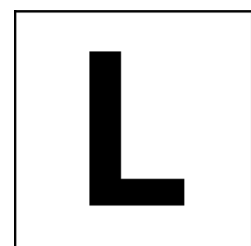


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# NEWS

## Hemlock trees invade campus woodlot

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The full story available online at [www.fredonialeader.org](http://www.fredonialeader.org).

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Illustration by Hayley Patterson

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Lightning doesn't strike twice, except for Fredonia Radio Systems, in which case there must be a massive lightning rod on top of McEwen Hall. For the second year in a row, Fredonia Radio Systems was named the "Best College Station in the Nation" at the Intercollegiate Broadcasting System Conference in New York City.

While the rest of Fredonia was busy staying warm and digging cars out during the freak snowfall that cancelled school, 12 FRS members drove through the tempest to get to Manhattan to represent the radio station known as "The Voice" of Fredonia.

The award for being best in the nation wasn't the only award that FRS brought home though. Fredonia Radio Systems General Manager Noah Maciejewski said, "I personally won 'Best On-Air Personality,' for the second year in a row, we had our sports team, headed by Jaret Belschwinder win 'Best Hockey Play-by-Play' for the third year in a row and then we had I alongside my roommate, Alex Behrens, [win] 'Best Video Commercial/Promotion,' then Harper Horton won 'Best News Director.'"

The past few years of success for WCVF have been something of real sentiment for Maciejewski. "It's awesome. I'm really passionate about radio and broadcasting and it's been something I've fallen in love with over the last few years, so to see that work come to fruition and get a little bit of recognition for it is an awesome feeling."

When word shot out over social media that FRS would be bringing home a national award for the second year in a row, the Fredonia family was quick to embrace them. University Provost Terry Brown said in a tweet, "Congratulations to our talented students! You make us proud." The Student Association also said, "Congratulations, FRS! Once again, well deserved!"

Maciejewski said in response to the outpouring, "It's great to have that support from the community we serve. It's definitely appreciated to see that Fredonia love come back."

Maciejewski said in the moment when they were about to read the name of the big winner, the FRS team was thinking it might be a little "far-fetched" to expect to win twice in a row.

But when their name was announced as the best of the rest, Maciejewski said "We just jumped up. We were just hugging, a few people started crying . . . it was an awesome feeling."

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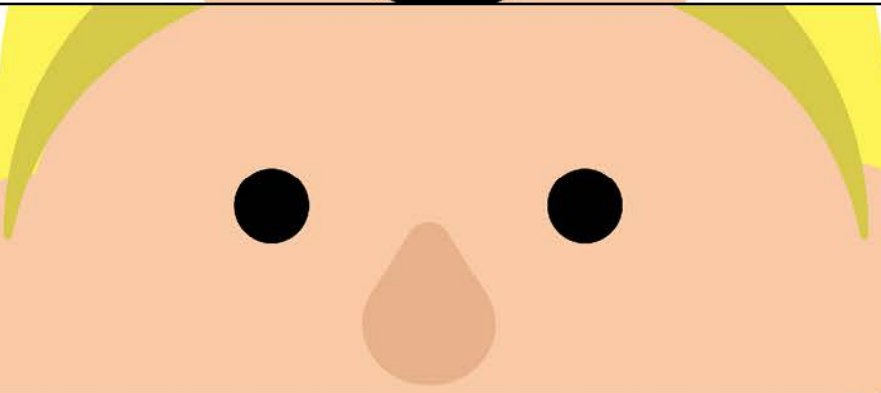
2018 champs



Dulcinea Lord/Staff Illustrator



FRS, 'Best Station in the Nation' back-to-back champs!  
by: Josh Ranney  
special to the leader

<p>SO, RALPHIE, HOW'S THE WRECKING BUSINESS?</p> 	<p>IT'S PRETTY GOOD. I'M JUST A LITTLE TIRED OF WRECKING.</p> 	<p>WHAT HAPPENED?</p> 	<p>I BROKE VANELLOPE'S CAR AGAIN.</p> 
<p>OH NO, I CAN FIX IT, BUT NOT ALONE!</p> 	<p>HEY! LOOK!</p> 		
<p>HI GUYS! HAVEN'T SEEN YOU AROUND HERE LATELY. WHAT'S UP?</p> 	<p>HI BOB! MY FRIEND RALPH BROKE SOMETHING VERY VALUABLE AND I NEED SOME HELP FIXING IT.</p> 	<p>CAN YOU GUYS FIX IT?</p> 	
<p>CAN YOU GUYS FIX IT?</p> 		<p>CAN YOU GUYS FIX IT?</p> 	
			
			
<p>Come to the Repair Fair!</p> <p><b>April 16 12:30 p.m. — 4 p.m</b></p> <p><b>Williams Center Multi Purpose Room.</b></p> <p>Free for all!</p> <p>Written by Monica Manney Illustrated by Elizabeth Levensgood</p>			

# POLICE BLOTTERS

Ben Rockafellow/Assistant Design Editor

## UNIVERSITY

**Sunday, March 4, 2018**

A vehicle was damaged in Lot 4. An investigation is on-going.

**Monday, March 5, 2018**

3:00 p.m. Patrice Snowden was charged with petit larceny. An appearance ticket was given.

## FREDONIA

**Thursday, March 8, 2018**

Chiarina Sapia, age 21, was charged with failure to stop at a stop sign. A uniform traffic was given.

Katherine Joslyn, age 21, was charged with failure to stop at a stop sign. A uniform traffic was given.

**Saturday, March 10, 2018**

Joy Sprague, age 24, was charged with disorderly conduct, resisting an arrest, petit larceny and second degree harassment. Bail was set to \$1,000.

**Sunday, March 11, 2018**

Meranda Harvey, age 21, was charged speeding in a zone and operating an uninspected motor vehicle. Uniform traffic tickets were given.

**Saturday, March 17, 2018**

Tyler Desiderio, age 22, was charged with operating a motor vehicle without head lamps. A uniform traffic ticket was given.

**Sunday, March 18, 2018**

Davian Brizill, age 22, was charged with speeding in a zone. A uniform traffic ticket was given.

Amanda Campbell, age 23, was charged with speeding in a zone and operating an uninspected motor vehicle. Uniform traffic tickets were given.



*All information printed in The Leader's police blotter is a matter of open public record. No retractions or corrections will be made unless a factual error is shown. Anyone who is cleared of charges has the right to have so printed. It is the responsibility of the accused to provide notice and proof of the dropped charges.*



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# Life & Arts

## Fredonia's Pride Alliance to put on trans clothing drive

Written by Elyse Grieco  
Illustrated by Alissa Salem



Pride Alliance will be collecting clothes every Monday this month from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in McEwen hall.

The exchange will be held on April 6 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in 103A in The Williams Center.

Brews under Review presents

# Coco Command-no

Written by Dan Orzechowski  
Illustrated by Kathleen Fenton

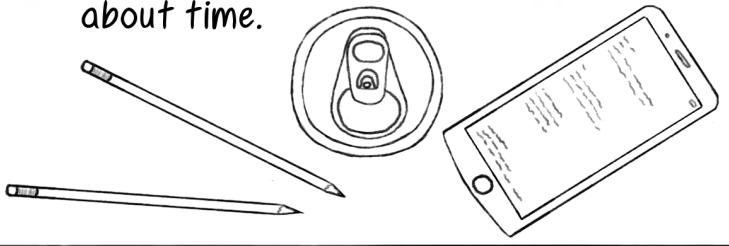
Throughout my college career, I've learned to accept any free beer.



When I was asked to write this review,

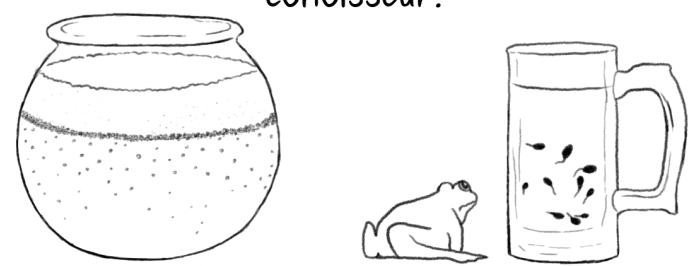


the first thought that went through my head was: it's about time.



I have to warn you though, I'm no beer connoisseur.

Nonetheless, I can tell the difference between beer and pond water.



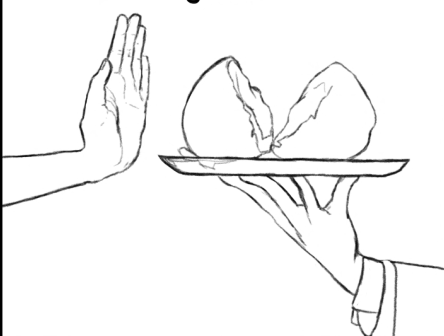
Although my taste buds are still recovering from dinking Fredonia's tap water, I knew from the first sip of EBC West's Coco Commando that I'd have a hard time finishing it.



Generously described as a summer cream ale with a kick of cocunut, there was no cocunut to be found.



If you're into light cream ales and hate coconut, this may actually be the beer for you.



Don't get me wrong, I could definitely see myself sipping on some Commando with my feet in the sand.

Just know that I would already be black-out hammered so I wouldn't have to actually taste the beer.



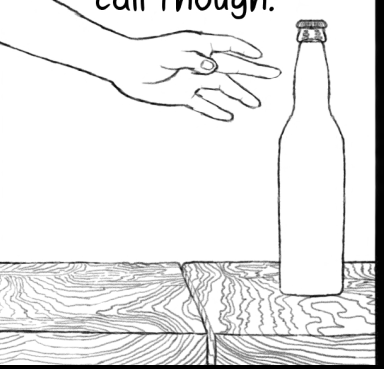
I'm a big fan of Almond Joys. Hell, I'd even drink coconut water. The idea of a coconut-infused beer has potential, but Coco Comando just didn't do it for me.



Like I said, I'll never turn down a free beer.



This one was a close call though.



## Overall rating:

2/5



# LET'S TALK ABOUT WOMEN IN MUSIC

Written by Molly Vandenberg  
Illustrated by KhriSan Dunn

There is a definite lack of representation of women and people of color going into the musical fields.

A panel discussion on the different challenges women face in the professional music world March 8 at Rosch Recital Hall.



"What I've noticed... is that with women, it's in the way that they express themselves... we're just not taken as seriously."

There is also the struggle of balancing family with a career. When a woman is also a mother, it can sometimes be difficult for colleagues to view them as equals.

FRED Alumai  
 first composition seminar her freshman year she was one of only three women in a program of 23.

In our society, women are viewed as the primary caregivers. If a professional musician is also a father, he will likely not be stigmatized for being a parent in the same way.

Performative BOX

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"One of the things we can do is be aware and not just think about the issues that we deal with personally as composers or as people... "...if we as creators are just a little bit more aware of other people's perspectives and stories, then that will eventually come out in our art,"  
 - Jolley

This is especially important



if you're in a place of privilege



and know your voice will be heard.

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This organization has been bringing new composers, performers and music to Fredonia's campus for the past 38 years.



# Have You Ever Wondered...

## What Fredonian had the biggest Pop Hit?

### Hint:

## It might be Clint

**Clint Holmes**, the son of an American-American jazz musician and a British opera singer, grew up in Farnham, N.Y., just 18.3 miles away from the Fredonia campus.

His 2017 album, "Rendezvous," received two Grammy nominations (although he didn't win).

He returned to Buffalo many times to co-host the annual Variety Kids telethon on WKBW-TV.

Around the time he graduated from high school, he made his first record, a doo-wop 45 with a group called the Classmen. He wrote both sides ("I'm Warning You"/"I Won't Cry").

He was a vocal music student at SUNY Fredonia in the mid-1960s before going into the U.S. Army, where he sang in the elite Army Chorus during the Vietnam War era.

A civilian again, he recorded his only Billboard Top 100 hit, "Playground in my Mind," in 1972. It went to No. 2 on the singles chart and has sold hundreds of thousands, if not millions, of copies over the years



Written and Illustrated by Mr. E

But Holmes' career didn't end with that lone hit. He has become a star in Las Vegas over the past 40 years. He had a long-running headlining show at Harrah's Casino, which named its main showroom for him.

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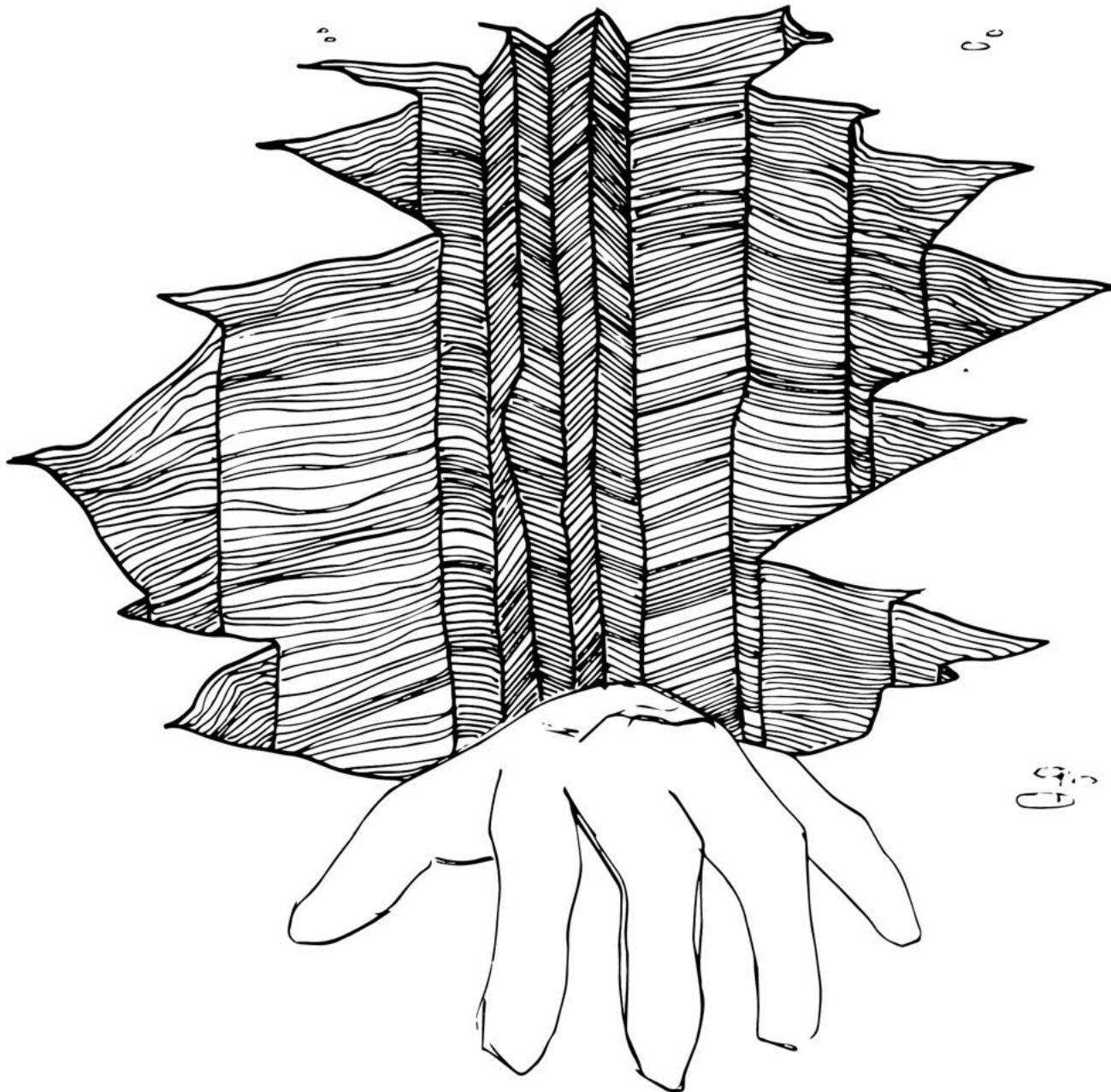
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# OPINION

## From the Desk of Jessica Tompkins, Design Editor

MAKING MY WAY TO  
GRADUATION LIKE...



# President for Life, Mr. Trump?

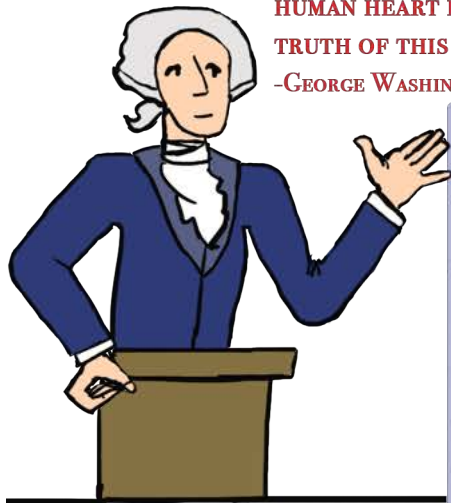
Written by Seth Meyer  
Illustrated by Emily Kupp

President Trump has once again questioned the principles of American democracy and we shouldn't be surprised. At a Republican fundraiser, CNN caught exclusive audio of Trump talking about Chinese president Xi Jinping's lack of term limits, and may have possibly suggested his own presidency for life. "[Xi] was able to do that. I think it's great. Maybe we'll have to give that a shot some day."



**"A JUST ESTIMATE OF THAT LOVE OF POWER, AND PRONENESS TO ABUSE IT, WHICH PREDOMINATES IN THE HUMAN HEART IS SUFFICIENT TO SATISFY US OF THE TRUTH OF THIS POSITION."**

-GEORGE WASHINGTON



Only in modern American history have we proposed an amendment that sets presidential term limits, that being the Twenty-Second Amendment which was ratified in 1951. Despite the US only having such term limits in writing, the precedent for two term limits has been ingrained from the beginning of our democracy. The New York Times Editorial Board alludes to George Washington's reluctance to run for president more than once. "[Washington] pursued a second term in 1792 only at the urging of his cabinet, and in 1796, when he insisted it was time to step down, he famously warned that not to do so risked a return to the very tyranny Americans had fought to overthrow," the board wrote.

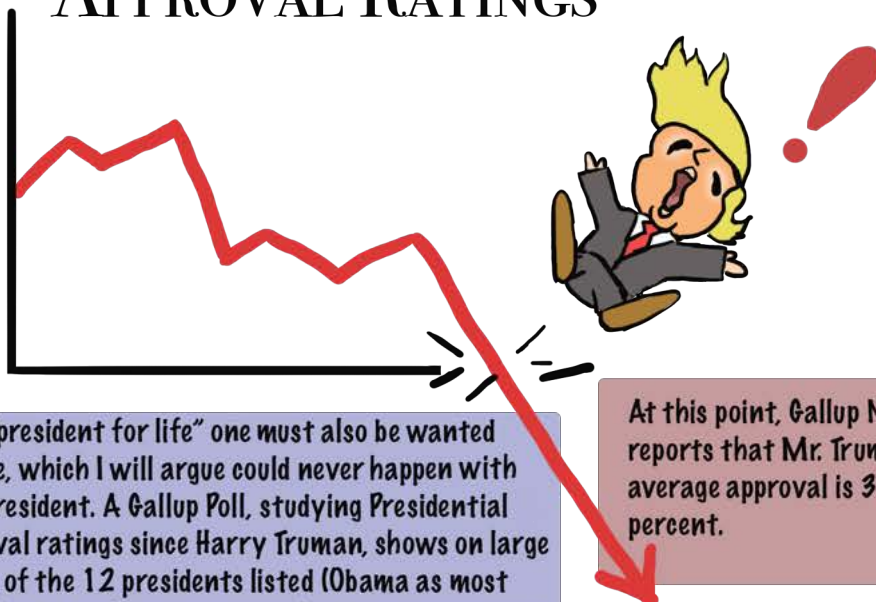


**"The only thing to fear is fear itself."**

-Franklin D. Roosevelt

Before the ratification of the Twenty-Second Amendment, only one president served more than two terms, and that was Franklin Delano Roosevelt. Roosevelt was set to complete his fourth term when he died in office in 1945. This couldn't have happened without the support of his nation and his action of great leadership. In the midst of the Great Depression, Roosevelt launched the New Deal which helped to stabilize America's shattered economy and after the attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941, the country was behind him in launching the US into World War II.

## APPROVAL RATINGS



To be "president for life" one must also be wanted for life, which I will argue could never happen with any president. A Gallup Poll, studying Presidential Approval ratings since Harry Truman, shows on large trend: of the 12 presidents listed (Obama as most recent), all but three presidents had lower approvals than where they started.

At this point, Gallup News reports that Mr. Trump's average approval is 38 percent.

President for life, Mr. Trump? I think we can conclude that America doesn't want that. The popular vote in the 2016 election already proves that over half of America didn't want you to begin with. Unless you are as monumental as FDR, or find a way to get your approval ratings out of its own great depression, come 2020 Mr. Trump ... You're fired.



# Verbatim: WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE CARTOON OR COMIC?

Ben Rockafellow/Assistant Design Editor



Annie Vilardo, senior social work major



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-Alex Czechowski



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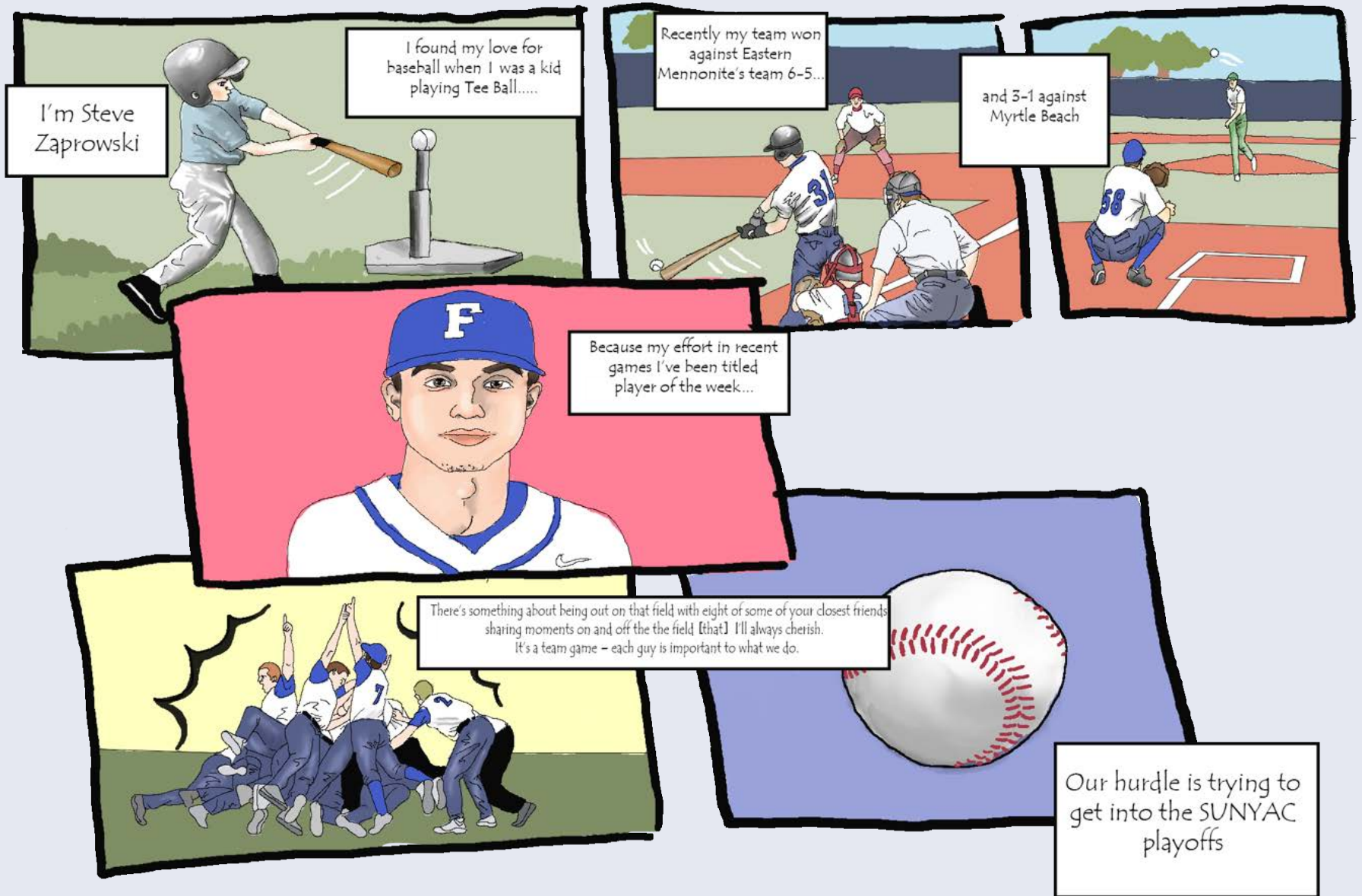
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# SPORTS

## Steve Zaprowski: Putting the team first

Written by Avril King  
Illustrated by Madison Spear



"I'M SPOTTING MY PITCHES BETTER AND DOING MY BEST TO KEEP MY TEAM IN GAMES AND WIN."

LUKE KUCZEWSKI, SOPHOMORE PITCHER FOR THE BLUE DEVILS BASEBALL TEAM CONTINUES TO PUT HIS BEST FOOT FORWARD AND HIS TEAM FIRST.

WITH EIGHT STARTS, HE WAS NOMINATED FOR FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR AT THE FREDONIA ATHLETICS SPORTS GALA LAST YEAR. KUCZEWSKI EARNED THE SUNYAC PITCHER OF THE WEEK AWARD FOR HIS FIRST START THIS SEASON IN FREDONIA'S OPENING DAY GAME AGAINST JOHNSON AND WALES.

"IT FEELS GREAT TO GET THE AWARD IN MY FIRST START OF THE SEASON," SAID KUCZEWSKI. "DEFINITELY A GOOD WAY TO START THE SEASON."

"I THINK I'VE IMPROVED NEARLY ALL ASPECTS OF MY GAME SINCE COMING TO FREDONIA," SAID THE SOPHOMORE. "I'VE IMPROVED MY OVERALL STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING, WHICH HAS HELPED ME INCREASE MY VELOCITY AND GO DEEPER INTO GAMES."

Written by Aiden Pollard  
 Illustrated by Melissa Neuburger



## Weekly Specials

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<p><b>Wednesday:</b>                  \$10.00 burger special!</p>	<p><b>Thursday:</b>                  8:00pm: Trivia Night! \$5.00 pitchers and apps. Gift certificates available! \$5.00 FREE for every \$25.00 purchased!</p>

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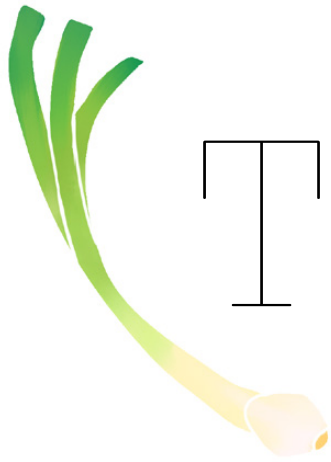
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# THE SCALLION

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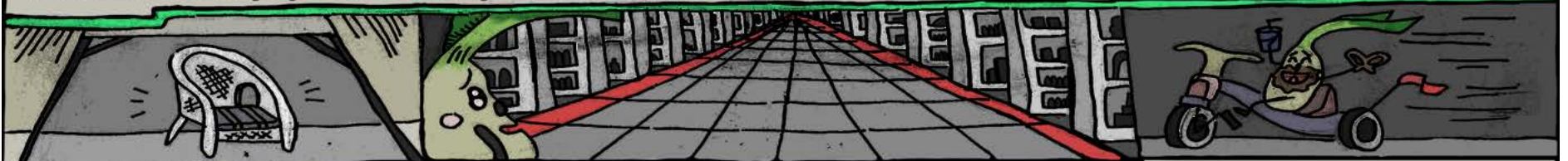
## The Adventures of Hal Scallion

*Hal finds himself trapped in Target. Could it be a blessing in disguise?*

Adventuring can be tough work, and poor Hal knew that only one thing would cheer him up. The colorful neon lights on the wall seem to point towards some unknown destination, an undiscovered destiny. Where will the lights lead? Perhaps the electronics department, where he could spend hours rifling through self-help books and essay collections by frustrated YouTubers? Maybe the pet food aisle, where one wrinkled old raisin always stands, his eyes shifting back and forth between two cans of dog food? Or even the aisle filled only with pillows, each covered with the germs of thousands of other sleepy vegetables?



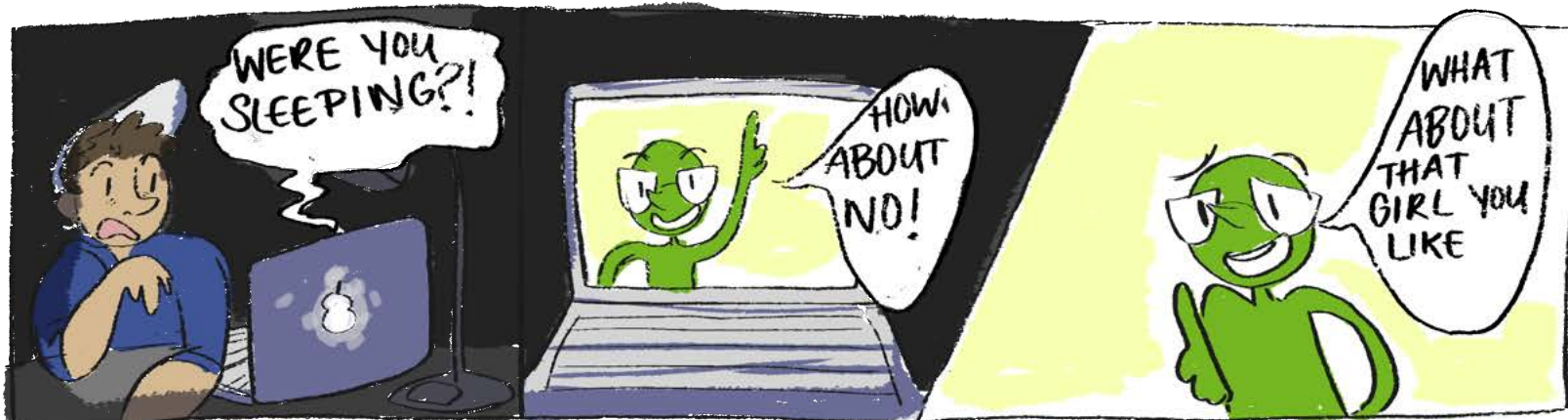
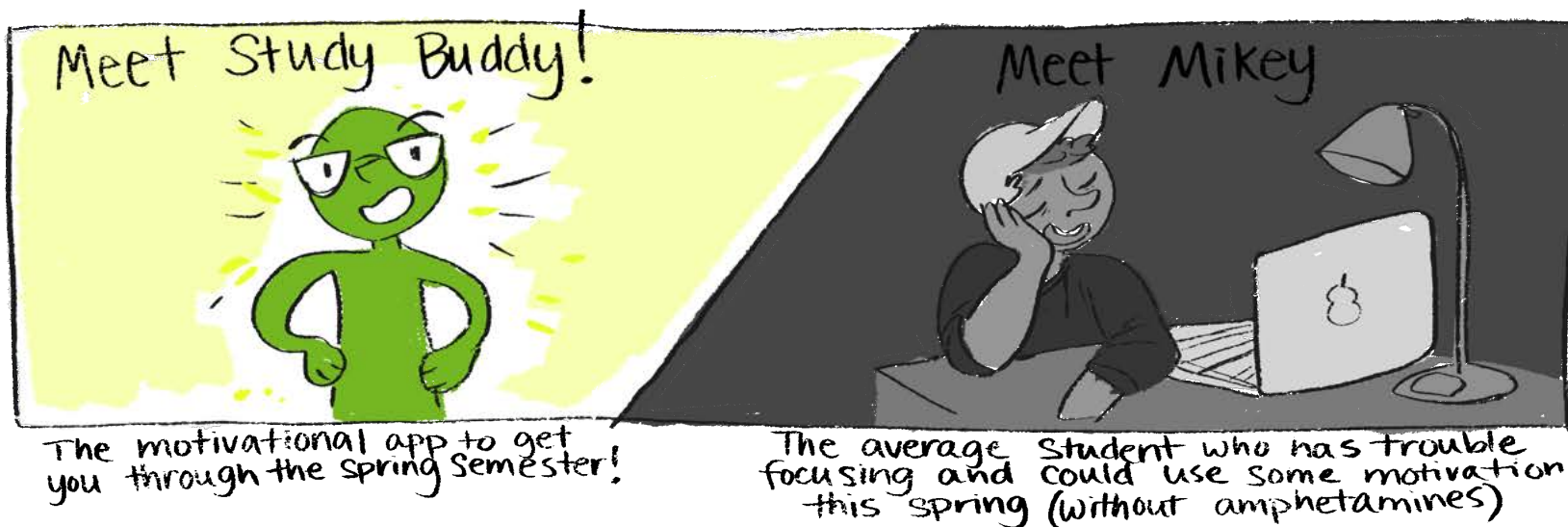
But it's the outdoor patio furniture that called Hal's name. He could see the white wicker chair all the way from the Brita water filters. It's green and blue striped cushions were soft under his tired leaves, and the shadowy roof of the canopy overhead was so calming ... Hal jerked awake, momentarily annoyed at having to wake up. But his annoyance was quickly changed to panic. The lights were off. The store was empty. He was trapped overnight in Target. Hal sat in the chair and thought seriously about his situation. Visions of empty aisles, no line at Starbucks and the world's most buttery popcorn floated into his little scallion head. His panic ebbed as the realization of what was happening sunk in. All through the night he danced and sobbed through the aisles, glee plastered on his face along with smeared nutella and popcorn kernals, a soft pretzel in one hand and a diet Pepsi in the other. He hopped onto a big wheel and rode around the store, unsure where he was going but faithful that the big wheel would take the lead.



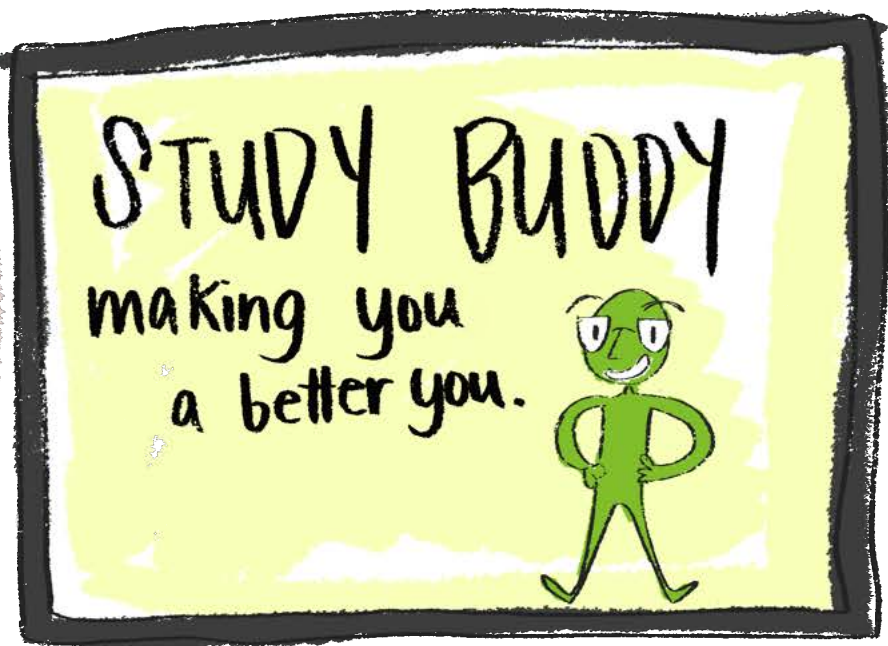
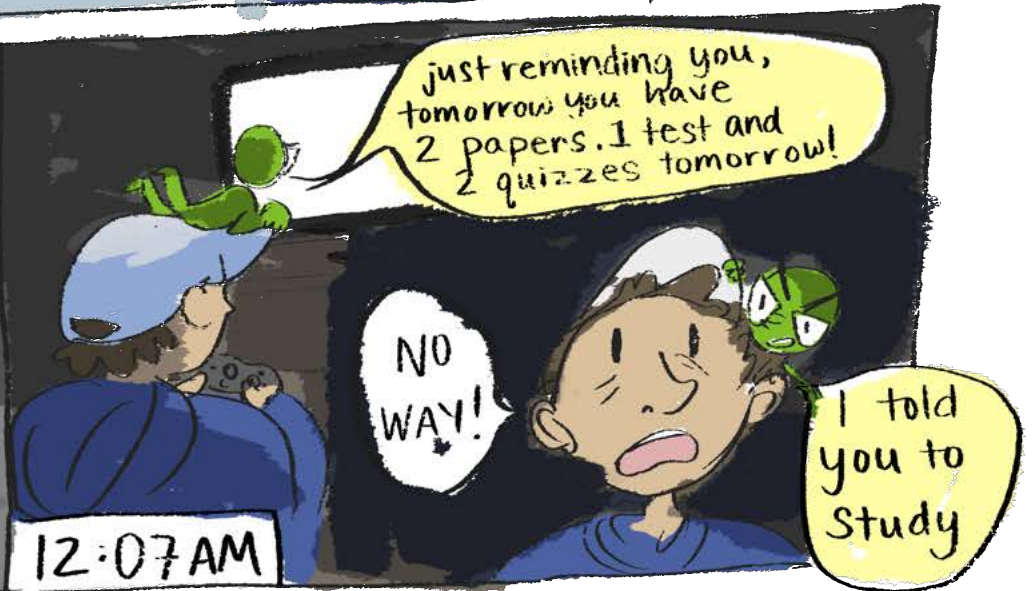
As the sun rose over the horizon, he didn't have to wait in line behind a stroller mom with 27 lima bean babies screaming for a gourmet lollipop. He exited the Target, his leaves laden with two bags of chocolate, 30 fake succulent plants, four graphic tees, vitamins for bone support, a paper weight shaped like a hippo, the book "The Magnolia Story" by Chip and Joanna Gaines, a candle that smells like Colorado, four rolls of multicolored washi tape, a kitchen cabinet organizer, a DVD of "Hope Floats," tasteful wine glasses, a pogo stick and a phone charger. The circular red logo on the shopping bags indicated to all his holy status, and the vegetables he passed in the street that day bowed in his presence.



Written by Emma Patterson  
Illustrated by Hayley Patterson



THE NEXT DAY



Written by Alberto Gonzalez and Jaclyn Spiezia  
Illustrated by Mattea Guldly

White House  
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As political tensions rise in the United States, President Donald Trump has agreed to walk the average American through a day in his very own life in a tell-all journal. As it turns out, Trump's average day in and outside the White House is laden with Jaw-dropping events.

# Trump's Day in the Life

(He really does this stuff?)

By Patrick Bennett, Staff Scallywag  
Illustrated by Jessica Bennett, Staff Illustrator

I usually begin my day with my Vice President Mike Pence opening my blinds to guarantee that sweet sunshine graces my eyeballs and lifts me out of bed. Mike then usually tells me a hysterical knock-knock joke to turn my everlasting frown upside down.

6:00 AM

Hehe, Mike!  
You're so funny!

After my bowel movements, I hop in the shower and lather my body with suds to the sound of music ranging from Celine Dion to Migos. I actually appreciate what Migos is doing in the realm of hip-hop. Great respect for Migos!

7:30 AM

Raindrop, Droptop, smokin' on cookie in the hotbox (cookie!)

Once I'm done shoeing Pence out of the room, I head to my presidential toilet in order to evacuate my bowels. During the evacuation process, which can last up to two hours depending upon how many microwaved chimichangas I consumed the night before, I tweet arbitrary and derogatory remarks towards those who've doubted me in the past. On this particular morning this imbecile blue-collaman has been pissing me off so I blocked him.

9:00 AM

7:45 AM

Since Jared Kushner was being a bad boy the night before, I finally release him from his cage. I know he's not properly house-trained, so I couldn't risk him making an accident on the floor. I then give him a Beggin' Strip and pat him on his head.

10:00 AM

My morning coffee is a ritual that I'm sure many Americans can relate to. I'll usually drink around four or five cups until my intuition kicks in. My mind is clear and it's time to get work done.

In order to understand what's going on in America at the current moment I Facetime the one person who I can always count on to fill me in: Kid Rock. Rock has all the latest details about gun control, foreign policy and Tommy Lee, and Pamela Anderson might reunite for a second sex tape. Very cool!

Guns = good!  
Putin = Friend!  
Pamela = Maaaaaaybe

I boot up my Playstation 4 and aim to secure a victory on Fortnite. These losers have no idea what's coming to them. However, while I'm in the game slaying these pimply-faced haters, I'm constantly subjected to screams and hollers from Melania. She hates that I pay more attention to Fortnite than her. She's a presidential pain in my ass.

#1 VICTORY ROYALE!

10:01 AM

4:00 PM

Carson: Where'd you get this shirt?  
John: Uh... K-Mart.  
Carson: [gasps] Don't use that kind of language around me

7:00 PM

9:00 PM

ESKETTIT

After I'm thoroughly filled, and then filled in with info by my top White House correspondents, I like to hop in my tanning bed for a couple of hours and just zen out. Luckily my tanning bed is equipped with Netflix, so I can stream Queer Eye with great ease. Love this show!

This is usually my exercise and focus time. I walk on the treadmill for five minutes while throwing darts at a board with Obama's face on it. He's such a loser, but I've yet to get a bullseye. Sad!

I pull up my covers and snuggle in my bed alone since Melania primarily sleeps on the couch. I then scream "ESKETTIT" until I inevitably fall asleep. Under my leadership, America is safe for another day.