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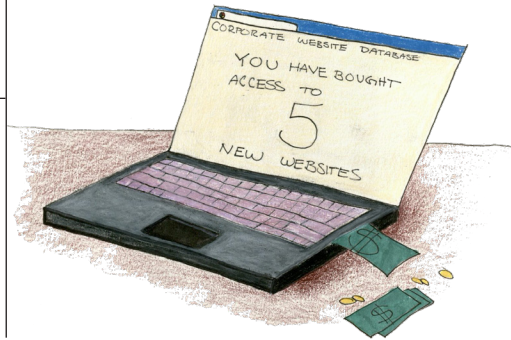
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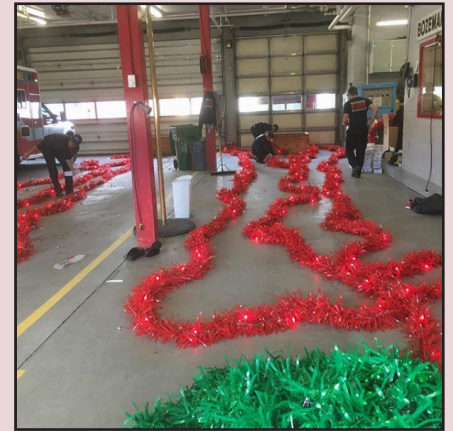
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Beautiful winter scenes can be found all around the valley. Pictured a creek up in Hyalite.

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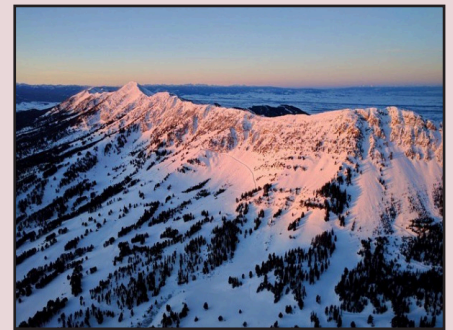
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From @bartonfabrication:

“Christmas spiders are ready for deployment on the 28th! Around 700 bulbs swapped out and garland repaired. #bozeman #tradition #holidayseason”

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From @bridgerbowl:

“Opening day is set for next Friday, December 8th. Thanks for your patience and #thinksnow (:@larsontkatchev)
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NEWS

MSU Wonderlust presents the Montana REP

BY SAM KLUSMEYER

MSU's Wonderlust program recently hosted the not for profit organization, The Montana Racial Equity Project (The Montana REP), in the community room of the Bozeman Public Library on Friday, Nov. 17 as a part of its lifelong learning initiative. The presentation was led by Judith Heilman, the executive director of the Montana REP and Aspen Hougen, a graduate of Montana State University and an instructor in the Montana REP's dismantling hatred workshop.

The presentation covered issues of racial inequality within cities across America and detailed the differences between explicit and implicit racial bias. Explicit racial bias was described as active discrimination against a certain ethnicity and implicit racial bias was described as a discriminative act subconsciously due to social conventions. Heilman, who is a retired Seattle police officer, used her experience on the police force to explain the ways in which racism is still alive within our communities.

As an example of implicit racial bias,

both Heilman and Hougen cited a recent policy change within the state of Florida's education department. The old program required students to go through a blind screening process in order to determine their ability to enter into the gifted programs within their school. During the blind screening, students applied without signaling their race during the application process in any way. That system led to a "130 percent increase in the gifted rate among Latinos, and 80 percent among black students," within the span of between one and two years. "Those

stats are shocking," Heilman stated. That process was recently repealed. Both presenters urged the audience to actively confront the issues of race within their own lives.

After the end of their presentation, Heilman and Hougen continued to take questions from the audience for an additional half an hour before bringing the presentation to a close. For more information on the Montana REP visit themtrep.org and for more information on MSU's Wonderlust programs visit montanawonderlust.org.

SPORTS

ATHLETE PROFILE

Get to know sophomore forward Madeline Smith

BY KARALEE KOTHE

PLAYER Madeline Smith

YEAR Sophomore

MAJOR Mechanical Engineering

HOMETOWN Snohomish, Washington

POSITION Forward

STATS Player of the Week last week, averaged 13.5 points and 16.5 rebounds

WHEN AND WHY DID YOU START PLAYING BASKETBALL?

"I started playing basketball in first grade. My mom signed me up since I was a head taller than everyone else."

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE BASKETBALL MEMORY?

"When I was in seventh grade we started traveling, and I had the best travel weekends with all of my best friends from middle school."

DO YOU HAVE ANY PRE-GAME ROUTINES OR SUPERSTITIONS?

"I always take a shower before a game so my hair is wet and my bun stays in place."

WHAT ARE THE TOP THINGS THAT MADE YOU SUCCESSFUL?

"My height, my competitiveness and all the good teams I've been on and my coaches."

DO YOU HAVE ANY ROLE MODELS?

"When I was in fourth grade, one of my favorite coaches let me practice dribbling even though I was a post. In my mind, it was a great thing."

WHAT HAS BASKETBALL TAUGHT YOU ABOUT LIFE?

"Definitely learning how to work with a lot of different personalities and get the best out of each person."

HOW DO YOU KEEP YOUR HEAD IN THE GAME WITH A TOUGH OPPONENT?

"I'm always confident in our ability to make plays and that we will win."

WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT BASKETBALL?

"I really like the physicality of it, and I like how competitive everyone is."

HOW DO YOU BALANCE BASKETBALL WITH BEING A STUDENT?

"It's definitely hard some days. I try to focus on what I'm doing while I'm doing it. I try to focus on basketball when I'm [playing] and focus on class when I'm in class."

WHAT ARE YOUR CAREER ASPIRATIONS?

"Making/designing some sort of shoes or equipment with a big company like Nike, Under Armour or Adidas."

WHAT'S YOUR ADVICE FOR OTHER GIRLS FOLLOWING IN YOUR STEPS?

"Be clear about what you want out of your experience. You could be the best player on a poor team or be on a great team with great coaches. Focus on what you want and don't settle for anything less."



Madeline Smith, a graduate of Snohomish High School, is a freshman forward on the Montana State women's basketball team.

PHOTO BY KELLY GORHAM / MSU

FOOTBALL

Back-to-back state champs

BY CALEB RUX

Bobcat and Grizzly fans alike gathered at Bobcat Stadium on Saturday, Nov. 18 to watch the state's biggest game of the year, the Brawl of the Wild. Brothers divided battled for the title of state champions for the 117th time. The Griz were keen on bringing the Great Divide Trophy back to Missoula, while the Cats were eager to pick up their first win against UM at home since 2005.

The Griz received the first half kickoff, and began driving down the field. Due to headset complications, MSU defensive coordinators were not able to make the play calls, which forced Head Coach Jeff Choate to call the plays on the first Montana possession. UM pushed the ball all the way to the Bobcats' three-yard line before they were stopped. The Griz kicked a field goal, giving them an early 3-0 lead.

After multiple punts and unsuccessful drives by both teams, the Cats finally managed to gain some momentum on a drive that spanned from the end of the first quarter to the beginning of the second. After a pass interference call in the end zone on the Griz, MSU received the ball at the UM two-yard line, and freshman Troy Andersen rushed into the endzone. This touchdown put the Cats ahead 7-3. On UM's next possession, they moved the ball down the field until the Bobcats forced a fourth and two situation at the MSU 32-yard line. The Griz opted to go for it, but were stuffed by Cats' senior linebacker Mac Bignell for a staggering eight-yard loss.

After unsuccessful first and second down plays by MSU, it was third and 21 from the MSU 29 yard line. Sophomore quarterback Chris Murray handed the ball off to senior running back Nick Lasane. Lasane hurdled a few UM defenders at the line of scrimmage, and broke through for an explosive 71-yard touchdown rush. This brought the Cats ahead of the Griz 14-3. UM responded on their next drive with a touchdown of their own.

MSU started their next drive from their own 20-yard line. A group effort with rushes from sophomore wide receiver Kevin Kassis, Lasane, Andersen and Murray lead to a touchdown. The final play in the drive was an impressive 19-yard run by Andersen for his second touchdown of the day. With the stadium buzzing, the Cats added to their lead, now up 21-10. Before the end of the second quarter, the Griz managed to kick a successful 41 yard field goal. Going into halftime, MSU lead UM 21-13, but the game was far from over.

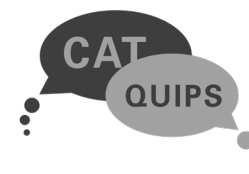
The Cats received the second half kickoff, and moved the ball to the UM two-yard line with a plethora of runs from Murray until they were stopped. Sophomore kicker Gabe Peppenger kicked a successful 20-yard field goal to put MSU ahead 24-13 on their opening drive of the third quarter. UM pushed the ball down the field on their next possession, up until senior safety Khari Garcia made a spectacular interception. The remainder of the third quarter was relatively uneventful; no points were added to the scoreboard by either team.

To open up the fourth quarter, the Griz drove down the field and made a 35-yard field goal to close the Cats' lead to only eight points. On MSU's next drive they marched down the field, with some help from several big runs by Murray. Fittingly, on first and goal, Murray ran for a four-yard touchdown, capping off an eight-play, 75-yard drive. Halfway through the fourth quarter, the Cats extended their lead to 15 over the Griz.

The Griz struck quick on their next drive, scoring a 32-yard receiving touchdown and made the contest a one-possession game. MSU's next drive was unsuccessful and they were forced to punt. On the second play of UM's ensuing drive, redshirt freshman quarterback, Gresch Jensen, fumbled the ball and it was recovered by Bignell. Once again, Bobcat Stadium was booming. MSU had a chance to close out this game on offense, but unfortunately couldn't score. After a trick play — a punt by Murray on fourth down — the Griz started their drive on their own 12-yard line with only 2:08 remaining in the contest.

The Griz pushed the ball further and further down the field, until it came down to one play. It was fourth down and 10 on MSU's 28-yard line with only nine seconds left in the game. Jensen received the snap, dropped back in the pocket and looked to pass to sophomore wide receiver Colin Bingham near the end zone, but the pass was broken up by Bobcat freshman safety Tyrel Thomas to seal the win for MSU.

With four seconds left in the game, Murray knelt the ball and the Bobcats won. As time expired the crowd screamed in elation as students poured over the sides of the stadium to rush the field. The team hoisted the Great Divide trophy in the air, along with a whiteboard that read, "BACK TO BACK STATE CHAMPS" as MSU students gathered around and shared in the team's excitement.



Who's the funniest person you know?

“Taylor for me too because she lights up a room when she walks in.”

Shannon Ichel
CHILD DEVELOPMENT



“Taylor Buschey because she makes me laugh.”

Delaney Elliott
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION



“[My roommate] Paige Vinger because she's really quick-witted and has one-liners.”

Hailey Walter
BUSINESS



“Paige, too, because she's very sarcastic and is obsessed with things for example, the Kardashians and Little Mix.”

Katie Higengraber
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION



“One of the Sigepts because we have similar senses of humor.”

Zach Brandt
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING



“Will Ferrell because the movie 'Old School' was hilarious.”

Connor Gaughan
PSYCHOLOGY & PRE-MED



PHOTOS BY ANNKA SERNIOTTI

Sliding down Bridger Bowl and Big Sky

BY WANGMO TENZING

With Thanksgiving over, it's not too early to start hoping for a white Christmas now that the ski resorts are officially opening up. Bridger Bowl is in business starting Dec. 8 until April 1, tentatively. Located in the Bridger Range, the mountain is divided into sections based on the ability of skiers and snowboarders.

The Bridger mountains get an average of 350 inches of snowfall each year, and even though a season pass is definitely a lot of money, unlimited access to Bridger is worth the 2000 acres of skiable terrain.

Never been to a ski resort before? No problem. Bridger Bowl offers rentals as well as private and group lessons for beginner and advanced skiers and boarders alike. The base of the mountain is designated for beginners, the center for intermediates and the ridge for expert level skiers and boarders. You can start on the right foot by renting all necessary gear so you don't have to commit to putting down a large sum in buying skis and boards. With eight lifts and over 70 runs, every part of the mountain has something to offer for different abilities.

Another place to slide down some powder is Big Sky Resort, about an hour drive away from Bozeman. It opened its doors on Nov. 23 and will remain open until April 22. Big Sky is your destination if you're a seasoned enthusiast of snow. With its terrain of 5,800 acres, more than twice the amount of that at Bridger Bowl, you can definitely go bigger. Calling itself the "biggest skiing in America," the mountain gets over 400 inches of snowfall annually, so there really is an endless selection of terrain.

Although beginners can also crush some powder at Big Sky, it is worth noting that 60 percent of the terrain is rated black-diamond and double black-diamond, meant for advanced and expert skiers only. But they also offer gear rentals, so don't let that stop you if you

OUTDOORS

Winter blues already? It's snow problem

BY SHELBY MORRIS

Welcome to winter wonderland in Bozeman — it's time hit the slopes and enjoy the snowy outdoors. But wait, you don't ski? You've never snowboarded? Uh-oh. Minimal daylight and frigid walks have you locked inside feeling left-out and bored. The bad news? This dreaded cold has just begun. The good news is there's plenty to do outside besides skiing or snowboarding. Check it out:

WINTER PICNIC

What better motivator to get you out of the house than food? Pack a lunch and a blanket, then walk to the closest park. Some favorites are Pete's Hill and Cooper Park. Bring a thermos of hot chocolate or cider to keep warm, and enjoy the park full of dog walkers and sledgers. This activity is optimal for a weekend lunch, and could also double as a study break.

SLEDDING

Sledding is a classic way to have fun in the snow, so head to Pete's Hill and let the outdoor entertainment begin. Watching people fly off a jump and wipe out can be just as thrilling as going off the jump yourself. Don't have the gear? Sleds at Wal-Mart are as cheap as \$5. If you have any water tubes from summer laying around, those work too. Challenge yourself to find new sledding spots on your favorite hikes or around your neighborhood.

HIKING

Work up a sweat in the cold and take a hike. Check out Palisade Falls and Grotto Falls in Hyalite to see some frozen waterfalls. For some closer options, there's always the M, Drinking Horse and Triple Tree. Wear a good pair of snow boots and pack a bag with snacks and warmer gear just in case the weather turns. Don't go if it's too cold, and keep track of when the sun sets to give yourself plenty of time to complete the hike in daylight. Winter walks will have you taking off layers before you know it.

want to learn how to ski or snowboard in the beginners area at one of America's most sought-after ski resorts. At least one out of the 34 lifts and 300 runs at Big Sky will take you to comfortable terrain and challenge you to go further.

If you're not a big fan of alpine skiing or snowboarding, there are many great trails for cross-country skiing nearby. The Bridger Ski Foundation grooms trails for public use free of charge. Look for Sourdough Canyon and Sunset Hills trails for two of their six groomed locations. With Bozeman's easy access to ski hills and mountains, we are lucky to have many opportunities for some winter sliding. There are plenty of options in choosing where to go and which snowsports to try so go ahead and get used to some snow and enjoy sliding down powder.

CROSS COUNTRY SKIING & SNOWSHOEING

Students, find that survival coupon booklet. Full-day cross country skis with boots and snowshoe rentals cost just a penny at Bob Ward's. Tip: when you go, make sure to bring your driver's license and a credit card. Can't find your coupon book? Rentals are about \$10 per day without the student coupon discount. Trails for both activities can be found at the golf course and throughout Hyalite. Get an early start and check for snow conditions that aren't too icy. Beginners shouldn't be intimidated, anyone can get the hang of it after a few minutes.

ICE SKATING

Another classic outdoor winter activity is ice skating. Here in Bozeman there are two main rinks: The Ressler Motors Ice Rink at the fairgrounds and Haynes Pavilion. You can rent a pair of skates for only \$5 and go any time they are open for public skate. Be aware that this is a busy place for figure skaters and hockey players of all ages, so check for open skate before you go. Since rentals are only available at the rink, you might want to visit second hand stores and get your own pair for a steal. Ice skating is perfect for days when snow and weather conditions aren't the best but you still want to get outside. Schedules for both rinks are located at bozemanhockey.org.

BONFIRE

S'mores are undeniably good year-round, and the flames will keep you toasty on the coldest of days. Again, Hyalite is a go-to destination for bonfire lovers. All campsite fire pits are fair game to use, as well as clear-cut spots in the woods. Buy some wood at the store before you head out, and don't forget kindling. Invite your friends and make some hot cocoa to bring along.

So, what are you waiting for? Get outside in that snow. After all, winter is Montana's specialty, so enjoy its offerings and shake off those winter blues.

Please save the date to visit with our students and view their undergraduate research posters.

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SUB Ballrooms B & C

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On a tour visiting college campuses across America, Pete Lee begins his show at the Office of Student Engagement (OSE) Free Comedy Night. Tuesday, Nov. 28, 2017.



Comedian Pete Lee (right) poses for a portrait with Jake Jarvis (left) after his free comedy show in the SUB.



Pete Lee performs for a packed audience in the Union Market.



Pete Lee (left) poses with Emily Tarver (center) and Jimmy Fallon (right) before performing on The Tonight Show on May 5, 2017. Photo courtesy of @peteletweets.

"Midwest wholesome, wrapped in some real raunchy stuff."

- Attendee



Pete Lee entertains student at the OSE Free Comedy Night.



Pete Lee provides an interactive show where he continually surveys the audience on various topics, as well as answers students' questions.

Comedy in the Cold:

Pete Lee Performs in Bozeman

BY KAYLA OLSON

Pete Lee, a famous comedian who has been featured on Comedy Central and NBC's Last Comic Standing, performed at the SUB Tuesday night to a full crowd of students. From the moment he reached the stage, Lee created a casual atmosphere and connected immediately with the crowd, somehow managing to turn Union Market into a comedy club. The show was such a success it was a long wait to get an interview afterwards because so many people lined up, wanting pictures or just one more joke.

Lee opened with a few jokes about his hometown in Wisconsin, but it was immediately clear that he was from the Midwest without him needing to admit it. He said "sorry" about once a story, and apologized for jokes that might be too rough or pointed in advance. Lee also showed his nice streak when he was interacting with the crowd; he made jokes about the people he called out, but never failed to end with a compliment or a call to the crowd to cheer.

Despite the self-described "Midwest nice," Lee was still able to tell the dirtiest jokes heard at MSU since the last Excrement edition. He was described by one attendant as "Midwest wholesome, wrapped in some real raunchy stuff."

One of Lee's comedic strengths is knowing how to play the crowd. While he says he doesn't cater to college students, he was suspiciously flattering of MSU students. In an interview following the show, Lee claimed that "shows here are amazing. Everyone who comes here is really smart and cool, this school is the best." Maybe he said these things because he guessed (correctly) that it would land him in the paper, but he does love coming to Bozeman enough to give ASMSU a discount on his shows. Despite his declarations of love for Montana, he can't pronounce "Gallatin" despite several attempts, and may still believe it is a river of Jello.

The most impressive part of Lee's routine, however, was the incredible level of compassion he brings to comedy. None of his jokes relied on negative stereotypes

or mocking of marginalized groups. Lee managed to talk about women and the LGBTQ+ community in ways that were supportive and yet still funny. "There's been so much humor from comedians that is destructive to those communities. I want to write material that builds them up, defends them." Lee also takes a strong stance on the comedic powers of women, saying that "of course women are funny" and that he was inspired to be a comedian partially by Ellen DeGeneres.

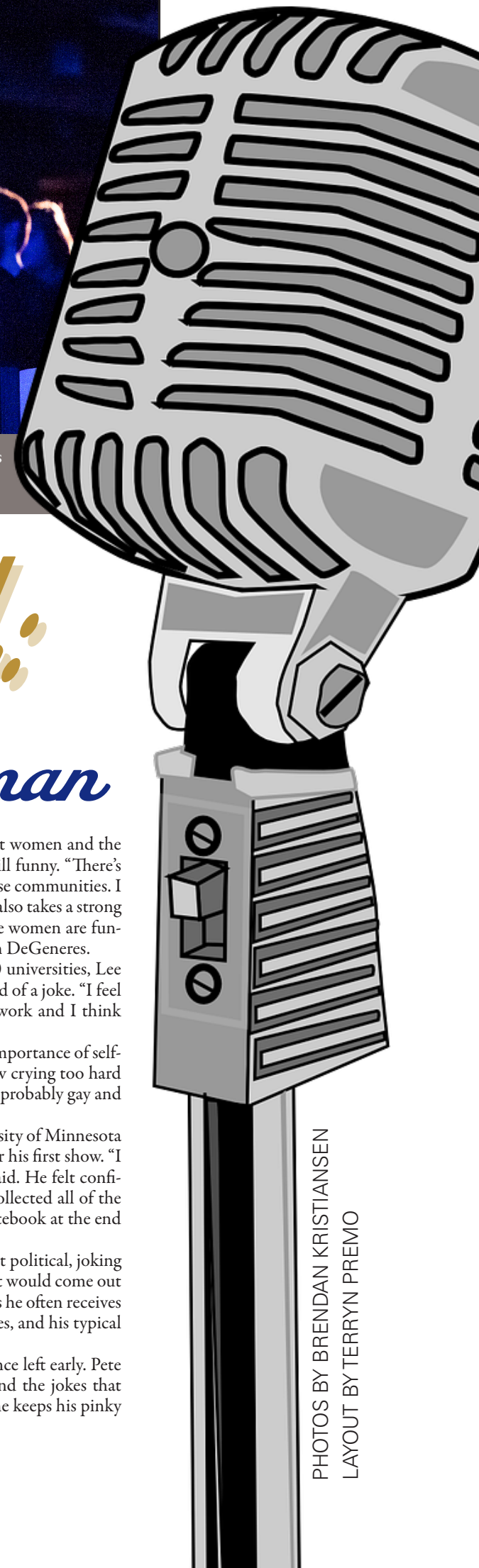
Despite MSU being college 78 on his current tour of 110 universities, Lee doesn't try to make his material just for stressed students in need of a joke. "I feel like my niche is human beings. I like to put emotions in my work and I think that's what resonates."

Somewhere between the Tinder jokes and discussing the importance of self-love, Lee had time to get to the fundamental truths of life: how crying too hard in public feels, that the man who tries too hard to be straight is probably gay and how much women love dresses with pockets.

Lee got into stand-up when he was in college at the University of Minnesota and performed at the ACME Comedy Club in Minneapolis for his first show. "I crushed it, and then I bombed for the next six months," Lee said. He felt confident enough to try comedy because his freshman roommate collected all of the funny one-liners he said and gave the collection to him in a notebook at the end of the year.

Towards the end of his show, Lee took a brave turn and got political, joking about North Korea and comparing Trump's appearance to what would come out of your drain if Chewbacca used your shower for a year. Lee says he often receives emails from conservative students complaining about his stances, and his typical response is "blow off," but less polite.

Despite the show going over time, no one from the audience left early. Pete Lee is a comedian worth watching, for his intelligent jokes and the jokes that make you laugh for no reason... or even just to make sure that he keeps his pinky promise to the crowd that he won't tell jokes about Montana.



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At MSU - The American Computer & Robotics Museum Presents:

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A unique public forum on the ethics and possible futures for Life on Earth with leading scientists, engineers and naturalists in conversation and with questions from the audience.

Dr. Jennifer Doudna, Inventor of CRISPR-Cas9 Gene Editing, University of California, Berkeley

Dr. Michelle Simmons, Quantum Computing Pioneer, Univ. of New South Wales, Sydney, AU

Dr. Mark Ritter, Quantum Computing Pioneer, T. J. Watson Research Center, IBM, NY

Dr. Rufus Cone, Quantum Computing Memory Pioneer, Montana State University, Bozeman

Dr. John Heminway, Distinguished Nature Filmographer, Bozeman, MT

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Dr. Doudna will be available to sign her latest book, *A Crack in Creation* after the forum.

OPINION

Ending Open Internet, Along with Civil Rights

The internet may soon be fundamentally changed. Dec. 14 marks the date the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is scheduled to vote on net neutrality, also known as open internet. Net neutrality is defined by Business Insider writer Rob Price as “the principle that all traffic on the internet should be treated equally.” Basically, as The Nation writer John Nichols put it, “Net neutrality is the First Amendment of the Internet.”

Leading the charge against net neutrality is Ajit Pai, chairman of the FCC. Pai claims that the US government is “micromanaging the internet.” Pai’s argument includes the idea that reversing net neutrality will allow Internet Service Providers (ISPs) to be innovative and “offer customers new options at more competitive price points,” reported NBC News writer Alyssa Newcomb.

As the mastermind behind the likely soon-to-be repealed net neutrality laws, Pai has defended his position by claiming this revocation will promote competition, as well as insisting transparency will be required. Under the new guidelines, ISPs would have to disclose practices such as creating various loading speeds to different pages, favoring their own sites or completely blocking access to other sites through either a public website or through the FCC.

Right now, an open internet means ISPs cannot require consumers to pay more for certain apps or websites or charge businesses more in exchange for loading their sites quicker than those who cannot pay as much. Net neutrality ensures all companies — the well-established and the barely-beginning — receive equality on the internet. Without net neutrality, “gateway corporations like Comcast, Verizon and AT&T will have too much power to mess with the free

flow of information,” ACLU senior policy analyst Jay Stanley argued.

Repealing net neutrality would be devastating in more than one way. It will thwart new businesses from starting, coerce consumers into paying more for

quicker services, segregate those who are unable to afford faster internet and ultimately permit ISPs to limit what we are able to see online.

If the open internet ends, only big businesses benefit. It is yet another display of the Trump administration’s

favoritism towards large corporations and complete disregard

for anyone below the elite class. Regular, everyday web users will have an entirely changed internet experience, with ISPs showing only what they want us to see unless we are able to fork over money for the same internet we have right now. Current students could be limited in the online research they are able to access and potential college students may find little to no data online about future colleges unless universities are willing and able to pay more for their information to be broadcasted.

Although the December vote is forecasted to easily pass because of a Republican advantage, supporters of net neutrality have promised to file lawsuits in opposition of the reversal. In the meantime, however, it is important to reach out to your elected officials and voice your concerns. A world without net neutrality is a world



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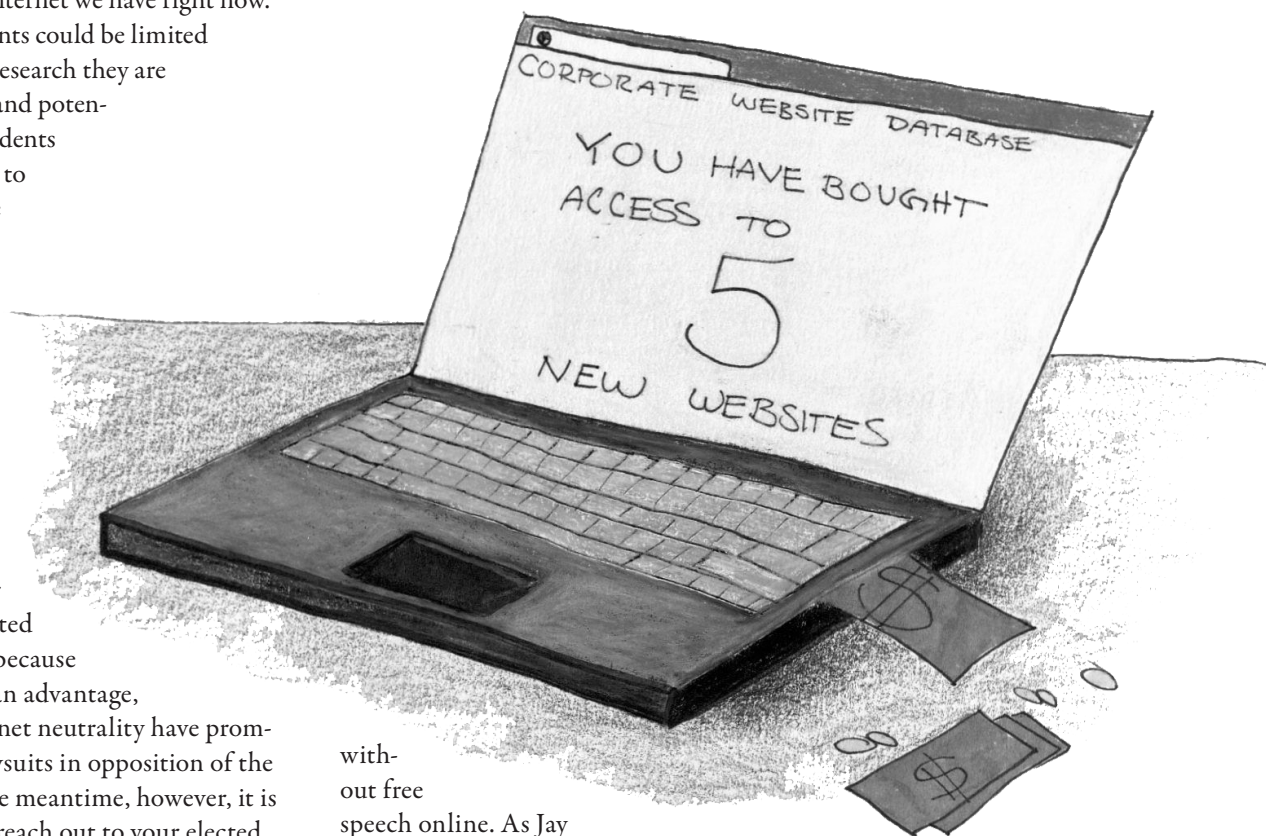
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without free speech online. As Jay Stanley said, “Internet rights are civil rights,” and there is nothing more important to fight for than those.

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Thursday, Nov. 30, 10:00 a.m.
Strand Union Building 368

The Diversity Awareness Office continues its weekly "Meet Your University." Visit their newly-renovated space to learn more about the Office of Institutional Equity and learn what they do for students.

MSU SCHOOL OF MUSIC MADRIGAL DINNER

Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 2 & 3, 6:30 p.m.
SUB Ballrooms

The MSU School of Music will be hosting a Renaissance feast for its annual Madrigal Dinner this weekend. Tickets are \$35 and the event includes food and entertainment.

LIGHTS ON MONTANA HALL

Wednesday, Dec. 6, 5:30 p.m.
Montana Hall

Join MSU in the annual tradition of lighting Montana Hall. The event is free and open to the public.

ART



2017 SLAM WINTER SHOWCASE

Masonic Lodge
Friday, Dec. 1, 12:00 p.m.

The 2017 SLAM Winter Showcase returns to downtown Bozeman this weekend. The gallery will showcase and sell handmade art from around Montana.

COMMUNITY



HOLIDAY MARKET JUBILEE

Saturday, Dec. 2, 9:00 a.m.
Gallatin County Fairgrounds

Montana's largest holiday market will be held this Saturday morning. The market will include local artists, vendors and live music.

CHRISTMAS STROLL

Saturday, Dec. 2, 4:00 p.m.
Downtown Main Street

Main street will be blocked off east of Willson for pedestrians to enjoy the simple pleasure of looking at twinkly colorful lights while they drink hot chocolates with their friends. Come for definitely not spiked drinks, food and a nice walk through downtown Bozeman.

ASTRONOMY DISCUSSION

Monday, Dec. 4, 5:30 p.m.
Mountains Walking Brewery

MSU professors of physics Dr. Dana Longcope and Dr. Neil Cornish will be giving a free talk about their work in astrophysics. The event will have prizes for attendees to win.

MUSIC



PERMAFUNK

Saturday, Dec. 2, 7:00 p.m.
Red Tractor Pizza

Local funk outfit PermaFunk will be at Red Tractor Pizza on Saturday with their signature brand of music. There is no cover charge for the event.

FILM, THEATER



'Twas the Night Before Christmas

Friday, Dec. 1, 6:30 p.m.
Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture

The Bozeman Dance Academy will performing a show that includes a variety of holiday-themed dance such as musical theater, ballet, tap and jazz.

SAM SHEPARD'S FOOL FOR LOVE

Saturday, Dec. 2, 8:00 p.m.
Eagles Lodge Ballroom

"Fool for Love" is one of Sam Shepard's most celebrated works and Bozeman Actors Theater will be staging the play this weekend. This play is for mature audiences only.

SPORTS



MSU WOMEN'S BASKETBALL VS. UTAH STATE

Friday, Dec. 1, 8 p.m.
Brick Breeden Fieldhouse

Come cheer on the Cats as they aim to continue their home-win streak this Friday against Utah State.

MSU WOMEN'S BASKETBALL VS. NEVADA

Saturday, Dec. 2, 8 p.m.
Brick Breeden Fieldhouse

Come support the women's basketball team as they take on Nevada this Saturday.

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CULTURE

Write this way: Meet Professor Kent Davis

BY DUNCAN MATTINGLY

“The Great Unravel,” the third book in MSU professor Kent Davis’ “Riddle in Ruby” series, was released on Nov. 7, wrapping up roughly five years of work. The first book in the series, “A Riddle in Ruby,” took three years to write, with the following two books being released one and two years later, respectively.

“The third one was a bit of bear, actually,” Davis said when asked about the experience of writing the last book in his trilogy. “I finished it in about nine months. I had a screensaver that said, ‘Sit down, shut up and write the book.’” There is a certain freedom in that sentiment, according to Davis. The ability to write without having the luxury of criticizing himself as he writes makes for a large pile of material that he is

then able to return to, reshape and polish. That temptation to look back and wonder if what has already been written is any good is a strong one. But, allowing himself to indulge in it serves only to slow down the writing process, hence the screensaver.

“It’s not that I’m just sitting down and typing random word vomit on a keyboard. Like anything there are writing and imagination muscles, and as you use them more often, they get stronger. [My daily word count] was 200 words, maybe, and a poem about my coffee. Right now though it’s around 2,000 words a day.”

To put that in perspective, National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) occurs every November and challenges participants to write a 50,000 word novel in a month. Per day, that equates to only 1,667 words.

As for which book was the most

fun for him to work on, Davis says he has fond memories of both the first and the third books; “A Riddle in Ruby” and “The Great Unravel” respectively, for different reasons. “In sort of an open playground, jungle gym sort of way, the first book was really fun—just throwing spaghetti against the wall. But the third book I really loved, because I felt I had gotten to a place where I could finish the story strongly. It’s great to tell a story and finish the punchline.”

The “Riddle in Ruby” books are classified as middle-grade, a genre aimed mostly at upper elementary school and middle school. Middle-grade, according to Davis, is about concretizing your chosen family and setting down the pillars of who you are, as opposed to young adult novels, which tend to focus on the idea of who we are in the world and who we

want to be with.

That’s not to say you can’t enjoy the books if you’re outside that age range, though. If you’d like to check out the “Riddle in Ruby” series, head down to the Country Bookshelf on Main Street, where Davis held his meet the author event for the release of “The Great Unravel.”

Davis teaches in the Honors College as an instructor for Texts and Critics, as well as in the upper division Honors Seminars, one of which is the world building class that he started last spring. He also performs improvisational comedy at the Verge Theater, the schedule for which can be found on the Verge’s website. He is also one of the creators of the Epic Roleplaying System, which he created as he felt that “Dungeons & Dragons” was just a little too simple.

A look at the Squirehouse

BY L. MURPHY

Restaurants attached to hotels often have the reputation of being hit or miss. Sometimes it’s good, but often the food is mediocre and pricey because customers are paying for the convenient location. Squirehouse, which shares a building with downtown hotel, The Element, is one of the newer additions to the Bozeman food scene.

The first thing broke students should take note of are the prices, which are comparable to other fine dining establishments. Squirehouse’s prices are still more than the average college student can afford to spend on dinner. Squirehouse will be the place to go for a special occasion or if parents are visiting and they’re the ones buying. The drinks are on the mid-to-high end of the cost

spectrum, but they do offer an extensive liquor and cocktail collection that includes almost an entire page of scotch whiskeys to sample. It’s the perfect place for a booze snob, but unless you have a trust fund, it’s probably not the place to get your drink on.

The starter menu features some eclectic dishes such as duck confit with beluga lentils and arugula salad. Beluga lentils are a fancy way to say large, black lentils that look a lot like caviar but taste like regular lentils. The tempura green beans with harissa aioli were delicious, and the brussels brava were divine. Although I think the brussels are always tasty, many people have an aversion to the tiny cabbages. Before you brush off brussel sprouts as an icky vegetable, try these crispy sprouts roasted and topped with lemon aioli and brava sauce. These

little sprouts are tender in the middle and crisped to perfection, and are a good enough reason to come back any time.

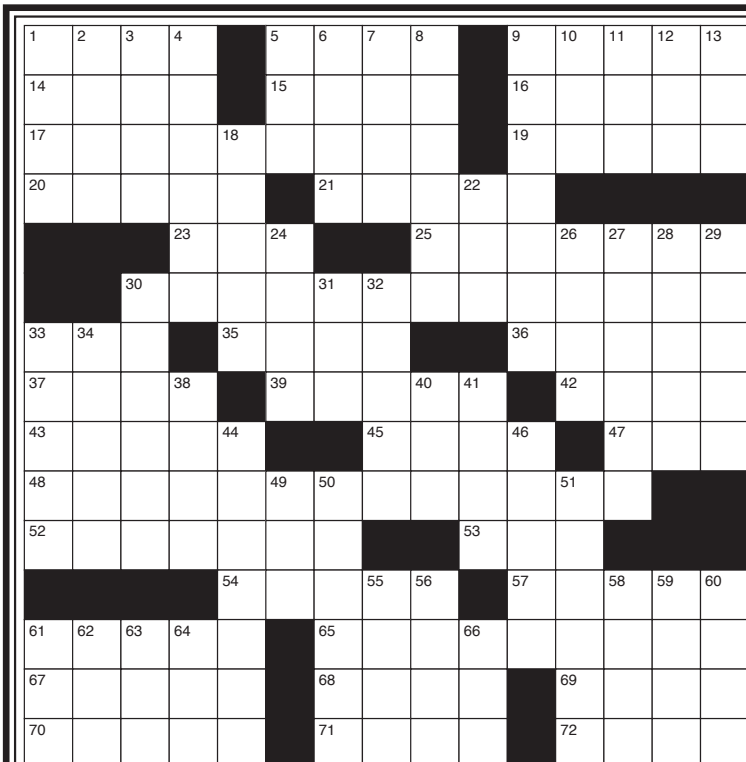
The chopped salad sounded promising from the description on the menu, but was merely adequate and did not wow. Maybe the expectation was too much from the description, I expected it to be actually chopped rather than the rings of red onions and the too-large-for-my-big-mouth slabs of dried tomatoes that forced me to do all of the chopping. The dressing was good, but the salad toppings were uninspired and scant. The spiced chickpeas sounded like they would be a good idea, but they were reminiscent Corn Nuts, a snack with the density of gravel. While it was decent, it did not impress enough to be worth ordering again.

If you’re in the mood for something

decadent, the mac and cheese comes highly recommended. The burgers are a more reasonably priced option and you have the choice of elk or beef. Seafood selections include trout, scallops and salmon and the meat entrées feature chicken, bacon, steak and prime rib options. There are no vegetarian entree options, but there are gluten free menu items. While Squirehouse does put their own flair on standard fare, the menu is limited. However, if you’re looking for a nice place to eat that features local fare in a primo location, Squirehouse fits the bill.

SQUIREHOUSE

Open daily 5 p.m. to 12 a.m.
25 East Mendenhall Street
Menu and reservations at
squirehousebozeman.com



Across

- 1. Disco family name
- 5. Actor Eric
- 9. Original, in Ostia
- 14. 1,500-mile Russian chain
- 15. Asian cuisine
- 16. Gelled garnish
- 17. Small tree native to Florida
- 19. Appropriate game
- 20. ____ Valley, Calif
- 21. Where a quad is
- 23. These, to Thierry
- 25. Hale and Lane
- 30. Gabbing
- 33. Family mem.
- 35. "Mama's Gun" singer Erykah
- 36. Title role for Michael Caine and Jude Law
- 37. PFCs' addresses

- 39. Tales of the Titans
- 42. Learn's partner
- 43. "____ my watch!"
- 45. Kings, in Cannes
- 47. House mem.
- 48. Immodesty
- 52. Narrowest of margins
- 53. "Imagine that!"
- 54. Frighten
- 57. Clearwater neighbor
- 61. Dead
- 65. ____ ridgeback
- 67. Khan who sang with the group Rufus
- 68. Cat-o'-____-tails
- 69. Band that hit YouTube with the treadmill-choreographed video
- 70. Not as forthcoming
- 71. Boo-Boo's cavemate
- 72. Maiden name indicators

Down

- 1. Biceps, slangily
- 2. Neighbor of Syria
- 3. Azerbaijan's capital
- 4. Whitener
- 5. "Oh yeah..." in text-speak
- 6. Tennessee Williams title phrase
- 7. Sodium hydroxide, symbolically
- 8. Giving help to
- 9. Colorless petroleum distillate
- 10. GI service org.
- 11. W.W. II rationing org.
- 12. Singer Damone
- 13. Scottish "gee"
- 18. Square sort
- 22. Weapon for a gangster
- 24. Stroked
- 26. Inferno
- 27. Declare true
- 28. Too trusting
- 29. Brew, as tea
- 30. Deck out
- 31. Charlie Weaver's Mt. ____
- 32. System start-up?
- 33. Indian title
- 34. Strong bonding agent
- 38. Gardener's purchase
- 40. "Yoo-____!"
- 41. Serenade
- 44. Jordan, once
- 46. Luis's lucky number
- 49. Cable company, often (abbr.)
- 50. Prickly
- 51. Add zest to
- 55. Birth state of seven presidents
- 56. Made in Hong ____
- 58. Vocalist's aid
- 59. Library worker
- 60. Years in Mexico
- 61. Belonging to the Sunshine Band leader?
- 62. "Feels so good!"
- 63. Foot the bill
- 64. Island strings
- 66. Opus ____ (group in "The DaVinci Code")

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Bobcat
Mysteries

- What is Cruzado's middle name?
- What is love?
- Why?
- The Exponent?
- What does wood chocolate taste like?
- Is there life after death?
- What the heck is a beholder?
- Do you even go here?
- How do I get out of Wilson Hall?
- Who are we?
- Who am I?
- Bees?
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- ¿Dónde está la biblioteca?

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Marvel's superhero the Wolverine was originally going to be called the Badger.

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