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Calendar of Events

MONDAY – WEDNESDAY,
APRIL 1-3

Free and confidential STD testing in Health Services. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 450-3029 for more info and walk-ins are welcome.

TUESDAY, APRIL 2
SGA meeting at noon

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3
Rotten Egg Hunt at the soccer field at noon

Dr. David Starling presents "When 2 + 2 isn't 4" at noon in Graham 115.

THURSDAY, APRIL 4
Miller-Keystone Blood Drive from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Graham Lobby. No appointment necessary. Photo ID needed.

FRIDAY, APRIL 5
Last day to late drop a class. You can late drop using eLion or at the Registrar's office in the lower level of the Administration Building.

FRIDAY, APRIL 7
Bus to Baltimore Inner Harbor will leave from South Hall at 7 a.m. Lots of space is available. Sign up at Student Affairs Butler 105.



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April Fools Pranks Galore

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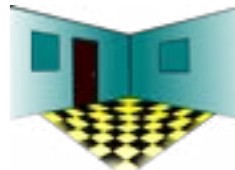


Other harmless pranks to try out:

Tampering with the alarm clock



Rearranging the dorm room



Glue random objects down



Room of Post-its or aluminum foil



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A look back at videogaming in March

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The world of videogames got a taste of the good the bad and the ugly throughout the month of March as the release of big titles met, surpassed or fell below expectations and fans were there every step of the way to voice their opinions.

Crystal Dynamics and their reboot of Tomb Raider came in to reintroduce the iconic Lara Croft to the world. The game serves as an origin story to explain how Croft evolved into the dual pistol wielding no nonsense adventurer we've grown to know and love.

In Tomb Raider, Croft finds herself stranded on a strange island after a shipwreck and is forced to defend herself from the animals and people lurking. Alone and wounded, Croft is portrayed in the early part of the game as vulnerable and even scared yet savvy enough to navigate her way through the hazardous terrain as she searches for her crewmates and for answers.

However, while the overall game is excellent it doesn't come without a few faults. Namely continuing the trend of purely single-player games having a multiplayer aspect tacked onto it and having it feel more like deadweight than a useful addition.

Mass Effect 3 was another game that brought in multiplayer and had fans fearing that it would come at the expense of the single-player experience. Admittedly, Mass Effect 3's multiplayer was a pleasant surprise, and served as an exception to the rule.

While Mass Effect 3 may have gotten multiplayer right, even a year after its release the game's controversial ending still causes strong reactions for appearing rushed and resorting to a deus-ex machina of sorts. Since then, Bioware has provided additional content for the game culminating with the release of the final piece of DLC.

The Citadel DLC gives fans a bit of closure and ends things on a high note as it's packed to the

brim with humor, action and one last get together with all your favorite characters from the trilogy. It's a complete tonal shift from the rest of the game's "the world is ending" vibe, but the DLC makes sense within the context of the story as a much needed vacation gone awry in a hurry.

Though the DLC isn't meant to replace the original ending of the game, it certainly feels like the end because with this Bioware has officially moved on, although Mass Effect 4 in undoubtedly in the works.

Many gamers are weary of the next iteration in the Mass Effect franchise not because they don't have faith in Bioware to bounce back from that polarizing ending, but because they don't have faith in the publisher, EA, who they feel caused the downfall of the series.

EA's reputation took another hit upon the release of SimCity where the game was essentially rendered unplayable because the servers couldn't handle the influx

of gamers who were ready to play the game they waited ten years for.

To combat piracy, EA and developer Maxis attempted to make SimCity an online only game that players had to log in to enjoy, even if they wanted to play alone or on the road. That drew the ire of many though they were willing to look past that until they weren't even able to play the game, or lost creations they spent hours working on.

The backlash was so large that Amazon put up a notice warning potential buyers about the server issues and also went against policy to offer refunds to disgruntled customers who downloaded the game. One reviewer summed up the overall experience by saying, "But buying this game? In my opinion, you would be wiser to take three twenties out of your wallet, and light them on fire."

This may seem harsh, but for many, when it comes to EA, this is the straw that destroyed the camel's back. EA has adopted a

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Amanda's Corner



15 Movies in 15 Weeks

Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?

A bitter aging couple (Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton) with the help of alcohol, use a young couple to fuel anguish and emotional pain towards each other. -- Courtesy of imdb.com

Jokes of the Week

BUYING IN BULK?

The female dormitory will be out-of-bounds for all the male students, so too the male dormitory to the female students. Anybody caught breaking this rule will be fined \$20 the first time. Anybody caught breaking this rule the second time will be fined \$60. Being caught a third time will incur a hefty fine of \$180. Are there any questions?"

At this, a male student in the crowd inquires, "Er... How much for a season pass?"

THE HOMEWORK SCHEDULE

Students should not spend more than one hour per night. Here's the breakdown:

- 5 minutes looking for assignment.
- 11 minutes calling a friend for the assignment.
- 13 minutes explaining to others why the professor doesn't care about students
- 8 minutes in the bathroom reading TV Guide.
- 10 minutes getting a snack and texting.
- 6 minutes telling room mates the teacher never explained the assignment.
- 7 minutes writing something to hand in.

April Fools Word Search

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 Q Q P L O A N L B G M O N O V F L A
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Amusement

Jokes

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Mischief

Spoof

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Trick

Stunt

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reputation of hurting the credibility of once beloved developers from Bioware, who caught flack for the ending of Mass Effect 3 and the lackluster Dragon Age 2, to Maxis and the hoopla surrounding SimCity. Not to mention that the Madden series is often cited as what happens when a company doesn't have any competition.

The Playstation exclusive MLB: The Show series is one games that does its sport justice, and this year's iteration once again knocked it out of the park. With it's realistic gameplay and eye-

catching graphics, MLB 13: The Show stands head and shoulders above MLB 2K13 which has been called a \$60 roster update. That's a disappointment to Xbox 360 owners who don't have an alternative.

Gears of War: Judgment, a prequel to the Gears of War trilogy, could have softened the blow for 360 owners, but its multiplayer, a hallmark of the series, felt like a downgrade from previous titles as did the entire game overall. The adventures of Damon Baird and Augustus Cole, both part of The Kilo Squad that is put on trial, are

a step down from the antics that occurred in the main trilogy and Judgment doesn't quite match up to its predecessors.

On the other hand Bioshock Infinite has drawn favorable comparisons to the original Bioshock game as opposed to the sequel that left a little to be desired. Infinite has been highly touted and comes highly recommended as a game does everything right, from graphics, to storytelling to gameplay all combined to make one unforgettable experience.

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Just what every college student needs...

It is all about the condoms, cash and candy this week

Yeah, it may still be cold and the ground may be a bit slippery as it tries to thaw out from one long winter but it is worth a little mud to score cash, condoms or candy this week.

Cash in denominations of \$1, \$5, \$10 and \$20 bills, condoms and an assortment of candy are all up for grabs Wednesday, April 3 during the common hour when students will rush through the soccer field gathering eggs stuffed with an assortment of goodies courtesy of PSU-HN Student Affairs who want to send out a message along with some prizes.

Ryan Aten and April Harris-Snyder, of Student Affairs, said the eggs are also sending out a message about sexually transmitted diseases. Just like eggs look fine on the outside so do the people students date. You just don't know what is hiding inside that may or may not hurt you if



Find the right egg and you can hit the jackpot at the Rotten Egg Hunt this Wednesday during common hour at the soccer field.

not protected, the duo points out. In the eggs will be information on sexually transmitted diseases in the hopes students will learn something while they have fun. Aten said there may be an egg or two without anything in it but

those who participate will more than likely get something out of the activity.

So put on your sneakers, get your bags, butterfly nets or whatever you need and get ready to gather some rotten eggs this week.

SGA brings awareness to campus

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Have you ever been made fun of? Has anyone ever called you a mean name? Well, the Student Government Association hosted a diversity party last week in Slusser Basik to help spread diversity and bring awareness to stereotypes.

SGA supplied pizza, along with water and sweet lemonade for the students to eat while they made T-shirts. On the shirts, students were able to fabric paint offensive names that they have been called before, bringing awareness to the different types of stereotypes that can occur.

People are made fun of based on their religion, body type, race, ethnicity, and by the way they dress. Students who attended were able to socialize and play various games that deal with stereotypes.

Overall, the event was a success and students had a lot of fun.



First year students Ryan Lieb and Brenden Nelson are concentrating on perfecting their shirt.

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HOURS:
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Monday, April 1, 2013