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SGA president addresses university plans

Food

Due to student’s concerns about food options, Warlich said there will be a cafeteria in the planned residence hall and that Outtakes and Chartwells is implementing a new grocery program. Through this program students will be able to submit a grocery list to Outtakes and Chartwells, who will pick up groceries from the supermarket for the students. Students will pay for these groceries with the declining balance on their SharkCard. Warlich also said that there will be new halal food options for Muslim students by Nov. 21.

Technology

Warlich said that SGA has been meeting with the Office of Innovation and Information Technology (OII) to discuss student concerns about lack of cellular service, inconsistent Wi-Fi connections and the iShark app. Warlich said that the office has a plan to address all concerns. OII has also been working with Comcast to provide Xfinity on Campus service to NSU students, which will increase the number of channels students have access to from 70 to 121 channels and allow them to stream some content on their SharkCard. Warlich also said that there will be a cafeteria in the planned residence hall and that Outtakes and Chartwells is implementing a new grocery program. Through this program students will be able to submit a grocery list to Outtakes and Chartwells, who will pick up groceries from the supermarket for the students. Students will pay for these groceries with the declining balance on their SharkCard.

Changes

Warlich also reviewed changes and new programs already implemented at NSU, like the 20 percent increase in student programming at the Office of Campus Life and Student Engagement, increased appointments and programming at the Office of Student Success, later Outtakes hours and the Fins Football program. Warlich said that the Fins Football program is the result of university administration’s response to student complaints about the lack of a football team at NSU.

Gabriella Lopez, senior English major and public relations director for SGA, said that the purpose of the SGA State of the Union Address is to let students know what’s going on at the university and that she hopes students will understand that SGA is there for them.

“We wanted to show everyone that we’re working hard and that this is what’s going to happen, so that students understand that we’re giving 100 percent effort and all we want to do is benefit them and improve the school in ways they think it needs improving,” she said.

Kayleigh Sabo, sophomore environmental science major, said she didn’t know that SGA was planning to host a State of the Union Address on Nov. 16, but attended. She said she’s excited about attending the event and free refreshments.

SGA President Bethany Warlich discussed changes to NSU’s campus in SGA’s State of the Union address.

Happy Holidays!

Davie lights up for the holidays

According to Pohlman, this event is mostly geared towards families and children.

“For some of these kids who are from Florida and have never seen snow before, it’s amazing watching them light up when they walk in,” he said.

The event will have climbing walls, bounce houses, slides, cookie decorating and a free petting farm. Santa will also make a visit to take pictures for a fee.

Additionally, Davie’s Concerts in the Park series will continue with a performance from local country band Sucker Punch and saxophone player Billy Bones on Dec. 8 from 6-9 p.m. at the Old Davie School. Food trucks, vendors, a petting farm and a bounce house will be set up at the concert.

Pohlman said he would encourage NSU students to attend the holiday events.

“They’re great events,” he said. “It’s a great way to get out in the community and see what Davie has to offer…. Anyone can come and have a great time.”

For more information on any of these events, call 954-797-1181.
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Stay up to date with world events.

_Fidel Castro dies at age 90_

According to BBC, Cuba is in mourning over the death of their 90-year-old leader, Fidel Castro. A nine-day ceremony will take place, ending on Dec. 4, where flags will be held at half-mast and visitors will be able to pay their respects to Castro’s ashes. In the U.S., however, there will be celebrations in Miami from Cuban exiles.

_François Fillon chosen as French presidential candidate_

According to CNN, the conservatives of France have chosen François Fillon as their candidate in next year’s presidential election. He received 66 percent of the vote against Bordeaux Mayor Alain Juppé in the Republican primary runoff. Fillon may face Marine Le Pen who is the leader of the far-right National Front Party in the election next spring.

_Lufthansa pilots plan another strike as pay row continues_

According to Lufthansa, pilots have threatened to strike once again if an agreement on pay wage is not met. The pilots’ union Vereinigung Cockpit has been fighting for an annual pay raise of 3.7 percent for the members in Germany since 2012. The union plans on striking short-haul flights on Tuesday and short- and long-haul flights on Wednesday costing the airline around €10m a day.

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and the iShark app.

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**NEWS BRIEFS**

**Winter 2017 semester registration deadline approaches**

Enrollment and Student Services encourages students to register for the winter 2017 semester classes as soon as possible. The deadline for undergraduate students to register is Dec. 16, and the deadline for graduate students is Dec. 27. Registration for classes can be accessed from Shadrink. For any questions or comments concerning registration or financial aid, contact Enrollment and Student Services at 800-806-3680, 954-262-3390 or finaid@nova.edu.

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a new residence hall and the new grocery list initiative at Outations. She explained that she was surprised about the planned email change, but doesn’t think it’s a big deal.

Claudia Stevens, sophomore biology and sociology major, said she liked the State of the Union Address. “I feel like a lot of students complain about things that they don’t really know are in the works and they don’t know that we’re actually doing something about them,” she said. “I like that we can come and hear about the new changes and what’s going on.”

Stevens said that she was happy to hear about the new residence hall, increased parking, new food options and the iShark app.

As for her concerns, Stevens said that she feels like NSU needs to do better with promoting what is going on at the university.

“All this stuff is happening, but the promotion isn’t really there,” she said.

Warlich said that she hopes that those who heard the address understand the master plan that NSU has for students and see the benefits that the school is giving to the students.

“(The address) is definitely something that we need,” Warlich said. “Everyone needs to know what’s going on at this school. NSU has a lot of different departments that seem unconnected.”

According to Warlich, SGA will host another address next semester.

SGA’s State of the Union Address is available on the NSU Undergraduate Student Government Association Facebook page. For more information contact Warlich at bw726@nova.edu.

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SLCE and SAS host winter trip

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During the trip, NSU students will work with the YMCA of western North Carolina to build facilities, help with after-school programs and distribute food to students who are normally dependent on prepaid school lunches. Liz Mazorowicz, graduate assistant for Civic Engagement, said that it was based solely on my work and what I’m really inspired by what my peers are capable of creating,” she said, “For people like me, who are creative and artistic and maybe sensitive…it really helped shape what I’m doing here at NSU. I want people to share a part of themselves.”

Molly Scanlon, faculty advisor for “Digressions” and assistant professor in the Department of Writing and Communication, said that it’s writing and artwork, “They end up complementing each other within the magazine itself.”

Scanlon said that it felt amazing to be involved with the magazine that is one of the more creative (outlets), and I think it’s essential that it’s writing and artwork,” she said. “They end up complementing each other within the magazine itself.”

Scanlon said that college is an important space for students because they’re figuring out who they are and what they believe, and where they want to belong.

“Creative writing and visual artwork is a way for students to try on different ideas about the joys and challenges of what it means to be human,” Scanlon said.

Scanlon said that since last year the staff received a lot of poetry submissions, this year she hopes that students submit more fiction and creative personal essays. Scanlon also said that students should steer clear of political material.

Chavannes said that this year, she hopes to see a variety of submissions from a variety of majors. Undergraduate students who receive a staff or faculty award will be recognized at the 2017 Undergraduate Student Symposium.

Chavannes said that it felt amazing to be published in “Digressions.”

“To know that it wasn’t based on bias at all, that it was based solely on my work and what I created and they thought it was worthy, felt incredible,” she said. “It still feels incredible.”

To submit a piece, visit nsuworks.nova.edu/digressions. To read last year’s edition of Digressions, visit nsuworks.nova.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1460&context=digressions. For more information, email digressions@nova.edu.

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“Before it was more of the higher people planning all the trips, so they wanted to bring it down and give students a chance to choose a topic they’re interested in and lead a group of students in different places around the country and the world,” she said.

Johnson mentioned that the SAS trips occur quite often at NSU. SAS normally has trips about once a month; however, one trip had to be rescheduled this semester so only the winter trip will take place.

Through SLCE, students take SAS trips to international locations as well as locations within the country.

Johnson said she had an eye-opening experience when she traveled with SAS last year to Jamaica during Read Across Jamaica Day to help improve education in the country.

“As before I went to Jamaica, I really didn’t understand the privilege we have of education,” she said, “We just go to school but for them it’s more of a luxury.”

Johnson also said that these trips have a huge impact on both communities and students.

“It gives [NSU] students the opportunity to learn about different cultures and situations that they may not have recognized as a problem,” she explained. “I feel that for NSU it’s more of an educational thing where students go on these trips and they come back and teach everyone else about it, and in the communities, they get to meet with us and we get to teach them about America.”

Mazorowicz said that all students should participate in SLCE and SAS trips because they are a very unique experience to share with other NSU students.

Registration for the SAS winter trip is closed, but for more information on upcoming trips, contact Mazorowicz at em3404@nova.edu or 954-262-7297.
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Senior political science major

History 4700: Genocide in the 20th Century and Beyond is offered at NSU every other winter semester. The course explores several genocides during the 20th and 21st centuries, and includes a trip to Eastern Europe for two weeks during spring break.

By the first day I walked into the class I considered myself an optimist. I felt there that was a lot of bad in the world, but we, as a species, could be better.

Many of my previous classes showed me that there are an abundance of corrupt systems in the world, but they were put in place by a very small group of people. After the first week of the genocide course, I realized that this class was going to be very different. This wasn’t about corrupt systems; it was about corrupt individuals influencing the average person to commit atrocities. I have never been in a class that offered so few solutions and left me with so many questions. Every time I walked out of those Parker building doors I was a little bit different from when I walked in.

In class, we read several books, had numerous class discussions and wrote papers. We studied the Armenians, Cambodia, the Holocaust and the Bosnian Genocides. Then we went on to Eastern Europe, which started my trip and ended my trip during the genocide course.

The first week we went to Poland. We were staying right next to the square in Krakow, where Steven and I did not want the opportunity to go searching for bars and restaurants. But the fun came a little bit later. We visited Auschwitz-Birkenau. This infamous death camp is massive. We walked for several hours and I still felt there was more to see. Walking the camp is emotionally difficult. Touring a place where millions were tortured and murdered is hard. Some people say that the hardest part is to walk into the gas chambers but I disagree.

The hardest part for me was seeing the room of human hair. When the Jews arrived at the camp the Nazis would cut all of their hair and repurpose it. This was to dehumanize them, by making everyone look the same. Being in a room filled with this physical representation of dehumanization was haunting. After Auschwitz-Birkenau my body felt drained and I thought I was getting sick, so I asked my professor if I could take a day off from being with the class. The next day the class went to the salt mines and I slept in.

But I decided to get out of bed at 10 a.m. and venture into the square to find food. I found this gorgeous little café that is known for being Vladimir Lenin’s favorite restaurant. I was outside facing the square and the weather was perfect. The sun shone down directly on the square, and the winter home reinvigorated me. I will never forget that moment, when I stopped thinking and just took in my surroundings.

The next step on our tour was Budapest. We were only there for one night, but we were able to take a tour of the city. It’s referred to as the Paris of the East, and for good reason. Every building I saw looked like a work of art. Each of those people had a life that was equally as important as my own. Every one of those people loved ones, memories and experiences. How can anyone truly understand the severity of murdering millions of people? This question ran through my thoughts for the remainder of the class.

When spring break came, we were off to Eastern Europe. We went to Poland, Hungary, Serbia, and Bosnia. This trip was eye-opening not only because we were able to go to the places we were studying, but because we got to interact with cultures that people do not typically think about travelling to meet. When I hear about people traveling to Europe or taking a semester to study abroad they usually go to Western Europe. It is rare to talk to people that have visited Bosnia or Serbia.

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Our time in Budapest was short, as we moved to Serbia. Our time in Serbia felt like a brief introduction. We were still spoke about genocide, but it was not as intense as Poland. On the second day in Serbia our professor introduced us to some friends he met on previous trips and they took us to a “cavanna,” which is a bar that plays Serbian music. The people were so welcoming. It felt like the cultural barriers were nonexistent, even though I couldn’t understand any of the lyrics.

The last place on our tour was Bosnia. We spent about five days in Sarajevo, touring the cities and going to museums. We were also able to speak to two people who were in Sarajevo when the genocide occurred. The genocide only occurred twenty years ago and the people have not yet healed. The art on the wall of the streets will remind you of this for the rest of your life.

My trip to Eastern Europe was a roller coaster of emotions. We were able to learn about genocide, but it’s hard not to have a good time exploring the world with your friends. There were moments that were dark, but there were times that were amazing that I was able to share with people I had grown close to.

By the end of the class, I was not the optimist who first walked through those Parker building doors. It was impossible for me to fully appreciate the world’s unimaginable capacity for cruelty. I was not the optimist who first walked through those Parker building doors. I was not the optimist who first walked through those Parker building doors. I was not the optimist who first walked through those Parker building doors. I was not the optimist who first walked through those Parker building doors.

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Winter break: Go big when you go home

By: Briania Walker

Shipping home for the holidays isn’t an option for most of us because we would never hear the end of it, right? Our families would tell stories for years about how we didn’t go home for that one Christmas break back in 2016. Going home for the holidays is inevitable, but it doesn’t have to be unbearable.

Either you can walk and be the person nobody wants to be around or you can enjoy your time back home. One of the ways you can make the best of your three weeks off is by getting out of the house and hanging out with old friends. It may seem weird and awkward to hang out with friends you probably haven’t talked to since August, but you are all in the same boat. Catching up with old friends and reliving friendships is one of the best things you could do during break.

Another way to make winter break enjoyable is to catch up on all the television you missed out on during the semester. During the school year, it can be hard to keep up with your favorite TV shows due to those pesky exams and papers. Perhaps you are a season behind in your favorite show due to all those organizational meetings you’ve been attending. You could have missed out on your favorite show because whenever you did sit down to watch your favorite TV show during the semester, you felt guilty because you had a 10 page paper due in a couple of hours. Whatever the reason may be, winter break gives everyone ample time to catch up on their favorite shows and binge watch for hours without feeling guilty.

Winter break is also a good time to do all the creative and fun things you wanted to do during the semester. It’s the perfect time to start that YouTube channel you have been talking about starting all semester. It’s also the perfect time to read that book you’ve wanted to read, or even give yourself that spa day you have been yearning for. Winter break is three weeks where you can focus on you and not school. It gives you a chance to leave school back in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. You can get all the little things you’ve been wanting to do outside of classes and work done.

Last, but not least, one of the most enjoyable things to do over winter break is make money. You can now go back to that part-time job you were working over the summer, or work full time over the break. Going back to work is a great way to reconnect with coworkers you haven’t talked to since summer. Plus, returning to campus with extra cash is a great way to start the new semester off.

Winter break can be a drag at times, due to having to adhere to parental rules and the lack of freedom, but it doesn’t have to be. As long as you can think of fun things that make you happy, this winter break can be one of the best breaks you’ve ever had from school.

Winter break is the perfect time to relax and recharge so you can come to school better than ever.

By: Rachael Hirstein

Rachael Hirstein is a senior Communications major

Winter break is almost a month long, and, for some, that is a long time to be away from books and school work. According to the Salisbury Post, it is common for students to show a drop in academic performance when they have been away from a classroom setting for a long time, so here is a list of tips, tricks and apps to keep your brain fired up over break.

Exercise

Exercise is good for the body and mind. According to Life Hack, even a 20 minute workout can benefit memory and cognitive processes. Any form of exercise will get blood circulating to the brain to increase alertness and processing functions.

Learnsomething new

The brain can stay active when presented with new stimuli. This means that learning something new, even something simple, can be beneficial to keeping a brain trained and aware. Life Hack stated that learning a new dance, like juju on that beat, can improve memory and challenge the brain to think in a different way.

Work your memory

According to the American Psychological Association, memory can be improved in many ways. Taking mental snapshot of where you leave things or making pneumatic devices for names and lists can improve your memory. Using technology to store notes and reminders also helps to keep track of tasks and events. You can start getting into the habit of over winter break. Staying positive and happy can also help improve your memory.

Apply with an app

Lumosity is a well-known brain training app that has been widely advertised on television. This app has a variety of games that test and strengthen different aspects of learning, such as memory, attention and problem solving. After completing three games, the app will give you an overall progress report called the Lumosity Performance Index. The app has free limited access to certain games and training, but you can upgrade to premium for $11.99 a month or $99.99 a year.

The app Fit Brains Trainer is a great way to fit in brain training. Fit Brains has games that test memory, problem solving and focus. After completing three games, the app will give you an overall progress report called the Lumosity Performance Index. The app has free limited access to certain games and training, but you can upgrade to premium for $11.99 a month or $99.99 a year for a lifetime subscription.

If you are concerned that your brain will be out of shape by next semester, then try out some of these techniques and start your brain training early.
By: Samantha Yorke

Samantha Yorke is an assistant director and success coach for the Office of Undergraduate Student Success at NSU. She earned her bachelor of science degree in psychology from the University of Central Florida and her master of science degree in higher education from Florida State University. Samantha is a proud Floridian with a passion for empowering others.

You may have heard that suicide rates spike during the month of December. For years, people have passed around this fact, but the statement is actually false. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), suicide rates are lowest in December and peak in the month of April. That being said, there are more sources for stress to surface.

How ready do you feel for finals this semester? To put your best foot forward with your exams and reduce the amount of stress you may have in preparing for them, consider the following tips.

Check your syllabus

Yes, that piece of paper you received on the first day of class. It may be the back of your folder or at the very least, on Blackboard. Review it. Make sure you have all the proper exam dates, notes and books as you begin to study for your final assignments. Write these dates down in a planner or calendar so you have all of the times and locations organized to a tee. The last thing you would want is to end up in the wrong classroom or show up to your exam on the wrong day...awkward.

Create a study schedule

Set aside time each day to focus on specific courses. During this time, you can review notes, read your text and practice example problems that have been giving you a hard time. Knowing you have an allotted amount of time in your schedule will ease tension when it comes to dedicating yourself to exams. If that one math course is your biggest worry, assign a specific time each day for looking at your math materials. If your study time is written in your planner, you may feel more inclined to follow up with your own appointment. Yes, this new schedule may interfere with that Netflix marathon you have been thinking about, but it’s totally worth it.

Talk to faculty

Check in with your professors to see if they have any tips or tricks for how to best study for their final exam. You may wish to schedule an appointment with your professor or go to their office hours to discuss the course in more detail. Your professors want you to succeed, so do not feel embarrassed taking advantage of the office hours set up specifically formousedown.

Talk to friends

Talking to your friends or classmates about your upcoming exam may bring you great relief. If you are worried about something, it is possible they are too. Discussing feelings, thoughts and ideas related to how to best succeed in a course is not only a great way to connect with others, but it may bring new study tips to your attention. If you enjoy studying with others, set up a time each week, or several times a week to meet up and prepare for a course together. You are more likely to grab coffee with your roommate if you set up a specific time and date rather than just talk about the idea of going. The same can be said for studying.

Use your resources

There are plenty of tools on campus that will assist you in finals week preparation. Contact a success coach at 954-262-8386 to schedule an appointment to help you get connected to resources that fit your needs across campus. NSU offers tutoring, library resources and more.

Stay motivated

Remember your goals at NSU and what you hoped to get out of your courses this semester. Find ways to motivate yourself to study, like creating your own reward system or celebrating your success with friends and family. Start your studying early and avoid last minute stress— you and your final grade will thank you later.

Good luck, Sharks.

By: Jenna Kopec

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“The myth is the narrative,” said Nierenberg. “The holidays are a mixed bag for most people. It’s a time of great happiness and you see your family and all that’s nice, but it’s also very stressful.”

With the tasks of gift shopping, visiting loved ones and finding the time and money to do it all, there are more sources for stress to surface.

Nierenberg said the use of social media could then bring about a bad case of FOMO, or the fear of missing out. He said that putting all of this together could lead to feeling upset. Therefore, the feeling that we often call the holiday blues is really a case of holiday stress.

So now what? Are we doomed to a holiday season wracked with more mixed emotions than grandma’s holiday travel mix? Not necessarily.

There are healthy coping mechanisms to help you deal with your holiday happenings.

Identify how your stress manifests

According to Nierenberg, in order to deal with stress, you need to identify what exactly is stressing you out. The easiest way to do that, he said, is to recognize when you aren’t quite yourself.

Nierenberg said that people usually experience stress in three ways: emotionally, cognitively and physically. As the names might suggest, emotional stress impacts your moods and emotions, cognitive stress involves a negative thought process and physical stress is expressed through the body, for example, through headaches or a change in sleep. Identifying how your stress manifests can help you avoid it.

Address the stress

Once you know what’s stressing you out, you can begin taking the steps to cope with it. If you’re stressed by something that is avoidable, that bad case of FOMO for instance, then avoid it. Nierenberg said if going on social media is contributing to your stress, then try going on it less.

He also said to cope with your stress based on how it manifests. Physical stress can be addressed by exercise or some form of movement. Speaking to your support network and expressing those feelings can address emotional stress. Cognitive stress can be addressed by balancing each negative thought with at least three positive ones.

Realize that feelings can coexist

Nierenberg said it’s important to look at situations as a big picture.

“If you’re feeling something, it doesn’t mean that’s the only thing,” he said. “So, just because you are stressed out doesn’t mean the joy is not there. The reverse is also true.”

If you’re feeling the pressure of the holiday season, you’re not the only one. But the good news about those “holiday blues” is that they don’t have to cancel out your seasonal joy.
Anyone who has a beard knows that if you want to keep it looking good, you have to touch it up quite often. Any Monday morning you might be waking on Wednesday, a buzzing on Friday. That’s a lot of time, effort, and product. But as aning as it can be to keep with grooming, imagine not being able to do it at all. Most cancer patients aren’t able to keep their hair because of their treatments. This is why 1, and many other men, participate in No-Shave November. We let our beards grow wild and free to raise awareness for various cancers and donate any money we would have used for grooming supplies to the No-Shave November non-profit organization for cancer research. Below is a chronicle of my journey through this very hectic month.

Day 1

I am off to a very bad start. Work and school have kept me busy to the point of sleeping in 30 minute increments in a corner of the library. I have left my beard neglected and mishapen. Over the course of the last month, it has grown to resemble the beginnings of a small forest. Scraggly underbrush has started to congregate under the nose so-well-formed line separating my from my neck. But I had been reminding myself every single day of the month: “Make sure you groom before November’s dooms.” I thought that something that cheery and juvenile would be easy enough to remember. But on Halloween, the one day of October I got to let loose and have fun, all sense of time escaped me. As I got home from my festivities, shuffled to the bathroom and clicked on my trusty clippers, I was ecstatic. I spent two hours perfectly under the not-so-well-formed line separating my face. I had to stand there in all at the same time. I feel like a Sasquatch that has not yet fully grown. Sure, I’m ridiculed and laughed at now but when I’m fully grown… I’ll be ridiculed and laughed at even more. I’m pretty sure a few people will be terrified. When I tried using my headphones after earlier, they got caught in my sideburns. I had to stand there in the library quad untangling them from my face for 10 minutes. How is that even possible? I’m growing quite better about choosing this path. The end of November isn’t far off. I have been owing my, changing my clippers, sharpening my scissors, and mixing my mustache wax. And as millions of other scraggly men around the globe also prepare to do battle with their, I know you feel just as good as I do.

By: Adam DeRoss

Jeweliana Register

With the holidays upon us, generosity is in the air and holiday shopping is on the rise. With organizational and family holiday parties ahead, shoppers must find the perfect gift for everyone on their list. Gift exchanges are probably on the horizon. You may be wondering how exactly to gift like Santa, but on a budget. The good news is that for these exchanges you can, and should, bring a gift that is under the student’s budget. Here is a roundup of some of the best gifts on a budget, brought to you by Pinnearre.

Gifts under $10

Festive and fuzzy socks: Fuzzy, Christmas-themed socks are on display at Walmart beginning in October, so finding them should not be too difficult. These socks make a great gift for men and women alike, and you can get them for just a dollar. A pair of socks is always an option. For this DIY, all you’ll allow them to punch in the code at any Redbox and rent a movie for free. To tie this gift together, Pinterest users suggest writing a note that says, “We love you,” “We’ve missed you,” “We miss you” and “you’re never our New Year’s Eve party.”

Confidence booster: For this gift you’ll need only a few things: a lip balm of some kind, the candy of your choice, a small gift bag, a ribbon and a tag. This may be one of the easiest gifts of all. Pour some candy into the bag and put the lip balm inside. Then, simply write, “You’re the balm,” on your gift tag, attach it with the ribbon and your gift is complete.

Life decision guide: If you are into funny gag gifts, this might be the gift idea for you. For this gift, you’ll need a box, a rock, a piece of paper, scissors and a label. Decorate the outside of the box with the words “tools for making major life decisions” or “_____’s decision-making guide” and place the items inside. Your literal rock, paper, scissors game is complete and ready to be gifted.

Gifts under $20

Caffeine basket: Coffee is something that most people can agree is necessary to get through the week. Some may even argue that they’d kill a coffee IV to keep them going. This coffee gift basket is perfect for any caffeine lover on your list. To make this gift, you’ll need a basket, candy canes, coffee and a mug or cup. Depending on how your gift receiver makes their coffee, the coffee can be either a bag of grounds or a box of Keurig K-Cups. Starbucks, Dunkin’ Donuts and Publix, to name a few, have holiday blends of coffee in this basket. You can also find festive mugs at Starbucks, T.J. Maxx or Marshalls.

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Week 2

The nightmares have begun. They always begin the same way. I’m standing at my bathroom mirror, eager to finally slice the monotony I call my beard off of my chin. But then, the beast awakens, grabs my hand and swallows the clippers whole. Nothing can stop it. Even not even my Remington. I wake up screaming, only to realize that it was just a dream. Then, I put my hand to my face, and it brushes against the beard in the darkness. The screams begin again. It’s not over. It’s never over. At least not until Nov. 30 anyway. But that might as well be forever because as bad as things are now, they can only get worse.

Week 3

This Monday was an exciting occasion. I was to be an actor in SPJ’s murder mystery dinner. My character was Luis Caglilasto, an Italian student “suspected” of being in the mafia. I was ecstatic. I spent two hours perfectly pressing my jet-black suit and ocean-blue dress shirt the night before. I shined my shoes and buffed off all the scratches. I prepared my thickest and most authentic New York Italian accent. I clipped a rose and placed it gingely into my breast pocket. And to top it all, I dusted off my old trusty costume fedora and posed on the head with the perfect tilt. Everything was set in place, and I was ready to play my role. As I walked into work in the morning, my excitement getting the best of me, suddenly it all came crashing down. As my coworker turned around in her chair, I was expecting compliments on the suit, the hat and the attention to detail of my character. But the words that actually escaped her lips were, “Why are you dressed as an Amish person?” Curse this beard. I can’t wait for the day I can finally chop it off. Or at least go it with some trimmers.

Week 4

As the end of No-Shave November draws nearer and my clippers grow more anxious, things have gotten a little easier to cope with. All of my friends and coworkers have started accepting the beard as it is, cracking jokes about growing a mustache for the winter. And I’ve grown quite attached to it as well. Everything below the chin has definitely got to go on Dec. 1, but the rest has been welcomed on my face. Knowing what this journey has represented and that the money I donate is going to a good cause makes me feel even better about choosing this path. The end of November isn’t far off. I have been sharing my, changing my clippers, sharpening my scissors, and mixing my mustache wax. And as millions of other scraggly men around the globe also prepare to do battle with their, I know you feel just as good as I do.

By: Adam DeRoss

Secret Santa and white elephant holiday gift guide

Week 1

Good news and bad news. The good news is that the scraggliness has finally grown in growing, too. I’m still an uneven mess, and I can feel the piercing eyes of my fellow students fixed on my face as I walk past. I feel their judgments, their shame and their sympathy all at the same time. I feel like a Sasquatch that has not yet fully grown. Sure, I’m ridiculed and laughed at now but when I’m fully grown… I’ll be ridiculed and laughed at even more. I’m pretty sure a few people will be terrified. When I tried using my headphones after earlier, they got caught in my sideburns. I had to stand there in the library quad untangling them from my face for 10 minutes. How is that even possible? I’m growing quite better about choosing this path. The end of November isn’t far off. I have been owing my, changing my clippers, sharpening my scissors, and mixing my mustache wax. And as millions of other scraggly men around the globe also prepare to do battle with their, I know you feel just as good as I do.
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Five years after the final Harry Potter film premiered, a new film set in the Potter universe has crept, crawled, scrambled and flown onto the screen. “Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them” premiered on Nov. 18, starring Eddie Redmayne, directed by David Yates and written by J.K. Rowling.

This prequel to the eight Harry Potter films, while suffering from inconsistent pacing and narrative issues, is a magical suitcase filled with phenomenal characters, world-building and themes that will delight both new and old and average moviegoers to unpack. It also happens to be the best movie set in the wizarding world so far.

In the 1920s, British wizard Newt Scamander, played by Redmayne, arrives in New York City with a suitcase full of magical creatures. But, as often happens during international travel, he loses his luggage. With the help, and sometimes interference, of non-wizard canning factory employee Jacob, magical congress employee Tina and her coffee-fetching sister Queenie, Newt searches for his creatures as they wreak havoc on the streets. Unfortunately for Newt, the beasts that escaped his case are far less dangerous than the dark forces and individuals already loose in New York City.

“Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them” is aesthetically dazzling. The magical effects, the different locations in the city and the design of the beasts are all wonderfully and fascinatedly executed. Standout designs include a wintry Central Park, the furry creature Pickett and a smoky, destructive force called Obscurus. The visual innovation alone sets this film apart.

The performances of the cast are similarly unique. Redmayne’s Newt is singularly quirky. From the character’s awkward walk and his inability to look other characters in the eye to his relationship with his creatures, Redmayne has created a cinematic peculiarity who can still carry an emotional scene with believability.

Katherine Waterston as Tina also shows emotional prowess while displaying a strength of character and driver. Alison Sudol’s Queenie is a dynamic and fun performance to watch. Daniel Fogler as Jacob steals every shot with his warmth and heart, and he provides realistic comic relief.

Despite the lightness in these characters bringing to the film, “Fantastic Beasts…” is the darkest film in the wizarding universe. The psychological warfare played between the Second Salemers, an anti-wizard group that relies heavily upon the assistance of children to spread their message, as well as the wizard congress, brings up more complex political and social themes than previous films.

Additionally, the methods employed by the wizard congress are severe and ruthless. Colin Farrell’s character Graves and Ezra Miller’s character Credence, as well as other characters among the wizard congress and the Second Salemers, herald a refreshing moral and psychological darkness new to the Harry Potter film franchise.

Fortunately, the core characters, although often played for laughs, are given enough moments of levity to somewhat bridge the gap between the darker and lighter sections of the film. However, viewers will still experience whiplash. For too much of the film, the lighter storylines and the heavier storylines are disconnected, leading to a final showdown that will leave the audience wondering how all of these characters and their motivations relate to each other.

The lack of developed backstories, which will certainly be explored in the four sequels, causes even avid fans to question the characters’ places in the larger story and detracts from the mostly-steady-ending of “Fantastic Beasts.”

Pacing also could have been steadier. Long segments, like the exploration of Newt’s case, drag the film’s progress.

Despite these issues, “Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them” resums Rowling’s wizarding phenomenon as a film made for the screen, not for fans of a book. While the story is confusing at times and viewers who are unfamiliar with the book will not understand the narrative significance of certain name-drops, the characters and visuals carry the heart of the film. Though strange creatures abound, “Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them” is far from beastly.

Kick off the new year in South Florida style

By: Melanie Chapilliquen

New York City is known for its tradition of bringing in the New Year with the famous ball drop in Times Square, but what does South Florida got? An orange with sunglasses. If big New Year’s Eve parties aren’t your style, traditional firework shows can be found all around South Florida. Some of the most well-known locations have been highly publicized. Be aware though, these places are open to the public and parking can become a hassle. Plan accordingly and enjoy the sights South Florida has to offer.

Bayfront Park: 301 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, FL 33132
South Miami Beach: Ocean Drive and Ninth Street, Miami
Gulfstream Park: 11615 S. Dixie Highway, Hallandale Beach, FL 33009
Fort Lauderdale Beach: Between SW 2nd Street and 4th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale
Rave with Skrillex

Raise your fists, and pump to the beat. One of the world’s most recognized DJs, Skrillex, will be joining South Florida this upcoming new year. Rave to the newest EDM beats at LIV nightclub. Dance around, rave and bring in the new year with music that will beat in your ears hours after the event has ended.

Pop with Justin Bieber

Love him or hate him, he always brings the party. The Bieber will be live at Fontainebleau Miami Beach starting at 8 p.m. to ring in the new year. It is sure to be a blast and Fontainebleau is known to produce some amazing fireworks when the clock strikes 12.

Get dazzled with a firework show

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By: Adam DeRoss

2016 has seen the resurgence of a famous French television advertiser. He’s small, he’s yellow, and he’s a puppet man. His name is Flat Eric, and, starting with Levi’s ads in 1999, he’s been featured in numerous commercials, music videos and television shows. In the original ads, he would cruise around in a car with his friend blasting his theme song “Flat Beat.” Both the puppet and the song are creations of French filmmaker and house music producer Quentin Dupieux, better known by his stage name Mr. Oizo. The ad campaign was a huge success and Flat Eric and his theme song became very popular, allowing Oizo to expand his music career.

Since 1999, Dupieux has produced six studio albums with Flat Eric as his advertiser and front-man. His most recent release on Sept. 30, “All Wet,” still sustains the unique sound of Oizo. Unfortunately, it feels unfinished with only about half of the album actually offering quality content.

Dupieux’s experimental style of house music tends to coincide with the puppet he loves so dearly. His music has a distinct cartoony and goofy twang to it, mixed with the staple drum and cymbal samples paired with vocal cutting. Oizo and Skrillex clash on this drop. The repetitive melody stays relatively fresh over the course of the song by using different sounds to produce its pattern.

Dupieux features French raper Phra. This groovy, catchy tune is reminiscent of something you might hear at a French disco in the 80s. It’s a great cut, but it’s disappointing because it lasts all of 90 seconds.

While the first half of the album is vibrant and creative, the second half immediately drops in quality. It’s like Dupieux ran out of time and hastily threw lower quality content onto the record so it would retain full album status.

“My One You Buy” fails to match the quality and creativity of the first half of the album. They still sound like Oizo songs, but they aren’t very good ones. The cut “Chain” consists of squeaky horns and deep growls that are familiar sounds to fans, but there is no variety in the track and it continues to drone on incessantly for two and a half minutes. “Hand in the Fire” features some nice vocals from Charli XCX, but, for some inescapable reason, the instrumentation on the album version of this track is completely different from the stellar music video and single version. Gone are the catchy and melodic variety of percussion instruments like drums, glockenspiels and steel drums backed by the fast flowing lyrics. Instead, the album strips the track of everything that made it interesting and leaves only very simple and repetitive phaser sounds and snare.

One of the biggest problems with the record is that these lackluster tracks are, for the most part, full three minute cuts, while some of the best material from the first half only lasts for about half that. For example, “No Tony” should be longer than these tracks since it actually sounds good, but it isn’t.

While the record keeps Mr. Oizo’s sound alive, it leaves much to be desired. The first half of the album brings well-thought-out, catchy and interesting content to the listener, but it’s too way over too quickly, and the drumming, effortless tracks from the second half only serve to drown it out. The themes, collabing, experimental style and, of course, promotional material using the lovable Flat Eric still being a lot of charm and value to the package. Unfortunately, this full album should really be an EP when half of its content falls almost as flat as Eric.

Jenna Kupiec, features editor, said “Miracle on 34th Street,” 1947 and 1994
Grace stole my answer, so I’m going to go with “Miracle on 34th Street.” I like feel-good films in general, but the way Kris Kringle changes the life of Doris and Susan Walker is truly unforgettable. The movie starts off with two people who don’t believe in holiday spirit or Santa Claus, which is particularly heartbreaking in little Susan Walker, but ends with a whole lot of heartwarming feelings. What’s great about this movie is the storyline, which is purported beautifully in both the 1947 Natalie Wood original and the 1994 Mara Wilson remake.

Jazmine Lytle, co-editor in chief, said “The Santa Clause,” 1994
When I think of holiday movies, I think of Freeloader’s, formerly ABC’s, 25 Days of Christmas movie marathon. I love all Christmas movies, but I always look forward to “The Santa Clause.” With two subsequent films, the first will always remain the best. Tim Allen is thrown into the role of Santa when he accidentally startles the former Santa, causing him to fall from the roof to his death. My favorite part is getting to see the North Pole. The elves and their workshop, the cozy cabin and the warm hot chocolate will put anyone in the holiday spirit.

Aidan Rivay, visual design assistant, said “Elf,” 2003
“Elf” is the classic Christmas film starring Will Ferrell. The movie is check full of quirk comedy and wacky hijinks as an elf that doesn’t belong finds happiness in the Big Apple. The movie is a great watch in general, not just for the holidays, and my favorite Will Ferrell movie.

Steven Wang, opinions editor, said “Home Alone 3,” 1997
I’m going to have to say “Home Alone 3.” Don’t get me wrong, I liked the first two movies, and Macaulay Culkin was hilarious, but the third film’s story and traps were just a bit more over-the-top and hilarious than the ones from the first two movies. You can’t beat the charm of the original wet bandits, but a group of imbecile terrorists got toyed around with by a nine-year-old—an act in its own right. Four wanted criminals working for a North Korean terrorist versus one kid who seems to have way more technical knowledge than he’s supposed to is just the right amount of crazy for me to sit back and enjoy. I know the movie isn’t very popular with most of the fans of the series, but I found the shift refreshing and since it was one of the first “Home Alone” movies I watched, it has a special place in my heart.

Morgan Thur, business manager, said “The Santa Clause,” 1994
I absolutely love all things Christmas, so it’s hard picking just one favorite movie. I love all of “The Santa Clause” movies and I remember watching all the movies with my family growing up, even making special trips to see the new releases in theaters. Tim Allen plays Scott Allen, a man who accidentally kills Santa Claus and has to take his place. It never fails to make me laugh and get into the holiday spirit.

Ben Underhill, arts and entertainment editor, said “Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer,” 1964
This oldie is always a classic around the holidays. Narrated by Sam the Snowman, 25 Days of Christmas movie marathon essential follows the misadventure of lovable Rudolph, a reindeer whose nose lights up bright red, and his friends Hermey, an elf who wants to be a dentist, and Yukon Cornelius, a prospector. Finding themselves in the company of the Abominable Snowman, misfit toys and even Santa Claus himself, the characters in this movie are heartwarming and fun. Whenever I hear the tune of the Misfit Toys or the classic song “Silver & Gold,” it instantly brings back some pretty great childhood memories.

Danielle Pucillo, multimedia editor, said “Home Alone,” 1990
My favorite movie by far is “Home Alone.” I grew up watching this film in the Pucillo household of ordering a cheese pizza and watching the movie the night before Christmas. It’s a great family-friendly movie that still has humor adults will appreciate. On top of that, Joe Pesci’s performance is fantastic. It’s a classic 90s throwback that will be ever-present on our living room shelf, an ancient VHS tape that has been rewound again and again over many Christmases.
January is creeping around the corner, and that means that your attempts to better yourself are too. As we march through December singing holiday carols and eating cookies by the dozen, many of us are trying to decide what our New Year’s resolution will be. But be honest, no one really wants to keep them.

Resolutions are just aithills we use so that we can make “new year, new me” Instagram posts before going right back to our old habits on Feb. 1. The tricky part, however, is figuring out how to make sure you lose the resolution. You don’t want to accidentally better yourself in the process of trying to be trendy and gain street cred.

Here are three surefire ways to make sure you don’t keep that resolution.

Choose the impossible

If you want to make sure your resolution will fail, pick the impossible. If you fail, which you want to, you can chalk up your failure to the fact that you’re a dreamer and optimist. Decide that you’re going to hit the gym five times a week as a full-time student with a job and three internships. Or maybe say that you are going to complete the entire Paula Deen cookbook without using a single stick of butter. There are plentiful realistic goals to choose from, so don’t be afraid to get creative.

Don’t plan

Many people say that if you want to succeed, you have to plan for it. So, if you don’t want to succeed, don’t plan. This should be easy since most resolution-ers don’t like to plan anyway. Pick your impossibility and then, once you take that first pic, don’t do anything. Just sit back and watch your resolution crumble like all the cookies you were eating at the beginning of this article.

Befriend an enabler

It’s important to realize that sometimes New Year’s resolutions can overcome us. The idea of seeing a reward for all the work that we put in can sometimes inspire us to try and keep our resolutions. For that reason, take the precautionary measure of befriending an enabler. This is any person who tells you to do something that you aren’t really supposed to do, but really want to do. This friend will politely suggest skipping the gym just tonight or adding just a half stick of butter to that recipe. And you’ll listen. Thanks to the power of friendship, you will likely be added to the list of rejects of New Year’s Past.

So, don’t let the thought of self-improvement and good vibes taint this holiday season. With these tips, you’re sure to march into and away from your New Year’s resolution in no time.
Faceoff: Black Friday

By: Brianna Walker

For

Black Friday brings us together

For some, Black Friday is a consummated holiday that causes nothing but crazy lines, ridiculous fights over toys and trips to the hospital. However, for others, like myself, Black Friday is an amazing holiday filled with magical deal hunters and memories to last a lifetime.

Black Friday strengthens bonds between friends and family. Whenever my family shops on Black Friday, we make a plan before we go to the stores. This usually takes place after Thanksgiving dinner, when we are all huddled in the living room, looking at ads from various stores. During these times we will designate jobs. For example, two people might be appointed to retrieve the TVs, while another two will get the cameras. Teamwork makes the dream work on Black Friday.

Sure, some people get turned off by the possibility of rowdy crowds and violence on Black Friday, but I love shopping with my family and parading around the mall at 2 a.m. There will, of course, be customers who want nothing more than to snatch the last of the 40 inch TVs from your hands. However, when you have friends and family backing you up, you will be less likely to get into one of the classic Black Friday brawls while shopping. Traveling in groups is key to a successful Black Friday.

Plus, it’s always more fun to shop with a friend. The competitive nature of Black Friday is really fun to indulge in. There is nothing like the adrenaline rush from waiting in line with hundreds of others as the doors to a store open, talking about the great deals with the people around you in line and making the mad dash inside to your heart’s most desired items. Black Friday is one of the only holidays where competitiveness is not only allowed but accepted. You get the best of both worlds during this time of year: Thanksgiving, when you can come together as a family and be thankful, and Black Friday, when you can let your aggressive side take charge and get everything you want.

There are also the more obvious reasons to love Black Friday: the deal buster prices. Black Friday has some of the best deals of the year, and, for a college student, buying a 45 inch TV for $440 instead of $250 is a steal. Who doesn’t need a larger TV? And, the money that you saved during Black Friday could be used for better purposes. College students are typically poor, and using Black Friday as a way to get the things you need and to stop up on presents is smart. Racing down store aisles, squeezing between people and knocking down displays for the perfect present is worth it when you see your loves ones’ faces light up.

Black Friday is a day when dreams come true, families come together and your competitive nature can be used to hunt down the perfect gifts for loved ones. Additionally, it burns off the weight gained after eating a huge Turkey dinner. While the employees have to do their best to maintain order. It’s a heavy toll on the body and mind and leaves everyone exhausted by the end of the day.

Black Friday does have deeper effects than just the risk of injury. Black Friday warps people’s mindsets. Thanksgiving is supposed to be a holiday celebrating coming together and family, but this one day turns all of it into a no-holds-barred cage match over a flat-screen TV or some other commodity. It doesn’t help that some stores start Black Friday on the Thursday before so people will be together at the table one moment, then immediately take off for the shopping centers in a fit of frenzy for discounts and bargains.

Black Friday turns groups of calm and happy people into discount-hungry animals. The very environment of Black Friday makes people overextend and over-shop. The deals and promises of discounts entice people to things they normally wouldn’t spend money on. It doesn’t matter how expensive the original item was as long as it’s on sale, right? Many of these excessive items inevitably end up being returned in the days following the craze when the shoppers come back to their senses.

While Black Friday may seem great on paper, its implications aren’t. Black Friday is a chaotic show of smoke and mirrors that baits people until they realize there’s nothing behind the veil. Black Friday is something that should not continue any longer.

- Sarah Katz, junior business major

- Mia Kowales, senior psychology major

- Tessa McKenzie, junior psychology major

- David Samame, sophmore psychology major

- Marco Yacouv, freshman biology major

Against

The black sheep of holidays

By: Steven Wang

Ah, Black Friday: the only time of year when being part of an angry mob is considered socially acceptable and no one will question why you’re in front of the doors of Target at 3 a.m. Black Friday has become a U.S. tradition, but is it really one that we should keep around?

Behind the veil of 50 percent off discounts and door buster deals, Black Friday has a rather tired aura. The website blackfridaydooms.com recorded seven deaths and 98 injuries from 2006 to 2014 in Black Friday-related events. In 2008, a Walmart employee was trampled to death in New York City. The same year, two men shot each other at a Toys “R” Us in California and in 2011, a woman pepper-sprayed 10 people over a video game sale.

Black Friday is a risk to both shoppers and employees. There’s also the physical and mental stress of the event. Shoppers either wait all night or get up extremely early to rush to the doors of the stores for sales. The employees are forced to do likewise and have to deal with the oncoming onslaught of the mob of crazed shoppers. The shoppers themselves have to then essentially fight through waves of other shoppers in order to make it through the event, while the employees have to do their best to maintain order. It’s a heavy toll on the body and mind.

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- Karris Kuback, first year psychometry student

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- “I think the Shark Shuttle is alright. It’s pretty cool. My only issue I have with it is that occasionally it’s hard to track. I have the next bus app, and sometimes it doesn’t know where the buses are and I need to be somewhere, but other than that, once you’re on the bus, it’s fine.”
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