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Students seek answers at President, Provost Forum

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The President and Provost Forum is an event hosted by Student Government Association (SGA) every semester at Illinois Institute of Technology that provides students the opportunity to ask questions they have regarding university policy to the top two university administrators, President John Anderson and Provost Alan Cramb, who was recently chosen to succeed Anderson as the next university president later this year.

This semester's President and Provost Forum was hosted over the lunch hour on Friday, March 6, in the Hermann Hall Ballroom. Free sandwiches, fruit, chips, and desserts were offered to those in attendance as they arrived.

The event got started with opening remarks from SGA President Akinade Aderede. He thanked those in attendance and explained the purpose of the event. He then passed command of the stage over to Gabriel Connors, an SGA Senator who served as the moderator for the event. Connors explained the format of the event and dove right into providing questions to the president and provost.

This semester's President and Provost Forum saw considerably more questions than those hosted in recent semesters; over 40 questions were submitted via an online form that was made available for students to submit their questions prior to the event.

The first question came from the online form and asked the reasons for President Anderson leaving the position of President of the university and what plans Provost Cramb has for the position. "I have been in the job for almost eight years, which is quite a long time for the president of a university,"

said Anderson. He also added that a variety of personal and professional circumstances contributed to the decision. "I feel comfortable about stepping down at this particular point. I feel like we've done great things over the past eight years. I think the university will do very well in this transition." Provost Cramb added the following: "If I look forward to what's really important to the university, growth of the undergraduate body is probably the most important thing we can do for the stability and strength of the university. We have to have a current undergraduate body that enjoys their experience while they're here. The student experience in the classroom, I think, is excellent, however the student experience out of the classroom needs to be improved significantly. I'll be focusing out the out-of-the classroom experience." Cramb also mentioned that administration plans to improve student retention and graduation rates as well as placement in careers or graduate school after graduation.

The next question also came from the online form regarding decisions from administration regarding policies related to cancelling class and preparing campus after snow or other severe weather. "As long as it's not snowing inside the classroom, we're going to have classes," began Anderson. "I thought our staff has done a great job this year of cleaning the sidewalks." He added that students miss out on value of their tuition by having a day of class cancelled. Provost Cramb added that if he can't make it to campus from his residence in Lincoln Park, it would be a time to consider cancelling classes.

Another question from the online form asked for elaboration regarding the updates and changes to the IIT Public Safety escort policy, which was modified in mid-February to end on-demand safety escorts to

off-campus locations and replaced them with regular escorts by a security van at scheduled intervals to limited off-campus locations. President Anderson says that the update to the policy makes the service more predictable and reflects the concerns that students have brought up over previous years. The floor was opened up to additional questions, one of which asked about the options for students who do not live in designated areas where Public Safety will be dropping off students. President Anderson says that the policy is still new and open to feedback from students. "If changes have to be made, they'll be made, but it will not be feasible to stop at every location where a student lives," said Anderson.

The floor was opened up to additional questions from students. A student representative from TEDxIIT asked about scheduling a meeting with the president of the university, to which President Anderson suggested calling his office and simply asking to schedule a meeting with him. An additional question asked about the keys to fundraising for university events. Provost Cramb suggests students speak with the deans of their colleges, ask for Student Activity Fund money, and solicit donations from alumni.

An additional question from the floor came from Maria Garcia, a representative from Commuter Student Association. Garcia asked for some additional information regarding the requirements for classes to be cancelled due to weather conditions. Provost Cramb answered that class would be cancelled if there was a legitimate concern for safety of students or if state or local authorities asked people to not travel. "Decisions are not based on thinking of individuals. They're based on thinking of the university as a whole. People have to make a decision themselves. If they feel it's not safe

for them to do something, they shouldn't do it." Provost Cramb adds that, if students can't make it to class because of weather and they travel a far distance, our faculty are asked to take that into account and make sure students are able to make up anything they missed.

Another question from the audience came from a student regarding the food services at IIT. The student asked what administrators plan to do regarding quality of food on campus. "The administration takes any issue raised by people about quality of any of our services very seriously," said Cramb. He says that a full analysis by a variety of people is initiated when issues are brought up. "Sodexo is a large corporation that is under a lot of requirements by the city and the state for quality control. They are not allowed by the city or state to get out of quality control, and they are inspected not only by us but also the city and the state to make sure they are meeting the quality requirements to serve food to anyone," added Cramb. Katherine Stetz, IIT's Dean of Students, also added that weekly meetings take place between Sodexo and her office to address student concerns.

Several of the questions submitted through the online form asked for transparency regarding tuition increases and where the revenue from tuition goes. President Anderson says that only about 40% of tuition money goes to paying faculty; other money goes toward facility improvements and other operational costs. Anderson added that tuition goes up every year because things get more expensive every year. He also added that students will not be made able to see a breakdown of salaries of individuals or other costs like they are able to at public universities. A few additional questions regarding tuition increases were asked, and related answers were provided, saying that

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SGA Executive Election nominations open

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The time has come again, as it does yearly, when the leadership of the Student Government Association (SGA) and the student body is up for grabs. The nominations have officially opened, and they will close on March 20, 2015. The debates, to be moderated by TechNews, will run in the welcome center on March 26. This campus-wide election will be held on the April 7. All students of IIT are eligible to run for these positions. If you are interested in nominating yourself or someone who you think will be great in one of these positions, email iitnominations@gmail.com.

The positions up for grabs include the President, who is the primary leader of the student government and primary representative of the student body of administration, the university trustees, and the alumni board. This position requires leadership skill, tactfulness, patience, attention to detail, communication skills for presentations and speeches, exceptional time management and much more.

Executive Vice President is leader of the student senate and a smaller administrative committee that consist of the events chair and the parliamentarian. This student is also the treasurer of the student government and works with new student organizations. The po-

sition requires organizational skills, patience, a strong sense of responsibility, leadership skills, and more. These skills are required for all following positions.

The Finance Board Chair is leader of the Finance Board, which handles allocations of funds to all student organizations over the



IIT SGA

course of the year. The chair runs all of the Finance Board hearings and ensures consistency in following the guidelines for all allocations.

Vice President of Academic Affairs leads the board in charge of bringing academic improvements to IIT campus through the student voice. This role represents the student body on the undergraduate studies council, the

faculty council, and the academic affairs division of the university board of trustees. This position also works on bringing career management improvements to the IIT community.

Vice President of Student Life leads the Student Life Committee and is in charge of bringing improvements to student and campus life at IIT. This student serves on the university community outreach board and works to bring improvements to the student life experience at IIT.

The Vice President of Communications leads the communications committee of the student government. The committee manages all of SGA's communications and marketing with everything from events promotion to posters. The committee also works on improvements to internal communications systems within the university and makes sure the information network at IIT is accessible to all.

To find out more information about these executive positions, check our website at sga.iit.edu which contains our constitution and bylaws. If you are interested in seeing what types of projects we have worked on over the past year, check our website and feel free to email the current holders of any of the executive positions for any questions about their roles. We are excited about seeing the future of student leadership at IIT. If you are interested, we look forward to seeing you take part in it.

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TEDxIIT selects best ideas for April 12 event

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With only five weeks left until its main event on Sunday April 12, 2015, the TEDxIIT planning team is taking strides to conclude plans for the event. Its most notable achievement so far is the selection of speakers after a widespread speaker nomination campaign.

The TEDxIIT speaker selection process gets more competitive every year, with some of the brightest minds in the IIT community contesting for this prestigious platform to showcase their ideas to the world. So, as expected, there was a great influx of applications. This year, more than 50 nominations were submitted for 10-12 speaker slots. The nominations were divided into 4 categories: Student, Alumni, Faculty, and Others, based on the nominee's affiliation with IIT.

To ensure that only the best ideas were submitted, the nomination process was thorough.

Speakers had to be nominated by someone other than themselves, proving that there is at least one person—the nominator—that believes and supports the speaker's ideas.

Nominators were required to provide a brief bio of the speaker, their reason for nominating the speaker, and most importantly, the speaker's 'idea worth spreading.' Nominators were also provided the opportunity to attend a planning meeting, and present their speaker's ideas to the voting team, with the possibility of increasing their speakers' chances of selection.

After the idea presentation on Thursday February 19, a predetermined number of speakers were shortlisted from each of the four categories through votes by the Executive Team and members of the Speakers Committee. In total, 19 speakers were selected to undergo further screening involving an interview, commitment confirmation, and message refining, if necessary. In the end, due to some shorter, but nevertheless powerful speeches than expected, 16 speakers were selected to present their ideas on the TEDxIIT stage: 3 alumni, 2 students, 5 faculty members, and 6 others. The entire selection process was successful, and one of the guests even remarked, "This was the most professional and efficient voting process I have ever experienced."

The final ideas selected for presentation are interesting and varied, as each speaker

adapted the concept of 'Fusion' differently. Some concepts of fusion were homogenous, for example: the fusion of different times (past, present and future), the fusion of different professional experiences (professional management and dance), and the fusion of different generations (Silent generation, the Boomers, the Gen X'ers and Gen Y'ers). Other fusions were heterogeneous, for example: the fusion of nature and technology, work and play, and neuroscience and architecture. This diversity in ideas is exactly what the TEDxIIT planning team had hoped for with its selection of the theme 'X-Fusion' where 'X' represents the infinite amount of possible topics.

To learn about more innovative and inspirational fusions and their benefits, attend the live event on Sunday April 12, in the IIT Auditorium. Attendance at the event requires an application, and since TEDxIIT is organized by IIT students, for the global community, seating priority is given to IIT alumni, professionals, and community leaders. Students are encouraged to attend by stopping by the dress rehearsal on Saturday, April 11, or to participate as volunteers for the main event.

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TechNews Corrections

It has come to the attention of the TechNews staff that an article published in our previous March 6 issue, entitled "Crossroad Conversation: Black Face, White Place," used portions of text that were directly copied from

an external source without proper attribution.

Plagiarism is taken seriously by TechNews and by the university; the author will no longer be contributing to TechNews through article submissions or staff work in

the immediate future. The matter has also been referred to the university's Director of Student Conduct.

We apologize for this error.

Student Gift Campaign Launches

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IIT held its annual TAG Day Last Thursday, February 26. TAG Day, as most of you may know by now, stands for “Thank A Giver” Day. Events were held all day in order to thank alumni and friends who have donated to IIT, because they believe in students as much as the students believe in them selves. One of the biggest hits on Tag Day was the Bog event. An enormous amount of students attended trivia at the Bog, and participated in answering fun facts about our loved university. Students used selfie sticks to take photos of themselves and posted the pictures using #illinoistechtag all over social media, and the night ended with students dancing to their heart’s content.

One of the most important things that happened on TAG Day was the launch of the Student Gift Campaign (SGC). In more descriptive terms, the IIT Student Gift Campaign is a student-run effort to enhance both the community and philanthropy at the university. Through this endeavor, IIT students fund projects that enhance the campus community, and build on a tradition of giving while learning about how generosity impacts the lives around them. Basically, the Student Gift is an opportunity for the students to present IIT with a gift that will make the experiences of current and future students better, enhance the university’s specialness, and give back to the IIT community that we all know and love.

A few examples of past Student Gifts are the refurbishment of the enclosure space in MTCC in 2010, the completion of the reserve textbook collection at Galvin Library in 2011, the installation of drinking fountains in seven academic buildings in 2012, the modular furniture for Galvin Library in 2013, and new bike racks as well as two new bike repair stations for campus in 2014. All of these gifts enhance the lives and experiences of students at IIT today, could you imagine the university without them? I know I can’t; the value behind the Student Gift is tremendous, and it offers students, an opportunity to see the things that IIT is missing come to life. Students in the past thought Galvin didn’t have enough furniture, and so the students chose to gift the university with modern, comfortable, spacious furniture, all of which we now benefit from. Now, as students, it’s your turn to help impact IIT and leave your mark on your university for years to come.

This year, students have voted on 2015 Student Gift; a refurbishment of the Weight Room in Keating. The Student Gift Committee and the Athletics Department will partner for the project. The Committee notes this gift includes replacing and upgrading the floor, repainting the space and adding mirrors, updating current equipment with new padding and machines, updating free weight and stretching areas including new equipment, adding a new sound system and TVs, and having the space professionally rearranged to

maximize traffic flow and usability. This project is one of the most exciting projects the Student Gift Committee has ever embarked on! It’s one that gives back to the IIT community by taking care of and maintaining the sports center we have all come to know and love. Keating is the hub of IIT pride and passion, and we need to care for in order to preserve and contribute to IIT culture.

I asked William “Billy” Bafia—one of the student gift co-chairs—what the Student Gift meant to him and he had this to say, “It’s an opportunity for the student body to come together and improve an area of campus they all collectively want to change. Being a student-athlete and knowing this year’s project is focused on improving Keating Hall, I’ve taken a personal interest to make this year’s student gift project one of the most successful and rewarding for the student body. The student gift allows me to contribute, both my money, time, and efforts in making the university a better place for everyone—even when it’s a small change that is impacting everyone.” After this, I asked William what the student gift resembles, and he said, “The student gift resembles philanthropy from a student, whether it be through participation in student gift events or donating a portion of their income to help fund the project. It’s an opportunity for students to say this is what we want to improve, and if we can raise enough awareness about the project, help us make the change a reality. The student gift ties in a variety of organizations

and departments across campus, including—but not limited to—the alumni board, the dean of students office, housing, Greek life, student government, and athletics. It brings the students and administration together to focus on a common goal of improving the university and moving it forward.”

From Billy we can see that the Student Gift is something that universally impacts everyone on campus. Not only is it a refurbishment of Keating, but also it resembles something significantly larger than physical matter. The Student Gift is an extension of the IIT spirit, and reveals IIT pride, love, and involvement at its finest. The participation of the student body, as shown in past years, is significant to the success of every Student Gift project. That’s why it’s important for undergraduate students reading this to reach out to the Student Gift Committee, and become involved in an effort that makes IIT a better university for you and for future generations to come.

The goals for this year are 20% undergraduate student donors, and 50% undergraduate class of 2015 donors. These goals are some of the most ambitious goals the Student Gift has had to meet to-date. If the SGC meets these goals, they’ll receive a significant challenge gift from the IIT Alumni Board, hopefully more than \$20k. Be the change, which will be remembered at IIT!

Visit <http://alumni.iit.edu/gift-2015> and see how you can participate in other ways to help out in this wonderful cause.

33rd Street Productions’ “Company” closes final performance

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33rd Street Productions, IIT’s theatre and drama organization, generally presents one production each academic semester at IIT. This semester’s production was “Company,” a 1970 musical comedy by Stephen Sondheim where 35-year-old bachelor Robert examines the woes and benefits of marriage through a variety of experiences and anecdotes told by his lovable friends.

After months of preparation and dozens of hours of rehearsal, 33rd Street Productions’ rendition of “Company” ran for two

weekends in Hermann Hall Auditorium on campus. The musical was run on February 27 and 28 as well as March 6 and 7 at 8 p.m. in the auditorium; admission to the musical was free and open to the public.

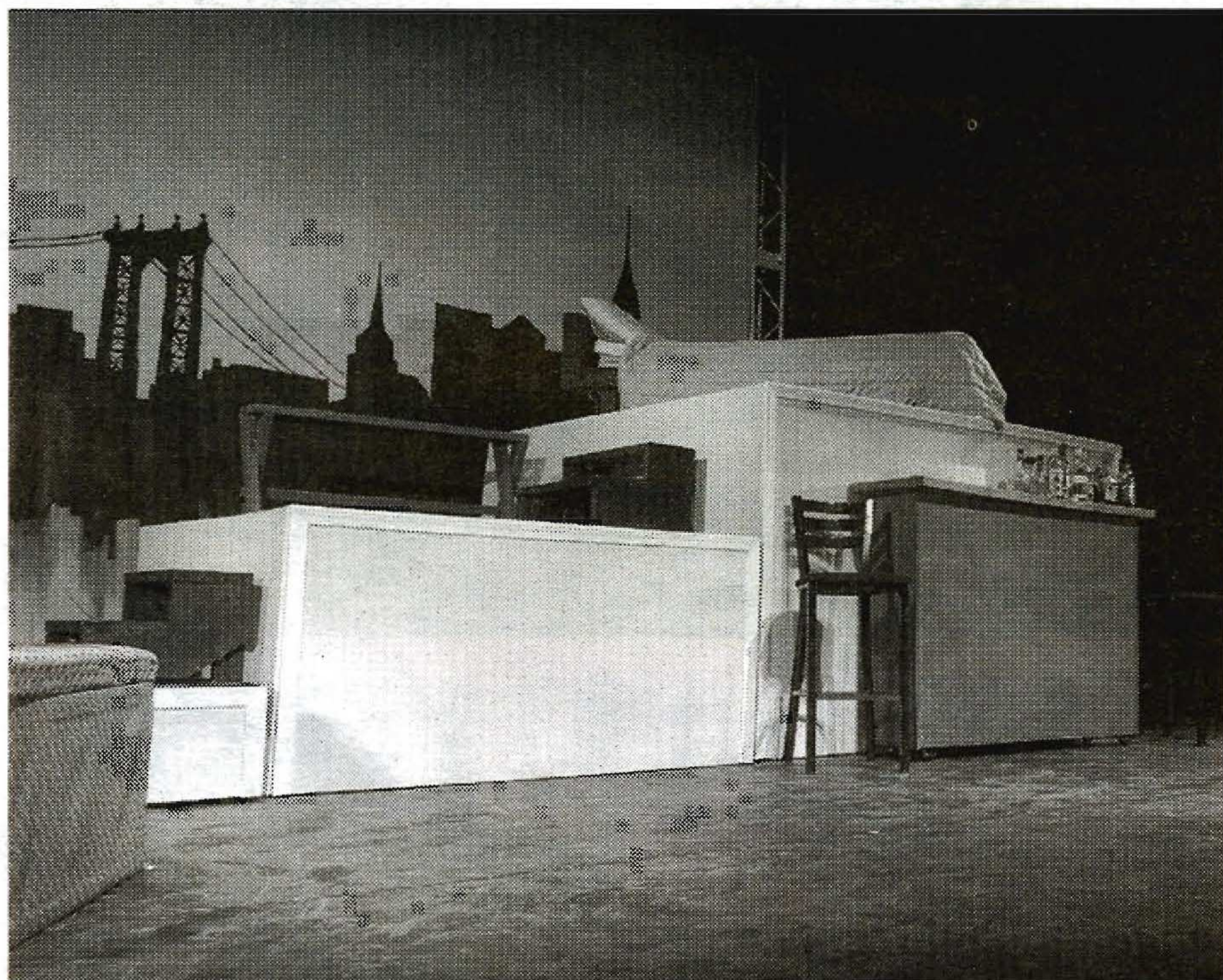
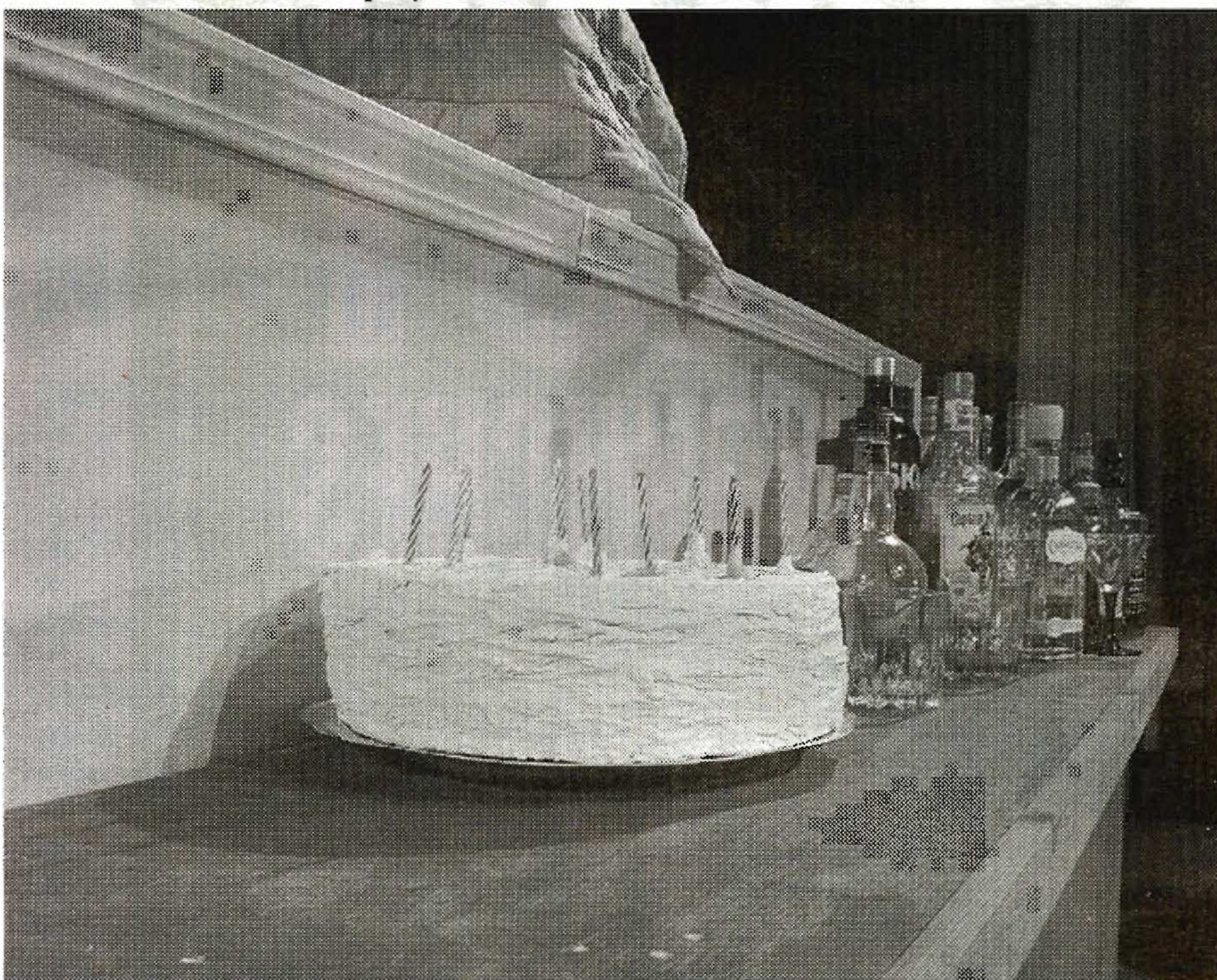
The cast, orchestra, and crew of “Company” was comprised of a variety of talented Illinois Tech and Vandercook College of Music students. The musical opens on the 35th birthday of Robert, played by Evan Osgood. Robert is surrounded by his closest friends, all of whom are married. After having some difficulty blowing out the candles on his birthday cake, a series of vignettes follows, each re-

counting an experience Robert has while hanging out with one of the couples, consisting of characters played by Christina Castillo, Dave Coxhead, Ryan Fabre-Campbell, Alexis Renk, Kirsten Lamkin, Alex Hunt, Vanya Yorgova, Subarno Saha, Ellie Lynch, and Reno Waswil. In these stories, Robert learns a lot about love, marriage, and relationships, learning the pros and cons of being in a committed relationship through a variety of musical numbers such as “The Little Things You Do Together,” “Sorry-Grateful,” and “Getting Married Today.”

Along the way, Robert also learns a lot from his bizarre relationships with his three

girlfriends, played by Cristina Alarcon, Margaret Lee, and Kaylynn Barker.

Studded with a variety of impressive musical performances from the entire cast and plenty of laughable moments, “Company” succeeded in keeping its audience entertained through its 2.5-hour duration. 33rd Street Productions will be performing another musical in the upcoming fall semester, and plans to perform a Shakespeare production for next year’s spring play. The organization holds weekly meetings at 8 p.m. in Wishnick Auditorium and can be reached at 33rd.iit@gmail.com.



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tuition is expected to rise every year because expenses rise every year.

The next question from the audience came from student Douglas Wilhelm and asked why professors are not required to use Blackboard in order to help students keep track of their grades. Provost Cramb replied that, while he doesn't have an exact answer, he will be referring the question to Vice Provost Chris White to look into.

Another question from the audience asked what the vision for the campus environment was, specifically considering the Kaplan Innovation Center, a new academic building planned for campus. President Anderson and Provost Cramb talked about the new building focusing on application of knowledge gained in the classroom as well as serving as a new home for the university's IPRO program.

A set of playful questions came next from a student in the crowd, asking why neither the president nor provost wear pocket squares with their suits and asking if the president and provost could buy a fancy dinner sometime for all students.

Egle Malinauskaite asked the next question from the audience. She asked why the Julia Beveridge award was no longer awarded

at IIT and if anything could be done to bring it back or offer a similar award that recognizes IIT-affiliated women. Provost Cramb passed the question over to Dean Stetz, who says the award remains in a state of flux because a group of representatives of the university did not come to a conclusion as to which office should remain in charge of the award or how it should be presented.

Two questions came from an additional student in the audience. He expressed concerns that class sizes are increasing, but support of Teaching Assistants (TAs) in classes is not increasing. He asked if there was any planning to maintain the quality of education as the undergraduate body increases. Provost Cramb says that budgeting increases each year for TAs and other resources and that resources are allocated according to the populations of classes. The student's second question expressed concerns about leaking water and other facilities problems that face various buildings on campus. "We have a campus that was built in the 50s and 60s and we have a tremendous need across the university to invest in our infrastructure. We spent \$10 million in Engineering 1, but we needed \$20 million; we don't have \$20 million to spend. It's not that

we don't recognize the issue, it's that we don't have the funds to cover all of the issues. One of the things we do with tuition is a lot of maintenance of our facilities. We unfortunately just don't have enough tuition or total income in the university to do everything that needs to be done at this time," said Cramb. He adds that the university is doing their best to keep up with problems as they arise.

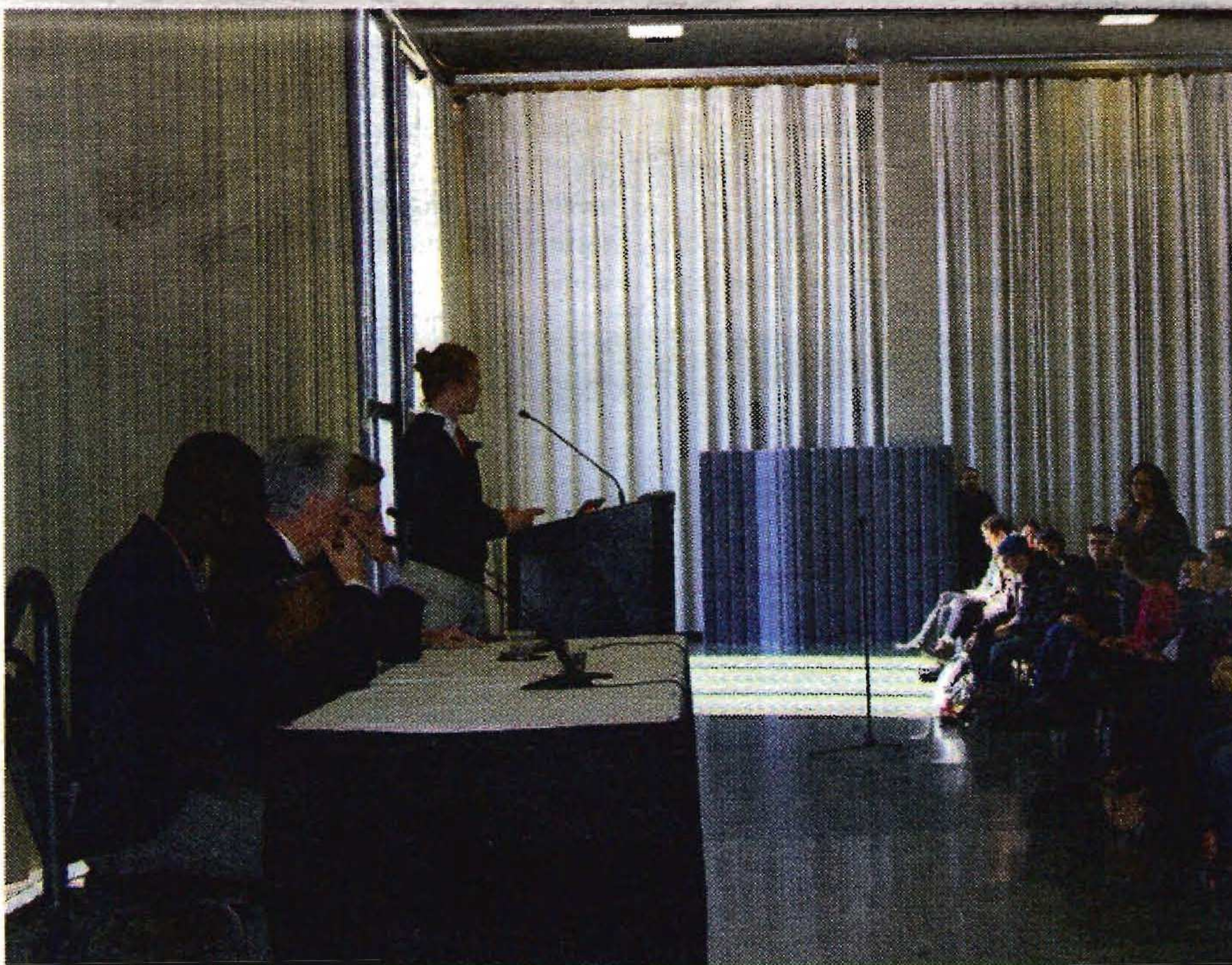
The next question came from a student in the audience. He asked the president and provost what the plans are for the unoccupied and unusable buildings on campus. President Anderson says that the university is hoping to see Main Building usable in some capacity, even though it needs a lot of work to bring it up to code. According to Anderson, the building will likely never be functional for the university academically, but there is an open request for proposals for private corporations to renovate the building. Provost Cramb adds that there are strong plans to renovate Bailey and Cunningham residence halls and move students move into them within the next year or two.

An additional question from the audience expressed that the university should provide assistance to promote and utilize the

innovation of students on campus. President Anderson says that the university tries to promote the creations of their students, but that it could work harder.

The final question was another question from Doug Wilhelm, who asked why parking rates at the university continue to increase while the gates to parking lots are often left open, which makes parking less exclusive to those who pay for it. President Anderson and Provost Cramb say that the parking rates for our campus are reasonable and comparable to those of other universities and that those who park in lots without a permit will receive parking tickets during the hours that parking is enforced.

The wealth of questions caused the President and Provost Forum to run a little bit late, but many students stayed for the entire duration. Gabriel Connors added that he will be working with the president's office to get any remaining questions answered and posted online and in a future issue of TechNews. SGA President Akinade Aderele closed the event by thanking all in attendance.



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Apple unveils long-awaited smartwatch

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Since the initial unveiling of the Apple Watch, Apple Incorporated's entry to the wearable technology market, in September 2014 there has been a steadily growing furor of excitement and rumors about the specifics of Apple's newest product. It was in the midst of this furor that Apple welcomed reporters and bloggers to their Spring Forward event on March 9.

Apple began the event by announcing several new products and initiatives, including a partnership with HBO and a new MacBook. While these announcements would be high profile at almost any other event, the anticipation for the Apple Watch caused these announcements to quickly be overshadowed.

The Apple Watch was first unveiled in September 2014 at a preview event. The event allowed Apple to show off the aesthetics of the watch and some of its key functionality, but most major details of the watch and many important questions were left unanswered. As the Spring Forward Event moved on, Apple began to talk about the Apple Watch and began answering many of the questions that had been asked for months.

At the event, Apple chose to highlight the ways through which the Apple Watch told time, connected people, and served as a fitness tracker. This manifested itself by having various Apple employees showing off watch-faces, apps, and functionalities.

Highlights included fitness tracking endorsed by professional athletes, apps from major players including Instagram and Uber, and the ability to take phone calls and send Nintendo DS-style pictochats to others. Many of these features had been previewed at Apple's September event and provided few new details for those in attendance.

New information began to be shared as Apple started to speak about the hardware that makes up the Apple Watch. One of the key questions leading up to the event was the battery life of the Apple Watch, which many have viewed as a potential sore point. Apple announced that they expect the watch's battery to last 18 hours, which they are billing as an "all-day" battery. This served as a disappointment to many due to most competitors having much better battery lives; Android Wear devices such as the Moto 360 and the LG G Watch R have battery lives of two days, and the Pebble line of smartwatches has a battery life of a week.

Apple spent most of its time de-

voted to the Apple Watch speaking about its hardware design. Three different models of the Apple Watch will be available: the Apple Watch Sport, the Apple Watch, and the Apple Watch Edition. While the software experience on all three watches is the same, the hardware that makes up all three is very different. The Apple Watch Sport is made using an anodized aluminum case with different colors of silicone bands, and ranges in price from \$349 to \$399. The Apple Watch has a stainless steel body and various band options, and ranges in price from \$549 to \$1,099. Finally, the Apple Watch Edition has an 18-karat gold body and various band options that make the price for the watch range from \$10,000 to \$17,000.

Apple is making a point to stress the many different watch band options that are available for the Apple Watch, remarking that the watch represents, "the most personal product we've ever made." This approach marks a bigger transition that Apple seems to be making from a technology company to a luxury company. While positioning itself as a luxury company with many different, personalized options makes the company appealing to consumers interested in purchasing a luxury watch, the shift does represent a major turn away from the hallowed design ideals of Apple

founder Steve Jobs.

The wearable technology market is experiencing rapid growth, and Apple's entry to the market will no doubt be successful due to the strength of the Apple brand. Whether or not the Apple Watch will be successful at swaying users not already in the Apple ecosystem to jump ship is yet to be seen. Apple faces stiff competition in the wearable technology market from both fitness trackers and smartwatches. Jawbone and Fitbit both have established themselves as kingpins in the fitness tracker market with significant brand recognition. Google's Android Wear smartwatches are available in many different form factors and rumors are currently flying that Google plans to add support for iOS devices in the future. Finally, Pebble Technologies, the creator of the original smartwatch, has raised over \$17 million on Kickstarter for the creation of the Pebble Time, its next smartwatch.

The Apple Watch is available for preorder direct from Apple on April 10, with shipments beginning on April 24. The Apple Watch is compatible with the iPhone 5, iPhone 5S, iPhone 6, and the iPhone 6 Plus as long as they are running the latest version of iOS 8.



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Netflix and Nachos: The Brothers Grimm

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Sometimes after a hard day of classes and studying, it's nice to just relax a bit. So grab some nachos and enjoy the movie being reviewed this week, "The Brothers Grimm."

"The Brothers Grimm," directed by Terry Gilliam, is a movie set in medieval fantasy Germany. This setting is similar to many of the setting of the fairy tales that we hear as children, which makes sense considering the main characters, the Grimm brothers. These two are well-renowned throughout Germany for fighting demons, witches, and all matter of evils. There is only one problem, they're expert cons and it's working on everyone. Except the French.

It's always the French, isn't it?

The rest of the movie follows the brothers as they follow their biggest case yet, to save nine missing girls from a "mystical" forest. The plot itself is quite good, with enough twists and turns to keep you on the road all the way home. An inspiring but realistic chain of events balance the ideas of dreams versus reality, hope versus realism, and optimism versus pessimism. Definitely a spiritual journey hidden inside the plot that, when discovered, gives the film much more depth.

What pulls this film together is the synergy between the two main characters' actors. Matt Damon and Heath Ledger are leg-

ends of film today, and the duo playing as Will and Jake Grimm create a pair that through witty dialogue and verbal interplay brighten the screen and captivate an audience. The two seem inseparable, creating a brotherly bond on screen that's hard to discern from the real thing.

The hook of the film is the basis of fairy tales; the pull is its modern take. This is no Shakespeare play; the themes of this story bear very modern influences. Many of the jokes even entail modern references that help the viewer relate to the film despite its archaic setting. If you're afraid that you won't get any of the fairy tale references, don't. Though the film is based on many of the Grimm tales, the tales themselves are no more of an afterthought to the overarching story.

If you want a story of brotherhood, magic, and a little bit of love, take a look at "The Brothers Grimm." What comes off as a silly spin-off movie may surprise the average viewer. This movie definitely merits a topping of ground beef with those nachos. You can see "The Brothers Grimm" by going on Netflix, a subscription-based streaming site for movies and TV series that offers a free trial to view thousands of movies and episodes. Or just get your best friend's/parent's/sibling's/girl or boyfriend's password. They won't mind, right?



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The word Sudoku, above, is actually the abbreviation of "Suuji wa dokushin ni kagiru," meaning "the digits must be single" or "the digits are limited to one occurrence."



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Premier League gets exciting with one-third to go

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Barclay's Premier League gets exciting as we head into the final third of the season, with the top six teams contesting very close to each other, the week saw some pretty close matches in the league.

Manchester City headed into the match with five changes from their last game with a mentality of maintaining their second position spot in the league table, and they came out like a giant against the lowly Leicester. David Silva was once again, the right man at the right place when he scored from three yards out and the second one coming in from Milner who timed his run perfectly to score only after two minutes of stepping onto the field. The match outcome was Manchester City-2 Leicester City-

0. Louis Van Gaal's men were almost held back this week, but a late winner from Ashley Young did the trick. Newcastle's defense had been rock solid the entire night and especially goalkeeper Krul, but it was a comical slip up by those same men which led to a goal scoring chance for Manchester United and they took it with the game finishing Newcastle United-0 Manchester United-1.

Arsenal goes headstrong into the premier league with great mentality and resilience being shown by them this season, arguably attributed to their new personnel on pitch. They played wonderful counter attacking football against the Rangers, and came out with two brilliant goals coming from the feet of Giroud and the little Chilean, Sanchez. Queens Park Rangers fell to Arsenal 1-2.

Stoke City went head on against Everton and they thwarted the opposing team with two goals while conceding none. Former Chelsea player, Victor Moses rose up and scored a perfectly aimed header and the second one can only be attributed to a great counter attack setup by Stoke. The game ended Stoke City-2 Everton-0.

The high scoring game between Tottenham and Swansea was every bit exciting as the hosts went in at sixth place in the league with only one point behind Liverpool. Even though both the teams played high-energy textbook premier league football, supreme goalkeeping by their captain was enough to ensure that Tottenham took home the win with three goals scored and two conceded. The outcome was Tottenham Hotspur-3 Swansea City-2.

Chelsea after their recent Capital One Cup win against Tottenham, were at their very best, going in with a strong lineup with nine out of their starting eleven coming from the match three days ago, refusing to rest until their team takes home everything. Chelsea scored the only goal of the night and it was a spectacular, well-balanced ball-in and a determined header by Hazard left the West Ham defenders looking at each other even when 7 of them were inside the D-box. Chelsea defeated West Ham United 1-0.

Henderson held the fort once again as Liverpool went another game unbeaten in 2015, him being the scorer of one goal and provider for the other one ensured that their streak continues as they maintain the pressure on the top 4 teams in the premier league. The game ended Liverpool-2 Burnley-0.



Wednesday, March 11
Women's Lacrosse
vs. Defiance
1 p.m.

Sunday, March 15
Baseball
@ Central (Iowa)
4 p.m.

Monday, March 16
Baseball
@ Marian (Wisconsin)
11 a.m.

Baseball
@ Wisconsin-Superior
12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 17
Women's Lacrosse
@ Illinois Wesleyan
7 p.m.

Wednesday, March 18
Baseball
@ Augsburg
11 a.m.

Thursday, March 19
Baseball
@ Macalester
11 a.m.

Saturday, March 21
Women's Lacrosse
@ Aurora
1 p.m.

Wednesday, March 25
Baseball
vs. Rockford
3 p.m.

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Tuesday, March 10, 12:00 p.m., MTCC Bridge

125 Ways to Stay Healthy: Safe Sex Kit Giveaway

Sponsored by the Student Health and Wellness Center

SHWC will provide 125 free safe sex kits along with information regarding safer sex practices. Come ask us questions, learn about the items we have put in the sex kit and take one before they are all gone!

Tuesday, March 10, 4-5:30 p.m., MTCC Ballroom

Yoga and Self-Empowerment

Sponsored by student April Wanagas and the Student Health and Wellness Center

A self-empowering and confidence driven yoga session to help students realize their worth is so much more than they often acknowledge.

Tuesday, March 10, 7:00 p.m., MTCC Welcome Center

Hawks Coffeehouse Series: Lacey Roop

Sponsored by Union Board

Come join us in this special Hawks Coffeehouse series! Lacey Roop is a nationally acclaimed spoken word artist, and in 2011 placed 6th at the Women of the World Poetry Slam (WOWPS).

Wednesday, March 11, 8:00 p.m., MTCC Auditorium

Girl Rising, documentary screening

Girl Rising is a documentary which details the struggle girls around the world facing in getting an education. The screening will be followed by a discussion about the most impactful stories and will open the floor to allow for the sharing of personal experiences.

Thursday, March 12, 7:00 p.m., The Bog

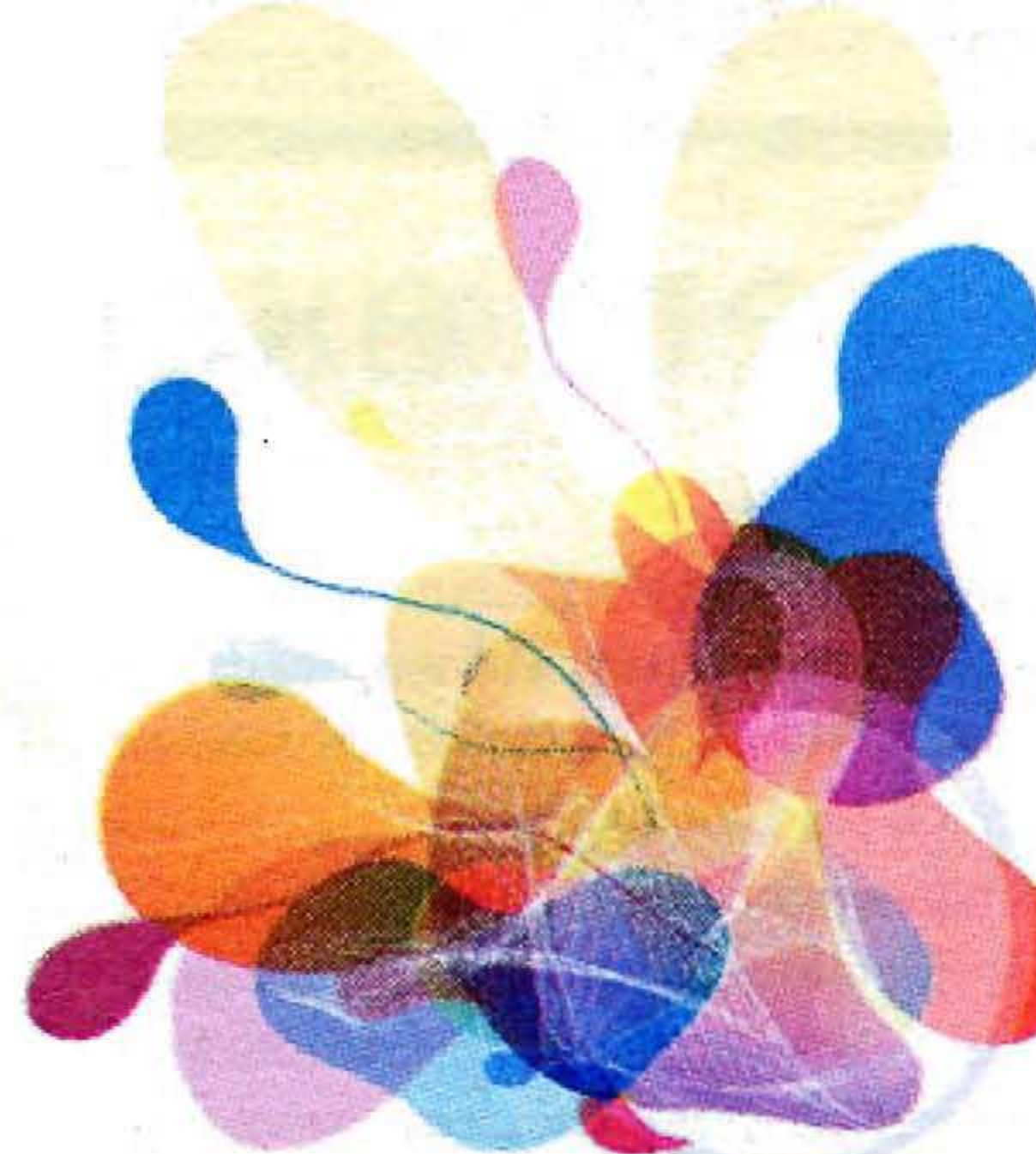
Trivia Night in the Bog

Sponsored by Union Board

Come join us for bar-style Trivia in The Bog and enjoy some appetizers and drinks. Questions will be themed around women and Women's History Month in a variety of categories, including pop culture, TV and movies, music, and more.

Win prizes, eat food, have fun!

 Please share your Women's History Month experiences throughout the month of March by using #WHM15 on social media.



Thursday

**Trivia Night, Dueling
Pianos, & Smash
Brother's Tournament**

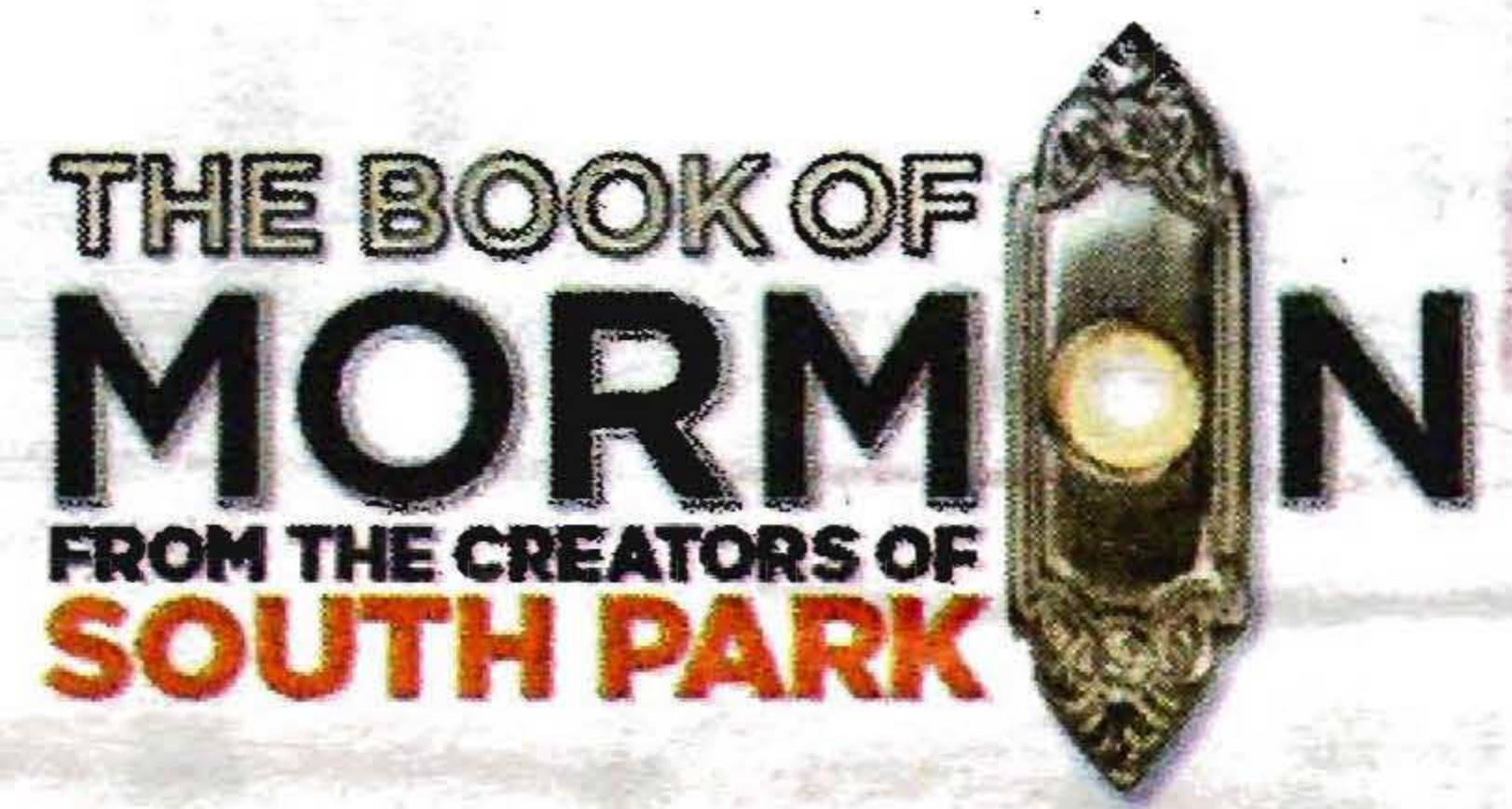
Friday

**Friday the 13th Jeopardy
Event & NSBE Bowling**

Social


Saturday

**Singer/Comedian
Evan Wecksell**



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