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Team members for Dance Marathon's 20k in 1 day cheers after the results of the fundraiser is announced.

Dance Marathon event successful

By Chelsea Schroder
 Reporter

It was revealed that \$32,962 was raised in 24 hours at the University Dance Marathon's second annual 20k in one day.

Students and faculty passionate about raising money and helping children in need, united together to participate in Dance Marathon, the University's fundraising event aimed at raising \$20,000 in 24 hours.

Fundraising began at 10 p.m. on Nov. 9, and a general meeting was held in the multipurpose room on Nov. 10, where the total amount of money raised was released to the anxious public.

"I am speechless. All day I didn't know the total, and I was constantly posting

on social media," said Rachel Dudukovich, fundraising chair for the event, "This is a community effort, and I give all credit to the organization."

All donations are being given to miracle children in Mercy Children's hospital in Toledo.

The organization surpassed their intended goal by \$12,962.

"Its amazing to see how much a group of college students can really come together to make miracles happen," said Mackenzie Marquis, the organization's assistant director of external affairs.

Many students collected donations through donor drives, relatives, alumni, faculty and even local businesses like the Cookie Jar and DP Dough.

TOMS, a University organization dedicated to help collect food donations for the

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- **Rachel Dudukovich**, 20K In One Day Fundraising Chair

homeless, also helped with fundraising and exhibited their cause at the meeting.

BLOTTER

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Katherine Carptender, 29, of Bowling Green, was arrested for shoplifting and three counts of possession of drugs within the 1000th block of N Main St.

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3:43 P.M.

Tricia Kushen, 20, of Bowling Green, was arrested for shoplifting within the 200th block of S. Mercer.

3:09 A.M.

Garrick Foxhall, 18, of Bowling Green, was arrested for disorderly conduct and loud noise within the 200th block of Manville Ave.

The spirited meeting showcased a video tour of Mercy Children's Hospital, as well as fundraising tips for students.

"This is definitely a community effort and we are really proud to increase our fundraising efforts from last year," said Hallie McIntyre, assistant director of finance for the organization, "We look forward to fundraising for the rest of the year, especially at Ziggyathon."

Students and faculty are encouraged to sign up for miracle tours at Hippotherapy Barn, Autism Center and Mercy Children's Hospital on OrgSync.com, a campus engagement network.

Anybody interested in getting involved with raising or donating money throughout the year can email halliem@bgsu.edu.

Relay For Life to fundraise for cancer

By **Hannah Benson**
Campus Editor

Colleges Against Cancer is hosting its main event, Relay For Life, on Nov. 13 at 8 p.m. to Nov. 14 at 8 a.m.

The philanthropic campus organization holds the event for 12 hours to raise money for cancer research.

"It represents that cancer never sleeps, so we are going to stay up for 12 hours and not sleep as well," Mia Giano, Relay For Life tri-chair, said.

According to the Relay For Life website, "Teams camp out overnight and take turns walking or running around a track," to raise money for the American Cancer Society.

"It's our largest fundraiser, it's pretty much one of the largest fundraisers for the American Cancer Society and it's the top grossing worldwide fundraiser," Jayna Clemens, the organization's president, said.

Clemens said they have spent this year transitioning their format to ensure more involvement in the community.

"This was a huge transition year for us," Clemens said. "In the past, we've always had great intentions of Colleges Against Cancer being more than just Relay For Life at BGSU."

During the past two years, the organization has been trying to brand itself as Colleges Against Cancer, rather than "just the organization that does Relay For Life."

"We want people to realize there is an organization behind the event," Clemens said. "We want events that continue into the spring to support the BGSU community in a larger capacity than just Relay For Life."

Last year, the organization realized that the previous leadership structure, which focused primarily on the relay event, did not

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COMIC BY ZACH FERGUSON

Growing out of friends is healthy

The older you get, the more knowledge you acquire.

This affects people in different ways as we mature and evolve. Personally, I'm not the same person from one day to the next, let alone years apart. So if our personalities and interests are constantly changing, why do we expect our friends to remain constant?

The truth is that many friendships in our early life are made out of convenience. In grade school, you are with the same people almost every day for long hours at a time. It's not hard to find someone with similar interests and experiences when your life is so free of responsibilities and so young.

You bond with other students over hating the same teacher or riding the same bus, and that somehow cements what might be a fragile relationship



Taylor Lody
Columnist

under any other circumstances.

Going to college is a major life event in many people's lives and those convenience friendships often fall to the wayside in the wake of exciting new experiences and friendships. These are extremely formative years and in establishing who you are as a person, you may find yourself having less and less in common with your high school friends. You can no longer bond over common experiences and your worlds have expanded. Interacting with people over a distance is difficult and exhausting, let alone interacting with people whose lives no longer have

much relevance to yours.

This "cleanse" of friendships will happen again as you graduate college and move on to a professional environment.

It's healthy to grow out of relationships. You should surround yourself with people who challenge you to reach your full potential, not those who encourage you to live in the past.

Don't lose heart if you lose some of your older friendships, you're off to bigger and better things and so are they. Friends come and go, but leave a lasting impression. Be grateful for the time you had and remember the lessons you learned as you move forward.

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PEOPLE ON THE STREET

If you could apply for any job on campus, what would it be?



"I'm already an RA, does the President of the University count?"

TIM WHITLINGER
Senior, Telecommunications



"It would be fun to be a landscaper."

CALLIE NICHOLSON
Freshman, Undecided




"Vice President of Student Affairs- after I get my Masters and Doctorate. It's my dream job."

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Calculating the cost of living on campus

Many students complain about the price of on campus housing and meal plan, but few actually do the math to find out just how much more they are paying each semester.

Let me spell it out for you. Kreischer, Harshman, Kohl, and McDonald Halls are tied at the cheapest on-campus housing options at \$2660. Given that each semester is roughly four months, the monthly cost of the cheapest on-campus housing is \$665. That is more expensive than most one bedroom apartments off campus. Not to mention, you have to pay extra to stay on campus over breaks.

Even more extensively, Falcon's Pointe apartments, which advertise as "luxury," cost \$325 a month, roughly half the price of even the cheapest on-campus housing. Not to mention there are much cheaper off-campus options than Falcon's Pointe and more expensive on-campus options than those previously listed.

Falcon's Point, the Edge, and many other apartment options offer tenants their own bedrooms, bathrooms (or a shared bathroom amongst two or three roommates), a living room, a kitchen and very close parking. Some even offer laundry within each apartment, and there is no hassle of checking in when you come home later than 11:30 p.m.

In dorms, very few have living rooms and bathrooms, and those dorms that do cost extra because of it. Keeping to the basics in the \$2660 cost, there is a small bedroom shared between two



Holly Shively
City Editor

people (unless you want to pay extra), community bathrooms down the hall, no common room for roommates to share besides their own bedroom, and access to a kitchen only outside of the room, often on a different floor, which is shared with every other student in the hall.

So why are we paying so much for housing that is far less luxurious than cheaper options? Yes, I understand that the convenience of living on campus raises the value, and all utilities are included in the cost of housing; however, utilities do not make off-campus rent over twice as much.

More prominent than the high cost of living is the lack of preparation for off campus living. By including utilities in the cost of housing and not separately, students are not held accountable for the electric, heat, and water they use. Living on campus is supposed to be a step to help students adjust to living alone before moving off campus; however, it really takes you one step backwards. At home, my parents held me responsible for cooking, cleaning, and punished me for leaving lights and fans on when I wasn't using them. These are all important skills and qualities I will need when living off campus, but living on campus almost reverses these skills

with the lack of accountability.

Paying extra to live in a suite-style dorm with my learning community, I have a bathroom and common area that I share with five other girls. We are also in control of the temperature in our room. I could theoretically leave my lights, shower, and air conditioning on 24 hours a day without being penalized, which creates terrible habits that if continued when living off campus will be very costly.

Not only are there bad habits in utilities, but meal plan as well. I have problems spending all of the smallest retail bronze meal plan of \$1592. People who use all of their meal plan in the first half of the semester may think I'm crazy, but I assure you that I am not alone in being unable to spend the entire amount.

Yes, the Falcon dollars roll over to the next semester, but if I can't use them all first semester, I won't be able to spend all \$1592 plus the leftovers in the second semester. So, I will lose the Falcon dollars—which means I lose the equal cash value of those Falcon dollars that I spent when purchasing the required meal plan.

To avoid losing my hard-earned money at the end of the school year, I've developed habits of buying Starbucks almost every day, even though I had never been to a Starbucks before college. It's also easy to fall into the bad habit of buying large quantities of foods that I am unsure if I will like, then wasting them when I realize I don't like

them because I don't care about how much money I spend.

I spend very little money at off-campus grocery stores and eating out because I know that I need to spend the money on campus, so it's not a matter of me not using my Falcon Dollars because I'm spending elsewhere. I only buy items off campus that I know I can't purchase on campus because I try to keep a relatively healthy diet, and the healthier options on campus are very limited.

Don't get me wrong. I don't just radiate hate for BGSU. I love this school and can't imagine having a better college experience than the one I've been offered here. This University is extremely helpful and supportive in preparing me for my career through classes, campus media and internship requirements, and I am endlessly thankful for the scholarship and financial aid I receive from the University and affiliates.

However, I cannot hide my disgust for the housing and meal plan system enacted. I understand the meal plan requirement, but there needs to be a smaller meal plan for those of us raised not to waste our money and more accountability held to keep prices fair for students living on campus.

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lend itself to planning other events throughout the year.

The previous leadership structure of the organization was three event chairs, one president and two co-vice presidents.

"When relay was over, we had a difficult time organizing anything else because we spent so much time on relay and no one was focused on the organization and planning any other events," Clemens said.

Clemens said the old leadership and herself decided to have the vice president disconnect from relay to focus on everything Colleges Against Cancer other than relay.

The leadership team currently consists of the president, the vice president and the tri-chairs.

Some events the organization has planned for the spring include an outdoor obstacle course and a food truck festival.

Giano said she would eventually like to collaborate with Dance Marathon.

"We actually do really want to start collaborating with them on a lot more things because they are way bigger than we are, so we want to eventually become as big as they

are," Giano said.

Giano said she was in charge of "painting the campus purple," the luminaria ceremony, making decorations and finding entertainment for the event.

Giano said the event will feature The Voices at BG, the High Flyers, Ten40, AcousChicks, a Zumba instructor, a juggler and more.

Clemens said the organization is always looking to support University staff, faculty and students.

"We are always willing and excited to collaborate with other organizations and groups on campus in whatever capacity they need," Clemens said. "Whether that's planning an event, providing educational cancer materials or fundraising for the American Cancer Society."

She encourages anyone interested in Colleges Against Cancer to email them at bgcac@bgsu.edu.

Pre-register online at relayforlife.org/bgsu for \$10 and at the door for \$15. Visitors pay \$5 for up to 4 hours.

Registration starts at 7:30 p.m. and the event begins at 8 p.m. in the Turf Room of the Perry Field House.

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Student club celebrates musical theatre

By Jennifer Verzuh
Pulse Editor

Members of MuTS are the kind of people that given a cue can complete a musical phrase, according to the organization's president Christa Federico.

MuTS is a student organization for people who appreciate musical theatre, whether they're majoring in it or not.

"We welcome non-majors with open arms, and then we provide that theatre family that people often had in high school and are yearning for in college," Federico said.

Sophomore and transfer student Joseph Tansey recently joined, and as a business major, sees it as an outlet to express his love for musical theatre, and said "everyone has been really welcoming."

He said he would recommend others get involved, but he does wish the organiza-

tion were able to put on student productions and musicals.

MuTS does however put on five cabarets a year, including a major one in January for Broadway Cares BG, which is a branch of a national organization that has connections to Broadway and works to raise money for individuals affected by AIDS. Formerly, Broadway Cares BG was a separate club, but the two organizations merged recently.

This is the first year with the merger, which has been going really well," Federico said. "It's basically to give them a bigger membership base, and for us to have a stronger philanthropy."

Their last cabaret was in September, and was a Not-My-Type cabaret, which involved members playing character they would not typically be cast as. Their next cabaret is planned for before the end of the semester.

The organization also holds week-

ly meetings, where they discuss theatre events going on in the and around the community, Broadway Cares, different auditions, as well as the mentee-mentor Muts/Puppies program, which they are currently in the midst of.

Federico, who's majoring in both acting and directing and musical theatre, said that her involvement in MuTS is helpful in her ultimate career aspirations.

"For me this is pretty much everything I need to be doing. I'm really interested in management so I'm really blessed to have this opportunity to have that kind of business and personal relations type thing which has been really cool for me," she said. "Other than that just to have that kind of family base and all those friends to go back to."

Both Federico and MuTS' vice president Miranda Harmon agree though that they're working more for the members than them-

selves.

I've always loved, and I still do, working with people and kind of being that motherly leader," Harmon said. "For me it's just being there for them and guiding and helping them along the way."

Federico said because theatre is naturally a competitive field, having a supportive and comforting family-like atmosphere, such as MuTS is important.

"Here at the university and this department in particular we are each other's competition we are the people auditioning against each other, we are the people fighting for those roles. But also to know that every wednesday night we come back and we are just there for each other. We cheer each other on," she said.

MuTS meets weekly at Wednesday nights at 10:15 in room 2121 of the Moore Musical Arts building and encourages students to join. Membership is \$5.

“Master of None” diverse, innovative

By Michele Mathis
Managing Editor

More often than not, media prepared for the coming-of-agers and millennials is tacky and over done.

Aziz Ansari’s “Master of None,” however, was classy and medium rare.

Co-created by Ansari and “Parks and Recreation” writer Alan Yang, the groundbreaking new Netflix series compiles a diverse cast, relevant pop culture topics and carefully timed punchlines to develop a rich narrative about understanding family and how to deal with that awkward moment when you realize that your significant other that just moved in is a slob.

Usually, millennial driven pieces drive into the sticky hole of self-indulgence, but “Master of None” counteracts the expected narrative by taking from the writers personal stories and Ansari’s stand up work. With crisp, to the point comedy deflecting white people’s racism and 21st century dating, Ansari has exceeded expectations.

Ansari plays a 30-something named Dev Shah, who works as a freelance actor, only landing superstore markets ads and the occasional background character in movies. The first episode, “Plan B,” introduces Rachel, a PR specialist for local bands in the area. The playful awkwardness of a one night stand creates the arch of the plot with their budding relationship; a relationship

that relates all the ups and downs that you could find in the person that you sleep next to at night.

While you might expect an underarching plotline, the episodes flow together with outstanding themes. The second episode took the theme of parents, skits that were aimed at Ansari’s family and their struggles to assimilate to American culture. The skits move in-between blasting Hollywood for not implementing real diversity in their casts and how to treat their elders.

“Master of None” is remarkable with its wide ranging cast. People of color are the focal point of every discussion, skit and episode. All topics rotated the existence of intersectional feminist issues like race,

class and sexism.

Even though it carries special capabilities to become preachy, the intersectionality of comedy and diversity creates deep empathy for all the characters, even the characters that don’t gain a lot of screen time or lines. For example, Dev’s partner Rachel (Noel Wells) isn’t simply an object to win affection for, but the same soul-searching 20-something that is stuck wanting to travel and be reckless, or stay in her restricting career that offers adult-like stability.

From every angle, “Master of None” is a well-crafted argument for diversity and inclusion in modern day television. This Netflix show will be one to binge for a few days.

Peanuts revamp brings back feelings of nostalgia

By Jennifer Verzuh
Pulse Editor

In so many stories today geared towards younger audiences the protagonist has to be special, set apart and chosen. They can’t be just decent at basketball or football, they have to be the best player in the whole state. It’s not enough to be somewhat smart in certain subject, they have to have all A’s and a secret lab where they conduct experiments. If they like to sing, they better have the most beautiful voice and secure a record deal by the time they’re 18.

These stories though, as entertaining as they often are, don’t reflect most kids’ experiences. By only celebrating pure excellence and talent, it leaves many kids feeling inadequate.

That’s why Charlie Brown is still such a refreshing character. It’s been 65 years since Charles M. Schultz’s comic strip Peanuts premiered and next month will see the 50th anniversary of the classic holiday TV special A Charlie Brown Christmas. Yet even today, Charlie Brown is a fairly revolutionary character simply because he’s not special. He isn’t the best at anything. Most of his attempts at success are met with failure. Yet we still root for him and relate to him. He’s not a rock star or star athlete, but he’s lovable and admirable in his own way.

The Peanuts Movie marks a welcome return to the screen for this character and Schulz’s entire gang. The movie is color-

ful, charming, beautifully animated and retains the spirit of the original comic strip and movies. For kids who are largely unfamiliar with these characters the movie is still inviting, entertaining and easily accessible. For individuals like myself who grew up with Charlie Brown, Linus, Lucy and Sally, it’s a pleasant, nostalgic way to spend an afternoon, especially with one’s family.

The plot is fairly simple, perhaps overly so. It felt more like one of the Peanuts’ television specials, rather than a feature length theatrical movie, but regardless it works and simplicity is a nice change from the high budget explosions and frills one sees in theaters regularly. The famous little red head girl moves in across the street from Charlie Brown (Noah Schnapp) and he develops a major crush. This spurs on the main action of the movie, where with the help of his dog Snoopy (Bill Melendez, taken from archival recordings) he attempts to become a winner to impress her. A side plot, which is actually considerably more creative and clever in my opinion, features Snoopy and Woodstock (Melendez again) writing a story where Snoopy as his alias the Flying Ace faces off against his enemy the Red Baron and pursues a romance with fellow pilot and dog, Fifi (who’s interestingly enough,

played by Kristin Chenoweth).

The visuals, though markedly different from the original films work very well. It’s playful, enticing and sure to please younger viewers. The score from Christophe Beck is wonderful and thankfully Vince Guaraldi’s original music still pops up from time to time in a way that’s guaranteed to bring back childhood memories. Unfortunately,

the movie saw fit to prominently include a song by pop song by Meghan Trainor. It doesn’t fit at all and feels like a poor attempt to modernize the characters.

Look, Charlie Brown is no hero. He’s not Katniss, Tris or Percy Jackson. He’s just a regular kid who tries his best. And that’s something we could use a lot more of in media.



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Relations Commission discuss clean streets

By Holly Shively
City Editor

Bowling Green Residents may see green business certifications and cleaner neighborhoods in the near future after City-University Relations Commission discussions Tuesday night.

Proceeding under new elected leaders including Co-chairs Daniel Gordon, city council president pro tem, and Lisa Mattiace, University President Chief of Staff, as well as secretary Michael Oiler, a second-year graduate student at the University, the City-University Commission invited city Public Works Director Brian Kraft to inform attendants about downtown litter problems.

Kraft said there has particularly been a litter problem across from CVS in the Market Square and near the complex where Domino's Pizza is located, specifically on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights, when Domino's sells large

quantities of pizza by the slice in a box.

"The first 10 or 15 of them fit in the trash cans, but the hundreds after them don't," Kraft said.

He said the key is for businesses to take responsibility for their own trash generation.

"Our containers are meant to be for that casual person walking downtown...It's not meant to be the dumpster for each business that it sits in front of, so we try to strike that balance of having enough containers up there to keep downtown litter free," Kraft said.

The commission brought up several solutions including Domino's employees emptying the containers more often, better packaging for the pizza, and handouts with city perspectives of problems.

"Pieces of paper tend to be lost...It's more of a discussion thing," said Barbara Roland,

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Redshirt Sophomore Kennedy Kirkpatrick drives past a defender last season in a game against Kent State.

Womens basketball open at the Stroh

By Evan Hayes
Sports Reporter

The Bowling Green State University womens basketball team will open their 2015-2016 season this weekend with two home matchups, first on Friday night against Illinois State University then again on Sunday afternoon against Bradley University. After last season saw them succumb to multiple injuries and finish with a 9-21 record, the Falcons will look to start their season off strong.

“We’ll be playing against a different style of play in Illinois State, they’re going to change up their defensive pressure and show us five to seven different defensive pressures or situations, where when we played them last year that’s what they did to us as well,” Head

Coach Jennifer Roos said. “But it’s going to be a tough weekend with a short turnaround, with a late Friday night game and an early Sunday afternoon tip.”

The Falcons were able to win against both teams last year on the road, and will look to do the same at home this season. Illinois State is a team rebuilding, but with successful recruiting classes the past few years are looking to pay back the Falcons for their home loss last season.

“This is a team that because they have more newcomers than we do, their coach may have the opportunity to run a new system than what they did last year,” Roos said. “She’s inherited a program where she’s looking to rebuild, but they’ve had successes in the recruiting front and they’re starting to pay off already for them.

We’ve got to be ready for a tough opponent that we beat last year, that is looking to pay us back this year at our place.”

The team is noticeably different than last years, with five new players, three freshmen and two transfers, being incorporated into the program for the Falcons. The team also gets back forward Erica Donovan, who was selected to the Preseason All-MAC team. Coming together as a cohesive unit will be crucial to BG’s success this season.

“Playing together will take some time, and I know that will come,” Roos said. “But this team got better in the days leading up to our Illinois State game, and we’re looking forward to playing someone else.”

Injuries proved to be the Falcons’ Achilles heal last season, which saw them lose five

UPCOMING GAMES

THURSDAY, NOV. 12

Volleyball:

Vs. Miami | 7pm

FRIDAY, NOV. 13

Womens Swim:

@Michigan State University | 5pm
Vs. University of Cincinnati in East Lansing, Mich. | 5pm

Womens Basketball:

Vs. Illinois State | 7pm

Womens Cross Country:

Vs. NCAA Great Lakes Regional in Madison, Wisconsin | 12pm

Mens Cross Country:

Vs. NCAA Great Lakes Regional in Madison, Wisconsin | 12pm

Hockey:

@ Michigan Tech | 7:07pm

SATURDAY, NOV. 14

Mens Basketball:

Vs. New Orleans | 2pm

Volleyball:

Vs. Northern Illinois | 7pm

Hockey:

@Michigan Tech | 7:07pm

SUNDAY, NOV. 15

Womens Basketball:

Vs. Bradley | 2pm

players to injuries, two of which were career ending. In order to gel as a group and make a run in the MAC, staying healthy will be imperative for the Falcons.

“We want to come out of each game and out of each practice healthy, first and foremost, after last year. That is our primary goal. Also, the more time that our kids can play together in game situations is going to help us,” Roos said. “So we’re looking forward to getting better each day and staying healthy, and we’ve got to focus on that. Our kids have bought into that because we’ve talked about it in practice and team meetings. It’s a marathon, not a sprint.”

Both games will take place this weekend at the Stroh Center, with Illinois State tipping off at 7 p.m. Friday night. Sunday afternoon’s game against Bradley will start at 2 p.m.

THE BG NEWS PICKS OF THE WEEK

Week eleven. After a 5-0 week, Editor-in-Chief Annie Furia takes over first place with Photo Editor Eric Burgasser 1 game and Sports Editor Aaron Parker 2 games behind.



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No. 24 Houston vs. No. 21 Memphis <i>Houston - 7</i>	Houston, you have a problem. HOU 36, MEM 41	I can not in good spirit pick Memphis. HOU ,21 MEM 14	me... HOU 1, MEM 2	Walking in Memphis, feet up in the clouds... HOU 7, MEM 704	I was impressed with Memphis when they played BG. HOU 17, MEM 31
No. 6 Baylor vs. No. 12 Oklahoma <i>Baylor - 6</i>	I just saw they were ranked higher. BAY 29, OKLA 11	Remember those Shawn Oakman memes? Those were hilarious. BAY 31, OKLA 24	waving... BAY 1, OKLA 2	Both teams sound SUPER HICK & redneck so... Not the bales of hay team. BAY 30, OKLA 73	The Big 12 is my weakness. BAY 52, OKLA 41
Duke vs. Pittsburgh <i>Duke - 3.5</i>	Pittsburgh is ok, I guess. DUKE 45, PITT 32	Does anyone think its weird that their mascot is the devil? I do. DUKE 0, PITT 20	the... DUKE 1, PITT 2	I've said enough to establish myself as a Duke fan... DUKE 309, PITT 52	Duke has been pretty disappointing the last few games. DUKE 28, PITT 35
Arizona State vs. Washington <i>Arizona State - 3</i>	I hear Seattle is a cool place. ASU 12, WASH 38	It's weird that I'm considering Washington because of Annie. ASU 21, WASH 31	white flag. ASU 1, WASH 2	They will "wash" that team right out of their hair! ASU 40, WASH 90	Both teams have same record, going for the favorite. ASU 54, WASH 35
Overall record	35-15	33-17	25-25	29-21	34-16

Senior Ryan James concludes collegiate soccer career

By Zane Miller
Sports Reporter

As the Bowling Green mens soccer season came to a close on Saturday, the collegiate career of senior midfielder Ryan James came to a close as well.

James had an extraordinary four year tenure with the team, playing in every one of the 79 games played by the Falcons since joining as a freshman at the beginning of the 2012 season.

"A little bit of luck and hard work," James said of his consecutive games played streak. "Just trying to be the best player on and off the field that I can be, listening to what the coach has to say, taking other people's advice and being able to translate it on the field."

James considered playing for the University

of North Carolina at Charlotte, the same school as his older brother, Evan, but ultimately chose Bowling Green because of the feel he got being around the team.

"It was a quick decision," James said. "Coach (Eric Nichols) was really nice during all the interviews we had, and obviously my parents had a big role, but I think it was just the feel I got when I came here and hung out with the guys, and it just seemed right."

James was a key part of a defense that allowed only 92 goals by the opposition from 2012 to 2015, for an average of 23 goals per season, the fewest in a four season

span for the team since the 1998 through 2001 seasons. This was such a big part of the team's success that he was named one of the three captains for the Falcons, along with junior midfielder Max Auden and fellow senior defender Jake Genrich.

"The team saw something in Max, Jake and I that they really liked, and I was honored to be in that role, and try to embrace it as much as possible and give back to them as much as possible because they gave me so much, respected me, and thought I was good enough for the role, so I had to give back."

However, James is not planning on ending his soccer career so soon, as he will continue to play soccer elsewhere next year, but is uncertain as to where.

"Playing soccer has always been my dream," James said. "My body's not broken yet, I'm still able to run and kick a ball, so I'm hoping to follow my dream for a little bit."

The most important part about his time at the university has been spending time with his teammates, on and off the field.

"You start to appreciate soccer, and the special moments just playing the game or going paintballing with the guys, and you get to appreciate the game that much more because you realize that your college career is coming to an end, so there was that much more to play for, and that much more effort to give to the team."

"My body's not broken yet, I'm still able to run and kick a ball..."
- Ryan James, Senior Midfielder

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executive director of downtown Bowling Green.

Health violations were also a concern for the packaging solution.

President of the University's Environmental Action Group Matthew Cunningham said the city should consider Green business certification, such as a sticker to label businesses that produce less than a certain amount of trash or waste.

"It needs to be incentivized in some way. And you can look at examples of communities and cities that have done green business certification, and you'll see that their profits will go up compared to companies that say 'We're not going to worry about it,'" Cunningham said.

Chris Ostrowski, a city property manager, suggested initiating a pilot program downtown to test run a green certification program.

The commission made the conclusion to contact Dr. Nick Hennessey, University sustainability coordinator, and Amanda Gambey, Wood County's environmental educator, to discuss these concerns and report

back at the next meeting with a list of qualifications to become a green business in the city of Bowling Green.

"Many of the elements are in place, it's just taking that little extra step," Mayor Edwards said.

Mattice suggested working towards the implication of some sort of green business program as a New Year's resolution.

The commission also decided to work towards implementing the Adopt a Neighborhood Program, a program that had been in planning stages last year but was never implemented. The idea behind the program is that the Undergraduate Student Government would request that each Greek organization on Campus would adopt a neighborhood to clean up and care for.

"On one hand we're cleaning up the neighborhoods. On the other hand we're also reversing those stereotypes that we have of students," Gordon said. He explained that members of Greek life are often seen as nuisances in the community, whether rightly or wrongly.

The commission decided to plan a public forum in January to get community input on this issue.

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Club Sport BG Quidditch team members in their practice.

Quidditch excels nationally

By Isabella Maini
Reporter

There are many campus organizations at Bowling Green State University some of those being club sports teams. One sports team that is up and coming within the student body is the BG Quidditch team.

Pari Yost, lead captain and president of the team explains what the sport and the team is about, "We are a two team program at BGSU that teaches and plays the sport of Quidditch, inspired by Harry Potter novels... the sport of Quidditch is co-Ed, full contact that includes tackling, with no pads. But obviously unlike the novels, we do not fly".

The two teams, junior varsity team, Falcon Warriors and varsity team, BG Quidditch

travel around the nation to compete and have made it to the national championship every year.

"We compete all around the nation against as many teams as possible and have earned the opportunity to the Natitonal Championship every year. This year we were the Great Lakes Regionals Runners Up, losing to University of Michigan in the finals but we still received one of the nine available bids to nationals" said Yost.

The team has just finished up their fall season, and is hopeful for the future. Falcon Warriors Captain, Korey Johnson says that the season was filled with goals and challenges.

"With how many new players we had, I had no idea how well the returning warriors would blend. We emphasized the team above the individual and fighting with a purpose. Those are some of the many goals I challenged them with and I cannot be happier about how the season went when it comes to accomplishing them" said Johnson.

Goals indeed were accomplished on both teams, as the BG Quidditch heads to the US Cup in South Carolina, Kaitlin Richards, assistant captain of BG Quidditch says that the energy of the team will only bring the team even more together.

"The vitality of the team is indescribable. When we circle up before games you can feel the energy each person is giving off. I can't wait to see how this energy increases as we get closer and closer to Nationals... South Carolina here we come!" said Richards.

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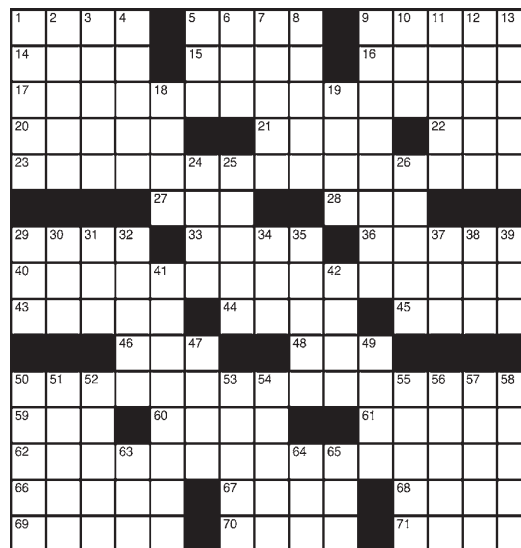
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