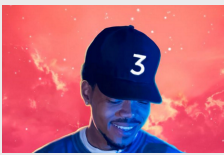




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Midtown Takes On The Taste

By: Juan Perez

On July 9, 2016 Midtown had the opportunity to visit one of Chicago’s greatest festival, the Taste of Chicago. We had many great moments together as a group as we had so much fun. Although it was very hot in the city we still made it through the day. We ate good food at many restaurants and food trucks such as Pork & Mindy’s, La Bomba and the Churro Factory. During the Taste of Chicago, the Public Relations group had the chance to meet one of our advisors friend Arty, an employee at Beaver’s Coffee and Donuts. Arty has been working there for 3 years now and he loves his job. We asked him some questions about himself and his job. His said when he first started working his qualifications weren't much, that he learned and practice at making donuts. While at work he enjoys talking to the customers and serving them. He also enjoys the view as he travels across the city in a food truck and loves the smell of donuts and coffee. Lastly I asked him if this job is part time or full time for him and he replied saying “Learning helps the business but if it keeps growing and the future looks positive, I'll stay.” I recommend everyone to go try some of Beavers donuts because they are very delicious. The address for Beaver’s Donuts and Coffee is 131 N. Clinton St. in Chicago.



Luis & Antonio with Arty

Jeremiah Williamson, another student in the Public Relations apprenticeship, tried funnel cake from a pop-up restaurant. He mentioned how it was the best thing at the Taste of Chicago because of the chocolate syrup and sprinkled powdered sugar. Jeremiah also mentions how “It was big enough to feed two or three people which was bad because I only have one stomach.”

Jesus Ortiz, a student in the Public Relations apprenticeship tried a fried Oreo for the first time from Punky’s. A fried Oreo is covered with soft layer of pancakes mix, fried until golden brown, and then devoured. When someone thinks of fried food, Oreos would probably be the last thing someone would think of, but the delicious of the cookie would make you happy someone created such a dessert. Jesus’ expectation for the cookie was very low. He imagined the cookie to be oily and soggy, however, he admits he was wrong. The cookie is not oily, it’s crispy. The cookie is not soggy, it is soft. The cookie overall is a delicious dessert.



Jeremiah enjoying his funnel cake

Midtown Staff of the Week: Mike Sislow

By: Israel Carranza & Aaron Vazquaz

Mike Sislow knew he wanted to build things in the future ever since he was 6 years old. Mr. Sislow lives in Barrington, Illinois, and just got a job in Houston, Texas at one of the largest oil refineries in the world. Ever since he was young he’s been building things from model buildings out of legos to model rockets. Falling in love with chemistry and the joy of building, he continued to strive for his dream at the University of Illinois for 5 years then at the University of Chicago for another 2 years earning his master’s degree in engineering. Becoming the Lead Petroleum Engineer, the Chicago native needed many qualifications for the job including 3 major ones: an engineering certification, an ABET (a program for accreditation in engineering and technology), and credits in an engineering school. During our interview we asked what he enjoy most about what he does and he responded with, “I love the complexity of the building and structure of what I make; I also love the chemistry and the building part of my job... but the main thing that makes me love my job is seeing the finish project just like how journalism guys love to see the finished newspaper.” Getting this job meant a lot to him due to the fact that he has had the desire to build things ever since he was kid as his future career. All in all Sislow is looking forward to his new job as the Lead Petroleum Engineer at Houston, Texas starting this summer. Here at Midtown we wish him the best in his new job and the best luck in the future.



Aaron with Mike Sislow

WORLD NEWS

Ethiopia Blocks Social Media Across Entire Country

By: Christian Reyes

Ethiopia has recently blocked the access of all social media sites for the week. The Ethiopian government has cited that the fear of the tests leaking onto the internet is responsible for the blocking along with students being distracted with social media instead of studying. Many Ethiopians have said that banning sites for a few days will eventually build up leading to larger and larger bans.



An Ethiopian Journalist said to BBC that the ban “was just the beginning”.

Even though Ethiopia has one of the lowest internet access rates, which average at 3 percent, they still block certain sites like any that advocate for Human Rights or a less restrictive government. The Ethiopian government is already restrictive on social media and monitors what citizens post to stop the spread of opposition material. Many of its citizens use VPN’s or Virtual Private Network to access blocked sites.

Ethiopia already has frequent blackouts in certain area but claim to have no correlation with the government causing them. This is one of the only times that the government has out a claim that they are responsible for and outage. As one person said to Africa News, “This is a dangerous precedent, There is no transparency on who took the issue and for how long.”

Recently Ethiopia blocked all access of social media to its citizens due to it being time for university exams. I went around Midtown and asked several people about their opinion on Ethiopia's choice. I first spoke with Gabriel Toledo, an Engineering student, about the country's choice and he said “it is a good idea because using social media could distracts students from time they could be studying.” Another engineering student, Bryce Fuller, vocalized his opinion on the issue saying,”I do not think its a good choice to block all social media, it's a mistake and blocks essential internet use”. I then posed the question “what else could have Ethiopia could have done instead of blocking social media? Toledo asserted that “They could have blocked only the students from using social media instead of the entire country.” Fuller then said “Ethiopia has its own servers and internet to manage not anyones else's”. Later to get a new perspective on the issue I asked George Dill, a member of the midtown staff, about the issue. In my first question on if Ethiopia took an appropriate measure he said “ No, Ethiopia did not, and what they did makes it seem like they have something more nefarious behind the block”. For my second question i asked if the blockage would get students to study, he responded “No, they should not have blocked all social media. If students want to study they will study and even so they can find another way to slack off and it's not up to the government to decide on that”.

Midtown Weekly Feature - Mansfield Frazier

By: Danny Garcia

Mansfield Frazier is a once incarcerated citizen for credit card fraud. He began to make credit cards after working in a company and not being able to move up in authority due to his race. After being incarcerated, he decided to make a vineyard in a rundown section of Cleveland. The vineyard was created to make wine which would eventually lead to the creation of a brewery. Mansfield Frazier efforts are based on the triple bottom line. The triple bottom line is meant to benefit the people, the economy, and the environment. How will Mansfield Frazier incorporate the triple bottom line? The grapes are sold to buyers who want to use the grapes for the wine and the money generated from the sales are given back to the community. The way the vineyard benefits the community is by producing jobs for people who were also incarcerated and teenagers who have nothing to do during the summer.



The environment benefits from the vineyard because it produces rich soil and fruit. The vineyard was built in an abandoned lot and Frazier did this to prevent people from the city to buy the property because this would lead to an increase in the cost of the property.

WORLD / LOCAL NEWS

A Shaky Situation

By: Jeremiah Williamson

The ground that you are standing one is constantly moving; the reason for this is because the earth is covered with tectonic plates that move around. Some of this plates wound hit or crossover other tectonic plate, this causes earthquakes. Some earthquakes are man-made; for example, fracking cause earthquakes because fracking uses a type of drill that is put into the earth to extract oil and gas. Fracking happens all over America but mostly in the western part of America. So, it is not surprising to hear that in the western part of america that there has been an increase in earthquakes.

In the western part and even in the midwest of America the rate of earthquakes has increased. The focus of earthquakes is in Oklahoma as the risk of a powerful earthquake, which is over 4.5 magnitude, is 12 percent. However, these are not earth made earthquakes because these earthquakes are man-made. Scientist had study that wastewater disposal cause earthquakes which is why there has been a lot of earthquakes in Oklahoma. The solution to this problem is to tighten the restriction of wastewater disposal.

The New Madrid area have also had an increase in earthquakes but it is a mystery why it has increased. The states that surround the New Madrid area is Missouri, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas ,and Illinois. So, be prepare to



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Events in Chicago This Weekend

By: Daniel Dominguez

Pitch Fork Music Festival

Union Park annual music festival, Pitch Fork, will be held this weekend starting July 15 until July 17. Three-day pass \$165, single day \$65.

Check out the following line-up:

Friday: Beach House, Broken Social Scene, Carly Rae Jepsen, Girl Band, Julia Holter, Mick Jenkins, Moses Sumney, The Range, Shamir, Twin Peaks, Whitney

Saturday: ANDERSON .Paak & the Free Nationals, BJ The Chicago Kid, Blood Orange, Brian Wilson performing Pet Sounds, Car Seat Headrest, Circuit des Yeux, Digable Planets, Holly Herndon, Jenny Hval, Kevin Morby, Martin Courtney, Oneman, Royal Headache, Savages, Sufjan Stevens, Super Furry Animals

Sunday: Empress Of, FKA twigs, Holy Ghost!, The Hotelier, Jeremih, Jlin, Kamasi Washington, LUH., Miguel, NAO, Neon Indian, Oneohtrix Point Never, Porches, RP Boo, Sun Ra Arkestra, Thundercat, Woods

Bristol Renaissance Faire

Engage in live-action fantasy play, enjoy interactive riddles, cheer on your favorite jousting knight or revel in period performances from 1574. The festival takes place Saturdays, Sundays. \$24, advance \$19; children 5-12 \$11.50, advance \$10; children 4 and under free

Can you name that Pokémon?



- A. Machoke
- B. Muk
- C. Hitmonchan

LOCAL NEWS

Gossip Column

Ghost Town

Recently there has been some strange happenings at Midtown. Things that were in one place seem to have moved themselves. When dogs pass by they either stop and stare, or bark at something that is not there. Recent accounts of pokemon go users have found that after having followed rare pokemon to midtown area their phones suddenly stopped working. The Journalism crew jumped at the opportunity to do some real life ghost hunting.

They went to canvassing and found that most of the strange incidents seemed to be happening in the hallway of the school. Both the Architecture and the Law Apprenticeships reported that the door handles keep falling off no matter how many times they fix it. Mike Seelinger reported that the ceiling in his room began to leak, and one of the advisers complained of a mysterious cough and had to be removed to another room.

Dr. Shepard had been in the business of ghost hunting in his past and had heard of the most recent haunting. He began to do some investigating of his own. He came to the Journalism Class and began to drop his nuggets of wisdom on us. “I dug back as far as I can go!” He went on to say that the ghost that have been sighted is named Olaf Ludwik Bykowski. Olaf was a little boy who lived in this area back in the late 1800’s. He lived with mom and dad who both worked in Chicago. Back then was the time when Bucktown was comprised of mostly eastern European families. His dad worked at a factory in Bridgeport and his mom worked at a restaurant.

He was mostly raised by his grandma who also lived with them. He was a tough kid who got in trouble a lot. He would sometimes prank people at the parks near his home. His parents were barely around to take care of him and his grandma did not care much for what he did. He would leave his house in the middle of the night while his family was asleep. But, one day he left his house one night and never came back.

We believe that this is the ghost of Olaf because when we dug further into the records there were accounts that he would often unscrew door knobs as a joke to lock people in their rooms. Legend says that one night during the coldest winter Chicago had ever seen, he went out to unscrew some door knobs at the school where he attended. They say that he got stuck in the classroom where he was pulling his usual knob unscrewing pranks because the knob had come out on his side.

Public Relations Apprenticeship Exclusive

By: Daniel Garcia and Kevin Salinas

It’s the third week of Midtown and students in the journalism/public relations elective are already working on their fourth newspaper article. As journalists, we took the time to interview other students about their views on journalism. Not only did we interview students, we decided to interview the teacher of the class and the advisor. We wanted to see what students/teachers enjoy most about the class. Up first is Juan Perez, who talks about his experience as a journalist: “It’s a good program if you’re interested in writing, it’s very fun, and you are given the opportunity to explore new things. Also, it is fun to meet people and hear people’s ideas on different news articles.”

Dorian Robinson said, “I like the environment and it’s also a field I would like to follow as a career. I enjoy everything.” What does Dorian enjoy about journalism? He enjoys his classmates, teachers, and the assignments given such as writing articles, interviews, and editing the work of others.

Following Dorian’s conversation, we wanted to get a different perspective on the Public Relations class. Aray Rivera, teacher of Public Relations, tells us what he likes about the class: “I like working with the students and teaching them about public relations. Everything is great, if I was asked what I liked least about my class, it would be hard to decide.”

Mariano Gomez studies english, writes a lot , was a coach in the year 2013, and worked for Midtown updating the alumni database. Mariano Gomez, the teacher’s assistant and advisor for Public Relations, also gave his views on what he likes the most about the class: “I feel like I can help out more, improve myself and others as writers, and I like to hear about people’s perspectives on news around the world.”



Daniel Garcia interviewing Mr. Rivera

Virtue of the Week

Midtown is a program that promotes character development and growth. Midtown especially values; today’s virtue is “**Spirit Of Service**”. Here are a few quotes that aid you with the understanding of the word.

“**Service** to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth”. - Muhammad Ali

“To give real **service** you must add something which cannot be bought or measured with money, and that is sincerity and integrity”. -Douglas Adams

“You need an attitude of **service**. You're not just serving yourself. You help others to grow up and you grow with them”. - David Green

LOCAL NEWS / ENTERTAINMENT

Midtown Interview: Balint Subert

By: Israel Caranza

Balint Subert, a Hungarian native, came from a small family and moved to the United States when he was 16.

Throughout this week we interviewed one of the many advisors here at Midtown. We talked to Balint Subert about his experience so far in Chicago. As of now he has been living in Virginia for 3 years and just finished his first year at Northern Virginia community college. Since he is originally from Hungary and his native language is Hungarian, he had to learn English at his school before coming to the U.S. When asked about the difference between the environment compared from here and back home he said, “Americans are so much friendlier, they are more sarcastic, and the school system is different. Also I’ve noticed the schools back home aren’t as diverse as they are here.” Mr. Subert was recommended by a friend from back home in Virginia to join Midtown. During the interview, we asked what he has enjoyed so far about the program and responded with, “Getting to know the kids, advisors, and having good opportunities on becoming a better leader.” He also stated during the interview that he is still working to improve on understanding the kids more and how to react on different situations. He’s learning throughout the summer taking it day by day. After Midtown Mr. Subert will go back to Hungary and finish his school while trying to major in engineering.

Video Game Release Dates

By: Daniel Dominguez



Madden 2017 for Xbox One & PS4

Release Date: August 23, 2016

Price: \$60

Destiny: Rise of Iron for Xbox One & PS4

Release Date: November 20, 2016

Price: \$30



FIFA 2017 for Xbox One & PS4

Release Date: November 27, 2016

Price: \$60

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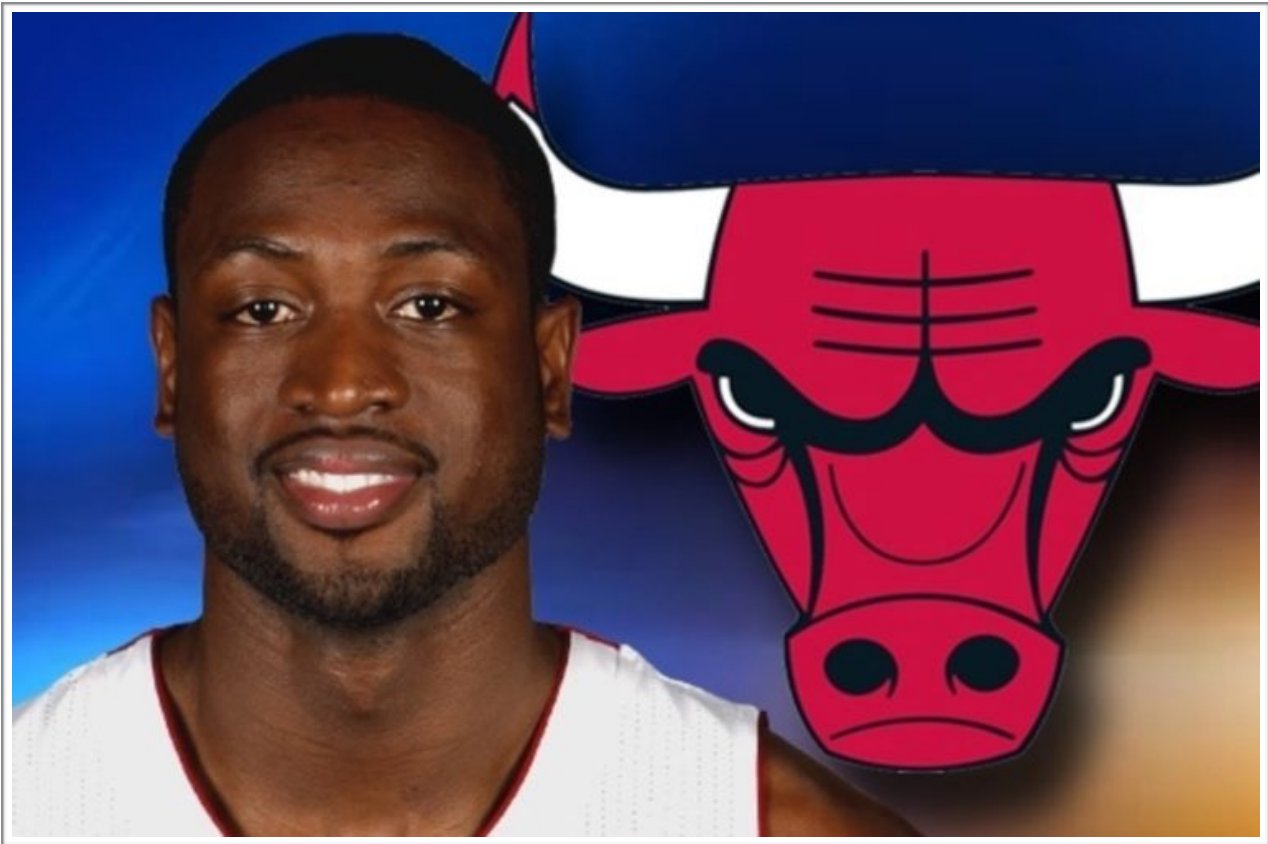
Welcome Home D-Wade!

By: Dorian Robinson

Dwyane Wade, former Miami Heat superstar, has made his decision to leave Miami and go to the Chicago Bulls, his hometown. He signed a two-year, 47.5 million dollar contract with the Bulls as of Thursday, July 7, 2016.

Wade was drafted by the Heat in 2003 and has played there since. He has played thirteen seasons with the Heat, leading them to their first franchise NBA championship. He has now made a change to come to Chicago and play for the Bulls.

Wade grew up in the suburbs of Chicago. He attended Harold L. Richards High School (1997-2000) in Oak Lawn where he began to emerge as a future superstar in the NBA. He then attended Marquette University, played 3 years of college ball (2000-2003) before he was drafted.



With the Miami Heat, Dwyane Wade won three championships (2006, 2012, 2013). When the Heat organization heard about Wade’s decision, they were a little devastated; however, they respected his decision to leave and they were very encouraging. The organization posted a tweet saying, “Thank you D-Wade for 13 unforgettable seasons.” They also posted fourteen “Wade flashbacks” from his previous seasons apart of the Heat.

I interviewed around Midtown to see the opinions of the move from the staff and students and they shared mixed feelings. Mike Walsh, a huge Bulls fan, is a bit undecided about Wade’s decision. “I’m kind of torn,” he began “he had an opportunity to come sooner and he used the Bulls to get more money from the heat. I feel like we were still his last option to get paid this season. I’m still excited, he’s an exciting player.” Mr. Walsh believes he will watch more games with him on the team than he planned on. I also interviewed the two referees of basketball, Marcellus Polle and Ryan McClain. Polle, who had a Chicago Bulls hat, says it's about time he came home and it's an excellent move for Chicago. “It

took him long enough to come home,” he said, “it's going to be a great backcourt with Wade and Rondo.” McClain is more on the bad side with the Bulls at this point. “I have mixed feelings,” he said with a chuckle “part of me wishes he would've came when Derrick Rose was here, I just don't think the Bulls can win in the Eastern Conference.” I asked about the teams they would struggle to beat and all three staff members shared the same ideas. The Cleveland Cavaliers, Golden State Warriors, San Antonio Spurs, New York Knicks, Indiana Pacers, and a mention of The Toronto Raptors and Boston Celtics. In the staff’s opinion, the Bulls have an opportunity this year but they also have a lot of obstacles ahead.

Chicago fans are extremely excited to get D-Wade. The chances of them winning a championship has skyrocketed with the new addition. This upcoming season will be very exciting to watch.



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ENTERTAINMENT



Album Review - Chance the Rapper: Coloring Book

By: Jesus Ortiz

Not releasing a Mixtape in 3 years, Chancelor Bennett, known as Chance the Rapper, releases his new Mixtape: Coloring Book. The Mixtape starts off with “All We Got” ft. Kanye West & Chicago Children's Choir and provides smooth flow, until Kanye disturbs the flow with an odd auto-tune. The auto-tune seems more disturbing than helpful, but for some the Kanye hook has a cheerful affection. Throughout the Mixtape, Chance accentuates his belief in freedom and his relationship with god. “Blessing” delivers an amazing story of thanking God and how some people have not experienced the love and happiness of god. “They book the nicest hotels on the 59th floor. With the big windows, with the suicide doors”, the verse expresses how wealthy people often don’t have a strong relationship with god. The term wealthy because suicide doors are door that are commonly found in luxurious cars. The implement of wealthy mean on the 59th floor shows the intention of ending their life since they never found happiness. Overall, the Mixtape provides a relaxed flow that connects both, happiness, freedom, and god.

People’s opinion on the Mixtape.

As I walk around the Midtown area, I asked people if they were comfortable sharing their opinion on the Mixtape. These were their responses.

Antonio Gutierrez Martinez: “I felt that the Mixtape was over hype, and I did not like the flow”

Alfonso Villanueva 3: “The Mixtape was very breezy. I’ll give it a 8.5”

Leonardo Almaraz: “The Mixtape was good. It had some feelings to it”

Riddle of the Week:

What tastes better than it smells?

(Answer on page 8)



Joke of the Week:

Teacher: Whoever answers my next question, can go home.

One boy throws his bag out the window.

Teacher: Who just threw that?

Boy: Me and I’m going home now.



THE MIDTOWN LAW EXCLUSIVE

Midtown Law Visit with Judge Reyes

By Angel Medina

Midtown Law visited the chambers of Illinois Appellate Justice Jesse Reyes, and greatly appreciated his time to share challenges and memorable events in your life. We appreciated the advice Judge Reyes said about respect and how Walter Payton treats his opponents by helping them up after a hard takedown. We will remember the struggles Judge Reyes went through as a kid and how he had to deal with those gang members wanting to recruit him and if you said “No” they would beat you up and you would have to go to school with blood on your body, but you said “No” because you had a goal of being someone. Judge Reyes taught us perseverance and not falling into bad habits with bad people because that will just distract you from your goals in life and your success. He talked to us about how your dad didn’t want you to go off to college and wanted you to stay and support the family. But, Judge Reyes stayed pro-active and made a deal with his dad to have a gap year working to support the family and after the year ends he then continued to pursue his dream. Judge Reyes taught us that nothing can stop a person from their success as long as they are determined, persistent and respectful. Midtown Law thanks Judge Reyes for letting us come to the courthouse and having the rare opportunity to sit down in the courthouse. We will never forget it! You are truly a great example for all of us to follow.

Sincerely,

Midtown Law Apprenticeship



Law students photo op with Judge Reyes

Answer to the riddle:

A tongue

