

THE MAYORAL DEBATE

Wherein supremacy is just a few words away

WHITNEY HODGINS, SENIOR REPORTER

THIS OCTOBER 6TH, Brandon University students and the public came together to witness the Mayoral Debate. This debate was put on by the Political Science Club with President Scott Hagh as the driving force to organize and promote interest in city politics.

The main issue discussed was the devastating flood that happened this past year and how to better prepare for the flood of 2015. It may affect the infrastructure as well as economy. This discussion included the golf course that back in 2011 was hit hard by the floods. Now that same golf course has been struck again by the devastating flood waters. So during the debate the public

asked the candidates about the golf course issue. Shari Decter-Hirst replied, "We will leave that to the people, if they wish to sell it then we as City Hall will sell it, if you choose to keep it we will fund it for repairs."

Following that was a lot of talk on the emergency services in Brandon, noting that emergency services are some of the top paid employees in the country. However, Brandon's emergency personnel make approximately half of what a Lethbridge or Red Deer emergency personnel employee makes. With pay being half of other emergency services, negotiations

for pay are usually made, due to the personnel being unable to strike. "Just recently a deal has been struck that there would be a 2% increase in funding which when we have a tax revenue growth of 3% each year, that's pretty good in terms of

stone roof is always needing repairs and they are funding these repairs through the accommodation tax fund. There are also pools at the Sportsplex which have been neglected for the past few years due to the focus on flooding and keeping the

ing this November and we are hoping to implement it into the 2015 budget."

Along with these major concepts was the housing shortage issues in Brandon. As a student it can be hard to find a place when your going to school, and it becomes even more difficult if you have kids and a family to care for. Just recently the city has bought land by Fleming School and they plan to make housing for students with families, so that they can take their families with them while studying.

There was also talk about the infrastructure and John Paul Jacobson brought about the idea of removing the 8th and 18th street bridges. He also wants to reroute the railways to be placed on the outskirts of the city. This he believes will promote more green space for recreational activities as well as unite Brandon's North and South ends.

But only one can win and it's up to us to choose the next Mayor. So be sure to vote October 22nd for the candidate you believe is worthy to be the mayor of Brandon. Remember if you wish to vote there will be voting stations at City Hall for the advanced poll on October 8th and 16th as well as one at the Keystone Center in Salon A on the 18th. Voting stations will also be set up on BU Campus in the Mingling Area October 22nd. See you all there! §



Your four contenders for the crown. Photo credit Whitney Hodgins.

trying to keep economic inflation down," explained Rick Chrest.

Not only were emergency services noticed but there was also a question of whether there should be programs put in place for complaints and grievances in the city as well as a community watch program. This is because some people believe that today's police are more authoritarian and militaristic in terms of how they control a situation when the main purpose of an officer was to maintain peace. One of the ways to lower the crime rate is through recreational facilities and activities.

Recreation is a big part of the city as much as anything. For instance, the Key-

city dry. Also brought to light was combining resource and information centres into "one stop shops" for those new to the community, seeking places to stay, where to find work and other basic things. This idea is to help facilitate and make things easier. Rick Chrest commented, "I would be interested in getting a facility or at least look into getting a facility put up that can do this."

Shari Decter-Hirst also has been working with the city in regards to Green Space, "this master plan is to look at all the green space within the city of Brandon and to use the green space for recreational use if possible. There will be a meet-



Breast Cancer... *not just a disease of older women*

Shanna (Shan) Larsen was only 24 when she lost her life to breast cancer



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SEND SILENCE PACKING

The precursor to World Mental Health Day

WHITNEY HODGINS, SENIOR REPORTER

ON OCTOBER 8TH, the BU courtyard was littered with backpacks. BUABS put on a display called Send Silence Packing, a precursor to the World Mental Health day walk happening October 10th. It's about mental health, suicide and the stigma that surrounds these issues.

This display is to make people see that they are not alone in their struggle. Like being kicked out of your apartment, not being able to afford milk, failing a paper or test, any of these things can keep them locked in their depression. If you are ever feeling alone or even thinking of harming yourself you can contact all of the numbers the display offered. You can feel safe talk-

ing to someone knowing that its completely anonymous and confidential.

For students, you can contact Student Services and they have all the resources you need, including counsellors on hand to listen and be that neutral party to help you cope. If you are going through a crisis you can go there at anytime and they will get you in as soon as possible.

"Right now statistics show that one in every three seriously consider suicide or harming themselves. Like talking to my son whose 15, he tells me friends talk to each other creating plans to harm themselves and agree that the person they tell will not tell an adult. That's scary." Explains BUABS President Krystal Kayne. "Some people think the person sitting next to them doesn't have a mental health issue when in

fact they probably do. So everyone goes through stress, everyone has those rough times. So know that you are not alone and that help is available and that you are not going to be looked down upon."

Its not just about being told you are not alone. It is also to make people recognize what you see is not just someone asking for attention. What it really is, is someone asking for help but is too afraid, due to the thought they will be looked down upon or shamed, This prevents them from asking.

So if you are struggling to get by or that you find your having trouble coping, you can contact Sandy McMaster, a counsellor at Student Services at 204-727-9779. You can also call the Manitoba Suicide Line at toll free 1-877-435-7170. §

FREE TEXTBOOKS

More money for frivolous things

KRISTA MILLS, REPORTER

EVERY SEMESTER WE head to the bookstore, wondering just how much textbooks are going to set us back this semester. If you're lucky, you might be able to find a used copy. However, this is a small victory, only saving you ten to twenty dollars, at which point a shiny new textbook looks much more appealing. At least no one has sneezed on your new textbook.

As students, we all dream of the day we won't have to pay for textbooks, and that day may be sooner than you think. Some publishers are now offering free textbooks. Bookboon is one of these companies. Since 2005 Bookboon has been focused on providing ebooks that are 100% free. They offer over 1,000 ebooks in seven languages which are available for direct download from their website and have had over 42 million downloads per year.

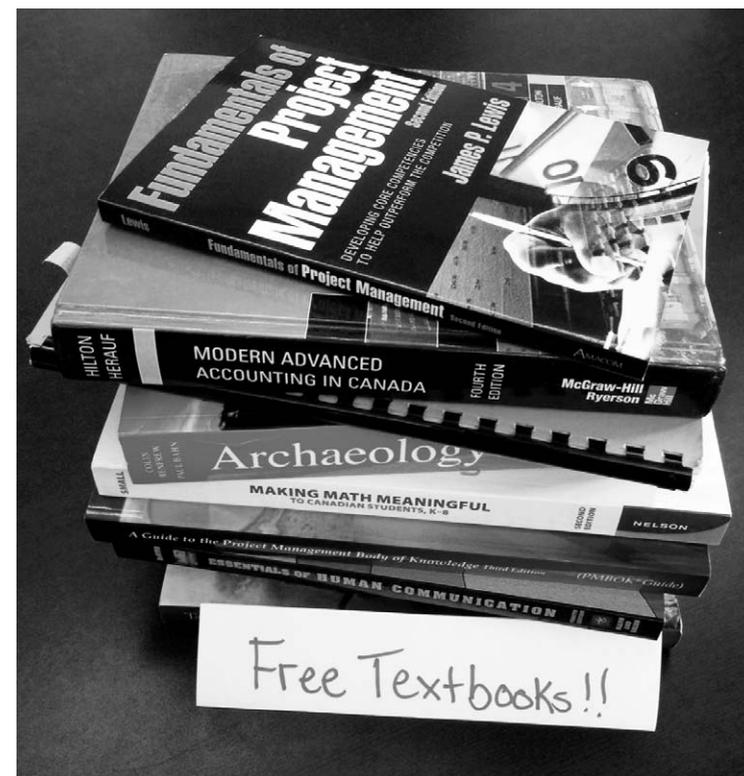
We've all been there and know just how much textbooks cost, with such a profitable industry it almost seems too good to be true that Bookboon is able to provide textbooks free of charge. This is made possible through the financing of high quality ads

which are provided by companies intending to recruit students who will be using these textbooks. Some of the companies which provide funding include: Microsoft, Procter and Gamble, as well as Ikea.

We asked History student Carmen Miedema what she thought of the free textbook movement. "I think it is a brilliant idea. Textbooks cost way too much and they are heavy, plus most sit on our shelves for the rest of our careers. PDF's are more environmentally friendly and better for a student's physical health (less back pain). Plus [even] if they charged a few dollars for PDF's like they do for iTunes it would be easier for students to afford them."

Currently many of the textbooks of-

fered by Bookboon are heavily focused on business, engineering as well as IT and programming, there isn't much representation for the arts. However, if free textbooks are to become the norm they have to start somewhere. §



Not actually free, will accept livestock for books. Photo credit Krista Mills.

CYBERPOCALYPSE

Finally a good excuse for a late paper

JENNA VALIQUETTE, REPORTER

Chaos. Just as midterms were kicking off, the worst possible crisis imaginable happened: the BU network failed. Agonizing screams echoed throughout the library as stressed out students realized the printers were no longer an option. Dozens of keyboards were slammed in frustration as people realized the school's website was out of commission. Profs of all faculties faced the overwhelming struggle of assignments being emailed to them, yet not being able to open the files. It even messed up the key locks on the main doors of resi-

dences, inconveniencing the security personnel as they had to manually open the doors instead of having a security panel behind their desk.

This conundrum lead to the realization of just how much we all rely on technology in all aspects of our lives, and just how much of a culture shock it is to be deprived of these systems.

University-wide mayhem broke loose over just a small computer glitch, which our IT department has been working dedicatedly to fix and prevent; so determined, they were unavailable to comment on the situa-

tion at hand. According to more than one faculty member, the outage was caused by two hardware components breaking, followed immediately by another. They then had to wait for parts.

Luckily, things are mostly back under control... For the time being. But what if it happens again? Will it force students to.. Gasp... Purchase their own printers?! Hand in assignments by hand... And on time?! More on this developing outbreak to come next week. §

BOBCATS WINNING STREAK!**“More pressure! More Pressure” - Gil Cheung**

WHITNEY HODGINS, SENIOR REPORTER

THE MEN'S BASKETBALL team came sweeping in for the first three preseason games, winning all three! Here's what went down:

October 9th, 2014- BU Bobcats (91) vs. AU Thunderbirds (72):

Star Players:

- 3 – Kenonte Ramsay (22 points)
- 8 – Earl Thompson Jr. (22 points)
- 2 – DJ Jordan (17 points)

October 10th, 2014 – BU Bobcats (94) vs. Acadia Axemen (85):

Star Players:

- 11 – A. M. Benabdelhak (27 points)
- 2 – DJ Jordan (22 points)
- 8 – Earl Thompson Jr. (19 points)

October 11th, 2014 – BU Bobcats (70) vs. Acadia Axemen (66):

Star Players:

- 3 – Kenonte Ramsay (16 points)
- 2 – DJ Jordan (13 points)
- 8 – Earl Thompson Jr. (11 points). §

BU WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNEY**Trouble before the season starts**

ROBERT KILLAM, REPORTER

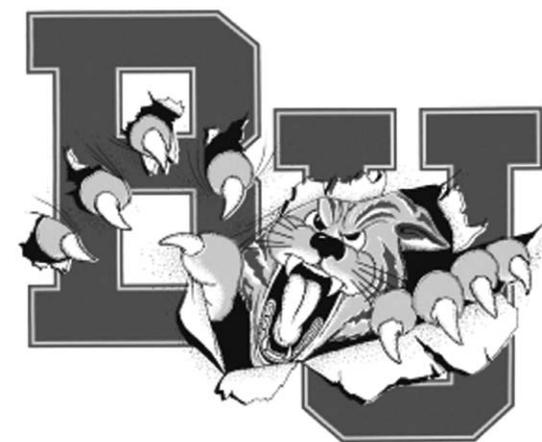
IT PROVED TO be a tough start for the women's basketball team, as they held the pre-season tournament here in Brandon last weekend and lost all three of their games. The girls played well and worked hard throughout the tournament. It was never a dull moment watching basketball, and the girls proved this as one could hear the cheering for them with every 3-point shot they made, every rebound they won, and every time they stole the ball out of mid-air, surprising their opponents.

The Bobcats played games against the University of Manitoba, University of Winnipeg and the University of Regina. Points were high on all sides of the tournament.

The closest score the girls had to winning was 62-67 while the worst score they had was 59-82. The team's leading scorers were Mikaela Stanton with 39 points (20 of which were scored in one game) and Aleah Bridges having 28 points. These two guards played well and were extremely entertaining to watch as they could be seen hustling down to both ends of the court, aiming for the basket or running down the opposition.

The strategies and plays the team used proved to be less effective than desired against the other universities. That's not to say the plays didn't work (as often points were scored by the girls on some shots from long distance) just that mistakes were occasionally made in the execution and their rivals were able to capitalize on the faults.

It was an entertaining tournament to behold and I hope that the girls are able to make a come back in their next game against the Bisons held in Winnipeg. They will be playing games on October 10th, 11th and 12th in Winnipeg. There are more games later in the month also but the girls next home game will be the 31st of October against Lethbridge. Good luck in the future ladies; may the odds be ever in your favour. §

**BOBCAT: THE UNSUNG HERO****Because every university needs its own superhero!**

ASHLYN PEARCE, REPORTER

I'M SURE MANY of you have walked past him and given him no thought. It's likely that you know he's there, but have you ever really taken a chance to get to know Bobcat? Bobcat lives during the day on his pedestal outside of the MacKenzie Building and the John E. Robbins Library. He showcases his fearsome attributes in hopes to deter wrongdoers from committing unsavory acts.

His day-life is overall pretty tame, just like every other superhero. He watches the staff and students in Kavanagh Courtyard, enjoys watching the passing of the

seasons (even though it gets pretty cold in the winter!) and he also really likes hearing tidbits of conversations as he is a bit of a gossipmonger and likes to keep up with what's going on.

During the night however Bobcat comes to life. He silently wanders the campus grounds, protecting our facilities and its patrons from anything that might happen! Have you ever had something go missing, and in the morning you were able to find it again or someone knew where it was? You have Bobcat to thank for that. Returning lost items, making sure that the students taking night classes are safe on their venture home, and many

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RECORD SALE**Vinyl means cool**

JENNA VALIQUETTE, REPORTER

IF YOUR MUSIC collection has been sounding a little dull lately, the annual fall Record and Music Sale may be just what you need to spruce it up a little! Swing by 1428 Louise Avenue between 11 AM and 5 PM on Sunday, October 26th and check out the collection! The event is held at the Park Community Centre, featuring collectors and music sellers from Brandon and area.

With everything from vinyl and CDs to posters and memorabilia, there's bound to be something for everyone! There will be over 20 tables featuring music of all kinds, such as rock, pop, blues, jazz, country, punk, metal, ska, and many more to fill up the hall. As well, they will be accepting non-perishable food items to donate to Samaritan House. So you can get some new music as well as help other people out. Even better, coffee and lunch will be made available. For more information, call Don at 726-0703. §

other things can be attributed to our very own campus hero. When asked about his nightly duties he refused to comment on why exactly he was placed here in 2006 and whether or not he was tasked with protecting us at this time or if became a hobby of his later on. He did however mention that he sometimes gets lonely because he doesn't have many statute-friends nearby. Nevertheless, Bobcat has enjoyed his time at university helping the staff and students alike to make their lives easier. So from all of us here at BU I'd like to say thank you to Bobcat for all of his hard work, without which we would all be just a bit more frazzled. §

HALLOWEEN PSA**Ask me about my zombie plan**

ARIELE KEHLER, BUREAUCRACY CORRESPONDENT

HALLOWEEN IS APPROACHING, friends. And to the average North American university student that equates to trying to scare the ever living shit out of your friends.

Luckily for us, Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Brandon is hosting the Haunted Forest at Turtle Crossing Campground again this year. Running Friday through Sunday from October 10 and daily for the last week of October until the 30th, the hours are 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM, with the first hour of operation being a "no scare" time for children or those who don't like scary things.

Remember, scare responsibly and don't lash out at the poor sods in the costumes hiding behind the trees to give you a more interesting Halloween. §



Creepy statue. Photo credit Ashlyn Pearce.

Genre: Action, Platformer

ALEX TRUSH, BUGA

SUPER MARIO 3D World is platforming at it's finest. This time, Bowser has kidnapped seven defenseless fairies by trapping them in glass bottles. (Bowser, you're thinking of a completely different Nintendo franchise. Leave them alone!) These fairies call themselves Spraxies (Sprite Pixies. Clever, Nintendo.) and they need your help escaping Bowser's clutches. This time, Mario isn't the only one who gets to do the rescuing – Luigi, Peach, and Toad get to join in on the fun as well. (Sorry, Yoshi has been left out of this installment.)

The quest to save the spraxies is by



Publisher: Nintendo

no means trivial. You will find yourself enjoying every minute you sink into this game! For those who may not be as good at platforming, 3D World's platforming is super forgiving in the beginning. It waits until halfway through to start throwing any curve balls at you. That being said, for those players who "Wanna Be The Guy," you can breeze through those levels for warmup while still being entertained and mesmerized by the stunningly beautiful level design. If you couldn't care one way or the other for graphics and just want a challenge, there are plenty of bonus levels for you to take a crack at after defeating Bowser and foiling his plans. And let me tell you, the bonus levels don't mess around! Let's just say, Champion's Road is named Champion's Road for a reason!

If you like collecting things, 3D World has you covered. As with previous Super Mario titles, there are three hidden stars in each level. Each level also has a hidden stamp

Platform: Wii U

to find which can be posted to Nintendo's Miiverse if you're a social media guru. The stars and stamps are very well placed. If you struggled to find a particularly elusive star, you never feel that your struggle was the fault of the Mushroom gods placing it in some silly impossible to find place. Other stars are out in the open, but take the skill of a 1337 h4x0r to actually obtain. When you finally nab the star, it feels like you've accomplished something great, and the star is your trophy for doing so.

With the addition of Luigi, Peach, and Toad, there are now whole new ways to play. Similar to Super Mario Bros 2, each character has a different play style: Luigi has the ability to jump higher than everyone else; Peach can float for an extended period of time; Toad can move really fast. There is even a hidden character that you can unlock after completing the main game. I'll leave you to speculate who this mysterious person is. Now you can invite your friends over for a four player bash and you can work together as a team to foil Bowser's evil plans (read: "crush their poor souls").

Following in tradition, 3D World brings

Rating: 4.5 / 5

a host of new power ups to the playing field. Whether you want to play as an internet icon, or blow all your opponents to pieces, the latest in the Mario franchise lets you do it. The main addition to the Super Mario powerup family is the introduction of Cat Mario. (Not to be confused with any other hardcore platformer that's soul-crushingly difficult..) That's right, you get to play as a cat, which is exactly as fun as it sounds! You can climb walls and claw your enemies' eyes out. And if you could find a piano, you might even be able to make a viral YouTube video. If that doesn't make you want to play this game, I'm hard pressed to find anything that might convince you. But wait, you know what I'm not telling you? You can turn your head into a cannon. Yes, you heard me right, you can fire cannonballs at people using your face!! You can also throw boomerangs at your enemies and if you just wanna play like it's 1985, you could play through the game using fire flowers only. I challenge you to resist the urge to cat scratch your enemies though. You know you wanna be a cat.

Downside: no Yoshi :(§

ANIME REVIEW: PUPA

Genre: Horror, Science, Romance

NABIL ROBERTS, BUGA

PUPA IS A 2014 5-minute-per-episode series that tells the touching and/or spooky story of Utsutsu and his younger sister, Yume, as they are infected with the mysterious pupa virus. One day on her way home, Yume is infected by the virus turning her into a horrifying monster that can't satisfy its hunger for human flesh, and proceeds to eat all the surrounding pedestrians. When Utsutsu tries to stop Yume, she still can't control herself, and eats him too. Fortunately, Utsutsu is also infected with the virus which somehow gave him the ability to regenerate his body, allowing him to survive. The siblings then use this power to control Yume's hunger as Utsutsu offers his body for her to feast on. The story then follows them

Studio: Studio Deen

and their new cannibalistic life as they try to avoid researchers that want to use them as specimens. Sadly, the scariest thing about Pupa is how bad it is.

The plot in pupa is all over the place and hard to follow, with many plot elements coming out of nowhere and not being followed up. This is understandable, since the total run-time per episode is only around 3 minutes due to the opening and the ending, but it seems like a lot of time is wasted on things that don't advance the plot. An example of this is an entire episode devoted to Yume eating a screaming Utsutsu. I was very disappointed with this show when I got to the last episode and thought they were going to explain everything, but was left with a flashback about how they got a hairclip. So the story ends with nothing being re-

Rating: 1 / 5

solved and many unanswered questions, like what Pupa even is.

The animation in pupa looks cheaply done, and has a lot of quality issues. It also has many graphic scenes. since Utsutsu is being used as a lunchable all the time, and a lot of mad science going on. There also isn't very much of a soundtrack in Pupa aside from one or two songs, leaving most of it in silence.

There aren't that many likeable characters in this show, and the only character development seems to be Yume learning to love eating Utsutsu. Most of the researchers in the show justify all of their actions with "FOR SCIENCE," and just want

to cut people up. Although the one who knows everything just does weird things but never explains anything.

In general, from a glance, Pupa looks like it could be interesting, but flops all over the place. I would only recommend this show to someone who has 30 minutes to kill and only has this to watch, or anyone that is really into siblings eating each other. §



GLOBAL VIEW: HOCKEY

Evidence suggests that fun is better

CLAIRE SONG, COLUMNIST

I WAS PRETTY familiar with Canadians' crazy interest in hockey before I came here. When you are outside Canada, you get the image of maple, bacon and hockey when you think about Canada. So when the "Wheat Kings" season started, I decided to go and experience it.

Before I went to the game, I was unfamiliar with hockey rules. I thought kicking and punching also counted as a point. Also, I hold this stereo type against hock-

ey; it is too violent! I didn't even bother to look it up on Google who is in the Wheat Kings and what the actual rules are. I was so ready to get approval of my stereotype and critique about it. When I first walked in, I was overwhelmed by the population in the stadium. It felt like every person in Brandon was there to join this "violent" show.

During the first period of the game, it was interesting how Brandon people cheered insanely for the "Wheat Kings" and booed the opponents. Other than that, I was losing interest in the game and

my back started to hurt from sitting in the world's most uncomfortable chair.

During half time, I decided to walk around and try to stretch my back. That's when I encountered most of my acquaintances. I enjoyed meeting friends and people I know to see what was going on with them. That's when I realized it was not all about the hockey game itself, but also socializing with people. It was the atmosphere that people enjoyed, not the 'violent' show itself (actually, some did get pretty excited when players started to fight).

That is when I changed my attitude toward hockey and tried to enjoy it as a cultural aspect of Canada. During the third period I cheered so loud, I lost half of my voice. It was interesting enough for me that I decided to go to one more game, and I really enjoyed it from start to finish.

I highly suggest going to see the game if you are new in Canada and haven't had a chance to see the game or if you have been in Canada for a while but never experienced hockey due to the same stereo-type I had. §

Q-mail

your local campus advice column

ASK QUENTIN



By: L. A. Bonté



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Dear Quentin,
 I messed up at my parent's place on the weekend at Thanksgiving. My grandparents are appalled and my niece won't even look at me. What can I do?
 Mike Burns

Dear Mike,
 Family is the great cohesive glue that binds our nation together. It also tastes bad, smells funny and is difficult to rinse off once you come into contact with it, but at least it is better than mortar. Can you imagine being walled up with your family? Terrible. That happened to the Benegris family back in my hometown when it was discovered they were harbouring Catholics.

Right now, you should probably just mind your own life and let them forget about whatever you did. Or at least wait for tempers to die down. In a few weeks send a note that you want to meet up at the local cabaret and talk. By then they should be willing to work out what went wrong. Hopefully you didn't kill anyone or the family sheepdog. They are too useful to eat.

Like the Benegris family, you live as

a family and die as a family. I think you will be fine. Unless you're a Catholic family in 18th century England. In which case I hope you have a chisel in your pocket.

I hope this helps,
 Quentin

Quentin Quill is an 18th century time traveler trapped in BU. He has not yet declared a major or even attended class in the last several months. He passes the damning people for using the sorceries of technology and finding the perfect recipe for Breakfast Tea.

If you have a question for Quentin please email him at missq@thequill.ca. He promises not to yell. If Quentin chooses your question you get a free Quill T-shirt. They make for good car window curtains.

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WEAKLY THEORY: ESSENTIALISM

Definitions for the confused

ALEX MURRAY, EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Essentialism Theory: a tried and true philosophy that is held dearly by University students the world over, if only for the fact that it is all about the bare minimum. What's that? I need to read 4 chapters out of my calculus textbook and do all of the end of chapter questions? Sounds like I'll do the five hardest questions (mostly) and skim the definitions in the glossary that are relevant. If you have done this, you are probably an essentialist and I commend you for your survivalist instincts.

Teachers use this philosophy as a way to eliminate fun from classrooms and dwell completely on the curriculum. Most of you have probably had an Essentialist Professor or teacher. They are... not fun, difficult to get off topic and generally irritable. They were also most likely an Essentialist student before they got into teaching.

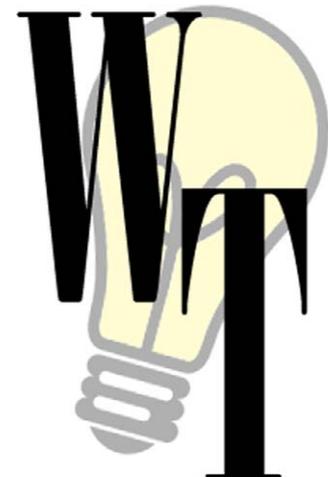
The weaknesses of this theory, especially in teaching, are hundredfold. But, the most important one is that if a student falls behind or doesn't quite get the topic at hand, too bad. They get left behind.

I have always suspected that this theory was once used by pirates and/or smugglers to justify killing their own people. Basically, as

a society, this theory makes it okay to shoot ourselves in the foot, and by foot I mean our children's education.

If you have a theory you need simplified or are confused by some high-end \$1000 dollar word you can email us at eic@thequill.ca. We will do some half-baked research, some three quarters baked writing and help you out... kind of.

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CLASSIC HORROR GAMES

Now with less classist overtones!

TREVOR "T-DAWG" VENN, BUGA

GOOD HORROR ATTEMPTS to get the viewer (reader, gamer, etc.) to react through two situational states: the build-up, and the reaction (or overreaction!). The build-up puts the viewer in a state of tension, using atmosphere, or ambience, and expectation to prepare the viewer for what comes next. Atmosphere uses imagery, the environment, and sounds to disturb the viewer by making them feel uneasy – typically, the more dangerous, or unknown the atmosphere is, the greater the tension experienced. And the longer this goes on without the reaction happening, the more uneasy the viewer will feel. Then, finally, an event occurs, and the viewer experiences the jump from terror to horror!

Similar to the build-up, the more disturbing or foreign the experience is, the more revulsion the viewer experiences. And there are many out there who love this experience! (as well as those who hate, hate, HATE it!) This explanation doesn't give a full explanation, but it does justice enough to see where I'm going. (I'm writing an article, not an essay!) When I think horror in video games, my mind instantly thinks back to three classic series that did well in the above: Silent Hill, Resident Evil, and Fatal Frame (or Project Zero).

You would have to live under a rock to have NOT heard the name Silent Hill

by now. Many among the current generation probably think about the movie, (and only movie because a second movie doesn't exist and don't bother trying to convince me otherwise because just no.) where the iconic Pyramid Head rips a girl's flesh off, and throws the meat and bones at a church door. Well, believe it or not, Silent Hill started out as a video game – and back when it started, it was actually good. The original games in the series were the masters of build-up, using every element in the atmosphere to create that feeling of tension. The monsters were disturbing, and the fact that you were helpless in combat made you frantic in deciding whether to fight or flee. The sound was one of the best parts, constantly putting you in a state of disturbedness, and alerting you when something dangerous was nearby. (Which was even worse when you couldn't see it!) There was also a huge amount of symbolism, which made everything even more disturbing for the people who realized it. The second game is heralded by many as the best of the series, with more detailed graphics over the first, human elements found in every monster you encounter, and never knowing when to expect the Pyramid Head, it's a must-play for each and every fan of the genre.

Also featuring a series of bad movies, the Resident Evil series goes back to a time nearly forgotten. Originally the defining zombie video game, the series has

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recently branched out toward monstrous bioweapons as a whole. (And given that the game's original title is Biohazard, as well as the fact that the zombies are also a bioweapon, I'd say they're justified in doing so.) Back in the days though, these games set the standard for the survival element of survival horror games. Yes, you had weapons and guns, but they were difficult to use unless they were a shotgun or a grenade launcher. Plus, ammunition was very limited, so you would have to scour around for more if you become too reliant on your little friend. And a unique feature was the use of ink ribbons, which you used at a typewriter to save the game – but only if you had an ink ribbon, making your number of possible game saves extremely limited!

Last, but certainly not least, Fatal Frame was released for the PS2, a full generation after the previously mentioned classics. This scary ghost story is chalk full of Japanese tradition, in addition to the horror elements, making it feel all the more foreign and atmospheric for born Westerners like my-

self. For the most part, you're exploring a haunted dilapidated mansion, looking for someone. Certain spirits leave a trail of bread crumb narrative for you to pick up along the way. There are also journals and articles, detailing events that occurred there in the past. Puzzles bar the path, and hidden ghosts are everywhere. When you feel a malicious presence, you find yourself attacked by the ghostly appearance of what was once a human being, twisted and disfigured with all the detail that the PS2 could muster! And your only defense is a camera that has the power to fight and capture the supernatural. To use it, you must fight the ghosts in the first-person finder mode, forcing you to look at the ghosts you so desperately wish to turn away from! Some people don't find ghosts scary, but personally, I can barely bring myself to touch these games! If you love horror games and haven't played these yet, do yourself a favour and do that now!

I've gone on way too long for this article, but these are the three classics that come to my mind when I think horror games. In upcoming articles, I'll talk more about modern horror games, as well as indie titles, and additional elements used in the horror genre. Stay tuned! §



BUASC BUSINESS... THEN FUN!

Evidence suggest that fun is better

JILL VANDERHEIDEN, BUASC

THE BUSINESS... The Brandon University Aboriginal Student Council (BUASC) held their fall Annual General Meeting on Wednesday the 8th of October. It followed a hearty Fall Potluck which included turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy and a variety of other foods. Approximately 50 students and their families attended the potluck with 30 staying for the AGM.

The AGM was a success with all 51 proposed bylaw changes (including 38 grammatical, spelling and sentence re-

structuring changes) and the annual budget of \$9,450.00 being accepted. The AGM lasted a whopping 17 minutes with Harley Murdock, BUASC President and the assistance of the other BUASC members getting through the agenda in rapid time. Changes that were accepted were:

- Amending the Mandate to be "BUASC is committed to pursuing economic and political participation in negotiations primarily affecting Aboriginal students. Working towards advancing the aspirations and interests of the students in their efforts to achieve common goals and advocate for positive changes as it pertains to acces-

sibility and quality of post-secondary education. Striving to enrich the social lives of Aboriginal students and providing support to the Indigenous Peoples' Centre and its mandate."

- Deleting of positions on BUASC such as Male Student Representative, Female Student Representative, Aboriginal Commissioner and Member at Large. The council originally had eleven positions.

- Adding the requirement of maintaining a minimum GPA of 2.0 and being a Student in Good Standing according to the Brandon University Calendar was also passed.

Now for the fun ... BUASC presents a 'BOO'tylicious Night on Friday, October 24th. This is an 18+ social and tickets will be on sale this week and can be purchased from SUDS, from BUASC members in the IPC and at tables that will be set up in the Mingling Area. Tickets will be \$5 in advance and \$10 at the door. BUASC is requesting that no cultural or religious based costumes be worn. Prizes will be available so be creative and most importantly have fun! We hope to see you at SUDS on the 24th! §

Everyone vs. Everyone

CHARLIE CARRIER, REPORTER

THIS PAST WEEKEND, October 4th and 5th, were busy days for soccer. On Saturday in women's soccer Providence University College was up against Canadian Mennonite University with the final result at 8-0 to Providence University College. As well, Red River College and Assiniboine Community College women's teams played each other with the win going to Red River College at 3-0. Games continued the next

day with Assiniboine Community College verse Canadian Mennonite University, Canadian Mennonite University winning 1-0. Later, Brandon University played Providence University College finishing up with the score at 3-2 for Providence University College.

On Saturday in men's soccer Providence University College played Canadian Mennonite University with a 2-2 draw to wrap up. In another Saturday game it was Brandon University verses Universite de Saint-Boniface with the latter winning 6-0.

Assiniboine Community College student, Robert Neuman scored a goal each game he played this past weekend; one on Saturday in the battle against Red River College and another the following day when the team played Canadian Mennonite University. Unfortunately both games were won by the opposing teams with the scores at 5-1 and 4-1 respectively. Later that same Sunday another game was played by Universite de Saint-Boniface and Red River College with the win going to Universite de Saint-Boniface at 3-2. One final game

was played that day between Brandon University and Providence University College ending at 5-1 to Providence University College.

Next weekend the Assiniboine Community College soccer teams travel to Winnipeg. On Saturday the men's team will play Universite de Saint-Boniface, and on Sunday the men's and women's teams will both play against Providence University. §

A LETTER FROM BU'S PRESIDENT

On the harrowing adventure of tenure

DR. GERVAN FEARON, PRESIDENT

I AM WRITING this letter in response to a recent article in The Quill, volume 105, issue 5, September 30th, 2014 on page 2, entitled "Opening Board of Governors Meeting".

First, I commend and respect the important and long standing contribution made by The Quill to the University community. In a recent article, The Quill suggested that "Gaining tenure within a faculty is now a little more difficult." It is important that some context and clarification be extended to this statement.

At the September 27th, 2014 meeting, a new Board of Governors member and former university faculty member from the 1960s indicated that he got tenure after only two years in the 1960s. In response, it was indicated that tenure is

now covered by the Collective Agreement and a brief verbal overview was provided to the Board members. The Board member responded by stating "gaining tenure within a faculty is now [in 2014] a little more difficult [than in the 1960s]", meaning more difficult (i.e., more formalized) in 2014 than it was in the 1960s. In no way was the Board or anyone suggesting any deviation from or modification of the terms and/or conditions pertaining to the tenure process that has been agreed to and codified by the University and Brandon University Faculty Association (BUFA) in the Collective Agreement.

Second, the Collective Agreement states in the Preamble (on page 6) that "The Parties agree, in the furtherance of these aims, to promote harmonious relations and, should any misunderstanding or dispute arise, to attempt to settle them

peacefully and cooperatively." In this spirit, I intend and hope that this letter will address any misunderstanding or misinterpretation that may have arisen from the recent article of The Quill.

At Brandon University, we have outstanding faculty members and a formal protocol outlined by the Collective Agreement defining the tenure process and related requirements. I appreciate The Quill's role in reporting on items of interest to the University community and I appreciate the opportunity to make this submission. We have a growing and vibrant university that together we make stronger and an institution of choice for faculty, staff and students – indeed – for us all.

Dr. Gervan Fearon, President §



Dr. Fearon himself. Photo credit Brandon University.

THE PURPLE WALK OF PURPLE

BUABS gets people out in support

ASHLYN PEARCE, REPORTER

ON FRIDAY EVENING the rally organized by BUABS (Brandon University Anti-Bullying Society) convened outside of the Healthy Living Centre in support of bullying awareness and mental health. To kick off the event were speeches from several individuals including the Brandon Chief of Police Ian Grant, Mayor Shari Decter Hirst and BUABS president Kristal Kayne. Coincidentally, this event coincided with World Mental Health day which is designed to promote awareness of mental health. Kayne explained how the Light Up the World Purple campaign started in 2012 after Amanda Todd committed suicide due to bullying both in person and online. "We want to bring attention to the issue, to spread awareness and let people know that they're not alone." Decter Hirst went on to advise that "when you know someone who's going through a difficult time you don't just tell them that they need help, you need to physically take them to the help that they need." Brandon is primarily a College/University city and there-

fore a large number of its inhabitants live alone, or aren't with their family. Because of this we need to help each other and lean on our peers for support.

In Grant's address to the rally members he brought up the fact that bullying is in violation of several sections of our Charter of Rights and Freedoms. He also likened bullying to a disease, "one that the victim did nothing to contract and doesn't go away in short order. Victims feel sick, and that it's their fault but this couldn't be further from the truth." Statistics were brought up to solidify the call to action to stop bullying, and to connect bullying to mental health issues. Such statistics include the fact that

1/5 children in Canada are bullied, and coincidentally 1/5 Canadians also suffer a mental health disorder at some time in their life. This is not to be attributed solely to bullying, but Grant states "I am certain many people's mental health issues can be attributed in part to bullying". Bully-

ing isn't just inside school environments, it's everywhere from your computer and phone to the streets you walk every day. "My advice to someone who is being bullied is to tell someone; don't carry this burden by yourself." §



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