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-NEWS

Free food available for students

LEAH GRAZIANO

Special to The Leader

Ever hear of the Fredonia Student Food Pantry?

The Student Food Pantry provides free food to students who need it.

Some of the items it offers are bread, pastries and canned goods.

It was implemented in 2016.

"We started the food pantry based on a need that we had noticed both in the Counseling and in the Health Centers. Students were coming in . . . towards the end of the semester [and] had run out of food, points or money," said Debbie Dibble, the director of student health at Fredonia.

After working with Campus Life, the Health Center started the Student Food Pantry and placed it in the vestibule of LoGrasso. Eventually, it was moved to the Williams Center.

At the end of each semester, though, the vestibule in LoGrasso does hold a food pantry for students.

There are a couple of the other spots on campus where you can access the Student Food Pantry.

One is in the Williams Center at the Information Desk near Tim Hortons. This pantry is completely open so you can grab whatever you need.

The other pantry is in the Campus Life

The Student Food Pantry gets its items through donations.

Faculty and staff donate to the Student Food Pantry that is open on Wednesdays.

The Clarence Community Pantry in Clarence, N.Y., donates every week to the Student Food Pantry in the Campus Life

'They had a large amount of donations," said Dibble. "They happened to know someone here on campus and they called and asked if we would be interested in some donations so they bring a lot of perishable stuff down."

Fredonia is the first SUNY school to have a pantry available for its students.

'Recently in the last couple of months, SUNY has made an initiative that every campus should have a campus food pantry," said Dibble.

On the Fredonia website, in the Student Food Pantry section, you can learn ways to budget your money and points.

The website features apps that are available to download on smartphones and other devices to help you manage your money.

The Student Food Pantry is open on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. until noon. and the Student Food Pantry at the Campus Life office, Williams Center room G113, is open every day from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m.





On the Cover:

Popeye, a sculpture outside of Rockefeller Arts Center, is illuminated by campus lights. Kristin Johnson/Special to The Leader

Village board votes to table proposed rental law, trustees to review amendments

TRAVIS LEFEVRE, JOSH RANNEY AND VICTOR SCHMITT-BUSH

Editor in Chief, News Editor, Assistant News Editor

In an anticlimactic conclusion to the board meeting on Oct. 8, village trustees decided, by a vote of 4-0 to table the amendments to the village rental law until Oct. 22 at 7 p.m.

The law in question would reduce the maximum occupancy as well as, more controversially, require the registering of landlords and tenants in Fredonia.

Some landlords have claimed that this law is in the public interest of citizens of the village of Fredonia because it provides an active means to ensure public health and safety.

"I see no intrusion on the proposed registry," said landlord Mark Twitchell. "If I could only make one modification, I would like to see that there could be a voluntary registry whereby landlords who have entered into the registry could voluntarily list their names; not necessarily the names of their tenants, but their names."

The reason for this, he explained, is that a majority of landlords have tenants who are very safety oriented.

This is not the only example of support. Attorney Daniel Gard said to The Leader last week, "There is a very vocal minority of landlords who have gone above and beyond to try to create hysteria over this law."

Village mayor, Athanasia Landis also expressed support for the law before the Monday meeting.

Alleviating complaints, ensuring proper housing and holding landlords accountable were a few of the main reasons for her support of the pending law.

The matter appeared before the Student Association this past Thursday when the General Assembly debated the law for over an hour. Ultimately issuing a resolution to oppose the proposed law, citing concerns of privacy and competency in keeping accurate information.

"Let me be clear in saying that the Fredonia Student Association is opposed to the creation of any registry that require[s] personal information of tenants, regardless of how minimal," said SA President Connor Aitcheson before the board of trustees.

Aitcheson's personal speech to the board was concluded with applause from those in attendance. As were the statements of all those speaking out against the proposal.

"While I do believe that the safety of our students and all of Fredonia is at the heart of those advocating for this registry," Aitcheson said. "The Student Association is not thoroughly convinced that the current framework, and lack of specificity within the law, can guarantee that this registry will increase safety more so than potentially leave people in a more vulnerable state."

Harold Whitford, a local landlord and the President of the Jamestown Real Estate Investors Association, said that the use of this law isn't entirely known.

"The wording I've seen in your proposal is just very confusing for the tenants," he said. "I suggest to totally strike that and let the state law prevail. I've heard a lot of talk about the personal information, [and the request] for tenants birthdates. I agree with everybody that it should not be there, period."

Not only does he believe that it's intrusive; he thinks that it's useless, too. If its purpose was to sit [in] city hall during hours of operation, then it would be useless, according to Whitford.

He offered to show the board of trustees a copy of the one-page long registration form that he worked on in Jamestown. His version of the registry does not require tenants names or birthdates.

"I think that's what's killing everybody in this room. It's invasion, big time," Whitford said.

SA President Connor Aitcheson is hopeful despite the tabling.

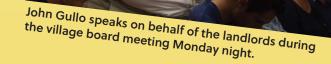
"I'm hoping they're going to use this time between this and the next public hearing ... to consider the comments that were made," said Aitcheson, "hopefully they use the specific issues people have with this law and make amendments to the proposal accordingly."

Aitcheson felt that his comments to the board brought to light the position of the students of Fredonia. After the meeting, Aitcheson was praised by multiple audience members for his statement during the meeting.

"I think it's very pertinent that they consider the perspective of our students, especially when this law directly impacts these constituents of ours," Aitcheson said.



Student Association president Connor Aitcheson represents the association at the village meeting Monday night. Angelina Dohre/Photo Editor.



The time to vote is now



Bresjae Smith/Special to The Leader

CASSIDY HERMAN

Special to The Leader

There are many ways for individuals to educate themselves on issues and candidates before voting.

"I think it is extremely important for college students to vote because they have unique perspectives, experiences and concerns that are often overlooked or neglected by the active voices of politics," said Connor Aitcheson, "This large cohort of our population could have a drastic impact on the elections and the direction of our political sphere."

The Statewide SUNY Student Assembly implemented a BallotReady program that can be accessed at https://sunyvotes.civicengine.com/. This program allows individuals to access their ballot based on their zip code and view detailed information regarding each candidate.

"There are many different departments

and organizations that have been heavily educating on the upcoming midterm election and registering students to vote," said Aitcheson.

Applications must be postmarked no later than Oct. 12, 2018. They need to be received by a board of elections no later than Oct. 17, 2018, to be eligible to vote in the general election. You can register at your local board of elections or any state agency participating in the National Voter Registration Act. There are also forms available in the Campus Life Office to register to vote.

If you're honorably discharged from the U.S. Military or will become a naturalized U.S. Citizen after Oct. 13, 2018, you may register in person at the Board of Elections up until Oct. 27, 2018.

If you've changed your address and you are registered to vote, the change of address must be received by Oct. 17, 2018, by a county board of elections to be processed and entered in the records in

time for the general election.

An application to change one's party enrollment for 2019 must be received by the board of elections no later than Oct. 12, 2018, this way you can vote in the primary elections.

Voting locations vary depending on where you are registered to vote. Those who are registered at their campus address are likely to vote at the Wheelock School in Fredonia. The campus bus will be providing rides to and from the polling place on Nov. 6.

"I think capitalizing on these efforts and optimizing promotion via emails, social media and other media forms on campus in order to ensure students are aware of the importance and the impact they can have when it comes to this midterm election," said Aitcheson.

If you want to make your voice heard in the upcoming election, don't just register to vote: go out and vote.

<u>ANALYSIS:</u> Social implications of Kavanaugh confirmation, campus assault resources

MONICA MANNEY

Special to The Leader

Christine Blasey Ford. Cemented in history as a survivor of sexual assault allegedly committed by the new Supreme Court Justice of the United States.

Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh. Accused of sexual assault and now seated for the rest of his life.

For the past month, the nation has watched while Ford's experience and honesty were persistently questioned.

After fighting for her truth, her alleged perpetrator was still confirmed. In the light of the accusation, you may wonder if Kavanaugh was rewarded for bad behavior.

Your answer would depend on if you voted yes or no to Facebook polls asking for your opinion on the validity of Ford's accusation.

But regardless if you believe her or not, there are implications and effects of watching a survivor be slandered on a national scale.

Your vote "no" on Facebook definitely did not put Kavanaugh in his seat but it may have made it clear to the survivors in your life that their silence was the right decision. Although a lifelong seat is not being considered, your trust may have been.

According to the Rape Abuse & Incest National Network hundreds of Americans are affected by sexual violence every day but Kavanaugh angrily contested that Ford was not one of them.

According to the President, Ford couldn't answer any questions and was therefore not to be believed. Although she was not the one refusing to answer questions.

For many survivors, not remembering is a result of their trauma.

"Rape exacts a toll on a victim's memory similar to other traumas — from other violent

crimes to car wrecks to warfare," as reported by the Washington Post.

And not being believed is a fear that accompanies the trauma, one that was confirmed with Kavanaugh's confirmation.

Some people are saying the Kavanaugh hearing was a setback and that survivors will go back into hiding but not everyone thinks so.

"Survivors have been galvanized, and those who support us and allies have been galvanized around the country around this issue... we are a power base," says Tarana Burke, founder of the #MeToo movement.

For Fredonia survivors whose #MeToo is a whisper out of fear of being believed and whose experience was buried not knowing if their morality would be questioned, you are not alone on our campus.

There are resources on this campus that will give you the space to piece the memories back together, without judgement or coercion to report. You do not have to stay silent.

Prevention, advocacy and wellness services (PAWS) in LoGrasso has an advocare especially trained to respond to survivors of interpersonal violence along with other resources.

And for the non-believers, consider the fact that in the three minutes it took you to read this article, statistics show that two people were sexually assaulted.



Angelina Dohre/Photo Editor

Judge Brett Kavanaugh confirmed to the U.S. Supreme Court in dramatic finale to firey few months

JOSH RANNEY

News Editor

By a vote of 50 to 48, Judge Brett M. Kavanaugh was confirmed to the United States Supreme Court on Saturday.

The vote was almost entirely by party lines

as the Senate is made up of 51 Republicans and 49 Democrats.

As the roll call was being read and votes were being cast, shouts of "Shame!" were being thrown down from the upper level galeries in the Senate chamber.

The vote is the culmination of possibly the most contentious confirmation processes of a Supreme Court Justice of all time.

Kavanaugh had been accused of sexual assault in an incident from the 1980's. Because of this, Kavanaugh and his accuser, Christine Blasey Ford testified before the

Senate Judiciary Committee on the matter.

Kavanaugh's testimony called into question not only his past, but his judicial temperament. He often yelled and was hostile during the questioning and at multiple points, blamed Democrats and Hillary Clinton for the "false" accusations against him.

After parliamentary theatrics on the part of Senator Jeff Flake (R-Ariz.), the Judiciary Committee moved to have the FBI conduct an investigation into the allegations.

After which, the Committee forwarded the vote on to the full Senate, to the vehement displeasure of the Senate Democrats who said the FBI investigation was grossly incomplete.

Specifically because of the small amount of people who were interviewed by the FBI regarding the allegations.

'[I am] very concerned by reports that the scope was narrowed and that only a few, fewer than ten, individuals were interviewed," said Senator Chris Coons (D-Del.)

Senator Dick Durbin (D-Ill.) said it was,

"unacceptable there were only a handful of witnesses interviewed."

Because of the hairline majority held by the Republicans in the Senate, a Kavanaugh failure was possible if a moderate Republican split from the pack.

Likewise, Democrats needed all of their



Photo courtesy of Andrew Harnik of AP. Found on newsmax.com

colleagues to stay the course and vote "no" if they wanted even a chance of shooting down the confirmation.

The only Democrat in question was Senator Joe Manchin from the deep-red state of West Virginia, who is also in the midst of a reelection race.

Susan Collins (R-Maine), is a moderate who has been known to be on the fence when it comes to party-line votes, as history could have predicted, she was a key vote down to the end.

In a hyped up speech on the

Senate floor, Collins announced she would vote to confirm Kavanaugh.

"I do not believe that these charges can fairly prevent Judge Kavanaugh from serving on the court . . . I will vote to confirm Judge Kavanaugh," she said.

The nail in the coffin however, was when Democrat Joe Manchin said he would vote to confirm Kavanaugh as well.

The confirmation was a major victory for President Donald Trump.

"He's going to go down as a totally brilliant Supreme Court justice for many years," said Trump.

During the victory lap, Republicans took the opportunity to scold Democrats and protesters for their temperment throughout the hearing and confirmation processes.

Senate majority leader, Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.) said, "the virtual mob that has assaulted all of us in this process has turned our base on fire."

McConnell wasn't the only one to play the victim card in the aftermath of the confirmation.

President Trump said, "Women, I feel, were in many ways stronger than the men in this fight, women were outraged at what happened to Brett Kavanaugh. Outraged."



POLICE BLOTTERS

UNIVERSITY

Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2018

3:19 p.m. Michael Caruso was charged with unlawful possession of marijuana. An appearance ticket was given.

Thursday, Oct. 4, 2018

11:30 p.m. Hassan Abdelrahman and Damani Depina were charged with unlawful possession of marijuana. An appearance ticket was given.

Saturday, Oct. 6, 2018

1:30 a.m. Brandon Barrus was charged with unlawful possession of marijuana. An appearance ticket was given.

Sunday, Oct. 7, 2018

9:10 p.m. Peter Jones was charged with unlawful possession of marijuana. An appearance ticket was given.

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Monday, Oct. 1, 2018

Michael J. Hill, age 27, was charged with following too closely. A uniform traffic ticket was issued.

Friday, Oct. 5, 2018

Lindsey Trautman, age 26, was charged with unlawful possession of marijuana and aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle in the third degree. Bail was set at \$1,000

Mylz D. Waterman was arrested under the ruling of a bench warrant.

Amber L. Conrad, age 34, was charged with trespassing. An appearance ticket was issued.

Amber M. Lanphere, age 27, was charged with aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle in the third degree. A uniform traffic ticket was issued.

Saturday, Oct. 6, 2018

Nestor Andres Segura, age 49, was charged with operating a motor vehicle with suspended registration, no proof of insurance and driving 53 miles per hour in a 30 miles per hour zone. A uniform traffic ticket was issued.

Elizabeth L. Hicks, age 21, was charged with violating the noise ordinance. An appearance ticket was issued.

Aleeya R. Clemons, age 21, was charged with violating the noise ordinance. An appearance ticket was issued.

Erika A. Whitney, age 21, was charged with violating the noise ordinance. An appearance ticket was issued.

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A museum of comedy from Marx Brothers to Memes: Journey Gunderson of National Comedy Center comes to Fredonia

ERIKETA COST

Staff Writer

Lucille Ball once dreamed her hometown would become a place of recognition for comedy — an art form she believed was a special healing force in society.

Her dream had been fulfilled.

Just 40 minutes from SUNY Fredonia, The

National Comedy Center opened this past August in Jamestown N.Y., home of comedian and actress Lucille Ball.

Jamestown had already been home of the Lucille Ball Desi Arnaz Museum & Center for Comedy since 1996 and the Lucille Ball Comedy Festival since 1991.

About seven years ago, a campaign formed to create an actual museum that could represent not just Ball, but all kinds of comedians and comedy.

With 50 million dollars invested, the 37,000 square foot building was created.

The opening ceremony included actors and comedians such as Dan Aykroyd, Amy Schumer and Laraine Newman.

Director Journey Gunderson came to Reed Library last Friday for Freedonia Marxonia to represent the National Comedy Center and answer some

questions on behalf of the non-profit organization.

"Journey Gunderson has been leading the campaign to get to this point for seven years now, and I respect the persistence and inspiration it has taken to create a national-level institution like the National Comedy Center in Chautauqua County," Fredonia associate professor Elmer Ploetz said.

Gunderson described the importance of building credibility and getting momentum in order for the National Comedy Center to grow.

Sometimes it's challenging to reach and work with agencies that tend to be drawn more towards locations like LA and NYC.

"It's hard to get their attention, but once they come to Chautauqua county and see how much there is to offer, they do a complete 180 and immediately want to book with us," Gunderson said.

The campaign's goal was to be more than just a historical museum.

"We wanted the museum to be more than just dusty artifacts in glass cases," she said.

That's why the museum is full of technological, interactive and personalized experiences and exhibits.

Upon entering, a visitor is confronted with the "Sense of Humor Profile," where they are given the option to select their favorite comedians on a touch screen.

The visitor then straps on a wristband with a chip that can be scanned on exhibits.

This creates content that is specifically curated to the visitor's favorite comedians.

With an aim to teach as well as entertain, the museum incorporates not only the comedians selected, but similar comedians that the visitor may have never heard of

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The comedians represented range from past to

"The museum has gotten stories in the New York Times, Smithsonian Magazine, the Wall Street Journal, the London Times and a whole lot of other publications. So they're off to a good start," said Ploetz.

The museum aims to appeal to all ages.

"We made a conscious effort that all the 'Ali Wongs' are represented as much as the 'Lucille Balls.' You'll see Sebastian Maniscalco and Ali Wong just as much as you might see the Marx Brothers. So we really made an effort to appeal to anyone of all ages," Gunderson said.

One exhibit offers a look at prop comedy.

Artifacts include anvils, buzzers, whoopee cushions, headgear and vaudeville hooks.

Some exhibits feature comedy mediums of today's world, including an exhibit called "comedy" that involves internet comedy such a memes and an exhibit called "trending now" that involves comedy on Twitter.

"The second a comedian thinks of a joke, they can tweet it out and get an immediate reaction. If it's about the news of the day, that reaction is going to be better than it'd be if the comedian had to wait a month until their next gig. The joke would be stale by then," said Gunderson.

The museum also features artifacts of the Marx Brothers including an original script of the film "Room Service."

Gunderson also offered some thoughts as to why comedians from the past, like the Marx Brothers, are important to recognize today.

"Without the Marx Brothers, people like Judd Apatow and Harold Ramis may not have gone into comedy or filmmaking . . . like any art form, artists take inspiration from what has come before them, and then they build upon it. It's about advancing the art form," said Gunderson.

Griffin McPherson, a junior drawing and painting major, has been actively involved in theater throughout his life.

"I think it's foolish to disregard those who have had success in the past, especially if you are going into the same line of work," he said. "Learn from what they have done, how they did it and why they did it. If people don't take note of who came before them, they cannot be as impactful."

Along with recognizing history comes the celebration of comedy as part of American culture,

"W. Kamau Bell said at the grand opening, 'This is the house where the first amendment lives," said Gunderson.

"When you're telling the story of comedy in America, it's also a story of free speech. The fact that the Marx Brothers film 'Duck Soup' had so many themes about bringing down corruption and power are what make the story of comedy one of pride in our nation's value of free speech."

The Jamestown Comedy Center is open Sunday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday through Saturday until 9 p.m.

For more information on how to purchase tickets, visit www.comedycenter.org.



Journey Gunderson from National Comedy center giving a talk on her experiences on the early days of the Comedy Center. Justin Saylee/Special to The Leader

Fredonia Celebrates LGBT History Month



ELYSE GRIECO Life & Arts Editor

October is more than a month filled with Halloween time horrors.

Since 1994, October has been LGBT History Month.

It was devised by Rodney Wilson, a highschool teacher from Missouri.

Wilson believed LGBT history needed to be more prominently represented in curriculum.

October became the designated month of celebration due to its coinciding with National Coming Out Day, Oct.11, and the first march on Washington D.C. for gay rights in October of 1979.

Dr. Jeff Iovannone is one of SUNY Fredonia's own English professors who teaches classes in women's and gender studies.

He held a coffee talk last Monday to help educate students and faculty on the history of the LGBT movement.

"I don't think we take enough of a pause, and use October as a time to reflect on the fact that this is LGBT History Month and to also expand our knowledge," Iovannone said.

In his talk, Iovannone focused on one specific woman who has had a huge impact on the LGBT community, Barbara Gittings.

Gittings was a literary activist for LGBT equality and is widely referred to as, "The Mother of the Gay Rights Movement."

When she was younger, Gittings realized she was much different from most girls her age.

"One of the first things that Barbara Gittings realizes is that she has an immense love of literature and books," said Iovannone. "She also realizes that she is different in another way, too . . . she is attracted to other girls."

Although she was aware of her sexuality, she was not familiar with the term, "homosexual."

Gittings found herself searching for books in her college library that would help her understand the term.

Every article she found depicted homosexuality as a "mental illness" or "disease."

Not one source that Gittings found included the word "love."

"She becomes determined to fix and change the lies that she found in the library. She knew in her heart that they weren't true. Being gay wasn't a defect or an illness," said Iovannone.

From that moment, she dedicated her life to activism and changing the way society looks at the LGBT community in America.

She was involved in many of the countries earliest actions taken in the Gay Rights Movement, like the picketing lines against the ban on employing gay people by the government.

She also appeared on television shows for interviews, understanding that people weren't going to change their minds on the issue without seeing and hearing what actual gay people had to say.

Gittings is just one of the few activists that have impacted the LGBT community.

Although there have been strides, many people who identify as lesbians, gay, bisexual and transgender still face oppression.

Pride Alliance is an organization on campus that exists to, "Promote unity and pride among the campus and community members of all romantic and sexual orientations, gender identities, and expressions," said Nicholas Williams, a music education major. "Primarily what we do is host general body meetings and events where people can come express and explore their sexuality and gender in a way that they might not always feel safe to in spaces that don't share our mission statement."

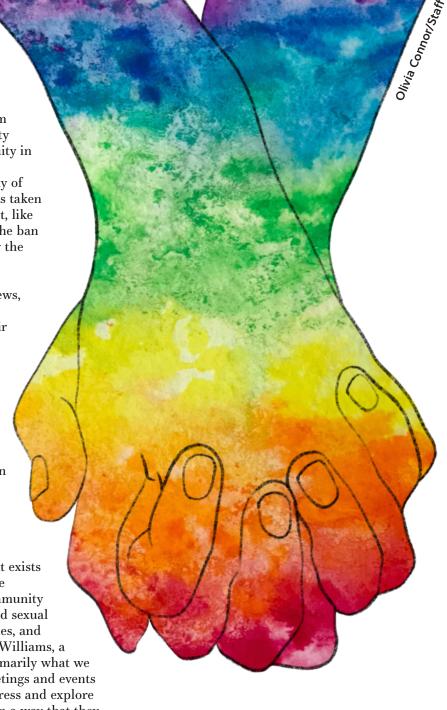
As the LGBT community on campus increases, more efforts are being made towards celebration and acceptance.

"During my five years at Fredonia, I have noticed a steady growth in the number of people I meet who identify as trans, non-binary or gender non-conforming . . . Through the efforts of Pride, The Women's and Gender Studies Department and Khristian King in the intercultural center, there is a growing culture of acceptance," said Williams.

It is important to use this month to remember those who have helped change the LGBT community and the hardships this group of people are still facing today.

The Pride Alliance will be hosting a queer film festival featuring the movies "Milk" and "Moonlight" on Oct. 19 and 20. All students are welcomed.

Please visit Fredonia's website for links to other resources that campus and the community offer for the LGBT student body.



WNYF airs new show

AMBER MATTICE

Managing Editor

If you are a fan of "The Twilight Zone," you're going to love this.

WNYF, Fredonia's very own student-run TV Station, is producing a new show titled "Beyond the Horizon."

Originally created by senior computer science major Colton Butler, the show's first episode aired on the station's YouTube channel on Sept. 23.

Titled "The Dodo's Conundrum," Butler has managed to capture the ambiance of "The Twilight Zone" both in the fact that the episode is entirely in black and white and that the show is abstract, artsy, confusing and exhilarating.

"'The Twilight Zone', which I've been watching for a very long time . . . always intrigued me and the more that I learned about the show and about Rod Serling [and how the show was], for him, a way past the higher ups at CBS. [It] was a way to talk about very important and topical issues of the time but he masked them with sci-fi and fantasy," said Butler. "Here, we have a lot less of

the fantasy and sci-fi [in "Beyond the Horizon"] but it is still kind of abstract, kind of out there, and for me, I thought it would be cool to have a show made by a completely student-run college station that talks about issues that college students deal with, that keeps the conversation going and points out things that

some students, faculty and parents might not know happens on a college campus."

Butler wrote the scripts for the show, of which he has three total, and is continuing to come up with new ideas for future episodes alongside other students that are contributing to the creative process. "The Dodo's Conundrum," was the second script that Butler wrote but the first aired episode. The next episode that will air will be based off of Butler's third script.

After he had written the scripts, there was a casting process and readings before filming started. The show started to become a reality at the end of Spring semester last year when the cast and Butler began filming footage for what would become the first episode.

According to Butler, they filmed constantly for several weeks in order to get important scenes done before some of the actors graduated. For many of the people who worked on it, seeing the final product was surreal.

'We worked on it for so long and at one point you think it's just for fun. But once it's put together and you see the end product. You're like 'well damn, we were actually fricking doing something? Was I here for this? What??' It's strange because we filmed so long ago and now it's come to fruition. [It was] very exciting and [I am] also very proud of everyone," said John

actor that played Clay, the main character in the first episode.

Illustration courtesy of Carl Aldinger

"Beyond the Horizon" was completely created by students and Butler wanted to make sure that he brought important topics to light through his work. He considers the first episode to be autobiographical, with obvious sci-fi aspects intertwined, and touches on the topic of feeling unable to pursue a passion due to pressures associated with one's major and how isolating it can be to deal with school on top of dreams and personal pursuits.

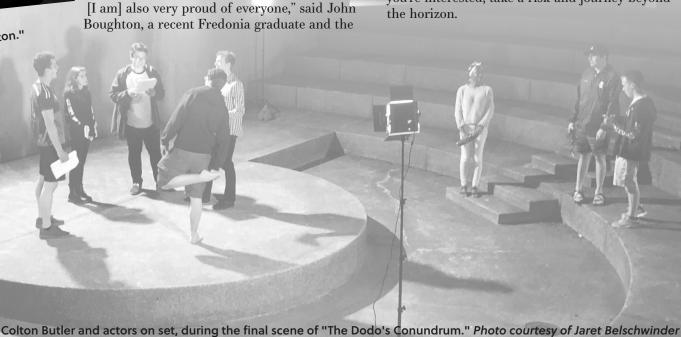
"We live in a time where I feel like my own art and the things that I put out into the world have to say something because there are too many things at stake right now. This is me saying what I want to say," said Butler.

Butler does not know when the next episode of "Beyond the Horizon will air, exactly, but casting is done and filming will begin this semester. Butler is hoping to see the next chapter in his drama aired by November.

"The Dodo's Conundrum" is public and available on WNYF's Youtube channel so, if you're interested, take a risk and journey beyond



behind the scenes of "Beyond the Horizon." Photo courtesy of Haley Carmon





STEPHEN SACCO

Staff Writer

The Musical Cabaret "Ain't Missin' Dinner!" will be performed on Oct. 12 and 13 in the Williams Center.

This show was written and directed by Fredonia Alumni Tom Andolora.

Andolora graduated as part of the class of 1979. After graduating, he pursued his dreams and moved to New York City.

"I was very involved in the cabaret scene in New York City . . . [I was] working as a waiter, and performing in many productions," said Andolora.

His work as a cabaret waiter was his inspiration for this musical.

This story is based on food and how it plays into the daily lives of everyone in society.

The plot revolves around the social issue of not being comfortable in your own skin and the concept that everyone should be content with themselves. He looked back at his personal struggles with health and weight.

"I'm not making a judgment, and I never poke fun at being heavy," Andolora said. "I want people to leave with a smile on their faces."

The songs vary from clever re-workings of Broadway favorites and original compositions.

The setting takes place at a convention for the "Chubby and Proud Support Group." Cleverly, the tickets for the performance are actually referred to as "for the convention."

In his life after Fredonia, Andolora now works as a writer and musical director.

It took him 25 years to write "Ain't Missin' Dinner!"

Andolora said "... at that time I just dropped it and moved on to another project, but I always wanted to go back to it."

Ironically, the chance to regenerate his 25 year old musical cabaret came back to life in Jamestown, Andolora's birthplace.

Chautauqua Hospice & Palliative Care (CHPC) watched a video tape recording of the

production and contacted Andolora to arrange the performances to be hosted in Jamestown and Fredonia.

Andrew Dickson, the vice president of community engagement and planning for CHPC, explained what attracted the organization to "Ain't Missin' Dinner!"

Dickson said, "David Switala, our past board president, remains a strong supporter of Chautauqua Hospice & Palliative Care and the vocal arts in our community. His past involvement producing 'Ain't Missin' Dinner!' and close friendship with Tom Andolora set the stage." Today the musical is used as a fundraising performance for the organization.

"Ain't Missin' Dinner!" is now Andolora's main

Tickets for the cabaret are available in person, at Fredonia's Hardware Store or online. For further information on the event and other showings, visit www.chpc.care.

Brews Under Review: Flavors of Fall

KODIE HOYT

Special to The Leader

October approached us quickly, but not quick enough for the fall-loving crowd.

People love a variety of fall scents and flavors: pumpkin spice, apple cider, cinnamon and much more.

Beer has fall flavors as well, including pumpkin, Oktoberfest, Pumpkin Spice and Caramel Apple.

The two seasonal beers I chose to review this week were Pumpkinville Latte and Caramel Apple Cuvee from EBC West.

To be honest, thinking about a pumpkin flavored ale or beer turned my stomach. The thought of caramel mixed with anything else besides candy or apples made my stomach turn even more.

This experience was going to be either pleasant or the worst mistake I could make.

Still being worried about what I just got myself into, I decided to start off with the Caramel Apple Cuvee.

Surprisingly, taking a step out of my normal Bud Light comfort zone was a pleasant experience.

The beer had a distinctive smell of caramel

and apple with hints of vanilla and citrus that instantly reminded me of fall.

The taste was even better than the smell. It was like I had bitten into a caramel apple.

It wasn't a rich, heavy beer, and the citrus added an element that kept it just sweet enough for the taste buds. The finish was crisp and light, leaving me wanting another one.

The Pumpkinville Latte on the other hand was not as pleasant.

With the description as "light amber ale is brewed with pumpkins and coffee," I had a feeling it wasn't the beer for me. Trying it anyways, I was completely right. If you love the intense flavor of pumpkin, then I'd suggest this beer for you. I could smell the pumpkin flavoring on the first taste. On the second sip the pumpkin flavor mellowed out, and I could taste more of the coffee flavoring.

If you love pumpkin and beer, I'd highly suggest you try the Pumpkinville Latte. If you like fall but not pumpkin, I suggest you try the Caramel Apple Cuvee. If neither one sound appetizing to you, I suggest going and trying the wide variety of locally brewed beers that EBC offers. You will without a doubt find a brew you will want to drink again and again.

Caramel Apple Cuvee: 4/5

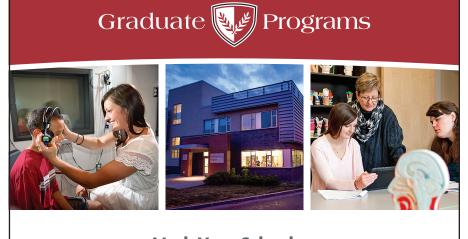


Pumpkinville Latte: 2/5



Arthur Renteria/Special to The Leader





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SlutslutWalk



Fredonia Feminists president Opal Kelly gives a speech during the SlutWalk.



(A): Protesters gather around University Commons for the SlutWalk. (L): Protesters stand proudly with their signs as closing statements are made near the end of the SlutWalk.

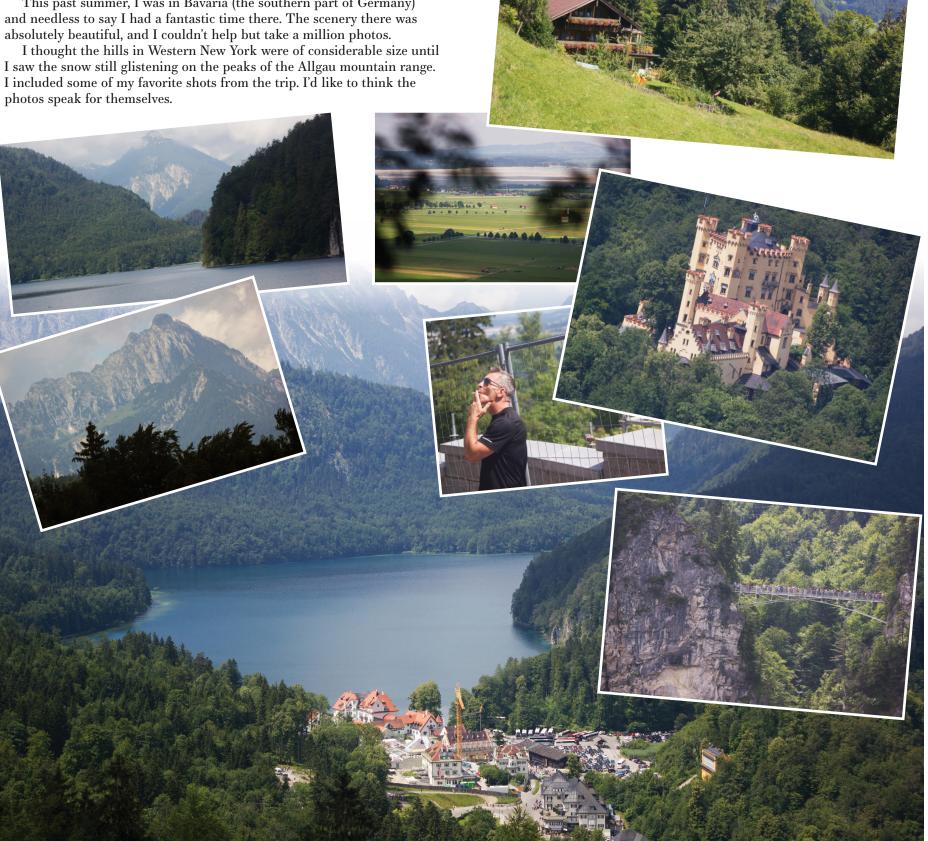


OPINION

From the Desk of **Angelina Dohre, Photo Editor**

One of the very few perks of my parents being forced to leave the country is the trips I get to take to visit them.

This past summer, I was in Bavaria (the southern part of Germany)



Why you should believe victims of assault and, therefore, Christine Blasey Ford

MATTEA GULDY
Art Director

Whether you follow the news on your timeline or in passing, you've probably heard about the hearings for the most recent Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh. The hearings that took place between Brett Kavanaugh and Christine Blasey Ford were some of the hardest things I've had to watch as a participating American in our democracy.

Ford provided a credible and convincing testimony against the, then, Supreme Court nominee. Her claim was that a sexual assault took place in the summer of 1982 between her, Kavanaugh and a third man named Mark Judge.

When watching her testimony, I could see Ford experiencing her trauma all over again in the courtroom. Skeptics asked the immediate question "is she lying?" Why is that a question that the nation even asks of a woman providing a credible testimony against her attacker?

She was pinned down in a room by two older boys, assaulted and believed she was either going to be raped or killed accidentally. She barely escaped from the two drunken men.

This trauma has followed Ford for her entire life and now has caused her to be driven from both her job and home. Her life is forever changed by coming forward against her attacker and reliving her trauma.

What does Ford even have to gain from this? The simple answer is nothing. She only wants justice for herself and for a nation of people coming to terms with the idea of having a man who sexually assaulted at least one women, if not more, sit for a life term on the Supreme Court.

There's a long history surrounding sexual assault and how the governing law of the land handles it. If you examine history, it points out the flaws in our modern society in handling the issue of sexual assault and rape.

Dating back to the Hammurabi Code if a woman was raped, the rapist and the victim both were sentenced to death. This correlates to our modern understanding that women are to be blamed for the crime occurring in the first place.

Some modern examples that come to mind are the following: "What were you wearing? Did you say no? Did you fight it? Did you have anything to drink? Why didn't you report it sooner? Are you sure you didn't want it?"

It's a culture of victim blaming and this results in women not being believed when they say what happened to them. It's been proven that police often don't believe women who come forward against their accusers.

This leads into another point made by a majority of men examining the story with Ford who aren't sure she was assaulted. "Will I be falsely accused?" The simple answer is no.

According to the Center for Disease Control, about one in five women have been sexually assaulted or raped. You'll find that the majority of those who have been assaulted have not come forward. It's a cycle of victim blaming that explains why people don't come forward for fear of not being believed.

According to a report in 2002 by the U.S. Department of Justice about 66 percent of assaults go unreported. More damning is in Kavanaugh's case, if more than one woman comes forward against someone, then that person becomes exponentially more guilty of the assault.

In a study of over 2,000 sexual assault cases, only about fifty were false accusations that were easy and quick to be found baseless. The leading figure that is found across the board is that only between 2 and 5 percent of rape accusations are false.

My final point is this: if you're afraid of a false accusation, you may be examining your sexual history and wondering if sometimes you've been in a gray area of consent.

My advice to you is this: ask the questions that lead to an undeniable approval of consent. If you or the person you're seeking to have a sexual encounter is too drunk, don't do it.

It's easy to not assault someone. It's easy to ask for consent. You're required to ask for consent, even if you're in a relationship with that person.

Believe women. That person could be your mom, sister, aunt or best friend. Believe them because if they trust you enough to talk to you about it, then that's a big step for them.

This isn't a gendered issue: it's a human issue. Consent should be something that is proud to be had. It's not about a "bad" sexual

encounter. It's about something that can have a lasting impact on someone's life.

Men can be assaulted and that's something they shouldn't be ashamed of. Have trust in anyone who says they've been assaulted. Above all, support your friends and be the person they need you to be if they tell you about their assault.



Mattea Guldy/Art Director

VERBATIM

"What are you most looking forward to over fall break?"



Sarah Bila, freshman theatre arts major "Homemade meals. I called my mom today and was like 'This is what I want.'"



Sam Liberati, freshman theatre arts major "Really just going home and visiting family. Having dinner with the family again."



Sam Seegar, junior graphic design major "Probably just going home finally and seeing my family."



Jim Shearer, junior marketing major "Eating something that my mom made."

SPORTS

Fair or Foul: The NCAA's Fair Catch Rule

ANTHONY GETTINO

Special to The Leader

This season in the NCAA, we saw what may have been the last fake fair catch be returned for a touchdown. Was it the first of its kind, too? Let's say it is to make it sound like a bigger deal.

It was in North Texas' win over Arkansas that this move was done, helping lead North Texas over Arkansas in the 44-17 week five thriller.

First off, this may have been the most dangerous move to be performed in sports. The return man had at least three guys around him able to tackle him. If even one of them had realized that he never signaled for a fair catch, he would have been in a world of pain, to say the least.

Second, this small school can't do this to SEC powerhouses like this. It's cheating for them to use current rules to their advantage. Gotta keep up that appearance so Nick Saban's 65-31 win over Arkansas doesn't look so bad.

In all seriousness, this is probably what's best for college football. The amount of times that guys might hit the returner when they aren't sure if they faked the fair catch or actually called it would lead to far too many injuries. No one would want to catch that ball when there isn't at least a 90 percent chance that the defenders aren't going to send you to the little blue concussion tent on the sideline.

That leads to less fair catches, letting the ball land instead and roll to a more unfavorable field position. While defense wins championships, offense wins crowds over, making schools more money. If the teams are starting in their own 10 yard lines more often, they aren't going to score as often, which loses money.

The NCAA has to worry about these programs making money so that the schools can fund their other programs and keep their athletic programs healthy.

Along with this rule change, which has not been officially deemed as of yet, there was another one that was made over the offseason that has large effects on the game. If a team calls for a fair catch anywhere inside of the 25 yard line, the ball is moved to the 25 yard line.

This has made teams change how they approach kickoff returns completely. There is now

no point in trying to pin the returner inside of the five yard line with a high hanging kick. They can just wave their hand, make a clean catch and bam; they have the ball at the 25.

Some teams have decided to just kick it through. Others want to squib the kick and try to get the returner before they make it to the 25 yard line.

All that is certain is this: the kickoff is dying. It's the most dangerous aspect of today's game, and as the rules change, the kickoff and kick return may soon be a thing of the past.

"The normal kickoff with the normal return is going to become a dinosaur," said Utah Utes coach Kyle Whittingham over the offseason when asked about the new kickoff rules.



Katherine Graczyk/Special to The Leader

Fredonia sports roundup

RYAN DUNNING

Special to The Leader

Written on 10/7/2018

Another week in Fredonia sports has gone by, and a lot has happened for all the teams.

The women's volleyball team led the charge with a stellar weekend. The lady Blue Devils took SUNYAC matches against Oswego, Oneonta and Potsdam.

The Devils took the first two matches of their road trip to New Paltz three sets to two, before a dominating performance against Potsdam drove them to a 3-o win.

The ladies are now 5-1 in conference play and will be back in action against SUNY Canton and Houghton College this Saturday in Dods Hall.

The men's soccer team followed up a solid win at Alfred University last Tuesday with a tough game against Buffalo State at home.

A balanced Bengals offense allowed them to score twice in each half, proving to be too much for the Devils' defense.

A final score of four goals to none leaves a lot to be desired for the Blue Devils, who are now 1-4 in conference play.

However, there is still hope for a winning conference record this season. With four upcoming games against Cortland, Oswego, Potsdam and Plattsburgh, the men have the chance to adjust and build some momentum going into next year.

The women's soccer team also fell to Buff State this past weekend, with the winning goal coming in the 62nd minute.

Despite this, the team is highly optimistic for the rest of the season.

"We've had the best (SUNYAC) start in Fredonia's history," said Lynda Croft, a sophomore on the squad. "A big goal of ours is to make the SUNYAC playoffs. It's been a couple years since we have gone."

In order to achieve this goal, the Devils need to be one of the top six teams in the SUNYAC. With four conference games to go, the ladies are in third place with an in-conference record of 3-2.

The team will be back in action this Friday, Oct. 12 against Cortland at home.

The men's cross country team is still working to find their footing this season. This past weekend, the team traveled to Houghton College for the Highlander Invitational.

Despite a low placement in the team results, senior Ethan Francis finished second overall in the race.

The men will be competing next at home in the SUNYAC championships on Oct. 27.

The women's cross country team followed a different path at Houghton this past weekend.

Senior runner Hannah Kurbs led the team, finishing seventh overall. Meanwhile, the team pulled together for a solid fifth place finish at the invitational.

The ladies will also be in action on Oct. 27 at home for the SUNYAC championship.

The women's tennis team finished up their amazing season on Sunday against Plattsburgh.

Their six to three win caps off their regular season, while putting them into the SUNYAC championship tournament.

Sophomore Sarah Bunk recognizes the significance of their situation.

"It's really awesome to know that we have come so far this season," she says.

"I know we will be up against some tough competition but whatever happens, I'm proud of us all."

The Devils will take on New Paltz in Binghamton on Saturday.

Visit https://fredoniabluedevils.com/ for up to date detailed scores, results and rosters.

Can the Sabres pull out a good season this year?

AIDAN POLLARD

Sports Editor

It could go either way, honestly.

The Sabres moved out of a mediocre 3-4 offseason into a mediocre start to the season with a 1-1 record so far, beating the Rangers and losing to the Bruins.

This is a team that should be a lot more exciting than a 4-o loss to the Bruins, especially with the acquisitions made during the offseason.

The Sabres are supposed to be an exciting team to watch this year, but they are going to have to start coming together before that can start to happen.

They can do something this year if they can hit all the right notes throughout the season.

This team is still going to need some time to grow and develop, though.

The Sabres made a lot of important acquisitions over the offseason, including Jeff Skinner, previously of the Hurricanes and of course, Rasmus Dahlin.

Acquisitions like this should give the Sabres some confidence this year and help them build up to a better team over the coming seasons.

Buffalo is likely still going to be out of the running for the playoffs this year (especially if the preseason is any indication), but they should still be an exciting team to watch grow and develop over the next three or so seasons.

But the Sabres can't rely on the "Wonder Boy" Dahlin right away, or even anticipate him to perform very well at all this year.

Dahlin completely dominated the field in his old Swedish leagues and it absolutely was impressive, but this is the NHL now.

Dahlin is a two-way defenseman who has unmistakable talent, but that talent won't be able to carry him through a league full of people who are his equal or better. At least not in his rookie season.

So, if Dahlin starts performing this year,

the Sabres should see it as a bonus and not something expected.

The team should start focusing on building a strong team around Dahlin, not just hoping Dahlin will break out and save them.

The "Wonder Boy" will inevitably have a breakout season before his 3-year contract expires, but this season is most likely not going to be the one.

That leaves the Sabres with a moderately respectable team who will have to start to grow and develop around Dahlin as they wait for him to reach his full potential.

The forward line of Skinner, Eichel and Reinhart should be able to do some damage, even against top-tier teams like the Penguins or the Capitals.

It might not be the most likely that the Sabres even make it to the playoffs this year, but there is almost no doubt that the Sabres will be having a much better season than last year's.

The Sabres have a team that they can actually work with now, and with some good leadership from captain Jack Eichel alongside some good coaching from Phil Housey, they may be able to build a playoff team in one of the coming seasons.

Or they could keep crumbling like they did last year.



Kathleen Fenton/Staff Illustrator



Students report plants growing inside of them after eating at Sprout Cafe

ALIAH RICHARDS

Guest Scallywag

"There were coming out of my ears," said Amanda Williams, a freshman biology major.

Williams has been eating at Sprout Cafe constantly since she

started school this year. If you don't know what Sprout Cafe is then you, my friend, are probably a meat eater or have just been living under a rock. Sprout Cafe is the new vegan cafe that sells only plant-based products in Fenton

Hall.
Williams, who very
obviously had little succulents sprouting
from her head, revealed that she was an
adamant plant lover but that she would
"prefer them in a pot as compared to coming
out of my ears."

The Scallion reached out to President Horvath to weigh in on her thoughts on the topic, but all we were given was a memo that read "no comment."

As shocking as Williams' story was, one student by the name of Logan Hilman, a senior psychology major revealed that he has been feeling some strange side effects as a result of eating at Sprout Cafe, as

well.

"I have been experiencing a lot of stomach aches since

> I started eating at Sprout," said Hilman.

Hilman
went to Brooks
Memorial
Hospital where
he found out
that there
has been an
actual plant
growing inside of
his stomach. The
doctor described it
both "gruesome and

as both "gruesome and intriguing." The type of plant that has been growing inside of Hilman is still unknown

and seems to be a combination of various, existing plant species.

We have a lot of questions.

What could this mean for humanity? Are we now going to be plants if we eat things that are plant-based? Are vegetarians gonna turn into plants one day?

As disturbing as that might sound there are still people eating at Sprout Café. Vegetarians, especially do not seem particularly perturbed by the idea of turning into plants themselves.

Vegetarians talk about meat eaters and the "negative" impact it has on us but when I eat a burger do I turn into a cow?

No. Checkmate.

One worker at Sprout who wished to remain anonymous told us that it's a special fertilizer that Sprout has been using. This new fertilizer contains Anhydrous Ammonia. I don't know about y'all but that sounds pretty dangerous to me.

The Scallion believes that Sprout Cafe should move forward with complete transparency and maybe like, ya know, list that a possible side effect is turning into A LITERAL PLANT. It's about the ETHICS people.

One professor in the English department, Professor Jenkins, told us he got an email from a student who said she woke up and she was basically planted in her bed by her feet.

"I told her that was a new one. I haven't heard that excuse before," said Jenkins "But my attendance policy is clear, so it's going on as one of their sick days."

Next time you're walking through Fenton, try the new cafe. Let us know if you begin to sprout.

Madison Spear/Special to The Leader

Student Association sanctions club by force-feeding them **Street Meat**



TRAVIS LEFEVRE

Editor in Chief

Having been fed up with student's nonsense for far too long, the Student Association took a bold step in reinvigorating their judicial policies after force-feeding Street Meat to the "Cows are Friends Club of America."

According to SA President Connor Aitcheson, the CFCA received this newly implicated sanction after not having turned in their signature cards in a timely fashion.

"Honestly, it wasn't even me that came up with it, it was Hannah, our VP," said Aitcheson, giving a nervously violent finger point to the vice president's desk. "See, she's the one in charge of signature cards, and when she didn't get one from them she blew a gasket."

Aitcheson recalled SA Vice President Hannah Apthorpe moments after realizing she didn't receive a signature card, calling it "utter chaos" and cited a specific moment with Speaker of the Assembly Seth

'That shit was scary, dude," said Meyer. "It was the only time I felt bad for sanctioning a group

because I was forced to give them such a harsh punishment."

According to Meyer, he specifically remembers a moment in the incident where she pinned Meyer against the wall and reportedly said: "I swear to god if you don't let me shove a pound of beef down these loser's throats then I'll be feeding them pieces of you instead!"

Currently, the eboard of the CFCA is currently being held in the basement of the Williams Center, tied upside down and being fed Street Meat burgers by the bucketful. Apthorpe is reportedly having too much fun dishing out this newly implemented sanction and needs to be stopped but probably

The Scallion reached out to Apthorpe for comment, but thus far have only received a reply in the form of a middle finger emoji. After sending out an investigative reporter and not hearing back from him for several days, we've received word that he was caught snooping around and has been sanctioned as well.

Courtney LeJeune/Special to The Leade



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New law: Village Police hire grumpy old men to keep people off lawns

TRAVIS LEFEVRE

Editor in Chief

Among the drama of the housing registry law in the Village of Fredonia, the board ended up using it to secretly pass a law that would require grumpy old men to reside at every home in town to act as a "security net" to keep intruders away.

The move was made by town officials citing that "nobody really messes with old people" due to either fear or empathy for their elderly condition.

According to the law, the enlisted old men are required to yell at people to "get off their lawns" if someone approaches, regardless of whether or not they live there.

"Yeah, I was about to walk right in and steal everything this place has, but the old man on the porch was trying too hard to be aggressive, I just couldn't say no to his effort," said local burglar Robert Steel.

While this already seems to impact the number of potential crimes, some residents have noted that the old men can sometimes be too good at their jobs.

"I was just trying to bring in groceries, meanwhile my assigned old man just keep yelling at me the whole time. Then he smacked me with his cane when I came onto the porch! I understand the need for security but this is a little absurd," said local resident Jenny James. "We should at least disarm these old men."

Aside from mild violence, residents have reported that the old men won't stop talking to each other about golf and bird-feeding. When asked about the chitter-chatter, one of the old men told us, "Get off my lawn!"

"All in all, I think this is a good thing for the village residents. It brings jobs to the area and it will also create a new respect for the elderly. We may even be able to repurpose that old-folks home, too," said village mayor Athanasia Landis.

At the moment, it appears as though the old people are here to stay and a parade will be held in their honor on Oct.10 with light refreshments of prune juice and Triscuit crackers.



Jesseca Bennett/Staff Illustrator

POLICE NOTTERS

DOM MAGISTRO

Guest Scallywag

Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2018

4:36 a.m. University Police were called to investigate an incident. They found that what at first looked like assault wounds were actually just scrapes and bruises from slipping on an unattended skateboard.

9:18 p.m. Darnell Williams was arrested for possession of a controlled substance when he called University Police to ask how much trouble he could get in for cooking methamphetamine.

Thursday, Oct. 4, 2018

2:24 a.m. James Orwell was arrested for playing the trombone in the stairwell of Disney Hall. A reminder that this is okay in Mason, not in residence halls.

7:09 p.m. University Police were called to Kasling Hall to investigate reports of a "burned popcorn smell" not setting off a fire alarm. Alexandra Johnson was concerned the smoke detectors might be broken.

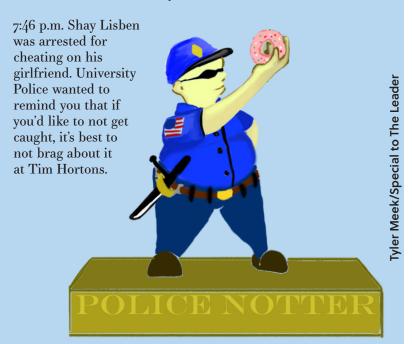
Friday, Oct. 5, 2018

Tickets have been issued to teachers riding skateboards, scooters and Heelys to class. You ruin our fun when you adopt our popular means of transportation.

5:03 p.m. Aaron Schist was arrested for yelling his last name in public. He was last heard stating "Schist like the rock, not shit!"

Saturday, Oct. 6, 2018

3:29 a.m. Conner Caldwell called University Police to settle a dispute between the roommates next door after one was cited shouting "I told you not to come home at 3:30 a.m. anymore."



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