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UW responds to PC government email

Suhani Saigal
News Editor

The PC government denounced the actions of student unions in Ontario in an official email sent on Feb. 12. “Students were forced into unions and forced to pay for those unions,” Premier Doug Ford said in the email. “I think we all know what kind of crazy Marxist nonsense student unions get up to. So, we fixed that. Student union fees are now opt-in.”

In a press release issued on Feb. 12, Feds called these statements “upsetting, needlessly sensational, and more importantly, wrong.”

“We sincerely hope that this is not the Premier’s actual perception of student unions in this province,” Matthew Gerrits, Feds VP Education, said. “His statements not only grotesquely devalue the important work that student unions enable students to do, but also unnecessarily and

incorrectly attribute a singular ideological association to imply that student unions function in a partisan manner. This is quite simply wrong.”

Feds executives, in the press release, mentioned that student unions in Ontario are “non-partisan” and “as diverse as the students we are elected to represent.” In the press release, Feds executives said that they want the Premier to retract his statement as student unions are not driven by ideologies. They act on the demands and needs of the students and their initiatives are based on what benefits the students.

The choice to opt-out from certain fees was outlined in the Students’ Choice Initiative (SCI) announced by Minister of Training, Colleges, and Universities Merrilee Fullerton on Jan. 17. On Jan. 29, Feds and 75 student unions in Ontario signed a letter opposing the SCI due to concerns about how this would affect their ability to advocate for students.

Call for a diverse student government

Harleen Kaur Dhillon
Editorial Assistant

Joshua Mbandi always had to micromanage his tone and his image to other people, or he risked being seen as nothing more than his emotions.

“You have to be careful not to play to the stereotypes that are associated with your race or with your gender or whatever else and that factored into when we were making decisions... [during the debate] I wouldn’t want to start talking too loudly or getting angry when debating with Seneca because if I started to look angry on the debate stage, then people would say, ‘that’s just an angry black man,’” Mbandi said.

The elections in early February had five students of colour running for executive positions, but the four white candidates were chosen. After the announcement of results on Feb. 8., Amanda Fitzpatrick, VP Student Life-elect, drew attention to this fact in a Facebook post.

“There were nine separate

candidates running under three slates and only the white candidates, myself included, were elected. Although everyone running in this election had great qualifications we need to have a conversation about the clear systemic issues that hindered and continue to hurt students of colour that run for student government,” Fitzpatrick said in her post.

Mbandi said he’s glad to have had the experience of running and isn’t directly blaming racism for not getting elected, but he wants to highlight privilege.

“You sort of have to go out of your way to avoid the stereotypes that are associated with who you are, and sometimes that hinders your ability to be honest, because now, you can’t give an honest reaction because now you have to cloud it in a non-angry-black-man’s perspective. And that’s not just true for the campaign, it’s true in life,” Mbandi said.

Two of the members of Team Ignite — Seneca Velling, VPOF-elect, and Michael Beauchemin, president-elect — were elected onto the exec team. The only

person of colour (POC) on their team, VP Student Life (VPSL) candidate Tomson Tran, was not elected.

Tran attributes his loss more to the competence of Fitzpatrick for the role than to his race.

“I honestly don’t think race played too much a role ... I want to say it was a close call [between me and Amanda], but it wasn’t: she destroyed me,” he said. “I think, in a way, a lot of the services did vote for Amanda because she has been a very active role in the services where I’ve only really been active in the student government kind of role.”

Opinions on whether race played a role in the results of the election were mixed among the candidates.

Where Tran stated that race had a minimal role, others feel differently. The election was democratic so Fayza Ibrahim and Simran Parmar, Tema Gold’s VP Education (VPE) and presidential candidates, said that it is impossible to know the extent to which race was a factor in each voter’s decision.

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Waterloo Regional Police responded to the area of Courtland Avenue East in Kitchener after receiving a report of a robbery at Scotiabank on Feb. 23 at 1 p.m. The male suspects demanded money and were given an undisclosed amount before they fled the area in a vehicle. No physical injuries were reported as a result of the incident. Police are looking to identify the individuals and the vehicle in the photographs. Anyone with information about the incident is asked to call police at 519-570-9777 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.



Left: A white vehicle police suspect was involved in a bank robbery in Kitchener. Above: Police are looking to identify two males in grey sweat pants and dark blue hoodies involved in the robbery.

Call for a diverse student government



Team Gold candidates before the Candidates' Debate on Feb. 4, left to right: Joshua Mbandi, Amanda Fitzpatrick, Simran Parmar, Fayza Ibrahim.

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"This was a democratic election, I think the student body chose who they saw fit to be their representative. Did race play a part? Potentially. I think that, like I mentioned before, it was interesting that the only POC on Team Ignite also didn't get elected in, given that their platforms were perhaps more in cohesion with one another," Ibrahim said.

Fitzpatrick also stated that all people have biases ingrained in them, and these biases lead to marginalization of some groups.

"To see students vote in the white students from three separate slates and completely disregard the students of colour that were running showed the presence of our campus' unconscious bias," Fitzpatrick said.

Parmar said that he will look at his loss in the elections as a learning experience in his career, and hopes that the executive team will continue to consult students from various backgrounds in their decisions.

"I never play the victim card; I never like to blame external things for my failures but, at the same time, it is questionable that certain people from each team got elected," Parmar said.

Mbandi had stronger opinions. For him, it was a given that race factored into the decisions of voters, even if it was at a subconscious level.

"I'm not going to sit here and cry foul or anything ... race is not something that can be avoided, and in politics, where opinions and emotions are magnified, race will inevitably be magnified as well," Mbandi said. "If anybody ever says that race doesn't play a factor, they're lying ... I can't speak to why

students chose not to vote for us, I'm sure everybody has a reason."

Other members of Team Gold also revealed the additional barriers they faced during the campaign. Ibrahim said they had to focus on how each of their actions would be received by the public, whereas the other teams did not.

"Just being a minority, it felt like we had to almost be faultless and it caused a lot of pressure during the campaign preparations ... We felt that our actions could put our entire cultural background on point, potentially in a negative way. We felt that we wouldn't be judged individually — our cultural background would be judged as well," Ibrahim said.

Parmar and Ibrahim both said the potential public perception of Team Gold's actions occupied much of their discussion and planning during the campaign period.

"A lot of the times when we were having group meetings, we would sit down and kind of think about what the common stereotypes are when it comes to how people perceive us as people based on our backgrounds. Even during the debate, I personally didn't want to get too heated because there's always that [assumption] that minorities get angry pretty easily and that we're just angry and violent people," Parmar said.

Mbandi stated that even making the decision to run for positions of power and leadership can be difficult.

"There's a financial barrier, there's the fact that you're putting yourself in a vulnerable position, there's the things about stereotypes that you have to be conscious of, so there's a lot of different things that

you have to think about and I would suspect that's part of the reason by POC and minorities choose to not get involved in politics as much," Mbandi said.

If POC do enter political or leadership races, they often face additional barriers in their campaigning.

In the Feds election, the qualifications of both Parmar and Mbandi were often minimized. Fitzpatrick said people discussing the candidates believed they had "no experience," although both have been active in both the campus and the greater KW community.

"The one thing that kind of annoyed me the most during this campaign — and you could see it in Facebook posts and we saw it all over Reddit, and it was pretty obvious that it was an attack against me: for some reason, my experience equated to absolutely nothing when I was compared to the other candidates in this election," Parmar said. "No one made mention to any of [my experience] when it's all on my LinkedIn, it's all on my bio in the Feds website, it was in our posts on social media; but every time people were talking about my experience, they would say things like 'Simran has no experience whatsoever.'"

Parmar said these issues are not isolated to small-scale leadership positions. One of his idols is Jagmeet Singh, leader of the federal NDP. Parmar also emphasized the importance of representation, and the pride and respect that he feels for people from marginalized communities in positions of power.

"[Jagmeet Singh] is normalizing this image of a brown man with a turban and beard, it kind of creates this sense of inclusivity," he said. "But a lot of the times if he does screw up somewhere, if he overreacts

in a situation or a little bit of emotion comes out, it's emphasized so much. They'll throw so many character attacks at him... [and] when you see these types of things repeatedly, it puts a little bit of pressure on you to act six times more professionally than the other person."

Students of colour became the inspiration for Parmar; they reminded him of why he chose to run in the elections in the first place.

"One of the things that really kept me going was whenever one of the Indian international students or one of the Pakistani international students came up to me and said things like, 'I would have never expected somebody who looked like you to be on these posters and running for this type of position.' I felt as if we were motivating a lot of people to get involved," Parmar said.

All of the candidates echoed the hope that more students from marginalized populations would become involved with student politics.

"Stand up. Don't let the stuff you see around you be like that. If you have something that you could do to help — and it's not easy, it's hard, and it takes a lot of effort, and it's draining but it's worth it, and I hope that more people realize this and more people choose to act on it. We need more voices in politics," Mbandi said.

"I hope that our involvement could spark more enthusiasm for other students from marginalized backgrounds to be more involved within the campus. I hope that they have the ability to almost be inspired from what we were able to do and I hope that they're able to aspire to want to be in Feds governance, I think that having as much diversity as possible within our leadership is really important," Ibrahim said.



Team Ignite VP Student Life candidate Tomson Tran speaks at the Candidates' Debate.

Mistreatment of UWFS employees

Harleen Kaur Dhillon
Editorial Assistant

Sick and weak, a student worker for the UW Food Services (UWFS) was forced to spend several hours to collect a Verification of Illness Form (VIF) for missing their four-hour shift for the first time.

They then waited almost an hour for their manager to take the VIF off their hands, but it was another woman who finally took it.

"She seemed stunned that I would have been asked for a VIF just for one shift. I went through all of that hassle to call in sick for a four hour long shift," the student said in their complaint. Many students came forward about their experiences working in UWFS when Seneca Velling, Chair of the Feds Board of Directors and VP Operations and Finance-elect, and Austin Richards, member of Student Council launched a months-long investigation into complaints of mistreatment in UWFS.

Their report was presented to Student Council on Feb 10. The main issues that came to light during the investigation were: inappropriate requests for VIFs, no reim-

bursement to students for VIFs, failure to provide staff with schedules on time or take students' hours into consideration, lack of appropriate compensation for work by employees that went beyond their job description, health and safety violations such as raw chicken.

The situations differed depending on the locations and the managers involved, despite sound policies on the part of the UWFS department.

"Their practices and internal departmental policies are strong. The problem is they weren't being enforced by management and often management would decide their own rules on what should be the way it is," Velling said. "The following thought on policy requirements ... were very differently enforced if it was a regular university manager a QP manager (QP being the unit the Union for Food Service Workers and for Plant Operations)."

UWFS was consulted about the mistreatment of workers. Their response has been swift and includes internal investigations, policy reviews, and the creation of a staff relations committee.

"Senior Administration and Management recognized the gravity of the concerns and

expressed they did not condone any of the actions or behaviours outlined in the student feedback we had received.

"UWFS noted their commitment to resolve these issues and ensure a more consistent approach to their staff and student experience that reflects the values of their department and the University as a whole," Velling and Richard's report to Student Council stated.

Velling also appreciated the speed with which UWFS not only responded, but reacted.

"They've demonstrated a commitment to change that I think is really admirable especially given the time... This is a university that is often galatial UW food services acted with a surprisingly quick pace to address allegations and outstanding concerns," he said.

Richards was personally invested in the cause -- a close friend of his, who is now an alumnus, was one of the former UWFS workers who also submitted their complaints for the report. Richards would hear about firsthand.

"One of the reasons I got so involved with this was because, one of the former employees, now also Waterloo alumnus. Whose

story we got and we presented was someone that's very close to me and so I got to hear you know everyday when they would come back it would be this thing or that thing. So I was hearing about this like real time. And it bothered me that someone I knew was that close to me was going to be treated that way," he said.

Although the situations faced by students have been unfortunate, there is a silver lining. Richards and Velling both hope that this will be an educational experience for students and they will be inspired to know their rights and learn to advocate for themselves in the workplace, a skill that may be useful in any work context.

"That's a learning experience... Know your rights [and] know what is right and ethical and then don't be afraid to ask questions. You should definitely question your employer if you think something's wrong," Velling said.

"I think that's the biggest takeaway from all of this when students go into the real world and the employer needs to be respectful and understand that you don't know everything and you want to learn. You want to get better so you can do your job better," Richards said.



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Andrew Francey, 3B
Physics

"Due to the snow days, I missed opportunities to talk with both my profs and TAs, which had a negative impact on some of my assignments, but it also gave me the opportunity to spend time on other assignments, and catching up on my work load. All in all, I think the closure of campus was a wise decision on UW's part."



Evon Choi, 2B
Psychology

"It was a good time, a really nice break. I used it to catch up on school work for sure. It didn't really affect me in a way that it probably affected other people such as co-op students with interviews, or people with midterms on that day. I'm sure they're stressed out right now. But personally, I enjoyed it!"



Olivier Charest Descombe, 2B
Global Business and Digital Arts

"I was happy that I didn't have to go to class. But I have to go to Stratford one day per week. Every Tuesday we get shuttle buses that take us there, and since the Tuesday before Reading Week was cancelled, I essentially missed two weeks of my program, which caused some issues. I was happy as a person that I didn't have to go to class, but as an academic, it was stressful."



Jazlin Nicholas, 1B
Honours Science

"One of my midterms was moved, so I had more time to study. That's about it, I used the day to do more work and be productive. It was really helpful!"

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Function, physiology, future

Maryam Sajjad
Reporter

The Museum in downtown Kitchener is hosting "BRAIN: The World Inside Your Head". This travelling exhibition focuses on the most complex biological structure, the brain.

Visitors are able to explore how the brain functions using interactive elements, optical illusions, and innovative special effects. There are extra games creating an engaging experience for the audience.

As you enter the 3,000 sq. ft. exhibition, shimmering networks that represent firing neurons — cells that carry electrical impulses — greet you.

Delving deeper, there are different sections for the visitor to discover the workings of the brain. From infancy to old age, guests at The Museum can learn how the understanding of the brain's physiology has changed with time. Stop to compare the sizes of brains amongst different species. To make it even more interesting, a casting of a Triceratops brain is on loan from the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History.

The exhibit will astound you as you learn about the brain's impressive ability to rewire itself after trauma is inflicted.

Additionally, brain-related disorders, such as depression, addiction, and Alzheimer's are showcased in a way that is easier for all ages to understand.

Some other activities to check

out include looking at real neurons through a microscope, playing a video game to see how sleep is vital to the human brain, and learning how synapses make connections between neurons.

Finally, guests can learn about the future of brain treatments in the era of molecular medicine and genome mapping.

The exhibition will run until Apr. 28, 2019 at the The Museum located on 10 King St. W. in Kitchener.

The cost of the exhibition is included in the general admission price of \$13.95.

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University of Waterloo student, Jaeleen Koscielski has been a volunteer of the For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology (FIRST) LEGO League program since she was nine years old, cheering on her older brothers. Now, she has been a volunteer in the program for seven years, and continues to give back to the program that has been a defining factor in her school career.

"I just love giving back now that I have extra time, and time to give back because I learned so much from this program and I want the next generations of students to learn the same skills that I learned," she said.

The FIRST LEGO League West Ontario Provincial Championship took place on Feb. 9 in the PAC Gym for teams of students aged 9 to 14. Students competed with inventions that they had spent months creating in response to this year's topic: INTO ORBIT, challenges faced by humans on long duration space flights. The challenges addressed by students included lack of air, water, and food; waste disposal; loneliness and isolation; and the need for exercise in order to stay healthy.

Mike Steffan was one of the competitors. He and his team addressed disruptions of circadian rhythms of astronauts, who see up to 16 sunrises a "day" while aboard the ISS. Their solution was a colour-changing

film to be placed on the windows of the ISS.

"We're installing a false window onto the ISS that will regulate this. So it has a diffused film on it and a black film," Steffan said. "When it's clear outside and it's 'supposed' to be day, it'll be clear, but when it's dark outside but still supposed to be day, the windows will go foggy and illuminated so it looks like it's still day outside, and then when the sun rises, it'll just clear up again."

Another team, the Wild Goats, created a way for astronauts to be able to grow plants while in space as a way to both provide food and purpose to astronauts.

FIRST LEGO provides competitions for students of different ages and skill levels. It also endorses six core values: discovery, innovation, impact, inclusion, teamwork, and fun. "Its goal is to get young students involved in science and technology and learning soft skills from a young age, so instead of just being in a classroom and learning math from a textbook, they're applying that math that they're learning in the classroom to a real life problem," Koscielski said.

Koscielski believes that the FIRST LEGO program is especially valuable in nurturing a passion for STEM fields and creativity in solving current real-world problems in students from a young age. "Especially in this program, they really get to be creative with how they're approaching the task, there's a lot of different components to the competition, so they really get a feel for a lot of different things that they can apply when they go into high school or even university or college," she said.



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OUA Figure Skating Championships

Warriors bring home a bronze medal in the Women's Freeskate event

Charlotte Hings
Managing Editor

Heading into the Ontario University Athletics (OUA) Championships, the Warrior Figure Skating team was optimistic that their hard work throughout the season would pay off.

Within the short two-weeks between their two major competitions, the Warriors trained nearly every day, to prepare for their last competition of the season. On Feb. 12 and Feb. 13, Queen's University hosted the annual OUA Figure Skating Championships at the Invista Centre in Kingston, Ontario. In attendance were nine teams from OUA universities. At the competition, each team, sent one to four skaters to compete in each of the 14 different events over the course of two days. Depending on the placement of the skater(s) in each event, they earned points for their team.

On day one of the competition, UW student, Darshak Patel competed in the Men's Freeskate event, placing fifth, which earned one point for the Waterloo Warriors. Emily Champion and Chloe Valcin-Wright also scored two points with their 5th-place finish in the Star 8/9 Similar Dance

event where they beautifully performed the Harris Tango and Blues pattern dances. Both the Western Mustangs and the Toronto Varsity Blues reached the podium on each of the eight events of the day, placing them first and second respectively with 62 and 56 points. The McMaster Marauders were third with 36 points.

On day two, Jocelyn Wong competed in the Women's Gold Freeskate event, skating a beautiful solo to Josh Groban's "You Raise Me Up," placing third, and earning five points for the Warriors. The competition ended with the Synchronized Skating event. The Warriors had been training

hard over the past several months for this event while suffering many setbacks, but in the end, managed to pull off a strong and entertaining skate to Queen's "Bohemian Rhapsody."

Going into the Synchronized Skating event, the Blues were ahead of the Mustangs by a mere four points. The Mustangs had been undefeated in this event since the 2018 OUA Championships, and winning again would break the Varsity Blues' 3-year OUA Championship winning streak. However, the Mustangs suffered an unfortunate fall during their synchronized skating program, giving up the win to the Varsity

Blues who closed the competition with a clean skate.

The Toronto Varsity Blues achieved their fourth consecutive OUA Championship title with 100

points overall. The Western Mustangs placed second with 91 points and the McMaster Marauders pulled out a solid third-place finish with 45 points.



The Warriors beaming after a successful and fun season.



Jocelyn Wong showing off her bronze medal.



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Save independent facilitation

People with developmental disabilities and their families are just learning their life-line to inclusion will be severed by our provincial government "for the people." There has been a terrible misrepresentation of what Independent Facilitation is and what this \$3.1 million program means to our most vulnerable neighbours and their families. So let me try to explain.

Imagine you're the loving parent of a child with a moderate-to-severe developmental disability. Imagine the almost all-consuming amount of stress this has caused you. First, the diagnosis, the battery of tests and appointments, wanting nothing more than a clean bill of health for your loved one. The anxiety of not knowing how severe it will be, then the crushing feeling of all the expectations you had around family life and raising children slipping away.

Imagine that coupled with getting to experience the sweetest little person; the unmitigated joy you see in their smile and eyes when you make them laugh with delight. This person, who you know better than anyone, yet who, chances are, will not be known in this way by anyone else. Imagine the struggles of raising this child through school, where kids can be so needlessly mean. Imagine the tears, the frustrations, as they are told they are different, and made to feel unwelcome, like they don't belong.

Imagine watching them slowly recede into isolation, spending time only with you,

or by themselves. Imagine wondering - will they ever experience a romantic kiss? Will they ever know love aside from you? Imagine your heart breaking as you realize the things you want to provide most — a sense of community, the joys of companionship — are beyond your ability to build by yourself.

Imagine the terror that keeps you up some nights, as you consider what life might be like for them once you are dead. Once the one person who knows them best, their champion, is gone. Imagine the concern you feel, not knowing how they will fend for themselves. The vast majority of connections your loved one has developed inside the medical system have been largely transactional. Imagine everyone telling your son or daughter what they can't do, what they won't be, and informing them what their very limited options are.

For so many families, this is not imagination. This is heart-wrenching reality.

Now, imagine a person who visits with your child weekly, who gets to know them as an individual, not just as a collection of conditions, forming a strong relationship. A person geared towards helping your child realize the skills and talents they do have, that they can use to create meaning and happiness in their life. A person who works to help build friendships and community around your child; a network of care that will persist after you are gone. A person who

walks beside your loved one, helping them find their own voice and make their own choices. A person who listens, and helps them feel understood. A person who can help bear the burden and offer you a break. A person who, beyond the health of your child, cares about their empowerment.

Finding a job, joining a club, volunteering— these are all outwards signs of the real change that is happening; the creation of social networks and instances where the individuals can use their talents to give back and feel valued. To feel like they belong.

Independent Facilitation reduces pressure on the healthcare system, housing and parents' employment. The increased quality of life resulting from reduced family stress, reduced isolation, and people's ability to make their own choices is hard to overstate.

This is a prime opportunity for Ontario and Canada to exhibit leadership. How we treat our most vulnerable populations says more about our culture, province, and country than any number of political slogans ever could. I can't help but feel if Doug Ford had a family member with a developmental disability, he would get it. He would be Independent Facilitation's biggest champion instead of being the guy who is about to drop the axe on the service.

Jamie Moffat

*Board member of Waterloo Region's
Bridges to Belonging*

A missing child is worth the inconvenience

If you are anything like me, having your phone go off with an amber alert on Feb. 14 caused quite the shock. Having been at 11:30 p.m., it was unexpected and startling to all. The message outlined the missing child Riya Rajkumar's description, the suspected person she was with, the car she was seen in, and the location that she was last reported to be. Within 40 minutes, she was tragically found deceased. On social media, people complained that the alert woke them or their children up. Peel Police were flooded with calls, emails, and social media messages complaining about that alert.

I understand this brief frustration, of course, but the fact is that the system works. The need to find a missing child should outweigh this frustration, and I hope it continues to do so despite these complaints. Upon receiving the alert, somebody called with the information they had been looking for and the child was found.

If your child woke up because of the loud alert, that is frustrating, but you can hug them and put them back to sleep. Riya Rajkumar's mother will never be able to again. If it was your child that was missing, I doubt you would care about the slight inconvenience



CHARLOTTE HINGS

Take the time to put yourself in the shoes of others before complaining.

it would cause others. I would wager that, in fact, you would want every possible person looking, regardless of the hour of the day. This whole ordeal is heartbreakingly reflective of society as a whole: we are desensitized to things that don't concern us directly. Every heart should ache as an amber alert goes off. Tragically, it could happen to anyone. Next time an amber alert goes off, hold your child close and see if you can help in any

way. Don't knock a system that works, support it, you will never know when you may need it.

Alice Sadiford
*Political Science
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campus bulletin

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upcoming events

Wednesday, February 27

UW - Music - Noon Hour Concerts - "The Voice of the Whale" at 12:30 p.m. Conrad Grebel Chapel. For more info music@uwaterloo.ca or 519-885-0220, ext 24226.

Imprint AGM - Multi-Purpose Room from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more info chair@uwimprint.ca.

Saturday, March 2

Kitchener Comic Con 2019 begins Saturday at 11:00 a.m. and continues until Sunday, March 3 at 5:00 p.m. at Kitchener City Hall, 200 King Street West, Kitchener. Kitchener Comic Con is an award-winning event that celebrates the wonderfulness of all things that are comic book related.

Website: www.kitchenercomiccon.com. Contact information: info@kitchenercomiccon.com.

extra curricular

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Gamelan: World Music Ensemble or Community Gamelan - join for credit or as extra curricular. For more information on requirements, rehearsals and concert dates, visit uwaterloo.ca/music/ensembles.

Art\$Pay competition & venue - 2nd performance-based photography event! Submission deadline is Monday, January 28, 2019 by email at info@artspay.org, with event on Saturday, March 2. For more info email Cathy at info@artspay.org. org or/and event info at www.artspay.org.

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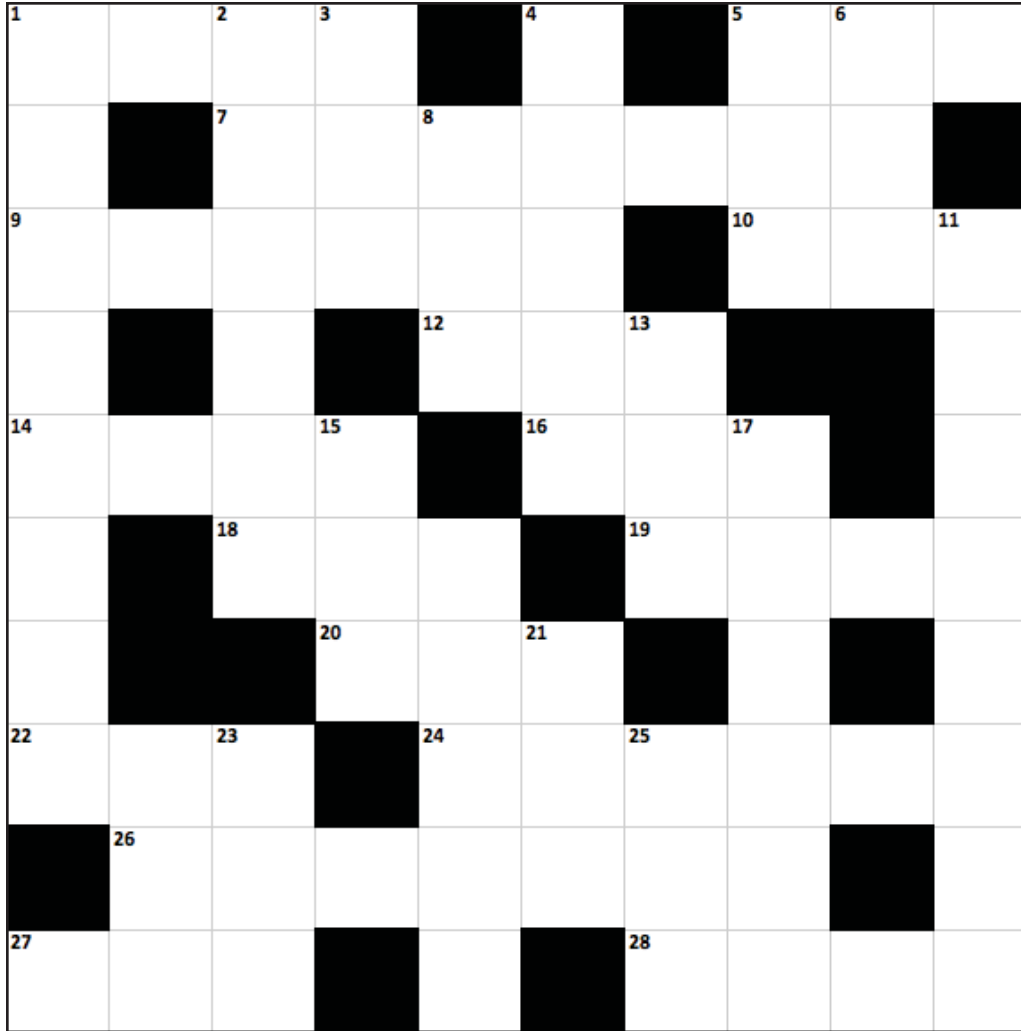
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EVERY PAWFESSIONAL WAS ONCE A BEGINNER. ONE STEP AT A TIME!

Easy X for an Easy A



JOSHUA GOLDSCHMIDT

Across

1. South Pacific Island Country
5. Dead white blood cell and bacteria build up, often on wounds
7. A graduate
9. Chickpeas, soybean, peanuts, and mesquite
10. Feuded with 2Pac, album release for June 15.
12. To exchange money for good or service
14. Paid for promotion in Modern Family's "Game Changer" episode
16. On-the-spot judgements for sports games
18. Robyn Fenty's nickname
19. "Without" in French
20. UW students get lost here
22. 2003 holiday movie, starring Will Ferrell
24. Taught Daniel LaRusso and Julie Pierce to fight

26. Relating to the water's edge
27. A poem to be paired with music
28. A cultural item shared online, often through imitation

Down

1. Liable to make errors
2. British luxury vehicle
3. Acronym couples may use
4. Spread or daub
5. "The lowest form of humour" – Samuel Johnson
6. American chant during Olympics
8. Arbiter America's favourite pastime
11. Harmful but pleasant radiation from the Sun
13. Affirmative
15. A sauce or mixture for chips or vegetables
17. A femme common in spy flicks
21. On your butt
23. An enemy
25. Tuber with orange flesh



Q: HOW DO YOU KNOW CARROTS ARE GOOD FOR YOUR EYES?

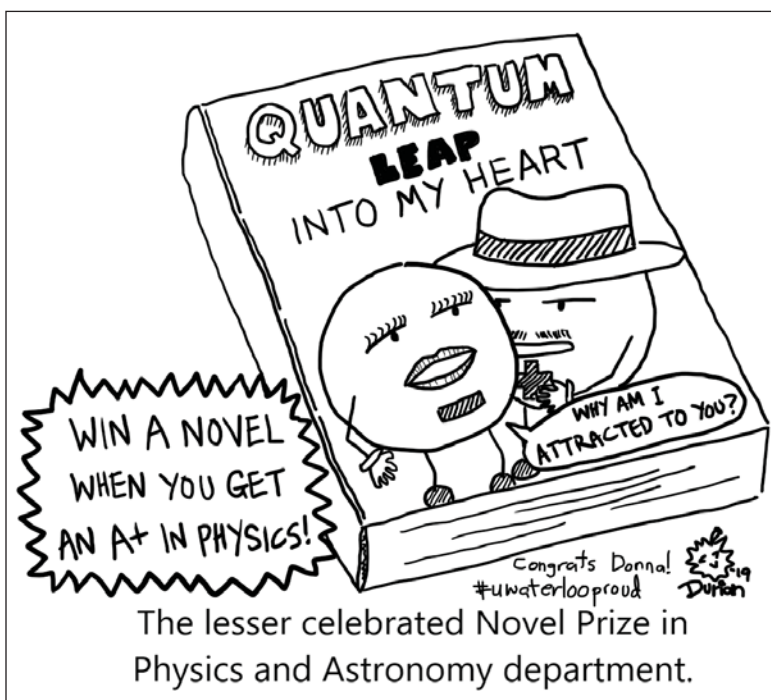
A: BECAUSE YOU NEVER SEE RABBITS WEARING GLASSES!



Q: WHAT DID THE HUNGRY DALMATION SAY WHEN HE HAD SOME KIBBLE?

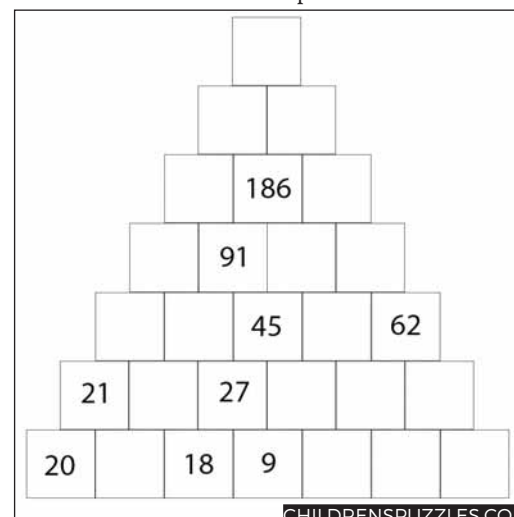
A: THAT HIT THE SPOT!

The Urban Circus



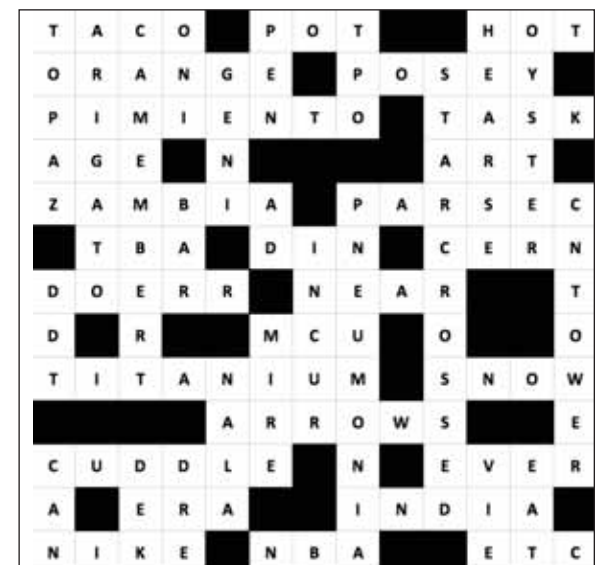
NUMBER TOWER

The puzzle starts with a tower that has some numbers placed and others are empty. The aim of the puzzle is to fill in the missing values and complete the puzzle. Each number is the sum of the two numbers beneath it in the tower puzzle.



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Solutions to last week's crossword



SUDOKU

Enter numbers into the blank spaces so that each row, column, and box contains the numbers 1 to 9.

EASY

9	6			8			3	
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		4				8		
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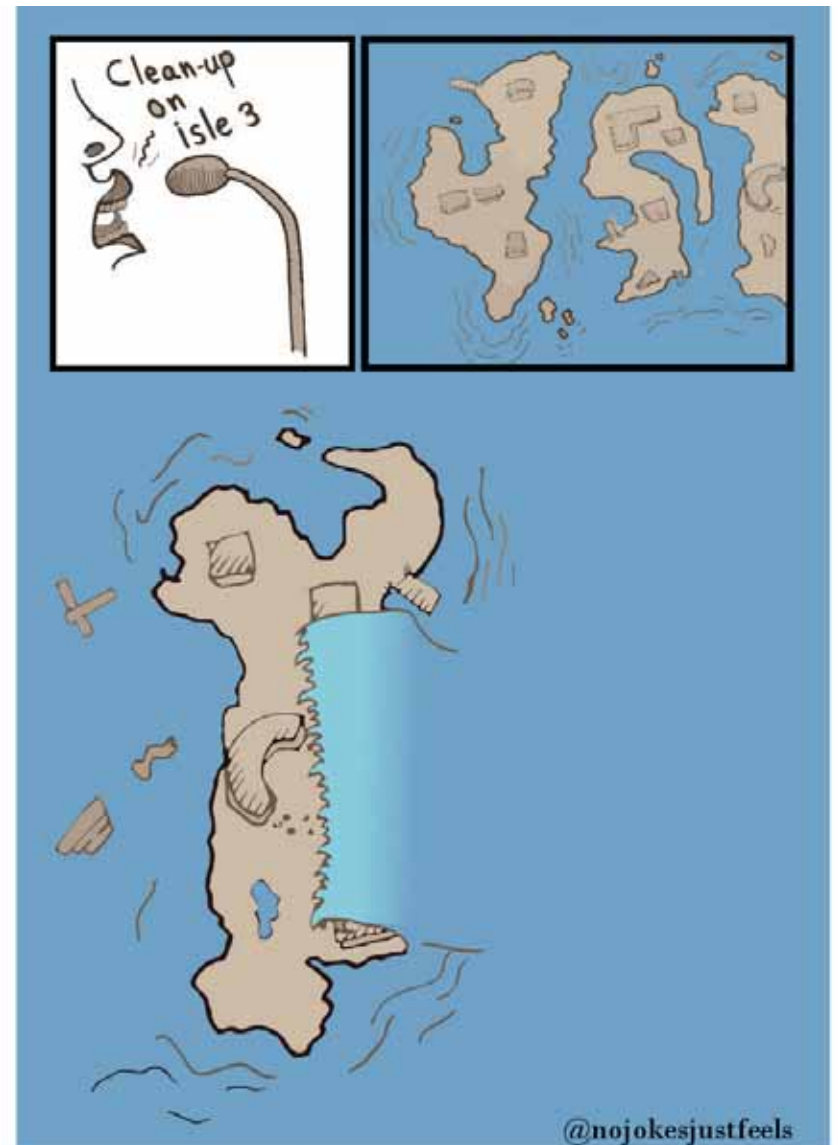
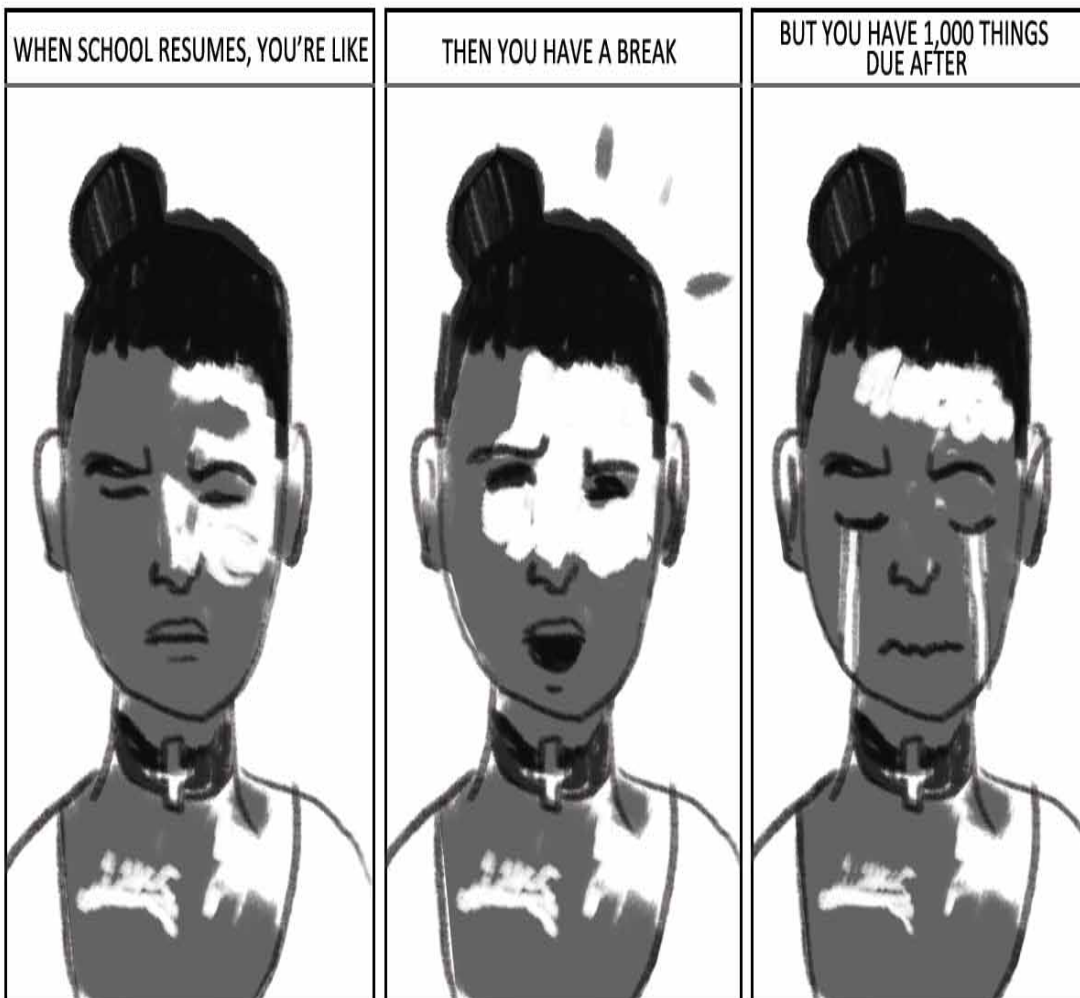
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