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## Women's role highlighted in MLK address

BY KELSEY BURRITT  
STAFF WRITER

Before Melissa Harris-Perry delivered the Martin Luther King Jr. Commemorative Address on Thursday, Jan. 17, she sat down with a small group of students in the Douglass Leadership House, talked, and listened. She is currently the host of her own show on MSNBC, a columnist for "The Nation," and a professor at Tulane University.

"I went to college from age 16 to 20," Harris-Perry told students prior to the talk. "And from 16 to 20, if a white person didn't like me, I don't suppose I gave a good giggly-wiggly."

She paused to laugh with the audience, then continued on a serious note: "The challenge for us was the extent to which all of the black women's leadership was race-based leadership, and how little

we did around gender."

Her comment provided a window into the theme of her address later that evening in Strong Auditorium. Speaking to a teeming crowd of students, faculty, and community members, Harris-Perry celebrated King as a collective effort, but she honed in on the effect that women had on his life and legacy.

"We've got to talk a little bit about how we can celebrate King and appreciate him, and yet recognize and critique his patriarchy at the same time," she said.

Harris-Perry began her address with an image of the King Memorial in Washington, D.C. projected behind her: a 30-foot high towering relief of the man, arms crossed, alone.

The fault in the image, Harris-Perry pointed out, is that King was not alone. As a leader, his strengths were in his ability to collaborate, to bring attention



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Melissa Harris-Perry, an MSNBC analyst and professor of political science, spoke on Thursday, Jan. 17 in Strong Auditorium about the importance of women in continuing Martin Luther King, Jr.'s legacy.

to movements, connect and unite.

"I think the man who we know as King is in fact deeply influenced by the work of women who supported him sometimes, who challenge[d] him at other times, who critiqued him, who suffered, who mourned him, and who undoubtedly carried on the

work of King after he was gone," Harris-Perry said.

Throughout her speech, Harris-Perry brought the women of the civil rights movement to the foreground: Rosa Parks, Ella Baker, Elizabeth Eckford, Fannie Lou Hamer, and others.

Harris-Perry divulged these women's roles — har-

nessing media attention, spurring sociopolitical action, and expanding the movement.

Nevertheless, these women were overshadowed partners.

She imparted that the living memories of some civil rights leaders, such as Medgar Evers and King

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## Students take part in 2013 inauguration, Eastman Quartet plays

BY ANGELA REMUS  
NEWS EDITOR

The University of Rochester and Eastman School of Music were well-represented at President Obama's second inauguration: 54 UR students bussed overnight to attend the event and the Eastman String Quartet performed at the Presidential Inaugural Luncheon.

The quartet, composed

of Eastman masters students Kelsey Farr and Markiyana Melnychenko and undergraduate seniors Hyeok Kwon and Che Ho Lam, was invited to perform in October by New York Senator Charles Schumer, chairman of the 2013 Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies.

Their repertoire was performed in three parts, as attendees entered, ate, and

left to attend the inaugural parade. The quartet's performance included pieces as varied as an arrangement of "The Genee" by masters students Reuben Allen and Michael Conrad, Mozart's "Quartet in C Major," and Joplin's "Country Club Rag."

"It's an experience of a lifetime," Lam said. "Seeing all these public figures so up-close [is]

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MIRIAM FROST / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

### LECHASE HALL OFFICIALLY OPENS

Opening in time for the spring semester, LeChase is home to over 100 undergraduate courses and the Warner School of Education. The building earned a LEED silver standard distinction. For story, see page 4.

## Director of new Intercultural Center appointed

BY ANTOINETTE ESCE  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

On Jan. 16, Michelle Thompson-Taylor assumed her newly appointed role as director of the Intercultural Center. Her new position will involve facilitating collaboration between students and faculty.

"I'm excited to be able to lead a center that can help address the needs and concerns of our students, but can also convey the cultural identity of campus," Thompson-Taylor said.

Thompson-Taylor had previously served as an admissions counselor at UR since 2004. She has specifically worked with the College Horizons program as well as the Rochester Urban League to create the University's Jesse Moore Urban League Scholarship.

"[Thompson-Taylor] has tremendous energy and enthusiasm for this work," Dean of the College Richard Feldman said. "Through her experiences in admissions, she is in a good position to collaborate with students from all backgrounds and help them build connections."

Last semester, several students, including Students' Association president and senior Roshal Patel, were

invited to interview the four potential candidates. Patel was the only student present for Thompson-Taylor's interview.

"She was the last one we interviewed, and none of the other students showed up," Patel said. "We went 15 minutes over the interview time because we were having such a great conversation about what culture meant on campus."

Since Patel was the only student present for all four candidate interviews, he was able to participate in the appointing committee's deliberations.

Patel felt that Thompson-Taylor was very receptive to his feedback and while the discussion initially focused on the traditional idea of culture and specifically student culture groups, it eventually evolved into a definition of culture that included many different student groups including performance ensembles. Patel explained that nearly everything somehow contributes to campus culture and that he was impressed with Thompson-Taylor's openness to student ideas.

"Having someone who thinks like that in this position is great," he said.


*Esce is a member of the class of 2015.*



# FIVE-DAY FORECAST


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FRIDAY




Snow Showers  
Chance of precipitation: 30%  
High 21, Low 14

SATURDAY




Snow Showers  
Chance of precipitation: 50%  
High 22, Low 18

SUNDAY




Snow Showers  
Chance of precipitation: 30%  
High 28, Low 19

MONDAY



Cloudy  
Chance of precipitation: 20%  
High 35, Low 31

TUESDAY



Showers  
Chance of precipitation: 40%  
High 41, Low 34



ALYSSA ARRE / PHOTO EDITOR

## (EN)GENDERING AWARENESS OF WOMEN'S HISTORY, CULTURE

(en)Gendered, an annual art show sponsored by the Susan B. Anthony Institute and the Department of Art and Art History, opened on Friday, Jan. 18 in Sage Art Center. This year's theme is "In Labor: Gendering (Re)production."

## THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

FRIDAY  
JANUARY 25

HIGH ENERGY DENSITY PHYSICS SEMINAR

1:00 - 2:15 P.M., ROOM 271, BAUSCH & LOMB HALL  
Carolyn Kuranz, Professor of Applied Physics at University of Michigan-Ann Arbor will give a talk on high-energy density physics facilities. Tea will be served.

STUDENT HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

5:15 P.M., ROOM 220, UHS BUILDING  
All students are welcome to come share their ideas and suggestions with UHS.

SEAN FORBES

7 - 9 P.M., HUBBELL AUDITORIUM, HUTCHISON HALL  
The American Sign Language club is sponsoring a performance by deaf musician, signer and singer Sean Forbes. Tickets, which are on sale at the Common Market, are \$5 pre-sale and \$6 at the door for UR students, \$10 presale and \$11 at the door for UR faculty and staff,

SATURDAY  
JANUARY 26

BLENDER SEMINAR

3 P.M., CIF LAB, ANDERSON TOWER  
Learn the basics of Blender, a free open source 3D content creation suite available at [www.blender.org](http://www.blender.org). The seminar is hosted by the Computer Interest Floor.

"MOZART AND MORE"

8 P.M., KODAK HALL, EASTMAN THEATER  
The Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra will perform several compositions, including Mozart and Beethoven. Tickets can be purchased by phone, online or at the box office for \$22

SUNDAY  
JANUARY 27

DOWN THE RABBIT HOLE WITH ALICE

2 - 3 P.M., RARE BOOKS & SPECIAL COLLECTIONS, RUSH RHEES LIBRARY  
Come listen to Jeanne Harper of Friends of the UR Libraries give an illustrated talk about the exhibit, "Alice in the Looking Glass: Illustrations and Artists' Books, 1865-2012." Reservations, which are required, can be made by emailing [mengel@library.rochester.edu](mailto:mengel@library.rochester.edu) or calling 585-275-4461.

MONDAY  
JANUARY 28

DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY DONUT TALK

12 - 1 P.M., ROOM 473, HUTCHINSON HALL  
Jianfu Chen of the Howard Hughes Medical Institute will give a talk entitled "Neural Stem Cell Regulation: Insights from RNA Regulatory Network and Microphaly Disease."

RESHAPING OF HEALTH CARE

5 - 6 P.M., CLASS OF '62 AUDITORIUM, MEDICAL CENTER  
The Medical Center Board will present its annual program entitled "Academic Medical Centers and the Reshaping of Health Care in NYS." The event is free and open to the public.

TUESDAY  
JANUARY 29

HUMAN LIBRARY

1 - 4 P.M., WELLES-BROWN ROOM, RUSH RHEES LIBRARY  
Join a conversation designed to promote tolerance and understanding while rejecting prejudices by checking out a human book for 30 minutes or engaging in a small group discussion. For more information, visit [humanlibrary.org](http://humanlibrary.org) or email [mtsuchiya@library.rochester.edu](mailto:mtsuchiya@library.rochester.edu).

Please email calendar submissions or announcements to [news@campustimes.org](mailto:news@campustimes.org).

The Dec. 6 news article "City of Rochester scores in 25th percentile for LGBT equality" mistakenly used the term "percentile" in the headline. The proper headline should read: "City of Rochester scores in 75th percentile for LGBT equality."

It is the policy of the *Campus Times* to correct all erroneous information as quickly as possible. If you believe you have a correction, please email [editor@campustimes.org](mailto:editor@campustimes.org).

### SECURITY UPDATE

## Caught in a pickle, thieves lose appetite

BY CASEY GOULD  
MANAGING EDITOR

1. On Thursday, Jan. 17, workers at the Hillside Market caught two females fleeing the premises with a stolen jar of pickles, UR Security Investigator Roger Keirsbilck said. Claiming that they had dropped their receipt, the females also told workers that they were not carrying their IDs. When a UR Security officer requested to see their IDs however, the females complied, revealing that they were both undergraduates. The officer offered the students a chance to buy the pickles, but they "[weren't] in the mood for them anymore." No police report was filed.

### Suspect shoppers raise alarm

2. On Wednesday, Jan. 16, workers at the University bookstore reported seeing a suspicious male and female enter the shop. According to Keirsbilck, several employees recognized the female as having previously worked at the bookstore. Shortly after arriving, the couple split, with the male surveying textbooks and the female browsing apparel. When the male later carried several textbooks to the female — still in the apparel section — an employee retrieved the books and said that they would be at the register until the couple was ready to checkout. The male asked if the books were cheaper elsewhere, but the employee did not know. The couple then exited the bookstore without buying anything. Employees did not report any missing merchandise.

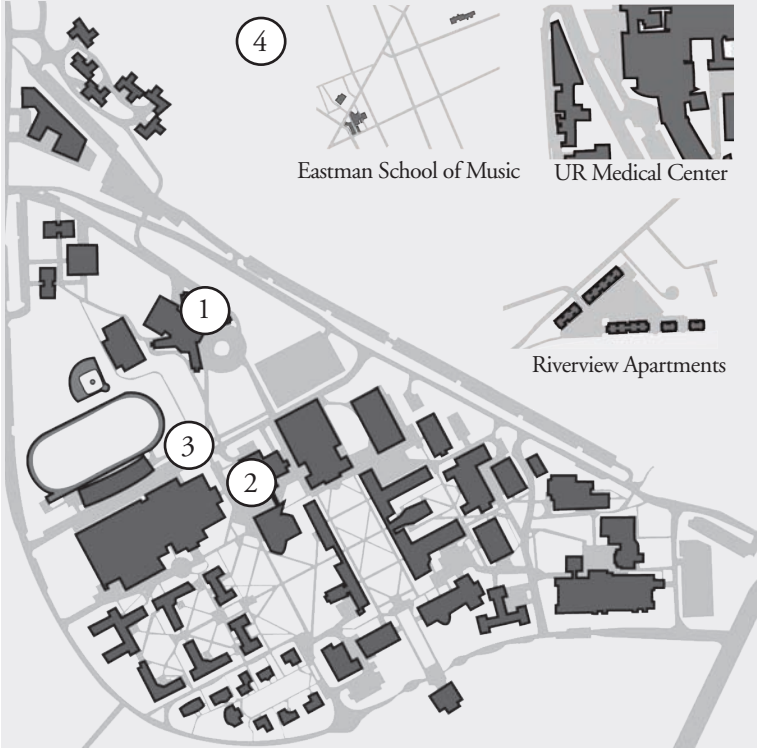
### Sisters recover composite after snatch-and-grab

3. On Sunday, Jan. 21, at 2:22 a.m., Security officers responded to Library Road near Fauver Stadium where four males had been seen carrying a sorority composite. When asked about the composite, the males told officers that they had been visiting a friend in Wilder Tower, Keirsbilck said. After identifying one of the males as an undergraduate and determining that the other three were not affiliated with the University, officers contacted a sorority representative who said she neither knew the student nor gave him permission to take the composite. After warning the student and escorting the other three males from the property, officers returned the composite. No charges were pressed.

### Renegades egg exhibit

4. On Monday, Jan. 21, a staff member at the Memorial Art Gallery (MAG) reported that several outdoor sculptures had been egged sometime the previous weekend. The sculptures — located near Goodman Street and University Avenue — are a part of the MAG's ongoing Centennial Sculpture Park project. Unable to determine how much damage was done, the staff member has since filed a police report, Keirsbilck said.

*Gould is a member of the class of 2014. Information provided by UR Security.*





# Warner School professor awarded \$463,000 grant

BY JARED SMITH  
STAFF WRITER

Earlier this month, UR Associate Professor and Director of Educational Policy Kara Finnigan was awarded a \$463,000 grant from the Spencer Foundation to examine relationships between leaders of Chicago school districts. Finnigan will explore how these relationships affect the work being done to improve the educational system.

The research will involve detailing the interactions between the leaders at school sites, central offices, and other tiers of the educational system. The researchers will focus on determining the extent to which information is shared between the administrative levels and staff and how that function serves to benefit the students within the system. In this way, the study will focus not only on the technical aspects of educational reformation, but also the relational aspect.

“We hope to answer critical questions about organizational

learning and the way that resources, such as innovation, knowledge and research-based practices, are shared within a district,” Finnigan stated.

The Spencer Foundation was established in 1962 and allocates funds to “investigate ways in which education, broadly conceived, can be improved around the world,”

according to the foundation’s web site.

The Spencer Foundation is a consistent source of funding for education research projects, dozens of which are published every year.

Finnigan has long been involved in efforts to improve the

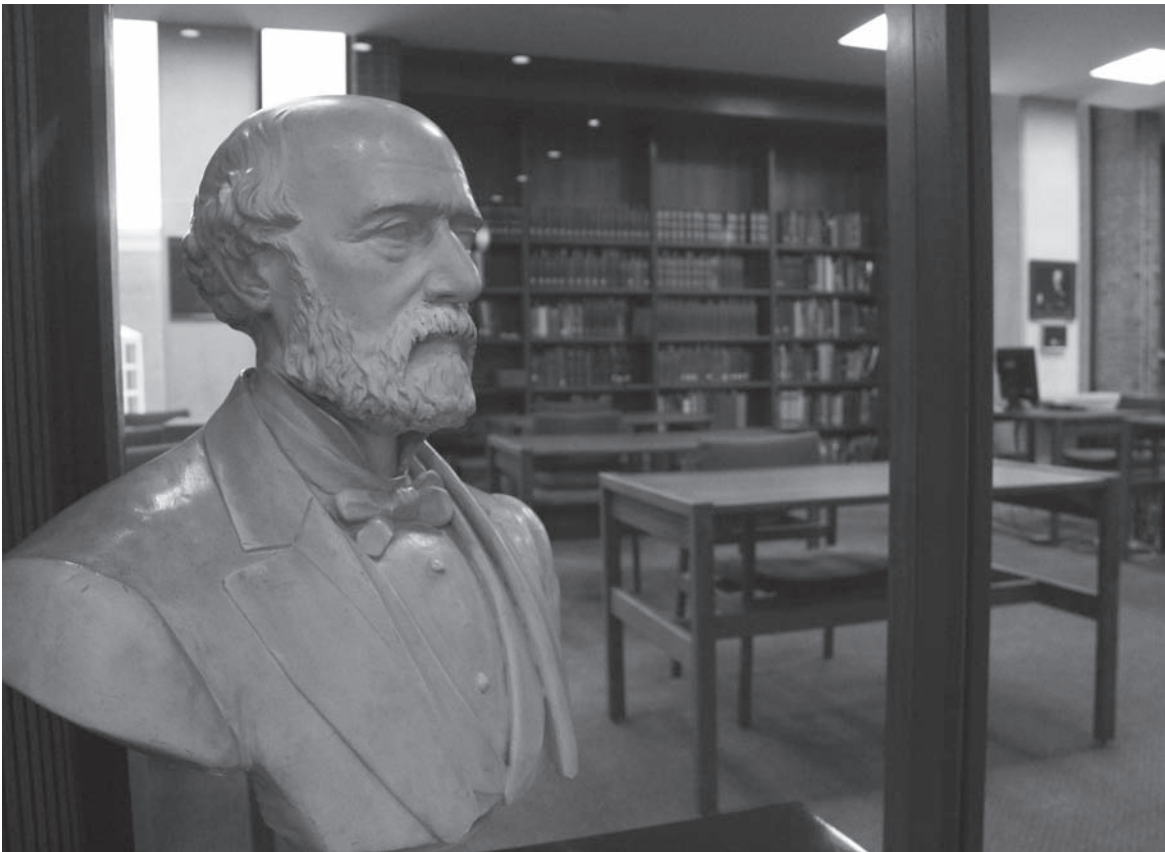
quality of public schools. In addition to this grant, she received a \$560,000 grant last May from the William T. Grant Foundation to investigate how low-income schools in the San Diego Unified School District and the Rochester City School District used educational research to improve the quality of education for their students.

*Smith is a member of the class of 2014.*



COURTESY OF KARA FINNIGAN  
UR Director of Educational Policy Kara Finnigan will study the relationships between officials at Chicago Public Schools and their effect on students’ education.

# UR alumnus endows Director of Rare Books & Special Collections position



ALYSSA ARRE / PHOTO EDITOR

Joseph Lambert and Harold Schleifer donated \$1 million toward the creation of a Director of Rare Books, Special Collections & Preservation position. The endowment will also allow library collections to be accessible online.

BY JARED SMITH  
STAFF WRITER

The Department of Rare Books, Special Collections & Preservation made a mark on Joseph Lambert, ’59. This January, Lambert and his associate Harold Schleifer committed \$1 million toward the creation of the Joseph N. Lambert and Harold B. Schleifer Director of Rare Books, Special Collections & Preservations as an endowed position.

“[Lambert and Schleifer] recognize the critical role that libraries play in advancing and preserving knowledge,” UR President Joel Seligman said. “Their commitment will allow collections that were once

the preserve of a handful of scholars to be widely available through the Internet.”

Schleifer’s relationship with the world of libraries began early when, at 14, he got a job shelving books at the New York Public Library. The library later

awarded him a full scholarship to Columbia, where he pursued a Master’s degree in library science. Schleifer worked on several library staffs before serving as dean at the University Library at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona (Cal Poly Pomona).

Lambert also discovered his interest in libraries early while

working at Rush Rhees library as an undergraduate. While his stint was short-lived — lasting only the four years of his undergraduate experience — he remembers the UR libraries fondly, noting that the “Welles-Brown Room with its leather chairs and fireplace was such a comfortable place for relaxing.”

Given their library experience, Lambert and Scheifler have a deep appreciation for the work of the Rare Books Library. During a project dedicated to the renovation of Schleifer’s Cal Poly Pomona University library, Schleifer drew upon several studies done at Rush Rhees Library.

Schleifer credits some of his success in the renovation project towards work done at UR and now acts on the River Campus Libraries advisory board.

*Smith is a member of the class of 2014.*

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— UR President Joel Seligman

# Dining takes student feedback into account to make spring 2013 changes

BY ANGELA REMUS  
NEWS EDITOR

In an effort to address student feedback, Dining Services has made several changes, including new menu offerings in dining halls and additional product options at other campus eateries.

New menus at Danforth Dining Center, Douglass Dining Center and Eastman Dining Center will include last semester’s most popular items as well as new selections.

At Douglass, a wrap station similar to the one available two years ago will open.

At Wilson Commons, Mel burgers and garbage plates are now available as dinner options in an effort to increase dinner sales. “Fish Fry Fridays” and weekend breakfast pizzas will also be new staples.

A range of new products will

be available at Hillside Market, Connections, Starbucks and Pura Vida. At Hillside Market, Joe Bean Coffee, a brand that, according to Marketing Manager Kevin Aubrey, “focuses on artisanal brewing and single sourcing,” will replace last semester’s option. Connections will offer Pine Hill breakfast sandwiches as well as Hedonist truffles for Valentine’s Day and chocolate eggs for Easter. New breakfast combos will also be available. At Starbucks, a variety of paninis will be offered, and Pura Vida will introduce tea freezes in the spring.

In response to student complaints, Dining Services is using Healthy Oil Sprayers to reduce the use of oil in cooking.

Dining Services also implemented a Smallwares Amnesty Program, which will allow students to return plates, silverware

and other dining items that have been removed from dining facilities.

Director of Campus Dining

Services and Auxiliary Operations Cameron Schauf emphasized that these changes are made based on student feedback. “We are a stu-

dent-driven, student-focused organization on campus.”

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# LeChase Hall officially opens, departments change locations

BY KARLI COZEN  
SENIOR STAFF

The Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning will now be located on the first floor of Dewey Hall. Offices on the second floor will be occupied by the Office of Minority Student Affairs, the Intercultural Center Director's Office, and the Center for Study Abroad and Interdepartmental Programs. The fourth floor will house the Multidisciplinary Studies Center, the Office of Undergraduate Research, the Fellowships Office, the Gwen M. Greene Career and Internship Center, and the David T. Kearns Center for Leadership and Diversity in Arts, Sciences & Engineering.

Assistant Dean and Director of the center for Study Abroad and Interdepartmental Pro-

grams Jacqueline Levine explained that the new location is much more spacious than the former office and will be in an optimal location. Levine noted that these offices' proximity provide "a wonderful concentration of student services."

This summer the Career Center will also relocate to Dewey from its current location in Meliora Hall. "The new facility will be about the same size but layout and traffic flow [will be] much improved," Burton Nadler, Career Center director, said. "The Dean of the College and all involved in the process [hope] that [it] will provide a convenient place to access so many student services."

During the day, the first floor classrooms of LeChase will be used for undergraduate

courses ranging from "Anthropology of Development" to "Money in Politics." The Warner School of Education will use these classrooms during the evenings and weekends. In total, approximately 100 different courses will use the new building this spring.

The Warner School has been the fastest growing academic division at UR and has continued to expand academic programs and educational research practices in recent years. In the Warner School's former location in Dewey, faculty shared offices and hosted classes elsewhere at the University. The plans for the Warner School's relocation were made in the spring of 2011 with the support of a \$3.5 million dollar commitment by University trustee and chairman of LeChase construction, R. Wayne LeChase.



MIRIAM FROST / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

LeChase Hall opened to students for the start of the spring 2013 semester.

LeChase Hall was designed by Bergmann and Associates of Rochester and meets LEED silver standards, the third highest ranking. The building features a 24-hour technology center,

community spaces for campus events, and a "methods" classroom for demonstrations to future teachers.

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# Graduate students victim of on-campus armed robbery

BY LEAH BULETTI  
SENIOR STAFF

Two UR graduate students were victims of an armed robbery in the University Park Apartments just south of the UR Medical Center and across from the Southside Living Center on Sunday, Jan. 20 — the first reported robbery on campus in 19 months, according to an email sent to students by UR President Joel Seligman on Tuesday, Jan. 22.

The incident occurred at approximately 7 p.m., with the

intruders entering through the front door of the apartment. One student was told to place electronic devices in a suitcase while the other student was told to lie on the floor.

Both complied with the intruders' demands and neither were injured. A police investigation is ongoing, although no suspect has currently been identified.

Security patrols in the area have been increased, according to an email alerting students about the incident. UR currently has 130 Security staff

members and 195 blue light phones on campus.

Seligman's email was also prompted by Monday night's activation of UR's University-wide AlertUR system, which warned the University community on Monday, Jan. 21 at approximately 8:15 p.m. of a police investigation in the 1100 block of South Plymouth Avenue, north of the Riverview Apartments. The message told the University community to "stay away from the area" and "seek shelter." At about 10:45 p.m., the system

informed the community that the incident had concluded and to "resume normal activities." The Rochester Police Department determined the threat to be a hoax, according to Seligman's email.

Seligman also wrote that in light of these incidents and a series of similar ones near the Eastman School of Music, UR is engaged in a review of Security patrols and procedures.

"Our crime prevention officers and senior Security staff regularly meet with University groups, and they will meet

with several groups this week," the email stated.

A prior review in 2011 of Security operations resulted in University-backed legislation commencing UR's sworn officer training program. Seligman also stated that the review "reaffirmed that the University's campuses are safe places, but 'safe' never means 'absolutely safe'" and urged the University community to "remain vigilant" and take normal precautions.

*Buletti is a member of the class of 2013.*

# Presidential inauguration: an 'expression of national unity'



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The Eastman String Quartet (from left, Markiyon Melnychenko, Kelsey Farr, Hyeok Kwon, and Che Ho Lam) performed at the Presidential Inaugural Luncheon during the 2013 inauguration at the invitation of Senator Charles Schumer.

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really...unbelievable. It's an incredible opportunity for us and for the school."

UR students, while not a part of any formal inaugural festivities, also had the opportunity to attend inaugural events.

Some students watched the president's speech from jumbotrons on the National Mall and others were able to view the parade on Pennsylvania Avenue.

Freshman Steven Torrisi commented on the scope of the inauguration, pointing to the security for the parade, which was drawn from states across the nation, to illustrate his point.

"It made me think about the enormity of the United States,"

he said. "It was very much an expression of national unity and community."

With fitting timing, the exhibit "A Presidential Voice" is now open in the Rush Rhees Department of Rare Books and Special Collections. The exhibit includes over 50 selections, including a signed copy of Kennedy's 1961 inaugural address and the famous lines "Ask not what your country can do you for you — ask what you can do for your country."

The exhibit is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. through March 8.

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# College Town developers receptive to student concerns

BY LEAH BULETTI  
SENIOR STAFF

UR student leaders stressed the importance of making UR's multi-use College Town project accessible, with cheap, fast dining options and a variety of vibrant night-life options to two developers from Cleveland-based Fairmount Properties at a forum on Wednesday, Jan. 23.

The multi-use College Town project, which has been in the works since January 2011, now has a groundbreaking planned for 2013 and obtained \$4 million

in funding this December from New York's Regional Economic Development Council, part of a total \$96.2 million award to the Finger Lakes Regional Economic Development Council.

"It's very important for us to be able to hear from students," Randy Ruttenberg of Fairmount Properties said. "Now we're determining what should go there. We're not so bold as to be able to come to Rochester and know what would work for the people of Rochester."

Ruttenberg described the project as being very "pedestrian-oriented," with outdoor seating and an

internal boulevard.

Freshman Lucas Metzler asked about the project's similarities to RIT's Park Point development project.

"This will not at all feel like that project," Ruttenberg said. "This will feel way more organic."

He described College Town as having a "more quaint and warm feel" that will be more well-integrated into the urban setting than RIT's suburban mall model. College Town will have more employees, a bigger day time population of visitors, and "pocket-like" parks.

Senior Andrew Cutillo asked about the projected time for student usage of College Town, expressing his worry about transportation.

Ruttenberg said that there will be two types of businesses — those that are used on a weekly basis, such as the grocery store, bank and bakery, and those that will be more "destination-oriented" places that people will drive to from 10 to 15 miles away to visit, such as unique shops.

College Town will have job opportunities for students, and UR is working to make it accessible by

both the blue and green line buses, Ruttenberg said.

Cutillo stressed that many undergraduates are hesitant to venture off campus for food given that their meal plans are more tied to on-campus eateries.

Director of Wilson Commons Laura Ballou said that she thinks it will be important that many of the new business take flex to address this issue and create an incentive for students to eat or buy off campus.

Students' Association President and senior Roshal Patel stressed

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# College Town evolving

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the importance of venues delivering food, particularly during late night hours.

Ruttenberg said that there will likely be sushi and Mediterranean restaurants that deliver food and that they are investigating a concept akin to Insomnia Cookies, which delivers until 3 or 4 a.m.

Senior Kyle Coapman agreed, stating that he thinks students want venues where they can get food quickly and cheaply, “like a diner but faster,” for food such as grilled cheese and fried chicken.

There was a general consensus among students about the need for night-life venues that cater both to students who want a more club-like, dancing experience and those who might want the more chill atmosphere atmosphere of a coffee shop/bar with live music, particularly performed by students.

College Town will have spaces for outdoor music and student performers. Ballou stressed that having a student tie to venues is

of crucial importance.

“The connection to people is really what it’s about because of how musical our campus is,” she said. “Students want to have that personal connection.”

Ruttenberg also said that College Town will have a Beer Market with 500 types of beer, a sports bar and a wine bar.

Other specific features of College Town announced include: 73,000 square feet of shops and restaurants, 154,000 feet of residential space, a five story parking garage, 50,000 square feet of office space, a Hilton Garden Inn, a 20,000 square foot fresh market concept grocery store, and a Barnes & Nobles bookstore, which will also house UR’s college bookstore.

Ruttenberg added that the outside performance space will seat 100 people, and both surface parking and garage parking for short and long term will be available for free.

*Bulletti is a member of the class of 2013.*



ALYSSA ARRE / PHOTO EDITOR

## COUNTRY MUSIC LECTURE KICKS OFF INSTITUTE FOR POPULAR MUSIC

The revolutionary Institute for Popular Music, founded by music theory professor John Covach this December, offers students a forum in which to seriously discuss popular music genres ranging from country to hip hop. The talk was its inaugural event.

# Harris-Perry notes supporting role of women, their influence in history

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himself, would not exist without the active work of their widows. Myrlie Evers-Williams, who recently spoke at Obama’s Presidential Inauguration, lived on to become a renowned civil rights activist, as did Coretta Scott King.

“There is no way, despite whatever stories about infidelity may exist in the world about Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.,” Harris-Perry said, “that that rock in D.C. should be of just him and that there should be no Coretta. It is appalling to imagine that there is no Coretta.”

The sway that women in mourning hold over popular opinion has not dwindled with time. Harris-Perry alluded to young mothers whose husbands were killed in the 9/11 attacks. She claimed that they now represent one of the most influential interest groups in American politics.

“There is no sustainability of any activist without a partner,” Harris-Perry said. “If [you] ever think [you] are seeing just a single person, you are not. You are always seeing a collective effort.”

She then switched to discussing the image of Barack Obama with First Lady Michelle, who she called “the main reason we like Barack.”

On the subject of Obama, Harris-Perry brought attention to the recent controversy over Susan Rice’s candidacy for Secretary of State. Rice, whose reputation took consecutive hits on various grounds, dropped

“When we think about King as human, and not divine; when we think about him as strategic, and morally unassailable, he becomes more available to us.”

— Melissa Harris-Perry



COURTESY OF J. ADAM FENSTER, UR PHOTOGRAPHER

Melissa Harris-Perry discussed ways to celebrate King’s legacy while also criticizing his ideas of patriarchy in a press event prior to the address on Thursday, Jan. 17.

out of consideration. The situation has led to some criticism of Obama, accused of disassociating with her out of cold-hearted political strategy.

Harris-Perry defended Obama by directly comparing this situation to one between King and Bayard Rustin, the architect of the March on

Washington. Once Rustin was revealed as gay and communist, King severed ties with him. Rather than taking the moral high ground as we might expect, Harris-Perry said, King decided upon what would be the best strategy for the movement.

“When we think about King as human and not divine when we think about him as strategic, and not morally unassailable, he becomes more available to us,” Harris-Perry said. “We need not be perfect before we engage in altering American history.”

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### A swipe at card readers

This past semester, UR refitted its bus fleet with swipe card readers. These devices, designed to track ridership and other data useful in potentially streamlining current routes, are a great idea — in theory.

During rush hour, popular stops see an even longer wait due to the time it takes riders to remove their cards and swipe (twice if done incorrectly), not to mention the excessively apologetic rider who insists on delivering a thirty-second spiel to explain why he or she forgot their ID. With strong winds and freezing temperatures not uncommon to Rochester, such extended exposure to the elements usually results in cold, shivering, and angry riders.

Besides the holdup they cause, the swiping system remains a mystery to some, even after two weeks of operating. Riders without IDs sometimes choose not to board because they believe it to be a prerequisite when that is not the case. Even more riders are unaware that the card readers exist at all. Consequently, the University should further delineate its bus protocol to minimize future misunderstandings. As for the longer wait, the boarding process will hopefully speed up as riders become accustomed to swiping.

To be sure, the card readers are a smart addition to UR’s fleet, one that is perhaps overdue. A popular tool already used by many colleges, the readers collect data that will be vital in assessing existing routes and improving the overall busing experience for future riders. We hope the university acts on this data so that we don’t wait in vain.

### UR Alert system succeeds

On Jan. 21, at approximately 8:15 P.M., undergraduate students received an email and text message from UR Security regarding an incident off South Plymouth Avenue, near the Riverview apartments. Due to this notification, the entire student body was aware of the incident within moments of its occurrence.

Though most may ignore the semi-annual practice UR Alerts, this system is unmistakably valuable when robberies, assaults, or other potentially dangerous situations occur. We are not only able to access the information immediately, but we are also notified through multiple avenues in order to maximize the number of people informed about the incident. The messages are succinct and get the point across, and also instill confidence in the UR community because they know UR Security is working to resolve the issue as quickly as possible.

Though the message was a bit vague, perhaps intentionally, it did briefly mention that continued updates would be posted online. Ultimately, AlertUR operated in a successful and efficient manner without causing chaos. Even though this week’s alert was caused by a prank call, we’re glad that UR security and AlertUR are ready to respond in case next time it isn’t just a joke.

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## EDITORIAL OBSERVER

### Laughter: best medicine, best tool



ANTOINETTE ESCE  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Sometimes, we take ourselves a little too seriously. We all think we’re right. We all know what’s best. We all like to yell and point aggressively at each other. And then we put experts on TV to yell and point at people they can’t see and call into radio talk shows to yell and point at people that can’t see them. We take everything — the fiscal cliff, parking tickets, baseball — very seriously.

Now, I’ve done my fair share of yelling and pointing, and I think we always yell and point with the best of intentions: serious passion. That serious passion can lead to serious and productive conversations, but more often than not, it seems to lead to some serious miscommunication that adds tension, occludes ideas and ends discussions.

Just because our passions are austere doesn’t mean our responses must be; sometimes the best answer isn’t a straight face, but a joke.

Abraham Lincoln loved jokes. In fact, his jokes and anecdotes famously cut through the political diatribe and put conversations back on track. The jokes eased tension, the anecdotes refocused the seriously passionate men, and maybe most importantly, his humor just gave everyone a break to cool off.

I think we traditionally undervalue the role of humor in discussion and communication. Jon Stewart and the Onion find a joke in everything, but after the laughs fade away, you’re often left with something more. A new perspective, maybe? A different analogy? You can make a joke about our crumbling infrastructure and call it road cancer, laugh and move on. Or you can make the joke and take something away from it. Maybe we actually can draw a parallel between treating cancer and treating our infra-

structure. Or maybe we can’t. I don’t know, but there’s more there than just a giggle.

I think one of the most valuable things you can learn in life is the ability to laugh at yourself. Since college campuses are supposed to be places of learning, what better place to start laughing? Humor makes things less pointed, less severe and bridges ideological differences, making it the perfect tool for college students to develop sound opinions and ideas.

Humor isn’t just profanity or dirty words, as funny as those can be. Humor isn’t just mean wit or jest at the expense of others, even if that, at times, is effective. Humor is about ripping off the facade, tearing down the curtain and being raw and real. Not necessarily the traditional real of fact, but real in the sense of the heart of a matter. Telling it like it is.

Some of the most enlightening coverage of the recent debate over gun regulation that I saw was an Onion article that replaced the word “gun” with phrases like “piece of metal that launches other smaller pieces of metal great distances, one after the other.” It was simple. It was funny. It was real. And it made you stop and think about whatever it was we were actually supposed to be talking about.

That being said, there is a fine line between effective and ineffective humor, and that line is sometimes difficult to discern. Something that is offensive can also sometimes spark a necessary conversation, or it can further alienate two sides. Something that is funny in one country can mean nothing in another. Humor is a powerful tool that must be smartly applied. A laugh may not always be appropriate, but a somber scowl may not either.

Humor has an important place in mature communication. No, it shouldn’t replace serious conversation or factual discussions, but it can be a very effective tool to facilitate them. Sometimes laughter is the best medicine.

*Esce is a member of the class of 2015.*

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# Gun control legislation ineffective, harmful to citizens

BY CHRISTOPHER WIDEMAN

With the recent examples of gun related violence, especially the West Webster Fire Fighter tragedy occurring 12 miles from UR, discussion of the topic and how to address it are obviously on many students' minds. Without attempting to mitigate facts that inflame the situation, I would like to propose the beginnings of a constructive discussion on ways to address this pressing issue.

First, I would like to point out important things to remember when discussing the Second Amendment. The right to bear arms is not about hunting and sport shooting any more than free speech is about frat party banter and arguing about the BCS championship system over lunch with the swimming team. Second,

most people have no knowledge of existing gun control legislation or of data about violent crime rates not involving guns compared with those that do. Finally, guns do not make people evil.

Those who have been following the actions of Governor Andrew Cuomo, especially those with knowledge of our system, should realize how poorly crafted his gun control legislation is and the economic impact it will have. Regardless of the need for more secured access to weapons, especially those with more abilities, this legislation does not move to prevent future tragedies from occurring.

Here is a different proposal that addresses the societal issue in a logical manner. First, instant background checks can and

should be employed. For a small fee, all Federal Firearms License holders could conduct the background check for all transfers, effectively ending the "gun show loophole" with no rights infringements and ensuring that

all sellers aren't selling a firearm to a "blacklisted" individual. Second, we need to tie a national mental health registry into the background check database. If a

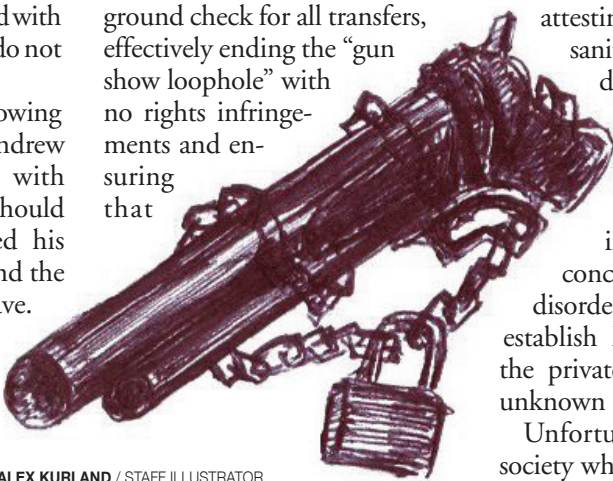
person isn't sane enough to buy a gun, it shouldn't be up to that individual to fill out a Form 4473 attesting to his own mental sanity and a medical history devoid of any mental health issues. This is not about a person who needs short-term counseling but is instead targeted at issues concerning serious mental disorders. Third, we need to establish legislation preventing the private sale of weapons to unknown individuals.

Unfortunately, we live in a society where it is impossible for the law enforcement community to proactively enforce every law, and criminals exploit that. In all of the recent tragedies, the assailants procured their weapons through illegal means. Specifically, the

Connecticut shooter who killed his mother to get her weapons, and the West Webster shooter procured his weapons through illegal means. It was illegal for him to possess the weapons in the first place due to the fact that he was a convicted felon (for killing his grandmother with a claw hammer).

Simply put, legislation that makes firearm ownership illegal can only hurt those who follow the laws of our society. Persons who are willing to commit crimes with a weapon are no more likely to regard a law making it illegal to possess a firearm than they are to respect the law and refrain from committing the crime in the first place. Again, guns do not make people evil. Evil people do bad things with guns.

*Wideman is a member of the Class of 2015.*



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# Divided government: hamstrung by polarized facts

BY DAVID STARK

There's something terribly wrong with our political system when Senator Jim DeMint of South Carolina, a conservative Republican with no postgraduate experience in economics or political science, resigns from the most powerful legislative body on earth to become the president of The Heritage Foundation.

The Heritage Foundation, established to "formulate and promote conservative public policies based on the principles of free enterprise, limited government, individual freedom, traditional American values and a strong national defense," is considered one of the most influential research organizations in the country. Keep in mind that in Washington, the word "influential" has nothing to do with academic integrity. Instead, ideological think tanks are heralded for their political power, such that a sitting U.S. senator views one of their job opportunities as a promotion. Liberal groups, such as the Center for American Progress, are just as guilty of ideological pigeon-holing. These groups aid in the development of two separate worlds, each with different par-

ties, media and facts, making fair political debate particularly difficult. Truth takes a back burner to politics.

Should we really expect anything better from our brainiac groups in Washington? Not a chance. This fact problem in Washington can be found right in the mission statements of these pseudo-intellectual organizations; their pursuit of sound public policy is actually prefaced by a particular ideology. Go ahead and read their mission statement in the second paragraph again. I'll wait for you. Ready?

Are you joking, Heritage Foundation? Did the Enlightenment happen? The Scientific Revolution, you know, of the seventeenth century? As Americans, we cherish our beliefs, but in the pursuit of science, we admit that those beliefs cannot act as logical premises. Heritage and other research organizations posit that ideology alone can justify policies; that they aren't concerned with what we prove to be the best, but only what we hope to be the best. This can lead to pretty shady policy outcomes. What if I told you that mushrooms were healthy for you because they are mushrooms? Well, that's not

exactly true. Certain mushrooms are healthy to eat because it has been proven to be the case by scientists and nutritionists. On the contrary, some mushrooms

“These groups aid in the development of two separate worlds, each with different parties, media and facts, making fair political debate particularly difficult. Truth takes a back burner to politics.

can point to plenty of academic support for deficit spending during recessions, but experts agree that unless we adequately modify Medicare and Social Security, the programs will have catastrophic effects on our national debt over the coming decades. Democrats and Republicans tell half-truths, consulting expert testimony for some issues but shushing those same experts by the second item of their platform. They are stuck trying to address each detail of our complicated world with broad, immutable ideology.

Fortunately, there is much more consensus among academics than these two worlds suggest. In fact, most economists agree about the ways to solve our recession and the related fiscal straits. The IGM Economic Experts Panel at the University of Chicago Booth School of Business is comprised of world renowned economists who each respond to politically controversial questions concerning American public policy. Remarkably, most of their responses are nearly unanimous, aligning sometimes with Republican policy or Democratic policy, but often-times, with neither.

Yet here we are, forced to choose between two ideologies, two disparate worlds that rely on two disparate sets of facts. The reasoned

voter, who cares about finding the best answer to our questions, is forced to determine the lesser of two jaded markets for truth. These two markets present problems for our politics. Americans think we are more divided than we actually are. Our politicians disagree far more frequently than we need to disagree. Gridlock ensues. Even more disturbing is that social science becomes politicized, and the public is fooled into thinking that truth is a two party system.

Now is the time to trust the mainstream experts because we haven't trusted them for years. We give tax breaks to oil companies, but nearly every one of the world's top economists surveyed thinks we should tax carbon emissions by the ton. The entire 2012 presidential campaign sang praises of small businesses as the silver bullet to stop the recession, but the economists see no reason for any distinction by firm size whatsoever. We have a lot of the answers, but our political establishments consistently choose to make truth a secondary priority. Instead, our most ideologic figures are recluses within their own realms of truth, regarding belief as logical premise and rejecting evidence that suggests otherwise.

*Stark is a member of the Class of 2016.*

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The concept of Meliora was in Ferrandino's life long before his time here at UR. As a child, he was placed into special education classes because of his learning disabilities, but overcame them with hard work.

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# Fill Fauver encourages student attendance, enthusiasm at athletic events

BY MATT LERNER  
FEATURES EDITOR

This upcoming weekend, the Yellowjackets will take on many teams in a variety of sporting events both at home and away. Wilson Commons Student Activities, in collaboration with Athletics and Recreation, Students' Association, University IT Computer Sales, and Coca-Cola, has successfully spearheaded efforts to promote these events through a program commonly known as "Fill Fauver," in reference to Fauver stadium.

Fill Fauver encourages attendance and school spirit at games through advertising and programming.

On Saturday, both the women and men's swimming and diving teams will compete against Rochester Institute of Technology at home, while the squash team will challenge Dartmouth College at home the same day. Fill Fauver has worked to promote both of these events, aiming to increase support for the teams and the athletes.

Those involved behind Fill

Fauver do more than just advertise. One such program is a new promotional offer known as "Rocky's Mystery Bottle Giveaway," in which Rocky the Yellowjacket will hand out water bottles that may contain prizes including Common Market coupons, candy, or tickets to a Rochester Americans (Amerks) hockey game.

Fill Fauver is not a new program and has been actively supporting UR Athletics since its inception in 2008.

Last August, after joint efforts between the Students' Association and the D'Lions, over 800 people attended a men's soccer game in Fauver Stadium.

"It's a good experience to go to a game to support your classmates and build a community within the school," UR Spirit Coordinator Alexander Eadie said.

Eadie is Fill Fauver's leading man and has been responsible for planning the recent and upcoming events. His passion for the program is obvious.

"In the future, I hope to see Fill Fauver become another UR tra-



COURTESY OF ALEXANDER EADIE

UR students show their school spirit in Fauver stadium while watching the men's soccer team defeat Marywood College on Aug. 31, 2012 during the first Fill Fauver event of the fall semester.

dition, but the only way it starts is with the students being aware and attending the games."

It is already somewhat common to see a larger turnout of fans at more popular sport-

ing events, so Fill Fauver also works to cover sports that don't necessarily receive the same support.

"As far as I've seen, there is a lot of pride in the University; I

see it everywhere. But as far as athletic teams, it's something [Fill Fauver] is trying to work on," Eadie said.

*Lerner is a member of the class of 2016.*

# Seeing the end in the beginning: the expiration dating game

BY ALICE GAO  
OPINIONS EDITOR

"He's only back for the summer, but he's so nice and sweet. I think I'm going to go for it."

"Yeah, we both know it's not serious, we're just having fun." "YOLO!"

And so it begins. You are an attractive, intelligent, and somewhat mature college student who finds someone you like.

So what could be the problem with this seemingly romantic situation?

Maybe this love of your life attends a different school or is only in town for this one weekend/break/certain amount of time. Maybe they are a "commit-phobe" or is a celebrity (hey, Emma Watson chose Brown University; it could happen).

The idea of expiration dating — a relationship in which you knowingly participate because you know it won't last and will expire in the near future — is attractive to young, passionate, and thrill-seeking individuals such as college students for many reasons.

You're able to reap the benefits of the "honeymoon stage" in the beginning without having to stay for the "you never listen to me/why are you so emotional" stage towards the end.

You get to partake in that ideal, yet, for whatever reason, tragically doomed relationship. You get to have fun sex without the danger of getting bored with them because you know it won't last.

Alright, time for a reality check. As much as this no-strings-attached plan sounds like a good idea, I think we've all seen enough real-life examples (note: not romantic comedies) to know these types of flings rarely work out in the end, especially in college.

Even if you have a great time, we are socially programmed in the back of our minds to question at the end of this relationship if this person is actually "the one."

And when we try to sustain the relationship past its so-called expiration date, things start to go awry.

Late night Skype calls turn into weekly phone calls, which eventually become monthly "check-ins" ("We're still together right?").

Sweet and sexy messages develop into suspicious accusations, which snowball into all-out screaming matches and drunken

dials of frustration. Before you know it, the "I miss you baby" you once said has transformed into something more like, "I can't do this anymore" (or if he/she is a real jerk, it may be, "We're not exclusive anymore, right?").

Of course, there is a possibility that you might make it through college and end up together after all. Maybe you're that one in a hundred couples that is able to wait it out by concentrating on how much you love the other person (the hot

reunion sex helps too).

However, considering the current state of the economy (last time I checked, love is not a currency that allows you to sustain yourself) and the always powerful influence of the media ("Friends with Benefits," e.g.), "expiration dating" is

hardly a great or secure avenue for a happily ever after.

Besides practicality, that long-distance or short-term relationship can distract you from the here and now. What if the one

you thought was "the one," wasn't, and they distracted you from the real "the one?"

This begs the question: do we take the leap and go for it anyway? Do we prudently avoid this and hope we don't end up as cat ladies/gentlemen in the future? How much risk are we willing to take for even a brief amount of happiness?

There are no clear answers, but I'd rather stick it to the classic expiration date and not throw away something that may be perfectly fine, despite what the numbers may say.

*Gao is a member of the class of 2014.*

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# Mt. Hope Family Center provides hands-on experience for UR students

BY MATT LERNER  
FEATURES EDITOR

Among the UR student population, one is likely to find a plethora of intended psychology majors. These students work to discover the inner workings of the human psyche and most plan to use what they learn to help those in need of their services.

What most of these students do not know, however, is that within the Rochester community, many individuals are currently dedicating their time to better the lives of those around them through those same psychology techniques and ideas taught in the UR classroom.

Only five minutes from the River Campus resides the Mt. Hope Family Center, a facility that houses many programs for children affected by violence either within their home or around the community. Since its founding in 1979, the center has developed a unique program combining both therapeutic analyses and psychological tests to ensure the betterment of all children and families seeking aid.

The first method employed at the Mt. Hope Family Center is a program that joins both analysis of scientific data and one-on-one training between children and staff members. The second method focuses on the idea of human development. In order to be classified as leading researchers in the field of psychology, the staff must utilize aspects of three cutting-edge fields: social work, medicine, and engineering.

While the Mt. Hope Family Center focuses mainly on human development, neglect, abuse, and maternal depression, a large part of the work done involves training individuals to some day conduct and improve upon the work already being done.

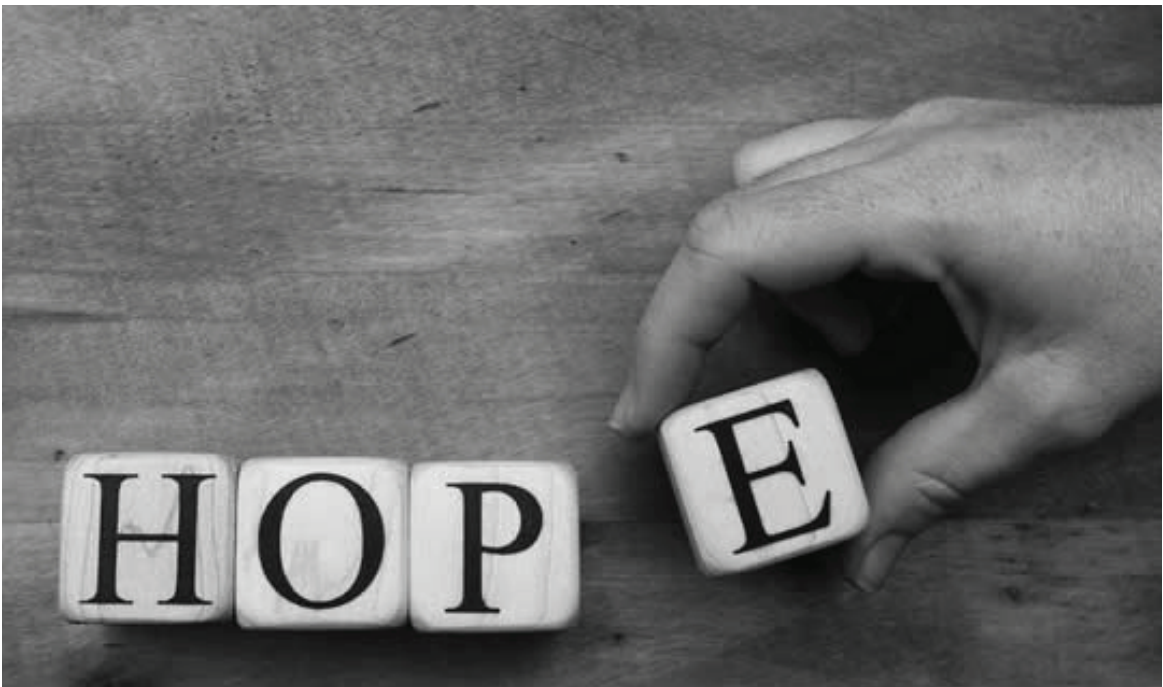
The most recent endeavor of the center is known as Project STEP, a research-based study that focuses on the effects of inter-parental conflict on child development.

“Fifty percent of the population of the city of Rochester is at risk [of facing inter-parental conflicts],” said Kashawmma Wright ’10, a research assistant for Project STEP.

According to Wright and another research assistant for the project, Ângela Richeson, almost 250 families are involved in the study, meeting three times per year for two to three hours sessions. At each session, staff members like Wright and Richeson work the children through a myriad of tasks, including IQ testing, logical assessments, as well as one-on-one interactions, all to get a “dynamic picture” of the children’s development.

“In families that have many children, often many siblings get overlooked,” Richeson said. “For this reason, the staff members at the center work with children and their families from the greater Rochester area in the hope of solving any issues that have arisen and to prevent any additional changes from occurring.”

In addition to Project STEP, the Mt. Hope Family Center



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The Mount Hope Family Center provides a variety of psychological and social services to children and their families. UR students have the opportunity to volunteer conducting studies and tests to gain experience as well as course credit.

hosts many different projects that include parenting classes for young mothers and sessions for teenage girls coping with depression and anxiety.

Each semester, the center employs 10 student interns from the surrounding area, drawing mainly from UR. While one can apply to become a one-on-one specialist who works directly with children in studies such as Project STEP, there are many other opportunities for students to get involved.

The Mt. Hope Family Center also specializes in after-school and summer programs, focusing on homework strategies, how to deal with one’s emotions, and how to properly develop social interaction skills.

While an undergraduate at UR, Wright assisted in the center’s summer program for three years prior to becoming a research assistant on Project STEP. Like Wright, students interested in the field of psychology, or simply willing to help better the surrounding community, are encouraged to participate in any way they can in the hope of one day continuing such meaningful work on a larger scale. Those looking to make larger commitments can participate in three-semester programs for course credit, while those looking for less of an undertaking are able to set their own volunteer schedules.

Additionally, upperclassmen interested in writing theses or

working on psychology studies are encouraged to get involved with the center, as there are many opportunities available for independent study. Once involved, students have access to data from social experiments and tests, as well as both undergraduate and graduate students from neighboring colleges and universities to assist in research.

So, the next time you are asked to read about the practices and tests done by esteemed doctors and researchers in your psychology and biology class, think about how you too could be a part of the next big breakthrough by only traveling five minutes down the road.

*Lerner is a member of the class of 2016.*

## THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW THIS WEEK

### THIS DAY IN HISTORY: JAN. 24

**1865:** The Confederate Congress agrees to resume prisoner exchange with the Union during the Civil War.

**1908:** The Boy Scouts of America begins.

**1965:** Former prime minister of Great Britain Winston Churchill dies at the age of 91.

**1981:** Mike Bossy, former National Hockey League player for the New York Islanders, becomes only one of five players in league history to score 50 goals within the span of 50 games.

**2006:** Disney announces their \$7.4 billion acquisition of Pixar, a renown digital animation company.

### OVERHEARD AT UR

“Hey mom, I got Take Five, but you actually have to pay for the tuition... Or I got Take Four Part Two.... well I’d rather they be mad at me for a few months than have to shell out 50,000 myself.”

—Overheard in the package line in Todd Union

### PROFESSORS SAY

“We don’t need no stinking footnotes. We need logic.”

—Hein Goemans, International Relations

## UR OPINION

BY AARON SCHAFFER  
PHOTO EDITOR

### “WHAT WERE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO MOST AFTER WINTER BREAK?”



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“To do better in the classroom.”



VICKY STEPANOVA '15

“Friendship.”



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“Meeting new students.”



CAITLYN GARBARINO '15

“200 meter repeats.”



DEVIN SANDON '14

“Seeing all my friends again after going abroad.”



MADDIE SKELLIE '13

“Definitely not the snow.”



# UR alum elected as Colorado's first openly gay Speaker of the House

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With his determination as well as his family's support, he quieted the naysayers and doubters to achieve, eventually attending UR and earning degrees in political science and economics. After getting his Master's degree, he went on to work for the Department of Justice and the White House Office of Management and Budget before being elected to his current position as a state representative.

While working in Washington, he met Greg Wertsch, who has been his partner ever since. Wertsch took a job out in Colorado earlier, bringing Ferrandino to the place he now calls home.

The 2012 elections shifted the majority power of the Colorado house from Republican to Democratic. Much of this electoral shift comes in light of a house vote to permit civil unions for same sex couples within the state.

When it appeared that the legislation had the necessary support (including that of the governor this past May), previous speaker Rep. Frank McNulty refused to let the bill be brought up for debate.

This outraged many in the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning (LGBTQ) community and more importantly, voters, who made their voices heard on Election Day. Ferran-

dino championed this cause, one that has not always had such support.

Colorado has been infamously known as "the hate state" due to a law known as Amendment Two, preventing city, town, or county governments from considering the LGBTQ community as a protected group under anti-discrimination law. *Romer vs. Evans*, a 1996 Supreme Court case, overturned the amendment. Despite the progress, in 2006 an amendment to the state constitution defined marriage as between only a man and a woman. Twenty-one years after the "hate" law was passed, Ferrandino will shortly be passing a law to legalize same sex civil unions.

"While I don't know [Ferrandino], we are certainly very proud of all he has done in his career. His work to support the LGBTQ community speaks to *Meliora*," Assistant Vice President for Advancement and Alumni Relations Kevin Weasley said. "The University has had a long history of leadership on LGBTQ issues, particularly in the Rochester area, and [Ferrandino's] work continues that legacy."

Not only is Ferrandino, age 34, the first openly gay house speaker in Colorado, he was also the first openly gay legislator in the state when first elected in 2007. Along

with Ferrandino, Colorado's Senate President Pro Tempore, Luisa Guzman, is openly gay. In all, there are eight openly LGBTQ members of the Colorado State Assembly.

Although Ferrandino has fought ceaselessly for progress and has accomplished a great deal with this upcoming vote, there is still more to be done.

The coming legislation allows civil unions, providing state level legal protection for same sex couples. This is not the same as legalizing same-sex marriage, in that its portability between states is uncertain and does not carry the same clout and connotation as marriage. Still, his almost unanimous nomination to speaker is a significant symbolic milestone.

Ferrandino explained his thoughts on the coming legislation in an interview with KDVR-Denver, a popular television station.

"We always said it's not a matter of 'if,' it's a matter of 'when.' Well, when is 2013 and we're going to get civil unions to the governor's desk early on in the session," he said.

In addition to his work with LGBTQ rights, Mark has been integral in legislation to help homeowners avoid foreclosure against payday lenders during the housing crisis and state employees get insurance even for their unmarried partners.

Here on campus, students feel proud of Ferrandino's work.

"Bringing something so controversial to the forefront and



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Mark Ferrandino '99 '00 (MS) paves political history as Colorado's first openly gay Speaker of the House as well as the the first openly gay legislator in the state's history.

breaking barriers is an excellent embodiment of the idea of *Meliora*," sophomore Natasha Sacoto said.

Pride Network Social Chair Clint Cantwell is equally pleased with what Rep. Ferrandino has accomplished.

"Seeing such an achievement makes UR Pride that much more prideful," Cantwell said. "[The LGBTQ community has] fought to make historical leaps in our civil rights. Yet again we see

that we can achieve these leaps in rights and [political] representation, whether that be here on campus, Colorado, or the country at large."

Given all that Ferrandino has done, he remains steadfast in defending his constituents. Above all, his humility shines though.

"For me to be able to sit in this office is just an amazing experience," he said.

*Brady is a member of the class of 2015.*

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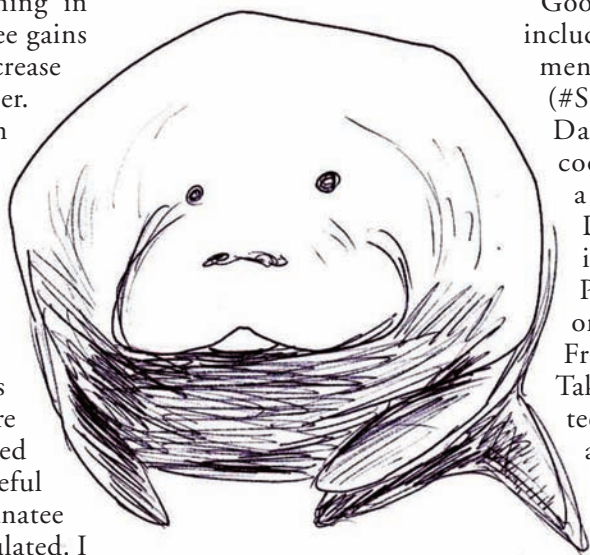
## Me, the manatee: bulking up to beat the cold this winter

BY DAVID WEINBERG  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

I am going to give in to biology and get fat. I am going to learn from the bear, the hippo and the manatee and get fat in order to stay warm this winter. To prepare for swimming in cold waters, the manatee gains weight in order to increase the thickness of its blubber. There's so much to learn from these brilliant, yet blubbery beauties. Their extra layer of fat keeps the manatee from getting cold and freezing to death. The manatee will furiously consume for months beforehand just to prepare for the cold. We've learned so much already! So useful too! I shall use my manatee blubber to keep me insulated. I am going to mimic the survival tactics of the elegant sea cow and thicken up.

So I follow in the footsteps of the manatee, preparing for the cold by gorging myself on discounted Common Market

treats. Blubber is the trendiest new accessory. No more restricting scarves, no more pretending to listen to music just so I can wear headphones to keep my ears warm, no more hat hair, and no more searching for sales on a J.Crew alpaca wool sweater. This



winter is about me and my love handles. I need the insulation. Pack on those pounds, and you will never fear the Rochester winter again.

Now, I know some people may say "Oh Weinberg, you're just too lazy to go to the gym." And to those people I say...

Yes.

But gaining weight is also more effort than one would think.

Good ways to pack on fat include: filling your environmentally friendly clamshell (#SaveTheManatees) with Danforth chocolate chip cookies, serving yourself a mountain of fries from Douglass, exclusively eating Panda Express at the Pit, and most importantly ordering Zonies on both Friday and Saturday nights. Take a lesson from the manatee, I'm an English major and I can even keep up with these biological facts (that I made up). I urge you to stop spending money on fancy coats or winter boots and instead focus your time on thunder thighs and neck rolls. Winter 2013, I am ready for you.

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## Trying to remember the new year

BY DOUG BRADY  
FEATURES EDITOR

Happy New Year! Glasses clink; everyone consumes a form of sparkling liquid. The anticipation is over, leaving only a discussion of resolutions to fill the void left by the most anticlimactic of holidays.

"I need to be more fun. I will buy an exotic, untamable animal."

"No more drunk food...well, after tonight."

"I might go to class this semester."

I spent significant time contemplating what frivolous, ill-fated commitment I would make. I had one before. If only I could remember it...

I forgot a lot, not just my resolution. I did remember that I am a student at UR, but over Winter break I struggled to recall my email login. Something so essential to life on campus just slipped my mind. It's okay though, email always seemed secondary during break. But, alarmingly, forgetfulness crept into other areas of my life. At first, it was sleeping through my alarm. It progressed to locking my keys in my car. A couple of missed appointments later and I became seriously concerned. I could barely function. I could barely sleep. I could barely shower.

On Jan. 12, the day before I returned to our most illustrious educational institution, I was peacefully consuming my morning meal: breakfast. Oatmeal, Cookie Crisp, a bagel, hash browns, pan-

cakes, another bagel, French toast — I was carbo-loading. I had a long afternoon of Netflix that necessitated nourishment.

Anyway, as I lifted the spoonful of cereal, another fit of forgetfulness frightened me. The spoon smacked me in the cheek and Cookie Crisp spattered every which way. I squirted maple syrup all over my bagel. Cream cheese lined my brow. There was even unexplained marinara sauce behind my ear. Either I reverted back to my "terrible twos" or I had just forgotten how to eat. I wiped the food from my face, the tears of embarrassment from my cheek

and that about with breakfast from my memory.

How am I supposed to carry out

my resolution when I'm unable to feed even myself, let alone the homeless? Do I have early onset Alzheimer's? I thought I would be a beacon of self-improvement, signaling to all others that resolutions are doable. Now, I am trying to grasp eating food like normal human being.

I may have forgotten way too much over break, but New Year's is the perfect time to forget. I can put my thoughts in the here and now, how the room smells kind of like a poopy diaper, how the baby spit up and needs to go to bed. Why is there always a baby at the party? For those who watch the ball drop live in New York City, they forget to use the bathroom for half a day. All over the world, family and friends gather,

and temporarily the worries of everyday life fade as fireworks light the sky. With that kind of company and occasion, nothing else appears worth remembering.

Ironically, the days following New Years are a process of remembering. The out-of-shape toil away and pant, where they are immediately reintroduced to why getting fit is difficult. The hangover headache reminds everyone how much they drank the night prior. Going back to work is an abrupt reminder of how much you hate retail stores. No, I know that those shoes are not \$2.25; I don't even have to look at the sign.

Moreover, I like to remember that in the tradition of the holiday, Dionysus, the Greek god of wine, is supposedly reborn every new year as a symbol of fertility. I suspect that most celebrators pray to Dionysus' gift of wine and other spirits to accompany the build up to the stroke of (or at) midnight; similarly, I suspect that many celebrators are also praying for Dionysus to withhold his gift of fertility for one night.

Nevertheless, 2012 was chock-full of memories — painful, euphoric, proud, melancholy. Changing the 12 to a 13 allows us to negotiate what has happened, leaving behind our previous lives if we chose to do so. Resolutions often fall through, yet they are proof of a resiliency and a kind of enduring ability to rejuvenate, that a new life or simply a new habit is just around the corner.

Oh! I remember that perfect resolution now. It was to stop forgetting things. Well, there's always next year...

*Brady is a member of the class of 2015.*

## Beyoncé sworn in as 45th president



AARON SCHAFER / PHOTO EDITOR

BY ANTOINETTE ESCE  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

In a historically unprecedented act, Chief Justice John Roberts administered the oath of office to beloved singer and alleged cult leader, Beyoncé Knowles this past Monday, Jan. 21.

"I stand by my actions," Roberts said. "It just seemed like the right thing to do."

Knowles, best known for her powerful singing voice, excessive use of key changes, and odd baby names, has decided to appoint Barack Obama as her vice president because, let's face it, she can pretty much do whatever she wants.

"He's irreplaceable," Knowles belted. "All the American single ladies are crazy in love with him and, if I were a boy, I wouldn't even wait to countdown to be him. The man wears a halo."

The support for Knowles' new role seems to be unwavering.

"I've been writing in her name on presidential ballots for years," one inaugural crowd member remarked. "It can't be long until her birthday becomes a national holiday."

Even opposing members of Congress have been solidly united by their love of the "Queen of Pop."

"We've been playing her version of 'The Star-Spangled Banner' on repeat in the Capitol building for days," Speaker of the House John Boehner said. "I was even able to get a unanimous decision from the House regarding the color of her 'Welcome Home' banner."

Unfortunately, Obama was unable to comment due to the shock of meeting Knowles.

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Hypnotist Alain Nu impresses many with mind mastery

BY MELISSA GOLDIN  
PUBLISHER

It was, if nothing else, quite a sight. The audience in a sold-out May Room sat straight-backed, arms raised above their heads, fingers interlaced and palms facing skyward. Some stared directly ahead, their eyes locked on the intense, animated man onstage. Some glanced around, curious, while others looked on in what was perhaps doubtful anticipation.

The man spouted off a never-ending stream of instructions which, after positioning the audience in this unusual configuration, culminated in the simple suggestion that we attempt to separate our hands.

Some laughed and complied with ease; others struggled for a few moments before finally lowering their arms; and some, well, couldn't. Or so they thought.

Mentalist Alain Nu, who performed at UR on Friday, Jan. 18, is perhaps most well-known for his TLC series "The Mysterious World of Alain Nu," he explained to the audience that he has been interested in the power of the mind since he was young. Although hypnotism was the core of Friday's show, Nu noted that he is not usually billed as a hypnotist. Rather, as he explains on his MySpace page, he "[presents] programs that are designed to in-

spire contemplation of one's own human potential."

Hypnotism, as Nu described during the show, is all about letting the conscious and subconscious mind learn the same message, which allows us to deprogram specific mental conditions and frees us to act as we might not have previously.

Nu himself is living proof. "I hypnotized myself into being a hypnotist, and that's the truth," he said after the show.

Nu's Friday performance was a bundle of controlled chaos, throwing the audience for one loop after another while maintaining an overall feeling of pure entertainment.

The show began as Nu, wearing black blazer, black pants, and a microphone hanging around his neck, strode onto the stage. He spoke with purpose, as if every word meant something of great importance (which, as we later learned, was true). After introducing himself, he started slow (though hardly dull) with a card trick, in what appeared to be an attempt to gain the audience's trust.

Nu enlisted several students to choose different characteristics of a playing card. He then brought one of the volunteers up to the stage, promising that if he picked the right card from the deck — the king of diamonds — the volunteer could keep the cards.



TODD KELMAR / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Mentalist Alain Nu mesmerized and mystified audience members at his sold-out show on Friday, Jan. 18 in the May Room.

"I'll make sure to sign them and decrease their value instantly," he joked.

And lo and behold, after counting off the first 16 cards in the deck, the king of diamonds appeared. It was your typical card trick, yes, but with just enough twists to keep things interesting and shed some doubts.

The highlight of the show, though, came when Nu singled out eight volunteers to be hypnotized onstage. After lulling the participants to sleep, speaking deliberately in a tone that made

even some audience members conk out in their seats, he appeared to have total control over the majority onstage, save for a few who he sent back into the crowd.

The allure of this segment could be found in the most miniscule of moments — a wrinkle of the nose, a disdainful glance, a sharp jerk of the head. At one point Nu convinced the volunteers that their neighbors were emanating a horrifying smell. When he asked the last volunteer if there was anything wrong, she simply gave

him a look that clearly said, "Do you have to ask?" and shifted her chair away from her neighbor.

Nu didn't need the participants to do anything wild to entertain the audience (although it was certainly humorous when they did) — by simply relying on those natural moments, he was able to pull humor from the volunteers with ease.

One of the male participants was by far the most entertaining of the group.

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## American Idol premiere disappoints recent, longtime fans alike



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The new panel of American Idol judges poses with host Ryan Seacrest.

BY RACHAEL SANGUINETTI  
A&E Editor

The twelfth season of American Idol premiered last Wednesday, Jan. 16. Because there has been so much advertising and hype about the new panel of judges, I decided to tune in even though I'm not a huge American Idol fan.

The result was such a disappointment that I might not watch the rest of the season.

Keith Urban, Mariah Carey, and Nicki Minaj are the new judges, joining Idol veteran

Randy Jackson on the panel. The first two newcomers make sense as judges: both of them are very successful, experienced singers who might actually offer some valuable advice. Nicki Minaj, however, doesn't seem like the best choice. Honestly, what does she know about vocal technique or a long music career?

When I've watched audition episodes in the past, I've tried to predict who will be the winner in the end. This time, I was so distracted by the new judges and the large number of terrible

singers that I was surprised when anyone sounded remotely good.

The episode kicked off with a recap of the last 12 seasons of Idol. It opened with a clip of the most recent winner, Phillip Phillips, singing his multi-platinum song "Home." The opening definitely reminded audiences how successful Idol winners have been, blasting us with stats about the number of Grammys past Idol champions have won and the amount of singles they have sold.

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## OSCAR TALK

BY MIKE PASCUTOI  
STAFF WRITER



### Zero Dark Thirty (2012)

Tackling a subject as heavy as the hunt for Osama Bin Laden is no small task, especially given the endless speculation about whether torture played a role in finding him and the large amount of classified information involved. However, Academy Award winning director Kathryn Bigelow (The Hurt Locker) came through, exceeding the high expectations set for her.

Billed as "the story of history's greatest manhunt for the world's most dangerous man," Zero Dark Thirty spends almost no time with developing characters, focusing rather on the several key players who spent a decade hunting Bin Laden. Jessica Chastain, who plays the fictional lead, "Maya," gives the same gritty performance that made Jeremy Renner a star in Bigelow's Hurt Locker, making each scene authentic with her poise and lack of positive emotion. Although the film's ending is already well-known, there is never a lack of suspense. Though the early torture scenes are a bit brutal for the weak at heart, Zero Dark Thirty is an instant classic anyone will enjoy.

Film Grade: A

### Lincoln (2012)

In a year filled with several high-quality movies and an even larger number of disappointments, Lincoln somehow finds a way to hover on the line between the two. Though the story of Abraham Lincoln's fight to ratify the Thirteenth Amendment is both interesting and poignant, the hype built around the movie made its flaws more evident. Academy Award winning director Steven Spielberg (Schindler's List, Saving Private Ryan) brings out the best in his talented cast, especially Daniel Day-Lewis (who plays Abraham Lincoln), Tommy Lee Jones (Thaddeus Stevens), and Sally Field (Mary Todd Lincoln).

Despite its immense talent, the film introduces over 50 different major and minor players, none of whom get enough screen time for us to justify their parts in the story. Despite having seen the movie twice, I am still unsure why it began or ended the way it did and why so little time was spent on key players Thaddeus Stevens, Francis Preston Blair, and Fernando Wood. It is still an obvious favorite to take home multiple Academy Awards on Feb. 24. However, the inconsistent plot and lack of character development diminished the film's potential to be among Spielberg's best.

Film Grade: B



# Beatles planetarium laser show dazzles

BY DRUE SOKOL  
SENIOR STAFF

“The Beatles in Laser Light,” which was held Saturday, Jan. 16, at the Rochester Museum and Science Center Strassenburgh Planetarium, was an awe-inspiring and all-out crazy experience. The event was one of several Saturday night laser shows; the themes of which change monthly. These spectacles of light offer a unique way for audiences to appreciate a band’s music while watching laser beams create shapes right before their eyes.

The Beatles show opened with a “Twist and Shout” laser lights display involving shapes moving to the music and dancing across the huge surface of the planetarium dome. The intensity of the colors and the rhythm were at times overwhelming, leaving the audience wondering if this was how the Beatles felt when they were high. The lights would turn into dazzling and vividly colored prisms, cubes, and other decorative shapes. At times, they would also mimic human forms, twisting and dancing to the beat.

Other effects were softer and more serene. Towards the middle of the show, “Across the Universe” gave audience members’ eyes a rest from the crazy light displays of the opening. The song seemed fitting, seeing as the show took place at a

planetarium; images of stars and galaxies were projected onto the screen amidst milder laser effects.

One interesting segment of the show was audio projection from several Beatles’ interviews while pictures of the band members and album covers were shown. This sequence provided the audience with an almost ‘behind-the-scenes’ look at the musicians and



their artistic process. This part of the show ended with recordings from various Beatles concerts of hysterical women who were absolutely enamored with the group. They could not stop gushing to reporters about seeing the band live in concert. These recordings served as a reminder of the Beatles’ popularity.

Some of the effects in the show were better executed than others. During “Octopus’ Garden,” lights shaped like seaweed and schools of fish flitted across the screen. There was even a small, yellow submarine, a tip-of-the-hat to “Yellow Submarine,” a song not featured in the

show. Lasers formed the outline of a dolphin playing in the water, and the song ended with a rather sinister looking shark grinning down at the audience.

Other effects were less strong: A face singing to certain songs was at times off-rhythm with the music and strange to watch.

The music during the show covered a large amount of the Beatles’ musical repertoire. Songs ranging from “Eleanor Rigby” to “Strawberry Fields” and the more obscure “Everybody’s Got Something to Hide Except for Me and My Monkey” played, accompanied by stunning laser effects.

The hour-long show concluded with the aptly placed “Sgt. Pepper’s Lonely Hearts Club Band” and ended with a bang. First, the planetarium filled with fog, and horizontal lasers displayed clean lines at the front of the screen. This created a beautiful effect that looked like there were fluffy clouds floating among the audience. It appeared as if you were looking at earth from space.

Even though the main focus of the show was the music, the space theme remained visible throughout and reminded the audience that they were in a planetarium. All in all, “The Beatles in Laser Light” was an incredibly unique experience.

*Sokol is a member of the class of 2013.*

## Mentalist easily wins over eager crowd

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He seemed to be the most affected by Nu’s techniques, taking every instruction with the utmost seriousness, especially during a “manliest man competition” in which he spared no expense, even going so far as to pluck a girl from the audience for a partner during a dance number (although she ran back to her seat before they reached the stage.)

In addition to these more anticipated segments of the show, Nu also gave the audience some background about hypnotism, during which we were allowed to ask questions.

Although this portion became a bit dry at times, it did provide a helpful context to Nu’s material and included some rather fascinating tidbits of information.

Nu claims that if, when watching a sports game, you feel the need to mimic a motion that you hope one of the players will make (e.g. kicking a ball or dodging an opponent), you are, in a sense, hypnotized. It was clear that Nu was interested not only in putting on a dynamic show but also in the scientific process behind his act — a detail which gave his performance an increased sense of depth and intrigue.

Nu was appropriately prepared for the more doubtful in the room as well. Near the end of the show, he brought two volunteers onstage who said they had not been affected by any of the segments in which audience participation was encouraged. While their eyes were closed, Nu tickled one

under the nose with a feather and tapped him on the shoulder, all while maintaining a steady narrative. Astonishingly, both participants claimed they felt these movements even though only one had been touched.

The performance ended with a bang. First, Nu tossed a crumpled piece of paper into the audience to pick a volunteer at random. He then asked the volunteer a series of questions including where the volunteer would most like to travel (Italy, which was answered aloud) and what age the volunteer thinks he will be when he makes it there (24, which the volunteer wrote

down). Nu then came up with a set of numbers which, when added up in any direction, equaled 24.

But Nu wasn’t done yet. With a flourish, he opened up the original crumpled paper that read, you guessed it, Italy. Excited gasps and titters emanated from the crowd as Nu looked on, confident as ever.

Nu’s performance was one that kept the audience on their toes despite his laid back, simplistic showmanship. He was nothing but genuine — a real class act.

*Goldin is a member of the class of 2013.*



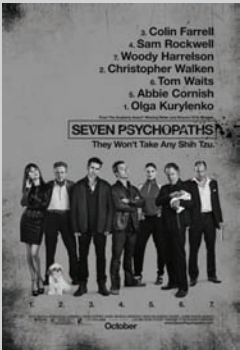
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SATURDAY

Cloud Atlas  
6:30, 9:45



## Idol has lackluster start, fails to live up to past legacy

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After that, audiences endured the Mariah-and-Nicki show. The two judges’ bickering and exchange of insults was definitely not a great way to start a new season. Thankfully, it quieted down enough for us to enjoy a few of the performers.

One of the biggest surprises of the night was Kez Ban, the street performer/flame thrower. She was introduced to America with a video of her making balloon animals and swinging balls of fire around her head. Her appearance was enough to make any audience member skeptical: She sported an asymmetrical haircut, hat, baggy clothes and huge black boots, one of which was wrapped in caution tape. The judges also seemed doubtful of her talents. But her self-confidence and her pride in her profession was enough to spark curiosity.

Choosing to sing “Pinocchio,” which was somehow fitting for her character, she surprised everyone with her husky but somehow pleas-

ing jazzy voice. She showed off even more of her vocal skills on her open composition while playing the guitar. With four cries of “yes,” she was on her way to Hollywood.

My other favorite of the season premier was Isabelle, the young and quirky 15 year old who skipped school to attend auditions. She sweetly asked Keith Urban to sing with her in “Baby, It’s Cold Outside.” Her soft, sweet voice matched her persona and impressed all the judges except Randy. We’ll be seeing her in Hollywood too.

Except for a few other shining stars however, audiences had to endure two long episodes of awkward and sometimes painful auditions. Ratings and viewer numbers have dropped way down from when Idol started 12 seasons ago. I can see why. I’ll probably continue to tune in for a few more episodes just to see how long my favorite singers last, but after that, I’m done with American Idol.

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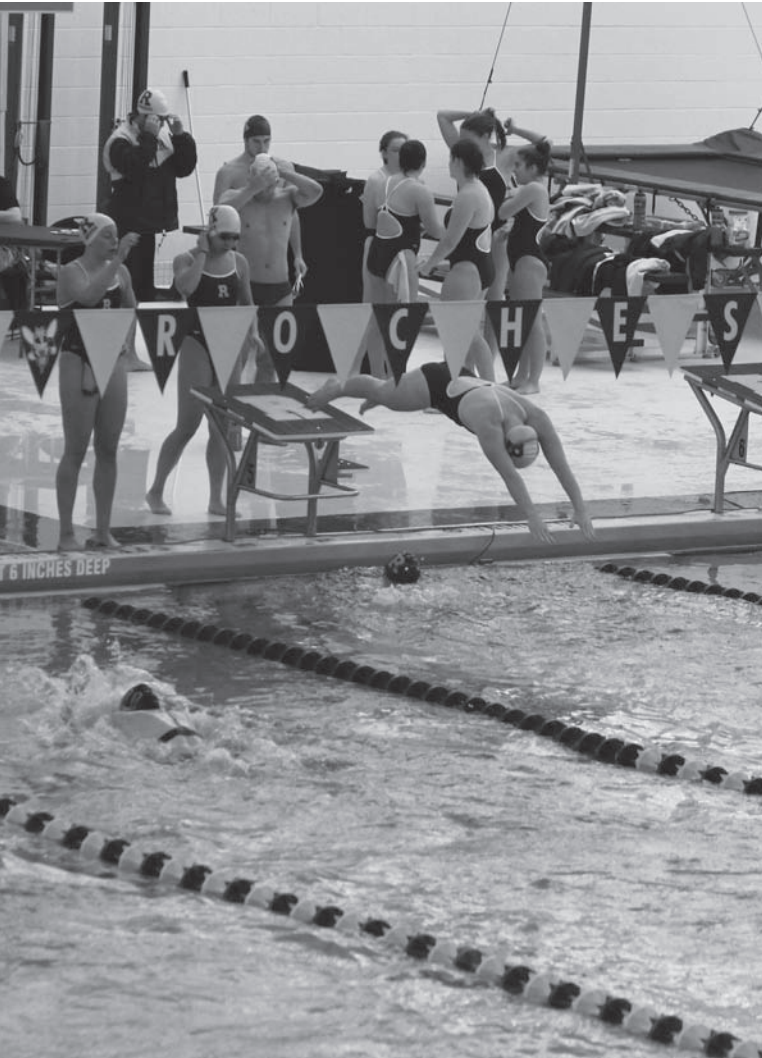
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# Yellowjackets look ahead after tough loss to Bombers



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UR women's swimming and diving take on Ithaca college yet meet a similar end as the men with a score of 196-104.

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free with a time of 53.79, defeating second place bomber Gawrys by over two seconds. Bolin brought home one more individual win, earning her victory in the 200 fly with a time of 2:15.49.

On the men's side, UR's sophomore Brian Wong truly shined, claiming two individual wins in the fly events and a runner-up performance in the 200 IM.

Wong's first win came early on in the meet for the 200yrd butterfly where he flew past the competition and touched the wall in a speedy time of 1:56.75, defeating the nearest bomber by over three seconds. In the 100 fly, Wong had an equally impressive performance, claiming the win with a time of 51.89.

However, Wong's most exciting race of the day was the 200 IM. Here he swam neck and

neck against Ithaca's sophomore Logan Metzger. In the end, Metzger out-touched Wong by a mere 0.18 seconds, claiming the victory and leaving Wong in second place.

Other strong male competitors of the meet include sophomore Chris Doser, sophomore Pat Davis, and sophomore James Frauen.

All three of these Yellowjackets earned a second place finish: Doser in the 200 free with a time of 1:45.98, Davis in the 100 breast with a time of 1:00.91, and Frauen in the 200 back with a time of 1:58.70.

With the women's solid overall record of 7-3 and the men's 5-5, both Yellowjacket teams hope to improve upon this defeat and earn their first victory of the spring semester in their away meet on Friday against SUNY Cortland.

*Cozen is a member of the class of 2015.*

## THIS WEEK IN SPORTS

### FRIDAY, JAN. 25

- Women's Basketball vs. New York University, 6 p.m.\*
- Women's Swimming and Diving at SUNY Cortland, 6 p.m.
- Men's Swimming and Diving at SUNY Cortland, 6 p.m.
- Men's Basketball vs. New York University, 8 p.m.\*

### SATURDAY, JAN. 26

- Men's Track and Field in Hamilton College Continental Invitational, 11 a.m.
- Women's Track and Field in Hamilton College Continental Invitational, 11 a.m.
- Women's Swimming and Diving vs. Rochester Institute of Technology, 1 p.m.\*
- Men's Swimming and Diving vs. Rochester Institute of Technology, 1 p.m.\*
- Men's Squash vs. Trinity College, 1 p.m.\*

\*denotes home competition

## STAT OF THE WEEK

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POINTS BY SENIOR JOHN DIBARTOLOMEO IN THE MEN'S BASKETBALL GAME AGAINST CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

# Tyler Sankes — Basketball

BY ERIC DAVIS  
STAFF WRITER



The UR men's basketball team just completed an undefeated road trip, defeating Carnegie Mellon University and Case Western University. Center Tyler Sankes (Rochester, NY) had a great game against Case Western. He scored 14 points and pulled down 5 rebounds while going 6-6 from the floor.

**What is your major?**  
Business and a minor in legal studies.

**When did you start playing basketball?**  
I started playing basketball at the age of two and organized basketball by age seven.

**Why did you choose to play basketball over other sports?**  
It was kind of hard not to because my dad played in college. Also there was a basketball court in my backyard.

**Where is your favorite place to play?**  
My favorite place to play is either the Palestra or a packed away gym.

**What emotions do you feel while you are on the court?**  
The court is a buffer from emotions as all you focus on is playing the game; it's almost numbing.

**What is the hardest part of basketball?**  
The hardest part for me is dealing with things in the game that you cannot control such as officiating or the other team just hitting every shot.

**What do you enjoy most about the UR Men's Team?**  
What I enjoy most about the team is the genuine friendship that we have for one another.

**Do you have a mentor? Or someone helped you get to where you are?**  
I would have to say my mentor is my dad. He has always been through similar situations that I would go through and is always there for advice.

**What's the best advice a coach has ever given you?**  
The best advice that I received from a coach was to always leave everything on the court.

**Describe the UR men's basketball team in five words or less.**  
Teammates with a common goal.

**What has been your favorite basketball moment at UR so far?**  
My favorite moments so far would have to be our three wins in Europe against teams in Belgium, Germany, and the Netherlands.

**What's your favorite thing about UR?**  
Wilder 2.

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Sophomore Tyler Sankes scored 14 points in addition to grabbing several rebounds in the UR men's basketball game against Case Western on Jan. 20.

# Squash has rollercoaster weekend, Duany, Xiaomen score high for UR

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Against Colby, the number five ranked 'Jackets got out to a quick start and never looked back, cruising to a shutout win in which not a single set was lost. Perhaps the most impressive individual performance came from freshman Meng Xiaomen who defeated Darryl Soto 11-1, 11-1, 11-1 at the number seven position.

In one of the day's tighter encounters, Rochester's top player senior Andres Duany, who is currently ranked number six in the nation by the College Squash Association, had to battle to overcome CJ Smith with scores of 12-10, 11-4, 11-7.

Following Duany in the lineup were freshmen Neil Cordell and Faraz Khan, as well as senior Adam Perkiomaki, who also raced to comfortable victories. Following them were senior Oscar Lopez, junior Karm Kumar, Meng, freshman William Mohr, and senior Juan Herrera, each of whom contributed to Rochester's convincing win.

After their dominant win on Friday, the 'Jackets had a much more difficult time the following day against the Yale Bulldogs. Among the strong spots were the performances of Cordell and Meng, who both fought hard to win five set matches.

Cordell came back from two sets down to defeat thirtieth ranked Hywel Robinson 5-11, 7-11, 11-4, 11-4, 11-3 at the number two position, while Meng won a back-and-forth battle with ninety-sixth ranked Eric Caine with scores of 11-8, 8-11, 11-6, 5-11, 11-5 at position seven. Also winning for UR was Perkiomaki, who took out forty-third ranked Neil Martin

at the fourth position.

In addition to the three wins, two other matches went to five sets, showing how little separated the two teams. At the first position, Duany barely fell to Kenneth Chan 11-7 in the fifth set, while at position six, it was Kumar who narrowly missed a victory against the Bulldogs' Zachary Leman.

With the split weekend, Rochester moves to a 7-3 record this season, with their only three losses coming to the Ivy League powerhouses of Harvard University, Princeton University, and Yale University. The 'Jackets will look to end that losing trend as they take on another Ivy League rival at Cornell University on Wednesday, Jan. 23 at 6 p.m. in Ithaca, NY.

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# SPORTS

## Swimming and diving face tough competitors



DRUE SOKOL / PHOTO EDITOR

The 'Jackets fail to bring home a win with 217-77 and 196-104 losses against the Ithaca Bombers.

**BY KARLI COZEN**  
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On Saturday, Jan. 19, the UR men's and women's swim teams opened their spring season in an away meet against the Ithaca Bombers. Both teams swam hard, but in the end the Yellowjackets fell short to their tough competitors — a 196-104 defeat for the women and a 217-77 defeat for the men.

On the women's side, sophomore Lauren Bai-

ley had a strong day. She brought in the ladyjacket's first individual win by claiming the 200 free with a time of 1:58.65 and outswimming Ithaca's second place competitor, junior Elizabeth Gawrys, who touched the wall with a time of 2:00.07. Later in the meet, Bailey captured her second individual win in the 100 butterfly, defeating her closest competitor by over two seconds.

Other strong women's performers included fresh-

man Vicky Luan and senior Stephanie Bolin. Luan claimed two victories of her own in the sprint freestyle events while Bolin earned an individual victory in the 200 fly.

Luan's first victory came in the 50 free, where she racked in a time of 24.03, and outswam her nearest competition by over 1.5 seconds, a huge margin in a sprint event. She then went on to claim her second win in the 100

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## Squash dominates Colby, bested by Yale in busy weekend

**BY BEN SHAPIRO**  
STAFF WRITER

Coming off their winter break trip to Canada, the UR squash team was back in action over the weekend as they faced both Colby College and Yale University, ranked nineteenth

and fourth in the country, respectively.

After a dominant performance on Friday, Jan. 18 against Colby in which the Yellowjackets earned a 9-0 victory, the team suffered a setback against Yale, falling 6-3 the following day.

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Squash handily defeated Colby College in a 9-0 victory. The win continues the 'Jackets fight for a top spot in their division.

### THIS WEEK'S RESULTS

#### Men's Basketball (16-0)

Jan. 18: Carnegie Mellon University 72-63 (W)

Jan. 20: Case Western Reserve University 88-66 (W)

Jan. 18 - 20: In an impressive weekend away from its home palestra, the men's basketball team maintained an undefeated record with a win over Carnegie Mellon University and a dominant defeat of Case Western Resterve University.

#### Women's Basketball (12-4)

Jan. 18: Carnegie Mellon University 67-60 (W)

Jan. 20: Case Western Reserve University 75-55 (W)

Jan. 18-20: Mirroring the men's remarkable weekend, the women's basketball team remained a UAA threat by beating Carnegie Mellon University 67-60 in a close overtime and handily defeating Case Western Reserve University.

#### Men's Swimming and Diving (5-5)

Jan. 19: Ithaca College 77-217 (L)

Jan. 19: The UR men's swimming and diving team met its match this past weekend against Ithaca and struggled in a tough loss of 77-217.

#### Women's Swimming and Diving (7-3)

Jan. 19: Ithaca College 104-196 (L)

Jan. 19: The women's swimming and diving team lost in a tight meet against the Bombers but maintained its winning record and chance to win the Liberty League Championship again.

#### Men's Squash (7-3)

Jan. 18: Colby College 9-0 (W)

Jan. 19: Yale University 3-6 (L)

Jan. 18-19: The UR squash team faced off against Colby College, proving its dominance with a crushing win. When the 'Jackets played again only a day later against Yale University, they failed to take down the Bulldogs.

FROM THE PRESS BOX

## Fast and furious: Marrone inspires fresh start for Bills



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Recently hired Buffalo Bills head coach Doug Marrone brings a new management style to the team.

**BY ADAM ONDO**  
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The Buffalo Bills recently hired Doug Marrone as their new head coach and Nathaniel Hackett as offensive coordinator. This is a great pairing since Marrone hired Hackett to be his offensive coordinator at Syracuse University in 2010, so the chemistry is already there. The reason I am so interested in these two hires is quite simple — Marrone has included a read option in his offenses before and is great at designing blocking schemes.

Now, the Washington

Redskins have Robert Griffin III, the San Francisco 49ers have Colin Kaepernick, and the Carolina Panthers have Cam Newton, all of whom are great at running the option. So here is what the Bills need to do. First, they need to get Joe Webb, the Vikings backup quarterback, and name him their starter. Then they need to find him a backup, preferably a younger player, and a mentor, preferably a veteran, and hire them.

The reason Webb would be a good fit is that he is a physical athlete with great speed. This means that defenses would not only have

to prepare for running backs C.J. Spiller and Fred Jackson but also Webb. In his three seasons as a backup, Webb rushed for 341 yards and four touchdowns, losing just two fumbles. The best part of the trade is that the Bills wouldn't be breaking bank, since Webb's salary next year is projected to come in just under \$600,000.

Michael Vick would be my pick for a mentor for Webb if the Bills were to build around the read option. When Vick was with Atlanta from 2004 to 2006, he ran for 2,535 yards, 11 touchdowns, and lost 15 fumbles using the read-option. Now, over the past two seasons, Vick has scrambled for 921 yards, two touchdowns, and lost nine fumbles. Due to this decline in production, I wouldn't start him, but he would make a good mentor and backup to Webb. However, there are three problems with Vick. The first is that Philadelphia Eagles head coach Chip Kelly may keep Vick since he used a read option offense when he was the head coach at the University

of Oregon. The second is that Vick is 32 years old. The last is his hefty price tag of \$15 million.

With a less expensive salary of \$2.5 million, Tim Tebow makes the list as a potential backup. Now, I don't like Tebow, but if the Jets release or trade him, he wouldn't make such a bad backup in a read heavy offense. He is undoubtedly one of the best dual threat quarterbacks that college has ever seen, making the most of the Urban Meyer's spread-option offense while down in Florida. Furthermore, in his only season as a starter in the NFL, which was in 2011 for the Denver Broncos, Tebow racked up 660 yards and six touchdowns on the ground. However, his accuracy was a dismal 46.5 percent due to his poor throwing mechanics, and you have to have a viable passer or else the defense will just focus on the run and shut you down in a run-heavy, read option offense.

On that note, I think that Vince Young, who the Bills cut before last season even started, could be a good

mentor and backup if the Bills brought him back. Young ran an option offense in his 2006 and 2007 seasons while playing for the Tennessee Titans, picking up 947 yards, 10 touchdowns, and losing six fumbles in that time. His accuracy is also better than the other quarterbacks listed above and he is extremely mobile. Moreover, his last contract was for a mere \$350,000, so he is quite affordable.

The most cost-effective combination of quarterbacks would be to get Webb as a starter, use Tebow as a backup, and employ Young as a mentor and third string quarterback. However, because Webb probably won't be too much of a financial burden, the Bills may be able to take Vick as a mentor and second string quarterback, and add Tebow or Young to the roster as a third string quarterback.

In any case, building a team around the option may make the Bills a real playoff contender in the near future.

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