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NEWS

Multiple burglaries in the village cause concern among residents

ERIKETA COST

Life & Arts Editor

Fredonia student Anisa Ineson came home on the evening of Sept. 27 to strange sounds and suspicion.

She is a resident of one of the homes that was broken into that night.

“I came home early Friday night and [the burglars] locked the door on me, which was weird ...” she said. “I unlocked it, and it seemed like someone was in the bathroom, so I knocked and no one answered. I opened the door and then the kid was crawling out of my bathroom window.”

“I went into my room, which was locked, and then my window was open and my laptop and backpack were gone, but he left my school supplies,” said Ineson.

Ineson called her housemates and the police immediately after.

“When I called, they were about to come in, but then they started running, but the police trapped them in the cemetery...” said Ineson.

Ineson has not heard anything about where her belongings are at this time.

Crime is rather unusual for the village of Fredonia — but residents can take comfort knowing that the Fredonia Police Department has been investigating the occurrences, and two Erie County residents have since been charged.

Howard Charles Williams III (21 years old) and Donte-Taven Ronald Peay (20 years old) are both charged with petit larceny, fifth-degree criminal possession of stolen property and second-degree burglary.

Fredonia Police Chief Bradley Meyers sent out a press release with a brief play-by-play following two phone calls they received that night.

It said that the FPD first received a call of past-tense burglary on Terrace St.

While processing the scene, they then received a second call reporting a present-tense burglary on White St.

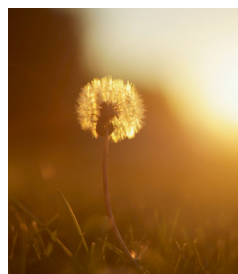
Upon arriving on White St., the FPD entered into a “foot pursuit,” which ultimately landed them and the suspects in Forresthill Cemetery. A perimeter was established in the cemetery.

University Police, NY State Police, Chautauqua County Sheriff’s Office

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On the Cover:

Dandelion Final | Alexis Carney/Photo Editor



Presidential search committee announced

AIDAN POLLARD

News Editor

After the departure of President Horvath, SUNY Fredonia is in need of a non-interim president.

Currently, the office is held by Interim President Dennis Hefner as the school searches for a new president.

The process took a leap forward last Wednesday, when the presidential search committee was announced.

Included as the student representative for the committee was Seth Meyer, political science major and Student Association president.

“Representation from the students for this search is pivotal, because the university exists to foster an environment for students to excel and students should be able to have confidence that a right leader for the job will be chosen,” said Meyer. “I’ve been listening to the students from the beginning, and I will continue listening to their grievances, suggestions and feedback in this search process.”

The search will be conducted on a national scale, and the university is currently in the process of finding an executive search firm to help the committee.

The search for the new president will begin immediately after a search firm is identified, according to a campus-wide email from the university. The email said the firm should be announced within the next few weeks.

Some stability comes with having a former president serve as the interim while the search is being conducted, but there are large issues facing the school, and the search is still important to the university.

“Chairperson Pagano, the chancellor and the rest of the leadership really wants to get the ball rolling on this,” said Meyer. “With reaccreditation in our midst and a financial deficit to tackle, we’re looking to have a long-term leader at the helm with a thorough, full-steam-ahead process.”

The search will be conducted confidentially, meaning the candidates will have anonymity when they apply and the names of the finalists will not be released. There will also be no open forums when candidates come for campus visits.

The confidential search comes after SUNY saw success in size and strength of candidate pools from confidential



President Hefner taken by Alexis Carney/Photo Editor

searches. SUNY has since mandated that all state-op SUNY schools must utilize confidential searches when looking for new university presidents.

“I think it’s a great idea,” said Meyer.

“Echoing the words of Mr. Pagano,” said another search committee member, “the ability to keep the candidates confidential will encourage more, hopefully, well-qualified candidates to apply without fear of retaliation from their current employers.”

The search committee consists of 19 members made up of professors, department chairs and administrators alongside Meyer. There are two non-voting members on the committee: Assistant to the President Denise Szalkowski and SUNY Vice Chancellor for Human Resources Paul Patton.

POLICE BLOTTERS

Like University Police on Facebook for updates and info at "New York State University Police at Fredonia."

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UNIVERSITY

Monday, September 30, 2019

A bike was stolen from the Disney Hall bike rack. An investigation is ongoing.

Wednesday, October 2, 2019

Letters were stolen from a Central Ave. sign. An investigation is ongoing.

Thursday, October 3, 2019

A student was harassed by another subject. An investigation is ongoing.

A wall was damaged in Mason Hall. An investigation is ongoing.

A suspect was found in possession of marijuana in Kasling Hall. An arrest was completed.

FREDONIA

Monday, September 30, 2019

11:00 a.m. - Colton T. Farnham was charged as a fugitive for an out-of-state crime. The suspect was held.

2:25 p.m. - Matthew P. Cassalt was charged with harassment. The suspect was released to a third party.

9:06 p.m. - Ryan M. Falco was charged with petit larceny. An appearance ticket was issued.

2:15 a.m. - Steven Artymowycz, 31, was charged with violating the sewer ordinance. An appearance ticket was issued.

Wednesday, October 2, 2019

1:00 a.m. - Dana M. Mulatillo was charged as a result of a warrant. An appearance ticket was issued.

10:00 a.m. - Jeremiah P. Duffy was

charged with harassment and unlawful imprisonment. The suspect was held.

Sunday, October 6, 2019

1:02 a.m. - Andre M. Cowan, 22, was charged with a noise control ordinance. An appearance ticket was issued.

12:40 a.m. - Michael Neenon, 18, was charged with violating the sewer ordinance. An appearance ticket was issued.

1:08 a.m. - Lucas M. Devita, 18, was charged with unlawful underage purchase of alcohol and unauthorized possession of a license. An appearance ticket was issued.

11:15 p.m. - Alseny Barry, 18, was charged with unlawful possession of marijuana and impersonation. Cash bail was set.

Monday, October 7, 2019

11:00 a.m. - Joseph R. Angelo and another suspect were charged with harassment.

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and units from the Dunkirk Police and their K-9 units were all involved in the matter.

The Leader has reached out multiple times to Meyers and Mayor Landis to discuss the matter in more depth, but has been unable to get through to either of them.

The investigation is ongoing and more charges and arrests are possible.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Fredonia Police Department at (716) 679-1531.

Life & Arts

Colleges Against Cancer to collaborate with American Cancer Society for Cabaret for a Cure

BRENTON NEWCOMB

Special to The Leader

In the spirit of Breast Cancer Awareness month, Fredonia club Colleges Against Cancer is putting on a fundraising and awareness event with the American Cancer Society.

Cabaret for a Cure will take place Tuesday, Oct. 15 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. in the Williams Center Multi-Purpose Room.

The event is one of the many put on each semester by Colleges Against Cancer, a club with the mission of raising money, spreading awareness and spreading knowledge about cancer.

Their event will do exactly this. Money raised at the event will go right back into their mission and also to the American Cancer Society, who they work closely with.

This year marks the second Cabaret for a Cure and was planned by Sarah Pearson, a senior music education major.

Sarah is on the e-board for Colleges Against Cancer, and is specifically in charge of entertainment. Although she works closely with President Leanna Hess, the Cabaret for a Cure event is solely her event.

Being on the entertainment board led her to reach out to many music groups for the event.

The lineup will include Some Like It Hot, Much More Chill, the Percussion Guild and more.

Aside from entertainment, the event will also feature tables with fun knick-knacks from the club. There will also likely be a basket raffle.

When asked about other events the club puts on, Pearson said "We are pretty busy."

Some may consider this an understatement considering the work put into their events alongside the American Cancer Society.

This semester, they will be doing Cabaret for a Cure and "Paint Cranston Pink" on the same day, as well as a Buffalo Breast Cancer Walk over fall break and a winter kickoff where they will announce their "Relay For Life" theme.

"Relay is the hardest to prepare for ... there is so much that goes into it ... you have to be in close contact with ACS the whole time," said Pearson.

Tickets for Cabaret for a Cure are \$3 for students and \$6 for the general public.



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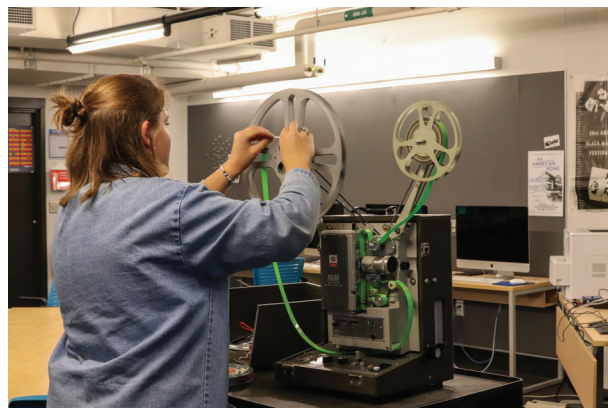
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Cinema Alternatives: The club that takes cinema from 'Hollywood' to 'Hollyweird'

JESSICA MEDITZ

Staff Writer

Since we as college students are often focused on our academics, it's important to find outlets for expression that are outside of our majors.



Among Fredonia's wide variety of clubs is Cinema Alternatives — a film-based club that allows students to do so.

Cinema Alternatives' main mission is to shine a light on all things film-related that do not fall under the category of Hollywood narrative cinema.

The club's executive board consists of Susan Kehl, president; Nick Skopinsky, vice president; Elisha Faisst, SA representative; Emily Sando, public relations chair; and Ryan Blatto, secretary.

Nick Skopinsky, a senior video production major, said that Cinema Alternatives “[focuses on] viewing video content that strays away from Hollywood and looking at more artistic means of cinema, including experimental films, short films, animations and classic movies.”

In fact, several films were recovered from the basement of Thompson Hall in the spring 2019 semester. They are all 16mm films, and some titles include “Citizen Kane,” “M,” “Wild Strawberries” and “Casablanca.”

Susan Kehl, the club's president and a senior film and video arts major, said that they hope to be able to screen these films in the near future.

“It depends on if the films can still be run through the projector. Since film deteriorates over time, it's hard to say,” she said.

Kehl has been involved with the club since her freshman year at Fredonia, when she was voted in as secretary. At the time, the club was known as the Media Arts Club, which was

then renamed.

One of her favorite things Cinema Alternatives does is their painting-on-film workshop.

“It's a really fun way to get your creativity out,” said Kehl. “We literally paint on clear film, and it always looks so cool, no matter what you do. We then mess with it in an editing program and show them. They always look so good on the projector.”

This workshop is just one of the few the club puts on, so students who are interested have a lot to look forward to.

Another highlight of the club is that they expand their horizons outside of Fredonia.

They've taken field trips to Buffalo, Rochester and Toronto to view a variety of films from different filmmakers.

The club's advisor, Phillip Hastings, is a member of the visual arts and new media faculty.

He helps the club get in contact with filmmakers, receives updates about different screenings and galleries and reconnects with alumni to talk with students.

Cinema Alternatives meets biweekly on Fridays at 2 p.m. in the Rockefeller Arts Center, Room 237.

For more information about Cinema Alternatives, visit their Facebook page, “SUNY Fredonia Cinema Alternatives Group,” or contact any of the executive board members.



Photos of President Susan Kehl and club preparing to watch a film on 16mm film found in basement of Thompson hall. Taken by Alexis Carney/Photo Editor.

Eerie Shores to release first EP 'Wicked Disposal' at BJ's

BRENTON NEWCOMB

Special to The Leader

Next week at BJ's, it will be a special night as local Fredonia band Eerie Shores is having a release show for their first EP, "Wicked Disposal."

The release show will also feature a stacked lineup, including The Joke's On Us and The Standby.

"Wicked Disposal" was recorded at Skyway Studios with RJ Demarco of Fernway and is long-awaited for fans of the group.

The EP is set to release everywhere on Oct. 7, but a glimpse of what is in store arrived on Sept. 13 when the guys dropped their single "Killing," a ripping, thudding, finger tapping tune that is to appear on the EP.

Alex Vasiloff (vocals, guitar) weighed in on their choice about this catchy tune.

"It came about messing with weird chords trying to make them sound beautiful," he said.

This is reflected in the verse as well as the solo that both smash into a heavy section.

Valisoff said the tune, although one of their first penned songs, not only gave them confidence in songwriting, but also in their individual ability to come up with individual parts and let each other shine.

The formation of Eerie Shores took place in the fall of 2017 and currently consists of Alex Vasiloff, vocals and guitar; Dan Calderone, lead guitar; James Sprecker, bass; Jonah Rosel on drums; and Andi Pszonak on lead guitar and vocals.

Their most recent member, Andy Pszonak, joined spontaneously as he "Would always be hanging around at practice help[ing] write songs," said Calderone.

Calderone said that their recording of the new EP started in March and began with drums and rhythm guitar, then moved onto bass and from there to lead guitar and vocals.

Although he said the recording was frustrating at times, it was worthwhile partnering with Producer RJ Demarco.

"For him to sit and say 'maybe try this chord' or 'this lead line' was huge," said Calderone. "Demarco not only made sure the record sounded good, but that the band was playing with precision and up to their potential."

Vasiloff said that there will be a new song previewed at the release party, along with songs of their EP and a cover



Photo by Elliott Tessmer

or two.

The Standby will be playing the album release party as well. The "emo-indie trio" has a self-described soundscape that is "highly energetic and tragically somber."

They recently released a record on Sept. 6 titled "Over, Under" and have been touring the states through much of September.

With the "sad lyrics, heavy bass lines and dark guitar tones" in the album, they seem to fit in the lineup without fault.

The cast wouldn't be complete without The Joke's On Us, a local punk rock four-piece who describe their music as a "raw, loud wave of sound, drawing from punk, hardcore and shoegaze."

The group has played and toured with Eerie Shores in the past, and compliment each other like a BJ's rum and coke.

Admission for guests 21+ is \$1.

Admission for guests below 21 is \$5, and space for these guests is limited.

A look ahead: School of Music upcoming events

A brief description of some upcoming events happening within the School of Music for the month of October

10/12

Second Saturday Jam, Open Mic at Domus Fare

This event is for individuals who are interested in playing ukulele for an open mic night.

6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Domus Fare

10/14

Ethos NewSound Presents Mivos String Quartet

Ethos New Music is Fredonia's student-run new music-presenting organization.

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in Rosch Recital Hall

10/18

Fredonia 1970s Alumni Jazz

A Homecoming weekend event.

The event is free and will be livestreamed.

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in Rosch Recital Hall

10/19

Fredonia Wind Ensemble with Concerto Competition

Winner Katherine Culver Joslyn, soprano.

Dr. Holcomb will lead the ensemble who will be playing works by Gustav Holst, Ron Nelson and more.

The event is free and will be livestreamed.

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in King Concert Hall

10/21

Fredonia Trombone Choir

Led by Jonathan Lombardo.

The event is free and will be livestreamed.

8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in Rosch Recital Hall

10/22

Fredonia Wind Quintet

Faculty members will be performing works of Muczynski, Jobim, Waller and Schumann.

The event is free and will be livestreamed.

8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in Rosch Recital Hall

10/23

Fredonia Clarinet Ensemble

Directed by Andrew Siegel.

The event is free and will be livestreamed.

8 p.m. in Rosch Recital Hall

10/24

Fredonia Brass Chamber Ensembles & Brass Choir

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in Rosch Recital Hall

10/26

Fredonia College Symphony

Led by conductor David Rudge.

The event is free and will be livestreamed.

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in King Concert Hall

10/27

Fredonia Double Reed Day

A day of workshops, masterclasses and more for oboists and bassoonists of all ages.

Register by Oct. 10

9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Mason Hall

10/27

Fredonia Choral Showcase

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in Rosch Recital Hall

10/27

U.S. Navy Band Commodores Jazz Ensemble

Alum Kristine Hsia returns to perform as lead vocalist with U.S. Navy's elite jazz ensemble.

4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in King Concert Hall

10/28

Fredonia Student Keyboard Association presents Piano Concert

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in Rosch Recital Hall

10/29

Fredonia Wind Ensemble with Ortenau Symphonic Youth

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in King Concert Hall

10/30

Fredonia Flute Ensemble

Led by conductor Barry Crawford.

The event is free and will be livestreamed.

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in Rosch Recital Hall

Brews under review: Fall-themed beers at EBC

ELIZABETH SUSKI

Special to The Leader

Apple cider, pumpkin spice and autumn beers, oh my!

With the fall season in full swing, there's an abundance of seasonal beers at your local breweries.

If you decide to look up 'fall beers' online, you'll find a couple of different lists that contain anything from pumpkin beer to Oktoberfest beers. Yet, I decided to go visit our local EBC to see what they had to offer.

I started off with the Blueberry Wheat, which is EBC's number one seller. It was refreshing and light and the blueberries weren't overpowering in any way. The brew even comes with a few blueberries in it. I'm not a huge fan of blueberries, but it's safe to say I became one after drinking this brew.

After eating the multiple blueberries I received, I moved on to the Black Jack Oatmeal Stout. It's dark, rich and so smooth that you wouldn't even realize you're drinking beer. It smells like Bailey's and tastes like a rich, dark espresso. I'm not generally a big stout drinker, but this one had me going back for more!

Up next was the Platters Orange Chocolate Blonde, which is a seasonal brew. If you like chocolate and you like oranges, then this is the beer for you. It's light and refreshing and the first sip took me back to my childhood where those orange-shaped chocolates often appeared. You know, the ones that came in those little blue boxes and were wrapped in orange tin foil. This brew was like that dessert in beer form.

A brew that did not go as well as I had hoped was the Just Peachy, which is a regular at EBC. It smells like the white grape and peach Welch's juice and looks like a peach's skin. Yet, unlike the blueberries, there was almost no peach taste.

It was so subtle that it took me a few sips to really taste it, but even then it was hard to discern.

Also, it kind of tasted like hairspray, which is not what I was expecting at all.

Another seasonal brew I tried was the Coldspresso. This brew is infused with Haitian coffee beans and goes through a long process to get its silky taste. It's less acidic than most other coffee ales which helps to give it its smooth texture.

The espresso flavor is very strong, and if you are a big fan of espresso, then I think you just found your soulmate.

I, unfortunately, am not a fan of espresso, so this brew just tasted like burnt coffee to me.

Lastly, I tried the Super Duper Jelly Doughnut, which is a limited release.

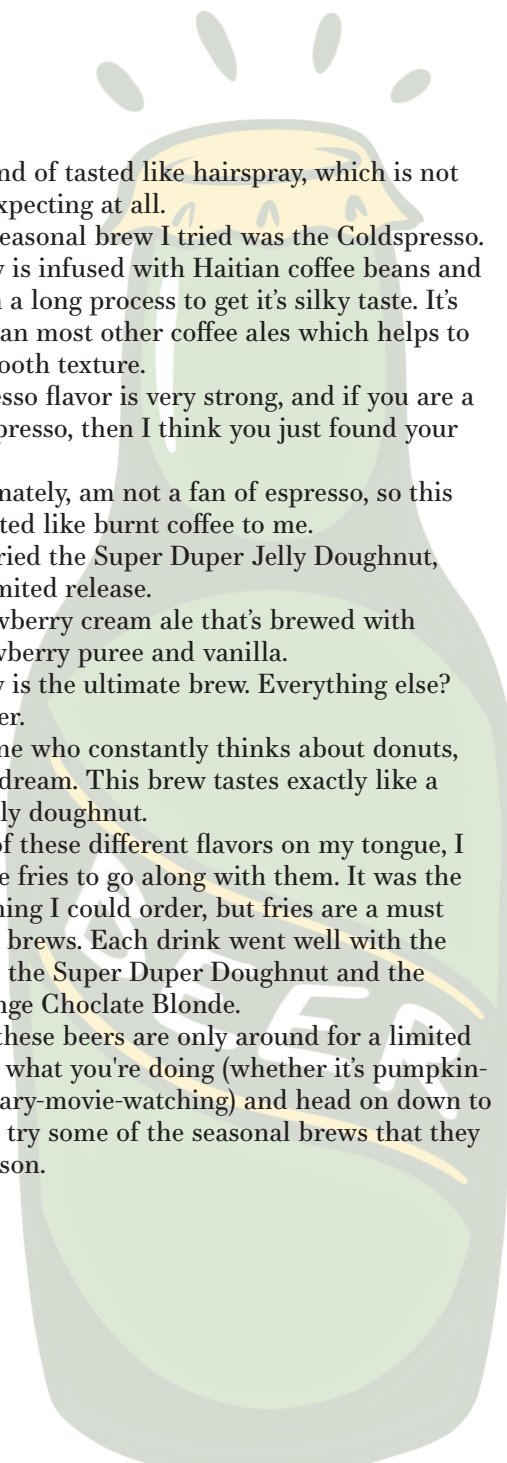
It's a strawberry cream ale that's brewed with lactose, strawberry puree and vanilla.

This brew is the ultimate brew. Everything else? Doesn't matter.

As someone who constantly thinks about donuts, this was the dream. This brew tastes exactly like a powdered jelly doughnut.

With all of these different flavors on my tongue, I got the truffle fries to go along with them. It was the most basic thing I could order, but fries are a must when tasting brews. Each drink went well with the fries, besides the Super Duper Doughnut and the Platters Orange Chocolate Blonde.

Three of these beers are only around for a limited time, so stop what you're doing (whether it's pumpkin-carving or scary-movie-watching) and head on down to EBC West to try some of the seasonal brews that they have this season.



Graphic by Olivia Connor/Art Director

OPINION

From the desk of James Mead, Web Editor

Weddings are overrated.

When my brother-in-law proposed to my sister four months ago, everyone in the family put in hours, days, weeks of straight preparation. Helping with the location, venue, food, date and arranging travel, decorations, organizers, attendees.

I visited a suit shop twice in one week — and I had already bought my suit.

All of that, yet in the end, the ceremony took 30 minutes.

The legal portion took less than one.

The truth is, a wedding is nothing but a promise, and not much bigger than the ones we make every day. “Want to watch a movie?” “Sure.” “Can you help me move?” “No problem.”

The only distinguisher in this promise was five years of context. Before they bought a house, my sister and her husband had to drive seven hours across states to see each other. They had to plan their relationship and even time their calls.

When that became too much, they had to choose to live together.

Those choices proved more than their vows to keep doing what they’ve been doing.

It doesn’t take longer than a minute to make a promise — that’s not the part anyone cares about anyway. We’re more interested in seeing outcomes than hearing vows.

We’re more interested in seeing the happy couple stay together, in seeing them smile at each other, in seeing them dance together.

I’m more interested in knowing that my sister is happy than knowing why.

Admittedly, I can’t adjust to the thought of her being married. I thought marriage was for adults, but somehow that means that I now have to count her as one.

It’s all because of a ring on her finger, though.

Nothing else has changed.

She’s still in love with the same man she’s loved for the past few years, she’s still the same person she’s been for her entire life and our family is still our family — albeit, twice as big now.

I know my brother-in-law about as well as I did before, but now he’s just that — he’s my brother.

The wedding was fun.

It was short.

I’m more interested in what comes next.

Congratulations, Sarah — and welcome to the family, Liam.



VERBATIM

"How have the robberies in downtown Fredonia affected your feelings of the village?"



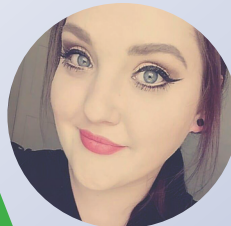
**Ronny Nissen, senior
adolescent earth science education major**

"The robberies downtown have affected a couple of my friends, and it worries me because of the safety of the students who may not know the 'norms' of the town because their homes are farther away. It also worries me as a resident assistant because I have to make sure my residents have a safe environment, and if things like this are happening off campus, then what can happen in residents halls?"



**Victoria Lumia, sophomore
music education major**

"The robberies in the town of Fredonia have effected me and a few friends pretty directly. When the robberies started, my boyfriend's house was hit. And I just so happened to be asleep in the house while it was going on. It concerns me for the safety of my close friends and even myself as I plan on living off campus next year. It makes a safe town feel significantly less safe for the students living here."



**Sarah Pleva, 5th year senior,
music applied-voice major**

"As a permanent and long-term resident of Fredonia, it is nothing short of scary and odd to worry about a break-in and robbery. I am one to always lock my house and car door when I leave it, but there is an extra sense of fear instilled with the recent burglaries that pushed me to take more action. I feel like I was trying to make sure my house wouldn't be a target in any way. There have been many moments that I am home alone and hear a random noise and genuinely get scared for a moment that it's my house now. It is definitely anxiety and stress-inducing and just sad to have to worry about."



**PJ Brooks, sophomore
liberal arts major**

"Hearing about these robberies is very shocking. You never think something like this will happen in such a close-knit community, and it's heart-breaking. Hopefully these people get caught sooner rather than later."



**Will Davis, sophomore
applied mathematics major**

"I feel like Fredonia is generally a safe community, and it's troubling to hear about robberies. I'm sure our law enforcement will continue to work toward catching these individuals."



**Mallory Doxey, sophomore
psychology major**

"I didn't even know there were robberies."



SPORTS

Fredonia sports update

ANTHONY GETTINO

Special to The Leader

This week, there were quite a few different teams that took the field. Although both the men's and women's cross country teams had the weekend off, there were SUNYAC matchups galore.

For starters, the women's tennis team faced off against Oneonta on Friday, New Paltz on Saturday and Plattsburgh on Sunday. The Blue Devils couldn't pull out a victory throughout weekend, however.

The loss placed them in a tie for fourth place in the conference, but due to tiebreakers, their season ended without a trip to the SUNYAC Championships.

The men's soccer team participated in games on both Friday and Saturday, falling short in a 0-2 loss to Oneonta and 1-2 to New Paltz, both at home. The men's team is beginning to have to operate in do-or-die mode the rest of the way in order to make the SUNYAC Championships.

This week, they play two SUNYAC matchups at Geneseo on Friday and Brockport on Saturday.

The rest of the regular season includes bouts against Buffalo State, Oswego and Cortland.

As for the women's soccer team, they came away from the weekend road-trip with a loss to Oneonta on Friday with a score of 0-1 before a tie against New Paltz on Saturday that took two overtimes to finish.

The women's team is in a position to push for a spot in the conference championships with their current record, but this weekend will be a test. They host Geneseo on Friday before Brockport comes to town Saturday afternoon in what should be a good matchup.

The rest of their season looks to be a deciding factor, as after this weekend three of their final four games are against SUNYAC teams, which are Buffalo State, Oswego and Cortland, with a game against St. John Fisher in the mix as well.

The last team to compete this weekend was the women's volleyball team, who lost both games of their road trip. The first was a 0-3 loss to Brockport on Friday before a 0-3 loss to Geneseo on Saturday.

This team's season is much farther from the end than the teams listed above, as they still have 12 games before the possibility of a postseason berth.

This week, they start off on the road against Houghton before they play host to the Fredonia tri-match and face off against Susquehanna and the University of Rochester. While none of these games are SUNYAC matchups, they do have quite a bit on the line, as these games could get the Blue Devils back on track after the recent five-match losing streak.



Graphic by Griffin McPherson

Buffalo Bills get a gritty win

DANTE LASTING

Assistant Sports Editor

The Buffalo Bills were rockin' and rollin' in the Music City on Sunday.

Coming into this game, everybody knew it was going to be a close one, especially since the past three meetings ended with a Bills win by just one point.

The Bills played a tough, physical game against the Tennessee Titans, coming away with a 14-7 win.

The defense held the Titans to only 183 passing yards and one score. They racked up five sacks against Mariota and made the Titans go three and out on six drives throughout the game.

Buffalo got very lucky in that the Titans kicker had a very off day. He missed all four field goals that he attempted, and those 12 points would have changed the game entirely.

The Bills offense did what they needed to do to win the game. Allen threw for 219 yards and two touchdowns. He led the Bills to his sixth game-winning drive of his career. He found fan-favorite wide receiver Duke Williams in the endzone for the score. He was just brought up from the practice squad on Saturday. He caught his first NFL touchdown in his first NFL game.

Although Josh Allen played better in this game than he did versus the Patriots, he still has a lot to work on. Allen threw a bad interception in the third quarter that gave the Titans the momentum to get into the game.

It seems like every week there is at least one foolish play by him, and as we saw last week, it is hard to come back from those when facing playoff-level football teams.

Next week, the Bills have a bye week which comes at a perfect time. A good number of players went down with injuries on Sunday, but they will have a full week of rest to get fully healthy.

The Bill's next opponent is the Miami Dolphins, and they come to New Era Field on Oct. 20. Buffalo is in good standing with a 4-1 record heading into the bye and three straight home games to follow.

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October baseball is back

CAROLYN MULLARKEY

Special to The Leader

It is officially October, and that is music to any baseball fan's ears because that means it is officially playoff season.

It kicked off last week with Brewers at Nationals for the first wild card game.

The Brewers might have had a great record during the regular season, despite losing Christian Yelich. Had he not gotten injured, the result of this game could have been extremely different.

The game started with a quick lead in two innings by the Brewers 3-0. The Nationals managed to score a run in the third inning, making it 3-1 for the majority of the game. It appeared the Nats were buried and the Brewers would proceed on to the NLDS. It was the fatal mistake of rookie right fielder, Trent Grisham, that allowed a 3-run hit off Juan Solo to bring the Nationals up 4-3 at the bottom of the eighth. It was on a 1-1 pitch in which Solo ripped a line drive directly to RF. Solo was tagged out, but not before the Nats took the lead. The only thing standing in their way of advancing was three more outs, and they succeeded in securing their Wild Card winner title.

It is the first time in five tries since they've moved to DC. that the Nationals have won an elimination game.

The homefield team for the Wild Card game has always been at a disadvantage, but the Nats have now joined the Diamondbacks (2017) and the Pirates (2013) as the only NL teams to have won a home field Wild Card game.

The Brewer's season is officially over, and they will now prepare for the upcoming off-season.

The second Wild Card game was between the Rays and the Athletics. This game wasn't nearly as close or as much of a shock and did not have nearly as much excitement. The Rays almost shut out the As with a final score of 5-1.

Their bullpen was no match for Oakland and erased their chances of

advancing.

Thursday's games consisted of the Cardinals at Braves and Nationals at Dodgers.

Game one of Cardinals vs. Braves had Atlanta favored by about 51%, so it was a pretty even match which led to a close game, and was just shy of going into extra innings. It was 1-1 at the top of the fifth, both teams scoring in the first few innings. The Braves picked up 2 more runs in the bottom of the sixth, holding a lead of 3-1 for a solid two innings. The Cardinal's first baseman, Paul Goldschmidt, hit a home run in the top of the eighth and additionally, shortstop Paul DeJong scored, bringing it back to a tie at 3-3. The ninth inning was nothing short of electrifying. It truly captured the essence of the October baseball feeling. The top of the ninth, the Cardinals scored four runs, making it 7-3. It appeared to be over for the Braves at this moment, but they did not go quietly. Ronald Acuña, Jr. hit a HR (455ft.), bringing in a score by him and Billy Hamilton.

Shortly after, Freddie Freeman got another HR, making it 7-6 in the final inning, but they could not get that extra score to bring it into extras.

It was a complete shutout for the NLDS opening game between the Nationals and Dodgers with a final score of 6-0, Dodgers prevailing. Walker Buehler and Max Muncy dominated for the Dodgers at both mound and at plate. Buehler allowed only one hit over the course of six innings and Muncy brought in three runs.

What also contributed to L.A.'s dominance was the team effort, Gavin Lux and Joc Pederson's collective two HRs, and primarily, capitalizing on all of the Nats mistakes.

Friday was quite the day for baseball.

There were four games, including game two of both previous nights' games and opening games of the Twins at Yankees, the Rays at Astros.

Continuing on with game two

of Nationals at Dodgers, the Nats surprisingly came out victorious after getting swept the previous game. Washington got the headstart and was up 3-0 in the first two innings. The Dodgers had an opportunity for a comeback and finally, at the bottom of the sixth, Justin Turner hit a sacrifice fly ball to right field so Matt Beaty could score a run, getting them back in the game. The next inning, Muncy did as Muncy does and hit his first postseason home run and 36th HR this year. The Dodgers were only behind by one with the score at 3-2.

Finally, in the top of the eighth, Ryan Zimmerman, the Nat's first basemen, scored a run off of a single hitter and secured the Nats with winning game two, 4-2.

The Braves brought it back to tie it up, sweeping the Cardinals 3-0 in game two. Ozhaino Albies scored off of Josh Donald's single in the bottom of the first and, later on in the bottom of the seventh, Adam Duvall hit a HR to CF and brought in Braves' catcher, Brian McCann.

The opening game of Twins vs. Yankees is the standard postseason story involving both teams.

The Twins had a false hope head start in the first three innings, leading 2-0. The Yankees started bringing it back at the bottom of the third. DJ Lemahieu proved once again that he is a bad man with a bat. He hit a home run in addition to bringing in four runs. Not only did the Yankees have a great night at bat, Judge made two amazing diving catches.

The final score of game one was 10-4, Yankees win.

In game one of the Rays/Astros series, it was a slow start with no runs scored until the bottom of the fifth. The Astros scored and were up 4-0. By the bottom of the sixth the score was 6-0 and the Astros pretty much secured their win, despite the Rays scoring three runs in the top of the eighth, making the final score 6-3.

The Ray's manager, Kevin Cash, had only one comment after the game: "We

got Verlander'd."

Going into Saturday, it was game two of Astros at Rays and Twins at Yankees.

Game two of Astros/Rays was completely dominated by Gerrit Cole, having 15Ks. Alex Bregman managed to score two runs, including one homerun, and with Yuli Gurriel scoring off of Martín Maldonado's single, made the Astros win 3-1 having to play serious defense in the ninth, giving up only one score by Austin Meadows.

Game two of Twins at Yankees wasn't even fair.

Early into the bottom of the third, the Yanks were up 3-0. Gardner, Judge and Lemahieu all scoring. Then, Sir Didi Gregorious sent the Bronx fans into an uproar. With the bases loaded, he hit a grand slam, bringing in Encarnación, Torres and Sánchez. The Yankees were now up 7-0 in three innings with still one more score to be made, making the final score at the bottom of the third 8-0. The Twins did not even go down fighting. They only scored two runs for the rest of the game while the Yankees remained at 8.

The final score was 8-2.

Sunday Night Baseball consisted of game three of both Braves at Cardinals and Dodgers at Nationals.

At the bottom of the second, Cards were up 1-0. This carried on throughout the game before the Braves rallied to comeback in the ninth. Hamilton, Ortega and Swanson all scored, bringing the Braves the W, 3-0.

They are now leading the NLDS 2-1.

The Dodgers won game three of the NLDS and are also now leading 2-1 against the Nationals with a score of 10-4.

They are favored to close out the series in four. Patrick Corbin revived their defense in game three, and if they remain that way, could definitely pull it off. This would be the fourth year in a row for L.A. to advance to the NL Championship series, closing a best in five series in just four games.

*Due to printing, Monday and Tuesday's games could not be recapped, but the rest of the week is looking as follows:

Wednesday (10/9)

Game 5 - Nationals at Dodgers (if needed)

Thursday

Game 5 - Cardinals at Braves (if needed)

Game 5 - Twins at Yankees (if needed)

Game 5 - Rays at Astros (if needed)

Friday and this weekend's games can not be predicted at this time, but Friday marks the start of the league championship series.

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Pelosi: 'Concentration camps acceptable, but we draw the line at investigating Biden'

DOM MAGISTRO

Assistant Scallion Editor

An impeachment inquiry has begun as a result of a whistleblower complaint. The whistleblower complains that Trump asked the Ukrainian prime minister to investigate Biden.

Pelosi and House Democrats draw the line there. No one messes with Joe.

"There are just some actions that are impeachable and some that aren't," said Pelosi. "We can, and should, impeach for blowjobs, election meddling and ending Reconstruction, but that's it."

"I think what he's been doing has been over the line for years, but now that he's investigating his political opponents, that is it, we 'bout to throw down," said Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, removing her hoop earrings and handing them to her chief of staff.

"Look, I agree with the guy, I love everything about him. The only reason I haven't acted on my feelings is because that's gay," said Senate Majority Leader and Turtle Overlord Supreme Mitch McConnell." But even I gotta say, a Nixon repeat is just over the line. Unfortunately, I can't help the guy if this goes through. Even I gotta vote to impeach him if it comes down to it."

Despite pressure from their constituents, impeachment was ill-advised at the time that Trump was being openly offensive, committing "high crimes and misdemeanors," violating human rights and allowing for people to die in state custody.

Now that the election cycle has started, it's important to besmirch your opponent's reputation rather than listen to the needs of your constituents.

For Trump, that means investigating Biden and his son.

For the Democrats, that means comparing Trump to Richard "Tricky Dick" Nixon, the agreed-upon worst president in recent history.



Graphic by Olivia Connor/Art Director

Local student really hoping they're lucky enough to get cold chicken wings made several hours ago at Willy C's

MATTHEW BAUM

Guest Scallywag

Willy C's: the goddamn dungeon of overhyped fast food that lurks beneath the Williams Center.

We're all familiar with the long lines, the disturbing smell of despair and half-furnished basement and the television screen of hypnotic and meaninglessly-color-coded numbers.

But we still go. We still hope for the best, or in the case of that abysmal pit, we hope for edible garbage.

Sophomore museum curation major Sarah Dustin did not feel the same way.

While Guest Scallywag Matthew Baum was praying to whatever gods would listen in order to leave that hellhole with any scrap of his sanity, Dustin was waiting patiently in line, fingers crossed and mouth watering for some cold chicken wings. Dustin was raised in Wirt, N.Y., with a population of 1,166, so to have so many people in one place is "a nice change of pace," she said.

"I know it's silly," Dustin giggled, doing a little happy dance when her number showed up on the screen, "but having food that's so mediocre reminds me of home."

Baum, who somehow made it out of that no-mans-land with some of his brain cells still functioning, actually followed the story further. He was able to get on the phone with the town supervisor, sheriff and head chef at the only decent restaurant in the village, Big Billy Squillard. Squillard claimed that room-temperature chicken wings were the most popular dish on the menu at Squilly B's, and nearly every customer leaves the restaurant with pursed lips and a slight grunt, a sign

of incredible praise in the town.

"Yeah, we live a simple life here in Wirt," Squillard said gruffly, "but to know I'm making the people of my little world the slightest bit more satisfied puts a small grin on my face."

Dustin volunteered to accept any questions about living a life of pseudo-enjoyment for any forlorn juniors who need a way to get through the next year and change through her email, Dusto555@fredonia.edu.

Local student committed to doing essay after five more minutes of video game

COREY DALE-MILLER

Guest Scallywag

Neva S. Tapp, a sophomore communication major who had not yet started his English class essay, was last seen playing "Borderlands 3" alone on his couch.

When The Scallion inquired about Tapp's intention to finish his schoolwork, Tapp noted that "Borderlands 3" had only just come out on Sept. 13.

"There's so much to do in the game still," he said. I will have to be productive if I want to get through the story. If I can give myself just five more minutes to play, I think I can accomplish a lot in that time. Then I will be able to start working on my essay."

When asked for a comment on Tapp's character and educational capabilities, Dr. Plise Duwett, a Fredonia English professor, weighed in on the situation.

"Neva has been a consistent and valuable voice during class discussion," she said. "His insights into the subject matter are thought-provoking and occasionally profound. However, one issue that I see is that Neva never turns in his assignments on time. Neva's work ethic is a major detriment to how well he can perform in the class, and could stand in the way of his ability to realize his full potential."

"I know that I can pass this class if I participate and do well on the quizzes." Tapp said, snoozing the alarm on his five-minute timer. "My professor likes me, and I can bullshit my way through the in-class work. I never had to try in high school, and I certainly don't intend to start trying now. Perhaps if I switch over to a gun that shoots fire, I'll be able to get past this boss. I really need to switch something up. I keep failing."

One hour later, Tapp was quoted as saying, "I know that I have the ability to do well, but I keep coming up short. I recognize that I should be starting my essay, but the game is too important. This is my character's very future that we are

dealing with here. His life is in my hands. Anyway, the assignment guidelines say that the essay is only 10 pages, single-spaced, so I can definitely get it done before tomorrow morning."

At press time, Tapp was seen switching over to "Super Smash Bros Ultimate."



Graphic by Jesseca Bennett/Staff Illustrator

HOROSCOPES

ARIES

On Friday, you will feel a weight lifted off your shoulders. That's good, because you were leaning too much and people started to notice.

TAURUS

Dance to the cha-cha slide. It's a great alternative to going to the gym.

GEMINI

"Let's go to work
To the left, take it back now y'all
Two hops this time, two hops this time
Right foot two stomps, left foot two stomps
Hands on your knees, hands on your knees
Get funky with it, aahhhhhhhhhh yaaaa
Come on, cha cha now y'all"

CANCER

We know what you did.

LEO

When life throws punches at you, remember to call for backup because you don't seem like a fighter.

VIRGO

Just because the Bills are doing okay doesn't mean you are okay. Maybe you can call Josh Allen for tips.

LIBRA

This weekend, there will be a snack waiting for you at your dinner table ... I'm not talking about chips.

SCORPIO

You know the saying, "Beer is cheaper than milk. I should buy that instead." You most certainly should, just not at Crosby's. Beer is not cheaper than milk there.

SAGITTARIUS

How do you even pronounce this?

CAPRICORN

Ever wonder why some days can be so perfect they seem too good to be true? Be careful this week, Capricorn. Something will happen to you that is so unbelievable, the next thing you know you're just waking up to your alarm going off.

AQUARIUS

Life moves pretty fast. If you don't stop and look around once in a while, you could end up in prison. Watch out.

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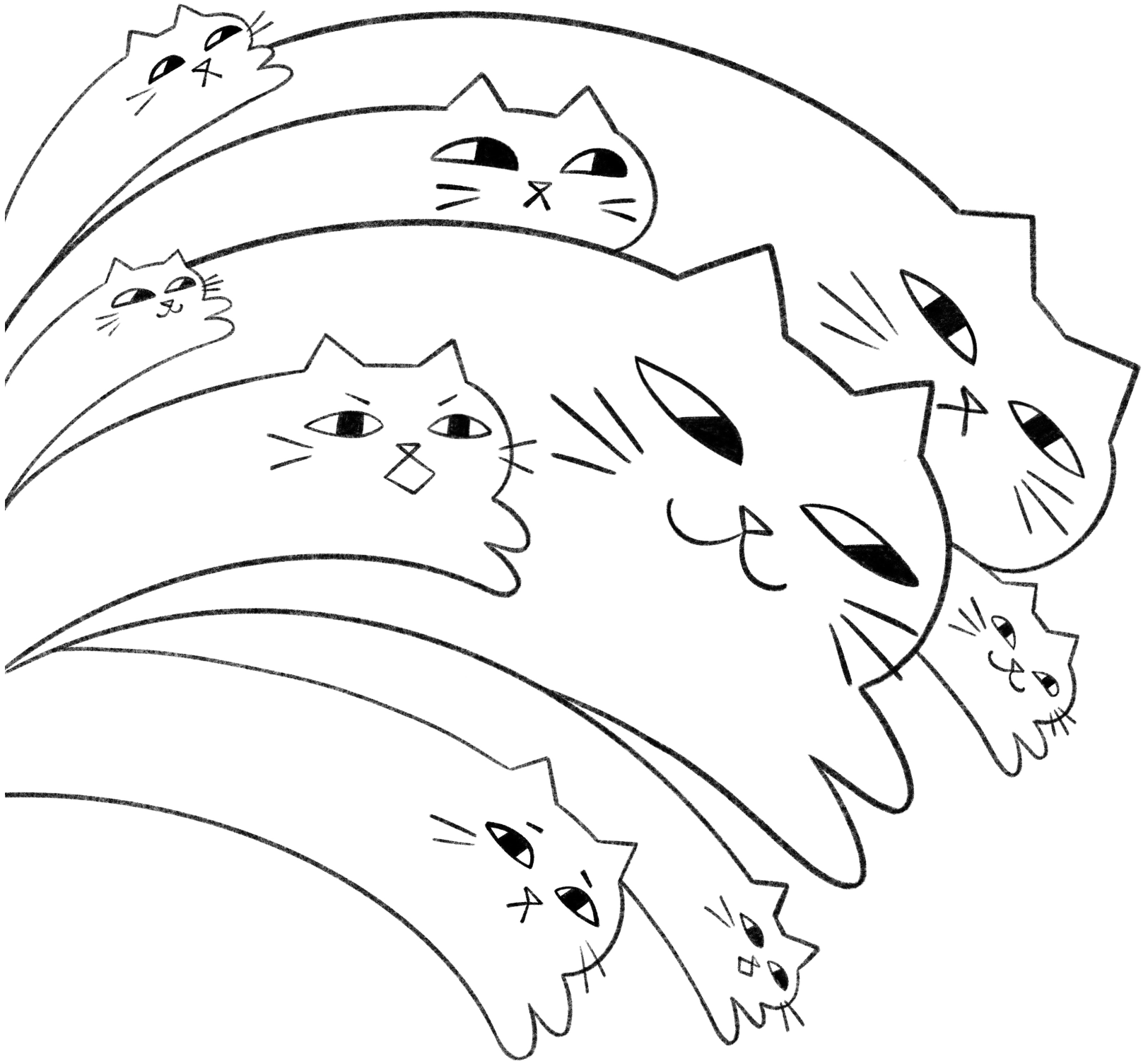
You should buy airpods because the wire on your headphones is very embarrassing.

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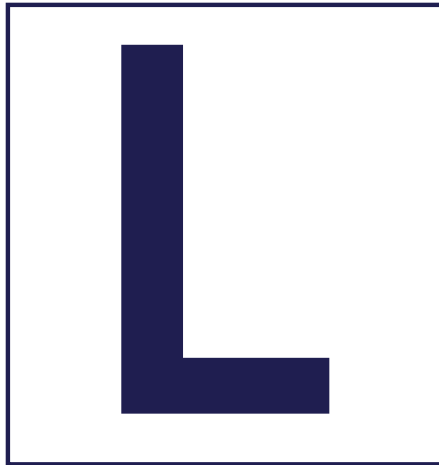


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