His time of 8:21.99 was the 11th fastest in NCAA Division III action this season and broke the school and UAA records by more than five seconds. Seniors Elliott Petterson and Kevin Sparks finished second and third, respectively.

Junior Nick Alaniva continued his strong season with a title in the 55 dash along with third-place finishes in the long jump and pole vault.

"I usually do these three events at every meet in the indoor season, so it's not like I'm not used to doing them in one weekend or anything," Alaniva said. "I performed

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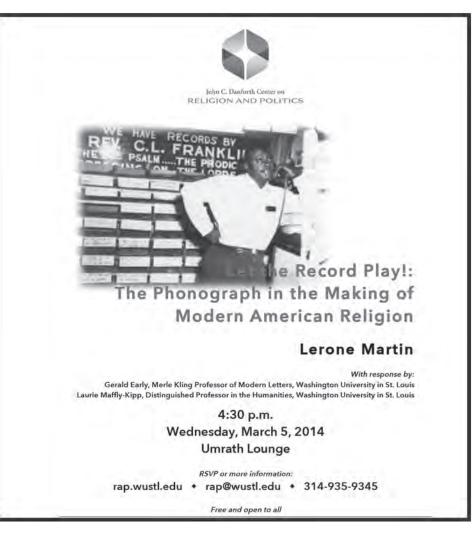
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Women's basketball holds off Chicago in season finale

DANNY SCHWARTZ STAFF REPORTER

Guided by junior forward Melissa Gilkey's 15 second-half points, the No. Washington University women's basketball team wrapped up its regular season on Saturday by defeating the University of Chicago 63-57 in a gritty road contest.

The Bears had already the University Athletic Association title after last weekend's sweep, and they finished the regular season with a 23-2 record (13-1 in conference). The last time the Bears finished with a 13-1 record in UAA play was in the 2009-10 season, when they won the national championship.

Both teams' defenses came out aggressively early on, and neither team was able to execute an efficient offense for the first five minutes, during which both teams scored a combined

"They were putting a lot of pressure on us, so it was hard to get in our normal offense since we couldn't get the ball moving from side to side," senior guard Lucy

countered that by scoring around the rim, and we knew we had an advantage in size, so we exploited that a little

That adjustment proved to be effective as the Bears soon started a 22-5 run to pull ahead 30-14, their largest lead of the game. The Bears entered the break with a 35-22 lead, due in part to limiting Chicago to a 27.6 field-goal shooting percentage.

Coming out of halftime, the Maroons tightened up their defense, and the Bears' offense struggled in response. The Red and Green shot just 25 percent from the field and 0-7 from behind the arc in the second half while also turning the ball over 11 times.

"They put on a lot of pressure on the ball and denied very hard off the ball," Gilkey

But Gilkey rebounded from scoring just one point in the first half to tally 15 points after halftime. She shot 11-12 from the free-throw line while grabbing 11 rebounds to secure her ninth double-double of the

Gilkey's free throws were necessary because Chicago was able to inch its way back into the game with its defensive pressure. After trailing 44-29, Chicago came back with a 17-2 run to tie the game at 46 with 7:43 remaining.

The Bears responded and held on to a 55-52 lead with 34 seconds left in the game when Chicago had a chance to tie the game. The Bears could only watch as sophomore Chicago guard Caitlin Moore received a pass wide open in the corner and hoisted up a potential game-tying three-pointer.

Fortunately for the Red and Green, Moore's shot bounced off the rim, and the Maroons were forced to intentionally foul Gilkey in order to catch up in the final seconds. While Gilkey missed the following free throw, she was able to convert on every other attempt from the line in the final

"Every time I step to the line, I just have to remember that we do those in practice all the time and that I've shot thousands of those in my lifetime," Gilkey said. "All of those shots are worth the same amount, and it doesn't matter if it's late in the game."

Senior forward Jordan Rettig tallied her sixth career



Junior forward Melissa Gilkey drives for a layup against Brandeis University on Jan. 17. Gilkey was 12-14 from the free-throw line and scored 16 points on Saturday against UChicago.

double-double with 14 points and 13 rebounds while junior guard Maddy Scheppers chipped in with 11 points. The Bears' defensive pressure was apparent throughout the game as they held Chicago to 5-23 shooting from behind the arc.

After clinching the UAA

title and NCAA Division III tournament berth last weekend, the Bears will be watching Monday's selection show at 1:30 p.m. to see who and where they will be playing in the first round next weekend.

"I think we're definitely confident, but we have to remain focused and not get ahead of ourselves," Montgomery said. "There's a different feel in the air knowing that we're still alive and fighting, and hopefully we can do something special this March."

Derek Shyr also contributed to

Annie Pitkin hurls no-hitter, softball opens season with three blowout wins

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season couldn't

have started any better for Washington University's softball team, which opened the year with a sweep of a tripleheader and a no-hitter from sophomore pitcher Annie

On Saturday at the Warrior Spring Fling in Conway, Ark., Wash. U. came out firing on all cylinders, beating Austin College, Greenville College and Hendrix College by scores of 8-0, 14-1 and 8-0, respectively. With plenty of veteran leadership and young talent on both sides of the field, the Red and Green expected to play well but were surprised by the production they had each

"Everybody felt great on the field, and we were just excited and ready to go," senior pitcher and designated hitter Kelsey Neal said. "You never expect it to be this much, so it was nice to know what we're capable of. Normally we don't play three games in one day, but it was a lot of fun, and I think we set the bar pretty

Against Austin, Pitkin set a strong start for the Bears' pitching staff and was dominant after allowing the first two batters to reach base. Striking out 13 and throwing her sixth

career complete game, Pitkin was in rhythm throughout the contest, recording a shutout and the 22nd no-hitter in school history.

"The plan was to have her in for four innings, but she was doing so well and had a no-hitter going, so we couldn't take her out," head coach Leticia Pineda-Boutte said. "She was hitting her spots and just looked amazing and in the zone. She seemed really loose, which helped her control her breaking [pitches]. Her focus has improved and it's been very noticeable."

Wash. U. didn't waste time putting runs on the board as runs on board...and we really iunior second baseman Paige put ourselves in a good posi-Biles started the bottom of the first inning with a single to center field and stole second. Freshman left fielder Kenzie James, who was 3-for-3 at bat, followed up with a bunt single and stole second as well after putting Biles in scoring position. Senior right fielder Maggie Ingell did the rest of the work, hitting her 18th career home run to bring in three runs.

"We were just having great at-bats, and we're focusing on playing aggressive," Pineda-Boutte said. "Swinging early in the count worked really well for us, and I think we put a lot of pressure on their defense with our fast baserunners like Kenzie [James]. She's a great

athlete and someone we need to have in our lineup."

After scoring four more runs on four hits in the bottom of the sixth to beat Austin, the Bears carried over that scoring momentum against Greenville, scoring first inning that featured back-to-back home runs, two stolen bases, six hits and 10 runs scored. According to junior shortstop Alyssa Wilson, home runs from junior third baseman Adrienne White and Ingell helped spread a positive vibe that put the whole team in a scoring mindset.

"It was good to get those tion to win," Wilson said. "Once a few people started hitting well, it tends to get contagious and everybody else just started to follow."

Ingell, who was 10-for-12 at bat and recorded eight RBIs in the three games, had one of her best offensive performances as a Bear, racking up four hits, three RBIs, one homer and two runs against Greenville. After undergoing shoulder surgery in the offseason, Ingell worked tirelessly to regain her dominant form. As the weekend showed, that hard work has so far paid off.

"I wasn't able to hit at all for four months, and it really put things into perspective for me that you've got to capitalize on every opportunity," Ingell said. "It gave me the drive to get back stronger, and I'm just having a lot of fun on the field and trying to help this team win."

Sophomore Amanda Kalupa kept the Panthers from doing too much damage, giving up only one run, a walk and five hits in three innings, while Neal closed the deal in the last two innings, recording four strikeouts without surrendering a

The Bears continued to receive solid pitching against Hendrix as sophomore pitcher Brooke Hofer pitched four scoreless innings while giving up five hits and recording one strikeout, and Pitkin made a relief appearance to shut out the Warriors. Ingell led the Bears to another high-scoring game as Wash. U. scored eight runs off of 15 hits.

While everything may be going in the Bears' favor, the team doesn't plan on resting on its success, instead hoping to continue fine-tuning its lineup and maintaining its focus and drive for success.

"We have to keep that vigor alive and remain focused, not be complacent," Ingell said. "We have all the key ingredients to win it all this season, and it's up to us to embrace that opportunity and go as far as we can."

Women's tennis takes fifth in ITA indoor tournament

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Playing three matches in two days, the No. 12 Washington University women's tennis team battled fatigue and exhaustion to bounce back from a first-round loss to No. 9 Carnegie Mellon University and finish fifth at the ITA Indoor Championship in Greencastle, Ind.

Despite the loss in the tournament opener, the Bears picked up strong wins over two ranked teams, No. 13 DePauw University and No. 11 University of Redlands, on Saturday.

The Bears opened their weekend with a first-round matchup against Carnegie Mellon. Sophomores Aly Coran and Jamie Silverberg earned one win for the women's side with an 8-6 victory in No. 2 doubles, but the Bears proved unable to surmount the 1-2 deficit after doubles, coming away with only two victories in singles. Freshman Rebecca Ho came back from one set down to take the match at 6-7 (4-7), 7-5, 6-2, and senior Corinne Rauck also overcame an early deficit to take the match at 6-7 (5-7), 6-4, 1-0 (10-8). The Bears fell 3-6 to the

Tartans as a team. With the loss, the Bears were relegated to the consolation rounds of the tournament, but an opportunity to avenge an early-season loss to DePauw kept the Red and Green motivated.

"We were just really excited to have another chance to play DePauw. We thought that we had improved a lot by doing a bunch of different drills during practices and also focusing on doubles," Silverberg said.

Wash. U. took an early 2-1 advantage over the Tigers as the Bears won the first- and third-flight doubles. The top pair of Rauck and senior Theresa Petraskova won 8-5, and the pairing of senior Betsy Edershile and junior Hanna Newstadt also tallied an 8-5

The singles side then completed the win with Silverberg, Ho, Edershile and Rauck all topping their DePauw opponents.

According to Silverberg, the main difference between the two matches was the emphasis that the Bears placed on dou-

bles the second time. "The first time we played,

we went into singles down 3-0, but this time, after practicing and focusing a lot on doubles, we went into singles with a 2-1 lead, which was huge and really pumped us up for singles. I think that was a key factor in helping us win this weekend," Silverberg said.

Bears' head coach Kelly Stahlhuth also reinforced the idea that additional practice time proved crucial in preparing the Bears for the second match with DePauw.

"We had more practice time; we had more time to refine our shots and to come together as a team," Stahlhuth said. "We practice against each other, but you really need to go out there and play against people you've never played before and test it. With each match, we need to figure out what we do and then improve upon it, and that's exactly what we did over the past two weeks."

Coming into the final round, the Bears proved their mettle in what turned out to be their strongest round of the tournament by trouncing Redlands

After establishing an early 2-1 lead over Redlands, with Coran and Silverberg winning 8-5 and Edershile and Newstadt proving victorious by the same count, the Wash. U. women turned their focus to the singles side, where they swept all six matches and combined to lose only one set of the 13 played.

"A lot of people were exhausted by the time we played Redlands. The main factor was focus and zoning in during that last and final match," Silverberg said. "We were really able to take a step back and realize that it was our last match and that we could relax afterwards...Someone on our team said we had never beaten a top-15 team by more than 6-3, so beating Redlands the way we did, it was really exciting,"

improved to 2-2 for the season. Stahlhuth added, "It was hard this weekend since essentially they were our second, third and fourth matches of the year. We didn't have many matches going into this weekend. We went right into a bunch of contests with top-12 teams in the nation, so we weren't sure how it would work out. But with the wins, it turned out to be a very good

test for us."

With the two wins, the Bears

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adequately [in the long jump and pole vault] and was happy to get points. In the 55, I was able to go off the momentum that our team was getting that second day and come up with a [personal record] for the

Senior Alan Komorowski earned the title in the 200 with a time of 22.84 seconds, and sophomore Josh Clark held off a pair of Chicago runners to win the mile. Junior Ryan Senci and Sparks took first and second, respectively, in the 5k.

Also winning events were freshman Jack MacCarthy (55 hurdles); Alex Arteaga (long jump); and the team of sophomores James Fitzhugh and Alex Bastian, freshman Deko Ricketts and junior Brendan Stone (4x400 relay).

"Winning [50 percent] of events is really good...it was a pretty dominant performance," Stiles said.

On the women's side, senior Jasmine Williams continued

her strong season with event wins in the long jump and high

"I think [the success in previous meets] helped because each week I would get a little more comfortable...in each event," Williams said. "It was mostly getting used to the competition. Going into conference, everyone was up in that range, and I knew I would really have to push it out if I wanted to succeed."

Her career-best long jump of 5.59 meters is the third best in school history and the ninth best in Division III this season.

"I never imagined I'd be winning conference in the long jump ever. High jump is always a big pressure for me because that's my event that I love to do," Williams said. "It's very surprising actually [that I'm in the top 10 nationally]. When my coach was like, 'Yeah that put you in position to go to nationals,' I was like, 'Oh. Wow.'"

"This is my first time doing anything big for long jump," Williams added. "I'm really excited for it just to see how this goes."

Senior Anna Etherington continued her career-long dominance of the pole vault, winning her fourth straight UAA title with a jump of 3.85 meters. Junior Claire Simons contributed a second-place clearance of 3.67 meters.

"Anna Etherington has a great chance to win the pole vault [at nationals]. I mean, she was coming in [to begin her vault] when there was only one person left. She makes one height and she wins the meet,"

Junior Lucy Cheadle lowered her own school record in the 3,000 en route to winning the UAA title for the secondstraight year. Cheadle's time of 9:51.11 is the fifth fastest in Division III this season and was 7.05 seconds faster than her previous school record.

"We did not win, but the women are set up better for nationals. I mean, we think we have an outside shot at trophy-ing at nationals on the women's side," Stiles said.

Even though 18 student-

athletes and one assistant coach were stuck overnight in Philadelphia because of inclement weather, the Red and Green have already begun preparations for the NCAA Indoor Championships March 14-15 in Lincoln, Neb. According to Stiles, about 12 athletes will trek to the Point Last Chance meet in Stevens Point, Wis., on March 8 to attempt to qualify for

nationals. "We think about half [of the athletes traveling] have a good chance in that they may already be [qualified for nationals] and we won't know officially until next Sunday. A few more are trying to get in, but I think eight is a really realistic number [to qualify]."

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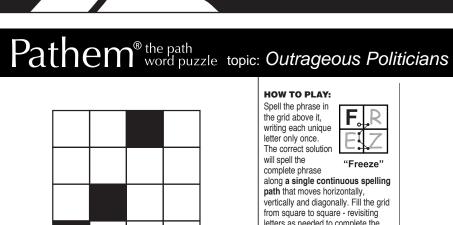
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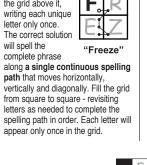




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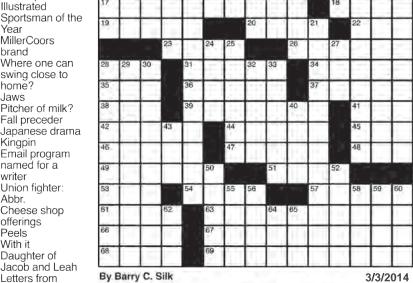








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CAREER CENTER Washington University in St. Louis



I interned with NASA Ames Research Center in Moffett Field, CA.



Backpacking in Yosemite National Park was one of the highlights of my summer



The Space Life Sciences Training Program interns and I outside the NASA Ames Research Center



Sailing in the San Francisco Bay with the America's Cup Prelim Competitors

My goal... applying technological innovations to healthcare inefficiencies in military medicine.

Getting started...

The engineering curriculum at WashU exposed me to the huge breadth of biomedical engineering. With this experience, I have gravitated towards human research especially the collection and understanding of biometric data. I took advantage of walkin hours at the Career Center in order to perfect my resume and cover letters. Once I honed my application materials, I began applying for internships.

Bringing my story to life...

With a growing interest in aerospace medicine, I applied through NASA's OSSI, which is their "One Stop Shopping Initiative" for prospective interns and fellows. I worked as the data acquisition and analysis lead on a human research project at the NASA Human Performance Centrifuge facility. This project was through the Space Life Sciences Training Program at Lockheed Martin. Being located in the heart of

Silicon Valley allowed me to be right in the intersection of high technology and space bioscience research.

My internship take-away...

The electric atmosphere of working at NASA really solidified this career interest to me. I've applied to several medical schools in order to move forward with this passion, and have just been accepted to the University of Missouri School of Medicine.

Morgan's advice: "Be flexible in your internship plans. I interviewed for a very different position than what I was ultimately offered, but hindsight proved my internship experience to be much better suited to my skills and experiences."

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