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The mystery issue

The Ath Cat Mystery

Anne Nickoloff, Editor-in-Chief

The day the beloved Athenian cat, named Ath, went missing, our first thought was that he ran away, doomed to a life in Uptown Cleveland's alleyways.

When we thought about it though, our mascot and friend had no reason to leave The Athenian's headquarters in the basement of Thwing at the University Media Board (UMB) office. The building was full of mice and bugs to chase. Toilet paper was free and easily accessible for unrolling in Thwing's various restrooms. There were plenty of cloth chairs to scratch at.

It really was a cat's dream.

But on Sept. 25, when we arrived at the UMB office, Ath was gone.

And things were... off.

Shards of glass littered the floor, next to a broken window. Footprints, human footprints, scrambled all around the room. On the ground was a large net, an ancient Native American mask and a pair of leather gloves.

We'd had a maintenance request in for the window for a few weeks, so we knew there was nothing new with that; we just hadn't bothered to clean up the glass. And just a couple of days ago, we'd had a ballroom mud-dancing competition in the office, so the footprints were obvious (DUHHH). The net? Just getting ready for our weekend fishing trip, of course. The mask... well, no one really knows about the mask, but it's been hanging around the office for a while now. Should probably get rid of that.

But the gloves? Who, during Cleveland autumn, would need gloves?!

We set out to solve the mystery. Soon, after DNA testing of a hair found on one of the gloves, we were able to deduce that

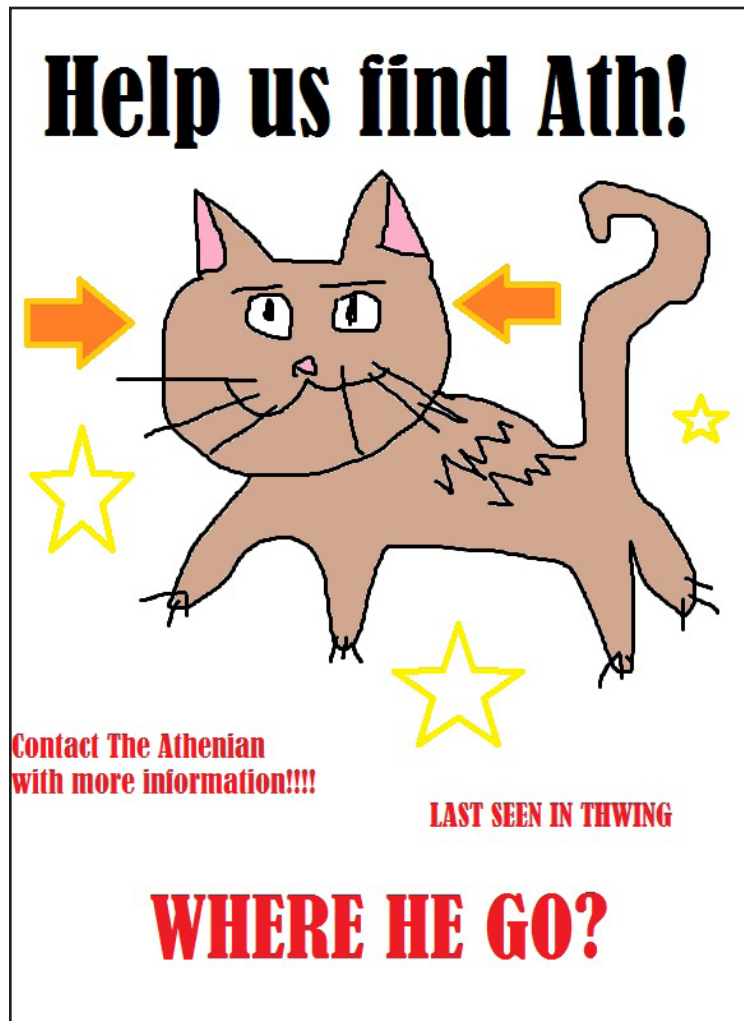
the glove's owner must be the dreaded catnapper.

Quickly, we created a plan of action. One team of Athenian members would approach every visitor entering Thwing and see if the glove fit (so far, no luck). The second team of Athenian members drew up a poster and taped it to every conceivable space on campus, using only the finest

graphic designers and top-notch programs, such as MS Paint.

The last group, well, we went about production as usual. After all, we're under contract to create a magazine once a month, and as much as we wanted to halt our work, campus administration wouldn't let us (boo).

Now we need your help. Who took Ath?!



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In this issue, you'll find various highlights throughout the pages. Reading through the issue, take note of each letter that stands out from the rest of the story, and write them down. When you're finished, skip to the back of the paper to the "Meet the Staff" section. Unscramble the letters and match it up with the name on the page, and read about the catnapper! HELP GET ATH BACK!

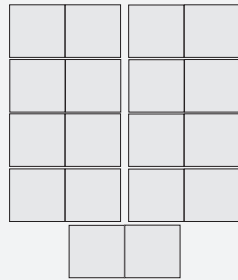
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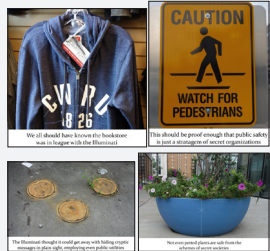
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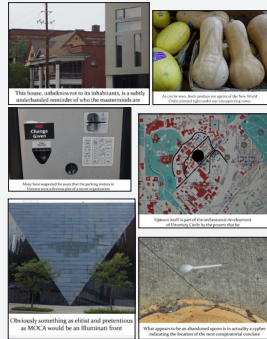
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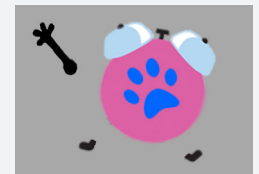
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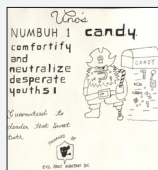
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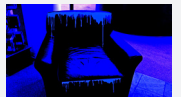
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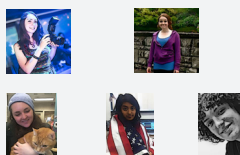
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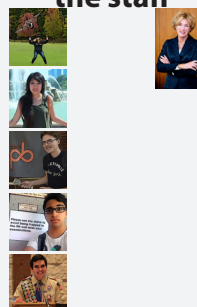
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Disney princesses reimagined as exactly the way they were in the movie they first appeared in

Julia Bianco

You may think you've seen every Disney princess reimagining out there, but there's still one out there you haven't see yet! Tumblr user "cataylor_mewoft" recently did the reimagining of all Disney princess reimaginings when she drew the princesses exactly as they looked in the movie they first appeared in.

"I was inspired by the recent drawings I saw of princesses reimagined as having normal body hair or having peri-

od stains," she said in a message. "And I just thought, wow, these are so powerful, what can I do next?"

Her drawings, which show everything from Belle in her signature yellow dress to Ariel coming out of the ocean looking exactly the same as she does in the 1989 film, have gotten over one million notes on Tumblr after just 20 minutes online.

"They're really taking off," she said. "It's super cool for me as an artist. I think that this type of thing will be really pow-

erful for young girls, to see their favorite princesses looking exactly the same as they did when they first premiered."

Cataylor says that her process for making the drawings was simple. "I just went on IMDb and took stills from the movies," she said. "And then I just put them on Tumblr!"

Wow. If only we had the art skills to do something like that! For now, though, we can just look at Cataylor's drawings and revel in the magic of Disney.

Google Incognito Man Harasses CWRU Students

Oksinav Aizatsana

Midterms can bring about some stress-induced delirium, but for some people it can all become too much. A third-year CWRU student (who wished to remain anonymous in order to preserve his reputation after the publication of this article) recently noticed that the Google Incognito man started talking to him when he procrastinated studying too long.

"I first thought something was weird when I heard this disapproving 'tsk tsk' every time I visited a naughty site. I just assumed my mind was playing tricks on me, but after awhile I started to hear angry muttering, so I knew something was up," he said.

As time went on, it became clear that these mysterious sounds were coming from the student's computer. Every time he tried to escape the depressing black hole that studying for midterms creates, he received

disapproving remarks from no other than the shady looking Google Incognito man.

At first, the student thought he was going insane. "The Google Incognito man isn't supposed to come to life. He's just supposed to sit up in the corner of your screen and silently judge you, nothing more."

But this time the Google Incognito man went beyond his role as a silent observer. If the student wasn't already insane, the constant commentary on his life choices nearly drove him there. By the time The Athenian spoke with him, he was a nervous wreck.

"He's either telling me I'm a perv or that I should be studying more. It's just too much. I need a break sometimes, but I can't take one without him being either angry with me or disappointed in me," the student rambled.

However, this anonymous student may not be crazy after all. Apparently, a rising number of CWRU students have had a va-

riety of uncomfortable encounters with the Google Incognito man in the past five years. Phrases such as "you're disgusting," "I hope you realize I have no choice but to watch this" and "you really should be studying for that exam if you ever want to graduate" are not uncommon.

Another student describes this experience: "He was really upset one day and just started yelling at me. 'You're actually typing that into your search bar? No, don't click on that video. I can see literally everything you're doing right now. You better find a way to get me out of this computer before you hit play.' I felt bad so I just closed the tab. I guess I can't watch any 'Too Cute' features on Youtube anymore."

Unfortunately, the Google Incognito man refused to comment, despite an abnormally large amount of porn sites visited while in Incognito mode by this reporter.



Adithi Iyengar

All the Entrances to Strosacker ... Ranked!

Tejas Joshi

7. The Tunnels

There are doors at this university which should never be opened. When passing a blocked stretch of hallway elicits a tremulous chill, the wise student does not pause and peer about but scurries on. One such perilous path lies beneath Strosacker Auditorium, where only the foolish or depraved ever dared to venture. Following the discovery of 18 errant Phys 121 students' mauled remains in the tunnel, President Barbara Snyder mandated that the passage be boarded up, only to be opened in a time of our most desperate need. Still, sometimes an errant eye is drawn—as if by magnet—to press between the boards and peer into the corridor's murky, forgotten depths.

6. Right Side Door

Sure, some people like the side entrances, but if you're anything like me, sitting up close to the lectern where the professor can look straight down at your screen during the class sucks. Just because you miss a last-hit

or arrive late to the gank doesn't mean that it's okay for her to trash talk your League of Legends skills in front of the entire class.

5. Ye Ole Abandoned Elevator Shaft

Near the bottom of the list comes the Ole Abandoned Shaft. Let's face it, plummeting into the chasm used to be fun, but you've grown up. You're a busy student who doesn't have the time to wait in line behind throngs of eager freshman, just to hurtle breathlessly into the endless void on the way to class.

4. The Catwalk

Dost thou present with the courage and wherewithal, the wit and social grace to survive, nay, to thrive among the lords and ladies of the court above? Be warned, the whims of nobles are fickle and one ill-advised move could devastate your delicate social standing and send you crashing down from the scaffolding.

3. The Thwing Arch

With its extravagant marble facade and

sparkling glass exterior, this entryway is definitely the classiest on the list. The arch would have placed higher except, on further inspection, it was found that the entrance did not lead into Strosacker.

2. Left Side

There's nothing special about the left side entrance, right? Wrong. Dead wrong. In addition to leading to the most ergonomic chairs in the entire building, this entrance was the personal favorite of the namesake of Strosacker Auditorium. That man—William Auditorium—loved the left side entrance so much that his bones were buried under one of the seats in this section, along with his entire fortune. Additionally, this is the entrance least likely to kill you.

1. Main Lobby

Finally, the definitive best entrance to Strosacker is the main glass entry. Why? Well, it's because the first person through the glass doors in the morning gets to teach the course that day.

Dooby Zoo and the gang solve a mystery!

Tim Travitz

My name is Ned and I'm part of mystery solving crew. Including myself, there's also Shabby and Dooby-zoo, our speech-impaired brontosaurus. I was reading the headline of our school newspaper, the Onlooker, "Spooky Ghost Haunts Case Western Campus."

"Like Ned, that ghost sure is causing a lot of trouble for Case Western" said Shabby.

"Bruh-huh!" agreed Dooby, a distant relative of the Apatosaurus.

"Shabby, Dooby, there's no such thing as ghosts." I reassured them. "Besides guys, it says here that Babs has been trying to get the police involved, but they've been too busy roughing up grad students. Looks like this could be our chance to solve another mystery!"

"Like, let's head to the campus in the conundrum contraption van," agreed Shabby. Minutes later we arrived on campus.

"Like look!" exclaimed Shabby "It's

our first clue."

Sure enough, scrawled on the Spitball statue were the words 'Clue #1.' And it was written in blood. This place had to be haunted.

"Broinks!" remarked our 15-ton friend Dooby as he jumped into Shabby's arms.

"This isn't blood," I said as I examined the writing closely. "Its paint, and it's fresh too."

"Look Dooby! Footprints! Ghosts can't leave those!" exclaimed Shabby. "They must lead to whomever painted this. Let's go."

"Bruh-huh," agreed our late-Jurassic era reptile. Just like that, Shabby and Dooby were off.

"Hey wait!" I tried to say, but the words never left my mouth. Without warning, I was unable to move. As I stood frozen, the lettering of clue #1 started to melt off the statue and form a puddle on the ground. Suddenly, a towering figure started to rise up out of the pool.

"I AM THE GUARDIAN SPIRIT OF CASE WESTERN!" a thunderous voice boomed. "I THRIVE OFF OF THE PASSION, HOPES, AND DREAMS OF STUDENTS."

Slowly, I felt every dream, every desire, being siphoned away. At last, I felt as though that there was nothing left, only a husk my formerly hopeful self. The siphoning stopped and the spirit abruptly vanished. Dooby and Shabby came running back.

"Ned! Ned! You were right all along! Bab's Butler was behind the whole thing."

"Yeah. Yeah. Right right," I responded, still trying to come to grips with my now hopeless world.

"I would've gotten away with it too if it weren't for you kids dabbling in my affairs, and your stupid Saropod," responded the man in handcuffs. Dooby flashed an herbivorous smile, and said, "Brooby-Dooby-Zoo".

Illuminati sightings on campus

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We all should have known the bookstore
was in league with the Illuminati



This should be proof enough that public safety
is just a stratagem of secret organizations



The Illuminati thought it could get away with hiding cryptic
messages in plain sight, employing even public utilities



Not even potted plants are safe from the
schemes of secret societies



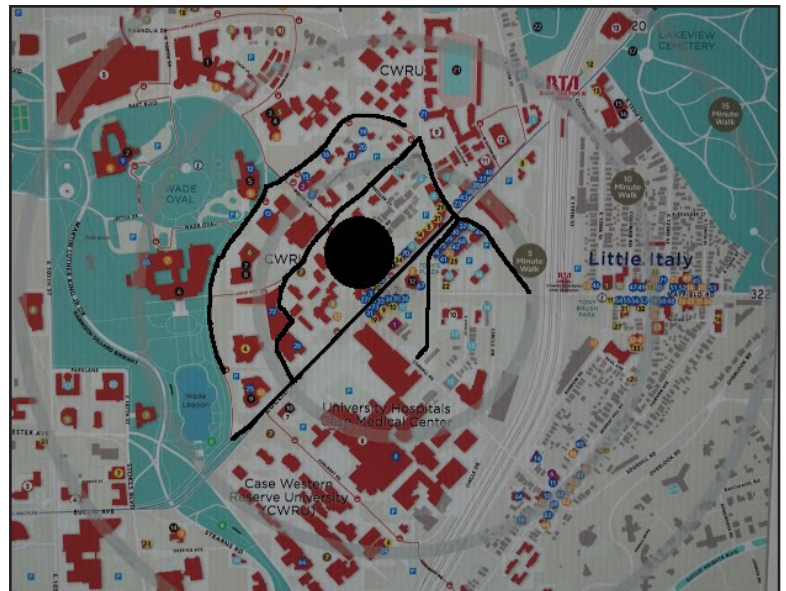
This house, unbeknownst to its inhabitants, is a subtly underhanded reminder of who the masterminds are



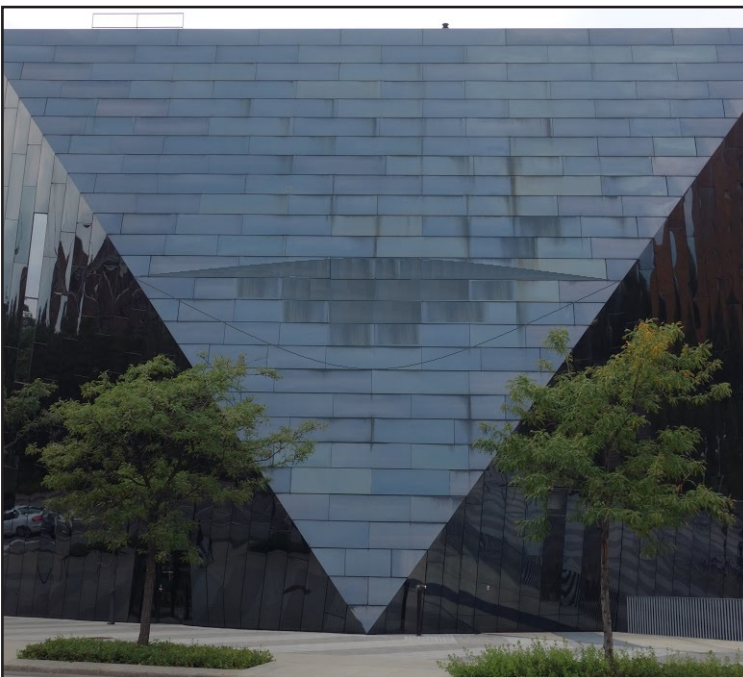
As can be seen, fresh produce are agents of the New World Order planted right under our unsuspecting noses



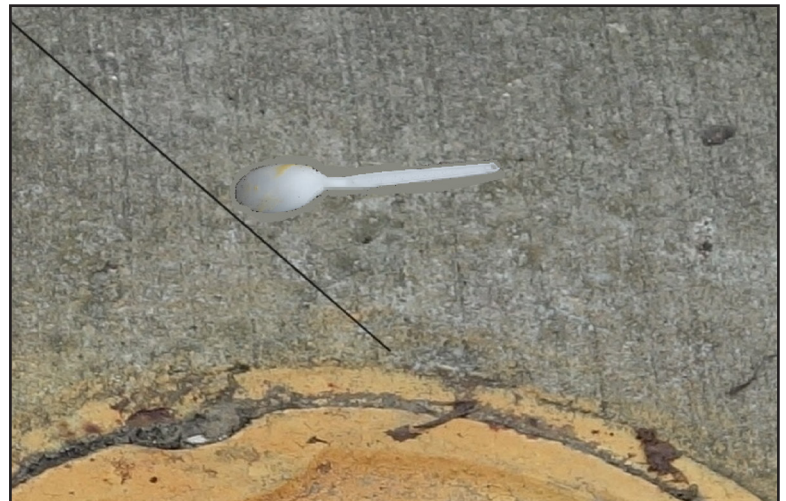
Many have suspected for years that the parking meters in Uptown were a devious plot of a secret organization



Uptown itself is part of the orchestrated development of University Circle by the powers that be



Obviously something as elitist and pretentious as MOCA would be an Illuminati front



What appears to be an abandoned spoon is in actuality a cypher indicating the location of the next conspiratorial conclave

Two physician opinions on vaccine-autism link

Athenian Staff

In light of the controversy that has been recently highlighted due to the Republican debate, we asked a local physician, Dr. Zachary Samuels, for his opinion on whether vaccines cause autism. Another local physician, Dr. Willis Stephens, read Dr. Samuels' opinion and sent in his response. We published both letters to better inform the public of both sides of the hot issue.

To The Athenian,

It is my belief that the public should be aware of the horrifying practices that take place in the medical profession.

Even worse than the corporate corruption, the actual practice of medicine has become compromised. Likely because of the evolution-preaching generation spreading their fancy opinions, appropriate treatment has been undermined and lies have been spread.

We have to look for the truth in tough times like this. I thank The Athenian for reaching out to me, so I can help to inform the public. Consider this a public service announcement: Do not vaccinate your child. Vaccines cause autism.

The proof? "Vaccines" is an anagram for "Scan Vice." What vice are we scanning for? Autism.

I personally would never administer vaccines in my office. Additionally I do not prescribe NyQuil because it causes drowsiness, Tylenol because it causes vitamin deficiency and vitamin supplements because they cause kidney stones. Contrary to popular belief, medicinal marijuana is a far more legitimate treatment than any of these. I would never want to harm my patients; I would hope that other physicians believe the same.

Signed,

Zachary Samuels, MD

Dear Dr. Samuels,

While I fully respect your education from Caribbean Medical College, I believe you are slightly misguided.

The paper that had originally implied that vaccines were linked to autism was retracted from the journal in which it was published, and the physician author lost his license.

The people who continue to believe that vaccines cause autism are restricted to those who are misinformed, and those born at the Jersey Shore.

Let me clarify a couple other medical facts that may have gone amiss during your medical training:

- 1) Babies come from two people having sex. Storks do not bring babies to their respective parents.
- 2) Smoking does not prevent colds.
- 3) You cannot get Ebola or AIDS by talking to someone with Ebola or AIDS.
- 4) Working in a hospital is not like "Grey's Anatomy."
- 5) Laughter is not a prescription medication.

Please consider preaching another opinion to the public.

Additionally, I do not see how you reject the theory of evolution, as you are living proof that we share 50 percent of our DNA with a banana.

Sincerely,

Willis Stephens, MD

Area man accidentally shows up to Oktoberfest dressed up as Nazi

Sabanrab Nannerb

Native Clevelander and History professor Greg Bayer attended a local Oktoberfest celebration this month where he was seen wearing a sleek black 1934 SS uniform. Bayer stated that he mistook the traditional Bavarian folk festival for a German history convention. When he noticed people participating in general merry-making, he realized his choice of apparel was highly inappropriate. He became aware of partygoers uncomfortably glancing over their shoulders, and spent several minutes trying to understand until he explained his predicament to festival security. Fortunately, blood alcohol levels of the crowd prevented any kind of WWII-type situation.

Bayer offered to discuss the economic

advances of the Hanseatic League and the efforts of Otto I to reconstitute the remains of Charlemagne's rule to the Holy Roman Empire, but partygoers turned back to buying sausage and listening to Schlager music. Bayer had a laugh over the time Richard of Cornwall and Alfonso X of Castile were both elected to be emperor at the same time, before the throne fell to the Habsburgs, who later achieved political power over Hungary, the Netherlands, Spain, Portugal and their colonies. Festival security suggested he just take off his jacket and sit down. Bayer proceeded to commend the festival security for portraying who he assumed was Neville Chamberlain, as they were as effective as "Peace For Our Time."

Bayer shared his thoughts on the religious motivations behind the feuds between the German city states. The people sitting next to him continued to offer him beer in the hopes that he would shut up already. He highlighted the frenemies forever, Prussia and Austria, and their alliance against Napoleon as well as how Otto "the other Otto" von Bismarck united the northern principalities and established the first modern welfare state. At this point, Bayer began to mumble the Deutschlandlied to the beat of the Euro-trance playing in the overhead speakers and stood up to dance around with some equally intoxicated gentlemen in lederhosen. All in all, the evening turned out okay, and it was the best Oktoberfest Bayer had ever experienced.

Controversial “Blue’s Clues” episode receives mixed response from fans

David Pendergast

The Sept. 7 episode of “Blue’s Clues,” titled “What happened to Tickety?” received social media backlash from fans after it was revealed that Tickety Tock, an important supporting character, had been written off the show. Several hashtags including #BringBackTickety and #RestockTick-Tock have been trending since the episode’s airing.

Tickety Tock, usually referred to as just “Tickety,” is a pink clock who uses her hands to point to numbers on her clock face. Generally, the purpose of her scenes was to help the audience learn to tell time, but her sweet, quirky demeanor quickly caused her to become a fan favorite. Tickety has played a minor role in almost every episode since the show’s creation and is one

of the show’s most compelling and beloved characters.

Monday’s episode, which focused on solving the mystery of Tickety’s death, began with a short song and an introduction to the episode’s plot, but took a dark turn when Blue’s first paw print is discovered on Tickety’s lifeless body.

Gladys Berthrow, 32, reports, “I was so surprised when I saw Tickety laying there like that. When I saw her eyes had been replaced with X’s, I was almost too shocked to help Joe find the clue.”

Another longtime fan, John Hanson, 44, wonders how the show can continue without a character so central to the plot. “Tickety was one of the only characters that the audience really identified with. Sure, we still have Shovel and Mailbox, but neither of them have

the same spunk that she did.”

However, amidst the sea of complaints, some viewers praised the “Blue’s Clues” writers for taking the show in a fresh new direction.

Amanda Knowles, 20, told reporters, “Frankly, I’m glad they decided to kill off Tickety. Her character was becoming stale and predictable, and her puzzles were getting too easy for me. I could almost always solve them before time ran out.”

Another dedicated fan, Timothy Turner, 4, reports, “I hate telling time!”

This isn’t the first time a “Blue’s Clues” episode has caused heartbreak. In the infamous 2005 episode titled “Breakfast Time,” Salt Shaker accidentally fell off the kitchen table and shattered on the floor below.



Jared Clark

A study in *cal*culus: Sherlock deductions aid students

Stephen Kerby

Gone are the days of writing formulae on one's arm or sneaking a roll of answers into the classroom inside a burrito. Now, students faced with near-impossible examinations are consulting the methods of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's famous detective, Sherlock Holmes, to aid them, with remarkable effects that are being felt in study sessions and administration offices. For the first time, this method is released to the public in an easy-to-use guideline format, using an example from a CHEM 213 exam...

Question: What is the maximum temperature, in degrees Celsius, that the tiles onboard the Space Shuttle reach during reentry?

Clue: The font of the question is Arial

Deduction: It is clear that this is a play on words, as crafted by a clever professor. Arial font indicates that our final answer will be aerial, or very high.

Clue: The "degrees Celcius" is written out, instead of being written as "C"

Deduction: This tricky notation implies we must go a roundabout way to answering this question. CWRU is clearly involved in shady business involving the Space Shuttle. In 2007, the Space Shuttle carried the Leonardo component to the ISS, and Leonardo da Vinci was regarded as the all-around "Renaissance man."

Clue: 2007 was also the year in which the "Fat Man Carrying a Surfboard" controversy rocked the campus. Coincidence? I think not! We now have enough information to draw a conclusion...

Conclusion: If we take the year of Leonardo Da Vinci's birth, 1452, and subtract it from the year of the Surfboard Controversy, 2007, we get 555. Ignoring the fact that that number is three of the same digit (Illuminati?), if we add twice that to the year 540, probably the year of a comet impact due to tree ring observations, we get **1650 degrees C as our final answer.**

Clue: Clearly the best way to solve this question, is to truly understand the question. The Space Shuttle was launched with a big orange tank attached, but that tank is jettisoned when the Shuttle reaches space.

Deduction: The tank is missing, just like the answer to this question.

Clue: We are asked for temperature, but the tank is obviously the missing link. It would aid us in our search to ask who is the largest producer of orange paint in the world, and thus, who would profit from the loss of the big orange tank?

Deduction: PPG Industries, of course. PPG Industries is hiding the answer from us so we don't discover the answer to our question. It is easy to see that PPG industries is actually based near Cleveland...a conspiracy emerges as we get closer to the answer.

CWRU students unable to understand class

Michael Codega

A new report from first-year Case Western Reserve University students indicates that they have no idea what's happening in class right now. Despite attending multiple lectures of the class, they feel the professor has not begun to shape the topic of conversation into something that can be related to the class' title, much less into something that can be linked back to the course description. The more resourceful students have since found a syllabus, but even after careful analysis, the information gleaned from it was as dry as the jokes made by the professor. The professor's look of confusion upon realizing that he was the only one laughing can only be compared to the confusion the students felt when trying to understand what class they had been sitting in for the last 25

minutes.

It is clear to students that stories about the Vietnamese friends of the professor cannot be linked back to Chemistry (or was it Geology?) without a generous amount of improbable extrapolation. Either way, students all agree that they would prefer the professor read from the textbook as a future lecture, or at least assign textbook reading to provide context to his stories about pygmy donkeys, and how they could possibly relate to the class material.

New information provided to The Athenian indicates that there is a quiz in the recitation tomorrow, but the currently enrolled students are unsure about what material is expected to be known for the quiz. Despite the best attempt by the class

to parse the misplaced stories about Parisian ballerinas the professor tells into relatable material, the ultimate meaning is still unknown to the majority of students.

Further updates to the story included a glimmer of false hope as students received an email from the TA's indicating that everyone should bring a calculator to the quiz during tomorrow's recitation, offering some, albeit shallow, insight into the class material, and the assumption that math would be somehow involved in this Sociology class (or was it Chinese?). This hope was later crushed by a follow-up email adding crayons to the list of required materials for the quiz, confusing students more than the professor's story about meeting President Carter at Disneyland.

Analysis of Robert Zimmerman's "Blowin' in the Wind"

Raff Steporter

Famed folk artist Robert "Bob Dylan" Zimmerman was known for his elaborate wordplay, whimsical imagery and often outlandish lyricism. Only later in his career have scholars discovered that his collective work is a cypher for an Objectivist, pro-capitalistic manifesto on scale with Ayn Rand's masterpiece, "Atlas Shrugged." In his 1963 hit, "Blowin' in the Wind," Zimmerman argues for a return to free market economics to reinvigorate the American dream. Selected verses are presented below with commentary.

"Yes, how many years can a mountain exist / Before it's washed to the sea?

Yes, how many years can some people exist / Before they're allowed to be free?"

Zimmerman sets up a call-and-response first asking the question on the life of mountains. The number of years, exactly 186, not so coincidentally corresponds to the age of the United States of America at the time of writing the song, 186 years. The second phrase then clearly is a call to action for the separation of reality and consciousness to free the American public from the wretches of big government and instead achieve personal liberty prescribed by the tenets of laissez-faire capitalism.

"Yes, how many times must a man look up / Before he can see the sky?

Yes, how many ears must one man have / Before he can hear people cry?"

It is a undeniable fact that skyscrapers, a product of capitalism, have blocked out the sky in most major cit-

ies. Thus, the number of times a "man" must look up to see the sky approaches infinity as the number of skyscrapers increases and thus the number of ears a "man" needs to hear the screams of the oppressed masses approaches infinity as their calls for help are silenced by big government and denied the fundamental human right to explore rational self-interest rather than the collectivist follies of Karl Marx's socialist establishment.

Returning to the title of the piece, it becomes clear that "Blowin' in the Wind" advocates for revolt, not only against the likes of Big Brother, but also corporate greed. Some say "Blowin in the Wind" is a song protesting war and poverty, but that is obviously a bit of a stretch.

Quiz: Which political candidate are you?

Jahlyn Reyes-McKinley

Take this quiz to figure out which political candidate you should vote for. That's what this is about. (Assume for the purposes of this quiz that you have free will.)

1. Do you like the U.S. government?

- a. It's my life.
- b. All Hail Mother Russ.... I mean... USA! USA! USA!
- c. I can't like losers.
- d. I'll take it super conservative with a side of congressional gridlock and honey mustard. Thanks.

2. What do you think we should do about global warming?

- a. Measures need to be taken immediately
- b. We have to think about the future generation
- c. It's freakin' cold in New York; we could use a little warming
- d. Vaccines cause autism

3. How do you feel about your fellow American constituents?

- a. They get it.
- b. I love American. I like baseball, fast food, football; I am true patriot.
- c. They love me. I love them. Especially the white ones. I'm their Superman with better hair.
- d. They're all confused and misinformed. Just the way we like 'em.

4. How seriously would you take your presidential duties if you were president (i.e. kissing babies, shaking hands with various old people and sitting in an oval shaped room)?

- a. COME ON. There is nothing I would take more seriously
- b. I can handle anything.
- c. I would take it seriously enough to fire all the losers.
- d. As long as things aren't progressing, I'm good.

5. Putin challenges you to the duel of the CENTURY. It's hair raising! It's mind bending! IT'S... a game of ping pong, "Balls of Fury" style. What's the plan?

- a. No.
- b. Me and true leader. I must do it.
- c. I WIN for a living. Bring it Putin.
- d. Confuse, distract, run!

6. North Korea rises with an army of a MILLION, give or take one or two. The new world takes over starts in, 3, 2, 1... Your move?

- a. Hold on let me send some emails...
- b. America now New Russia.
- c. Nuke 'em.
- d. Thanks Obama.

7. An evil wasp cloud 1.5m away is flying towards your family at 30m/s. How long does your family have to move out of the way? (Better figure it out fast, those wasps are like super evil!)

- a. 0.05 seconds!
- b. Family? What intel do you have?
- c. YOU do the MATH, or YOU'RE FIRED!
- d. Umm... Ugh... What he said^

8. How's your mom?

- a. Vote Hillary 2016!
- b. That's CLASSIFIED.
- c. *restraining order filed*
- d. I have one of those.

9. Who are you voting for?

- a. Hillary Clinton
- b. Bernie Sanders
- c. Donald Trump
- d. *option redacted* Thanks Obama.

Answers:
Mostly A's: You are Hillary Clinton—You are a superstar, but you may need to lighten up
Mostly B's: Bernie Sanders—All socialists have thick Russian accents right? The NSA is keeping an eye on you, by the way. Take this as a warning.
Mostly C's: Donald Trump—I don't think the campaign trail is big enough for you and that ego. Good Luck!
Mostly D's: The 50 Other Republican candidates—You alright buddy? You okay? You should take some time to think about some things.... I say this as a friend.

Top 4 Hillary Clinton scandals

National Inquirer

With the 2016 presidential race in full swing, candidates are campaigning across the country and, lucky us, we get to be in the swingiest states of them all: Ohio. Though CWRU might still be enamored with Hillary Clinton's recent visit, many news media outlets have been obsessing over her various "scandals" that may influence voters. What they aren't reporting are her most nefarious schemes, her most shocking decisions. Her real scandals.

4. Wearing White After Labor Day, 2007

If Hillary Clinton can't remember the cardinal rule of fashion, how will she be able to run the country? Or worse, what if she isn't the most fashionable world leader? Michael Kors has recently rescinded his endorsement.

3. Using the Wrong Fork at Dinner, 2009

Poor Hillary was so engrossed in conver-

sation at a State Dinner in 2004 that she says she "wasn't thinking" when she picked up the innermost fork at the place setting to eat her fennel and walnut salad. Other attendees pledged to "order pizza" when dining with Clinton to avoid future mishaps.

2. Replying all to the Entire White House email Listserv because for some reason anyone with government email address was able to email the entire Listserv. This happened twice. 2008

Sound familiar?

1. Socks with Sandals, 2010

Hillary, you could have the best policy ideas in the world, but as I'm sure your political strategists will tell you, this one is going to take some serious time and effort to overcome with the American public. Affairs, espionage, fraud—we can handle those. But socks with sandals? I'm not sure we're ready for that.



Review of German 101

JP Peralta

I sit down in a room in Sears to learn about the beautiful, soft sounds of the German language. I already learned many things about Germany during the summer I spent there. I am tingling with excitement to have a class where I can experience all the German things I have come to love so much. I set my coffee on the desk next to me and my bag into the desk on the other side, resting my feet onto the seat of the chair in front of me. Finally, I place my books onto the desk behind me. Perfect. Ready for class.

The professor comes into the room perfectly punctually, much like a German train. Herr* seems very rugged and strikingly foreign. I could almost feel the room fill with the homey smell of Schnitzel and Spätzels when he arrived. His messy Herr immediately indicated to me that he had come straight from a Biergarten in Munich to teach. My suspicions were only reinforced when he put down his no-doubt beer filled mug (because he's German) and let his operatic cadence bellow out across the room. He truly has a firmness about him, like Lederhosen about the waist of a Leibeigenschaft**.

This fixedness transferred to his writing as

well. I have never witnessed, nor even heard about, one individual pressing a marker as firmly as this man against a board in all my born days. It was like he was curious what was in the room next door and the easiest way to find out was not to walk into the next room, rather carve a hole into the wall using nothing but dry erase markers and that classic German efficiency. If the class was 20 minutes longer, I think we may have been peering into Mechanical Engineering 102: The Science of Building Mechanics. Each inky blotch on the board is accompanied with a sound comparable to a Krankenwagen screeching to a halt in the cobblestone streets of Berlin.

I was absorbed with every word that Herr spoke. I learned many things, but in my flurry of near-autoerotic admiration for German culture, I remember but a few.

Firstly, not everyone shares the same, superior sense of respect for boundaries that I and most Germans do. If I want to put my possessions on all the surrounding desks, it is traditional German custom to do so. Secondly, there are many different dialects of German and Herr certainly speaks one of them.

He sounds nothing like I remember any of the other Germans on my trip speaking. Thirdly, and lastly, German is spoken in many places in Central America as well as Europe!

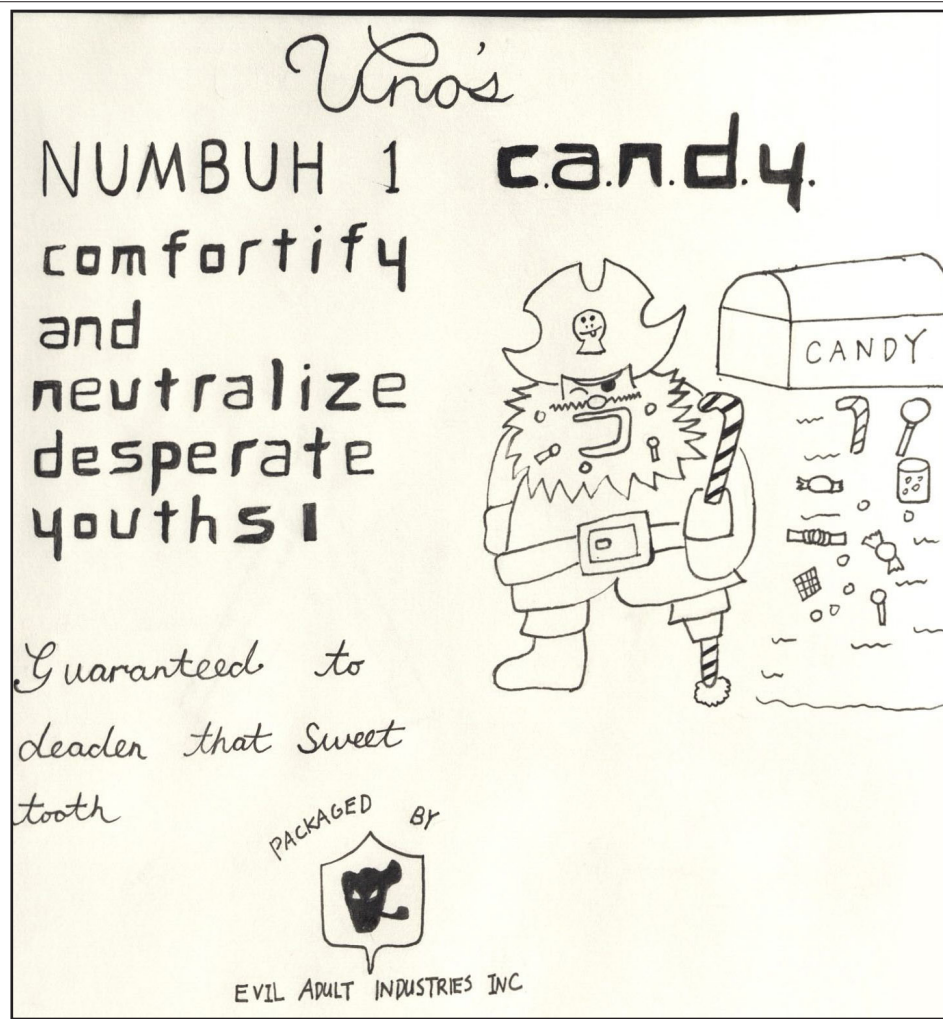
Professor Alavarez made that very clear when he projected the map of Mexico on the board while describing the most classic German foods, such as quesadillas, which I was surprised to have not known about prior. Fourthly, Dios de los Muertos will be upon us all soon, so stock up on your Kugelschreiber und Flügzeugen! These are all things that I didn't know before the first class and that I think will be very valuable moving forward. I would highly recommend this class to any fellow Germanophiles seeking an enriching German cultural experience.

Until next time, adios mi amigos***!

**One of the many things I learned about German culture. "Herr" is the German title for "Mister" as in, "He brushed his Herr"*

***Leibeigenschaft: A medieval form of German serfdom*

****Adios mi amigos: An ancient German dialect meaning, "Entschuldigung, meine Freunde" or "We shall meet again, friends to whom this specific review was addressed"*



Tony Zhang

Mystery message in shadow of statue out front of the Jolly Scholar

Caleb Diaz

Gene Kangas' "Snow Fence" statue, better known as "that statue outside of Jolly" is rumored to form the acronym CWRU in its shadow at some point during the year. However there are more theories surrounding the mysterious shadow from the statue.

"If you look closely, you can begin to see what appears to be a triangle with an eye in the middle," said one reputable theorist. "The Illuminati are among us."

"The day after 9/11 I walked past the statue and I swear the shadow said, 'jet fuel can't melt steel beams,'" said a 13th year doctoral student, whose dissertation is titled "Why the World Isn't Round."

"THE SHADOW SAID 2012! THAT IS WHEN IT'S ALL OVER," screamed a doomsayer from the depths of the Wade Lagoon.

"Bro I was walking around at night, it was super freakin' dark, and the shadow by the statue said, '4/20 blaze it,'" remarked a sophisticated BME pre-med stoner. "I think."



Jared Clark

Mystery mad lib: Case #84, Disappearing and appearing items

Jessica Chalas

This report is based loosely on real events that occurred at CWRU in fall 2015.

Dear Detective _____,
(your name)

As of late, there have been a plethora of freshmen and sophomore students who have

_____ reported stolen items, all in the course of the past _____.
(adverb) (number) (unit of time)

For example, _____ claimed their _____ is nowhere to be found. Likewise,
(name 1) (noun 1)

_____ is missing their _____, which they say is imperative to success on their
(name 2) (noun)

_____ exam next Wednesday. _____ was so _____ about the situation,
(school subject) (Name 2) (adjective)

that they _____ into our office, waving their _____ in the air and demanding
(verb, -ed) (body part(s))

due course of action. To add to the confusion, some _____ random fruit—specifically
(number)

_____, _____ and _____ — wrapped in _____
(fruit, pl.), (fruit, pl.) (fruit, pl.) (type of undergarment, pl.)

have recently been appearing in the stairwells of freshmen dorms.

Resident assistants have been scoping out the _____ events, but are just as
(adjective)

_____ as the rest of the students. They think that maybe the _____ are to
(adjective) (noun, pl.)

blame, but have so far found no substantial evidence that would support this _____
(adjective)

theory. Please look into this as soon as you can, preferably within the next _____
(number)

_____.
(unit of time)

Sincerely,

Office of Undergraduate Affairs

_____ later...

(Number) (unit of time)

Change in plans. It seems the _____ mystery has been _____ debunked.
(adjective) (adverb)

Custodians were responsible for taking all items left in common rooms and storing

them in _____ for safekeeping. This was discovered when resident assistants
(campus location)

happened upon _____'s _____ during rounds and returned it to him promptly.
(name 1) (noun 1)

All items reported missing were subsequently found and returned to their _____
(adjective)

owners. In regards to the fruit, it was discovered that a _____ of _____
(collective noun) (animal, pl.)

on campus grounds were simply storing food for the winter in the _____
(superlative adjective – ex: fastest)

place they could think of—naturally, the freshmen dorms. As for the _____
(undergarment from above, pl.)

—well, we'll let you keep working on that one.

Athenian classifieds

Daniel Mottern

Selling:

Gold Chains: Used but in good condition, worn by Barbara Snyder at University Commencement and a Skrillex concert, \$2,000.

“Whistling Vivaldi” by Claude M. Steele, “Quiet” by Susan Cain, “The Boy who Harnessed the Wind” by William Kamkwamba and “Zoobiquity” by Barbara Natterson-Horowitz: All in perfect condition, never used. \$200 per book (because I need to be repaid for the time I’ve wasted).

Collection of BDSM gear: Rarely used. Must come to my “apartment” for pick-up. \$100, but will discount for any questionable stains.

Seeking:

Higher quality, stain-free BDSM gear.

Someone willing to “Netflix and Chill,” “Hulu and Hang Out,” “Illegally stream and Snuggle,” etc. Any sexual advances will be met with a mixture of disgust and intrigue.

Italian grandmother to live in college dorm. Must be able to cook delicious Italian food, be extremely sweet and adorable. Must be fine with me showing you off to all of my friends.

Cashier: Entry level position, minimum wage. Must have: 20 years of experience, a Ph.D. in either philosophy or theoretical physics.

New roommate: Previous roommate broke the roommate code for saying things like “Please don’t touch my stuff” and “Oh god why is there a dead body in the refrigerator.” Meet at the Village if interested. Come unarmed.

New writer for The Athenian Classifieds section, need replacement for horrible writer.

Notice:

Lost my will to succeed in school somewhere between move-in day and today. Please search for in Sears 413, the location of my first Calc III exam.

Lost my father’s love the day I dropped out of med school. If found, please contact me at the nearest strip club. Ask for Bubble-butt Betty. On an unrelated note, also selling med school textbooks.

Big foot found on campus

Adithi Iyengar

Case Western Reserve University was put into a state of confusion when an extremely large foot was found on campus.

A student walking to class in the early morning found the giant foot while passing the Tinkham Veale University Center (TVUC). At first the student was confused and thought she was hallucinating due to a lack of sleep from doing homework until late the night before, but then she thought it was just a new weird sculpture on campus.

"With the Ugly Statue, the Wet-Dry Fountain and many others, it was only natural for me to think it was just another piece of art," said the student. Once she realized that real blood was coming out of the foot, she immediately called the CWRU Police Department.

"I was horrified. I did the first thing that came to mind," said the student.

The police came immediately to investigate the foot.

After further investigation, it was found that a lab in the Case Western Re-



Jared Clark

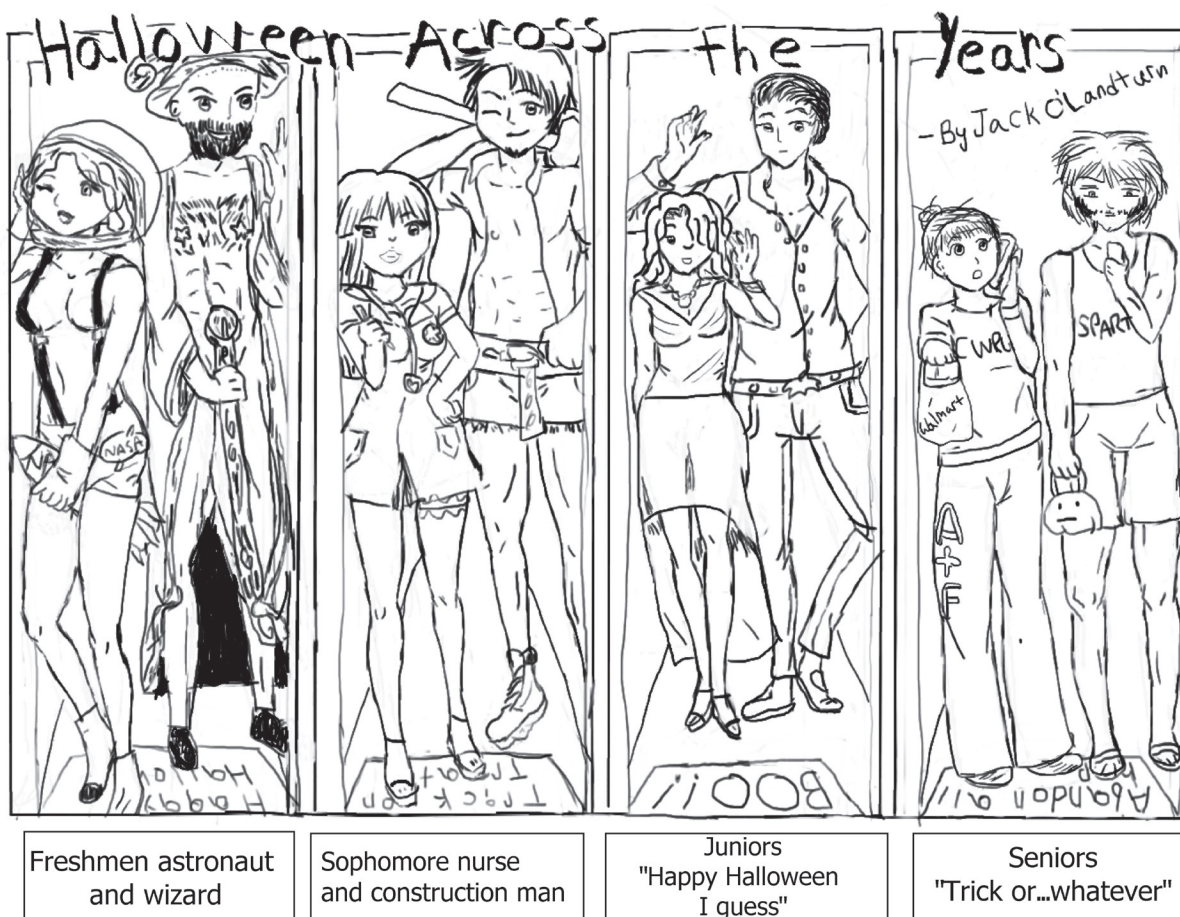
serve University School of Medicine was doing work on limb enlargement and they had misplaced the foot.

"One of the students working in the lab accidentally cut off his foot, so we decided to use it as part of our experiment," said a researcher. "We're just glad that someone found it. We were looking around campus all night."

How the team lost the foot is a mys-

tery to anyone. The good news is that the experiment was a success and the results will soon be published.

"Despite some unfounded concerns about Institutional Review Board regulation breaches and such, I think this was a pretty successful experiment," said the researcher. The foot will be used as a high-tech device, used for finding furniture and lost lego pieces in the dark.



Freshmen astronaut
and wizard

Sophomore nurse
and construction man

Juniors
"Happy Halloween
I guess"

Seniors
"Trick or...whatever"

Blacklight reveals CWRU's dirty secrets

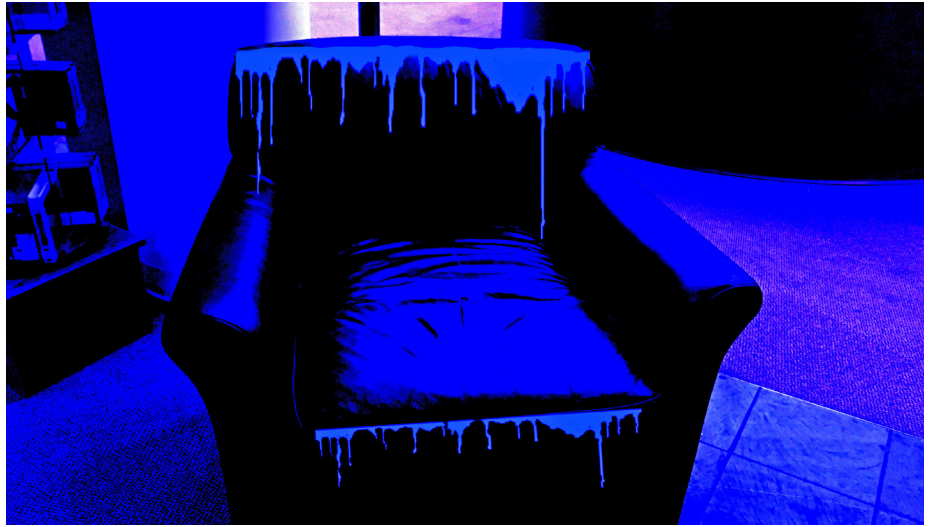
Riddhi Patel

This afternoon, Case Western Reserve University was given the opportunity to conduct an investigative project at some of its most popular venues. A black light was used to inspect several on-campus buildings and some shocking discoveries were made.

First off, watch where you sleep, lay down or sit in the Kelvin Smith Library. Like most of the CWRU campus, I have taken my fair share of naps in KSL. Who hasn't? You will regret those 30-40 minute power naps after discovering what is really on all those cubicles and couches: saliva. Lots and lots of saliva. Guess when one too many students fall asleep, they drool a little or a lot.

Besides the excessive amounts of saliva, other interesting discoveries were found inside these library walls as well. Spilled 5-Hour Energies, coffee and maybe Adderall (but most likely Tylenol) stained several desks throughout the library's three floors.

If you thought that was bad, you will not believe what we found in the basement of the Mather Memorial Building. It is the big red building across from PBL that only sociology and psychology majors have classes in and



Beth Magid

maybe a few other people because of SAGES. It is a building that has nine entrances but only one works and a bathroom that requires identification to use, which is found in the basement.

Also found in this basement is a lactation center which consists of a plastic chair. Several strains of bacteria and STDs were uncovered thanks to our trusty black light—guess this building is where students like to get

down and dirty.

Speaking of dirty, the Denny's bathroom had a lot uncovered as well. With its negative reputation as a regretful stop on a Saturday night, Denny's far surpassed its already dirty reputation. The bathroom were lined in urine and puke—typical of those who inhabit it during the busy weekend hours. Hopefully these discoveries will lead to a better and cleaner CWRU.

Jack the Ripper found: turns out to be misunderstood Jack the Rapper

Paul Palumbo

In what can only be described as the second most baffling legal case in the history of the judicial system, a man claiming to be possessed by the spirit of Jack the Rapper has filed a lawsuit against several prominent historians for libel. Jack claims that at no point did he brutally murder anybody, and the letters sent to the police were wildly misinterpreted when they were examined decades later.

"I thought of some new lyrics, but I wasn't really sure if they sounded good," said Jack the [to be determined]. "So I sent them to the police, because they seemed nice and I knew for a fact the commissioner was a lover of the craft. 'The next job I do I

shall clip the lady's ears off and send them to the police officers just for jolly...?' That was a metaphor for how nobody listens! I was going to be the next William Knyvett, but those historians have completely twisted my words!"

The historians, led by Alfonse Derdric, claim that to accept this suit into court would be absolutely ludicrous.

"Mr. The Ripper is simply trying to fix the reputation created by his ghastly actions after a century of notoriety," alleged Derdric by writing it down on a piece of paper and charging us \$150 to read it. "This is no different from when the ghost of John Wilkes Booth claimed his assassination of Lincoln

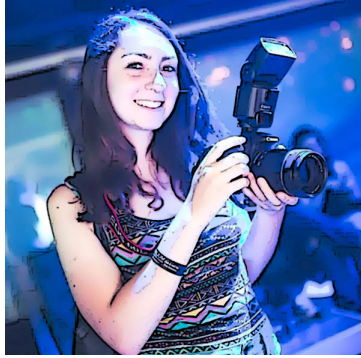
was a 'staged performance gone horribly awry,' or when an Ouija board contacting Gilles de Rais asserted 'a deathbed confession cannot be considered proof that I killed over 600 peasant children.'

We asked who Gilles de Rais was, but Derdric only scoffed at us and muttered "typical," under his breath.

Despite Derdric's opposition, the two are scheduled to appear in court next week to determine the guilt of Jack the Rapper/Ripper, and by extension the guilt of the historians for libel. Should an unexpected verdict be reached, a new wave of altered history books are sure to send tears down penniless students' cheeks.

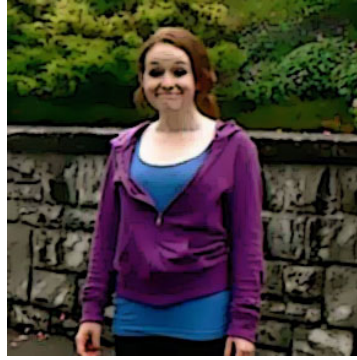
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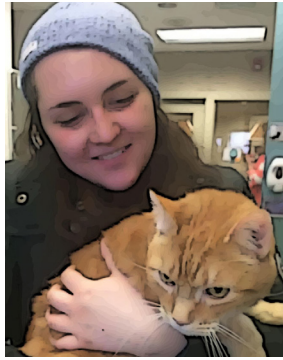
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Beth is a senior marketing major with a theater minor. In her spare time, she works as a film editor/graphic designer, binge-watches Netflix, and eats chocolate. Lots. Her goal in life is to be an animator for Pixar, but if that doesn't pan out, she'll settle for professional (web) surfer.



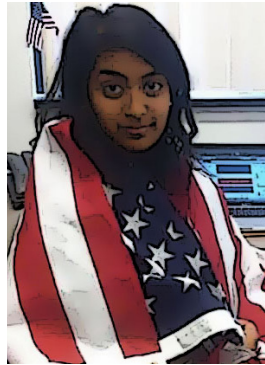
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Julia is a senior at CWRU, double majoring in cognitive science and political science, basically ensuring that she'll never, ever get a job. She's a proofreader for The Athenian, because she loves grammar and hates the Oxford comma (#DealWithIt). Outside of The Athenian, she's also the Director of Web and Multimedia for The Observer and a die hard fan of reality television.



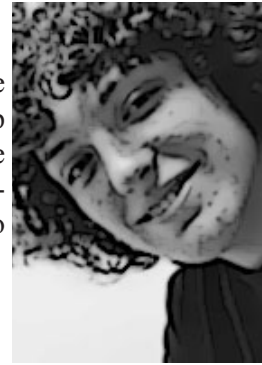
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Sarah doesn't know what to write here because she works as a government auditor and isn't funny, sorry. Look at how cute her dog is though.



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If Mahima's life could be summed up in 1 paragraph, she would die of embarrassment. Please get to know her in person.



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Annie loves sports and she works for the government. Her favorite things in life are politics, transition lenses, sad puppy commercials and titles without puns. The musk of an RTA bus stop at 3 a.m. is, to Annie, the most beautiful perfume. She isn't a member of The Athenian and she hates the publication almost as much as she hates Netflix. Happy (not) opposite day!



Angeline Xiong, Cover Artist

Proper name Angeline, steppin in the scene. Coloring for Athenian, my style is mad mean. Magazine issues like paper, stack em high. If the haters don't like it, we can say good bye. No more wack humor pics, I'm the new high. Try, try, try, try again, you'll never pass me by. Peep the last issues, you might need some more tissues. Do what I do, put yourself in my shoes. Jump in 2013, start the coffee beans. Grindin in the basement workin in the scene, elbow grease every night with me and my team.



Barbara Snyder, President

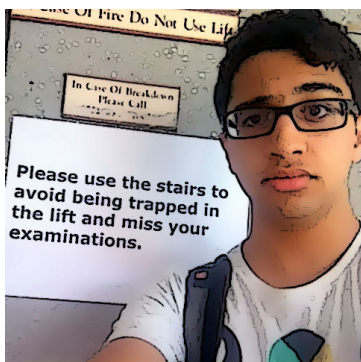
According to her Wikipedia page, "Barbara R. Snyder is an American academic and president of Case Western Reserve University."

She is listed as staff because she is probably one of the best sources of content that we have.



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David is large freshwater turtle found in North American swamps and rivers. Known for his fierce biting power and belligerent attitude, he will frequently attack creatures much larger than himself using his mighty jaws. He is solitary by nature, and spends the majority of his time basking in the sun, hunting for food, or pretending to be a log. If an unsuspecting fish or frog gets too close, David will use his long, flexible neck to chomp them at lightning speed!



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Tejas Joshi came into his powers after drinking an unreplicable concoction of caffeine and stimulants one late night too many during freshman year. His newfound abilities to make projections and speak only in the third-person omniscient have been both a blessing and a curse. Tejas enjoys majoring in math, April Fools' Day, and using the word 'literally' in figurative contexts. Tejas' weaknesses include med school applications, cyanide and occasionally becoming unstuck in time. He hopes to use his powers for good before he dies on Sunday, 11 April 2083, most likely due to a malignant neoplasm (projection).



Jp O'hagan, Distribution Manager:

JP O'Hagan isn't funny. Despite being from Chicago, a city that has brought us countless comedy geniuses, JP isn't funny. JP is an engineer, and of course engineers aren't funny. Sure some engineers are funny but most aren't. JP isn't one of those funny engineers. Most engineers think that are funny, but they aren't. JP is one of those engineers. Despite not being funny JP, is sometimes useful. JP is sometimes useful when he carries the work of people who are funny all over campus so that other people can laugh about work that is funny because JP didn't write it. As he carries around our funny work, JP hopes for a time when he can sometime say something funny that we would put in our magazine, but we don't expect that time to come for a very very very long time. However, in the meantime JP. is the Distribution Manager for the Athenian.

Cemetery

Two Fairly Bitter Cynics

Spot Night

Will now be forgotten more than one time per week. Always forgotten, never remembered.

Cleveland Indians Mascot

Fondly remembered as a way for many middle-class white Americans to justify their racially charged attitudes.

Sofia Vergara

Caring friend, but fondly remembered as the the lady with the boobs that flopped around like nobody's business.

Sigmund Freud

Remembered as the only penis man that was capable of clinically diagnosing patients' with a desire to sleep with their own parents.

Neutral Milk Hotel

This beloved band died well before it was cool, and will forever give hipsters another way to feed their self-inflicted poverty.

Richard Dawkins

A beloved evolutionary biologist; died of autism contracted by his most recent flu shot.

George Bush's brother

In loving memory of a politician who was overshadowed by his marginally competent older brother.

BuzzFeed

Beloved by many. Their last remaining wish was to have you take the quiz "Which Korean condiment are you?"

The last shower of a CWRU nerd

2005