NO COOKIE ROOKIE

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Approximately 131 to 150 pounds of flour, 38 pounds of butter, eight dozen eggs and a passion for baking is just the beginning of what it takes Cookie Jar owner and head cookie chef Maureen Lanigan to get through a day in the store.

Thursday marks Cookie Jar's 10-year anniversary and 10 years of serving the Bowling Green community.

Lanigan and her then business partner decided to open Cookie Jar in 2006 after she fell in love with the town, adding to her “biggest passion” - baking.

When the store opened only a few other delivery shops existed, mainly pizza shops and Mister Spots. Stores like Jimmy Johns and Oasis wouldn't come until later.

Lanigan said she and her partner decided to go into the dessert business because there was no one in that market yet, and it paired perfectly with her love for baking.

When first throwing around ideas, Lanigan said no one thought anyone would wait 15 minutes for a box of hot cookies. Most cookies at the time were sold in the same way bakeries sell donuts and bagels now. They would pick one product to make Monday, a different to make Tuesday, another for Wednesday and so on, and then they would serve the same product for four days.

“Well on the fourth day, it’s clearly not as good as the first,” Lanigan said.

She wanted her business to be focused on freshness and quality, with “made from scratch, hot cookies.”

On top of others’ doubt, banks wouldn’t loan to the aspiring business owners because the restaurant business was too risky, but with family money and a loan from the Bowling Green Community Foundation, Cookie Jar opened anyway. Not only did the store open, but it survived through the recession of 2008.

“2008 was very, very difficult for small businesses...but people still came back, and I believe that’s because of the product,” Lanigan said.

The store and its 24 employees, 20 of which are University students, make the dough fresh everyday with as few products and as little waste as possible.

“Literally we make everything we can make in a day, day after day, every single day,” she said.

Despite the concerns, Lanigan said people responded well to the wait for fresh cookies, even young kids encouraged their parents to stick around.

She said the store makes “Too many (cookies) to count” every day, but last school year, on the busiest day, she made nine batches of dough for inception cookies alone, not including any other dough for any other cookies that day. Each batch makes 130 dough balls, totaling 1170 inception cookies in one day.

She said with only two ovens in the small shop it was up to a two hour wait, but customers didn’t get angry when she explained why.

“I’m not gonna prebake cookies because that defeats the purpose of being fresh,” she said.

This freshness along with the made-from-scratch dough is what sets Cookie Jar aside from its competitors who use frozen dough and pre-baked cookies to leave in a warmer until ordered.

Other competitors are faster because of this and stay open longer, but freshness and her employees safety when leaving work are more important to Lanigan.

She said she can also offer a variety others can’t as a small business because she has flexibility with her menu and prices.

Part of this variety includes the cookie of the day, which draws customers in for the new flavors and offers a different menu every day while keeping an affordable mix of ingredients.

Cookie Jar has close to 300 recipes for the cookie of the day.

“I just tried a recipe and tried it again. And if it didn’t work, I tried it again,” Lanigan said.

Cookie Jar has become a Bowling Green “tradition for families, and that was all I could ever hope for,” she said.

She shared stories of people saying they can’t pass through to Michigan without getting off freeway for Cookie Jar or can’t leave Bowling Green after a kid’s soccer camp without stopping. She even has families stopping year after year to get the same cookie cake for a birthday.

“Over the past 10 years, I have gotten so many regular customers or clientele which means the most to me,” she said.

The store will be celebrating its anniversary simultaneously with the Black Swamp Arts Festival and will offer several specials.

If customers mentions the store's anniversary when ordering on Sept. 8 through 11, they will get 10 percent off their entire order. In addition, when ordering during these days, customers in the store can enter for a chance to win a 10 cookie hot pack every month for a year.

Lanigan also purchased a geofilter on Snapchat that will be available in the store on Sept. 8 and all along Main Street during the Black Swamp Arts Festival Sept. 9 through 11. If customers take a snap with the geofilter and show it in store, they can get a free cookie with the purchase of any hot pack.

“It's not a product that you buy every single day or every single week because it is expensive, but I refuse to use cheaper ingredients or make the cookies smaller,” Lanigan said.
Falcon Fanatics currently has over 800 members and has been growing consistently over the past five years. They are building the student section, supporting student athletes and sponsoring giveaways on campus.

Falcon Fanatics is a group that wants to make campus life more exciting and enjoyable for students. They work to get students to attend the events of all 18 sports on campus, because they know that once a student has attended one game in the student section, they will enjoy themselves enough to come back.

"One of our main priorities is just to support our student athletes," member Tyler Kemp said. "They are just like us, but better at sports."

President of Falcon Fanatics Courtney Griffith said that she has made the group very active on social media, especially on the class of 2020 Facebook page. The group is also active on Twitter, Instagram and Snapchat. She is excited that there are so many freshman members this year, because getting involved as a freshman sets students up for a successful four years at the University.

Griffith said that there are a lot of returning students this year, which indicates to her that the group has been successful in previous years.

Member Thomas Morone said, "We really want to make it a goal to fill the Stroh Center for basketball this year."

To get involved in Falcon Fanatics there is a membership fee of $10. Members receive all kinds of incentives for being a part of Falcon Fanatics. There are giveaways for sideline passes, gift cards and Nike gear as well. Also upon joining, members receive a Falcon Fanatics t-shirt, as well as concession vouchers for sporting events.

The Falcon Fanatics gave away two pairs of tickets to the BG vs. OSU game that happened last weekend.

Griffith said the main advantages of being a member are the exclusive events that are available to attend. There are open practices, and some students are able to have lunch with a coach. She also said Falcon Fanatics get to help protect the BG Rock during UT week, and as a member students really get to delve further into the BG experience.

Most of the membership sales have been moved online with the help of the BGSU Ticket Office, and there are also promotions online where students buy their season tickets, which Griffith thinks helped to build the membership of Falcon Fanatics.

She said it is also very important for them to be talking to students at the sporting events. Griffith said that while Falcon Fanatics are going to be loud and cheer on the athletes at games, it is also important to connect with the students who took time out of their schedules to watch and support the teams.

She said that when people start to form those personal connections in the student section, that is when the games get really fun to attend.

Falcon Fanatics attendance depends on which sport and game is happening. Griffith said that most football and hockey games have several hundred members. More active members receive more benefits from the Falcon Fanatics.

"It’s fun to see our members start to build relationships with our leadership and the student athletes, because then they come to more games," Griffith said. "It’s really a win-win for everyone."

Falcon Fanatics also make it a point to support the athletes of sports that don’t regularly draw in a large crowd, such as gymnastics and swimming.

“We try to show our members that these sports are just as interesting to watch, and fun to attend as the marquee sports,” Griffith said. “The athletes genuinely appreciate the support.”
Whether it is Dan and Shay’s “From the Ground Up”, Drake’s “Too Good”, or Fall out Boy’s “Thnks fr th Mmrs”, music is the glue that unites groups of people together. Like duct tape for the soul, if you will.

When I storm into my dorm at the end of a horrible day, sometimes my first thought is to blast the music and calm my angry emotions. When I am driving with friends during the summertime, the music is on maximum volume. Even when studying, music finds its way quietly into my ears in the middle of a statistics assignment.

In order to find out if I was the only one experiencing the positive impact of music in my life, I took it upon myself to ask some of BG’s finest what they thought. I took a short poll of students to find out whether or not music impacted them spiritually, mentally or emotionally. I asked over 50 students at the Union, on the way to class, and in my dorm. The answer was a resounding yes.

Every single student asked agreed that they feel that music has impacted them in some way during the course of their life. Even Mike, the custodian, said that he has been positively impacted by music. If the poll does not provide conclusive results in itself, think about the sight you see and hear every day.

Students everywhere on campus have headphones in their ears, listening to some sort of music. We cannot even conclude a silent fifteen-minute walk to class without listening to our favorite songs. While many of us may not realize it, music plays an instrumental (pun intended) role in the lives of college students and even faculty.

So what is the point?
Sure, music is great, but what real life application can there be from this? Well, music can act as a safety net to those of us struggling with the fresh college transition. Life is so different at college, and it can be overwhelming the first few weeks in. When

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Enjoying all of the simple things that life can offer

I think that what this world is missing right now, during these strange, depressing, tragic, yet optimistically wonderful times, is the appreciation of the little things that the world has to offer.

Yes, you should be out there mountain climbing in the Swiss Alps and snorkeling off the coast of Madagascar with some lemurs, but those huge, life-changing experiences are not the only things that should make you happy.

Although exciting experiences should be a part of what the world has to offer, it’s not the only thing.

You’re not always going to be able to save up the money for big trips and fancy experiences. Maybe you’re not always going to be healthy or in shape or up for those huge adventures. Maybe you’ll have a kid, or 12 dogs or a needy best friend to take care of, and THAT’S OKAY.

This world has so much to offer, and what I’m truly most excited for are those little things in every day life that make me happy. Yeah, yeah, I know that sounds extremely cheesy, but it’s true! Being in my early 20s and living in a college town is exciting to me.

When we embrace the little things instead of dwelling on the fact that we’re not out doing those amazing things that we really want to be doing, optimism and overall happiness seems to rise.

Maybe this sounds like something that your hippie great aunt’s yoga instructor might say, but putting this appreciation of the simple things into practice and being mindful of all the good in the world instead of the bad, has actually helped me tremendously when I choose to practice it.

While I do dream of those breath-taking, awesome traveling experiences, exploring different countries, experiencing different cultures, food and people, I more than anything appreciate the minute, incredibly simple yet satisfying things this world has to offer.

And when you really think about it, this planet we live on offers some pretty great stuff. Relaxing on a porch with some really great coffee? Craft beer? Have you heard of Netflix? Being able to comfortably pay your rent AND afford those concert tickets you want? Oh yeah, have you seen dogs?! Next time you’re struggling with getting through the week or month or even year, try to practice being mindful of the many small victories and experiences you have the opportunities to have.

Did you button up your pants today without having to suck in? Finish folding that laundry as the exact time your playlist ended? Celebrate that.

So yes, I’m excited to live in the society that we live in, even if it can be scary, because I know that for every pile of sh** that’s handed to us, there will always be a glimmer of happiness to balance it out. Even if that glimmer is just a Shrek movie marathon with some friends (or your cat or your dog or your fish).

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Sarah Smith
Forum Editor

Music acts as a bond between the emotions we feel and the emotions expressed through lyrics and rhythm. It is a perfect representation that you are never alone. Each person has damage and someone somewhere has dealt with many of the same issues that you have.

By listening to music you like, the lyrics and/or rhythm can appeal to your current emotional state and provide comfort or cheer you up. So whether you are blasting jams from the rec center mid-workout, quietly listening to calming music as you study for your next final or jamming out with your friends at two in the morning eating insomnia cookies, let music be your anchor.

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Dog helps student succeed

By Sarah Smith
Forum Editor

Meet Yogi. He’s a service dog for Rachel Klentz, a senior digital arts major here at the University.

In 2010, Rachel signed up and got on a wait list for a service dog and before she knew it she had Yogi! (Fun fact – his whole class of dogs was named after cartoon characters including dogs named Bugs and Goofy!)

According to Bowling Green State University’s Student Disability Services’ website, The Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008 (ADAAA) defines a service animal as any dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability.

Performing benefitting tasks is an impressive skill that Yogi has been trained to do.

Klentz currently lives off campus and can do so comfortably with Yogi by her side.

“I feel more comfortable being home alone,” said Klentz. “Before there was always the ‘what if.’ What happens if I need help, or I drop something important, or I need help getting out of the house? Well he can help me with all of that.”

A well-trained, well-behaved dog, Yogi can do a countless number of things that most dogs cannot. A big item on that list for Rachel is hitting the automatic door buttons on and inside of buildings. The buttons for automatic doors are designed to be extremely accessible to those who need them, but don’t always end up being the easiest to access.

This is where Yogi and other service dogs are helpful.

Before Yogi, Klentz said she had pets but never a service dog. She described the predicament that she faced when only 11 years old, stating that the agency she was originally going to go through to get a service dog enforced that “the dog was for the user and one other person and anyone else was not allowed to even so much as make eye contact with the dog.”

Having nine-year-old brothers, Klentz’s family instead got a golden retriever as a pet.

Yogi can do many other things as well, including picking things up for Rachel.

“He does know how to pick up his toys when they are in my way, he doesn’t always do it,” Klentz joked, “but he theoretically knows how to do it.”

He can even take off her socks for her!

Yogi, as well as so many other service animals, are a vital part of so many people’s lives.

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If your dog were a celebrity, who would they be?

By Sarah Smith
Forum Editor

Otis - Johnny Depp
Owner - Ami Palmer

Gus - Jonah Hill
Owner - Lindsay Tryon

Gracie - Ariana Grande
Owner - Shannon Ebert

Oliver - Brad Pitt
Owner - Lindsay Tryon

Blazer - Butters
Aspen - Beyoncé

Monk - Bernie Sanders
Owner - Joe Cohen

Lacey - Kylie Jenner
Owner - Marissa Jones

Gus - Jonah Hill
Owner - Jenna Overmyer

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Clinton leads in polls

By Courtney Brown and Holly Shively
Reporter and Editor-in-Chief

America’s presidential candidates are battling for the black vote come November and Republican candidate Donald Trump has been making efforts to sway them over.

“What do you have to lose?” Trump asked black voters on Aug. 22, according to The Washington Post. “It is a disaster the way African Americans are living. I will straighten it out.”

The Republican candidate even made his way to Great Faith Ministries International, an African American church in Detroit, on Sept. 3 to convince African Americans he was the best choice for the presidency, according to The Washington Post.

“(Trump) is promising black voters the same things he’s promising everyone else - He’ll create jobs,” BGSU College Republicans President Garrett Reynolds said.

In the end, it all boils down to economics, Reynolds said. Trump offers more economic incentives for voters, while Democrats offer more social incentives, he said.

However, despite Reynolds’ belief that Trump could be beneficial to African Americans, Trump’s recent efforts just do not seem to be resonating with black voters.

It is the Democratic candidate, Hillary Clinton, who is most likely to get the black vote in November, University political science professor David Jackson said.

“She’s going to get 90 percent of the black vote,” he said. “Clinton has a very long relationship with African American leaders.”

However, Clinton has made her mistakes when it came to the black community, Jackson said.

She had once called African Americans “super-predators” back in 1996, and her husband, former President Bill Clinton, had worsened mass incarceration for black men with his 1994 crime bill, he said.

Despite those damaging facts, the general poll from the primary election between the two candidates showed that African Americans massively favored Clinton over Trump, Jackson said.

While Clinton may lead in polls for the black vote, University sophomore Dajha Alexis, a moderate Republican, said she is 100 percent sure she will not be voting for Clinton.

However, she isn’t sure she’ll vote for Trump either.

“My original draws to liking Trump were that he spoke what was on his mind,” she said. “He said things people were thinking but were afraid to say. This country in my opinion seems to be putting immigrants over actual citizens, in terms of safety. I think is time we start putting America first again.”

The responses for my support of Trump tended to be very negative, especially from those of my race ... I don’t think people really understood Trump and just see him automatically as racist or the Republican side automatically as racist when that’s not true,” she added. “To me they actually want what’s best for the American people, including African-Americans. They just go by a different way.”

Alexis said Trump may have lost her

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Opportunities draw more new students

By Isaiah Vazquez
Photo Editor

Bowling Green continues to attract new students to the University with higher enrollment rates for the third year in a row. Through the University’s new facilities on campus and partnerships around the globe, the efforts contributed to a larger freshmen class and a more prepared group for college courses.

Information released at the 15-Day Enrollment Total meeting Tuesday showed the University’s improvements including an overall freshmen enrollment growth along with an increased GPA average according to the Vice Provost for Strategic Enrollment Planning Cecilia Castellano. The freshmen GPA average is a 3.42 with an average score of 22.8 on the ACT and follows the notion that the University holds one of the most selective classes in it’s history.

Bowling Green also continues to enroll more students than the previous year with increasing diversity, with a 3.3 percent growth in students attending the University totaling to 3,542 students.

Castellano said this year 20 percent of the freshmen class is part of the multicultural programs coming from countries such as China, India, Saudi Arabia and recently there has been a growth of new students coming from Vietnam.

The new enrollments to multicultural programs added to the total of 1,190 international students that attend the University.

The Kuhlin Center has also brought interest to perspective students looking into attending the University next academic year.

“We’ve seen a growth in the School of Communications majors this year but we anticipate Fall of ’17 having some significant growth in those programs because the facilities were not open for students to check out,” Castellano said. “But perspective students that are coming for ’17 are floored by the innovation and opportunities that they have to really connect what they’re learning in class into the practical world.”

Another factor that brought students to the University, other than their new facilities, is the new partnerships that the college continues to create with schools around the world. If there were specific programs that helped international enrollment at Bowling Green, it was not told during the press meeting.

Overall the new facilities, renovations, and programs brought new interest to the University creating larger classes at a more selective rate.

The College Credit Plus program (CCP) saw a large growth of students heading towards BGSU and the Firelands Campus by 38 percent to a total of 1,481 students compared to 1,074 last year. The CCP program allows students to take University courses during high school and get college credit before they are considered a full-time student at the University.

The University saw a small amount of decreases going into the new year. The Firelands campus saw a decline in overall students by 4.3 percent. A total of 2,163 students now attend the satellite campus.

The University hopes to attract new students with the new Kuhl Center, the University Hall and Moseley Hall construction which will be finished in 2017.
The Falcons football team will have their first home game of the season on Saturday afternoon, taking on the Football Championship Series’ North Dakota Fighting Hawks.

The team is still searching for their first win of the season and are looking to bounce back after losing their series opener to the Ohio State Buckeyes 77-10.

“You have no choice,” Falcons head coach Mike Jinks said. “That’s just a part of life, it’s adversity and how you handle it and how you respond to it is what make you who you are.”

The team is also looking to work on the weak areas from last week’s game in order to strengthen their game for Saturday.

“They’re a very resilient group,” Jinks said about his players. “Saturday can’t get here soon enough, I think that was everybody’s attitude (Sunday) night, if we could have come back and play the next day, we would have.”

The team was also able to learn a lot about what to expect from their players, as well as where to play them.

“At the end of the day, with any team, you’ve got to know your players,” Jinks said. “You’ve got to know their abilities and you can’t ask them to do things that maybe they just can’t do.”

The team is also expecting North Dakota to put a lot of emphasis on shutting down the running game, however, the team has been getting ready for that in practice.

“Looking at their season last year, they were sixth in the country in stopping the run,” Jinks said. “They’re going to load the box and they’re going to bring a lot of pressure, we’ve got to be able to handle that.”

On the offensive side, the team expects North Dakota to run the ball often, as well as minimize turnovers.

“They’re a very disciplined football team,” Jinks said. “We’ve got our hands full, we’ve got to play good football.”

The team is also looking forward to the first home game of the season more than usual, as Saturday’s game will mark the 50th anniversary of the team’s field, Doyt Perry Stadium.

“I know that it’s a very storied tradition,” Jinks said. “We got a chance to get out on campus and around the student body and I know they’re excited about their (Mid-American Conference) champions coming back home, we’re ready to perform for them.”

The team is also looking to show what they are really capable of doing this season, after being set up against a very difficult opponent for the first game of the season.

“This is the team we have,” Jinks said. “This is our ’16 team... I think when it’s all said and done, we’ll be where we want to be.”
Womens volleyball falls to Marshall

By Brandon Lutheman
Sports Reporter

Coming off a great weekend with back to back sweeps against IPFW and Northern Kentucky in the BGSU Invitational, the Falcons were looking to continue their success against a 4-3 Marshall team who lost over the weekend to Indiana State.

Unfortunately, it didn't play out the way the Falcons had hoped for. This time, on the receiving end of a sweep, the team didn't look like they same team that was at the BGSU Invitational last weekend.

Coming off a weekend with Madeline Garda being named invitational MVP and Jelena Sunjic being awarded first-team all-invitational, Garda was hit or miss all night with her serves, not showing the consistency she had shown in the last week. Sunjic, as powerful as she is, was not looking like the outside hitter she usually plays like.

In the first set, the falcons got the opening point, but produced very little success after the Thundering Herd quickly produced a 10-5 lead, causing BGSU Head Volleyball Coach Danijela Tomic to take an early timeout.

The momentum stopper took little effect on Marshall, as they continued to outplay the Falcons to an eventual score of 25-14 in the opening set.

As the second set started, a series of faulty serves by both teams led to an eventual 5-4 lead for the Thundering Herd, until Sunjic tied it up at five with a powerful spike, bringing the crowd to their feet.

After the Falcons took the lead at 12-8, Marshall called timeout, hoping to stop the run. The timeout proved worthy, contributing to seven straight points which registered a 15-12 lead.

The competitive set remained back and forth until the teams tied 23. Marshall then scored the next two volleys to win the set 25-23.

In the third set, the Thundering Herd jumped out to a big opening lead at 5-0. Tomic took a much needed timeout to regroup her girls, leading to the Falcons trimming the deficit to only two at 9-7. Marshall kept control the rest of the way however, winning the set at a score of 25-21, giving them a victory for the match.

As both teams walked off the court, it was apparent that BGSU looked disappointed in their play. Marshall seemed to have everything going well for them in the match and the Falcons simply had no answer on the attack.

“This loss is not going to define us,” Tomic said. “I know how we can play and bounce and be better.”

With a record now of 2-2, the Falcons are now on the road this weekend in Charleston, Illinois for the EIU Panther Classic. They play against Louisiana Tech on Friday night and then have a double-header against Eastern Illinois and Drake on Saturday. When asked about the Panther Classic, Tomic said “We'll do our best, I hope we can turn one, two, or three wins in a row.”

Mens soccer continues win streak on the road

By Elias Faneuff
Sports Reporter

The Bowling Green State University mens soccer team defeated Cleveland State University on the road 1-0 in in double overtime thriller on Wednesday. This was the team's first overtime game of the season.

BG came out at the gate firing on all cylinders in the first period, attempting 23 shots, six of which were shots on target. Cleveland State countered with a huge game by their goalie Sebastian Kalk who recorded 10 saves. Freshman Anthony Mwembia also played well in front of the net for Bowling Green, recording eight saves in the game.

BG struggled to find a weakness in this Cleveland State defense as many of their shots were wide or blocked. The Falcons also failed to take advantage of corner kicks as they had four on the game.

“It was a hard fought game, we had many opportunities where we could’ve converted into points,” said BGSU Head Coach Eric Nichols. “It was one of those games were shots weren't falling in.”

Nichols also commented on his team's defense and the superb play of Mwembia.

“I liked how our defense played throughout, Anthony had another outstanding game and gave us some stops when needed and I liked how we kept our composure when shots weren't falling in,” he said.

A great opportunity presented itself early in the second period when senior Jacob Roth had a decent look to get the ball in the net but was too high, hitting the crossbar. The play was later called offsides on BG.

Both teams were in foul trouble early and there were yellow cards drawn in the late second period to Cleveland State's Jake Lagania and Bowling Green's Keaton Reynolds in what seemed to be a physical altercation. Neither player was ejected and both continued to play.

The game remained scoreless heading into overtime as both teams were looking to earn the win the hard way. In the first overtime, BG attempted one shot while Cleveland State had two shot attempts. Neither could get on the board and the game went into double overtime.

The play of the game came from freshmen Chris Brennan who made a clean header shot off the free kick from Jacob Roth with four seconds left to go in the game.

“1'm proud of how the guys kept fighting until the very end and I think there's some things we need to improve on, but nevertheless it was a well-earned win for us and we'll take it,” said Nichols.

The team looks to keep this winning streak alive as the next game will be on the road against Western Illinois University on Saturday at noon.
Council votes not to ban medical marijuana

By Hannah Finnerty
City Editor

Bowling Green City Council did not pass a moratorium that would freeze a new state law legalizing medicinal marijuana at its meeting Tuesday night.

House Bill 523, passed on June 8 earlier this year, takes effect on Sept. 8 and legalizes the use and possession of medical marijuana and accompanying paraphernalia.

However, the rules accompanying this piece of legislature are still in the works, which has prompted several cities in Ohio to pass moratoriums, preventing the state law from taking effect in those cities for a year.

With no regulations on where users can purchase marijuana, City Attorney Michael Marsh said implementing the law now would cause a free for all while the state devises the rules.

Marsh said legislators are working on creating regulations for who can sell, who can buy, how much can be sold and where it can be sold. Until then, these questions remain unanswered.

“The legislature made this decision, we have to implement it as soon as we can, but their agencies need to do what they were directed to do to help us accomplish this,” Marsh said.

Another unanswered question that has yet to be answered by legislators is regarding the quality of the product being sold.

Council member Scott Seeliger, while expressing sympathy for the people that could benefit from the law, discussed a concern for the protection of consumers. Members stated they could not knowingly allow this law to be put in place without regulations, knowing there is no protection for the consumers of the product, as there are no restrictions regulating the sale.

“I don't want to rush through and put something in place that has no regulations. The state doesn't even have regulation yet,” Seeliger said.

Although Member At-Large Sandy Rowland voted in favor of the moratorium, she expressed other concerns about the Bowling Green citizens who have a dire need for the relief that marijuana supplies.

Rowland recently lost her brother, and she said he would have benefited from the use of medical marijuana.

“When this request for the moratorium came, it really hurt,” Rowland said. “It hurt to think that there are people suffering who won't be able to get [marijuana].”

Council member Daniel Gordon opposed the moratorium, citing it would be irresponsible of the council to prevent Bowling Green citizens from obtaining medication that they need.

“Knowing friends, folks, a number of senior citizens who need this medicine, to me, the human cost of them not getting that kind of care . . . Bowling Green people who need this to go to another community in order to get this is too much in my estimations,” Gordon said.

“I don't feel comfortable rushing this through tonight.”

With Member At-Large Robert Mcomber absent from council and needing six votes to pass the moratorium, Gordon's dissenting vote was enough to prevent the moratorium.
Faculty Senate talks goals

By Stepha Poulin
Reporter

On Tuesday, the Faculty Senate met for their first meeting of the 2016-2017 academic year. Once a month, the Faculty Senate brings together over 60 faculty members from across the campus. For over two hours the senate members have the attention of both the president and the provost of the University.

Senate chair Rachelle Kristof Hippler began the meeting with a thank you to the senate members, and proceeded to outline their major goals for the year.

“My goals for the year include refocusing the senate’s attention on teaching, learning and professional development,” Kristof Hippler said.

The senate’s members met for a senate’s retreat to jumpstart their commitment to the University’s overall success.

Kristof Hippler introduced guest speaker Matthew Pellish of the Education Advisory Board (EAB). His presentation was intended to help the senate decide exactly what their role in the University would be.

“What if other universities looked to our senate for guidance on how to run their senates,” Kristof Hippler said.

Prior to the guest speaker, President Mary Ellen Mazey made some positive comments on the state of the University.

“This year’s freshman class cumulatively had a 3.4 grade point average and a 22.8 ACT. The president went on to congratulate recruiters and admissions staff for their work. The increase in enrollment ensures the University will have adequate funds in their 2016-2017 budget.

After the president and other senators spoke, Pellish began his presentation on the issues higher education is facing in the United States. He outlined some of the statistics surrounding higher education, like the $1.1 trillion in student loan debt United States students collectively have. Comparatively, there is currently $660 billion in credit card debt.

The senate plans to use the questions and concerns this presentation unearths to plan future senate meetings.

“One (issue) that comes up a lot is the sustainability of higher education,” Pellish said.

“Will we be here as an institution in five years, in 10 years, in 20 years?”

Citizens are questioning whether or not college is worth it as the United States comes out of the last recession, he said. Only one third of recent graduates believe that their education was worth the cost.

“There’s a lot of value to what we do. There’s a lot of great things that are the outcome of higher education,” Pellish said.
BLACK SWAMP MUSIC SCHEDULE

FRIDAY
5:00 PM
TONY GODSEY BAND
MAIN STAGE (located in the parking lot at the corner of South Prospect and Clough streets)

6:30 PM
SOUTHERN AVENUE
MAIN STAGE

8:00 PM
JOHN BROWN’S BODY
MAIN STAGE

10:00 PM
THE DELTA SAINTS
MAIN STAGE

AFTER HOURS
Howard’s Club H: The Tony Godsey Band
The Stones Throw: Southern Avenue

SATURDAY
10:30 AM
THE DOWNTOWN COUNTY BAND
FAMILY STAGE (located on North Main Street outside the Wood County Public Library)

11:00 AM
TORAIGH AN SONAS
COMMUNITY STAGE (located on South Main Street next to the Bowling Green Chamber of Commerce)

11:30 AM
BARBARA BAILEY HUTCHISON
FAMILY STAGE

12:00 PM
FLICK, TURNER, & WARREN
COMMUNITY STAGE

12:00 PM
GRUBS
COMMUNITY STAGE

12:30 PM
TIM KUBART
FAMILY STAGE

1:00 PM
MARIACHI FLOR DE TOLOACHE
COMMUNITY STAGE

1:20 PM
THE DOWNTOWN COUNTY BAND
MAIN STAGE

1:45 PM
FLICK, TURNER, & WARREN
FAMILY STAGE

2:00 PM
THE RHYTHM FUTURE QUARTET
COMMUNITY STAGE

2:45 PM
MARIACHI FLOR DE TOLOACHE
COMMUNITY STAGE

3:00 PM
SINGER/SONGWRITER SHOWCASE ft: Tom Gorman, Tim Tegge, and Jack Schilb
COMMUNITY STAGE

3:30 PM
MICHAEL KATON
MAIN STAGE

4:00 PM
KAZENODAICHI TAIKO
FAMILY STAGE

4:00 PM
GINKGOA
COMMUNITY STAGE

4:30 PM
THE SUITCASE JUNKET
MAIN STAGE

5:00 PM
THE DOWNTOWN COUNTY BAND
COMMUNITY STAGE

6:15 PM
MARIACHI FLOR DE TOLOACHE
MAIN STAGE

8:00 PM
POKEY LAFARGE
MAIN STAGE

9:00 PM
THE SHEEPDOGS
MAIN STAGE

10:00 PM
THE RHYTHM FUTURE QUARTET
COMMUNITY STAGE

11:00 PM
THE SHEEPDOGS
MAIN STAGE

12:00 AM
POKEY LAFARGE
MAIN STAGE

12:30 AM
THE SUITCASE JUNKET
FAMILY STAGE

1:00 AM
THE SHEEPDOGS
FAMILY STAGE

SUNDAY
11:00 AM
CROY & THE BOYS
MAIN STAGE

11:00 AM
MOTHS IN THE ATTIC
COMMUNITY STAGE

11:30 AM
TIM KUBART
FAMILY STAGE

12:00 PM
BARBARA BAILEY HUTCHISON
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vote when announcing Pence as his vice president because Pence tried passing a bill discriminating against the LGBT community, a group Alexis also identifies with. She also thinks a lot of things Trump hopes to accomplish will be ruled unconstitutional anyway, and he’s become quite radical.

“I honestly do not agree with the wall or kicking all Muslims out, but I do agree some problems come from immigrants,” she said. “But I believe there are better ways to handle them then aggressive behavior like such.”

Alexis said Trump has done nothing to appeal to the black vote which is “why it makes it hard for me to explain to other African-Americans why he’s the right decision or even myself sometimes” because he generalizes groups without understanding what the group faces.

Clinton not only leads the polls for black voters, but as of last week Public Policy Polling revealed a new poll showing zero percent of African Americans supported Trump, according to The Hill on Aug. 29. “There will certainly be some African American voters that will support him, but I don’t imagine that (he) will get a sizeable amount,” Democratic Chairman Mike Zickar of Wood County said.

“Elected (Democrats) really try to keep a strong connection between the issues of the African American community and the Democratic Party,” he said. “Pushing for more affordable and free college education... and lifting families into the middle class is something that really resonates with African Americans.”

The Republican candidate has inflicted a lot of damage to his campaign from his racist remarks, Zickar said. Regardless, the Democrats are still taking Trump’s campaign seriously despite his low chances in getting the black vote.

“Donald Trump’s worst enemy is Donald Trump,” he said.

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