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ALTERNATE SPRING BREAK

FLORIDA SCHOOL SHOOTING

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On Feb. 14, 2018, gunshots rang out through Stoneman Douglas High School at approximately 2:21 p.m., shortly before the students within would be dismissed for the day. The result of the six minutes of terror on school grounds left 17 dead and 14 injured.

Nikolas Jacob Cruz, the perpetrator, is a 19 year-old former student of the school. His weapon of choice was an AR-15 semi-automatic rifle, the weapon that was used by the culprits of several other mass shootings. He is now in custody and may possibly receive the death penalty for 17 counts of premeditated murder.

Now, in the aftermath of the third deadliest school shooting in U.S. history, gun control debates have a new fire sparked beneath them. At the helm of the battle are survivors of this tragedy, students wanting to make a change in the laws that they believe have allowed friends and classmates to die a senseless and violent death.

As of Feb. 23, there have been 17 reported school shootings in the U.S. this year. These are defined as "any time a firearm discharges a live round inside a school building or on a school campus or grounds," by Everytown for Gun Safety, an advocacy group that keeps statistics on gun violence. This includes incidents where there were no injuries or deaths.

The total amount of deaths in 2018

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Reporter

As March is quickly approaching, students in Dayton are planning for their spring break. Some students travel far and wide, some stay close to home to spend time with family, and some just take it easy with their friends. But there is a new option available to students in the form of an alternative spring break.

An alternative spring break is an opportunity for students to assist their community whilst gaining a deeper understanding of the people within.

"[The students] begin to get a sense of the humanity of every person, no matter what gender, race, or age they are," says David Bodary, a communications professor at Sinclair.

Many options for these public service projects can also relate back to a student's field of study, which can benefit them directly.

An example could be a student studying sociology who can interact with the types of people they are studying, to gain a further understanding of their lives.

A student can further understand a

sociological concept such as a food desert, which is an urban area in which it is difficult to buy affordable or good-quality fresh food, if they are actually out in the community where they can see the real-world effect the lack of nearby stores that produce fresh food has.

Service projects can be a range of different activities. For example, a previous project involved cleaning up at Five Rivers MetroParks.

The activities involved were not necessarily huge undertakings, but they are small necessities that benefit the community overall.

"It might be as simple as emptying out the bird houses", said Bodary.

Emptying out a bird house ends up being very important in the long run because a blue bird does not make a nest where another nest once was, which means if the house is never emptied, the birds will not come back.

Another activity is called Project Read, where books are sorted before being donated to children that may not have books in their home. Although sorting books seems to be a small task, it can make a big difference in someone's life.

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Zoo in Lewisburg Ohio, is a place where many kinds of animals are kept and taken care of. Something as small as cleaning an animal's cage can have a big impact on the zoo and the community itself. This would also be a useful project for a student involved in animal studies such as veterinary science.

"It's pretty tough to get into vet school, but one of the ways you can improve your chances is if you have experience working with animals, and this would be one of the ways people could gain some of that experience," said Bodary.

Since the service is not long term, there are not many requirements to get involved, although each case is different. A background check may be needed if the service involves children, for example.

With a number of different volunteer opportunities in the area, students are likely to find one accessible to them.

To get involved with a project, students can talk to Bodary directly. He is holding a Sinclair Talks presentation on Feb. 27 that will include more detail about the alternative spring break.

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school shootings thus far is 23. The shooting has created conversation about gun control in a personal level and in the government. Many have made their arguments on several social media platforms, such as Facebook and Twitter.

These arguments cover a spectrum of topics. These include things such as more strict gun control laws, more in-depth background checks and some people opting that teachers be armed in the classrooms.

It is estimated that around 136 million Americans live in a household with one or more guns. Some argue that it is too easy for someone with mental health problems to get their hands on a gun nowadays. Others argue that it's too difficult to determine if someone is mentally stable enough to own a gun.

Sides are made apparent and lines have been drawn in the fight for stricter gun control. This is in spite of Republican House Speaker Paul Ryan suggesting the people should "step back and count our blessings," as opposed to "taking sides and fighting each other politically" at this time.

On the other side, Al Hoffman Jr., a prominent Florida GOP political donor, Rick Scott, the Governor of Florida and Jeb Bush, the former Governor of Florida, all have pledged to no longer fund legislature or candidates that are not actively seeking to ban assault weapons from being sold to civilians. Hoffman spoke with the New York Times on how, even with all this time to do something, that nothing has been accomplished in this field. "It's the end of the road for me," he said.

A survivor of the incident, Emma González, has been noted for her impassioned speech against the idea of just sending thoughts and prayers to the victims as opposed to making steps to prevent this from happening again. Since then, she has become one of the teenage leaders in a protest movement against gun violence within the country.

Despite the words of some government officials insisting on putting off speaking on gun control, Rob Runcie, the superintendent of Broward County Schools says, "now is the time to have a real conversation about gun control legislation."

President Trump spoke at the Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC) on Feb. 23, and voiced his support to arm a percentage of school teachers that have prior training.

In tweets, he clarified the statement, envisioning only 20 percent of teachers having concealed weapons,



NBC News

and said they would have "military or special training experience."

"When we declare our schools to be gun free zones, it just puts our students in far more danger," Trump said in his speech at CPAC.

In his speech the president took the stance that gun control was not the answer to keeping our schools safe, rather arming teachers and instructing them how to use guns safely.

Trump also argued that armed teachers would be more effective than increasing the number of security guards, stating in his speech:

"They love their students. They don't want their students to be hurt and killed."

On Wednesday Feb. 21, Trump met with several survivors and family members of victims of the shooting, hearing their personal stories and emotional pleas. Following this, he floated the idea of changing his stance on hot button topics in a tweet:

"I will be strongly pushing Comprehensive Background Checks with an emphasis on Mental Health. Raise age to 21 and end sale of Bump Stocks!"

A group of survivors of the shooting began an organization known as Never Again MSD. They demand legislative action be taken and have condemned lawmakers who have received contributions from the NRA.

The NRA took to the media to give their own view of what needs to be done. At a CNN-hosted town hall event the spokeswoman for the NRA, Dana Loesch, agreed that there is a need for some legislation focused on keeping weapons out of the hands of those with mental illness, "People who are crazy should not be able to

get firearms."

Loesch was also at CPAC, and highlighted the fact that the FBI had received a warning that Cruz might attack a school and failed to do anything about it.

"A failure of law enforcement is not a failure of the law, it is a failure of enforcement," Loesch said.

Several rallies such as The Women's March Network holding a 17-minute school walkout on Mar. 14 and Apr. 20, the anniversary of the Columbine massacre, an all-day school walkout has been planned for teacher groups. These have been planned in order for Never Again MSD to push their position in hopes that the tides will change and restrictions on guns will come.

Many celebrities have come forward to support their cause, such as George Clooney and his wife Amal who donated \$500,000 to the organization in order to help with the future March For Our Lives demonstration on Mar. 24, a demonstration the couple will be marching in.

March For Our Lives will take place in Washington D.C. and throughout the rest of the country in collaboration with the nonprofit organization Everytown for Gun Safety. Following in their footsteps were other celebrities including Oprah Winfrey and Steven Spielberg, all matching Clooney's donation.

On the local level, almost 250

students from Dayton Regional STEM School walked out of their school to show support for the victims of the shooting on Feb. 21.

The walkout was for students from grades eight to 12. They planned to leave at noon and walk for 17 minutes, representing the number of victims.

Also at Tippecanoe High School, nearly a fourth of students walked out, peacefully protesting for safer schools.

Both schools were supportive of their students decision to show their support, though staff did not participate.

Many school districts across the nation are threatening students who choose to participate in walkouts about gun control, due to the fact the protests occur during school hours.

Needville Independent School District in Texas issued a warning to all students that a three day suspension will be issued to all students who partake in the walkouts.

After the recent deadly shooting in Florida, many students were taken aback. Shraddha Patel, a student at Wayne High School, gave her initial response to the shooting: "I was shocked, but not really surprised. I felt like crying."

"We've learned young people are taking charge of the problems... The students aren't just waiting for the adults to handle the matter, they are taking it into their own hands," Patel said.



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Team USA beats Canada

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Sports Editor

For the first time in 20 years, the U.S. women’s hockey team has won the gold medal at the Winter Olympics, defeating Canada in a shootout 3-2 on Feb. 21.

Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson scored the game winning goal in the first shootout in an Olympic women’s final with an incredible move, followed by goalie Maddie Rooney stopping the last two Canadian shooters to win.

“I can’t put it into words,” said defenseman Kacey Bellamy. “This whole year is for everyone that came before us. This is for Julie Chu [former USA team captain] and for all our families at home, the schools that we went to, everyone supporting us.”

The move was taught to Lamoureux-Davidson and her sister, Monique Lamoureux-Morando, while in college at the University of North Dakota by current Ohio State coach Peter Elander. Elander started using this technique with his teams in his native Sweden in the early 2000s, and nicknamed it “Oops, I Did It Again,” after the Britney Spears song.



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“Oh my gosh,” NBC analyst Pierre McGuire said after the goal was scored. “That’s electrifying. That’s as good as you’re going to see anywhere.”

The twin sisters both had a goal that night, with Lamoureux-Morando scoring the game tying goal in the 3rd period. Lamoureux-Morando had nothing but praise for her sister.

“Not everyone can take the pressure like that, and she took it like a champ,” she said.

This game ended Canada’s four-year gold medal streak and is the first gold medal for the US team since 1998. That was the first year that women’s hockey was featured in the Olympics. The win also ended a five-game losing streak against Canada, including a 2-1 loss to them earlier in this year’s tournament.

“It is everything for our country,” U.S. coach Robb Stauber said. “I am just so thankful for the outcome. It was a thrilling final. It was unreal.”

Also scoring goals for America in the shootout were Gigi Marvin and Amanda Kessel. Meghan Agosta and Melodie Daoust scored goals for the Canadians, but Agosta was stopped in her last shot to seal the victory for the Americans.

“It’s just hard,” Canadian defenseman Jocelyne Larocque said of



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the loss. “You work so hard. We wanted gold but didn’t get it.”

The Americans scored first, netting a goal with 26 seconds left in the first period. The shot was from Sidney Morin, but Hilary Knight got credit for the goal after deflecting it into the net.

The Canadians responded quickly, scoring twice in the second period. The

two goals would prove to be just short of enough to win, with Lamoureux-Morando scoring the tying goal in the third period and foreshadowing her twin sister winning the game in the shootout after a scoreless overtime period.



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Dwyn's Den: My education, my way

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In the spring of 2015 I was 14 years old, a scared freshmen that didn't like high school all that much, I dropped out to enroll in classes at Sinclair.

Up until high school I had been homeschooled by my parents, and it took all of three months for me to realize public schooling was not my thing. But, the biggest lesson I took away from homeschooling was that my education was mine to define.

If I was going to drop out I needed a plan to finish high school that would work for me, and that's when I found College Credit Plus (CCP). This sounded like a dream to me; one semester of a college course counts for a whole year of high school. Which meant if I dropped out



Spencer Williams

of high school and went back to homeschooling, I could enroll in classes at Sinclair and graduate from high school with an associates degree.

Ultimately what made my decision was the atmosphere. In my three months of high school all I managed to learn was I was bad at math, and freshmen are mean to shy, smart kids. I felt it was impossible to learn. Deadlines were too close, homework seemed like its sole

purpose was to make me cry, and very few of my fellow students actually wanted to learn like I did. Worst of all, the teachers didn't trust me that I wanted to learn.

All I could think everyday was "as soon as I graduate, I'm just gonna do this crap again." While many of my friends and people I knew did well, I knew it wasn't for me.

Sinclair was completely different. I'll always remember

my first class, English composition 1101, sure it was hard and the deadlines were still rough, but I knew what I was doing was counting towards something. Most of the other students in my class were also there because they wanted to be, and my teachers treated me with respect, and knew I was there to learn.

The CCP program allowed me to get ahead, find my true calling as a writer, and begin gaining experience in my career field at the Clarion.

The CCP program is a way for students grades 7-12 to take college courses and earn credit while they are still in high school, but it's so much more than that. It's a way to build experiences and relationships that will last a lifetime, and for me, CCP was a way to structure my education my way.

What's eating at you? Fighting hunger in Dayton

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Let's talk about hunger. But not the hunger that you get when you just want something to nibble on to pass the time.

I'm talking about the hunger that claws at the inside walls of your stomach while alien sounds emanate from your mid region. I, myself have felt the pain of the hollow sensation of nothing but water and air being digested through the body. I can tell you it is not a great feeling, and is something no one should have to experience.

Yet plenty of people do. According to Feeding America, 41 million Americans struggle with hunger. It's even worse outside the U.S., as The United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization estimates that about 795 million people struggled with chronic hunger from 2014-16.

DoSomething.org reports that 1 in 6 Americans face hunger. In addition, 1 in 5 children are at risk of hunger. Among African Americans and Latinos, the number changes to 1 in 3.

You may ask, why do so many people grapple with this? There are several factors that lead to people having to face hunger.

The biggest is poverty. Those in poverty struggle to sustain many of their needs including food, housing and transportation due to their lack of funds.

In our own little bubbles, maybe we don't see it. But many students face this ordeal and have to balance their hunger with working jobs and taking college courses.

Lucky for us there is a free lunch program offered at Sinclair that anyone can take part in.

Located on the fourth floor of building 13 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays is a brown bag lunch system. Students can walk in from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and receive one of these lunches that consists of a sandwich, a piece

of fruit and a granola bar.

Participants have options for their sandwiches, and can choose either a classic PB&J, a turkey and cheese or a chicken salad sandwich.

This small meal gifted inside a brown paper sack can help stave off hunger for those who lack the resources to provide for themselves. To some it may not seem like much but it is better than nothing.

This service is provided by the nutrition and dietary program, and features actual chefs making these lunches for the students of Sinclair.

The struggle for food is a real problem and a daily occurrence for

many. There are other resources available to those who need food in the Dayton area, besides the lunches offered on campus.

These include several food banks all over the city of Dayton, such as House of Bread, With God's Grace Food Pantry and St. Vincent de Paul. In addition, Sinclair houses their own mobile Food Pantry between 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. in building 20.

For more information, you can contact Nora Schaefer, professor in the nutrition and dietetics program at nora.schaefer@sinclair.edu.

For all those who do battle hunger I just want you to know you're not alone and you should not be ashamed. Life is hard and sometimes opportunities are few. Some of us just don't have the means or resources to contribute for our own health needs due to the circumstances we're in.

Yet there are always kind souls willing to help and I urge you to seek them out, wherever you are. Be safe, be kind and be healthy and happy.



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Gem City History: Dayton's football team

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No you're not reading this wrong, the city of Dayton did have a major league football team nearly a century ago. The Dayton Triangles were one of the first NFL football teams and represented the Gem City for nine years, starting in 1920.

The Triangles started out as a group of alumni, students and local athletes from St. Mary's University (which became the University of Dayton) who were basketball players and branched out into other sports, such as football and baseball.

The team started playing in 1913 and won the Dayton City Championship as well as the Southern Ohio Championship in their first season. They went 7-0 and proceeded to win the city championship in the next two seasons.

The successful program was then restructured in 1916 as a recreational football program that included employees of three downtown Dayton factories: the Dayton Engineering Laboratories Company, the Dayton Metal Products Company and the Domestic Engineering Company. This is how the Triangles' name came to be, as they were owned by three different local factories.

1916 was a successful year for the team, as they went 9-1, beating teams from Cincinnati, Detroit, Toledo and Pittsburgh.

That season the Triangles weren't able to stake a claim for the Ohio League championship. The Canton Bulldogs, based out of Canton, Ohio claimed the title and didn't respond to a challenge issued by Dayton.

The 1917 season brought more changes, as the team officially made

their name the Dayton Triangles and began playing games at Triangle Park. They went 6-0-2 for the season. The team managed to score 188 points and gave up only 13 to their opponents.

1918 saw the U.S. enter into World War I, and many teams lost players to military service, including the Triangles. However, due to the city being a hub for industrial jobs essential to the war effort, the team had more available players at home than most of their competition.

That year they claimed an Ohio League Championship after going 8-0 in the season. During this run, they beat future NFL teams such as the Toledo Maroons, Hammond Pros, Columbus Panhandles and Detroit Heralds.

After a lackluster 1919 season, the Triangles became one of the first NFL teams in 1920. At that time the NFL was called the American

Professional Football Association (APFA).

Pro Football Hall of Famer Jim Thorpe was the first president of the league, and it consisted of 14 teams. Of these, only two exist today: the Decatur Staleys (now the Chicago Bears) and the Chicago Cardinals (now the Arizona Cardinals).

On Oct. 3, 1920 the Triangles played the Columbus Panhandles in the inaugural NFL game, winning 14-0 at Triangle Park.

Triangles' player Louis Partlow scored the first NFL touchdown. George "Hobby" Kinderdine of the Triangles kicked the first extra point. The other touchdown was scored by Francis Bacon.

Following this showing, the team had a decent season, going 5-2-2, the two losses against eventual league champion, the Akron Pros. A high mark of the season was a 20-20 tie game at home against the Canton Bulldogs. It was the first time a team scored three touchdowns against the Bulldogs in five years.

However, the team started to decline in subsequent seasons, due to the recruiting process of other NFL teams. While most NFL teams signed top college athletes around the country, Dayton still used mainly local players.

This lack of talent caused the Triangles

to stop being competitive. They stopped drawing fans to the 5,000 person capacity Triangle Park, and they became a traveling team from 1924 to 1929. A traveling team is one that never plays games in its home field.

The Triangles became a doormat in the NFL, only winning five of 51 games from 1923 to 1929. The team had three winless seasons during this period as well.

Adding to this, the league began expanding and getting rid of teams based in mid-sized midwestern cities. In this new landscape, Dayton wasn't big enough to support an NFL team.

The team was bought in July 1930 and moved to Brooklyn. The team continued to move around the country, going to Boston, then back to New York and finally to Dallas in 1952. The following year it was folded and the remains were sold to Baltimore. They formed the colts, which then moved to its current Indianapolis home in 1984.

However, the NFL does not consider the Colts to have any traces of past teams, including the Triangles.

In its 17 years of existence, the Dayton Triangles had success, winning three Ohio City Championships and one Ohio League Championship. They had an all time record of 65-59-12 and are a permanent part of NFL history, being one of its first teams and winning its first game.



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THE INCREDIBLES 2



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Reporters

It has been over 14 years since Disney and Pixar released the first Incredibles movie. Fans wondered if a sequel would be made since the original ended on a cliff hanger. However, in November of 2017, the first look at "The Incredibles 2" was released to the public.

The world of "The Incredibles" is one where superheros have been outlawed due to the collateral damage they caused over the years. It follows the Parr family: former

superheroes Mr. Incredible and Elastigirl, and their children Violet, Dash and Jack Jack. Mr. Incredible has the power of super



strength, Elastigirl can stretch her body to many different proportions, Dash has super speed and Violet can turn invisible and create force fields.

Almost all of the original voice actors are returning for their respective roles. This includes Samuel L. Jackson as Frozone, Greg T. Nelson as Mr. Incredible, Holly Hunter as Elastigirl, Sarah Vowell as Violet Parr and director Brad Bird as Edna Mode.

The voice actor for Dash Parr is Huckleberry Milner, who is new to the cast due to the original actor, Spencer Fox, growing up.

The first teaser trailer released to the public focused on the youngest Parr child, Jack Jack, who did not have as much screen time in the first movie as the others. From what the teaser trailer and full length trailer showed, it appears that there will be an emphasis on "Jack Jack" and his developing super powers.

While the family believed he had no powers until the end of the first film, Jack Jack was shown to have the opposite in short film "Jack Jack Attack," possessing many different powers such as self-combustion, shapeshifting, teleportation and laser vision, among others.

The team behind the film stated that Jack Jack's many powers represent the potential he has a young super.

In the full length trailer, it starts by picking up where the first film ended. There are scenes showing the villain, The Underminer, who appears at the end of the first movie after Dash's track competition.

There is one scene where Mr. Incredible is reading a bedtime story to Jack Jack and is falling asleep

while reading to him. This seems to indicate that Jack Jack is causing Mr. Incredible some stress.

One scene shows Mr. Incredible trying to help Dash with his math homework. The trailer also shows Elastigirl as the one doing most of the hero work while Mr. Incredible stays at home and takes care of the children, a role reversal from the first movie.

One of the new characters added in this movie is Winston Deaver, who is played by "Better Call Saul" star Bob Odenkirk. He is mentioned by Frozone as someone who wants to meet Mr. and Mrs. Incredible and "talk about hero stuff." However, instead of wanting both of them, he only requests Mrs. Incredible for the hero work.

This is similar to the first film when Syndrome only hired Mr. Incredible while Mrs. Incredible was

left in the dark.

At the end of the first movie, after the supers saved the city, it appeared that the civilians were accepting of them being back in public saving people. The second film seems to address the topic of how the superheroes will be allowed back in the public.

There is a scene in the trailer of the family eating take-out while discussing this topic, and Mrs. Incredible mentions that hero work was illegal. Since Winston Deaver wants them for hero work, this might change during the progression of the movie.

The movie's release date is June 15, and fans are eagerly awaiting to return to their childhood and see their favorite superhero family back in action again.



Black Panther Pounces Into Theaters



Henry Wolski
Executive Editor

Marvel's latest superhero film "Black Panther" hit theaters last week, opening to a \$242.1 million four day weekend domestic box office total and rave reviews.

The film broke multiple box office records including the best February opening, beating 2016's "Deadpool" which opened at \$152 million. It has the biggest opening weekend for a

"Get On Up," Jackie Robinson in "42" and Thurgood Marshall in "Marshall," plays the title character in the film, T'Challa.

Boseman had wanted to play the role for years, even keeping journal entries about it in 2012. He was Marvel Studios' first choice for the role, and Coogler stated that it was "perfect casting" in a recent Rolling Stone article.

The film takes place in the fictitious African country of Wakanda, a nation

faces opposition to his reign and has to make many difficult choices.

A central conflict of the movie is the major decision T'Challa has to make: Does he break tradition and use the country's advanced technologies to help those less fortunate in the world and risk the safety of his people? Or does he continue focusing only on his nation and continuing the legacy of his father, T'Chaka, while others suffer around the world?

Helping him on his journey is the head of research, who is also his sister, Shuri, played by Letitia White, and their mother Ramonda, played by Angela Bassett. His ex-girlfriend and formidable agent Nakia, played by Lupita Nyong'o, and the general to his army and the fiercest fighter in Wakanda Okoye, played by Danai Gurira are also integral parts of his team.

Daniel Kaluuya, Winston Duke and Forest Whitaker round out the rest of the cast. Andy Serkis and Martin Freeman star in the film as well, reprising their roles from previous Marvel movies.

Rapper Kendrick Lamar curated and produced 14 songs for the film, which appeared on "Black Panther: The Album." Multiple artists are featured on the album such as SZA, The Weeknd, Future, 2 Chainz and Khalid.

Coogler personally chose Lamar to curate the album due to the fact that his "artistic themes align with those we explore in the film," according to an interview with Collider.

The album debuted at number one on the Billboard 200, selling 154,000 copies in its first week. Eight songs from it also earned spots on the Billboard Hot 100.

The film had plenty of buzz before release as well. It has the fourth highest presale tickets sold, making it the highest selling comic book film in that category. The only movies above it are the three most recent

installments of "Star Wars."

The film became a cultural event on social media. Fans on Twitter highlighted the authentic African outfits they planned to wear to the film. Celebrities, athletes and school districts across the country bought out screenings of the film so that young black children would be able to see it.

Before its release, the hashtag "WhatBlackPantherMeansToMe" started trending, with many users celebrating the representation of several different African countries and actors on film as powerful, inspiring characters.

Stars Boseman and Jordan explained the significance of the film in interviews with CNN:

"...I knew it was an opportunity to pull from real things, real achievements, real African culture and place it in this movie to make it real," Boseman said.

"It's humbling and very surreal that this is a major introduction, almost a reintroduction of black fantasy, sci-fi, mythology, for the generation growing up," Jordan said.

There have been previous superhero films starring black actors and crews, namely "Blade," "Spawn" and "Hancock." Yet they mostly focused on America, and earned subpar reviews and box office numbers.

Due to this, "Black Panther" is seen by many as more than just a superhero film. They see it as a celebration and representation of African heritage in Hollywood that could lead to more prominent big budget blockbusters featuring a mostly black cast and crew.

Following the film's release, Coogler tweeted a letter of appreciation to all the people who saw the film, thanking them for its success.

"Thank you for giving our team of filmmakers the greatest gift: The opportunity to share this film, that we poured our hearts and souls into, with you."



non-sequel, biggest solo superhero film opening and the biggest opening for a film debuting on a long weekend.

It sits at a 97 percent rating on review aggregator site Rotten Tomatoes, one of the highest for a superhero film.

It has also become the highest grossing movie directed by a black filmmaker in North America.

Ryan Coogler, the writer and director of the film, is also known for writing and directing "Creed," a successful spin off of the Rocky Balboa franchise starring Michael B. Jordan as Apollo Creed's son.

Jordan, who coincidentally played the Human Torch in the 2016 Fantastic Four reboot, now plays the villain of "Black Panther," Erik "Killmonger" Stevens.

Chadwick Boseman, whose previous roles include playing James Brown in

with greatly advanced technology that is shut off from the rest of the world. It is full of Vibranium, which is one of the most powerful elements in the Marvel Cinematic Universe. It makes up the country's technology, including the Black Panther suit and the shield of Captain America.

Vibranium enhanced weapons are more powerful than anything Earth's military has; the medical advances can make life threatening injuries go away with no side effects and can create armor that can withstand bullets. The only country in the world that knows of it is Wakanda, and the five tribes that populate the nation would like to keep it that way.

In the beginning of the film, T'Challa takes the mantle of the Black Panther as well as the position of king of Wakanda following the events of "Captain America: Civil War." He

Sinclair Cares Counseling Services

Midterms are upon us and it is time to grade yourself on your performance so far this term! If the grades you are seeing are not lining up with what you want, it's time to make some changes while you have the chance!! Try some of the following tips to boost your grades and ensure your success!!

- Know your overall grade at midterms-this may help you confirm you are doing well, or that you need to step up your studying! Ask your instructor or check grades on e-learn if you do not know what they are.
- Study 2 hours per credit hour every week.
- Complete assignments within 24 hours to reduce procrastination
- Maintain, as much as you can, a distraction free study zone. Keep in mind that studying at your house could be the worst place to study because of the distractions and comforts of home
- Review materials on a weekly basis to avoid studying everything the week of the test.
- Turn your cell phone off when studying to stay focused.
- Follow a routine when it comes to time management, studying, and balancing life. Counselors can help you prioritize your time and help you achieve balance.
- When feeling overwhelmed, sit down and right out everything you are worrying about or is on your mind. By writing them out, you can then sort them out and give them a priority of what is the most urgent and important this week, this month, etc.

If you would like to talk one on one about challenges you may be experiencing, consider making an appointment at Counseling Services. We are located in 10-424 and can be reached at 512-3032.

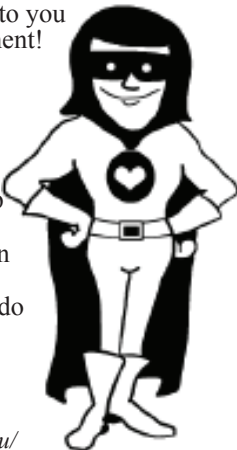
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Ombuddy Corner

This week the Ombuddy comes to you with some words of encouragement!

Remember that as classes get increasingly challenging and unanticipated problems arise, to keep on pushing. The hard work you are doing now can only help you in your future endeavors. C.S. Lewis said "Hardships often prepare ordinary people for an extraordinary destiny." You can do it!

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Your Voice

How do you feel about coffee?



JuanGabriel Encarnacion

“I don't really drink coffee. It is bitter and strong. I personally prefer tea. When I do drink coffee it's like 2/3 of sugar and 1/3 of coffee! However, I do like the smell of it!

- Brooke Cyphers
Liberal Arts”

“I've never tasted coffee in my life except when I accidentally tasted a coffee flavored jelly bean. It tasted like a bookstore!

- Karissa Hammond
Communications”



JuanGabriel Encarnacion

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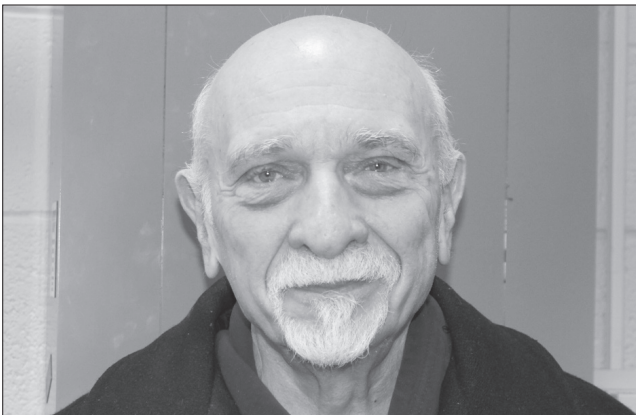
-Tabitha Fetterhoff
Creative Writing”



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- Nelson Sheeley
Faculty/ Spanish Course”



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My Voice: For the Love of Coffee

Jake Conger
Reporter

I fell in love with coffee some years ago. Maybe it was the stimulant, or the taste or it could have been how it reminded me of my dad. Regardless, I am willing to wager I became a regular coffee drinker at the same place you did, ye old Starbucks Coffee.

It is everywhere, so it is easy to get to, and the stores are usually comfortably designed with free internet and lots of seating. What's not to like?

In the past I have put Starbucks [and its consumers] on blast for their quality of coffee. That is what everyone wants to talk about; how the coffee tastes, the texture of the coffee, even the scent.

But today it's time I play the Lorax, and speak up for the trees and the farmers.

What is the worst part about coffee?

As a college student, I answered: the price. "A Grande latte for \$3.65? Ridiculous! I could buy 12 k-cups for \$7.50, that is less than 75 cents a cup." Without going into quality, it is easy to think this way and I did for many years.

Then you look at Ghostlight that sells the same size cup for \$3.85, or just two shots of espresso for

\$2.25. What is up with that?

Would it shock you to know that this price is not high at all, rather as low as it can be. The phrase used in the coffee business is, "It's a penny business," meaning that for everything sold the total profit gained only a couple pennies. We should be paying more for coffee.

"More!?" I hear you loudly question as you choke a little on the drink in your hand. "I am poor enough as it is!"

Let me take you into the life of a coffee farmer. They work year round in very warm climates and rough terrain. This is due to the nature of how coffee grows best: in hot climates on steep slopes. Due to the terrain, farmers are far away from towns or villages, making even regular life hard. They toil year-round to grow this coffee, and when all is said and done how much do they earn? About \$1.50 per pound of coffee.

If I try to buy a pound of coffee here in the states, I spend about \$12. Where did all the money go? Lots of other places unfortunately.

The market is in favor of the buyer. The farmer grows the coffee, and bids for how low they can sell it. After that, due to the location of the farm, they cannot transport the coffee, resulting in even more purchasing power for the buyer.

Thankfully, within recent years there has been a push for fair

trade coffee. Fair trade sets a minimum cost point for the sale of coffee, giving the farmers the money they deserve.

However, directly from Starbucks' website only 8.5 percent of the coffee they buy is fair trade. Why not the whole 100 percent? This is because coffee farmer knows if Starbucks buys, they will buy thousands of pounds of coffee, so farmers compete for the lowest price.

And why does Starbucks buy thousands of pounds? We drink it.

The average consumer has little interest in learning about where their coffee is from and Starbucks knows this. They also know the consumers price point. Why would they spend \$5.00 a pound on coffee when the consumer will only purchase a cup that is \$4.00 or less.

My point is something that's talked about quite often in the farming world: sustainability.

These farmers have to live off of what they sell, and if that is just enough to live a meager life on, why would they put money back into coffee? If they can barely afford food, clothing and shelter, coffee farmers are not going to spend money maintaining the quality of their product by buying good fertilizer or equipment, much less making it better.

These meager wages are not attractive to the new generation

either. Most current coffee farmers are in their forties or fifties, and their children do not plan on taking up the family business. It simply is not profitable enough.

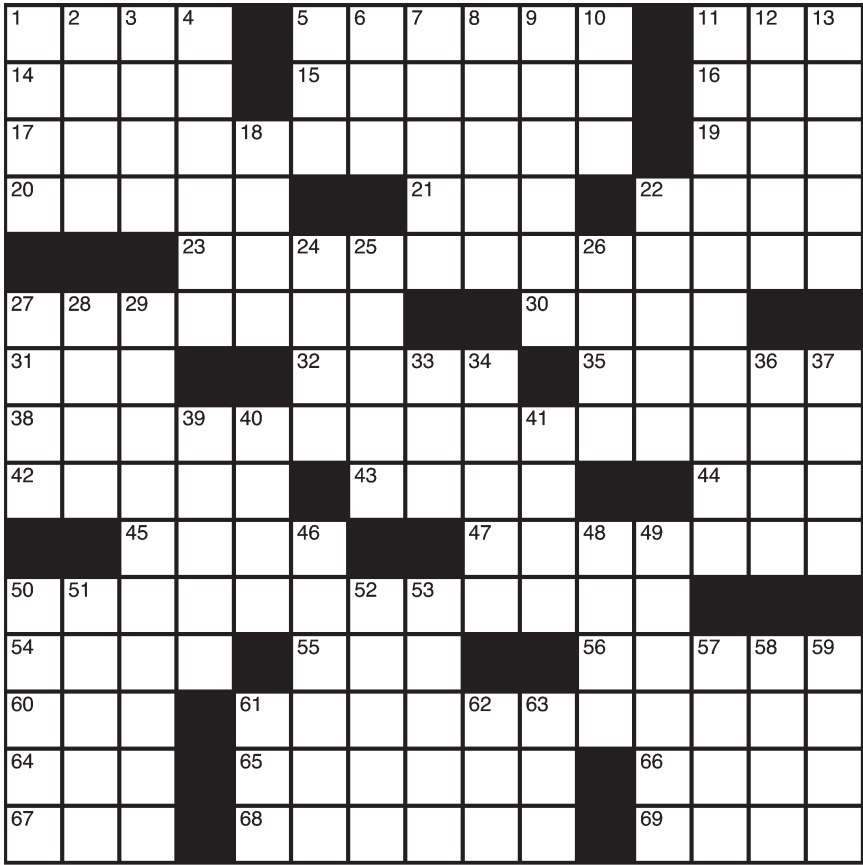
Therefore I challenge you to buy fair trade coffee. I won't lie, it is not going to be easy or cheap. The reward will be great though, for in 30 years you will still be able to wake up and enjoy a freshly brewed, light Kenyan roast.

Happy Drinking!



Pexels

Crossword Puzzle



- Across

1 Actress Swenson

5 Pops out, as a DVD

11 White lie

14 "Little" Dickens girl

15 Golf goof

16 Mined metal

17 Regularly go out (with)

19 Old horse

20 Rip off

21 URL suffix for charities

22 ___ time: never

23 Getup for Woody of "Toy Story"

27 Like some consonants, as the nasal "n"

30 Actress de Matteo

31 Press into service

32 Invalidate

35 "The Lion King" lion

38 What "2 + 2 = 4" is an example of

42 "Say cheese!"

43 Spreadsheet info

44 Baton Rouge sch.

45 Unlikely to throw dirty clothes on the floor

47 Word after systems or psycho

50 Preferred way of doing things

54 "___ girl!"

55 ___ Kosh B'gosh

56 Listless feeling
- 60 Old electrical unit

61 Front part of a hand tool, say ... and the last word of 17-, 23-, 38- and 50-Across?

64 Emeril exclamation

65 Tarzan and others

66 Like villains

67 Having five sharps, musically

68 Creates anew, as a password

69 Alluring
- financially

24 Like permed hair

25 "True ___": HBO vampire series

26 Constellation bear

27 Watering holes

28 "Sure ___ standing here ..."

29 Shrine in Moscow's Red Square

33 Hoppy beer, for short

34 Coup ___

36 Big cheese

37 "Sometimes you feel like ___ ...": classic candy jingle

39 "Prince Valiant" queen

40 Bring in

41 Hindu princess

46 Traveling acting band

48 Half of all blackjacks

49 Contact ___

50 Disney deer

51 Filmmaker Coen

52 Pack animals

53 Bell tower sound

57 Campbell of "Scream"

58 Windows alternative

59 In a lazy way

61 Watering hole

62 Earn after taxes

63 Naval rank: Abbr.

Poetry Pick

Lose Yourself

Marshall Mathers

His palms are sweaty,
knees weak, arms are heavy
There's vomit on his sweater already: Mom's spaghetti
He's nervous, but on the surface he looks calm and ready

To drop bombs, but he keeps on forgetting
What he wrote down, the whole crowd goes so loud
He opens his mouth, but the words won't come out
He's choking, how?
Everybody's joking now
The clock's run out, time's up, over—blow!

Sudoku Puzzle

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		6		2		5		

Last Edition's Solution

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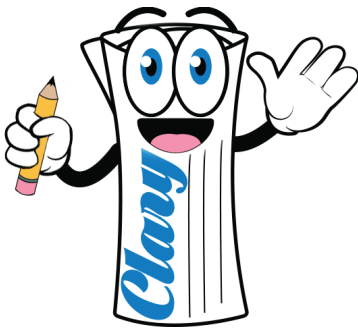
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8	3	2	7	4	9	1	6	5
5	1	9	2	3	6	7	4	8
6	5	3	8	1	7	4	2	9
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1	2	7	5	9	4	6	8	3

Anamark Weekly Menu

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Guest	Qdoba Mexican Grill	Lee's Famous Recipe Chicken	Panda Express	Gyro Palace	Fusian Sushi
Simmer	Chili Con Carne	Chili Con Carne	Chili Con Carne	Chili Con Carne	Chili Con Carne
Sizzle	Vietnamese Pork Sandwich/ Honey Mustard Grilled Chicken	Vietnamese Pork Sandwich/ Grilled Four Cheese Sandwich	Vietnamese Pork Sandwich/ Buffalo Gardenburger(R)	Vietnamese Pork Sandwich/ Roast Beef & Cheddar Panini	Vietnamese Pork Sandwich/ Seared Tilapia with Citrus Slaw
Pizzazone	Philly Cheesesteak Mini Rolletto	Chicken Bacon Ranch	Chicken Parmesan Mini Rolletto	Angry Pepperoni Pizza	Mushroom Pizza
Deli	Chicken-Avocado Salad Wrap/ Southwestern Chicken Chipotle Wrap	Chicken-Avocado Salad Wrap/ Southwestern Chicken Chipotle Wrap	Chicken-Avocado Salad Wrap/ Southwestern Chicken Chipotle Wrap	Chicken-Avocado Salad Wrap/ Southwestern Chicken Chipotle Wrap	Chicken-Avocado Salad Wrap/ Southwestern Chicken Chipotle Wrap
Main St. Cafe	Grilled Reuben	Turkey & Swiss Sandwich	Bbq Turkey & Cheddar Melt	Pepperoni Calzone	Chicken Tenders

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Horoscopes

Pisces: Feb. 19 – March 20

You're in your physical high-performance zone. Dance with satisfying syncopation. Savor beautiful movements and graceful work. Push your own boundaries for new skill levels.

Aries: March 21 – April 19

Practice your arts, skills and games. Creativity surges to wild heights. The pieces come together with sweet synchronicity. Share your enthusiasm. Discover fresh passion.

Taurus: April 20 – May 20

Domestic bliss sinks in. A windfall fills your basket. Blend feminine and masculine elements for a perfect balance. Enjoy the fruits of your labors.

Gemini: May 21 – June 21

The more you dig, the more you understand. Resolve a puzzle by learning the back story. Observe others with experience. Express your artistic views.

Cancer: June 22 – July 22

A lucky surprise places a golden opportunity at your feet. Push beyond old limits and grab it. Profit from the realization of a long-term dream.

Leo: July 23 – Aug. 22

A breakthrough in your relationship with yourself allows for greater intimacy with others. Share dreams, especially the one within reach. Explore a hot attraction.

Virgo: Aug. 23 – Sept. 22

Envision your idea of perfection. Something you've long wanted seems newly attainable. Dream and speculate. Love, beauty and kindness feed your spirit.

Libra: Sept. 23 – Oct. 23

Your team harmonizes. It's all for one and one for all. Each role contributes to a larger shared vision. Create beautiful music together.

Scorpio: Oct. 24 – Nov. 21

A professional prize falls into view. Make important decisions, and sign contracts. You can get whatever you need. Use what you've kept hidden.

Sagittarius: Nov. 22 – Dec. 21

Take your adventure to the next level. Study the inside perspective, and make an amazing discovery. Explore, and get farther than imagined.

Capricorn: Dec. 22 – Jan. 19

Make a financial move with your partner. Consider your chess game, reviewing options, possibilities and long-term implications. An incredible opportunity pays fine dividends.

Aquarius: Jan. 20 – Feb. 18

Your collaboration and communication flowers, providing satisfying rewards. You're especially charming (and charmed). It could get sweet. Contribute to a harmonious duet.

Linda C. Black Horoscopes: by Nancy Black.

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Milan Fashion Week

Kali Macklin
Reporter

This year, like every other year, many attend the Milan fashion week. Fashion week is a semi-annual event, and its Autumn/ Winter show is from Feb. 21- Feb. 27, 2018. Many huge name brand clothing companies can showcase their artistic visions through the outfits they spent hours putting together.

Every show has a concept, models are chosen and articulately dressed to present the exact vision a designer has in mind. This year, attention was particularly drawn to the Gucci showcase at Milan fashion week.

Before fashion week even began, the Gucci brand had their guests anticipating a show like no other. Invitations arrived to

celebrity guests as an orange timer with the countdown to the event glowing in bright red numbers. The invitations and concept were designed by Alessandro Michele, Gucci's head creative director. Michele has been director of the fashion house since January of 2015.

Michele introduced "Cyborg Gucci", the autumn/winter collection of 2018-2019.



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The Gucci event started on time – which is unheard of in the fashion industry. The show was at the Gucci Hub, which is the brand's Milan headquarters. Models walked on the runway under bright neon lights amidst operating tables, with the sound of a beeping heart monitor machine in the background.

The Gucci showcase demanded attention as male and female models strutted the runway wearing outfits that represented



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a mix of cultures and symbols. Some models were carrying replicas of their own severed heads, which were replicated down to their hairstyle and looks on their faces.

Some models even carried replicas of baby animals, such as dragons and snakes, while another model had a replicated third eye on her forehead.

The collection derived its inspiration from many different cultures and ethnicities. There were turbans as well as South American patterns included in the outfits.

There were many masks on the models, which was a representation of all the masks we seem to wear in our ordinary lives.

Michele also made a subtle political statement regarding belonging, by adding sports logos such as the New York Yankees.

According to Vogue, it took about 6 months to create the pieces.

Michele commented that the heads were intended to represent the struggle of finding our identities and "looking after your own head and thoughts." He also said the show was exhausting to stage. He wanted to portray that although his job was chaotic, amongst the creativity there was an order and scientific clarity to his work.

Guests at the Gucci showcase in Milan included rap artist A\$AP Rocky, actress Selma Hayek and Vogue editor-in-chief Anna Wintour.

"Our job is a surgical job: cutting and assembling and experimenting on the operating table" said Michele.

Campus Candids



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Mame Thione



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