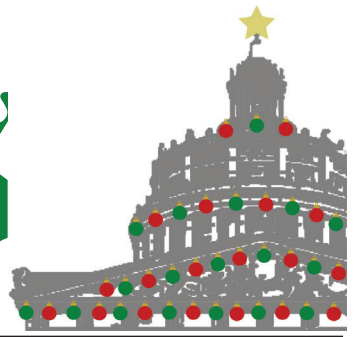


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The Flags are Back!

By MEGHAN BROWNE
INTREPID JOURNALIST

There are two things that the class of '22 and '23 can say they have in common. First, a completely COVID-free semester. Second, seeing the flag display in the Hirst Lounge. Now, underclassmen can witness the flag lounge in all its glory.

Despite President Manglesdorf announcing last semester that the flag display would not return to Hirst Lounge against the Flag Advisory Committee's (FAC) recommendation to keep the flags up, students were shocked to find Hirst Lounge once again decorated with flags over the wobbly retired Gleason tables.

John Smith, current SA Campus Life Chair, said that, in typical fashion, no one in the Students' Association or many advisors in Wilson Commons Student Activities had been notified



The Flags as currently displayed in Hirst Lounge.

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about this change.

"I was just as shocked as anyone. I was all the way by the vending machines waiting for my Starbucks and I looked over to see all of the flags back." Smith told the Campus Times.

This April will mark the second anniversary of the

super sneaky removal of the flags by administration, despite students on the committee wanting to keep them up.

While the display of the flags might have surprised students, there seems to be a consensus among students that this lack of

communication is all too characteristic of both their first boyfriend and University President Sarah Manglesdorf.

"I mean, she didn't tell us when she was going to take them down, she wasn't going to tell us that she was putting them back

up," Megan Browne, who is famously known for having the SA Presidency stolen from them, said. We at the Campus Times would like to take this time to demand Elections Coordinator Garrett Briggs recount the vote of the 2021 Presidential Election and finally restore power to Browne, who was rightfully and democratically elected by the people.

When we reached out to President Manglesdorf, the CT received an out-of-office message saying that she was busy complaining about her latte not being wet enough.

Sources have also told the CT that there's suspicion that this entire act might be an elaborate April Fools' day prank. But what kind of immature, information-holding entity would ever do such a dubious thing?

Brown is a member of The class of 2023.

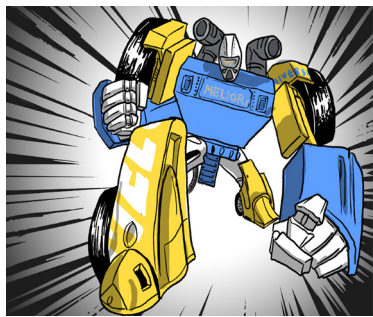
Bumblebee A Yellowjacket

By MELIORA EARLE
A MENACE

No one had thought much of the strange rumblings from one of the Gold Line shuttles before it ran into some engine trouble last Thursday night. It started to shake and spark at the wheel, so the driver pulled to the side of the road and everyone hauled ass out of the shuttle. Passengers were shocked because out of anything they would have guessed to be haunted, it would have been Wilson Commons from the long-lost ghost of people caring about the Student Association. The bus continued to jump and started flashing, until it transformed into a weaponized mechatronic being.

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The bystanders turned to a red-headed passenger in shock. "Ms. Frizzle?" the bus driver whispered in awe, to which the red-head replied, "What the... no! It's a..." when she was promptly cut off by a passenger shouting, "Kim



RACHEL KAMATA / MANGAKA

Possible?" In frustration, the red-head said "NO! The shuttle is a freaking Transformer!" The bus driver then explained, "Oh. I don't really watch 'Star Wars,' I could never get into it."

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Questions arose as to how no one knew that a Gold Line shuttle was actually a Transformer, until it was revealed that, yes, the Administration was well aware that the shuttle was a sentient robot being. The UR President's Office released the statement below to clarify the University's stance on the matter (for once):

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Grounds Crew Exposed for Hosting a Groundhog Fight Ring

By SARAH WOODCHUCK
ASPIRING GROUNDHOG

Last week an anonymous whistleblower reached out to the Campus Times with shocking footage of a fight between two groundhogs (or groundbois) — UR's beloved unofficial mascot — in a miniature boxing ring, with several grounds crew members cheering in the background.

The whistleblower told CT that during the summer of 2020, the UR Grounds crew had a lot of extra time on their hands, and thus decided to explore the many groundhog tunnels via a remote controlled car with a GoPro attached. They discovered an intricate series of tunnels filled with more groundhogs (Marmota monax, for the nerds out there) than they ever expected. Grounds crew members became fascinated with the lives of these secretive creatures during that summer where COVID-19

was supposed to disappear, even going so far as to partner with some of the ecology professors to learn how to communicate rudimentarily with their new friends. Quarantine did weird things to people.

The crew noticed that the groundhogs were very aggressive when fighting for dominance over their territory on campus. So, what better way to settle these territorial disputes than through an organized fighting ring? Grounds crew members crafted a groundhog-size appropriate boxing ring for the furry rascals, and invited them to Fauver Stadium to settle the issues among this rowdy generation of groundhogs. Bets were placed among the humans, with some risking their entire stimulus check. Brackets were drafted, as the basketball fans who had been denied their annual March Madness got hyped up for the potential to blame their losses

on something other than the pandemic.

The groundhogs didn't hold back: All were vying for the coveted position of the hill behind Sue B. (or as an art major thinks of it: the hill in front of Sage). After many rounds of fighting, the top spot was claimed by Flopsy. The campus was further divided into separate swaths, including Fauver Stadium, Wilson Quad, Eastman Quad, and the land surrounding the Interfaith Chapel. The loser, Professor Schnookums, ended up with the brick and concrete jungle of the Engineering Quad.

CT reached out to UR Grounds for comments and has not received a response. We have, however, received some comments from the groundhogs themselves. According to one professor who has dubbed themselves "the groundhog whisperer," the majority of the groundhog community is still happy with the results from 2020, but there are whisperings of a groundhog revolution coming from those with less than satisfactory territory. Will there be an all-out war once they all emerge from hibernation?

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