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# Livingston to take office as Lewis' president in July

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After months of searching for a new president to guide Lewis University after the retirement of current President, Br. James Gaffney, the Board of Trustees has elected to fill the position with Dr. David Livingston, current president of Lourdes University, effective July 1.

Livingston said that Lewis is an excellent school with many unique programs, and he is looking forward to building upon the amazing work done by Gaffney and the Lasallian Brothers.

"I'm excited about the opportunity for me in terms of being able to lead a great institution and offer students the opportunity of getting a great education but also to have the opportunity of getting into grad school or getting into a good career opportunity for them after they graduate, and I think that's an important part of what a president needs to do," Livingston said.

"I spent virtually all of my professional life in Catholic education in some form or another."

Livingston taught at two

Catholic high schools in Illinois, was a professor and chair of the religious studies department at Mercyhurst University in Pa. and is currently the president of Lourdes University in Ohio.

Throughout his career, he has worked with many different orders including the Jesuits, Dominicans and Franciscans, and he looks forward to working with the brothers and learning more about the Lasallian tradition.

"I certainly think it's very important for any president to live out the mission of the sponsoring order, and I think, for Catholic schools, to live out and promote the Catholic intellectual tradition in the way that we live out life," said Livingston.

The biggest challenges Livingston expects to face when he becomes president on July 1 include the funding issues surrounding the MAP grant and how he can follow in the footsteps of such a great leader like Gaffney.

"I have to lead in my own way and not try to pretend that I can be Br. James."

For Livingston, being present and available to the student body is one of his top priorities.



Photo courtesy of Lewis University

The current Lourdes University president is set to lead Lewis July 1.

"Seeing students in their best space...is one of the best parts of the job," said Livingston.

Though interacting with students is a high priority for Livingston, he also acknowledges that Lewis needs revenue to continue serving students and the community.

"I view it as a significant part of my job to raise funds from alumni and people who support the Lewis mission, but also to work on grants that we can get from both federal and the state government that can support construction as well as research, faculty posi-

tions and student work," said Livingston, "I will work very hard on the funding side to try and keep the cost of tuition as low as we can for students."

The future president believes that higher education is changing with the advent of the Internet, and he'd like to lead the way to change how students learn.

In a world with constant access to information, Livingston believes that practical knowledge will be more

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# Rauner expected to veto MAP Grant Bill

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A spokesperson for Illinois Governor Bruce Rauner's administration has revealed his plans to veto the Monetary Award Program (MAP) grant bill, a source of financial aid for low-income college students.

The MAP funding is a need-based grant for Illinois students, and the amount awarded varies from \$450 to \$4,720.

Rauner had previously stated his plans to veto the bill, but the Illinois Senate paused the decision in effort to have the governor reconsider.

According to NBC Chicago, The Illinois Student Assistance Commission estimated that

the bill would help fund MAP grant assistance for 125,000 to 130,000 eligible students.

Illinois has not had a budget since July 2015 because of the Legislature and Rauner's inability to agree on an amount of money for the state. Therefore, there has been no money to fund the MAP grant.

For the 2015-2016 school year, most colleges and universities in the Chicagoland area, including Lewis, have provided the expected funds for students in need, but are unsure of how they will be able to make up for the lack of funds that the MAP grant provides in the future.

Sen. Laura Murphy, along with other members of the Senate see the importance of

the MAP grant for students in need.

"MAP grants are absolutely vital to thousands of students across Illinois," Murphy said. "Today, I stand with these students and ask the governor to sign this legislation and invest in the future of Illinois."

Representatives from Lewis and fifteen other Chicagoland area schools including DePaul, University of Illinois at Chicago and Columbia College Chicago attended a rally outside of the Thompson Center in Chicago to demonstrate the importance of MAP on Feb. 16.

Faculty, staff and students at Lewis began writing letters to Gov. Rauner about the delay in MAP funding this past



Photo courtesy of Dr. Jordan Humphrey

Students participate in MAP rally in Chicago.

January. Tables were set up on campus in the Academic Building, St. Benilde Hall, the Courtyard Café, South Hall and the St. Charles Borromeo Center to promote and assist

students writing letters to the state.

Lewis' website cites that nearly 1,700 letters have been mailed to the Governor's Office.



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## Top Flight prepares for takeoff

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Students with computers full of political writings now have an outlet to receive extra attention for all their hard work. Top Flight, a new student run political journal at Lewis University is actively searching for content to fill their inaugural first edition.

The deadline to enter content for review is on Feb. 29. Submission is open to all undergraduate students and topics discussed in those submissions should be related to the field of political science, international relations and policy.

"We're starting something new, and hopefully it keeps growing. Kind of like the Jet Fuel Review and the paper," said M'Aggie Huggins, Top Flight editor and junior political science and economics major.

Once submissions have been received, editors are responsible for reviewing, selecting and editing content which will then be sent back to the original author for any possible corrections before publication. Content will be reviewed based upon the quality of content, structure and the scope of which it uses to address issues relating to political science, international relations and policy.

Top Flight is slated to be published annually and this year, its planned release date coincides with induction of new members into Alpha Delta Gamma, Lewis University's chapter of the Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science Honors Society.

Pi Sigma Alpha sponsors Top Flight and four of their inductees are responsible for starting the political journal from the ground up with assistance from advisor Steven Nawara, assistant political science professor.

From Huggins' own experience, she has learned that political science students are required to write extensive papers for their classes, many involving research, which once graded tend to sit around and collect dust.

Huggins believes that through Top Flight, students will be given another chance to share their hard work so that the authors will gain some recognition. Undergraduate students wishing to submit their papers for review can do so by e-mailing [lewistopflight@gmail.com](mailto:lewistopflight@gmail.com) until Feb. 29.

After Huggins and her fellow Pi Sigma Alpha members graduate, she hopes "people continue on with it so it becomes an ongoing publication at Lewis."

## Students participate in Valentine's Day 'Create-A-Bear' event

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Students participated in the "Create-A-Bear" event at Charlie's Place, organized by the Student Development and Leadership Department on Thursday, Feb. 11 in celebration of Valentine's Day. According to Sophia Barakat, coordinator of student development and leadership, this is the second year the

department has sponsored "Create-A-Bear," a quick and casual event in which students can stuff and decorate bears as potential Valentine's Day gifts. The next event that the Student Development and Leadership Department has planned is a rave on March 19 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Free for Lewis students, the rave will be hosted in the field house and will feature performances from student DJs along with DJ Flipside.



Flora Alvarado and Jaymore Hicks, senior marketing majors, Laura Lopez, senior nursing major and Alyssa Powers, junior management information systems major gather together to make Valentine's Day gifts.



Kelly Stremme and Darette Ly, senior nursing majors, stuff their bears.



Emily McGee and Claire Rzonca, freshman nursing majors, dress multiple bears.



Sophia Bakarar and Dylan Groskreutz, sophomore mathematics major, welcome students to the event at the front table.

Photos by Samantha Gennett

## Lewis community participates in professor's marriage proposal

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Love knows no distance and marketing professor Robert Bergman can attest to that.

Bergman was honored at the men's volleyball matchup against Ohio State as professor of the game on Saturday, Feb. 13, but also took time to honor a very special person in his life.

Bergman proposed to his long-time, long-distance girlfriend Polly Sievert King.

Bergman's various accomplishments were highlighted as the men's volleyball team joined him on the court. As Brother James Gaffney, FSC handed Bergman the game volleyball, he also handed him an engagement ring.

King was unaware of the events taking place and continued to stand on the sidelines, taking pictures as Bergman was being honored.

King was then asked to join Bergman on the court. As the cheerleading team changed their spirit posters to say "will

you," the Flyerettes used their pom-poms to form a question mark and the men's volleyball team all took one knee.

Bergman then asked King to spend the rest of her life with him, to which she said yes.

The couple met 15 years ago in northern Wisconsin where the two separately owned summer homes that were 11 miles from each other.

The Lewis community came together to create a memorable moment for both Bergman and King to carry on with them.



Brother James Gaffney handed Professor Robert Bergman the engagement ring as he proposed to his girlfriend Polly Sievert King.

Photos by Natalie Budig

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important than the ability to recall specific facts.

"You have to teach people context," said Livingston. "You have to teach people how to edit information well—meaning we have too much information in our society now and what we have to do is figure out what's important to pay attention to."

Livingston's first priority as president is to attend student events and learn about the community.

"You have to listen before you walk in and say this is what needs to be done," said Livingston.

In the long term, Livingston plans to increase awareness of the quality programs offered by Lewis so the university will appeal to more than residents in the immediate Chicagoland area. Livingston grew up in Dundee, just north of Romeoville, and holds a doctorate in theology from Vanderbilt University, a masters degree in theology from Loyola University and a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Augustana College.

"I'm really looking forward to getting to know [the students]. I want all the students to know that I want them to feel comfortable coming and talking to me. I want to hear what their ideas are, what their concerns are and what their dreams are for Lewis," said Livingston.

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# Life skills week to promote real world application, alumni awareness

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Lewis University's Alumni Association (LUAA) is bringing the campus community a useful flight plan.

From March 21 to 24, LUAA will host Your Flight Plan: Life Skills Week.

The weeklong event full of free seminars will focus on the necessary skills students need as they enter the workforce upon graduation.

Topics like business etiquette, personal taxes, insurance and buying your first home are only a few of the many skills that will be discussed during the sessions.

After hearing back from students that they are looking for more real world knowledge, the LUAA came together to create different workshops that addressed these needs.

This year, the seminars fit together into one week dedicated specifically to the learning of life skills.

"The Lewis University Alumni Association has a real focus on trying to provide services and valuable activities for students and the alumni," said Reggie Bustinza, director of alumni relations. "One

thing that we have heard from a lot of young alumni is that they get out of college and they get into the real world and they don't have some of the skills they need to succeed as well as they would like."

Both students and young alumni have the opportunity to gain valuable understanding from these presentations. The skills being addressed will be practical and relatable.

Along with learning important life skills, LUAA is also hoping to bring awareness to the purpose of the Alumni Association.

"Ultimately what we want is for students to understand what the alumni association is and why they need to be involved with it when they graduate," Bustinza said.

Lewis has a total of 40,000 alumni, with members in each state and 15 countries all around the world.

The association wants to attract graduating students to pay it back and help other students as alumni in the future.

The LUAA also has a goal to bring awareness to the young alumni committee, which is composed of recent graduates in their 20s and 30s to show that not all alumni groups are for an older generation.



Infographic created by Laura Fox

"We think that if we can provide things like this that build awareness, hopefully some of that carries over and then when [students] graduate, they understand the alumni association," Bustinza said.

On Monday, March 21 and Thursday, March 24, the sessions will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Oak Brook campus.

The seminars will address business etiquette, under-

standing personal taxes and investing for retirement.

On Tuesday, March 22 and Wednesday, March 23, the sessions will also begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Romeoville Campus and will discuss insurance, resume and interview tips, buying your first home and pursuing a graduate degree.

The LUAA encourages students to network with the

alumni attending the seminars and anticipates attendees will take away practical skills that will help them financially and professionally after they graduate.

"We hope that we can provide a service of value to the students and the young alumni; that is the number one thing we want to do. We want it to be valuable," Bustinza said.



Whether graduation is around the corner or a few years away, it's never too early to think about life after Lewis.

To help you prepare, the Lewis University Alumni Association (LUAA) is hosting **YOUR FLIGHT PLAN: LIFE SKILLS WEEK**, a series of FREE seminars focused on topics that go beyond your diploma. Join students and alumni at various sessions throughout the week to increase your knowledge and move from backpack to briefcase.

There is no charge and each evening's sessions will be followed with a reception to give you the opportunity to network and ask more questions.

For more information, contact Lisa Heizer at (815) 836-5545 or [heizerl@lewisu.edu](mailto:heizerl@lewisu.edu).

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**Monday, March 21 – Oak Brook**  
Business Etiquette – Mary Myers, Office of Career Services  
Understanding Personal Taxes – Steve Betts '82

**Tuesday, March 22 – Romeoville**  
Insurance Explained – Kelsey Zimmermann, Liberty Mutual Representative  
Resume and Interview Tips – Tamika Thompson '12

**Wednesday, March 23 – Romeoville**  
Buying Your First Home – Lisa Petrik '12  
Pursuing a Graduate Degree – Linda Campbell '81, MA '12

**Thursday, March 24 – Oak Brook**  
Investing for Retirement – Bill Parker MBA '05, MS '08

# HEALTH

## Chipotle resolves food safety concerns

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After taking a few hours on Feb. 8 to meet with the entire Chipotle staff nationwide, the Mexican grill fast food chain is back with some new changes.

The series of food-related illness outbreaks led to a live video stream of CEO Steve Eells apologizing for the recent outbreaks. In the meeting, he also described new food safety measures in the food safety program.

The plan requires employees to wash their hands for at least 20 seconds every hour. After washing their hands, employees must also use hand sanitizer. All sick employees cannot return to work until the symptoms have subsided for five days, and this time off will be paid.

To further increase precautions on spreading germs and bacteria, if anyone, a customer or employee, vomits in a restaurant, it will be closed immediately. The incident will also be reported to a new safety, security and risk database.

The cause of the two E. coli outbreaks still remains unknown; however, Eells said during the meeting that cross



Infographic created by Jessica Tennant

contamination between foods was likely the problem.

The outbreak of salmonella has been traced back to tomatoes. Now, the tomatoes, peppers and other ingredients will be pre-chopped at a central location rather than chopped in each restaurant.

As described on Chipotle's website, ingredients will go through high resolution testing where a large number of samples will be taken from a small batch of an ingredient and tested for germs. This testing will take place at both farms and centers of prepara-

tion. Meat will only be marinated at night after all other ingredients have been put away to avoid cross contamination. Some produce, such as lemons, limes, jalapeno peppers, onions and avocados will be blanched for five seconds to kill germs.

Looking back, restaurants affected by E. coli and other food illnesses have not taken much initiative to fully disclose new food safety procedures to the public.

Jimmy John's has had six different outbreaks of food ill-

ness since 2008.

Alfalfa sprouts at the Jimmy John's Restaurants in Boulder County and Adams County in Colorado were found with E. coli after 28 fell ill in 2008.

Alfalfa sprouts from a location in Omaha, Neb. were also related to illness found in Jimmy John's food affecting 256 customers in 2009. The sprouts at various Jimmy John's restaurants in the Illinois counties of Adams, Champaign, Cook, DuPage, Kankakee, Macon, McHenry, McLean, Peoria and Will were found with Salmonella after 140 were sickened in 2010. Salmonella from sprouts was found in Washington in 2010, E. coli found again in 11 different states in 2012 and also found in more states in 2014. After all these cases, Jimmy John's did not release full disclosure of new procedures or safety policies to be implemented to prevent cases of food illnesses.

E. coli affected Jack in the Box customers when the bug was traced to undercooked hamburger in 1993. In the western U.S., 623 people fell ill. Four children died from their infections, and many others suffered long-term medical complications.

The results of the outbreak led to new food safety stan-

dards called Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP). NASA developed this concept with the Pillsbury Company in the 1960s to ensure food for the space program would have the least possible chance of sickening astronauts.

Jack in the Box now requires random E. coli sampling of all beef supplies. When certain plants have consistent E. coli problems, they drop the supplier. Jack in the Box even made strict rules for slaughterhouses where their beef comes from.

After the incident, the chain offered to cover the medical expenses of victims, set up a special telephone hotline, made a generous contribution to help find a cure for the E. coli and replaced their beef provider. They informed public of the changes through an advertising campaign.

Chipotle immediately handled the food illnesses with no justification or denial. Within the last 10 years, there hasn't been a restaurant to respond to food-related adversity like Chipotle. Chipotle's tactic to attract customers after the nationwide meeting included offering free burritos to those who texted in a code from a smartphone device.

## Students 'Go Red' to prevent heart illness

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February is known as the month of hearts, but some may not realize that it's also the month of heart health awareness.

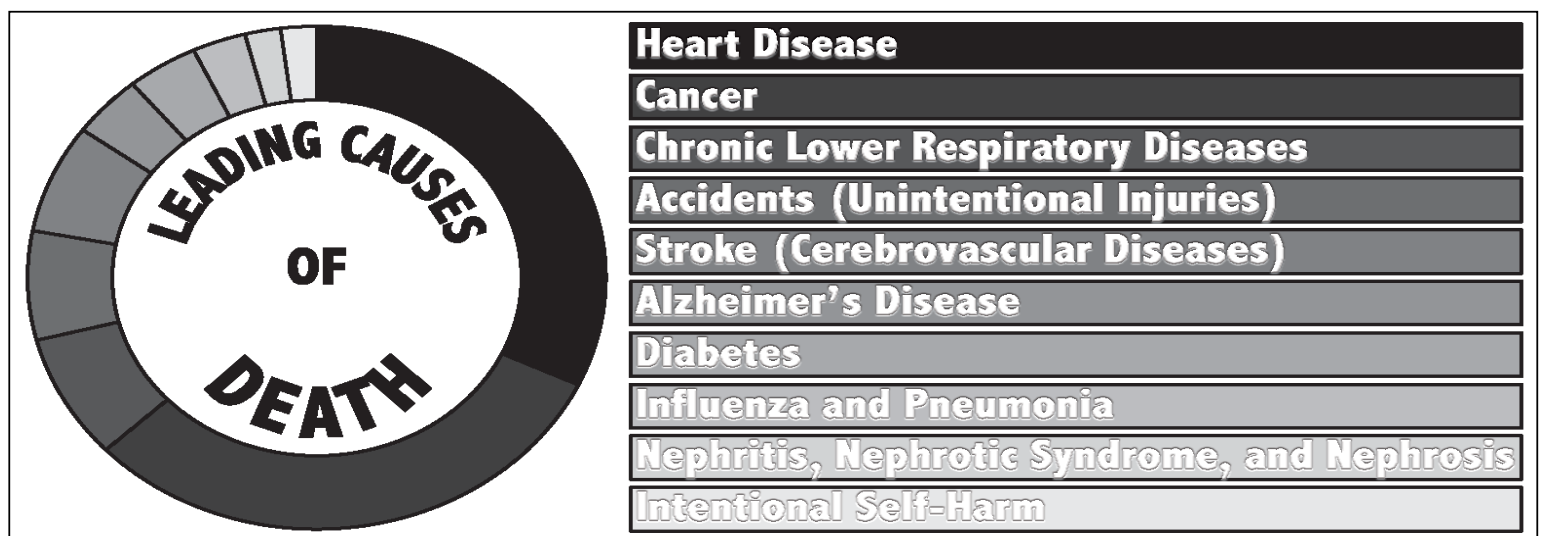
The American National Heart Association has created a campaign to help bring awareness to heart disease in women.

"Go Red for Women" stands for more than just bringing awareness to heart health. "Go Red" is an acronym. G stands for get your numbers, O stands for own your lifestyle, R stands for realizing your risk, E stands for educate your family and D stands for don't be silent.

On Feb. 3, Lewis University brought awareness to students with a Lunch and Learn program to help educate students and staff on the importance of good heart health.

As of 2013, heart disease was the number one cause of death among men and women.

This number was greater



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than the number of all cancers combined.

Only 65 percent of women say that the first thing they would do if they thought they were having a heart attack was call 911.

Heart disease can be prevented through keeping both current health and health history in mind along with diet, physical activity and cholesterol levels.

Cholesterol is something that people struggle to read. A person's triglycerides should be less than 150 milligrams.

Total cholesterol should be less than 200 milligrams.

LDL or low-density lipoprotein should be less than 100 milligrams with HDL or high-density lipoprotein should be less than 40 milligrams.

Health professionals also recommend certain lifestyle changes.

These changes include a healthy diet, not smoking and increased physical activity. Women are recommended to increase consumption of plant foods, whole grains, nuts, legumes, fruits and vegetables.

Trying to limit trans fats is also recommended and instead consuming healthy fats such as olive, soy and canola oil.

Salt and alcoholic beverages should also be limited. Staying physically active is recommended to keep the heart strong.

In one week, a person should have two hours and 30 minutes of exercise with moderate intensity with an hour and 15 minutes of vigorously intense aerobic exercise. This should be spread throughout

the week. A regular checkup with a medical professional is encouraged.

Registered Nurse Practitioner Maureen McCormick informed students and staff that doctors and nurses should be listening to your heartbeat utilizing a stethoscope that is placed against your skin and not over your clothing.

Students should listen to their bodies and reflect on their lifestyle to make sure they are not heightening their chances of heart disease.

# Natural defenses cause bedbugs to feast longer

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As the colder months keep residents curled up in their dorm rooms, the last thing-students want to do is find a bedbug watching Netflix with them.

The most common way to get rid of bedbugs is through pesticides; however, bedbugs have natural defenses such as protective genes and thick skin that protect them against pesticides and insecticides, according to research published in the *Nature Communications* journal.

These natural defenses cause problems when it comes to getting rid of the pests.

These protective genes don't kick in until the pests have feasted on their first meal of human blood, according to Christopher Mason, the assistant professor of physiology and biophysics at Weill Cornell Medicine in New York City.

Mason said that insecticides are more likely to kill cockroaches than bedbugs.



Photo by Marissa Mangala

Alyssa Guillermo, a freshman nursing major, keeps her bed lofted to easily maintain cleanliness.

By killing one of the pests you may end up with more of the other.

Bedbugs can reside in mattresses, bed frames, hotels, theaters, public transportation and schools, making us wonder what precautions Lewis takes to prevent these persistent pests.

"Lewis provides every bed

on campus a mattress cover that is treated to prevent bed bugs. At the end of each school year, the Residence Life staff inspects every mattress and bed frame to ensure there are no signs of bed bugs," said Fredrick Gandy, director of Residence Life.

Gandy explained that when the mattress covers are re-

moved after each school year, they are placed into garbage bags and recycled.

"When I moved in [to Ryan Hall], she [mom] cleaned the bed with bed bug wipes and sprays, and then I put another cover on from home and then put my sheets on it," said senior nursing major Sarah Sassanelli.

Sassanelli added that she thinks Lewis does a good job at keeping the residence halls clean as well.

Something to remember is that bedbugs are not the result of filth.

Clean and spotless areas can be infested because the pests can be carried in on clothing, suitcases and other personal belongings.

Bedbugs can also be found along edges of carpet and clothing drawers.

Knowing what bedbugs look like may save your clothing and furniture in the future.

According to the U.S. Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, bedbugs are flat, reddish-brown insects that range from one to seven millimeters in size.

To protect yourself from bedbugs, make sure to wash new clothing or bedding before putting it to use, inspect beds when traveling, inspect your own bed regularly and don't be afraid to use mattress covers.

If you should come across bedbugs, contact a professional immediately.

## Bulletproof Coffee: a trend worth trying

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For many college students, coffee is kind of their best friend: it's there for the dreaded 8 a.m. class, during midterms and throughout the bitter cold of February.

Believe it or not, a concoction has come around to help college students, as well as everyone else in the world get even more out of our daily cup of coffee. Behold: Bulletproof Coffee.

No, it's not a brand of coffee beans or some fancy latte. Bulletproof Coffee is a coffee recipe created by businessman Dave Asprey that consists of black coffee blended with butter and brain octane oil. Asprey came up with the idea for the recipe after trying yak butter tea on his trip to Tibet.

The tea gave him the idea for the coffee recipe, after claiming the blend of caffeine and unsalted butter provided him with the best energy he had ever experienced.

The creator of the coffee credits the ingredients that went into making the tea for his "incredible energy and focus." Upon his arrival back to the U.S., he did research about the benefits of unsalted butter and brain octane oil on the hu-

man's brain and metabolism, and created his very own coffee recipe that allows for maximum positive effects on the body. According to Asprey's website that details the science behind the formula, brain octane oil, or MCT oil, is beneficial in a cup of coffee because it provides energy with no crash. The oil quickly turns into ATP in the body, providing quick and long-lasting energy to keep a person going throughout the day.

The grass fed unsalted butter is key in this kind of coffee because it is full of high-quality fats and nutrients and also adds a tasty foam to the top of the coffee when blended with the other ingredients.

This means that sugary coffee creamers and sweeteners are no longer necessary.

To try this coffee, pour 8 to 12 ounces of black coffee into a blender, and then add in 1 to 2 tablespoons of brain octane oil and 1 to 2 tablespoons of unsalted grass-fed butter (Asprey recommends Kerrygold butter, which can be found at most grocery stores). Blend the mixture for about 30 seconds, and there you have it: a foamy, latte-like coffee portion that is delicious, healthy and effective enough to give you the energy you need to rock out your day, all day.

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# TEMPO

## Black History Month Workshop Series offers professional advice

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As part of the Black History Month Workshop Series, the Multicultural Student Services organization collaborated with the Career Services department in hosting an event catering to building students' professional skills on Feb. 10.

The speaker for the event was Sonya Lee, graduate assistant for the Career Services department.

Her interactive presentation detailed the importance of "branding" one's self, having proper interview skills and maintaining a strong work ethic.

Lee began her presentation by pointing out famous companies Apple and Nike, as well as Michael Jordan and Michelle Obama as "brands." Businesses and people both have images they convey to society, and it's important to maintain them in proper ways.

She encouraged attendees that "branding" yourself properly extends far beyond face-to-face impressions, but also to online personalities.

Lee continued her presentation with detailed information about the basic skills of interviewing.

She explained the steps in the interview process such as preparing before the interview, remaining calm during the interview and showing gratitude after the interview.

Lee emphasized the importance of the resume as a snapshot of the interviewee, so it must be updated and checked regularly.

She said one of the services her department offers is checking students' resumes and offering professional advice.

"We're really trying to increase the amount of students that come in for services because I think we can be more helpful in terms of jump starting careers. And to give students the opportunity to dis-

cuss brainstorming what they want to do," said Lee. "Regardless of how early on they are before graduating; trying to get those wheels turning. So, that's the main reason: exposure to Career Services. And making sure students are aware that we're here to work for them, provide services for them."

Many student attendees came to the event in order to receive knowledge about the basics of interviewing and overall career skills. Other students came to find out who they can talk to about career related materials.

"I wanted to learn about how I can pursue my career, look for internships, prepare for the future and learn who's available to help me if I'm struggling," said Karla Magaña, junior criminal justice major.

According to their webpage, Career Services is "committed to helping all students and alumni research, prepare for



Photo by Brianna Peoples

Sonya Lee has career experience at Google and NBC Universal.

and pursue careers in accordance with their development on a personal and professional level. We maximize quality opportunities for those we serve through our on-going development of mutually beneficial partnerships with employers, organizations and communities. We maintain active membership and participation in professional associations. We foster collaboration with University faculty, staff, students and alumni in the spirit of as-

sociation, thereby contributing to the holistic success of our students."

Other career related events to be on the lookout for is the ABCs of Getting an Internship on March 15 at 4:30 p.m. in AS 158 and the Career Expo on March 18 at 12 p.m. in the Field House.

The Career Services Department is located in the Leckrone Academic Resource Center in Benilde Hall and can be contacted for more information.

## This pool is pretty shallow: 'Deadpool' review

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I want to preface this review by saying that "Deadpool" is a movie I wasn't looking forward to seeing. I'm not a big fan of Ryan Reynolds, the character or his source material and the bombardment of trailers leading up to the film's release didn't help pique my interest in the slightest.

All that being said, "Deadpool" is a movie that deserved to be made. It's a film so rooted in its source material, so true to the character and has the appropriate R-rating it should have.

I deeply respect Ryan Reynolds' passion for the character and his insistence in making a film about Deadpool that actually captures the essence of the beloved titular character, and this film is successful in doing just that. In that respect, the film is top-notch, and is likely pleasing tons of fans.

As you can tell, I went into "Deadpool" with low expectations, but that doesn't mean that I didn't have high hopes that it would prove me wrong. Especially after all of the positive buzz it was getting from critics and general audiences alike, I was excited to be wrong. I wanted to be impressed by a movie featuring

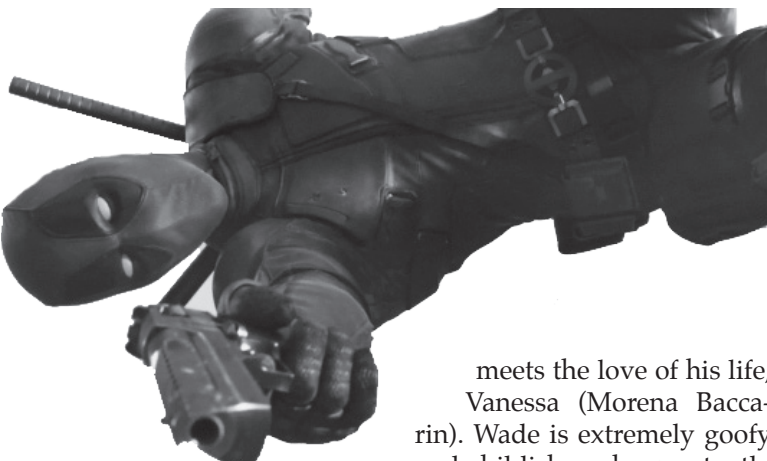


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laughs-a-minute, slick fourth wall breaking moments and stylized action scenes.

Unfortunately, I only found myself laughing at a dozen or so jokes, while most of the others left me unfazed. The fourth wall breaking moments were hit-or-miss for me as well with some being really clever, mostly when concerning the real-life state of superhero filmmaking. The action scenes -- while being spectacular to look at and at times very fun -- don't necessarily do anything particularly new either.

So, what is "Deadpool?" "Deadpool" is a comedy-driven superhero film starring Ryan Reynolds as the titular character who plays out as half revenge story and half origin story.

Wade Wilson (soon to become Deadpool) is working as a mercenary in NYC when he

meets the love of his life, Vanessa (Morena Baccarin). Wade is extremely goofy and childish, as he constantly cracks jokes about sex and poop and makes outdated pop culture references. He's also kind of charming and likeable, almost like the person equivalent to a guilty pleasure.

After a year-long relationship, everything seems to be going right in Wade's life. Just as he successfully proposes to Vanessa, Wade suddenly collapses, and it's revealed that Wade has late-stage cancer with no chance of survival.

After going through some experimental tests that were supposed to cure him of his cancer, he's terribly disfigured but also finds himself with the ability to quickly heal any wound that is inflicted on him. He takes on the moniker of Deadpool and sets out to get revenge on the people that left him in this terrible state.

In the present, Deadpool is looking to get revenge on Francis, the main bad guy be-

hind the tests. Decker out in his signature red costume and sporting dual handguns and two swords, Deadpool is pretty badass, especially when paired with his new ability to heal wounds.

The first action scene is exciting and sees our anti-hero in a fight with Francis and his henchmen on a highway overpass. Alas, the film never recaptures the magic that's set up in this opening scene, with the following action moments feeling flat in comparison.

As Deadpool is just about to kill Francis, X-Men members Colossus and Negasonic Teenage Warhead (yes, that's actually a character's name) join the fray to stop Deadpool's mayhem and distract him long enough for Francis to flee. The rest of the film centers around Deadpool trying to hunt down Francis to finalize his vengeance.

I have to give it up to Ryan Reynolds, who really surprised me with a fantastic performance as Deadpool. He inhabits the character so well here and it really shows that he knows the character of Deadpool inside and out.

This makes for an interesting and unique "superhero," but it's too bad that the writers of the film couldn't come up with better jokes or more relevant references ("Blade II?"

Limp Bizkit? "The Matrix?" Really? In 2016?).

The characters surrounding Deadpool, and the actors that play them, however, are pretty forgettable. Most notably is the bland villain, Francis (Ed Skrein), who according to the opening credit sequence is just another "British Villain." It's good to see the film poking fun at itself all the time, but it doesn't help when these are actual problems within the film.

My favorite parts of the film are the scenes between Wade and Vanessa before Wade becomes Deadpool. I'm surprised at how this film -- one that features so many juvenile jokes you'd think you're on a middle school playground -- can actually have a sweet side to it. Reynolds and Baccarin have incredible chemistry in these moments, but unfortunately they're so short-lived.

"Deadpool" is a film that's juvenile and crass, bombastic and over-the-top. It's not a bad film; it's actually quite fun at times, but I also found it to be uninspired.

There are some solid jokes to be found in "Deadpool," and there's definitely great potential for the "Deadpool" series in the future, but this first entry just didn't especially do it for me.

# Black history is told through life of activist Fannie Lou Hamer

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The Lewis University African American Studies program collaborated with the Illinois Humanities Council to host the event Black History (Present and Possibilities) Series: Black Women, Activism, and the Arts on Feb 12.

The speaker at the event was Treasure Shields Redmond, an acclaimed poet and English professor at Southwestern Illinois College. Titled "The Life and Import of Fannie Lou Hamer," Redmond's presentation spoke about black history, women's activism and poetry through the life of Fannie Lou Hamer.

"I am delighted to present the work of Treasure Shields Redmond, who showcases the work of Fannie Lou Hamer, a comparatively unsung visionary," said Dr. Tennille Allen, professor of sociology, who hosted the event.

"Redmond's intense interest in Hamer resulted in a poem series about Fannie Lou Hamer entitled 'Chop, a Collection of Kwansabas for Fannie Lou Hamer,' which was co-winner

of the Winged City Chapbooks RA/AM chapbook contest."

Hamer was an American voting rights activist, civil rights leader and philanthropist who was critical in organizing the Mississippi's 1964 Freedom Summer for the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC). Fannie Lou Hamer's life story and a general black history presentation was a big cultural pull for many students.

"Being an African-American, I wanted to learn more. I wanted to learn about what it's like being an African-American, a minority, on campus. So, I go to events like this one and Black Lives Matter," said Aleece McDuffy, freshman philosophy of law major.

Redmond's interactive presentation was combined with historical facts and poems from her book "Chop, a Collection of Kwansabas for Fannie Lou Hamer." Each poem was a kwansaba, a poetry form created by Redmond's father, which consists of seven lines, seven words in a line and no more than seven letters in each word. Following the belief that God liked the num-

ber seven, her father also created the poetry form in honor of Fannie Lou Hamer.

"I come from a family of writers and thinkers. My mother was a visual artist and a writer; and my father was a poet. So, I was always given permission to have multilayered conversations; and given permission to be an artist," Redmond said. "Conversations about race, gender, class and the intersections of that are just my favorite conversations. And it's just so intriguing, how we mess this human thing up. How we mess up just being kind to each other. It feels easy to me. So, I'm always worrying that around."

According to the Lewis University website, the African American Studies minor includes courses from a variety of disciplines, such as sociology, history, literature, philosophy, psychology, communications, political science and social work.

The minor provides a framework for understanding African-American history and culture, contemporary triumphs and struggles of African Americans. The Illinois Hu-



Photo by Brianna Peoples

Treasure Shields Redmond sang in the middle of each of her poems just as Fannie Lou Hamer did.

manities Council website says that it works to build dialogue across all sectors of society to examine issues important to democracy in the focus areas of public policy, media & journalism, business, and art.

Using the humanities as tools to stimulate discussion, they create experiences across Illinois through programming, events and grantmaking to engage a diverse public on ideas

and issues that matter.

More black history events scheduled for the month are Free Speech versus Multicultural Sensitivity on Feb. 22 at 2 p.m. in AS 158, What About Reparations for Slavery and Jim Crow? on Feb. 26 at noon in the D'Arcy Great Room and Black History (Present and Possibilities): Politics and Protests on Feb. 26 at 2 p.m. in the D'Arcy Great Room.

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# Beyonce won the Super Bowl:

## Performs new single, announces world tour

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In case you missed it, Beyonce stole the half-time show from Coldplay and Bruno Mars on Super Bowl Sunday.

After a few songs from Coldplay, the self-proclaimed feminist and powerhouse pop singer came out on the field with an army of dancers, and performed her latest single "Formation," which was unexpectedly dropped on Feb. 6 and accompanied by a critically acclaimed video directed by Melina Matsoukas.

The commercial break following the performance announced that she will be embarking on her first headlining stadium tour this summer, beginning in Miami on April 27.

'Yonce's Super Bowl performance further proved that she is every woman, and at the same time an ethereal goddess. "Formation" highlights Queen Bey's personal strengths and qualities that keep her real.

The lyrics ooze confidence in how far she has come, citing that she "might just be a black Bill Gates in the making."

Rest assured, the song clarifies that she hasn't forgotten about where she's come from, mentioning her parents' background directly impacted her upbringing.

She tells her haters that she's



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Beyonce's Super Bowl performance let the world know she has hot sauce and a lot of other tricks in her bag, swag.

twirling on them, and that she knows she's that b\*\*\*\*, because she "'cause all this conversation."

The song perfectly identifies just how self-aware she is about her presence in the world, and that she's going to continue on her journey of inspiring people both young and old with her self-actualized style of lyrical delivery and performance.

Tickets for the Formation world tour went on sale Feb. 16 through Beyonce.com, and her stop in Illinois will be at Soldier Field on May 27.

No word yet on whether or not a new album will be released prior to the tour.

In the words of Queen Bey herself, she dreamt about this, works hard and grinds until she owns it; she slays, okay?



# Spring TV preview:

## Hope springs eternal for second half

Photo courtesy of yam-mag.com

Andrea Barber, Candace Cameron Bure and Jodie Sweetin reprised their roles as Kimmy Gibbler, DJ Tanner and Stephanie Tanner for the upcoming Netflix reboot of "Full House."

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While television shows that premiered in the fall are well into their respective seasons, cable networks and Netflix are providing viewers a fresh start with several spring premieres. From a New Mexico courtroom to a familiar house in San Francisco, the spring TV scene offers variety for those long last weeks of winter.

**"Better Call Saul"**  
AMC, Mondays, 9 p.m.

The first season of this AMC spinoff proved itself a worthy descendant of Vince Gilligan's Emmy-winning series "Breaking Bad." When it returned for its second round on Feb. 15, hard luck lawyer "Slip-pin' Jimmy" was "at a crossroads," co-creator Peter Gould told The Hollywood Reporter. "He's trying to figure out how he's going to live his life, and it goes in some directions that we never expected." With Aaron Paul rumored to make a cameo as "Breaking Bad" fan favorite Jesse Pinkman, no matter what happens in season 2: "'s all good, man."

**"Girls"**  
HBO, Sunday, Feb. 21 9 p.m.

The girls are older, but "not much wiser," according to the recently released promo for Lena Dunham's hit series. Entering its fifth and penultimate season, each half-hour episode of Girls offers some kind of quirky lesson to twenty-somethings. From the downright weird to the surprisingly sentimental, Hannah and the gang still somehow manage to be simultaneously obnoxious and relatable. Now that the whole world knows just how talented Adam Driver is thanks to his role as Kylo Ren in "Star Wars: The Force Awakens," it will be especially comforting to see him return from the dark side to play Hannah's endearing ex-boyfriend.

**"Fuller House"**  
Netflix, Friday, Feb. 26

Netflix's latest reboot is bringing fans back to their favorite TV household—the Tanners'. From original creator and executive producer Jeff Franklin, the first two hours of the "Full House" revival will reunite almost all the members of the original cast. The

promo released by Netflix on Feb. 9 shows the original set from the beloved 1990s series and boasts the tagline "The family that was a part of your family is back." I guess our old familiar friends really were waiting just around the bend.

**"Love"**  
Now available on Netflix

The comedy from "Trainwreck" director Judd Apatow follows two dysfunctional single people living in Los Angeles. Starring the series' co-creator Paul Rust and "Community" alum Gillian Jacobs, the show addresses day-to-day struggles of young relationships in ways that network series haven't before.

"It's just about people trying to figure out how to make their lives work and the difficulty people have facing their own emotional problems," Apatow told the Television Critics Association.

The show appears to be extremely funny - if the trailer's montage of main character Gus whipping Blu-Rays of romantic comedies out the window yelling "'When Harry Met Sally' - lies!" is any indication.

# Oscars preview: Attempting to predict the year's winners

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The annual entertainment awards season is beginning to wind down, but it's not over until the academy announces the best film of the year.

In the running this year are "The Big Short," "Bridge of Spies," "Brooklyn," "Mad Max: Fury Road," "The Martian," "The Revenant," "Room" and "Spotlight."

The eight nominees each have something a little different to offer, including action, drama, romance and real life scenarios.

As the award show inches closer, there is much excitement to be had in predicting the winners.

Although nothing is for sure until the gold-plated britannium statue is handed over, placing guesses and hoping for the best is part of the fun.

Making predictions can be



Infographic created by Laura Fox

drama category and "The Martian" as the best motion picture in the musical or comedy category.

Along with these awards, the Golden Globe's for best actor and actress in a drama motion picture went to Leonardo DiCaprio for "The Revenant" and Brie Larson for "Room." Matt Damon for "The Martian" and Jennifer Lawrence for "Joy" won in the musical or comedy category.

Fast-forward to the Screen Actors Guild (SAG) awards on Jan. 30, and "Spotlight" received the award for outstanding performance by a cast in a motion picture, which stars Michael Keaton, Mark Ruffalo and Rachel McAdams.

DiCaprio and Larson were recognized again as they received the awards for out-

standing performance by an actor and actress in a leading role.

Although the preceding award shows do not confirm who will take home the Oscar, they can give a better glimpse at who is being considered.

According to Peter Travers of Rolling Stone, the film believed to receive the Oscar award for best picture will be "The Revenant," although "Spotlight" is arguably the film that should win.

Travers also predicts DiCaprio to win for best actor and Larson to win for best actress, but does mention he believed Michael Fassbender in "Steve Jobs" and Saoirse Ronan in "Brooklyn" should still be considered.

The prediction for best director goes to Alejandro G. Iñárritu for "The Revenant," who also won the Golden Globe in the same category this year.

Iñárritu won the Oscar award for best director last year for "Birdman." If he re-

ceives the award this year, he will be the third director in history to win back-to-back Oscar's in the directing category, according to Rolling Stone. This has not happened since 1951.

No director has received Oscar awards for back-to-back best picture, but if "The Revenant" wins the award this year, Iñárritu will hold that title due to "Birdman" winning best picture last year.

The bulk of this year's excitement lies in whether or not DiCaprio will finally snub his first ever Oscar award.

The actor has been nominated for five other Academy Awards since 1994, but was not a recipient.

Although a prediction is simply just a prediction, these are the films and actors to keep an eye on as the categories are introduced.

The 88th annual Academy Awards ceremony will premiere Feb. 28 at 5:30 p.m. on ABC.

# RADAR TOP PICKS



1.

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If you're looking for a laugh, be sure to check out one of the best things that CBS has going for the network right now, "The Late Late Show" with James Corden. The show is getting a lot of attention for its carpool karaoke bits, which are all featured on YouTube. Corden has had guests like Sia, Justin Bieber, Adele and One Direction ride along in his car with him for the segment, and each time has been worth watching. Not only do viewers get to hear raw versions of songs from the featured celebrities, but also a look into an intimate and often hysterical conversation with Corden. FYI: be conscious of where you watch these videos, because you'll likely find yourself with a big, stupid smile on your face during the whole thing.

2.

Don't ask me why, but Netflix felt the desire to give Pee Wee Herman a new movie. Is it necessary? No. Worth watching? The jury is still out, but it is worth knowing that such a movie exists. O.G. Pee Wee Herman actor Paul Reubens is back for the flick, which depicts the character taking his first-ever holiday and the fun-loving events that come with that. Whatever that means. Watch it when it debuts on the streaming service on March 18. Or don't. Do whatever you want with this information.

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AMC's "Better Call Saul" is back for its second season, and reportedly is going to start heating up. The first season informed viewers of the backstory behind Saul Goodman, the immoral lawyer of "Breaking Bad." It turns out the con-man actually has a good heart, and his journey to becoming a lawyer was an interesting one, albeit slow. Complex.com said it best: the show is a marathon, not a sprint. Many have said the same about "Breaking Bad," so keep that in mind when you start binging on the show. Season one is now available to watch on Netflix, and the current season can be found on Mondays at 9 p.m. on AMC.

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3.

ICYMI: The Grammy's were fair, but highly underwhelming this year. The big winners of the night were Kendrick Lamar and Taylor Swift. Swift took the time in her Album of the Year acceptance speech to directly fire back against Kanye West's lyrical claims that he made her famous. She also reportedly cried after missing a note in the show-opener...oh, the drama. There were a few moments worth Youtube-ing, though: Kendrick Lamar's moving political statement of a performance, hip-hop musical "Hamilton" gracing us with a bit from the smash-hit musical and Lady Gaga's dramatic tribute to David Bowie. Aside from that, the only other events worth taking note of were Adele's performance being somewhat botched by an unintentional microphone drop on piano strings, and Rihanna having to cancel her highly anticipated performance due to a bad case of Bronchitis. Womp, womp.

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4.

It's really hard to log onto social media without either reading Kanye West's tweets or the backlash from his tweets. He is causing quite the stir over the series of Twitter rants leading up to and after the release of his new album "The Life of Pablo," ranging from his claims that he's \$53 million in debt, lying about his interaction with Taylor Swift and basically tearing apart Wiz Khalifa's life. Take a look at his Twitter timeline for a chuckle. In other 'Ye related news, his album was finally officially released on Feb. 13. The only way to access the album is via the music streaming service Tidal. The release of TLOP was kind of anticlimactic, being that it was supposed to be released Feb. 11, but West felt the need to postpone the date to make some changes.

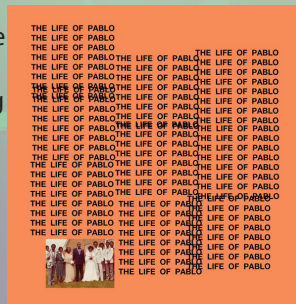


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5.

The album has mixed reviews, but check it out on Tidal, which offers a free 30-day trial for those of you that don't have a subscription. Does anyone actually have a paid Tidal subscription?

Fact: America loves true crime television. "Serial," "The Jinx" and, most recently, "Making a Murderer" have all gained nationwide attention, and even called for reconsideration of some of the case's verdicts by the court. While the outcome of the O.J. Simpson trial will likely never be reconsidered, FX's latest anthology series "American Crime Story: The People vs. O.J. Simpson" is still gaining a lot of attention. Maybe it's the exaggerated depiction of the Kardashian's role in the case, or just the ridiculousness of the facts of the ordeal as a whole, but something about it makes it worth watching. The fact that the producer/writer behind "American Horror Story" and "Glee" Ryan Murphy is an executive producer on the show probably has a lot to do with the excitement around it. Catch the show on Tuesdays at 10 p.m. to see what all the fuss is about.

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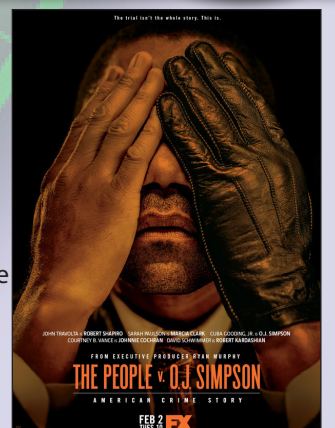


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# CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT

**Performing Arts Series:  
Andrew Spenser, Percussionist**  
Wednesday, Feb. 24, 7:30 p.m.  
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**English Department Creative Writing  
Showcase: Authors Adam Clay and  
Michael Robin**  
Thursday, Feb. 25, 4 p.m.  
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A Readers' Theatre**  
Thursday, March 10, 7 p.m.  
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**Suffragette:  
Movie Screening and Discussion**  
Tuesday, March 15, 3:30 p.m.  
Student Union Commons

**Discover Languages:  
Arabic**  
Wednesday, March 16, 7:30 p.m.  
AS158

**Metropolitan Youth Symphony Orchestra  
Concert**  
Wednesday, March 16, 6:30 p.m.  
St. Charles Borromeo Convocation Hall

**Tres Vidas: Three Notable Latina**  
Monday, March 14, 7:30 p.m.  
St. Charles Borromeo Convocation Hall

**The Things We Carried:  
Student Veterans and the Wartime Experience**  
Tuesday, March 15, 12 p.m.  
Library Media Classroom

**Sexual Assault Prevention:  
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Thursday, March 17, 2 p.m.  
AS158

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Azadeh Hussaini**  
Thursday, March 17, 7 p.m.  
Wadsworth Family Gallery

# RELIGION

## Emojis mean more than meets the eye

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Without even realizing it, smartphones serve as metaphorical melting pots for many religions.

Religion often plays a huge role in the lives of many, and now, because of emojis on smartphones, religious expression is easily accessible by the touch of a finger.

From Judaism to Chinese philosophy to Islam to Atheism, the emoji keyboard represents them all in some form.

This availability is not a coincidence.

Religious diversity was the initial goal for Unicode Consortium, the global organization that is in charge of the Unicode Standard.



Infographic created by Jessica Tennant

Fortunately, the organization's aims were successful, and they have developed a way to represent many groups across the globe.

Although many people use emojis everyday, few know about the goals of Unicode or the significance behind the many emojis.

However, with a little research, discovering the meaning behind these emojis is quite easy.

The white dove is not just another cute animal to post as a caption on an Instagram photo; it's actually an ancient symbol of peace in a number of traditions.

Another emoji that is

often questioned is the person with folded hands.

While typically mistaken for a high-five emoji, this image represents prayer.

Because many religions employ the practice of prayer, this is one of the multi-functional emojis that satisfies many diverse groups of people.

And, if smartphone users want to use the emoji as a high-five, then it can represent that too.

In an interview with The Huffington Post, Jeremy Burge, the founder of Emojipedia, said, "In an effort to get even more inclusive, the Unicode Consortium added a Kaaba, a mosque, a synagogue and a more general 'place of worship' emoji."

"Given the church was already included, which is argu-

ably a Christian church given the cross on it, having the other places of worship made sense," said Burge.

Not only are there images of each place of worship to help facilitate the inclusion of all religions, there are also emojis that extend past what most people might associate with religious affiliation.

Of the many available, emojis include references to Greek and Japanese mythology, specific geographical locations and statues from Chile.

Symbols such as the wheel of dharma, the Om symbol, the Latin cross, the Atom, the Star of David and the Yin Yang are also represented.

So, if you want to get a small peek into various religions and diverse references, just look at a smartphone.

## Wheaton College makes agreement with professor

AN OPINION

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Wheaton College recently suspended a professor, Dr. Larycia Hawkins, for her statements about Muslims and Christians worshipping the same God.

As a result, the professor and the college have agreed that Hawkins will end her employment there. One of Hawkins' co-workers, who called for her termination regarding the incident, has now apologized.

This new development and settlement has brought several issues to a close, including the initial issue of Hawkins' announcement on Facebook detailing her decision to wear a hijab in an effort to show support for Muslims.

Although Wheaton College did decide to reverse the initial decision to reprimand Hawkins, she ended up declaring her intent to not return.

Faculty members were invited "to a private worship service at Edman Memorial Chapel Tuesday night and a reception, where Hawkins will say goodbye," said Contact Reporter Manya Brachear Pashman, in an article for the Chicago Tribune.

While the actions of Wheaton College may be interpreted as an act of overstepping Hawkins' personal boundaries, it is important to remember that the college is private,



Photo provided by Wikimedia Commons user Mdiaz1436

Hawkins speaks at a press conference on Jan. 6 to address issues with Wheaton College.

and therefore is able to take certain actions based on its mission and goals.

However, as members of the Lewis community, which aims to perpetuate understanding and gratitude, we should instead focus our attention more on the admirable actions of Hawkins than on what we may believe to be the unjust actions of a college.

Hawkins acted from a genuine place of concern in an effort to extend love to the Muslim community.

She took the initiative to ex-

tend kindness toward a group that is often marginalized and discriminated against.

She certainly created an example that many people would appreciate and possibly strive to emulate.

At Lewis, we also work to foster that same acceptance through understanding.

Although Hawkins' situation may not seem to have worked out perfectly right now, it is important to consider that this situation may produce positive results in the future.

## Films' potential to bridge religious gap between generations

AN OPINION

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It's no secret that millennials are often defined by their infatuation with technology. While this is definitely debatable, it is more important to embrace these advances than it is to argue about them.

Many assert that young people are quickly growing more distant from church and closer to their iPhones every day. However, if young people are retracting from church and turning to their technological devices, then the challenge should be figuring out how to connect to young adults through technology.

If we can connect effectively with others through technology to facilitate understanding, then maybe the way to get young people to connect with God is also through those same technological devices.

While the Bible is certainly an excellent resource to learn about God, there are also other numerous avenues to explore. There are plenty of millennials who enjoy reading the Bible, unearthing other ways to connect with God is always an important option.

For example, film creates a visual portrayal of events that people may not be able to visualize from reading the Bible. While events portrayed

through film may not always adhere strictly to the narratives in the Bible, they do create opportunities for reflection and consideration that could potentially inspire people to search for additional information.

It is important to note that not all religious learning films are strictly about religion. While films such as "The Gospel According to St. Matthew" and "King of Kings" walk a much closer line to the Bible than some others, there are many films that embrace a little creative freedom. These more creative films often develop what are referred to as Christ figures, which are films with characters that have ties to biblical texts; films such as "Whale Rider" and "Elysium" serve as powerful examples.

As society changes, needs and preferences change as well. Finding alternative ways to connect people with God should be treated as necessities.

Instead of pointing out barriers between generations, it is important to bridge the gaps and encourage a wider community of people who seek God. As an academic community, we should constantly strive to broaden our horizons and expose ourselves to different types of films, namely ones with religious themes for the purpose of becoming familiar with God, have the potential to produce legitimate benefits.

# President Obama visits Baltimore mosque

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In the heat of political debate, Muslims as a whole have been brought into heated discussions with presidential candidates.

In an effort to counter the negative remarks asserted by candidates, President Obama, on Feb. 3, visited a mosque in Baltimore, Md. Although Obama has visited mosques outside of the U.S., this was the president's first visit to a U.S. mosque.

In an effort to modify the image portrayed by others, Obama encouraged Muslims to speak out against terror, and insisted that the Muslim community is not an "other" in our society. Obama views Muslims as essential parts of the U.S. and provided a very clear stance on his thoughts about religious understanding.

"Let me say as clearly as I can as president of the United States: you fit right here," Obama said. "You're right



Photo provided by Pete Souza

President Obama greets audience members at a mosque in Baltimore.

where you belong. You're part of America too. You're not Muslim or American. You're Muslim and American."

During the remainder of his speech, Obama addressed the necessity to respect all faiths in order to protect the U.S. from terrorism. It would certainly be inappropriate, according to

Obama, to condemn a terrorist group for crimes of discrimination and inequality, and then, in response, produce additional discriminatory mindsets on U.S. soil.

Obama also detailed conversations he had with Muslim parents whose children fear being removed from the

country.

In a time where candidates like Donald Trump strive to prevent all Muslims from entering the U.S., Obama went to a mosque and had educational and beneficial conversations with Muslim Americans.

In addition, Obama also addressed the often biased and

negative portrayals of Muslims in the media and called for more legitimate and representative depictions. As college students, we are often surrounded by a huge influx of media influence.

However, it is important to remember that not all sources are reliable. Some informational avenues require investigation and verification.

While some individuals may not fondly appreciate every action taken by Obama and his administration, it is important to pay attention to actions that promote equality.

If people want to encourage acceptance and expect their beliefs to be respected, then those same individuals must also be open to the rights and beliefs of others.

As current and future members of the public workforce, also existing and performing in an academic community, it is important to make consistent efforts to explore the unfamiliar with an open mind and remember that love, above all, promotes equality and understanding.

## Catholic Church contemplates Zika virus issues

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The Zika virus has created a plethora of medical concerns; however, those concerns do not reside solely in the medical and parental realms. Medical complications also concern the Catholic Church because of the side effects of the virus.

The Catholic Church's stance on birth control has remained stable over many years, as birth control has long been forbidden.

However, the new threat of the Zika virus has required the church to deliberate over this philosophy.

"Health officials in some Latin American countries have advised women not to get pregnant, because the virus has been linked to an incurable and often devastating neurological birth defect," said Elizabeth Cohen, senior medical correspondent, in an article for CNN.

Newborns with mothers who have contracted the Zika virus are at risk of being born with microcephaly, although the exact probability of this is unknown.

Microcephaly results in babies being born with smaller heads, suffering developmental issues, seizures, speech and

movement complications and other problems.

The church's main concern is for the health of the baby, and although advising that women try to avoid pregnancy in the heat of the unknown might be contradictory toward previous teachings, it does adhere to the church's pro-life stance.

While opinions differ on whether the Catholic Church should advise people to utilize different forms of birth control, many do believe the Catholic Church, as a whole, would agree to some form of moderation in an attempt to protect newborns.

In the interest of ensuring the wellbeing of babies, especially considering there is no known cure for these birth defects, employing some sort of birth control like contraception, abstaining from sex or creating an intimacy plan may be the best avenue for concerned parents.

It is also important to note that Pope Francis is from South America, where the virus has inflicted considerable hardship.

The Catholic Church, at the time of publication, has yet to release an official statement on recommendations for the possible use of birth control or types of family planning.

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# OPINIONS

## Letter to the Editor: After Pinnick incident, time to reflect

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The news that an arrest warrant was issued on Lewis student Tariq Pinnick, for his alleged involvement in the murder of Dylan Somma on Jan. 13, is truly unfortunate and our thoughts and prayers should go out to both families.

I think the incident challenges us to ask about and discuss how and why a fellow student at Lewis University became involved in such a tragedy.

We can respectfully spare dredging the personal details of this incident. It is an awful tragedy, especially for the friends and families of both Somma and Pinnick, as they will suffer far longer than the rest of us. Some, no doubt, are students at Lewis.

Nevertheless, we should ask ourselves meaningful questions which may help understand.

What are the circumstances which changes someone from a classmate one day, to suspect at large the next? One's gender, race, socioeconomic standing, family and social life are immutable qualities everyone has and together they help explain why and how this kind of thing happens.

What does this mean big-picture? Issues like gun violence, community and police relationships and racial equality are now as pressing nation-

ally as they ever were. It would be a disservice to ignore them after they happen near us. Regardless of one's one views on gun-ownership and gun-control, we certainly have to wonder whether Pinnick's Constitutional right to bear arms helped enable the slaying of another human being.

And finally, how can we, the students, and the university at large best create the kind of environment which facilitates community and non-violence? The *Flyer* just published an expose on the counseling services available to help students going through a difficult period emotionally. There are a plethora of extra-curricular activities available to students like sports, academic clubs, Greek societies and the like. One wonders if such resources could have made a difference in Pinnick's life.

Regardless of what Pinnick actually did, his involvement makes it a communal tragedy here at Lewis University, and we owe it to ourselves, as students and staff, to have a meaningful conversation which addresses how and why such incidents happen, and how they might be prevented in the future. These talks aren't easy; they are unfamiliar, difficult, revealing, and we don't like them. But it shouldn't be easy, because then it's honest.

## Three topics you didn't hear during the ABC GOP debate

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On Feb. 6, 2016, the GOP and ABC hosted the eighth presidential debate on the eve of the New Hampshire Primary. Over the course of the debate, the republican candidates had the opportunity to distinguish themselves from the rest of the field, or bring to light new solutions to problems that are affecting our nation. Here are three topics I think we really should have heard about during the debate.

### Ending the War on Drugs

During the debate, the moderator asked, "How would you tackle the heroin/opioid crisis?" Ted Cruz had the opportunity to address this issue. However, he chose to give a sad story about his half-sister and her addiction instead of offering the solution of ending the War on Drugs.

The War on Drugs is a failed "war" that has caused more problems throughout the years.

In the 1920s, the prohibition of alcohol created the same problems we are facing today; it produced similar violence throughout America, lawlessness, gangs and organized crime. We must start a conversation that the cartels see as a significant threat: ending the War on Drugs. Unfortunately, during the GOP debate, this conversation never happened.

### Police brutality/criminal justice reform

The moderator asked Donald Trump, "How would you bridge the divide," overcoming the differences, between minorities and police. Mr. Trump started off by praising the police force and how much they do for Americans; but, the moderator had to repeat himself and ask the question again, all to no avail.

Police brutality is a question that must be addressed. There's a systemic problem with law enforcement, and there's a need

for a solution.

### Same-Sex Marriage

The issue about same-sex marriage was brought up when the moderator asked Marco Rubio, "How do you respond to attacks that you are extreme on social issues?" He answered by saying he believes marriage is "between one man and one woman."

The candidates had the chance to advocate for state rights, or for getting the government out of everyone's lives, yet they failed to make such case. I believe that the government has no business defining what a marriage is, but that failed to be addressed as well.

The candidates missed an opportunity to have a prominent voice in this debate: the voice of common sense, reason and one that offers us different solutions for our problems.

## Student Poll: Response to MAP grant petition

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Jocelyn Zambrano,  
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"No, actually, I haven't signed that. I do not know what that is, and I haven't really heard about it. But I am definitely more than willing to learn about it."

Stephanie Hernandez, senior english and secondary education major

"Yes, I did, because I use that grant. It is a way for me to pay for college and utilize as much financial aid as possible, which really helps me. If it gets taken away, I am basically stuck. I would have no way to register for next semester's classes.

I think anyone and everyone should sign the petition, because you never know if it could potentially end up helping you. You may find yourself using this grant in the future, even if you are not right at this moment."



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Brianna Diaz, senior criminal justice and theology major

"No, I have yet to sign the petition, but I want to because I am one of the students who utilizes this grant. I will owe a significant amount of money if this issue is not resolved, and I'm supposed to graduate in

May. That leaves me wondering whether or not I'll have to pay off all of the money from the MAP grant if the issue isn't resolved before applying to a graduate school."



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Ann Elapunkal, freshman nursing major

"I did sign that petition, yes, but only because I was told to do so by another student. I don't really know too much about the specifics of the MAP grant; but I do know it is important, so I decided to sign the petition."

# The Fashionable Fox: *Style advice from a college girl*

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It seems as though winter is sticking around these days, fashionable students.

If you're sick of waiting for your car to warm up or cannot wait to ditch your thermal socks and snow boots for a new pair of sandals, I advise you to keep going! Spring will, hopefully, be here in the blink of an eye.

Lately, I can't seem to get enough of the bohemian style trend. There are so many fun pieces, patterns and different ways to wear this style that I am constantly hunting for more.

Bohemian style has a reputation of only being for the summer months, but luckily, you can rock a boho look all year long.

Throughout the fall, and now in the winter, bohemian style is still completely acceptable. As with any season, it just depends on the pieces you are choosing.

The top material trend for boho looks this winter is suede. Although I've always been a tad reluctant to suede, the fresh styles that have hit the scene this season have turned my life around.

Suede mini skirts and shift dresses are my top choices. I love pairing a suede mini skirt with a patterned crop top. A brown suede shift dress looks perfect with a tribal print cardigan and matching ankle booties.

Suede handbags are also a

top pick for a winterized bohemian style. Whether it's a clutch or a satchel, a suede purse is the perfect way to incorporate the material if you prefer not to wear it on your body.

Ponchos are also stealing the boho-show lately. A soft lace poncho paired with distressed jeans and fringe boots creates a great ensemble if this piece interests you.

Speaking of fringe, incorporating fringe into your outfits is another winter-friendly bohemian statement.

Fringe boots have been in high demand for quite some time, but the style has shifted from a taller boot to an ankle boot.

A heeled ankle boot with fringe hanging from the back is a popular style. Go for a simple color, like brown or black. That way, pairing it with any outfit is much easier.

Fringe bags are also still in style, but swap out that fringe crossbody for a new fringe tote. Shoulder bags with hanging fringe are currently a hot trend.

Winter bohemian style is also a bit more relaxed. Graphic tees paired with patterned shawls and jeans are simple looks that still feed into the boho theme.

A hamsa or elephant graphic tee will make a statement with a black and white patterned shawl.

Never be afraid to allow accessories to take over. A beaded tassel necklace or bright feather earrings can turn



Photo provided by Laura Fox

Bohemian style can still work during the winter by pairing a suede shift dress and tribal print cardigan with tights and fringe ankle boots.

any casual look into a bohemian one.

Bohemian style is not necessarily the easiest trend to pull off during colder weather, but if you keep the looks simple and the color choices earthier, you can still rock it this time of year.

Personally, I love to switch up my style from day to day. One day, I may be feeling a professional skirt and blazer outfit, but the next, I may be

feeling more casual.

I love referring to boho looks on a more casual day because the style is both trendy and comforting.

Although I must admit, I am not advocating you turn all "Lollapalooza" on me and fill your closet with crop tops and flower crowns. Simplistic bohemian style is where you will want to find yourself this winter season.

Until next time, stay stylish!

# Staff Editorial: Award disbursement halted for MAP grant program

As a college student in Illinois, chances are you have heard the phrase "MAP grant" thrown around in the past few weeks.

Although we wish we were referring to the singing map in Dora the Explorer's magical purple backpack, this reference is much more serious and hits closer to home.

By "closer to home," I mean the 134 colleges and universities that are currently being denied MAP grant funding for their students.

The MAP grant, or Monetary Award Program is responsible for awarding grants to Illinois residents who at-

tend approved Illinois colleges and are in need of financial assistance due to tuition costs.

Based off of a student's FAFSA and a list of eligibility requirements, the state determines who needs the grants the most.

According to the Chicago Tribune, students who receive a MAP grant qualify for an average of \$2,782 each year.

Gov. Bruce Rauner has plans to veto the bill that would provide \$721 million dollars to the MAP program. This is due to the large amount of debt that the state of Illinois currently suffers from.

Although schools are do-

ing what they can to cover the costs for students at this time, they eventually will be unable to afford it.

The same goes for Lewis University. Costs are being covered for now, but this cannot continue forever.

The reason you have been hearing so much about the MAP program, why you have been asked to sign petitions and why you have been asked to pack a bus to attend a rally downtown is all to protect our fellow students from losing their education.

Whether you are receiving a MAP grant or not, we have to agree as a student commu-

nity that tuition costs are easily one of the most stressful monetary challenges we will ever face.

To have the grants you are promised or deserve from a financial standpoint taken away from you is downright scary.

It doesn't matter if this MAP grant crisis doesn't apply to you; get informed and take a stand for your classmates.

Illinois may be in a massive amount of debt, but financially unstable college students should not have to carry that burden alone.



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# SPORTS

## Flyers travel to Naperville for first of two NCC meets

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Each season, the Lewis University men's and women's track and field teams have one geographical rival they compare themselves to: North Central College.

At the first of two meets hosted by the Cardinals, the men and women both took second place at the Chicagoland Championships, with the women finishing better than NCC, but the men losing by just four points.

The men of both Lewis and NCC dominated the competition, with NCC edging out with a 117-113 victory over the Flyers. Both teams earned 30 more points than any other school.

The women took a distant second to the University of Chicago, earning 80 points to U of C's 117. They did beat NCC by nearly 15 points.



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Amber Cook has been a leader for the dominant jumpers on the women's track team.

Both the men and women took part in the Olivet Invitational, hosted by Olivet Nazarene and walked away with victories.

The women dominated the field, winning by nearly 60 points. The men experience stiffer competition, winning over North Central College by almost 25 points.

"It's nice to get a team win in the middle of the season," said Head Coach Dana Schwarting. "Right now, though, it's more about getting individuals ready for conference and making sure they're training."

The women were most dominant in jumping events at the Olivet Invitational, with senior Amber Cook, junior Phoenix Smallwood and freshman Cierra Pulliam winning two events and finishing runner-up in two more events.

Most notably, Cook and Pulliam took first and second place in the Triple Jump. Cook took second to Smallwood in

the long jump, with Smallwood setting a new personal best.

"Right now the long jump and triple jump are our two strongest competitions," said Schwarting. "It inspires the rest of the team to see them succeeding."

Senior Isaac Jean-Paul won both the long jump and high jump, and fellow classmate Dan Lentz won the 60-Meter hurdles, with sophomore Shabari Bailey taking second in the event. Jean-Paul and Lentz have dominated all season for the Flyers, helping them win meet after meet.

"Isaac has a target on his back as national champion, but he's also looking to add more events to help get more points for the team," said Schwarting. "Dan has worked his butt off to get back from injuries, he's had a breakout season and as a heptathlete gets us a lot of points."

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# MIVA action picks up for men's volleyball

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The Lewis University men's volleyball team bounced back strong with a three match win streak after their loss to Grand Canyon on January 30th.

They started the streak against Quincy with a sweep. Freshman Mitch Perinar had a game-high 16 kills. He was the only player on the court who finished with double digits in kills, and pulled off a double-double as he finished with 11 digs as well.

Senior Scott Fifer set up plenty of those kills for Perinar, with a game-high 31 assists. Junior Jacob Schmiegelt led the team with six blocks.

The Flyers moved on to face Lindenwood at St. Charles on February 6th. The team dominated yet again with another sweep.

It was an all around effort with kills in the game, as no one reached the double digits. Lindenwood's attacks were denied plenty of times with Lewis reaching 13 blocks for



Photo by Steve Woltmann

Scott Fifer has put up impressive assist numbers this season, including 49 against McKendree.

the game. This time around, junior Trevor Weiskircher led the team in blocks with eight.

The third win of the streak

came in a MIVA matchup against McKendree at the Neil Carey Arena. It wasn't a sweep this time around, but it was still

a dominant 3-1 win. Perinar again reached the high teens in kills with 18 and Weiskircher wasn't far behind as he fin-

ished the game with 16.

Fifer was very close to 50 assists, as he finished with 49.

The three match win streak came to an end in a matchup against Ohio State at the Neil Carey Arena.

"Ultimately, they played a steady game," said senior Bobby Walsh. "We played well, but we fell a little short."

Lewis earned set points twice in the first set, but Ohio State didn't let up. The Flyers were swept in the matchup, but it was close in each set 0-3 (27-25, 25-22, 25-20).

It was still a positive night as two student-athletes and coaches were inducted into the Lewis Athletics Hall of Fame. Student-athletes Monta McGhee (men's basketball) and Mary Moskal (women's basketball), and coaches Karen Lockyer (women's basketball/volleyball) and Irish O'Reilly (baseball) were recognized.

The Flyers returned to the court on Feb. 18 against Ball State, but due to publication deadlines, results of the match were not available.

## The heel turn of Donald Trump

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Donald Trump sure knows how to make the common American, and even members of British Parliament, hate him. He gets a lot of heat, and it is well deserved. In the wrestling world, he's the perfect heel; but that is not the case in the real world. In fact, his last appearance in a wrestling ring was "WrestleMania 23," and he was the face of the story line.

That's right, Trump was a part of the biggest show of the wrestling year, circa 2007. He had a feud with Vince McMahon which stemmed from McMahon having actors portray Trump and Rosie O'Donnell, who were in real-life feuding

at the time, in a less-than-appealing match on "Raw."

After this match, Trump confronted McMahon and the Battle of the Billionaires began. Ultimately, the two agreed to a match at "WrestleMania 23," with both men selecting competitors to represent them in a match. Mr. McMahon chose the now-deceased Umaga, while in a strange turn-of-events, Trump who is now known for racism chose an African American in Bobby Lashley. The stipulation added to the match was that the losing billionaire would have his head shaved bald.

The match had a great build-up and included a great spot on the ECW before the event, where Lashley jumped through the steel cage to the outside where Umaga was



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Donald Trump was once loved by the WWE crowds, as recently as 2007.

standing. In the build-up, Lashley also became the first competitor to break Chris Masters' Master Lock.

The lead-up culminated with a match at the Showcase of the Immortals. "Stone Cold" Steve Austin was named guest referee for the match. Partly

through the match, Umaga attacked Austin, leaving him incapacitated. Shane McMahon entered as referee and was biased toward Umaga. With Umaga dominating the pace, Austin finally came to and gave a Stone Cold Stunner to Shane. Austin went on

to give Umaga a Stunner as well, helping lead Lashley to victory.

After the match, Lashley, Austin and Trump all grabbed McMahon and put him into a barber chair where they shaved the billionaire's head bald.

It's so strange to look back and see Trump get cheered on by almost the entire WWE Universe. Now, he is getting booed and tomatoes thrown at him. In fact, when I first heard of Trump's campaign, I immediately thought of his Mania appearance and assumed he would be accepted as a candidate. Instead, nearly anyone not associated with him and his campaign hates him, and he has gone from a face to a heel at some point between "WrestleMania 23" and now.

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The No. 8 Lewis University women's basketball team opened the month of February with four wins to improve their overall record to an impressive 24-1, 15-0 in conference.

By mid-February of last season, the Flyers were 26-0 and 13-0 in conference before their first loss of the season to Drury.

Senior forward Mariyah Brawner-Henley was named the Great Lakes Valley Conference Player of the Week for the week of Feb. 8, as well as Feb. 15. This is her fourth time earning this award for the 2015-16 season and eighth for her career.

Brawner-Henley recently became the GLVC all-time women's basketball rebound leader with 1,200 rebounds and counting. She also owns the most career field goals in Lewis' history with 766. If you think the record-breaking stops there, it doesn't.

Brawner-Henley has moved from fourth all-time to second all-time in Lewis history with 1,873 career points, 95 points short of all-time leading scorer Darcee Schmidt (2003-07).

"If there's a better player in the country, you'll have to show her to me," Head Coach Kristen Gillespie told Sports Information.

The last four wins have added to Lewis' school record



Photo by Steve Woltmann

Alyssa Siwek's play has helped the Flyers to a 15-0 record in GLVC play.

of 19 consecutive GLVC wins, dating back to last season.

Rockhurst visited the Neil Carey Arena on Feb. 4 and offered good competition for the Flyers. With the score tied at 76 with 1:13 left on the clock, Brawner-Henley and junior Alyssa Siwek combined for five more points and the Flyers won the game 81-78. During the game, freshman Jessica Kelliher added a crucial 22 points and freshman Kayla Brewer recorded 12 points.

The Flyers hosted William Jewell on the annual Play 4Kay

Fight Against Breast Cancer sponsored game night and took down the Cardinals 65-54. Lewis was shooting at 46.2 percent in the first half and started the second half leading only by one point. After improving to 60 percent field goal shooting in the second, Lewis assured that the lead would stay in their favor for the rest of the game. Considering that the Cardinals outstole (8-5) and out-rebounded (41-31) the Flyers, this was a game the team had to fight for. "I think we were much bet-

ter on the defensive end tonight than on Thursday. I thought our communication was fantastic," Gillespie said.

Lewis defeated Quincy 68-62 on Feb. 11. The Flyers shot 45.8 percent and limited the Hawks to shooting only 37.7 percent from the floor.

As leaders per each category, Brewer contributed three steals and two three-pointers, redshirt sophomore Tiana Karpulos contributed two steals and Brawner-Henley contributed 28 points and 15 rebounds.

"I thought we had some really good contributions from Jess, Kayla and Tiana. Alyssa was great down the stretch," Gillespie said.

Lewis faced Truman State on the road for Feb. 13 and won 59-51. Truman took a 9-2 lead in the first quarter but that would be their only time ahead of the Flyers for the rest of the game.

Kelliher and Brawner-Henley quickly combined for 10 points in a row, and for the rest of the game, four additional Flyers all contributed at least two points for the win. Each of the nine Flyers that played contributed at least one rebound during the game as well.

Due to the publication deadline, the Indianapolis and Saint Joseph's matchups could not be included. UW-Parkside will travel to Lewis on Feb. 25 for the Flyers' last game before the first round of the GLVC Tournament.

## Lewis swim season comes to an end

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The Lewis men's and women's swimming teams finished their GLVC championships over Valentine's Day weekend. The men finished in fourth place while the women finished in fifth place.

The men finished the first day with 94 points. Junior Adam Wise received fourth place in the 50 freestyle (20.52), which set a new school record by .01 seconds. Freshman Mads Knoblauch, senior Zach Ballon, freshman Colin Williams and junior Aidan Brennan put a time of 1:31.73 together to finish the first day off with a fourth place showing in the 200 medley.

On the second day, junior Quinn Poti broke a school record as well. He swam a time of 3:59.86 in the 400 individual medley for third place in the event. Lewis earned third place in the 200 free relay with a time of 1:22.36 as senior Tommy Cornes, and juniors

Adam Wise, Dan Szakovits and Aidan Brennan swam the event.

The team finished the day in fourth place with 217 points.

On the fourth and final day of the event, Knoblauch swam a 1:47.32 in the 200 backstroke. Ballon was able to advance to the finals for seventh place in the 200 breaststroke with a time of 2:03.56.

The event came to an end for the men as they remained in fourth place with 401 points for their third consecutive year at the GLVC Championships.

The women finished the event in fifth place with 348 points. On the first day, senior Montana Clasby made a top 10 finish in her 200 individual medley with a time of 2:08.29. Unfortunately for the Flyers, senior Shelby Leonard injured her leg in the 200 medley relay so Lewis was unable to finish the race.

On the fourth and final day, the women finished in fifth place with 348 points. Junior Sarah Cameron and Clasby



Photo by Steve Woltmann

Adam Wise was one of the top performers at the GLVC meet.

both advanced to the finals of the 200 breaststroke. Clasby swam a 2:21.21 and Cameron earned a 2:24.89.

To end the event, the women earned fourth place in the 400 freestyle relay with juniors Brittany Kamper and Kinsey Coble, and sophomore Shannon Sullivan coming together for a time of 3:22.18.

The meet had solid finishes,

but overall the lack of victories really proved a point made by Head Coach Roger Karns earlier in the season, when he told Sports Information, "They are swimming very tired right now, which they should expect."

The NCAA swim season will soon come to an end in March, with the NCAA Championships in Indianapolis, Ind.

### Upcoming Events in Flyer Athletics

Men's

**Baseball**

**Feb. 28**

Seton Hill 10:15 a.m.  
Auburndale, Fla.

**Feb. 29**

Findlay 10:30 a.m.  
Auburndale, Fla.

Men's

**Basketball**

**Feb. 25**

UW-Parkside 7:30 p.m.

**Feb. 28**

GLVC First Round TBA

Women's

**Basketball**

**Feb. 25**

UW-Parkside 5:30 p.m.

**Mar. 3-6**

GLVC Tournament TBA  
St. Charles, Mo.

Women's

**Softball**

**Feb. 26**

Ashland 11 a.m.

Upper Iowa 3:30 p.m.  
Rosemont, Ill.

Men's

**Tennis**

**Feb. 26**

@Drury 8 p.m.

**Feb. 27**

Newman 12 p.m.  
Springfield, Mo.

Women's

**Tennis**

**Feb. 26**

@Drury 8 p.m.

**Feb. 27**

Newman 12 p.m.  
Springfield, Mo.

Men's & Women's

**Track & Field**

**Feb. 26-27**

GLVC Indoor  
Championships  
Kenosha, Wis.

Men's

**Volleyball**

**Feb. 23**

Loyola 7 p.m.

**Feb. 26**

@McKendree 7 p.m.

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## Simelton feeling right at home

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To members of the Lehigh basketball program, it seemed surreal. Miles Simelton, Oswego High School graduate who was a key reserve for the D-I Mountain Hawks, told the coaches, players and dean of athletics of his intention to transfer.

The team known for defeating the Duke Blue Devils as a No. 15 seed in the 2012 NCAA Tournament was looking to increase Simelton's role after a successful season that saw the team finish third in the Patriot League. Instead, Simelton was looking for a new school.

"Being at Lehigh was a great experience, no regrets there," said Simelton. "I think ultimately I wanted to play a bigger role on the court and not sacrifice academics, and [Lewis] was a good fit that was close to home."

Head Coach Scott Trost had briefly talked to Simelton as part of his local recruiting efforts. Simelton admitted to the Chicago Sun-Times that he wasn't a fan of the recruiting process, but luckily for Trost and the Flyers, they did enough during the process to



Photo by Steve Woltmann

Miles Simelton's transfer from Lehigh has boosted the solid Flyer side.

stick out in Simelton's mind. "We knew pretty early on that he would be going to a bigger school, but we always

knew who he was and talked with him and his coaches," said Trost.

"I remember talking to [Coach Trost] in high school, and that definitely resonated in my mind when I was getting calls to transfer," said Simelton. "That and the previous knowledge of the school played a big part."

Simelton dominated the local area in high school. His Oswego Panthers won their first conference title in 15 years when he helped lead them to the Southwest Prairie Conference Championship in 2013. Simelton scored 18.7 points per game his senior season, which helped lead to a D-I scholarship.

"I was definitely a late bloomer in high school, I didn't really put it all together until senior year," said Simelton. "I think my senior year was when I really realized I could play at a high level collegiately, and should put in the time moving forward."

This season, Simelton is putting up numbers that speak to his explosiveness, potential and ability to dominate games. Against Illinois-Springfield earlier this season, Simelton scored a career-high 33 points in a double overtime

win. Simelton shot 17-21 from the free throw line and was 8-15 from the field.

"Coach wants me to be aggressive on offense and mark my man on defense," said Simelton. "I want to be a good teammate first."

"He's got a great shot, is athletic and very talented," said Trost. "All those things allow him to be a great offensive player."

As a junior transfer, Simelton has one more season of eligibility following this season. He has helped ease the pain of losing former starting point guard Jeff Jarosz.

"We obviously needed a point guard," said Trost. "There's not a huge difference between our league and some D-I leagues, some guys struggle down here but I don't think Miles will."

Simelton seems to have found a nice fit in the Flyer family, and has transitioned nicely on the court. Being back near his hometown and starting for a successful program looking to make noise in both the Great Lakes Valley Conference and the nation, Simelton can help lead a very successful team both this season and next.

## Tennis starts with regional win over Hillsdale

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The No. 8 Lewis University men's tennis team opened their spring season with a 7-2 regional win over Hillsdale College on Feb. 6.

Hillsdale created and sponsored the varsity men's tennis team this year, a team that has been nonexistent for the college for over a decade. Their first match was against the Flyers and unfortunately for them, the men's team is not in the business of letting anyone off easy.

Each Lewis singles competitor won matches, but only one of the three Lewis duos were able to walk away with a win.

Lewis' match scores for the singles competition were recorded as follows: freshman Alan Braschinsky (7-5, 6-3), junior Mate Srdanovic (6-2, 6-1), sophomore Andre Norasith (4-6, 6-2, 10-3), freshman

Chandler Stimpert (7-6, 6-1), sophomore Ransom Braaten (1-6, 6-1, 6-4) and freshman Brendan Peterson (6-1, 6-0).

Srdanovic and Braschinsky defeated their competition in duos 8-1, but Lewis' two other duos were not so lucky. Lewis was defeated 9-8 and 8-3 in the next two duo matches.

"We did not play well at No. 2 and 3 doubles, but we did have some guys step up in singles and get the job done," Head Coach Brett Bridel told Sports Information. "We may have won the match, but we need to be much better as a team."

The 7-2 win against Hillsdale College put the Flyers up 1-0 in the books as they look to face Aquinas on Feb. 20. The women's tennis team will also be traveling to Michigan to begin their season. The two teams will be traveling throughout the middle part of the country over the beginning

of their season, including stops in Missouri and Arkansas. The trip will culminate

with matches in Oklahoma and Texas, before the team returns home for their first

home matches of the spring season, on March 24 and 25 against Walsh and Tiffin.



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A win by Andre Norasith helped the Flyers defeat Hillsdale.