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Commuters are ready to mentor
CAB’s peer mentorship program kicks off its second year with high hopes

BY KEVIN THOMAS
Editor-in-Chief

While most students envision college as a new world, free from their parents, some return home to them every night for dinner. For these commuting students, Xavier’s Commuter Activities Board (CAB) offers a peer mentorship program that will help incoming first-years learn how to deal with these challenges that may be overlooked during orientation.

The peer mentorship program, which was first implemented last year, was created when senior Jordan Lobsiger, who now works as a Program Assistant for Commuter Services Ryan Spolar, reflected on her experience with Manresa. “A lot of Manresa at the time was geared towards residential students,” Lobsiger said. “All of it was about how to get along with your roommate, how to manage your money and time now that you don’t live at home… My roommate is my mom. The greatest challenge I faced was figuring out how to navigate a relationship with my mom as I grow independently at college.”

The idea behind the peer mentorship program was to make Manresa, Xavier’s orientation program for incoming first-years, more inclusive to students who may not have the standard college experience. The biggest thing is not feeling like you belong through little things, like referring to it as move-in day or (Manresa) being very specific to resident students and just not feeling like you can use these clubs,” senior Chandler Bell, who is a peer mentor, said. “We want (commuting students) to know that everything on campus is for them. We want them to be involved and to enjoy it just like everyone else.”

One of the main goals of the peer mentorship program is figuring out ways to get commuter students involved on campus as students who are not active in the campus community are more likely to leave, according to Lobsiger, who considers getting commuters involved one of the primary reasons that she stayed at Xavier. “If I hadn’t come home (after Manresa) and told my mom that I hated it, and she (hadn’t) told me to get involved, I might not still be at Xavier,” Lobsiger said.

Bell agreed with the sentiment. “I would say we’re trying to get them more involved,” Bell said. “If you ask a commuter student (what issues they face), they’re going to say parking because it’s the most immediate thing… While that’s a surface-level issue, the general feeling is not feeling like they belong.”

Bell went on to say that this feeling of belonging comes from students believing that club involvement is something meant for students living on campus. “Essentially, with (the peer mentorship program), we want commuters to get involved with clubs (and) service because the more students are involved, the longer they want to stay.”

The program is intended as a way not only for commuting students to get involved with extracurriculars, but also as a way for them to feel welcome in the community. “(Peer mentors) serve to give that specialty basically,” Lobsiger said. “They offer their experiences to students as also traditional commuter students and they’re able to reflect on those experiences and help guide our new commuter students so that we can increase their sense of belonging.”

While this program will be introduced during an optional dinner at the beginning of Manresa, both Bell and Lobsiger believe that all commuting students should come to the dinner, which will take place on Thursday evening. “It’s just to make commuters feel more included in Manresa and to feel like it’s not something just like for resident students,” Bell said. “It’s something for, I guess, everyone.”

Last year, the first year of the program, there were only eight mentors to help guide more than one hundred first-year students. This year, however, there are ten mentors who have gone through extensive training to help incoming students learn how to cope with beginning college.

Students who are interested are invited to the dinner, but for any student not able to attend, they are invited to the Commuter Lounge on the third floor of Gallagher Student Center.

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An inside look at Manresa 2019 provided by the Manresa Orientation Team

BY ALEX BUDZYNSKI
Campus News Editor

While the rest of campus has been preparing to return to Xavier for their fall semester, a group of students have been working hard to prepare for Manresa, Xavier’s first-year student orientation program.

This group of students is known as the Manresa Orientation Team and is comprised of Core, Group Leaders and Staff Members. Together they ensure that Manresa is efficient and successful for all incoming students.

Take a minute to meet a few of these Orientation Team members from all different classes and read how they are getting pumped for this year’s Manresa.

Manresa 2019 begins on Wednesday, Aug. 15, and lasts until Sunday, Aug. 18.

“I am excited to guide the class of 2023 for their next four years in college and show them the reasons why I love Xavier.”
Grace McGohan
Sophomore entrepreneurial studies major

“I am excited to dive (head first) into the Xavier community and make sure the first-years have a good time.”
Joseph Cotton
Sophomore Philosophy, Politics and the Public major

“I am excited to meet all the first-years. I am the same age as the grade behind me so I am excited to connect with people my own age.”
Maddie Berry
Sophomore chemical science major

“I am really excited to meet the first-years. I am looking forward to showing them how awesome the Xavier community is and what is means to be All for One and One for All!”
Maiya Espinosa
Junior middle childhood education major

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Check out these new clubs Xavier has to offer!

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Hypebeast Collective — An organization for fans of fashion and sneakers. It’s all about the sneaks!
Italian Club — Students explore and appreciate the food, music, films, language and traditions of Italian culture.
Kappa Delta Pi — An international honors society for accomplished and inspired education students.
Network of Enlightened Women (NEW) — A group aimed at connecting conservative women on campus.
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Another mass shooting, but this one hits home

By this time in my life, I wanted to have at least two internships under my belt and a job following my college career. Minimum. My expectations for myself were high, but realistic, or so I believed. Nevertheless, I am sitting here writing this article at the beginning of my senior year, just getting ready for my shift later as a Waitress. To say that I was wrong in my expectations is probably an understatement. The thing is, I’m quite happy with where I am right now, and I’m perfectly fine with being wrong.

The pressure to get as much experience during your time in college is ridiculous, simply put. The reality of it is, we have to make money somehow and most of these so-called ‘elite’ internships or ‘amazing’ opportunities are unpaid, or even cost you money. It’s a little unreasonable to expect twenty-something year old students to just be OK with having absolutely no income except from a student loan. Internships undoubtedly have their benefits, but they are exclusive because not everyone can get them and to those who didn’t get that position you were dying to get, it’s OK.

I’ve applied to countless internships and have even been turned down by too many interviewers to count. The ones that were a great fit, however, still have the daunting ‘unpaid position’ line at the end of the description. Besides the money aspect of internships though, there is a wildly intense pressure to have one just for the sake of having one. When people ask me what I’ve been up to this summer and I answer with my honest explanation, it’s usually followed with something to the tune of “Well that’s a OK or ‘You still have time to figure it out’.” I know I have time, I’m twenty-one years old. Not having the internship of my dreams is OK. I highly doubt that because I spent this past summer building my bank account up I won’t get a job after college.

Now I’m not trying to say that everyone who did have an internship was wrong or just succumbed to the pressure of today’s world. It’s just an attitude problem. Internships are a great way to build your resume if you can afford to do so. You have the chance to gain real world and real work experience while you’re still a student and it’s a good way to figure out if you’re headed down the right path for you. Through my major in Communications, I had the chance to participate in a campaign internship for a class that I was taking my sophomore year. Albeit, I absolutely loathe campaign work, but that’s something I had the good fortune to experience early in my college career because of that internship. The point is, I’m perfectly fine with being wrong. I’ve had a really great summer working in a restaurant. I’ve been able to make decent money and make even better friends where I work. I’ve spent quality time with friends and family, but I’ve also had much needed time to read and research what I want to do after I graduate. The truth is, I am still figuring out what path is right for me, but I don’t have to have an internship to do that. If you can follow your dreams or do amazing things without being at the biggest law firm or at one of the big four accounting firms — all the while being perfectly happy. Everybody has a different path that leads them to their future, so don’t let the pressure of internships discourage you from finding your own.

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I had always heard of other mass shootings in the news and would always think, “That’ll never happen here in Dayton.”

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When I was a sophomore in high school, my mom told me that I should go to a college visit over spring break so that I “wouldn’t fall in love with the first place I visited.” So we decided to visit Xavier and sure enough, I thought she was right, I fell in love with the place. At first, I thought that my mom was correct, I fell love with college, not Xavier. So, as I continued on in my high school career, I visited more colleges including Miami, Ohio State, and yes, even UC. Nowhere I went even compared to Xavier, I never felt any sense of community. I had to visit Xavier again, this time in the planning stages.

But the community, while slightly damp, was the same. People held doors for one another, and everyone was constantly saying hi to one another as they walked around. It felt like a place where I could belong. I thought my tour guide must have been popular and I know that so many incoming first year students and upperclassmen felt that same way.

There is something special about this place. Xavier is a place that all of us have chosen to call a home. Just like a home, there are good days and there are bad days. You will have highs like Xavier Fest, your first Alternative Breaks trip and forming new relationships. There will also be lows with hard classes, tested friendships and being woken up by the Brockman fire alarm. (yes, even if you don’t live in Brockman.) The thing that makes Xavier a special place is that no matter if you are having your worst day of the semester, or your best, there will always be someone there to hold the door for you or to give you a smile.

One of our biggest values here at Xavier is Cura Personalis, or care for the whole person. This Jesuit value has a lot of meaning for the university as an institution. For them, it means investing in academics, physical well-being, mental health, career experiences and many, many, many other things. For us as a campus community, it means being there for one another. It is respecting your friends’ choices when they have to take time for self-care. It is supporting a friend on a club sports team. It is eating lunch with a friend that you know may be struggling.

And even one of your friends. One of the many things that emulate God and bring us joy. For once you have, and ask yourself if you have found joy. For once you have, and ask yourself if you have found joy. For once you have, and ask yourself if you have found joy. For once you have, and ask yourself if you have found joy.

New tricks from an old dog: Lessons in leisure

As students reun convene at Xavier and arrive for another year, the first time, I feel obligated to impart some cautionary wisdom upon us all. When it comes to college, we often associate these years with intense stress, social ambiguity and personal drain. Simply put, we must distinguish it from what it is not. Leisure is not vaca tion, for it is not a planned activity and does not rely on standard time. Vacations of ten take more work than if you hadn’t gone in the first place and they’re filled with time-crunching activities, sight-seeing, and you come home more tired than when you left. Leisure is also not non-work-related things such as movies, exercise or games and is more dynamic than temporary satisfaction. Leisure is non-material and cannot be satisfied by the acquisition of material because it is not made of any substance or combination of items that we tangibly understand.

The author Josef Pieper in his book, The Essence of Leisure, argues that leisure is an attitude of contemplative concern for the practice of leisure. In his book, Leisure: The Basis of Culture, he argues that leisure is necessary for culture to thrive because it is dependent on the contemplation of higher truths and permanent things. He also believed that higher truths and permanent things emulate God and bring a person of leisure closer to Him. Leisure is only possible when a person is at one with the world, but foremost at one with themselves.

Do not misunderstand me, leisure does not mean abandoning work, academic rigor or responsibility. In fact, leisure strengthens and aids one’s ability to accomplish our daily tasks and routines. It is a source of renewal and joy. Leisure is an attitude which we must maintain and reform ourselves to derive the most efficiently at a sustainable pace; it is an attitude and does not depend on circumstance. It is an attitude of heart and of spirit, it is the closest understand ing to the presence of God, lending to an abundant and fruitful life.

My advice for students of all years, especially those incoming firs-years, is to fix an attitude of leisure in your mind and to keep tempo with it, practice it and find yourself in the contemplative nature of higher truths and permanent things. An attitude of leisure will lend to an attitude of joy, which is the greatest fulfillment.

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An attitude of leisure will lend to an attitude of joy, which is the greatest fulfillment. This has helped me immensely throughout my time at Xavier and it has not only grown my ability to work more efficiently at a sustainable, but effective pace; it has also brought me closer to my Creator. For He exemplifies the attitudes of leisure and joy so, when we practice it, we get a glimpse into the divine and grow closer to His truths. I encourage everyone at Xavier to examine your current attitudes in life and ask yourself if you have found joy. For once you have, you will exceed all expectations, overcome all circum stances and grow more into the person God created you to be. I welcome all students, new or returning to Xavier, and I hope we can be a part of your journey to joy.
Analysis: A power shift may tip the NBA scales

Clippers, Bucks and 76ers on the rise, former Xavier players ink new deals

By Joseph Cotton
Staff Writer

Los Angeles will dominate the NBA discussion next season. With the off-season acquisitions of Kawhi Leonard and Paul George, the Clippers can legitimately contend for the heart of their city instead of playing the little brother team role to the Lakers.

The Clippers are looking to build on the success of the previous season where coach Doc Rivers led a scrappy and underrated roster to six games against the loaded Golden State Warriors.

While still maintaining the core that gave them success, the new-look Clippers have added two of the best players in the league and are looking to take the Western Conference off the table.

The Utah Jazz had a quiet but eventful summer. Despite losing Ricky Rubio, the Jazz have turned their roster for a playoff run next April.

With the Al Horford and Josh Richardson signings, Philadelphia hopes to support the young stars they have in Ben Simmons and Joel Embiid. Although defense shouldn't be a problem with the team, offense, especially in the clutch, is a big question mark as they don't have an elite shot creator to close out games.

It is unclear who will fill the role that Jimmy Butler, who signed with the Miami Heat, once occupied.

Free agency has been a mixed bag for former Xavier players. For the 2019-2020 season, Edmond Sumner will be the only Xavier product to have a permanent spot on an NBA roster.

The Indiana Pacers converted his one-year, $81 million two-way contract to a three-year, $62.5 million NBA contract after an impressive 22.1 per game season with the Indiana G-League affiliate Fort Wayne Mad Ants.

Despite sustaining a minor, undisclosed left foot injury, the versatile young Xavier product is looking to be pushed in heavier minutes on an injury-depleted Pacers roster.

Trevor Ariza, Thaddeus Young’s depart from Indiana, Tyrone Evers’ suspension and young star Victor Oladipo being sidelined until Christmas with a knee injury, Summer is in a favorable spot to receive more playing time as he is listed as the second shooting guard on the depth charts.

J.P. Macura recently signed what is known as an Exhibit 10 deal with the Cleveland Cavaliers.

An Exhibit 10 deal comes with a $50,000 bonus as well as a guaranteed spot on a G-League roster. Macura, as a guaranteed spot on a G-League roster, has yet to sign another basketball contract.

Reds won the trade deadline, ready to contend

Cincinnati may not make the playoffs this year, but they can in the future

By Joe Clark
Staff Writer

Heading into the 2019 Major League Baseball season, no team experienced more roster turnover than the Cincinnati Reds.

In a series of trades, the Reds acquired Tanner Roark, Yasiel Puig, Alex Wood, Matt Kemp, Kyle Farmer and Sonny Gray, all while keeping most of their prospect depth intact.

While the changes weren’t intended to make the Reds instantly competitive, it signaled to the fanbase, the players and staff in the organization and the rest of the league that the Reds were done rebuilding.

Instead, they were interested in reloading and building up their major league talent instead of their farm system.

Despite the improved roster and a much-improved bullpen, the Reds still struggled in the ultra-competitive NL Central, and on July 30, were sitting at 49-56, 7.5 games out of the division and 6.5 out of the second NL Wild Card spot.

However, the Reds continued their philosophy of buying instead of selling by making arguably the biggest move of the MLB Trade Deadline, acquiring Indians ace Trevor Bauer in a three-team deal also involving the Padres. To acquire Bauer, the Reds sent Puig and prospect Scott Moss to the Indians while sending heralded prospect Taylor Trammell to San Diego.

The next day, to make room for Bauer in the rotation, the Reds moved on from Roark, sending him to the A’s for a prospect. With the addition of Bauer, the Reds have played better baseball in the second half of the season, with their record currently at 36-61 and only seven games back of the division lead and 5.5 games out of the wild card.

Besides the fact that Roark, Kemp, who was released earlier in the season, and Puig are no longer with the team, the Reds’ offseason strategy has definitely paid off as Sonny Gray has returned to his previous form. He’s currently 7-6 with a 3.10 ERA and 144 strikeouts in 127.2 innings pitched.

Puig helped the Reds acquire Bauer, who’s under team control through next season and should anchor a stacked Reds rotation along with Gray and Luis Castillo, who’s emerged as one of the best pitchers in baseball this season.

If the Reds expect to make the playoffs this season, they’ll need to show a significant headway against the Cubs, Brewers and Cardinals, three teams ahead of them in the NL Central who are all currently in line to make the playoffs.

It’s no question that the Central is the most difficult division in baseball this season, but the Reds have managed to stay competitive.

Despite an offense that’s stagnated a times, the Reds’ pitching staff has been so good this season that the Reds have a +44 run differential, which puts their Pythagorean record at 62-56.

A Pythagorean record is a team’s expected record strictly based off run differential. Essentially, the Reds have been much better than their record has shown this year.

According to Baseball Referee, the Reds only have an 8.3% chance to make the playoffs this season.

However, if they continue to buy and build up their major league roster, especially their lineup, they’ll definitely be a team to look out for in the coming seasons.
High hopes for this year’s theater

By Kevin Thomas
Editor-in-Chief

One of the most wonderful performances I’ve ever seen was a production of Shakespeare’s A Midsummer Night’s Dream, which took place in a shabby grove inside a public park in St. Louis when I was 17. There were no real seats, just divisions of where people could and could not sit. Throughout the performance, the actors wandered in the crowd, and I remember Puck coming up behind me and spooning me for a minute at one point while observing the action.

This intimate experience brought me an appreciation for theater that has only grown as I have, and with the shows that Xavier Theatre will be putting on this year, I can only imagine it will expand infinitely. While I haven’t seen any of the shows they’ll be performing this year, I have seen Xavier Theatre shows before and I have a feeling they will do an impressive job with each one.

The first show of the 2019-20 season is The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time, based on the 2003 novel by Mark Haddon. This is one of the plays that I am most excited for, simply because I love the quirkiness and kindness that appears in the book and I cannot wait to see it come to life on the stage. The show will be running from Sept. 19-22 and cast in May.

Chicago is next on the docket, running from Oct. 18-25, and the first musical of the season. This is one of those classic famous plays that I feel as though everyone has heard of or seen but I’m not the biggest fan of musicals so it’s slipped past me. However, I’m sure they’ll do an excellent job.

Xavier Theatre will be flipping back to a play for its next performance: The Wishes. This is a play about a high school girls soccer team and their experiences. It’s a rather new play; it premiered in 2016 and was a finalist for a Pulitzer Prize so I’m excited to see what they do with it. It runs from Nov. 15-23.

Last but not least for the fall semester will be Voices for Change on Dec. 7 and again on May 2. While this isn’t quite a play in the typical sense, it has been a showcase of student works meant to contribute to the discussion of ongoing social and political events and is definitely an event of its own to attend.

Heathers: The Musical will be kicking off the spring semester from Jan. 21-Feb. 8. This musical is based on a 1988 movie and turned into theater in 2010 and it seems to be, according to my brief research, a typical musical exploring the darker sides of high school. Typically, Xavier has done well with this kind of show, so I have high hopes.

Shooter! is the second show in the spring and will be making its world premier on Feb 27-March 1. Xavier has had several world premieres on campus and they’ve all been excellent so I am excited for this dark comedy that examines the future of a possible potential school shooter.

Following this world premier is The vagina Monologues, a show that has had turbulence on college campuses but has been done here the last several years. This episodic piece will be performed April 3 and 4 and is definitely an worthwhile experience for the poignant discussions it evokes.

The final show of the year, with the exception of Voices for Change, will be Green Day’s American Idiot from April 17-25. This musical is based on the 2004 album by the classic punk band and is the show I am most excited for simply because Green Day was the first concert I ever went to, one year after this album came out.

As always, tickets can be bought in the Box Office in the basement of Gallagher Student Center or online at www.xavier.edu/theatretickets.

Portal 2 offers gamers a fun and enjoyable play

By Jack Dunn

World News Editor

There were a lot of video games that came out more than 10 years ago that are widely considered instant classics. But like most of us, I was either not capable of buying them, couldn’t afford them or just didn’t have something to play them on.

This year, I’d like to change that. There are so many wonderful games out there that I’d like to try, even if only for a little bit. I want to see if they truly live up to the hype. And arguably— even more importantly — if they can stand the test of time.

Portal 2 is one of those ‘must play’ games, and I can definitely see why. Even in the first hour, you can tell that this game is funnier than most. I feel like a lot of modern-day games I play either have a good story and characters or great gameplay. Not both. This is one of those games that does both really well. If you want to turn on the subtitles to make sure you don’t mishear anything, then you know it’s good.

That is not to diminish the potential school shooter.

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Portal 2 is an entertaining and memorable game that combines great storytelling, characters and gameplay with a fun mechanic. This article is part of a new series that focuses on replaying and reviewing old games.
The Do’s and Don’ts of Campus Life

BY AIDAN CALLAHAN
Features Editor
Another year at Xavier University has begun and that means plenty of returning students, new and old. If you’re a newbie, whether because you’re a first-year or because you just transferred, then welcome! We always love new faces at Xavier. Well, so long as you punk plays by the rules. That’s the thing about Xavier: if you don’t know what you’re doing your first few weeks here, you’ll get eaten alive. It’s like Shark Tank up on this campus, but instead of having your dreams crushed by some old millionaire you can have a lively conversation with an old priest.

But the students can be deadly if you act up — and this goes for returning kids, too. Don’t think you’re safe just because you’ve “been coming to this school for 4 years”. That’s laughable. What you need to do is listen and take to heart the following advice from someone who’s been here one year:

Without further ado, here are the do’s and don’ts of the Xavier campus:

DO: Ask the guys in the sandwich line to surprise you. Whatever you get will be super good.

DON’T: Hold up the line ordering your insanely complicated double-layered gluten-free sandwich with guac with melted cheese and like every meat they have to offer cooked a different way. People are trying to get out, man.

DO: Stop and have a chat with Father B.

DON’T: Ask him if he’s moving out of Husman. It’s a sensitive topic.

DON’T: Skateboard down that ramp behind Alter Hall like a rascal — no matter how sick it looks

DO: Skateboard at one of the many nearby parks, just as Saint Francis Xavier would have done himself.

DON’T: Drain all your blood in a sacrificial ritual to lord Xenu.

DO: Donate some of your blood to the Red Cross when their van comes through.

DON’T: Take silverware and plates from the caf.

DO: Give silverware and plates to the caf. People keep stealing the forks!

DO: Read the Newswire. At least give it a glance, dude.

DON’T: Refer to the Newswire as “the paper that no one reads.” It hurts our feelings.

DON’T: Seriously, I cannot stress this enough, DON’T print before the person ahead of you has picked up their papers. If they’re printing a 116-page essay on the implications of the internal hierarchy of the 1986 presidential cabinet, your three page syllabus is just gonna be tagged on at the end. Do you really want to make them sort through their papers for your silly syllabus?

DO: Massage the shoulders of the person ahead of you in line. They need all the help they can get.

DO: Consider studying abroad!

DON’T: Consider studying a broad!

DON’T: Study on the top floor of Schott. That spot is mune.

DO: Study literally anywhere else. The library’s got plenty of room.

DO: Briefly marvel at Elliot dancing on the Husman stage.

DON’T: Stare too long. A star that bright can burn your eyes.

DON’T: Go to the nursing students with your medical problem. They’ve got enough on their plates already.

DO: Go to the brand new Health United Building opening this January? No wait — August? No, no, wait, December? Wait, no, it’s uh... ah, screw it.

DO: Attend mass at Bellarmine chapel every Sunday.

MAKE SURE YOU: Hang around when the service finishes so you can get those brownie points with your classmates, and hopefully, the Lord.

Aries: The position of Saturn says the next person you meet will be your soulmate, but the Jupiter says they’ll murder you. You choose who to trust.

Taurus: You will discover a new home. Not just physically, but metaphorically. And not just metaphorically, but also emotionally. You get the point, basically all the Ly’s.

Gemini: You forgot that you owe someone a bit of money, but they still remember.

Cancer: The next time you do a favor for someone in exchange for a snack, really consider how at that moment you essentially have the backbone of Shaggy Rogers and Scooby-Doo.

Leo: I hope today was a good day, ’cause forecast says tomorrow will be awful. I don’t make this stuff up.

Virgo: Now that fall is around the corner, it’s time for those spring buds that blossomed into summer romances to turn brown and stick around for way too long until finally falling off.

Libra: If you don’t have life insurance, you may want to get on that.

Scorpio: You waste way too much of your life staring at options on Netflix. Next time just flip a coin.

Sagittarius: Sometimes a shift in perspective can change your whole outlook for the better! Wear an eyepatch today.

Capricorn: Watch out for grizzlies. Those guys are bad news bears.

Aquarius: The stars think you’ll have good fortune, but only if you buy a $1 Burger King Taco from the nearest Burger King as soon as possible.

Pisces: The day they’re born can say a lot about somebody. Watch out for seventeeneethers.

Look for the answer key in the next edition (August 21st)!