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Gale Flood Victims Can Get Reimbursement

BY JUSTIN TROMBLY
MANAGING EDITOR

Students affected by the Valentine's Day flooding in Gale House can seek University reparation, the *Campus Times* has learned—a revelation that comes in the wake of the administration's formal response on Wednesday to the incident and the student outrage it spawned.

Gale residents who lost laptops, books, and other academic-related possessions in the flooding may qualify for reimbursement from a University fund that helps students with financial issues that have impacted their academic lives.

The fund, according to Students' Association (SA) President Grant Dever, "exists for student who do not have the financial means to replace these products," and features a vetting process to determine whether a student's situation merits action.

Dever said that the money in the fund can potentially be used to repair or replace laptops and books damaged by the flooding, which was caused by a burst pipe on the fourth floor of Gale and left residents with between \$4,000 and \$10,000 in damages, according to SA estimates last month.

Damages to University property totalled over \$25,000.

Affected students can see if they qualify for help by speaking to Dean of Students Matthew Burns, something that Dever had urged in the immediate aftermath of the flood.

The February flooding unleashed waves of student outrage, with many railing against the University's initial decision not to reimburse students. Dever published an open letter after the flooding calling for compensation, and the SA Senate unanimously passed a resolution urging the administration to do the same.

Others criticized the University's silence in response to student grievances, with no formal statement being issued until Wednesday, in an email from Feldman to Dever and a *Campus Times* editor over a month after the incident.

Feldman and Laurel Contomanolis, Director of the Office for Residential Life and

Housing Services, penned the statement, which acknowledged that "some losses such as computers and electronics are impactful and upsetting."

The response was not published anywhere by the University itself, and, in his email, Feldman told Dever to "please feel free to share this letter with the Students' Association, and circulate to others as you see fit."

Dever said his "position remains that this situation should've been formally addressed sooner and that any similar future incident would warrant a timely response."

Contomanolis and Dever met last month to discuss sending a campus-wide email about the incident and student anger, but Contomanolis, according to Dever, was "worried that a formal response will only stir the pot more."

When asked in February about this hesitation, she thought such an email would be "too broad."

Dever said that he and Contomanolis have not met since.

Feldman called the delayed response "primarily my responsibility" and explained that with missing information and travelling to meetings, he was unable to focus on the draft.

"I regret that it has taken so long," he said.

Burns confirmed the compensatory fund's existence, though he said he could not comment on whether any students affected by the flooding had been helped by it.

"It is only available to students who meet the criteria above, not to the general population at large," he said, explaining why the fund is not publicized. "The donors wish to remain anonymous except to those students directly receiving funds, and I support and respect those wishes."

SA Senator Anmol Almast, who spearheaded the Senate's resolution for reimbursement, said she reached out to Gale residents to tell them they could contact Burns about the fund, but Gale residents the *Campus Times* spoke with said they had not been informed of possible compensation through the fund as of Tuesday.

Trombly is a member of the Class of 2018.



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CANDIDATES DUEL IN PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE

Upper-left: SA Vice Presidential candidate and junior Lance Floto speaks to junior Stephen Wegman. Upper-right: SA Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates sophomore Caleb Krieg and junior Nico Tavella greet students. Bottom: SA executive candidates debate in Hoyt Auditorium on Wednesday night. See the Editorial Board's take on page 5.

Students Push for Adjuncts' Rights

BY AMANDA MARQUEZ
NEWS EDITOR

A group of about 10 students has formed a coalition to unionize contingent faculty—adjunct and non-tenure track professors, who do not receive the same benefits as their tenured peers.

The goal of the group, Students Supporting Adjuncts, is to talk to all contingent faculty members, listen to their concerns, and help solve their problems. Additionally, these students seek to bring respect to contingent faculty, whose needs they feel are not being taken se-

riously by the University.

"After having a number of conversations with contingent professors and doing research about the national movements of adjuncts organizing, we slowly came to the conclusion that a union was the best way to go about things," senior Miles Meth, who is heavily involved with the movement at UR, said.

Sophomore Rachel Casper, also involved with Students Supporting Adjuncts, believes their group is giving contingent faculty a voice they never had.

"Through this outreach, we began collecting union cards and discussing what these professors

feel they need—a voice at UR, along with much else," she said.

While Students Supporting Adjuncts has been working on this issue since last fall, contingent faculty hadn't gathered momentum for their movement until this semester.

"Their excitement and motivation is amazing," Casper added. "Our professors do so much for us as students and for the UR community. It's time they're treated with the dignity they deserve."

Professors not on the tenure track are not denied it upon being hired, but are hired with no

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Corner Bakery Closes Without Warning

BY AMANDA MARQUEZ
NEWS EDITOR

Corner Bakery in College Town unexpectedly closed on March 25, just 15 months after its opening.

The bakery and sandwich shop is the second business to close in College Town this year—Constantino's Market closed in February, less than a year after its "highly desired" opening.

When asked how she felt about the popular restaurant

and caterer's closing, sophomore Lindsay Bagwin was unhappy.

"It was a great place close to campus to use flex for really good sandwiches and salads," said said, "so I was pretty upset seeing it closed down."

Bagwin drove to Corner Bakery for dinner on Sunday evening, but saw that it was unusually dark inside. She was unsure if it was closed for Easter—or forever.

"We noticed that the windows all had brown paper cov-

ering them, and the writing on the side of the building was almost scratched out," she added. "There was a sign that said they were closing early for the day, but we guess it's closed for eternity."

Sophomore Alyse Shulimson shared in Bagwin's disappointment.

"Once I found out it was closed for good," Shulimson said, "I was upset because I, too, enjoyed their salads and sand-

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DU BROTHERS GO HOMELESS FOR THE HOMELESS

DU brothers and freshmen Brett Rabenou and Jon Roman assemble a cardboard shed that they lived in for 48 hours.

PUBLIC SAFETY UPDATE

Package Stolen from Meliora Hall (1)

MARCH 23—A University staff member reported a package stolen from outside an office on the fourth floor of Meliora Hall. The package was later found empty in a third-floor restroom. There are currently no suspects, but the Department of Public Safety (DPS) will continue to investigate.

DPS Assists Local Police Department (2)

MARCH 24—DPS assisted an outside law enforcement agency in searching for a non-violent arrestee who escaped their custody. For the duration of the search, there was a large police presence in the Brooks Crossing and Staybridge Hotel area.

UR Parking Boot Stolen (3)

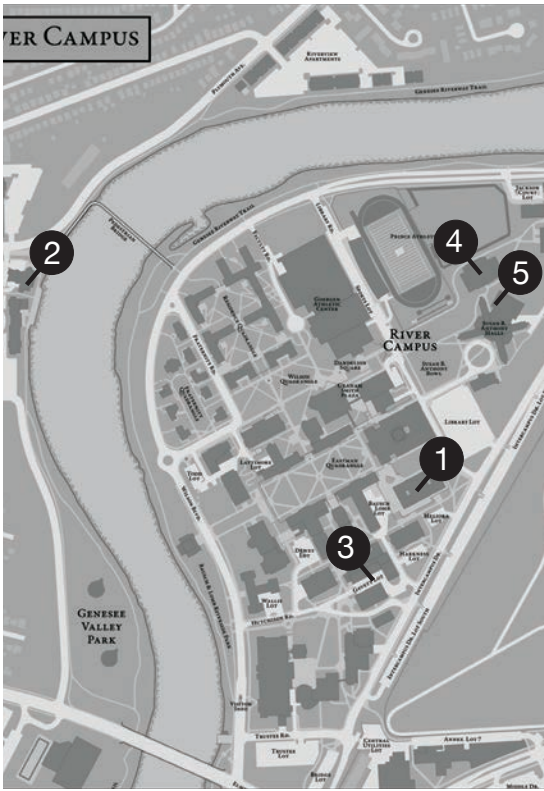
MARCH 25—UR Parking staff reported a stolen vehicle boot from an illegally parked car in Gavett Lot. The boot was later located by a DPS officer in a trash can, and was returned to the parking office. The owner of the vehicle was contacted and held responsible for the associated fines.

Unauthorized People in Spurrier Gym (4)

MARCH 25—Three non-University-affiliated individuals were found playing basketball in Spurrier Gym. DPS warned and released them.

DPS Finds Fake ID in Stolen Wallet (5)

MARCH 28— A wallet found in Danforth Dining Hall contained a fake ID. The student admitted it was fake and the ID was turned over to DPS.



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THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

THURSDAY | MARCH 31

STUDENT DEGREE RECITAL

EASTMAN HATCH RECITAL HALL 7:00 P.M.-8:30 P.M.
The Eastman School of Music will be showcasing the musical talents of Angela Kratchmer, who will be performing on the viola.

PLUTZIK READING SERIES: TRACY KIDDER

WELLES-BROWN ROOM, 5:00 P.M.-6:00 P.M.
Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist Tracy Kidder will be reading from his work. This event is free and open to the public.

FRIDAY | APRIL 1

VARSITY BASEBALL VS. ST. LAWRENCE

TOWERS FIELD, 1 P.M.-6 P.M.
Watch the 'Jackets take on the Saints in hoops.

SPECIAL HOURS

MEMORIAL ART GALLERY, 11 A.M.-9 P.M.
The Memorial Art Gallery will be hosting special hours during Inspiring Beauty: 50 Years of Ebony Fashion Fair.

SATURDAY | APRIL 2

FANCY NANCY PARTY

COLLEGETOWN BOOKSTORE, 12 P.M.-2 P.M.
Barnes & Noble is hosting a family oriented event featuring a special visit by Fancy Nancy and themed related crafts and refreshments.

VARSITY MEN'S TENNIS VS. NYU

ZORNOW COURTS, 2 P.M.-6 P.M.
Watch the 'Jackets take on the Violets in hoops.

SUNDAY | APRIL 3

STUDENT DEGREE RECITAL

EASTMAN HATCH RECITAL HALL, 9 P.M.-10:30 P.M.
The Eastman School of Music will be showcasing the musical talents of Min Jung Park, who will be performing on the violin.

FERRARI HUMANITIES SYMPOSIA

RIVER CAMPUS, ALL DAY
Italian professor, comparative literature, and faculty director of the Humanities Initiative at New York University, Jane Tylus will give a four-day Humanities symposium on the River Campus.

Metro Deli Replaces Med Center's Au Bon Pain

BY ISABEL DRUKKER
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Metro Deli, newly occupying the space previously held by sandwich cafe Au Bon Pain, held its grand opening in the Medical Center on March 25.

“It provides a diverse balance to the café area,” said Director of Food & Nutrition Al Caldiero. “It’s a different look to it, a different feel to it.”

Stationed on the Medical Center’s ground floor, Metro Deli will offer breakfast and lunch for hospital staff, guests, and students. Metro Deli’s menu is based on minimizing the use of processed foods and providing customers with all-natural options.

“They’ve created some unique salads and sandwiches that are based off of Rochester history,” Manager of Internal Communications Kate Rivera said.

Menu options are in the style of an upscale New York deli, featuring items such as the “Eastman” breakfast sandwich and the “Yellow Jacket” signature sandwich. Additionally, it will have a designated Grab & Go section, serve Starbucks coffee, and present different soups every day.

Metro Deli will be run by the

Food and Nutrition Services Department at the hospital. Caldiero remarks that, as an in-house business, Metro Deli has a close connection to the city and the University, which will help secure its presence in Strong.

“We’re looking forward to a long relationship with our customers,” Caldiero said. “Metro Deli was a concept run by the University. We don’t have an outside interest.”

The Food and Nutrition Services Department also runs Café 601, which Spoon University recognized on its “Official College Dining Hall Guide” last year. Café 601 is located on the ground floor, near the red elevators.

Within the the next four months, Metro Deli will also offer catering options, as well as an app for mobile phones that will allow customers to place their orders ahead of time.

“[Metro Deli] is a new option,” Rivera stated. “I encourage students to come across the street to the Medical Center and come over and give it a try.”

Other changes coming to Strong’s dining options include the expansion of Finger Lakes Coffee this summer.

Drukker is a member of the Class of 2017.

CORRECTION

An photo in the March 24 issue under the header “Friday Night Live” in the Arts & Entertainment section (page 11) neglected to mention that the event, an open mic night hosted by MIF and No Jackets Required, was sponsored and supported by UR Concerts.

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Frat Quad Petition Spurs Debate

BY MADELINE BLACKBURN
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A Students' Association (SA) Government IMPACT petition calling for the University to rename the Fraternity Quad fueled debate among students last, with many in and outside Greek life arguing on social media about the proposal.

Stephen Wegman, a junior, posted the on March 23, and it was shared on multiple class year Facebook pages, encouraging students to sign.

To be recognized and reviewed by the SA President, an IMPACT petition must

“Another petition, penned by senior Dylan Bleir, is titled ‘Just Ban all fraternities on campus’ and has garnered six signatures.

receive a minimum of 250 signatures. Wegman's petition, entitled “Change the Name of the Fraternity Quad,” had 104 signatures as of Wednesday night, and has been subject to comments—positive and negative—on both the Facebook page and the Students' Association website.

The original petition called for the University to acknowledge that, out of the nine houses situated on the Fraternity Quad, only six of the permanent residences are occupied by Greek institutions. Of the remaining houses, one is an Academic Living Center occupied by the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, and the final two, Drama House and Douglass Leadership House, are not Greek-affiliated organizations.

Wegman wrote further in the petition that, as a member of the Meridian Society, Meridian tour guides often fail to acknowledge the services provided to students by Douglass Leadership House and Drama House, claiming that the Fraternity Quad's name “too easily allows our tour guides to avoid mentioning

these important and unique residential houses.”

The impact post has elicited 18 comments on the Students' Association website, with many comments dismissing the petition as impractical and disrespectful of the University's history.

Senior Ayush Singh commented, “Given that the University regularly names buildings after the people who donate a great deal to the University, this petition seems like a slap across the face to the fraternities that devoted resources decades ago to develop and establish the houses on the fraternity quad.”

Senior Emmanuel Makaruse commented, “Cmon Mister Wegman let's use our time more constructively.”

The petition has also evoked negative comments from the Meridian society, with senior Martin Séamus McLaughlin stating that “Every Meridian that I have heard giving tours, as well as my own, only give a cursory mention of the fraternities on the Fraternity Quad, and instead focus on the unique aspect of having non-fraternity housing.”

In response to negative comments, Wegman posted a response expressing his dismay at the backlash surrounding the petition, and apologized to any members of the community he may have offended.

“Perhaps due to a lack of foresight on my part,” Wegman wrote, “I did not expect the tremendous backlash on social media following the dissemination of my petition. At first, I was not bothered by this because I try my best to welcome discussion and the refinement of ideas; in my opinion, this is a critical process of higher education and life in general.”

Wegman also apologized to the Meridian society for “using [his] single testimony as a representation of how all tours might represent that area.”

Shortly after the initial posting, junior Juhi Desai posted another Impact petition in response, entitled “Keep the Fraternity Quad named the Fraternity Quad.” As of

Wednesday night, there were 234 signatories to Desai's petition. Desai declined to interview with the Campus Times.

Another petition, penned by senior Dylan Bleir, is titled “Just Ban all fraternities on campus” and has garnered six signatures. The description on this petition reads “lol get rekt,” and has zero comments.

In an interview, Wegman reiterated his discontent both with the petition's negative response, as well as with the Rochester community's ignorance of services offered through the Douglass Leadership House.

“Of all the houses on the Fraternity Quad, I have only walked out of the Douglass Leadership House knowing that I'm actively improving as a person,” Wegman said. “The

“Given that the University regularly names buildings after the people who donate a great deal to the University, this petition seems like a slap across the face to the fraternities that devoted resources decades ago to develop and establish the houses on the fraternity quad.”

‘Kinship Quad’ would mean something different from the Fraternity Quad, but that's not what it's called.”

Wegman hopes that the student body will become more inclusive with time, but concedes that progressive change takes voluntary participation.

“It has to come from the student body,” Wegman said. “I talked to a professor who told me that every subsequent generation is more progressive. That doesn't scare me, but it scares some others.”

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SA Event Celebrates the Humanities

BY JULIA CURTIS
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The Humanities Bonanza, a nod to humanities on campus, took place in Hirst Lounge on March 24. The event got off to a late start, but within half an hour was up and running. The event featured free food, as well as information on different majors within the humanities department, the International Theatre Program, and research opportunities for students.

Organized by SA Government, the Humanities Bonanza sought to celebrate the sometimes-overlooked humanities departments, students, and opportunities at the University. Executive Director of Academic Affairs and current SA Presidential candidate Erinmarie Byrnes explained that what SA had found is that there is a disconnect between students within the humanities discipline and others, but that it's not occurring at an institutional level. Generally, humanities students “feel like they have good experiences, not that they're being afforded less opportunities than their peers, per se.” Byrnes added that divi-

sion, if it occurs at all, occurs between peers.

One development that is working to build community between humanities departments is the recently-established Humanities Center. Its purpose is to “support multidisciplinary engagement around literature, history, the arts, and philosophies of cultures past and present with the aim of fostering educated, contributing global citizens,” as stated in the announcement last spring. Dexter Perkins Professor in History is serving as its interim director, and spoke to students at the event.


Many students, however, are not aware of its presence on campus, something that Rubin acknowledged.

“And you know why that is,” she explained in her speech, “it's because we don't have our space yet.” She enthusiastically assured students that once the Humanities Center is established in a location, it will be a meeting place for all students, including conference rooms, a lecture space, and a lounge area for students.

Curtis is a member of the Class of 2017.

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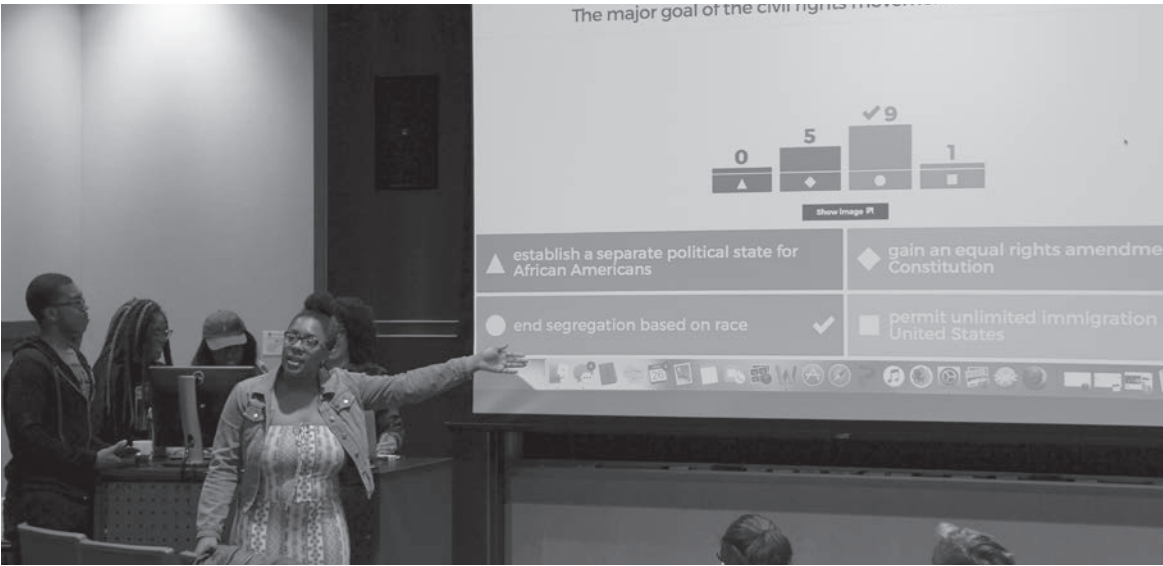
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DLH Event Connects 60s to #BLM



BSU President and DLH member SeQuoia Kemp speaks to the audience during a game focused on educating on the Civil Rights Movement.

BY AMANDA MARQUEZ
NEWS EDITOR

The Douglass Leadership House (DLH) focused their annual “project group” on the accomplishments of 1960s Cambridge Movement leader Gloria Richardson during an event Saturday. Discussions with the purpose of exploring social justice in an “exciting and socially-conscious way,” as DLH described their event online, were sparked by the connection between Richardson’s movement and the recent #BlackLivesMatter movement. The event, despite being centered around a serious topic, fostered a comfortable environment for students to learn from each other and voice their opinions on events that have influenced Black history. Prior to the discussion, students were encouraged to participate in an interactive game quizzing their knowledge on the parts of the Con-

stitution related to race and gender. Junior Aleem Griffiths thought the game was both entertaining and informative. “The game was a nice warm-up before the discussion because not only did it have comedic elements built into it, but it was also very educational, and it showed me how much I didn’t know about the Civil Rights Movement,” she said. The presentation, which 18 students attended, touched upon Richardson’s involvement in the Cambridge Movement, the accomplishments of the Cambridge Nonviolent Action Committee, the Ferguson and Baltimore riots, and the birth of the social media hashtag “BlackLivesMatter,” which gained widespread use following the death of 18-year-old Michael Brown, Jr. “I wish the attendance was higher,” freshman Sadyn Angeles said about the event’s effectiveness in spreading awareness. “A lot of people on this campus aren’t knowl-

edgeable on the issues that affect the African-American community. I definitely learned a lot, myself.” When the floor was opened to questions, Angeles asked, “How can this movement that preaches Black lives matter not stand behind their Black trans brothers and sisters?” Junior Simone Johnson countered Angeles’ question explaining that the movement’s priority is to make progress for the Black community as a whole. “I’m Black first, before I’m a woman,” she said. The discussion ended on the question, “How can you be the modern day Gloria Richardson?” to which Amber Baldie ‘15, emphasized the importance of being educated and knowing Black history. “Without the information, you’re just one of these hotheads spewing out information without the facts to back it up,” she concluded. *Marquez is a member of the Class of 2017.*

Farewell to Corner Bakery

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wishes, and think they were one of the healthier options for food in College Town.” Corner Bakery’s motive for abruptly closing is unclear. Randy Ruttenberg of Fairmount Properties, the developers and owners of College Town, acknowledged the closure in a March 28 press release, and said that its “unplanned closure came as a surprise.” Corner Bakery’s closure came as a surprise to not only College Town and patrons, but to its employees, as well. First year graduate student Julia Bruce worked at the Mt. Hope location since it opened last December and did not hear anything until her shift that week. “The day before the restaurant closed, I heard a rumor that they might be closing, but we didn’t receive any warning or notice officially from any of the management,” Bruce said. “I don’t think our in-store management actually knew that it was going to happen, so no one communicated the possibility to us. We were also never

told why the store closed, so many of us are as confused as the general public.” According to Bruce, all employees received phone calls Saturday night telling them that the store was officially closed. Some were offered employment at fast-food chain Sonic, which is owned by the same person who owned Corner Bakery, and others were transferred to the Pittsford location. “For me—although I enjoyed a lot of my time there, had good and bad days, and will miss all of my coworkers a lot—the close gave me a reason to finally move on to a different position at a different restaurant,” Bruce said. Ruttenberg’s press release also noted that new businesses continue to “view College Town as an attractive and vital location.” Bar 145 opened last week, and Texas De Brazil is set to open on Thursday. Which business will take over the former Corner Bakery space remains to be seen. *Marquez is a member of the Class of 2017.*

Adjunct Professors Unionize

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possibility of being offered it at all. According to Meth, the national proportion of tenured faculty to adjuncts is three to seven—the opposite of what it was 50 years ago, due to the increasing corporatization of higher education. While that proportion is not as high at UR, Students Supporting Adjuncts believes that the University can do better. “The shift is a response to try to lower short term costs with under-paid, over-worked laborers who don’t have the power to bargain for better conditions,” Meth explained. “The union is a way to change that reality.” Director of the University of Rochester Percussion Ensemble Matthew Witten is all too familiar with such conditions and thinks the student movement “is amazing, supportive, and heroic.” Witten has taught as an adjunct at seven different institutions, including four at which he currently teaches. “You could say I am quite familiar with what adjunct status means,” he said in an email. He no longer teaches at several of these schools because of a “lack of work.” “I spend eight hours a week in the car commuting to various schools, I spend money on tolls, and, at least once a week, I am filling my tank,” he said. “I barely have time to complete my work, like preparing for classes and grading, and I am barely able to scrape by with my bills. Luckily, I make little enough to qualify for Medicaid—thank you Obamacare!” Nevertheless, professors on the tenure track have conveyed their support for their colleagues in the form of a signed letter that will be circulating in the near future. Also circulating is a petition formally requesting President Seligman to support contingent faculty at UR. The petition has received approximately 800 signatures, digitally and in print. According to Casper, University

administration has been asked by the student group to remain neutral in the contingent faculty’s decision to form a union so that they do not feel intimidated, regardless of how they decide. The group plans to give the petition to University President Joel Seligman later this week. Adjunct Digital Media Studies professor Robert Kostin also hopes that University administration remain neutral. “I know the stories about people being fearful of ‘the man,’ but here at the University of Rochester, I’m hopeful that administration will be neutral while the contingent faculty makes up its mind about unionization,” he said. “I believe my tenured and tenure-track colleagues and the senior leadership in our University are genuinely good people who have the same values I do about higher education, and that they see the value of a contingent faculty team that’s given the chance to dedicate themselves to our students.” Seligman acknowledged the movement by saying, “I am aware of the Change.org petition. If there is enough support to hold a union election, I support each relevant faculty member’s right to make this important decision.” President Seligman said that as of now it is hard to determine whether an election will actually take place, but that the Provost’s Office is working to help faculty acquire information they might find valuable. *Marquez is a member of the Class of 2017.*



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

On Contingent Faculty

You may have heard the news: faculty at this school are coming together to form a union. This might come as somewhat of a surprise—for many, the idea of being a college professor is the intellectual’s jackpot. A cushy salary and benefits for the whole family are paired with job security unparalleled in the working world. All this, combined with free summers, paid sabbaticals, and access to some of the best resources in the academic world. Sounds like a dream. Unfortunately, for many professors at the U of R, it is just that—a dream, and one that seems increasingly unattainable.

The educators I am referring to here are contingent faculty—which includes adjunct and full-time professors who are not on the tenure track. You may not realize it, but there are hundreds of contingent faculty at our school. Most are quietly struggling.

Earlier this year, I was shocked to learn that some adjunct professors make as little as \$4,000 per class (though some will earn up to \$10,000). No, that’s not a typo. \$4,000. The school is willing to dish out more to have a smoothie bar installed (think the Student Government 5k Challenge) than to compensate professors for hours of work spent in and out of class. Additionally, many contingent faculty don’t receive health benefits through the University, adding injury to insult. Some are not even afforded their own office space, forcing them into the awkward position of holding office hours without privacy. Many I’ve spoken to hold a job on the side. Even for those who are full time, there is no clear path to professional development nor transparency in the hiring process. All of these issues negatively impact our experience as students, as we are being taught by people who are unsure if they’ll be back the next year, or even if they’ll have enough money to cover basic living. Even for those who are full time, there is no clear path to professional development nor transparency in the hiring process.

Ultimately, however, perhaps the biggest issue contingent

faculty currently face is that they have no means to change any of these things about their workplace. Over the past few months, I’ve talked with over a dozen adjuncts. Every time that I’ve asked someone if they have ever approached their superiors about making changes in their workplace, they’ve have scoffed at the idea. Alone, non-tenure track professors have little to no power to effect changes—or even have a say—in what their daily working lives look like.

This is why recently contingent faculty have been coming together to form a union under SEIU (Service Employees International Union). With a union, non-tenure track professors will finally have an organization that unites them and allows them to negotiate a fair contract with the University. As of now, the hiring process is characterized by a gross imbalance of power; administrators hire (and fire) adjuncts with little to no negotiation process. If the current situation represents a lopsided power dynamic, a union is a way to rectify it—to democratize the workplace and allow some of the more vulnerable members of our campus community to have their voices heard.

Fortunately, we are not alone in this movement. Adjuncts and contingent faculty have recently formed unions at: Boston University, Tufts University, University of Chicago, Ithaca College, Georgetown University, College of Saint Rose, Wells College, and over 30 more. Unfortunately, the experiences of professors at these schools has been comically similar—banal, hostile responses from administrations, whose ultimate interests lie in generating value for the board of trustees, recruiting the next set of tuition paye—I mean... students, and retaining prestigious tenure-track professors, rather than providing good working conditions for everyone in their community. I hope that our administration can buck the trend, by neither intimidating nor discouraging contingent faculty in their march towards a more just workplace.

Meth is a member of the Class of 2016.

EDITORIAL BOARD

Presidential debate disappoints

Last night’s Students’ Association (SA) presidential debate, which featured five out of the six presidential candidates and all of the vice presidential candidates, brought little clarity to the largest election field in SA history. The wealth of candidates is an encouraging sign for the future of interest in student government. At this point, however, none of the candidates have distinguished themselves as frontrunners, and we left the debate with scant confidence in any of the tickets.

Coming into the debate, many expected that Erinmarie Byrnes and Dan Matthews, the most experienced ticket among the six running for office, to demonstrate their strengths and emerge as the clear favorites in a crowded field. But Byrnes and Matthews each faltered in their answers, with Byrnes in particular giving a seemingly tone-deaf answer to an audience question about racial issues on campus. When asked about her history of racial activism and how she plans to address racial issues in the future, she mentioned a paper she had written on the Yik Yak controversy on campus.

In contrast, Caleb Krieg and Nico Tavella spoke strongly and confidently, especially about race and gender issues. But their lack of executive or leadership experience on campus hinders their candidacy for the highest offices in SA Government. Krieg’s decision to resign his current position as SA Journalism Manager calls into question his pledge to continue in that area, should he not win the presidential election. Additionally, VP candidate Tavella’s

ill-advised implication that past administrations did not care about students and their issues revealed a stunning lack of awareness of the excellent leadership demonstrated by 2014-2015 executives Antoinette Esce and David Stark—whom SA President Grant Dever and SA Vice President Melissa Holloway have cited before as a model for their administration, which Tavella was praising at the time.

Jake Bistrong and Lily Guo spoke with poise, but an early reference to the “political philosopher, 2 Chainz” smacked of a high school campaign. In the future, Bistrong would be better served by relaxing his tone and allowing Guo more of a chance to speak. Time after time the pair spoke in the first half of the debate, and most times Bistrong yielded mere seconds to his running mate. He seemed to be caught up in the pageantry of the event, his speech often verging on cinematic self-parody. This soured by the end of the debate. And, it was only amplified by his tendency to pontificate on the abstract. Guo, for her part, offered grounded answers, but peaked with her comment that she “gets shit done.”

Sofia Salen and Niru Murali spoke with a surfeit of accomplishments behind them, but exhibited a dearth of certainty going forward. Salen seemed unsure of her own positions on crucial campus issues, casting doubt onto her candidacy. Murali, though, commanded the floor, using a more purposeful presentation and clearer goals. In response to a question similar to the one posed to Byrnes, Salen’s answer seemed to substitute friendships with Black stu-

dents for actual racial activism.

Lance Floto, without his running mate Vito Martino, held his ground, but failed to make a strong impression. Though Floto’s robust SA Appropriations Committee (SAAC) credentials and endorsement from that group are encouraging, his answers left us wanting more. Clearly, Floto would have benefited from Martino’s presence. That’s not to say that Martino is without his faults; his lack of SA experience is concerning. His other leadership positions, however, speak strongly to his skills. Floto represented the only ticket that was gaffe-free that night.

Lastly, former Campus Times News Editor Sam Passanisi and Ignacio Sanchez, the only pair with no SA experience at all, seemed out of their depth. Their good intentions notwithstanding, this team doesn’t currently have a realistic shot at being elected. Both spoke earnestly, but lacked the presentation that every other ticket brought to the debate. Their points were nonspecific and not particularly memorable, and each stumbled over their words. The Editorial Board expected more from this pair.

Going forward, we would like to see greater decorum from some of the candidates. A few of the candidates have greatly misrepresented their resumes, inflating and twisting them to such a degree as to obscure the true nature of their student governmental involvement.

Additionally, the online bickering that led to Krieg’s resignation Wednesday night is unbecoming of student representatives, both active and campaigning.

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Responses to Renaming the Fraternity Quad

Greek claims to naming rights unfounded

BY STEPHEN WEGMAN

The name of the Fraternity Quad does not function as a tribute to the contributions of individual fraternities. A 1964 paper, “Study of Social Fraternities on River Campus,” documents that the title was simply a University-created description of the Quad area: “The University agreed to allot space for nine houses on a fraternity quadrangle without cost to the fraternities and offered also to loan money [equal to] half the cost of the houses.”

The University essentially bought a massive park and sectioned off a place for Greeks, upon which the Greeks built a playground. UR always held dominant power in establishing the space and its restrictions. Under this University-fraternity dynamic, the original organizations were not building a unified Fraternity

Quad—they were just building houses there.

“Fraternity” is not in the title to signal anything about how the occupants of the houses interact with one another. Fraternities promote intragroup, not intergroup, bonds of brotherhood. Older UR fraternities have rivalries that may be evidenced by a look at their documented histories. Presently, reports of vandalism suggest animosity, not fraternity, between occupants of the Quad’s houses.

Even if “fraternity” signified an ideal the houses were meant to rally around, it would still paint an unfitting portrayal of a male, Greek-affiliated com-

munity. The title “Fraternity” in no way means “gender neutral kinship.” As it always has,

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it translates to “male Greek Life.”

My critics’ arguments about the moniker’s etymology are revisions of history. I too, by seeking to make a modification to an 86-year-old name, am promoting a suggestion that is undoubtedly “revisionist.” However, contrary to my classmates’ fabricated claims, my

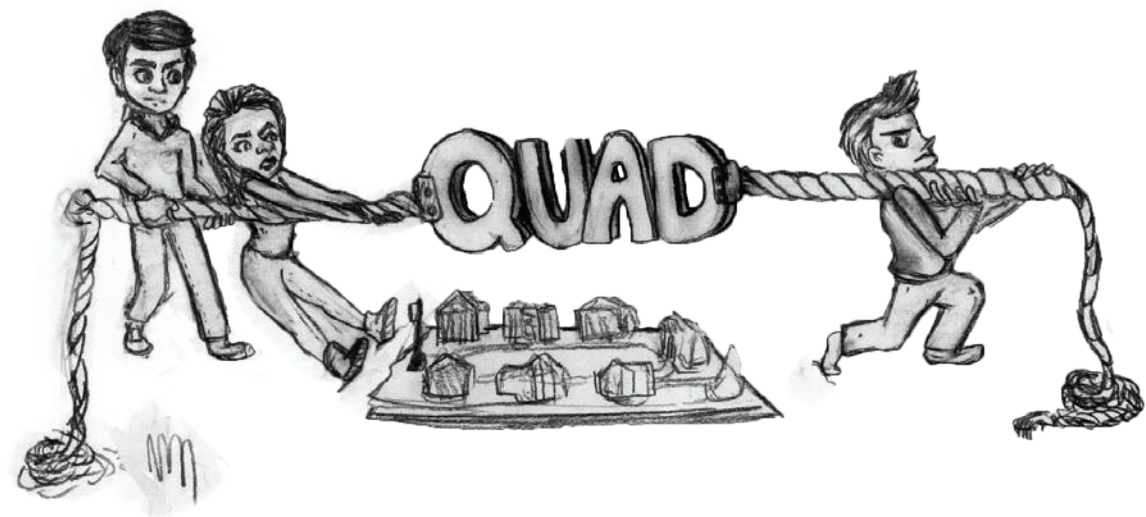
change makes the title a more accurate reflection of what its essence has always been, a marker extant simply to designate the area’s residents. Their arguments ask to leave the original name, but falsify the “history” that is recalled by it.

The name of the Fraternity Quad evokes sentimentality for fraternity alumni. I expect that each subsequent generation of UR students will place less value on this sentimentality and more on the importance of representing all organizations’ contributions, particularly those efforts of historically marginalized groups. People aware of the current campus climate know that students

of color have made deafening demands for the support of the University community. Students in the majority: supporting this change is a way to signal our support. The value of sentimentality built off of historically white, male dominance will inevitably yield to the values of fairness and reparation, but we now have a chance to make this happen sooner than later.

I have not yet found a new title I feel comfortable endorsing, but an appropriate one might be something along the lines of “[Administrator/Donor’s Name] Quad.” A few friends of mine keenly suggested that I contact incoming Board of Trustees Chair Danny Wegman and get the name changed to “Wegman Quad.” While a name like this succeeds in neutralizing current implied fraternity dominance, it falls short by failing to include each Quad organization’s unique contributions to the area. Besides, having white male names on nearly every campus space is stale and cliché... aren’t we better than that?

Wegman is a member of the Class of 2017.



OPEN LETTER

Regardless of stance, Greek responses have been ‘obstructive’

As elected representatives of the Fraternity and Sorority community here at the University of Rochester, we as a Tri-Council would like to address the recent Impact Petitions addressing the name change of the Fraternity Quad and the subsequent responses elicited by members of Greek Life.

If you are unfamiliar with Tri-Council, we are comprised of the Presidents of the three divisions within Greek Life. Specifically, we represent the Interfraternity Council, the Panhellenic Council, and the Multicultural

Greek Council, which support and advocate for all fraternities and sororities on campus. Each of our councils work to ensure that their branches of Greek Life are upholding the standards and expectations set by the University and our inter/national organizations. The University’s Communal Principles of fairness, freedom, honesty, inclusion, respect, and responsibility are ideals that we try at all times to exemplify as we, along with the University, view these principles as integral building blocks to a strong student body.

In light of these recent petitions, we feel that members of Greek Life have grossly violated the above principles. These actions do not accurately reflect the views of all our councils,

chapters, and members. We always encourage open and honest conversations with non-Greek members of our student body, and the responses that were posted and the petition that was posted in response to the original petition to change the name of the Fraternity Quad are recognized as being unnecessarily aggressive and disrespectful. While there were some well-articulated responses by members of Greek Life, we apologize for the responses that were inconsiderate and obstructive to the dialogue that was trying to be established. We would like to take this opportunity to further encourage the dialogue that is pertinent to the conversation and discourage dialogue that is insulting to those who would like to discuss matters

with Greek organizations and governing bodies.

Historically, Greek Life organizations were established in or-

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der to create organized freedom of discussion for both their members and the community in response to various forms of oppression. These groups gave students the space to share their ideas and experiences with like-minded individuals, but also gave them a platform to engage their fellow students. We do not want to be perceived, nor do we want to act as the aggressors that our organizations were ini-

tially founded to overcome. We would like to be a part of any conversation that challenges the status quo. While it is up to the discretion of our organizations’ members to choose how to align themselves in any given argument, we envision future conversations coming from a place of respect and courtesy for the opposition. In the end, regardless of one’s stance in argument, we are all trying to make our campus ever better.

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UR OPINION

BY JESSE BERNSTEIN & LEAH NASON
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“WHO WILL YOU BE VOTING FOR IN THE UPCOMING SA PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION?”



SANDY LOOMIS, '18
“I don’t even know who all the candidates are”



BRENDAN REACH, '17
“I usually don’t even vote, to be honest”



RILEY PHELPS, '18
“I’m voting Panchez 2016”



TESS LAM, '16
“I don’t know”



JONATHAN DIETZ, '18
“I have made no decision”



MORGAN SINKO, '16
“I don’t know who’s running”

FEATURES

ROC RESEARCH

Undergrad Pairs with Professors to Fight Cancer

BY AUDREY GOLDFARB
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Undergraduate science research both accelerates scientific discovery and offers a unique opportunity to undergraduates to contribute to and participate in cutting-edge research.

“It’s a way for them to pursue a passion and learn about a subject in much more depth,” said UR’s Director of Undergraduate Research, physics professor Steve Manly, of student research at the UofR. “It’s a fabulous way for them to learn about things that aren’t limited by the little constraining boxes we put around learning in a classroom.”

Getting involved in undergraduate research requires the motivation to identify and pursue a passion, a process that can be extremely rewarding.

“In the end it really boils down to a few bullet points,” Manly said. “[Students] should do well in their classes, try to figure out what they’re interested in, and then they need to network.”

Students interested in getting involved in research should talk to other students, administrative staff, and professors, as well as search the web for opportunities. Undergraduate research is one of the most independent pursuits available to students, and performance in undergraduate research speaks to a student’s ability to problem solve and think critically.

“It’s the best way we have to teach because of the very nature of the fact that problem solving isn’t perfectly formulated,” Manly said. “It’s a great way to help students develop critical thinking

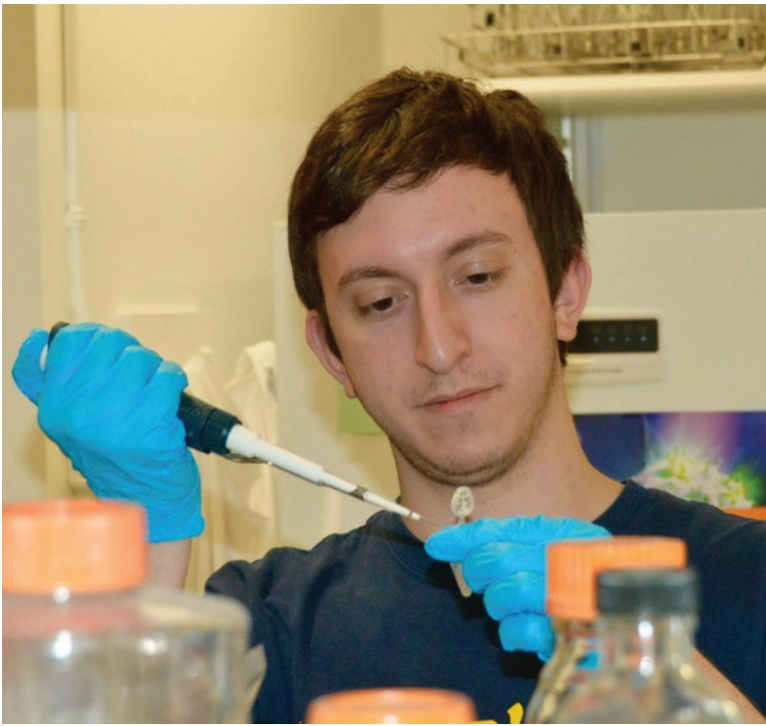
skills. In the end, that’s what this whole place is all about.”

“Having undergraduates in the lab allows us to expand what we do and to take on riskier projects and try new things,” Vera Gorbunova, Doris Johns Cherry Professor and Professor of Biology, said. Spouses Vera Gorbunova and Andrei Seluanov work in collaboration in the biology department to conduct world-class research on the genetics of aging and cancer in rodents and humans. Their joint labs take a special interest in extremely long-lived species such as the naked mole rat, which remarkably lives more than 30 years and rarely, if ever, contracts cancer.

Junior Daniel Radin has been working in the Gorbunova-Seluanov lab since last spring. He is currently exploring the possibility of using hyaluronic acid, a compound abundant in naked mole rats, to treat cancer in humans. The anticancer properties of hyaluronic acid are being investigated by the group as a potential explanation for the exceptional longevity and cancer evasion of naked mole rats. “We have learned a lot about longevity mechanisms in the naked mole rat, but the more we learn the more questions we can ask,” Gorbunova said. Here, Radin reflects on his undergraduate research experience and the significance of the work he is doing in the lab.

How has undergraduate research shaped your experience at UR?

As it currently stands, we are in the middle of a biological revolution. With current medi-



DAVID GOLDFARB / CONTRIBUTING PHOTOGRAPHER
Junior Daniel Radin working in the Gorbunova-Seluanov lab.

cal technologies, we are able to ask and answer questions that we were not able to, even 10 years ago. Thus, the educational paradigm, especially for the natural sciences, is becoming outmoded. While learning classical cell biology is important, memorizing a pathway does not develop critical thinking abilities. Asking questions whose answers are not in a textbook will develop critical thinking skills necessary for success in any field, which is why research for me has drastically changed the way I approach my education and has only enhanced my already solid experience at UR.

What is the project you are currently working on?

The naked mole rat has a very

long lifespan, compared to genetically-related rodents, and doesn’t get cancer. Before I entered the lab, it published a paper describing one mechanism conferring cancer resistance to the naked mole rat. Right now, I am investigating whether such mechanisms can be adapted to other rodents or even human cells in an effort to more strictly regulate the cell cycle. If you can more heavily regulate the cell cycle, you may be looking at cancer preventive techniques and avoid the need to actually treat cancer.

What are your plans, moving forward with your research?

The general motto is “publish or perish.” I am currently investigating ways to produce large quantities of the protein that prevents

cancer formation in the naked mole rat to investigate potential applications in cancer, as well as other areas. This protein may be able to slow growth of cells that have already become cancerous. There may also be applications in stem cell maintenance, which would be nice to investigate because stem cell biology is a very big area right now, and is only getting bigger.

What do you find fascinating about the work you’re doing?

What I like most about this lab is how deeply we go to make sense out of how other mammals protect themselves from cancer. Obviously, humans are an incredibly advanced species, with neurological capabilities outmatching most other mammals, but we still have much to learn and, hopefully, we will one day be able to adapt other species’ abilities to combat our own diseases.

What significance do/will your findings have in the scientific community, and in the general population?

If we can use what the naked mole rat uses to prevent cancer formation, that would be a home-run. There is a huge amount of money being funneled into cancer treatment research, but if we could circumvent the problem altogether, we would save a massive amount of time, money and lives.

Learn more about what the Gorbunova Lab is working on at <http://www.rochester.edu/College/BIO/labs/Gorbunova/index.php>.

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UR TECH

Smaller Phone, Bigger Pricetag

BY PARSA LOFTI
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I am the proud owner of an iPhone 5. Yes, I said it. My phone is nigh on four years old, and in tech years, that’s a dinosaur.

Now, the body of the iPhone 6 has been around for two years, present in the iPhone 6S. About 90 percent of iPhone users I know have upgraded, and every time they see my phone, the comments are the same: “Wow, your phone is so small!” Soon though, people upgrading may not be saying that all the time. Apple recently unveiled a new device: the iPhone SE. Apple’s never done an iPhone release in early spring. What makes this phone so different?

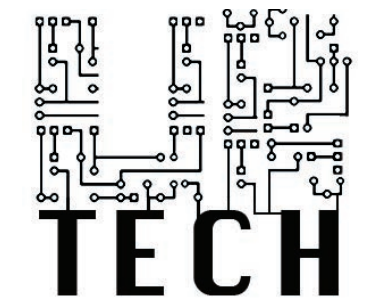
The iPhone 6S Plus is a giant. It easily enters the phablet territory. The regular 6S is doable, but still a little unwieldy when trying to use it with two

hands. What is the most comfortable phone made by Apple? The iPhone 5. The 4/4S was a great shape, but still a little on the small side when it came to screen size. The 5/5S generation was fantastic to hold, and it had a perfectly-sized screen.

So what happens when you want this well-sized phone, but want the features and technology built into the newer phones? Well, you get the SE. The SE is a budget iPhone that gives you most of the features of the latest generation iPhone in the nice body of the 5/5S—a fantastic idea if you needed a new phone, but didn’t want to shell out for a 6S, or weren’t a fan of the size.

What do you get with the SE? Well, you receive almost all of the same hardware that’s packed into the iPhone 6S, and almost all of the same features, save for a few trademarks. For example, the SE won’t get an upgrade to the front-facing

camera over the 5S. On the software side, the new phone won’t get the nice feature of 3D Touch. But hey, we’ve lived just



fine without it before, and we could be just fine after.

Though be careful when you line up to pick up an SE. This isn’t the next generation iPhone. We should still be getting the next generation on schedule in mid-September, and it should be called the iPhone 7, based on Apple’s current trajectory. With this new SE (special edition or small edition), Apple

has great phones in three different sizes. Being the budget model, the SE comes in at about \$400 for the 16GB model.

Unfortunately, though, the day has long passed since 16GB was enough. The next step up is the 64GB model, which will run you another \$100. If you’re lucky, you might be able to find a “free if you sign up for two-year contract” plan, but most carriers are moving away from that with vigor. Most now offer a sort of 24-month payment plan for the phones, which works out well for this phone over the previous best deal, which was a 5S. But now, you’re getting 2015 technology under the hood, instead of 2013 tech.

If you don’t have issues with the screen size, and you don’t mind waiting a little bit, the iPhone 6S will be pretty cheap real soon. The 6S came out about six months ago, which means that in about another six

months, we will see the iPhone 7. The day the iPhone 7 comes out, you can bet that the price of the 6S/6S Plus will be cut pretty hard. So if you want that bigger screen, but don’t want to pay the price, give it some time.

The SE has basically the same processing speed as the newest generation iPhone. Since the internal hardware is the same as the 6S, that means the battery is the same. As you would expect, a bigger battery with a smaller screen means even better battery life than the 6S, a couple of hours better in all categories. For most reviewers, the SE seemed to be a fantastic device, many having a hard time finding any fault with it. If you’re among the people who are just plain sick and tired of the trend of growing phones, someone is finally looking out for you.

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Freaky Furnace Tunnel

BY SHAE RHINEHART
FEATURES EDITOR

Winding through the labyrinth of glorified hallways that is UR’s tunnel system, one tight turn through an primitive set of brown double doors might lead you to the Bausch & Lomb Tunnel, the highpoint of our underground system.

Highpoint in temperature, that is. “One moment you’re walking through a completely normal hallway—white walls, carpeted floors, decent lighting—when all of a sudden, you step through those brown doors and bam! It’s like you’re in a furnace,” sophomore Jill Schwartz said. “And a creepy furnace, at that.”

Although the tunnel connecting Rush Rhees Library to Bausch & Lomb Hall is a popular path for students during cold winter days, its hot and humid atmo-

sphere isn’t the reason why. “I only use it because it’s convenient,” sophomore Daniel Villar said. “As soon as I walk in, it feels like a humid oven and my clothes stick to my body instantly.”

On any given morning, students might walk in and find themselves blasted with heat or passing through a cloud of steam in this tunnel. “I think it could definitely use some change,” freshman Jade Miller said. Although aesthetic appeal is not necessary in a tunnel system, the clear disparity in quality between this particular tunnel and the rest within the system have left students wondering why it is so different.

“The tunnels are hot year-round because our steam system runs through them,” responded Senior Director of University Facilities Jeff Foster. “Although the pipes are well insulated, the steam runs at 340 degrees, so you can still feel

some of the heat.”

For the most part, the tunnels are part of the original campus. The Bausch & Lomb tunnels were built in the late 1920s and were designed for utility use. Although they have been continuously updated throughout the past 20 years, Foster added that “the tunnels are major thoroughfares at the University, receiving a tremendous amount of wear and tear.”

Foster said that most areas had new coats of paint, new flooring, new lighting, and, in some cases, new ceilings, speaking of the maintenance put into the tunnel system as a whole. “An industrial look is hard to disguise.”

When asked whether there were ever plans, cosmetically, to renovate the Bausch & Lomb tunnel, however, University Facilities did not respond.

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SEX & THE CT

The Rites & Rituals of Sex

BY RAAGA KANAKAM
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You may think you know everything that has to do with sex: you ask a girl/guy out, go on dates, and when you’re both ready, you have sex. But here are some societies around the world that have incredibly diverse and interesting rituals, which elevate the simple act of sex into a rite or event, and have a lengthy process dictating how to become a man/woman ready to have sex, and how to have sex.

India

The Muria tribe, located in Chhattisgarh, India participates in a fascinating ritual during which young Murians are sent to live in a “ghotul,” or a tribal hut, where they are encouraged to freely participate in sexual activities. These activities include all types of sex, except group sex, which is discouraged. The rules of each ghotul are different, with some punishing those that sleep together for more than three nights, and others looking down on becoming emotionally attached to their partners.

Before participating in sexual activities, girls drink a locally-made liquor as a type of contraceptive to avoid pregnancy. However, if that fails and the girl becomes pregnant, the entire village adopts the child as their own since it is unknown who the father is.

Ancient Egypt

Ancient Egyptian culture was very sexualized. Even the Egyptians’ creation myth centers around their god Ra (in the form of Atum), who, after coming into existence, masturbated his children Shu and Tefnut into existence, and thus started the race of gods.

Due to this, the act of ejaculation played a central role in Egypt, and even the ebb and flow of the Nile was associated with Ra’s act. The Pharaoh, to maintain the life-

giving force of the Nile and keep it flowing, would have to reenact the Atum’s act.

During the festival of the god Nim, the Pharaoh, followed by the public, would go down to the Nile to perform the act. The Pharaoh would walk up to the river’s edge, disrobe and masturbate, making sure that his semen fell in the river and not on the land. After he finished, the men that came along with him followed suit and masturbated into the river as well. It was thought that by performing this act, they ensured that the life-giving force of the river would continue for another year, blessing their kingdom with a plentiful harvest.

Another ritual was based around the thought that people could continue having sex after their death, so Egyptian men had artificial penises attached to their mummies and Egyptian women had artificial nipples attached. It was thought that both would become fully functional in the afterlife, and men and woman would be free to have sexual intercourse if they wanted.

Australia

This is less a sex tradition and more a rite of passage. The Australian Mardudjara Aborigines participate in a ritual that consists of genital mutilation.

When an Aborigine boy starts to be able to grow a beard (around the age of 15 or 16), he is deemed ready to begin the process of becoming a man. He is led to a fire and told to lay down next to it, while the tribal elder that will perform the ceremony sits on his chest. The elder twists up the foreskin and cuts it off with a knife that is imbued with magical properties. Afterward, the boy is told to sit by the fire and let the smoke purify his wound. He is encouraged to eat his foreskin after so that he may swallow the boy and let it grow inside him, making him stronger.

A few months later, he is brought out again by the elder and villagers for part two of the ceremony. The boy is told to again lay by the fire, and the elder sits on his chest. A wooden rod is inserted into the urethra, and a split is made on the underside of the penis. It is then pressed flat against the rock that the boy is sitting in. This is done in order to make the penis “lighter and more beautiful,” according to the Aborigines. Due to increased contact with the outside world, fewer and fewer boys take part in this tradition as the generations go on.

Venezuela and Colombia

The Guajiro tribe in northeastern Colombia and northwestern Venezuela undergo a rite of passage designed to help girls mature into someone prepared for married life.

When Guajiro girls reach adolescence, they are separated from other people and are taken care of by their maternal aunts. During this period, girls drink specially-brewed herbal teas, which are believed to help the girl become more mature by ridding her of childish behavior. They also learn and master craft skills, such as weaving. This time apart from others is considered a rebirth of the girl, and they return to the world after the period with a new name, ready to meet the boys who will eventually become their husbands.

After they have fully matured, the girls have a festival of maturation. The “Chichimaya,” the Guajiro ritual fertility dance, is performed during this festival. During this dance, a boy takes off his hat and waves it around and dances backward in a circle. The girl has to dance along and chase him, trying to step on his feet so that he will trip and fall. If she succeeds in tripping him, they must have sex.

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PUZZLE

Crossword Puzzle

BY SAM PASSANISI ‘17

DIFFICULTY EASY

ACROSS:

- Carbon copy, esp. on an email
- Albacore, yellowfin are varieties
- Light beam (ultra, or not)
- Public relations (or Puerto Rico)
- Pa’s spouse, usually
- Human forelimb
- Skill, especially in business
- ____ Lee, creator of Spider-man
- Mathematics virtuoso (jokingly)
- For ____ a jolly good fellow!
- American film rating
- Ionic compounds (NaCl, etc.)
- Billowy womens’ pant style
- Website name
- Sexual climax
- Result of a injury to blood vessels
- “Three Musketeers” author
- Designated driver, abbr.
- Mom’s spouse, usually
- Singer’s voice corrector
- Digestive fluid
- Auditory reflections
- U.S. President’s military title, abbr.
- All right, in short
- Atomic symbol for helium
- Led Zeppelin’s “Whole ____ Love”
- Committee leader, usually
- Borg crew member Seven ____ Nine

DOWN:

- “London Calling” punk group
- Order independently: a la ____
- Spanish “tea”
- Mesopotamian city
- Advanced placement, abbr.
- Greek organizations, male
- Bony braincase
- Batman’s nemesis in “Dark Knight Rises”
- Rochester D-Day performers?
- Yankees next-door rivals
- California biotech and pharma company
- Customer of Walt and Jesse?
- Apes, monkeys, and lemurs are examples
- Alcoholics anonymous (or American Airlines)
- Comparatively less young
- General Electric, abbr.
- If it walks like one of these ...
- Sly borrower
- Uncooked fish dish
- Supreme Court Justice Samuel ____
- Coffee without the stimulant
- A Lovecraftian long time
- Emergency room, abbr.
- West Coast metropolis
- Off / ____

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HUMOR

Fott Scu Plays Trump Card in SA Campaign

BY NATE KUHRT
HUMOR EDITOR

After serving in SA government this past year, junior Fott Scu wanted to do even more on campus. He wanted to continue to make changes and serve the people, and has proposed numerous policies to enact this upcoming year.

Scu addressed the humor editors of the *Campus Times* with the following: “To begin, I have received way too many email notifications from Public Safety this past year. I am glad that students are away, but I want to tackle this issue head on.”

Scu continued by saying that, “We are going to build a wall. Around the whole campus and keep non-students outside of it. After non-students build it, of course. Oh, and RIT will pay for it.”

Although these beliefs are controversial, Scu has attracted a following among white, male, heterosexual students born in Mississippi.

“I mean, his views may be a bit excessive, but I like his attitude.” Richard Blate commented. “He is great, and he knows it. He tells it like it is. He really made sure to tell us about it during his campaign speeches held in Hoyt Auditorium, which he paid to rent because he funds his own campaign.”

But this candidate has been at the center of many issues in the past. Quite recently, an undergraduate teaching assistant accused him of using Wikipedia as a primary source.

“I can’t believe someone so respected would accuse me of breaking our school’s academic honesty policy,” Scu responded vehemently. “I love the policy more than anyone. And, to have someone entrusted accuse me of not being a dedicated student? The academic honesty policy is the most special thing.” The complaint was retracted shortly after being filed.

After leading the primaries in traditionally conservative dormitories, including Gilbert,

Brooks, Lovejoy, and Slater, some other notable politicians have commented on his success.

“He is a chaotic candidate. He’s ridiculous. We don’t need this, we need to build bridges, not walls,” SA presidential frontrunner Erik Chioda said. “And he flip-flops all the time. He keeps switching majors.”

When told of the response, Scu seemed frustrated. “Chioda is a lightweight, everyone knows it,” He said. “Look, those other candidates are very low energy people. They will not make UR meliora again.”

When asked how he planned to make UR meliora again, he replied, “China.”

A final running policy that is believed to be garnering the support of notable conservative Ben Shapiro are his feelings on free speech. Scott promotes it, as long as it aligns fairly well with his political opinions. When voting in the upcoming weeks, Scu suggests, “make UR meliora again.”

Kuhrt is a member of the Class of 2017.

I Have a Problem

BY SEAN CORCORAN
SENIOR STAFF

I’m a firm believer that life boils down to a few simple things. Character, charisma, intelligence, and personality all come to mind.

One thing I think is lost nowadays, however, is self-awareness. We’re all guilty of being self-unaware at times, and it takes a great deal of discipline and time to truly be self-aware.

We all have opportunities for growth and improvement, and for me personally, I could eat a lot healthier. A shocking revelation I had this week came thanks to a tip I once heard watching Dr. Oz. (Yeah, I know.) This will change the way I eat for years to come.

He suggested that you journal all the things you eat and evaluate yourself at the end of each day to see where you could do better.

“Not so hard!” I thought to myself. I’d simply look back on my Declining and Flex history to see what unhealthy foods I’ve been frequently eating. The problem here was that the portal that allows you to look at what purchases you have made through Flex and Declining, accessed via Blackboard, has

at school. Be it at the Pit, the dining halls, or at Hillside, it was just so accessible. I realized that I was, in fact, the person who had bought every single cup of Frosted Flakes at the Pit. Yes, I was “that guy.”

It all started when I was around 12 or 13 years old. Summer is going great, and I have not a care in the world. As I watched my fourth episode of SportsCenter of the day, I started to notice a pattern with the commercials. They repeated themselves. It was this Frosted Flakes ad with a son and his father; he was teaching his son how to play baseball. And then here comes Tony the Tiger, who, all of a sudden, makes the kid a baseball prodigy. That damn tiger was so charismatic, he drew me into his plan to get kids hopped up on Frosted Flakes. Ever since then, I was hooked.

This advertising campaign preyed upon my fragile, untapped mind and took refuge in the depths of my subconscious. “Gee, if I eat Frosted Flakes, maybe my parents will love me like the kid in the commercial,” I thought to myself. Who would have thought that harmless advertising with a jovial Tiger would lead me into a downward

Grant Dever Gets a Haircut

BY SAM PASSANISI
SENIOR STAFF

Look, sometimes things change and there isn’t anything you can do about it. It’s a scary, confusing world—your familiar landmark on Friday afternoon could be gone like the wind by Saturday night. Heraclitus said, “You could not step twice into the same haircut, for the hair is ever growing.”

Or something like that.

Anyway, life is full of change. You waltz into the Pit one day with your taste buds all set for a scrumptious helping of mac & cheese. Psych! You’re getting mac & cheese “soup” instead, sucker! You stroll into Rush Rhees, anticipating a productive study session at your favorite sturdy oak tables. Punk’d! They’re gone, replaced by wobbly Carlson tables. And then you go to a student government meeting, and you scan the room for your Students’ Association President. But wait—he’s not there! In his place is some klutz with a corporate coif hairdo. Where are the cherished, wavy locks of your beloved President?

Wait a minute...

Life is full of changes. Current SA President and retired Carly Rae Jepsen impersonator Grant Dever has cut his hair.

In what witnesses called “a fit of pique,” Dever marched down to the hair salon on Saturday and exchanged his flowing mane for an only slightly less flowing mop.

“It just got to be too much,” Dever said. “I finally had to get

rid of the long hair. Luckily, my friends caught me on my way out the door and told me there are people who’ll cut it for you. Whole companies, even! There’s Mane Attraction, Great Clips, Supercuts, Pal Joey’s ...”

Ten minutes later, Dever had finished listing hair salons and barber shops and was able to continue with his story.

“Previously, I had tried all kinds of ways of cutting my hair,” he continued. “Grabbing it and just yanking it out of my head is kind of painful, and I don’t look so great bald. Once I burnt it off, but that just smelled really, really bad, so I don’t do that anymore. A couple times I even tried visiting the petting zoo and letting the goats eat my hair, but that came out really uneven, and it’s honestly not a great system.”

Do goats not like eating hair, we asked?

“They liked it too much. It was kind of weird.”

“Anyway,” Dever continued, “I used to grow my hair long because it was such a hassle to cut it. But this new way is great! You sit in a chair and the barber just takes out a pair of scissors and goes to work. So much easier than my other methods, and it looks better, too!”

Dever seemed to be happy with his haircut. He also appeared to have gained several inches in height after the surgery.

“Maybe my posture is better? It was really weighing me down,” he explained.

Will other members of the student body be influenced by

Dever’s drastic choice? Perhaps some already have. A certain *Campus Times* editor recently abandoned his attempt at a Dever-esque ‘do. Likewise, Dever’s colleague Ethan Bidna appeared to have gotten a haircut of his own ... maybe? It was a little hard to tell.

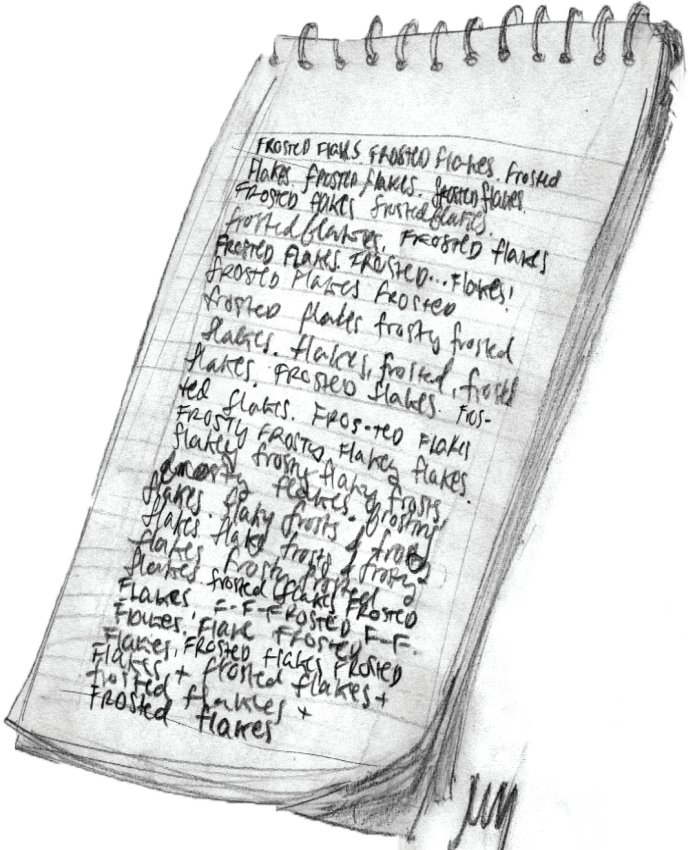
Some students are still adjusting to the absence of Dever’s trademark man-bun, and the situation will certainly take some getting used to. Luckily, though, there are lots of other campus landmarks—the Dandelion Square clock tower, the dome of Rush Rhees—that are a little harder to chop down.

Finally, the biggest question of all: what happened to the hair after it was cut off? Some students speculated that the discarded tresses had flapped their split ends and flown away to roost. Others insisted the hair had been borne away to Avalon and would return in England’s time of greatest need. Still others whispered that the hair had been interred in a secret compartment on campus, along with Martin Brewer Anderson’s beard, Susan B. Anthony’s bun, and Cornelis deKiewiet’s eyebrows.

“Actually, I kept the hair,” Dever said. “Maybe I’ll make it into a wig and give it to someone less fortunate.”

In other news, UR President Joel Seligman was last seen walking on the Quad with a full head of thick, wavy hair. Seligman’s office could not be reached for comment.

Passanisi is a member of the Class of 2017.



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been down for about six weeks now.

I have since started carrying around a little notepad with all my food stats. This notebook has basically become my life.

So, in light of this, and the harsh reality that the semester is almost over, I decided to start journaling my food habits at the Pit and in the dining halls, so as to stay on track with my Declining and overall health.

What I found is that I have a problem. I had eaten Frosted Flakes every single day for the last five weeks we’ve been

spiral of sugar highs, crashes, and dangerous cravings? I sure as hell didn’t.

So, in the end, I decided to do away with the “angel dust of cereal.” I am definitely going to be spending more time at the salad bar in the coming weeks, opting for a healthy snack rather than a sugary one. As good and as tempting as Frosted Flakes are, I cannot continue on like this. Good riddance, Tony. And good riddance, Frosted Flakes.

Corcoran is a member of the Class of 2018.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP APPRECIATION DINNER

To the Executive boards who are advised by WCSA, RCCL, and ResLife:

We want to thank you for all of your contributions you make to the campus community. This evening was a way to show you our appreciation.

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SPRING 2016 ELECTIONS

PRESIDENTIAL & SENATE PLATFORMS

Caleb Krieg and Nico Tavella



Fellow University of Rochester students, we would be honored for you to elect us as your SA President and Vice President for the 2016-2017 school year.

Caleb is currently a member of the Class of 2018 where he is declaring a degree in Statistics. As the President of D'Lions, Caleb is a very organized and meticulous individual with vast experience of compromising and working with the administration. His job as D'Lion has been to find resources across campus to help residents progress as individuals while discussing their everyday issues. He recently joined Public Relations in SA Government which has cultivated an interest in finding solutions to the huge gap existing between the students, SA Government, and the administration. As President, he will revolutionize the current system to make student's voices heard.

As a rising senior pursuing Bachelor's degrees in Public Health and Women's Studies, Nico spends his academic career studying how community-level changes work and effective methods of implementation. His former employment as a Community Outreach Specialist for Trillium Health and his experience as an Outreach Intern at Rochester's Planned Parenthood have taught him the value of listening to the needs of community members and learning from people who are calling for change at every level. He has used his writing platform as the Contributing Editor for the Odyssey to meet with students from diverse communities across campus, tackling student-driven issues of racism, sexism, homophobia and transphobia, and mental health stigma. He hopes to continue this practice into the office of SA Vice President, by using his platform to bring students' issues and voices to the forefront of administration.

Working With You: Transparency is at the forefront of our campaign. SA Government has been unfortunately detached from the student body as a vast majority of the students feel their voices are not heard. We want to bridge this gap and give the power of knowledge back to all of the students, not just those inside the political sphere, in order to ignite student interest in their government.

Revolutionizing the Interaction: Students deserve to know what legislation is being discussed by SA government and it's progress through campus administration. We are currently working with computer science majors and graphic designers to create an innovative application that will bridge the student voice and the power of SA government. It will connect us all while providing accountability towards SA Government and the university administration.

Importance of Facilitating Conversation: There are many social issues facing the students at this university, and it is our duty as student leaders to effectively direct and facilitate the conversation in order for goals to be accomplished. We will reach out to those affected by these incidents and all parties involved to truly find a solution to these conflicts to create an inclusive environment for all.

To view a complete list of initiatives we hope to address and a full-length platform, visit us at <http://kriegandtavella.weebly.com/> and on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/KriegandTavella/>.

Erinmarie Byrnes & Dan Matthews



Fellow Yellowjackets, we would be honored to serve as your SA President and VP for the 2016-2017 academic year!

As the Executive Director of Academic Affairs, Erinmarie works to improve the lives of students inside and outside of the classroom. She has experience working with administrators, and represents students by sitting on several University committees including the College Curriculum Committee, the River Campus Libraries Advisory Board, and the search committee for the new Dean of the Hajim School. A believer in learning beyond the classroom, she advocates for community-engaged studies, and experiential learning. She believes leaders should be mindful, approachable, and compassionate.

As a Senator, Dan represents students and listens to their feedback. Serving on the Student Life Committee, he wrote legislation supporting the Financial Aid College Committee, and a statement of solidarity with minority students at peer institutions. He's currently working on increasing student integration. On the Academics Affairs Committee, he is working with other Senators to create a College Citation for Excellence in Diversity. During his experience in SA government, he's learned how to work for students.

Empathy: We believe every student should feel welcome, safe, and that they are a valued member of our community. We want to increase representation of minority students in SA Government and continue working with the groups that are already improving campus through their projects and actions. We promise to promote education through conversation, and empathy through understanding. By listening and taking action, we will enable students to share their experiences on campus, while providing support and standing in solidarity.

Transparency: Dynamic communication is imperative to the success of the Student's Association's Government. If students feel that we have not been transparent, then we as an organization have failed to effectively communicate. Erinmarie and Dan want to reorganize the SA Gov's Public Relations team, allowing them more agency to communicate with students. We want to develop a tracker tool, allowing students to follow an idea/project from start to finish, and an app, giving instant access to SA Gov news. In addition to reviving the SA Gov's website, Erinmarie and Dan want to increase the culture of using the Weekly Buzz and the CCC as a way to communicate with students.

Advocacy: A government should always work for its constituents, and the Student's Association's Government is no different. We promise to improve the quality of student's lives by representing their interests, opinions, and ideas. We will act swiftly and purposefully when students call on us. Erinmarie and Dan see themselves as the connection between students and the administrators of the University, and will stand by students' feelings. Whether it's ResLife or President Seligman, we will give students the platform to engage with people who make decisions.

For more information about our involvements and initiatives, or to give us feedback, please visit: www.votebyrnesmatthews.weebly.com.

Thank you for taking the time to participate in the election process! We hope that we have the opportunity to serve you during the 2016-2017 academic year.

Jake Bistrong & Lily Guo



The University of Rochester, with its 250+ student groups and considerable international presence, is home to a lively and wide-ranging student body. Indeed, its campus' countless actors embody the ethos of our institution. At all times, then, somewhere within our student body exist a great many ideas that have not yet been actualized. The duty of SA Government is to provide an outlet that allows those ideas to be acted upon, and in doing so, reflect the desires of our students.

It is that duty that has inspired Jake Bistrong and Lily Guo to run for SA President and Vice-President for the 2016-2017 Academic Year. In his time on both the Policy & Review and Campus Services Committees in the SA Senate, Jake worked hard to reflect the needs of the students in all of the work that he did. For example, Jake passed legislation pushing the Governor and legislature of New York to back the statewide use of Uber and other similar ridesharing services. Moreover, during his gap year in the Dominican Republic, Jake worked directly with Haitian immigrants who were under the constant and serious threat of deportation, to help them gain legal recognition by the Dominican government. In addition to this work, Jake also spent time recognizing what the people in the village he was living in needed on a day-to-day basis to maintain a somewhat reasonable standard of living and devised solutions based off of those needs. To this end, he formed a group with leaders in that village, and eventually designed a village-wide census. It was through that census that he was able to identify the people's true needs. This census embodies Jake's deep understanding that providing people with things that he thinks they need is not equivalent to providing them with what they actually need. His time in the Dominican Republic had a lasting impact on his life by teaching him how to recognize and meet people's true needs.

Through her roles as Programming Chair of Class Council, SA Senator and member of the Policy & Review Committee, Lily has gained insight into the interworking of SA Government. Personable and motivated, Lily will help greatly in making the executive branch accessible and open to all students. By recognizing the various functions of the SA Government, Lily will complement Jake in bringing the executive branch to meet the needs of our students.

Above all, Jake and Lily are dedicated to the proposition that our students possess brilliant ideas, and in order to translate those ideas into policy, we need an executive branch that recognizes the needs of students. The past administration has made great strides in reforming and exciting the SA Government's various functions. Jake and Lily want to both continue that work and expand on it by demonstrating to all of the University of Rochester's students what SA Government can do for them.

Sam Passanisi & Ignacio Sanchez



Hello! We're Sam Passanisi and Ignacio Sanchez, and we want to be your next SA President and Vice President. You'll get to know us better as we campaign for office in the next few weeks, but here's a short introduction to our platform.

Our goal is simple: we want to serve the diverse student body here at the University of Rochester. The mission of the Students' Association is to help students achieve the college experience that we want, and that's why we're running. We know SA can do better and we're eager to start. Whether it's returning mac & cheese to the Pit, voicing student concerns about changes to Rush Rhees, or working to improve this campus for all students, our purpose as President and Vice President is to be the voice for the undergraduate population.

We're both newcomers to SA, but that doesn't mean we're short on leadership credentials. Prior to running for this office, Sam worked to make student voices heard as a News Editor of the Campus Times. Ignacio brings even more leadership skills to the table, with three semesters of experience as Vice President of the Chi Phi Fraternity.

You'll hear more from us in the upcoming weeks, but thanks for reading this introduction! If you have questions about our platform or candidacy, please reach out to us—we want to hear from you.

Sofia Salen & Niru Murali



To the University of Rochester Community: Why do students, staff, and faculty of color still feel marginalized? Why haven't there been more town halls on sexual misconduct? Why do students studying the humanities feel ostracized? Why haven't we heard anything about a new snow-day protocol? Why don't more resources go to UCC when it has been proven that several hundreds of our students struggle with mental health?

These issues critically shape our campus community, but unfortunately the majority of students are not given an opportunity to share their concerns in an effective way. Sofia Salen and Niru Murali are running for SA President and Vice President because they understand how important it is for students to have a voice in this ever-changing environment and they want to make sure students' concerns are taken seriously.

What sets Sofia and Niru apart is that they have both held several positions within the Legislative and Executive Branches of SA Government.

As the Executive Director for Student Life, Niru spearheaded initiatives including, but not limited to, the Financial Aid Ambassador Program, a diversity citation for students' diplomas, and the International Student-International Alumnus Mentorship Program. She also built strong relationships with Residential Life, the

Financial Aid Office, the Burgett Intercultural Center, Public Safety, the Vice Provost for Faculty Diversity, the Kearns Center, the Office of Minority Student Affairs, the College Diversity Roundtable, the International Roundtable, the Director of International Student Engagement, the Center for Education Abroad, the International Students' Office, and more. As a member of the Academic Affairs Legislative Committee, Niru worked closely with the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, the Office of Undergraduate Research, and the Dean of the College.

As a Senator At-Large, Sofia Salen served on almost every legislative committee, including Academic Affairs, Elections and Rules, Projects and Services, and more. Furthermore, Sofia was the Dining Aide and Mural Project Coordinator for SA Government. As a Senator, she passed legislation to endorse the creation of the iZone, a hub for experiential learning. This resulted in a one million dollar donation to the University of Rochester. Her most notable achievement was influencing the Dean of the College to re-evaluate the final examination policy.

As the Director of Public Relations, Sofia cultivated the face of SA Government. Her work advertising forums such as town halls allowed students to effectively engage with SA Government and the administration on serious issues. Furthermore, she unified a team of ten students and fostered their development. Sofia has considerable experience managing a team, motivating people, and thinking critically, and her involvement in SA Government has led to valuable changes to our campus.

We understand that there is much work to be done in order to make our campus a safer and more welcoming place but we believe we have the experience necessary to make this an incredible year. As President and Vice President for the 2016-2017 academic year, we promise to advocate on your behalf and make the Students' Association Government "ever better".

Vito Martino & Lance Floto



Hello U of R! We would love to represent you this coming year, by serving as your SA President and Vice President.

As a junior, Vito has the unique candidacy of not being a previous member of the SA. To him this is a benefit because his initiatives and thought process can bring a new viewpoint lacking in the SA. Having been on the executive boards and president of multiple organizations on campus, he possesses the necessary leadership skills to lead the SA and represent our diverse student body. He believes that being an effective president begins with knowing the students and helping their perspectives shape this university.

Lance is an active junior that has participated in SAAC, Eye to Eye, UR Makers, MelCap, Debate Union, and Hall Council. As part of the SA Appropriations Committee, Lance has participated in the allotment of \$1.4 million to the diverse set of student groups on campus. Lance wants to use his experiences and understanding to improve the transparency and effectiveness of SA, such that student organizations can meaningfully impact UofR students.

Improve Campus Climate: We will foster a campus atmosphere in which all students feel a sense of inclusion in our University of Rochester community. The initiative to improve the campus climate is one that many dedicated student leaders have started, but racism, bigotry, and other social issues are not problems that are easily solved. We will continue to fight for a campus in which students from all different backgrounds are included, respected, and feel at home. We will work with the student leaders, who are currently trying to improve the campus climate, and fight to fix the problems students on our campus are facing. We will attack this issue at the root of the problem and promote an environment in which students understand discrimination

not only hurts those discriminated against, but the entire campus community. When students feel safe and comfortable, they are able to openly express their views and engage in discourse to refine and improve those views. It is this type of environment that will allow students to achieve both their personal and academic potential.

Student Health and Advocacy:

While a student at the University of Rochester, you should feel as though the University takes an active interest in your safety. Many issues have arisen over the past year including hazardous weather conditions, sexual assault, mental health, and campus smoking policies. These are issues that affect every member of our student body, whether it be directly or indirectly. If elected, we will make sure that these issues are addressed and that the health of a student is never adversely affected by the University.



Andres

Hi,
My name is Andres and I am asking for your vote and support to become senator. I have always been very passionate about making change, and I think that senate would be a great opportunity for doing this. It was such interest of making change that led me to become EcoRep and I have been involved in teaching sustainability to my hall mates here in the U of R. I am also a member of the Debate Club, which I joined with the sole intent to better my ability to express my ideas and advocate for change. But allow me to refer more to us rather than me. I hope that as a senator we would be able to bring significant change for this university. If I were to be elected, we would put more of us our effort on issues more relevant to students as it is financial aid, academics, social interaction, and just overall improvements of resource availability. I would hope that our time here in the university may have a much more meaningful impact than it already does as we bring our students concerns into the senate table. A vote for me will be a vote for us...

Vote for Andres! Vote for Us!



Andria Rabenold

Since joining the Senate table in December, I have authored two pieces of legislation: a statement in support of a Diversity and Fairness Campaign, two essential communal principles, and a resolution for the extension of Goergen Athletic Center hours so students can work out and be healthy even after late-night meetings. I am currently working on several major reports like improving Pre-Major Advising to ensure all advisors are equipped to answer questions and provide proper guidance, and the creation of a Diversity Citation so transcripts will show when students have gone out of their way to study and engage with communities and cultures other than their own.

In the next year, I will continue addressing critical issues facing students, such as Financial Aid support and the current state of mental health care services (including UCC and the CARE Network). Undergraduate students should not feel unqualified to speak to Financial Aid, nor should they have to wait weeks to see a counselor or feel targeted and attacked by CARE Network representatives. I will hold weekly office hours where students can voice their opinions and concerns outside of Senate meetings, and I will encourage other Senators to follow suit. I will work to make Senate and SA Government more open and accessible to all students. My highest aim is to break down barriers between students and their success in academics and extracurriculars. Yo, where did the Pit mac and cheese go? Vote for Andria.



Beatriz Gil

My name is Beatriz Gil and I am running to represent you in next year's Senate. Being Class Council 2019's President as well as being in the

committee of Policy and Review has been an amazing experience for me and has allowed me to get to know a lot of people that I wouldn't have been able to met otherwise. Now I would like to be able to make a a greater impact while keeping my commitment to you guys through the legislative body of SA by becoming a senator. While in the positions I have been in, I have been approached with many issues that I believe can be solved. Let me advocate for you, let me be your vote in Senate. Allow me to make our whole community closer and ever better!"



Brandon Reinkensmeyer

Senators lead policy change at the highest level of our University. A senator's role on our campus is a crucial to policy-making and they represent researchers, administration, faculty, students, librarians, alumni, and more. The policies made within Senate also not only impact our school, but potentially others schools as well. With that being said, it is important you vote for the proper person to represent the Class of 2019 as a Senator.

As a Senator, I will make sure to devote as much time and effort as possible in order to bring awareness to the University administration on having the student body's voices heard--which is a lot of different voices considering the 6,000+ students on our campus from multiple of different countries and cultures. Considering our diverse student population, I understand that sometimes it can be very hard to have your voice heard, especially when you feel you are in the minority. If I am voted into Senate, I will make sure to hear your voices and work my hardest in making our campus "ever better".

It is my honor to run for Senate, and I hope you will consider me as your next Senator.

Sincerely,

The guy with the really long last name



Chizi Onyekwere

This upcoming year I will be a senior, I will be an RA, an office assistant at the Susan B. Anthony Center, a member-at-large of MOVE, a Public Health researcher, and if electedâ€”a voice of change on this campus. As someone who is has participated in various different clubs, programs, and associations on this campus, I have developed the ability to not only communicate my own ideas, and advocate for others, but also the ability to listen. As a senator, I intend to listen to students, advocate for their well-being, and ensure that all amendments are not only done, but done right. To put it simply, I intend to listen twice and speak once.

So, thank you for taking the time out to read my platform, thank you for considering me as a candidate. If elected (and quite honestly even if I am not) I will always advocate for what our campus needs.

#ListenTwiceSpeakOnce



Cindy Molina

Hello students at the University of Rochester. My name is CINDY MOLINA and I am a rising junior, who hopes to be your student senate representative for the 2016-2017 school year.

As a transfer student and a Latina, I have experienced many the obstacles students can face while pursuing their Meliora. I look forward to serving our campus community by promoting diversity to increase inclusivity and productivity. In addition, I hope to improve communication within our student body to raise awareness for events and issues on campus.

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As an executive aid on the student life committee, I have lobbied within different departments to promote events that are beneficial to the student body and department itself. I have been involved with Mock trial since high school, so I am used to advocating and arguing to get what I need. Now I would like to lend the student body my skill and time to get what you need.

I believe in students having direct access to their representatives, so if you have any questions about my campaign contact me at cmolina2@u.rochester.edu.. It's time to come together and be heard. Vote CINDY MOLINA for spring 2016 senate.



Dan Matthews

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Gabi Lipschitz

I have always felt extremely passionate about making things right- I am not one to accept injustice, and I find it essential that this campus stresses the importance of hearing out

and respecting the many different opinions and backgrounds that are represented at our school. I look at the Senate as a social body that is designed to hear the voices of those who do not get a chance to represent themselves or their concerns very often, and due to this great responsibility, I find the Senate to be a very valuable asset to the wellbeing and (i know this is cheesy) harmony of this university. I hope to get a chance to join this branch, as I will do my very best to ensure that the diverse backgrounds of this school are represented and that no injustice will go unresolved and no voice will be unheard. Thank you!!



George D. Mendez

A certain section of the student body feels apathetic regarding many issues affecting them, and it's my belief that this doesn't have to be the case. Over the course

of the next year, I want to pursue data-driven solutions resulting from anonymous surveys to address student problems on campus. Currently there are many issues that I feel the student body would appreciate seeing resolved including:

-A revision of the administration's decision on Yik Yak

-Getting rid of the 5K Challenge to pursue more useful services on campus including free printing and continued free laundry services

-Examining the effectiveness of the UCC Mental Health Services and looking for better approaches to dealing with personal problems affecting students during their time here

-Petitioning for Spring Break to be pushed to mid-March

-Petitioning for an improved policy regarding property item damage and reimbursement

My platform most importantly will be always adapting and first and foremost suited to serving your needs. I look forward to a productive and exciting year as your Senior Senator.



Jackson Ding

Sounds like a fun position! Vote for me



Jake Bistrong
My fellow students! My name is Jake Bistrong and I am a member of the class of 2019. I had the honor of being elected as an SA Senator this fall for the freshman class and would be equally honored to be elected again as a Senator at large. During my year as an SA Senator I served as a member on both the Policy and Review Committee and the Campus Services Committee. I also passed and sponsored numerous pieces of legislation to help the student body. One notable example is the bill I wrote and passed, which urged the New York State Legislature as well as the Governor of New York, to sign into law a bill that would allow ride sharing services in Upstate New York. I would be honored continue these endeavors next year as a Senator at large. Thank you for your support!



Jin Kim
Hey U Rochester students, I have been so fortunate to have been able to serve you as a Freshman Senator this past year, and if you all are willing, I would love to serve again. Although definitely a large responsibility, I have been able to put the well-being of this community as my top priority. I have been able to gain experiences by working on various projects, from Gender Neutral Bathrooms to the International Student Alumni Program. By doing this, as well as involving myself with Class Council, and working for the Center for Education abroad and the Office of Minority Student Affairs, I believe that I will be effective Senator that promotes diversity on our campus!

Please reach out to me if you want to ask questions, or just talk!



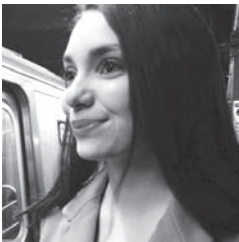
Joey Stephens
Hi everyone! My name is Josh Pachter and I am running for Senate to represent you and make sure all ideas are heard. I am a team player and I thrive in collaborative, discussion-centered environments by listening and thinking empathetically and not egocentrically. Along those lines, my most important goal as a senator will be



Joshua Pachter
to create meaningful change for everyone on campus, especially those who feel like their voices are often lost in these discussions. Between my experiences as Business Manager for After Hours a cappella, and as a research assistant at the ROCHCI lab, I have learned how to efficiently complete projects with a team and cater to every party involved. I also worked on creating a queer student discussion group focusing on queer identity and intersectionality, which was an incredible experience that led to invaluable discussion and insights. Advocating for minority student issues on campus would be a huge priority of mine as a senator, one that unfortunately seems too often neglected by people in positions of power.



Marta Irene Blanco
Being a part of senate is important to me because I want to represent the student through my full commitment and hard work. Through this democratic body I will be able to represent my fellow students and advocate for the changes they want to see implemented on campus, and that is a role I see myself playing and that motivates me, especially since I one day aspire to be a United States House of Representatives senator. I see participating in college senate as an honor because it permits students to get directly involved in the democratic processes that go on at the university. I would be really excited if you gave me the opportunity to serve as your senator and advocate for the change that all University of Rochester college students have the right to advocate for.



Mira Bodek
With the inadequate actions of the administration in regards to the Gale flooding, snow day policy, and social issues on campus, our university has failed to hear student voices and to respect the trust we place in it to listen to and protect us. In running for election to the Students' Association Senate, my agenda is to demand transparency, efficiency, and effectiveness from our school and the Students' Association Government. With your support, I will ensure that your voice is heard.
Your university education and experience should not be a business. You are not complacent dough to be molded with a cookie-cutter. I am dedicated to utilizing student feedback in developing effective, data-driven policies that reflect your unique view. This election, Nicholas Pierce and I have combined our campaigns due to shared values and for greater innovation and expanded outreach. Together, we have constructed a common agenda that includes:
- Fostering increased community and

cultural engagement by staunchly utilizing meaningful student dialogue on race, gender, diversity, and other campus issues.
- Enhancing resource efficiency and promoting sustainability by working with UR Foodshare, the dining halls, and other groups to mitigate food waste.
- Creating innovative academic and social initiatives, such as increased and improved accessibility to textbooks, other required academic resources, and more reliable internet.
We are committed to long-lasting change. I will not take your vote for granted. I will not take your voice for granted. Vote Mira Bodek and Nicholas Pierce for Senate. Thank you.



Natalie Ziegler
Hello Yellow Jackets! My name is Natalie Ziegler, and I would love to continue representing your needs and interests as a Senator. I've been fortunate enough to engage in students' issues as a Senator this past academic year, and I would be honored to continue doing the same next year. My time during 2015-2016 at the Senate table, serving on the Academics Affairs Committee as well as the Student Life Committee, and overall devoting myself to student government endeavors has provided me with invaluable experience. I have the familiarity and competence to succeed as a Senator. Additionally, I will continue to fight for justice and equity for students, staff, faculty, and community members, and I will especially continue to engage in issues of marginalized students. Please contact with me questions at nziegler@u.rochester.edu.

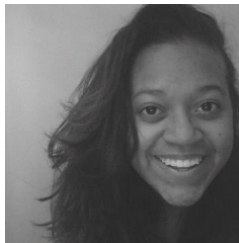


Nicholas Pierce
Over the last two semesters, as a Senator and member of the Elections and Rules Committee, I have tenaciously pushed for a more transparent and visibly effective government; a government that is not just talk, but action. My efficiency-oriented, data-driven approach to addressing key campus issues has yielded powerful, substantive results both for students and the SA. My experiences in administration, government, and leadership have taught me how to effect long-lasting change through student empowerment, equal opportunity, and community engagement. I will increasingly utilize this knowledge, and the insight and abilities of the student body as I push for larger initiatives next year.
For this election, Mira Bodek and I have combined our campaigns for the sake of innovation, increased collaboration, and expanded outreach. We have established a common agenda for next year which includes:
- Increasing community and cultural engagement through forums, town halls, and

utilizing student feedback.
- Enhancing resource efficiency and promoting sustainability by working with Grassroots, Eco-Reps, and other sustainability groups.
- Creating and expediting innovative academic and social advocacy initiatives, such as: increased accessibility of textbooks, strategic diversity and inclusion initiatives, and working with community service organizations to push large scale projects.
Of course, none of this is possible without your support, feedback, and involvement. The SA, and our campaigns, thrive off your contributions; so, you deserve leaders who are knowledgeable and competent, unwavering even in the face of repudiation, willing to advocate on the behalf of all students.
Vote Mira Bodek and Nicholas Pierce for Senate.



Nick Foti
Hello U of R! I am a member of the Class of 2019 and will be running for a position on the Student Association Senate. My enthusiastic approach to solving problems, ability to communicate/be transparent, and leadership experience on campus thus far, would make me a great addition to the Senate table in 2016. My main objective as an SA Senator is to represent and advocate for our diverse and incredible student groups as much as possible. I hope to introduce and support policy empowering each and every organization equally and create tangible results for the benefit of the University and the Community as a whole. I look to bring communication and results to the forefront of SA Government, to ensure all students feel equally represented and supported. That being said, I am eager to communicate and get connected with you! Please feel free to email me at nfoti@u.rochester.edu if you have any questions, or hashtag (octothorpe) #Foti2016 on Twitter and Facebook to stay connected. This is a team effort and I look forward to working with each and every one of you to make 2016 ever better. Meliora!



Zoe James
Hi class of 2018 and the entire student body. I am running this year for a position on the student body senate. For the past year I have sat on senate and it was a great experience. Being able to work on all of the issues you care about and working on our new system of running our student government was a blast. I have been a senator before and am willing to build upon my voice for you. Vote for me for senate this year.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

‘World Without N’ Could Become a Future Classic



Sarah Kingsley (left) and Murie Gillett (right) act in Katherine Varga's original play "World Without N," presented by The Opposite of People last weekend.



LEAH NASON / PHOTO EDITOR

BY MARY WILSON
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

A classic, whether it takes the form of a play, book, or other kind of media, is something that manages to stay relevant and relatable despite the passage of time. It is a work which has been deemed valuable and, generally, worthy of extended attention.

Unfortunately, "World Without N," produced by The Opposite of People, is too new and topical to be considered a classic at this point.

The play, which is set in a modern-day coffee shop during what we're told is a terrorist attack, is an admirable attempt at examining contemporary consumer culture

and interpersonal relationships that doesn't quite hit the mark.

Take Five Scholar Katherine Varga, author of last semester's "Energy Mass Light" and the One Act Play Festival's "Sonia and the Birds," mentions in her writer's note in the program that the play, in the form it is being performed, was finalized less than a month ago, and, having watched "World Without N" with that context, I found myself imagining what it could have been, and what it still could be.

To summarize, "World Without N" is one part character study, one part social commentary, and a handful of parallel universes. With a gunman on the loose, two coffee shop patrons

and their barista discuss physics, art, technology, and themselves. They (usually) live in a world without a ukulele-playing sweetheart named Naomi, who may or may not be the titular "N." At one point, we catch a glimpse of the universe where everyone's soul is attached to a sock puppet. Online ordering is critiqued in a way that this critic found unsophisticated, while the characters could have been a bit more multidimensional, they were all distinct and relatable in one way or another.

I know from experience that writing a script can be hard. And I've never been in the position of having to write and rewrite scenes knowing that actors are expecting

revised scripts the next day, but I imagine it can't make the process easier. This unconventional approach should not be regarded as an excuse for a poor production, because "World Without N" wasn't a terrible show, by any means. I will admit that I found it flawed, but I still enjoyed myself. While the acting was polished and the stage was overall well-set, the script itself lacked a certain degree of cohesion. In rewrites, perhaps, the show will find its focus and settle in on a few of its more substantive plot points and themes.

As it was presented this past Friday night, though, every fourth line seemed like an attempt at show-ending profundity—and

mostly fell short. Similarly, I appreciated the attempts at social consciousness and inclusivity. But one awkwardly-phrased line regarding gender identity and what felt like a very surface-level examination of invisible chronic illnesses wasn't enough (however, barista Simone's two dads were incorporated into dialog very naturally, further indication that this play can be developed into something even better).

"World Without N" has potential that deserves to be realized. It showed some promise at its world premiere, and I think, with some refinement, it could, perhaps, come to be considered a classic.

Wilson is a member of the Class of 2019.

YellowJackets Seek to 'Crush Cancer' on April 2

BY ANGELA LAI
PUBLISHER

Luke Metzler's favorite anecdote about his younger sister, Hannah, is her response to her brain cancer diagnosis in her sophomore year of high school: "I'm just really glad it happened to me," she had said, "because I have health insurance."

The senior and YellowJacket member described his sister, who passed away on March 27, 2014, as "a very remarkable human being" with "an unbelievable capacity for love and for joy" who was always thinking about others.

Her desire to raise awareness for battles with cancer, he said, led her to start an annual "Crush Cancer" concert series held at their high school to raise funds for a variety of cancer-related charities.

The YellowJackets have performed at Fairport High School's "Crush Cancer" concerts since the series began in 2013, with April 23, 2016

marking the fourth annual concert. Apart from performing at that concert, the YellowJackets are holding their own benefit concert at UR's Strong Auditorium on April 2.

Metzler called the YellowJackets' benefit concert a "spin-off, or a satellite concert of 'Crush Cancer,'" as all proceeds from the YellowJackets concert will go to the Hannah Metzler Memorial Fund.

"The Fund is just a way for us to keep her memory and spirit of helping alive for people who are going through what she went through," he explained. As for the idea to hold a YellowJackets benefit concert for the Hannah Metzler Fund, he said, "It was actually the group that came to me" with the suggestion.

Metzler and his family were "totally behind it" and were touched that the other members of the group wanted to contribute further to the fund. That they wanted to do that "meant so much" to him and gave his senior concert much more gravity.

Fellow YellowJackets members and seniors Logan Stillings and Joshua Huang recalled past YellowJackets benefit concerts. The YellowJackets raised funds for Friedrich's Ataxia Research Alliance in their 2013 spring

Stillings said.

Huang added that when the YellowJackets decided to hold the benefit concert for Friedrich's Ataxia, "it really hit home for [them]," as then-YellowJacket Galen Dole '14



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.Luke Metzler, to whom the YellowJackets' Spring Concert is dedicated.

concert, and for Project Forte, which brought volunteer musicians into Rochester health-care facilities, in their 2014 fall concert.

"We like to give back because the group gives so much to us,"

T5 had a younger sister with Friedrich's Ataxia. Additionally, YellowJackets alumnus and KEY Scholar Abhishek Sharma '15 created Project Forte for his Key Project.

These benefit concerts,

Huang said, can allow the YellowJackets to share personal stories with the community. He noted that with the group's participation in the Crush Cancer concerts, "It's been really wonderful seeing how supportive every one of the YellowJackets are."

It highlights how UR students "are just so supportive of one another," he said.

So that all ticket sales from the concert can go to the Hannah Metzler Fund, the YellowJackets have reached out to the Rochester and UR community for sponsorship, where they have found help from organizations like Wegmans and UR Hall Councils. Metzler said, "We reached out to the community, and the community's shown us a lot of love."

Metzler found the support for the concert "really touching, because every little piece of that love is because Hannah Metzler walked this earth and was the good person that she was."

Lai is a member of the Class of 2018.

‘Spelling Bee’ ROCs



YIYUN HUANG / CONTRIBUTING PHOTOGRAPHER

Rachel Coons sings in “The Twenty-Fifth Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee”

BY SCOTT ABRAMS
A&E EDITOR

Newly SA-Recognized musical theater group ROC Players presented their first-ever production, “The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee,” last Saturday.

The show follows a group of kids competing for the opportunity to attend the National Spelling Bee. The competitors include William Barfée (Justin Maldonado), whose unconventional spelling tactics inspire the number “Magic Foot”; Olive Ostrovsky (Madison Gartenberg), a lonely girl whose best friend is her dictionary; Logainne SchwartzandGrubenierre (Rachel Coons), an overachiever whose two fathers

have pressured her to win the bee; and Chip Tolentino (Anthony Vaccaro), last year’s winner who is set back by some, uh, protruding developments of puberty.

The show made use of its trademark audience participation to great effect. Before the performance began, the two moderators of the bee, Rona Lisa Peretti (Sabrina Parry) and Vice Principle—they won’t let him be Principle—Panch (Grant Sorbo) stood around and asked people to sign up to be audience volunteers. The two chose several volunteers from that pool, including Juan Pablo Castaño and SA Vice President Melissa Holloway, to participate as spellers. Like the actual cast, upon receiving

a word, they were to ask for its definition and for the word to be used in a sentence. The specificity of the jokes were hilarious for the audience, as the sentences used included references to SigEp and even the Campus Times itself.

But the show is even more commendable for taking on darker aspects that would not be expected at the show’s onset. The climax, the beautiful “I Love You Song,” features Olive daydreaming about her parents (typically her mother is played by the same actress portraying Rona, but this production featured a sharply-sung Kim Rouse) expressing their deep love for their child, before Olive is jilted back to the present to spell out the word “chimerical,” which a devastated Olive defines as “highly unrealistic, wildly fanciful.”

In this play, (almost) all of the characters are at the bee because they are socially rejected elsewhere. But the bee is a competition, and there can only be one champion. Forgive the cliché, but no one is here to make friends.

If this production couldn’t quite overcome the flaws of the original—in particular, the second act runs out of steam quite fast as the arcs of the main characters take precedence over the nonstop hilarity of the first act—it does show that the ROC Players are more than ready to take on musical theater. Bring on next semester’s show, “The Last Five Years.”

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ASL + A Cappella



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Sabrina Perry and Kelsey McKeon perform at ASL + A Cappella.

BY ELIZABETH SCHUERMAN
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

I had the privilege to attend a concert that was far from typical last Thursday evening—ASL & A Capella.

The event was hosted by the ASL Club, in conjunction with the YellowJackets and Vocal Point in Dewey 1-101. The concert was one of the most interesting I’ve ever been to and was also immensely enjoyable, partially due to its unique set-up. For each song that was performed, the YellowJackets and Vocal Point—who took turns alternating songs—formed an arc around the singing and signing soloists, who both performed their words at the same time.

One of the coolest parts about the concert was how accessible it was to students, whether they were Deaf. ASL’s president, Katherine Brown, announced all of the songs and soloists in ASL, and an interpreter translated her words into English for the members of the audience who didn’t sign. In addition, the audience signed their applause instead of clapping.

The styles of songs performed covered pop to jazz to ballads, which allowed all the performers an excellent way to express

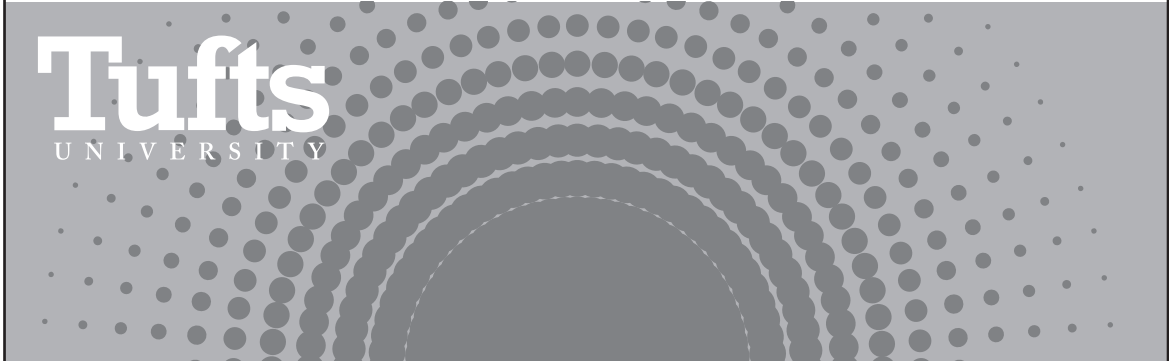

their vast creative styles. Some signers performed pieces softly and more communicatively, while others signed in a more lyrical manner, reminding me of some of the material from the recent Deaf production of “Spring Awakening.”

On top of that, the whole method of translation was very interesting, especially since I’m not fluent in ASL. Some of the soloists seemed to have composed a more direct and literal translation of their songs, but it was clear that some had not. One of the songs, “X’s and O’s” with Vocal Point, the audience loved the most was performed in this way. The soloist had taken the original chorus (in which the singer describes how all her ex-boyfriends want to get back together) and put a unique and funny spin on it; signing how the exes sent emails, but she blocked them; how they sent flowers, but she threw them away. It was a very interesting artistic choice, and everyone in the audience loved it.

This was easily one of the best concerts I’ve attended in quite a while, and it was an excellent showcase of ASL and Deaf students at UR, as well as of the a cappella groups.

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‘MOM’
BY SCOTT ABRAMS
A&E EDITOR

Christy Plunkett (Anna Faris) picks up the phone in the middle of the night. Her mom, Bonnie, is calling from prison after being arrested for a DUI following a relapse. “Can you bail me out?” she asks. Just as Christy is about to acquiesce, her mother continues: “Just so you know, I was fine to drive. The cop was just a jerk trying to fill her quota.” It’s enormously subtle, but there’s a change in Christy that’s magnificent to behold. “I’ll pick you up in the morning.”

Faris, a voraciously talented, yet underserved comedian, has finally found a vehicle that’s worthy of her in CBS’s “Mom,” the best multi-camera comedy series currently on the air. Unlike many similar CBS shows, “Mom” earns its laughs by indulging in the parts of life that aren’t so funny. For every punch line, there’s a moment of real depth.

“Mom” follows Christy, a recently sober waitress, as she tries to put her life back together. Her estranged, recently sober mother (the brilliant Allison Janney) shows up to make amends after years apart. The two of them—along with Christy’s two teenage kids, who gradually fade out of the story as the show transforms into a two-hander between Faris and Janney—deal with financial problems, relapse, and more “real world” problems.

“Mom” doesn’t pull any punches, but that’s not to say that it doesn’t have fun with its material. The show often focuses on the idea of addicts replacing their dangerous behaviors with something less harmful. Christy becomes fixated with the positive feelings she experiences after doing good deeds for an episode, and cannot stop herself from random acts of kindness, even when it’s at her own expense—or the person she’s “helping.” Bonnie, Christy, and their friends from Alcoholics Anonymous (including the wonderful Mimi Kennedy, as the no-nonsense, cancer-stricken Marjorie) distract themselves from a recent traumatic event with a road trip to Canada, where they get paid to sneak “drugs” (potentially-stolen maple syrup) back into the country.

Its moments of humor aside, the show is most known for its willingness to take on tragedy. Two major characters have died in the last two seasons, from both natural causes and drug use. But, it’s not the show’s daring to show these events that makes it special. Rather, it’s “Mom”’s determination to show what happens after which cements its reputation as broadcast television’s most interesting comedy.

After the death of a lover, Bonnie resists the temptation to immediately relapse, and everything seems to be fine. But, it’s not. Months later, Bonnie, who is still grieving, becomes hooked on the prescription medication she’s given after falling in the shower. As her relapse pushes her away from her friends and family, she justifies her actions: “Maybe I don’t want to be sober. Maybe I’m done with that.”

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KATurday Night Live



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SigEp performs in KATurday Night Live on March 25.

Korea Night



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A performance at Korea Night on March 26.



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Moriarty Helps Newly-Formed Pride Make History

BY JACKIE POWELL
SPORT EDITOR

A groundbreaking achievement for women’s athletics took place on March 12, as the Boston Pride of the newly created National Women’s Hockey League (NWHL) claimed the league’s first title by defeating the Buffalo Beauts in a two-game sweep in a best-out-of-three series. The Pride became the first team of the newly formed league to hoist the Isobel Cup.

Rising senior and chemical engineering major, Amelia Moriarty, was recently involved in making history, and this achievement had nothing to do with chemistry or engineering. Moriarty, hailing from Framingham, MA, had the opportunity of a lifetime as she served as a volunteer for the new Boston team during their inaugural season and quest for the Cup.

When asked how she was so fortunate, Moriarty credited her circumstances to the luck of social media. An old friend from her high school asked for volunteers on Facebook and her sister tagged her in a comment on the post.

As a former captain of the Women’s Rugby team at UR and an athlete throughout the majority of her life, Moriarty had “never played hockey before.” But this, and the fact that most

of her fellow volunteers were pursuing degrees in marketing and sports management, didn’t derail the engineer from becoming connected to the Boston organization.

“I thought, I like women’s sports, so let’s do it,” Moriarty said of the opportunity.

The former Rugby captain

I’m just sort of doing this for kicks. [The experience] brought back flashes of dreams when I was a little kid wanting to work for the Red Sox.”

When asked about the significance of the league, Moriarty proceeded to explain the difference between the 2015 founded NWHL and the

players are being compensated and therefore are given value, the stipends they receive aren’t enough to be considered a living wage that the majority of professional athletes accumulate by just playing the sport they’ve sworn their lives to. The NWHL even posted a Google doc listing the salaries awarded to each player, with league phenom and Boston Pride co-captain Hilary Knight walking away with \$22,000, the most royalties administered league-wide.

Currently, the NWHL consists of four teams scattered across the North East, which include, in addition to the champion Boston Pride: the Buffalo Beauts, the Connecticut Whales, and the New York Riveters.

Although this pioneer of a league has a long way to go from its humble beginnings, Moriarty revelled in the excitement and pure joy that spectators coming to see the Boston Pride experienced at the Alexander C. Bright Hockey Center at Harvard.

“It’s great to see pee-wee hockey teams come in to see these women kicking ass and playing hockey,” the UR chemical engineer said.

Although there were hockey fans of all ages, Moriarty notes that the demographic at a Boston Pride game seemed to exclude “the average general male sports

fan,” and instead concentrated heavily on women, family, and friends of the players.

Once again, a similar issue that matriculates in the WNBA, festers within this premier hockey league. General male sports fans don’t turn out or tune in to these professional women’s athletic competitions because of the differing culture and principles entertained by both leagues. In the NWHL, there “isn’t any checking.” According to Moriarty, “they aren’t just beating the crap out of each other,” and in her eyes, that facilitates better, more tactful hockey.

After seeing the Boston Pride capture the title of the league’s inaugural season, Moriarty brainstormed ways as to how the NHL could continue to assist Ryan’s women’s league just as NBA commissioner Adam Silver has taken to the WNBA’s cause.

Moriarty believes that these two leagues could work together to improve the safety of the game, allowing for the NHL to favor pure skill over overbearing aggression. Decreasing the violence of the game could ameliorate the concussion issue and, in turn, would make the men’s contest, as Moriarty says, “a better game.”

Powell is a member of the Class of 2018.



Newly-crowned Isobel Cup Champions, the Boston Pride celebrate on the ice.

took on the responsibilities of a “stat spotter.” She had to account for every pass, penalty, shot, assist or goal produced on the ice. Some of her coworkers ran operations such as ticket and merchandise sales, public relations, and social media for the team.

“I didn’t realize how much behind-the-scenes work it takes to run a professional sports team,” Moriarty said of the whole organization. “It’s weird, because most of the volunteers are studying marketing... but

Canadian Women’s Hockey League (CWHL), which was chartered in 2007 by Canadian and American Olympians Sami Jo Small and Kathleen Kauth. The predominant deviation separating these two leagues is reliant upon the fact that the “players are getting paid.”

All of the player’s equipment, travel, and food costs are all accounted for by the newly-created NWHL, which was founded and led by former Northeastern Huskies player Dani Ryan. Although the

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Pitching Fueled by Last Season

BY AUDREY GOLDFARB
SPORTS STAFF

URB had a successful weekend, notching back-to-back wins over RPI on Saturday and Sunday. Leading the Yellowjackets were two of the team’s starting pitchers, John Ghyzel and Evan Janifer. Janifer had a standout performance on Saturday, pitching a seven-inning shutout . The senior struck out five batters, allowing just three hits and one walk. Janifer was later named named UAA Pitcher of the week. On Sunday, Ghyzel recorded 12 strikeouts, and allowed just five hits and one run for the RPI Engineers. Ghzel’s was one strikeout shy of tying the UR record for most strikeouts recorded in a single game.

“John and Evan have both put in a ton of time this off season, getting better every day. Whether it be in the weight room or at practice, both guys have not only improved their game, but pushed others to get better as well. Both were part of a team that had a disappointing finish last year, and I think that has fueled their drive this year.”

—Assistant coach Brian Bezek

What would you consider to be the most important factors to the success of your team?
JG: The success of our team depends solely on our mentality when we show up to field. Physically, we can compete with anyone. Mentally, we need to focus.

EJ: I think the most important factor has to be everyone believing that we can be

successful. That means believing in yourself when you get out there, but also trusting and believing that the guy next to you is going to get the job done.

What worked well for your team against RPI?
JG: Our defense played very well against RPI. Even when our pitchers gave up hard-hit balls, our defense made plays and kept us in the game. Offensively, when we chased the RPI starters from the game, our bats hammered the RPI bullpen.
EJ: In our success against RPI, our pitching was stellar. Great pitching and timely hitting have and will be the keys to success for our team.

What are your goals, moving forward, for the season?
JG: Our goal is the same as always: win the Liberty League and compete in the regional tournament.
EJ: I like to take it one day at a time, so, right now, the goal is to beat St. John Fisher in our next game. More long-term would be to ultimately bring home a Liberty League Championship and move onto the NCAA tournament.

If you had to run a three-legged marathon with anyone in the world, dead or alive, who would it be?
JG: Clint Eastwood.
EJ: I would run it with Bartolo Colon. He seems like a fun guy.

Goldfarb is a member of the Class of 2019.

Open Borders Bring Baseball to Cuba

BY SEAN CORCORAN
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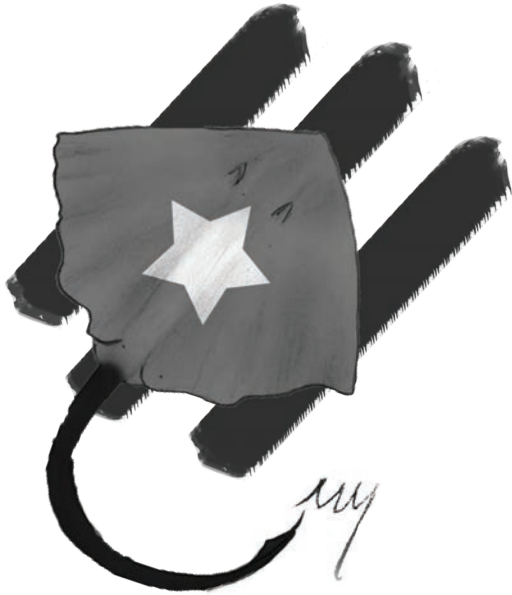
Last Tuesday, Major League Baseball (MLB) returned to Cuba for the first time since 1999. The Tampa Bay Rays beat the Cuban national team by a score of 4–1 in a sold-out game at Estadio Latinoamericano in Havana. The visit made history, as the narrative of increased relations between the U.S. and Cuba preceded the game. The most notable attendant was President Obama, who was joined by MLB commissioner Rob Manfred, Major League Baseball Players Association (MLBPA) director Tony Clark, Hall of Famer–to–be Derek Jeter, and native Cuban and pitching legend Luis Tiant, who threw out the first pitch.

The game itself was never out of hand for the Rays, who were led by Matt Moore’s six scoreless innings. First baseman James Loney went 2–2 with an RBI single and a two-run homer. For Cuba, their lone run came via a solo homer from veteran 3B Rudy Reyes. For a country so deeply passionate about baseball, the game did not disappoint. It was a historic event that thousands of Cubans were able to enjoy in their home country. After the contest, President Obama spoke in Havana.

According to President Obama, it was time for the two countries to look forward as “friends, neighbors, and family.” Several times during the trip, the commander-in-chief met with current president Raul Castro. He strategically steered clear of former Cuban leader and Raul’s brother Fidel Castro, who ceded power to Raul after a decades-long regime that ravaged the Cuban

whose parents were born in Cuba. “My pain is very much borrowed,” Le Batard said on his radio show, hours before the game. “My grandparents and parents endured it so that my brother and I never would. It stings just the same.” This cloud between generations continues to permeate the sports scene in Miami, and even Havana. There is hope that baseball will act as a bridge between the two countries. The past 60 years have hindered Cuba and caused a great deal of suffering to its people. MLB superstars today, like Dodger’s slugger Yasiel Puig, have gone through dangerous and illegal defection just to get into the U.S. to play at the highest level, the game they love and were born to play. The visit to Cuba was undoubtedly played up as a celebration. As much as people associate happiness with baseball, with the President and with Jeter, strife continues in Cuba, and for Cuban-Americans. The pain that so many people endured should not be ignored, but the positive steps forward should also be acknowledged and revered. Tuesday’s contest between the Rays and the Cuban National team seemed to ultimately ignore the struggles of the past. Even though it was a jovial celebration of two countries banding together behind the power of sport, the tensions between the two nations seem to remain omnipresent.

Corcoran is a member of the Class of 2018.



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STANDINGS

SOFTBALL			BASEBALL		
SCHOOL	CONF	ALL	SCHOOL	CONF	ALL
RPI	0-0	9-3	RIT	4-0	8-5
Clarkson	0-0	11-5	Union	3-1	7-4
RIT	0-0	5-5	Rochester	2-2	7-7
St. Lawrence	0-0	5-6	Vassar	2-2	5-8
Rochester	0-0	7-13	St. Lawrence	2-2	3-8
Skidmore	0-0	6-10	RPI	2-2	3-14
Union	0-0	2-8	Skidmore	1-3	4-8

LAST WEEK’S SCORES

THURSDAY, MARCH 24
Men’s Tennis vs. Nazareth College - W 9-0
FRIDAY, MARCH 25
WLAX at Oswego State - L 4-14
SATURDAY, MARCH 26
Baseball at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (DH) - W 5-0, L 5-7
Softball vs SUNY Geneseo - W 4-3, W 4-3
SUNDAY, MARCH 27
Baseball at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute - W 10-1, L 6-10
TUESDAY, MARCH 29
WLAX at SUNY Geneseo - L 5-12
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30
Softball at Ithica College - L 2-7, L 1-9
Baseball at St. John Fisher Collebe - L 2-14

THIS WEEK’S SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, APRIL 1
Basketball vs. St Lawrence University (DH) - 3:00P.M.
WLAX at St. Lawrence University - 4:00P.M.
Basketball vs. St. Lawrence Universtiy (DH) - 3:00P.M.
SATURDAY, APRIL 2
WROW st Ithica/RIT - 10:00A.M.
WTEN vs. Ithica College - 12:00P.M.
Basketball vs. St. Lawrence University (DH) - 12:00P.M.
Basketball vs. St. Lawrence University (DH) - 2:30P.M.
WLAX at Clarkson University - 3:00P.M.
SUNDAY, APRIL 3
MGOLF at the Hershey Cup - 8:00A.M.
WROW vs. St. John Fisher/St. Lawrence - 10:00A.M.

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SPORTS

Softball Sweeps in Double-Header Against Geneseo

BY RASHAD MOORE
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UR Women's Softball (URSB) beat the SUNY Geneseo Knights twice in a double-header on Saturday.

The first game started off slow but controversial, with the Knights (5-7) remaining scoreless after the top of the first inning. In the bottom of that inning, however, the Yellowjackets (7-11) came close to scoring, but a runner's interference call caused the 'Jackets to leave the bottom of the first with nothing.

After a slow first few innings, the top of the third brought much excitement. Various Geneseo players were hitting everything URSB pitcher and junior Eleni Wechsler threw. With the bases loaded, a Knight hit a pitch that appeared to be a home run, but ended up as a foul ball.

With no runs on the board in three innings, both teams found a way to score in the fourth and fifth innings.

In the fourth inning, freshman catchers Harleigh Kaczegowicz and Rachael Pletz both scored two runs to give the Yellowjackets a 2-0 lead. In the top of the fifth, however, Geneseo's Claire VanNewkirk hit a home run, Mikyala Moore scored off of an error

by Wechsler, and Taylor Fedor's score gave Geneseo a 3-2 lead over URSB.

This inning did not derail the Yellowjackets' plans to win.

After tying the game up 3-3 in the bottom of the fifth inning, the Jackets did not get their chance to seal the deal until the bottom of the seventh. UR seized their chance to score, and did so in a dramatic fashion. With the bases loaded in the bottom of the seventh, senior and two-sport athlete Kayla Kibling hit a walk-off single, which allowed for a URSB win of 4-3.

After a 30-minute break, the second game of the double header began.

The first inning was a carbon copy of the first game, with neither squad scoring a single run. Geneseo, however, scored at the top of the second off another UR error, which seemed to be a trend since the first game. On cue, UR sophomore fielder Jocelynn Blackshear changed the momentum of the game with a two-run shot, giving the Jackets a 2-1 lead.

The Knights weren't giving up yet, however.

Geneseo's Danni Napoli crushed a home run at the top of the third to give the Knights a 3-2 lead and change the momentum of the game. After this two-run shot, the URSB team stiffened up and gave up no more runs



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Freshmen Harleigh Kaczegowicz and Gianna Melillo rack up hits against SUNY Geneseo on Saturday.

for the rest of the game. The 'Jackets found a way to score, tying the game 3-3. This came off of a Knight's infield error, allowing Blackshear, who was already in scoring position, to cross the plate.

In the top of sixth inning, UR miscues allowed for two Geneseo players to get on base. However, they weren't able to capitalize. With two strikes, the Knights' Jacqueline Santilli fouled out down the right field line,

allowing Blackshear to make a sliding catch, which saved a run and sent the Knights back to the dugout without any success.

If the first inning of the second game was a carbon copy of that of the first, the last inning was nearly identical.

The second game of the double header also ended in dramatic walk-off fashion for the 'Jackets. The rally began when sophomore outfielder Haberly Kahn singled, following by

a double from junior outfielder Shelby Corning. This set up a fielder's choice play, coming off of the ball freshman catcher Harley Kaczegowicz put in, allowing for Kahn to score the winning run.

URSB moves to 7-13, and, after getting swept by a Ithaca college on Wednesday's double header, and will play against Buffalo State on April 5th.

Moore is a member of the Class of 2017.

Baseball Splits Two Double-Headers

BY EMILY LEWIS
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UR Baseball split their double-header against Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) Red Hawks, moving to an overall record of 7-7. The Yellowjackets lost to the St. John Fisher College Cardinals the following Wednesday.

During the first game against RPI on Sunday, UR scored at least once in each inning of game play, pacing them to a 10-1 win. Sophomore pitcher John Ghysel performed excellently on the mound, allowing five hits, one run, and striking out 12 batters. (13 strikeouts is the UR record for single-game strikeouts.)

The Yellowjackets scored single runs in the first, second, third, and sixth innings; two runs in the fourth inning; and an impressive four runs in the fifth inning. Seniors Matt Todd and Dan Warren had two runs and one RBI each. Nolan Schultz, Steve Eychner, Aiden Finch, and Jack Herman each had one run. Schultz, Eychner, Herman, Pete Carrier, and Grant Kilmer had one RBI each, while Finch had two. Also, Senior Jake Meyerson completed two runs.

The second game began differently. RPI scored twice in the first inning. UR responded with three runs of their own, and followed with another in the second inning to push the score to 4-2. Then, RPI broke out in the seventh inning, scoring six runs to the 'Jacket's two. RPI scored once more in the eighth inning, ending the game with the score 10-6.

In the second matchup, Jake Meyerson had two runs and one RBI. Todd hit two doubles and scored two runs, and Finch scored three runs.

Sophomore Luke Meyerson pitched four innings in game two, scattering eight hits and three runs. He had a strike out, as did sophomore reliever Michael Lee and freshman reliever Kevin Ho.

Against St. John Fisher, UR got off to a cold start, going scoreless in the first three innings to Fisher's two. Jake Meyerson and Schultz got things going in the fourth inning scoring one run each; however, Fisher scored three runs in the fourth. UR was scoreless during the fifth and sixth innings. Then, the Cardinals took off in the

sixth inning with five runs and three RBIs. The score stood 10-2 upon the conclusion of the sixth inning. Rochester was scoreless again in the seventh inning, while Fisher had five runs. Both teams were scoreless in the eighth and ninth innings. Eychner and Finch had one RBI each. The game ended in a Cardinal victory of 14-2.

The 'Jackets will take on St. Lawrence University this Friday at home.

Lewis is a member of the Class of 2016.



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Senior Evan Janifer tosses a three-hit shutout against RPI on Saturday.

Women's Lacrosse Falls Two Straight

BY ANDREW LUCCHESI
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UR Women's Lacrosse (URWL) headed northbound Friday riding a three-game winning streak to take on the SUNY Oswego Lakers.

Senior Elisabeth Watson and junior Mara Karpp answered two early Oswego goals to level the score, 2-2, with more than 16 minutes left to play in the first half. But, the Lakers rattled off six more goals before halftime to build a comfortable 8-2 advantage.

The 'Jackets lost by a score of 14-4, snapping their three-game winning streak snapped.

URWL was back on the field Tuesday to take on the SUNY Geneseo Knights to make up a game postponed last week. The game was never much of a contest as hosts Geneseo stormed out of the gates to gain a 6-0 lead over the 'Jackets.

The Knights won the game 12-5 and improved their record to 4-3, while Rochester's recent two-game skid leaves them at 3-4 on the season.

Though UR struggled as a whole,

there were a few bright spots for the 'Jackets. Sophomore Madeline Levy scored four goals, sophomore Olivia Moutevelis had one goal, and junior Jamie Wallisch had three assists, along with fellow classmate Mara Karpp racking up an assist as well.

The story of the game seemed to be told in the the Knight's overwhelming shot advantage. Geneseo took 34 shots, 24 of those on goal, while the 'Jackets were held to just 13 shots, 12 of which were on goal.

Though the Yellowjackets probably imagined a better start for themselves, the season is still young. URWL has nine games all of Liberty League conference play left on their schedule starting with back-to-back Friday-Saturday away games. First at St. Lawrence on Friday, then at Clarkson on Saturday. Then they will play rival RIT away before playing at home again on April 15 against Union College.

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Senior Elizabeth Watson runs down the field against Geneseo.