Despite early delays, the building will be partially open in time for classes

BY SIERRA ROSS
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Final touches on the newest addition to Xavier’s campus, the Health United Building (HUB), are being completed and the academic wing of the building will be open in time for the beginning of classes on August 19.

This opening is coming sooner than expected. In a previous Neuxsur article, Graham stated that complications with soil contamination on the HUB’s site would push back the opening date until November 2019. However, in early July, Graham said “time lost has since been made up — at least, with respect to the academic wing.”

The academic wing of the HUB, which will be accessible on Aug. 19, includes 11 classrooms and several state-of-the-art labs for nursing, sports studies and occupational therapy students. In addition, this part of the building will be home to a health services center that contains ten physical examination rooms, seven counseling offices and a pharmacy, according to the Xavier website.

It is anticipated that all nursing labs will be held in the HUB for the coming semester, however labs for athletic training and exercise science majors will be ready for use later in the fall.

“This news excites some of the growing number of nursing students at Xavier,” sophomore nursing major Riley Chism said.

Chism went on the explain that “talk of the HUB plans even affected (her) decision to go to Xavier” because of the modern nursing facilities that would be offered.

“Already, the $54 million facility has added appeal to the school as some incoming students express similar enthusiasm about the HUB’s early opening.”

“Watching the HUB get built and seeing what it would be definitely helped me narrow down my colleges,” incoming first-year criminal justice student Raine Shults said.

Shults explains that she has heard people talking about the HUB’s new opening date and is excited to have access to the building’s new amenities sooner than expected. She also admits that the announcement probably did not have quite the same impact on her as upperclassmen who have watched the construction. Still, “the early opening is exciting,” she said.

The HUB itself is a massive building with four floors, spanning roughly 160,300 square feet. According to Xavier’s website, the two chief construction partners on the project, Messer construction and MSA architects, designed the building to be ten times larger than O’Connor Sports Center. It is expected that anywhere from 2,500 to 3,000 students will visit the building every day, making it a significant destination on campus.

The majority of the space is dedicated to the right side of the building which will be home to the new fitness and recreation center, featuring three fitness studios, three basketball courts, a four-lane pool, a two-level fitness area and a self-serving café. This remaining part of the building is scheduled to be complete and ready for use in November.

The final feature, a multi-purpose court, will be opening in March of 2020. The Neuxsur previously reported that this item was originally scrapped, but has since been added back onto the design plans when a $5 million contingency packet was not needed.

“We believe this building will play a critical role in shaping our students — who they become and how they live in the future,” Graham said. “We know that today’s students want balanced and healthy lifestyles. This building is designed to meet the physical, mental and wellness needs of all students and the fast-changing, academic needs of our health sciences students.”

Beginning on July 22, furniture begins to be delivered to the construction site. Faculty members and health services administration are set to begin moving into their new spaces starting on Aug. 1 so the building can be available for tours by move-in day on Thursday, Aug. 15.

To track continuing updates and the countdown to opening day, visit https://www.xavier.edu/health-unit-ed-building.
Campus-wide renovations continue

Various projects around campus are coming to completion for the new year

BY ALEX BUDZYNISKI
Campus News Editor

While the majority of the student body has been enjoying the summer wherever they call home, construction crews have been working tirelessly to make various improvements around campus. Besides the multimillion HUB project that will be opening on August 19, several other smaller restorations have been in progress, including the Mail Center, Clock Tower Lounge and Sycamore House. Here are some photo updates of the renovations in the Clock Tower Lounge and Xavier Mail Center.

The Clock Tower Lounge

The Clock Tower Lounge, located on the third floor of Gallagher Student Center, is one of many areas on Xavier’s campus open to all. It is a spacious area perfect for studying — if the room hasn’t been reserved by a club for a meeting or an event. The space offers a great view of the entirety of campus, while maintaining a feeling of seclusion.

The Xavier Mail Center

The Xavier Mail Center, located behind Husman Hall, is where students living on campus go to pick up any care packages sent by parents or whatever mail they may receive. While the exterior remained the same, the interior received major changes that will hopefully make picking up mail much easier.

Most of the renovations in the Mail Center took place in the areas either where students will wait to pick up packages or behind the scenes, where employees receive and sort the mail. Some of the changes include a brand new paint job in Xavier blue and gray and more space for employees to sort and store the incoming mail.

Interested in writing for the Xavier Newswire?

This student-run organization is a weekly newspaper that publishes every Wednesday and is in need of writers for the upcoming year!

If you are interested, please contact newswire@xavier.edu for more info and be on the lookout for our table at club day. Seriously, please write for us. We are always looking for new people to add to our community. We’re fun and interesting people, we promise.
**Mueller testifies for seven hours**

Special Counsel says Russians could be meddling in the upcoming election

**BY JACK DUNN**

Former Special Counsel Robert Mueller testified before the House Judiciary and Intelligence Committees on July 24 in back-to-back hearings that revealed little new information about Russian interference during the 2016 presidential election, but did offer new insights into potential interference ahead of the 2020 elections.

Throughout his seven hour testimony two weeks ago, Mueller remained characteristically tight-lipped, declining to speak on matters outside those specifically addressed in his 448 page report that summarized his office's investigation, published last April.

Despite Mueller's generally mute approach in responding to questions from Congressional Democrats and Republicans alike, the former FBI director became somewhat animated toward the end of the hearing.

Following questions about systematic Russian attempts to interfere in the 2016 presidential elections, Mueller showed a flash of indignation on the subject of WikiLeaks.

"It's not a conspiracy theory," he said. "It's not about collateral damage. It's not about hacking. It's not about disinformation. It's not about intelligence.

"It's problematic" is an underestimation of what it displays in terms of giving some hope or some boost to anyone who is not to be believed or who is not to be trusted. That is the most important aspect of the findings. We spent substantial time ensuring the integrity of the report, understanding it would be a living message to those who came after us. It is a signal, a flag to those of us who have responsibility to exercise that responsibility, not to let this kind of thing happen again."

Mueller also stated that the attack on the 2016 election "wasn't a single attempt. They're doing it as we sit here."

Two bills were brought before the Senate focusing on election security and asked to be passed with unanimous consent.

Senate Majority Leader Charles Schumer (D-NY) brought forth a House bill that would offer the FBI access to the use of paper ballots and included funding for the Election Assistance program.

Sen. Richard Blumenthal (D-Conn.) presented a bill that would require candidates, campaign officials and their family members to notify the FBI of assistance offers from foreign governments.

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.) objected to both bills. Per Senate rules, any one senator can ask for a bill to be passed, and any one senator can object and have the bill dropped.

Schumer called Mueller's testimony a "clarion call for election security. Mueller's testimony should be a wake-up call to all Americans, Democrat, Republican, liberal, conservative that the integrity of our elections is at stake. This is all about the future of this country."

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**Summer in Review: A collection of oddities**

**Underwear thieves, gators, bees, arks, boulders, squirrels, no more sandals and firetrucks**

- Police in Harrisonburg, Pennsylvania, identified two suspects accused of stealing $42,000 worth of Victoria's Secret underwear last month. An 18-year-old woman and a juvenile entered the store on April 7 and took about 2,000 pairs of panties (May 3).

- A woman pulled a small alligator out of her pants after a traffic stop in Punta Gorda, Florida. When asked if she had anything else in her possession, the woman revealed that there were 14 striped mud turtles and one softshell turtle in her vehicle. The reptiles were seized and released (May 7).

- The Red-Giants game was delayed for 18 minutes because of an unusual force of nature — a swarm of bees. Bad luck seems to be following the Giants to Cincinnati as the same thing happened on April 17, 1976, at Riverfront Stadium. The Giants were also in town when one of the home run smokestacks in the outfield caught fire on May 15, 2015, causing an evacuation of two sections while fire fighters put out the blaze (May 7).

- The owners of a replica of Noah's Ark sued their insurers saying they failed to adequately cover damage to the property after a heavy rainsstorm (May 25).

- Colorado Gov. Jared Polis declared that the state will save $200,000 by not blasting the property after a heavy rainstorm (May 25). Instead, they will build the highway around "Memorial Rock," which will cost about $1.3 million (June 5).

- The Connecticut town of Greenwich has banned minors from wearing slide sandals or flip-flops to work. The town's director of human resources told Greenwich Time that the policy was not made in response to a specific incident, rather to create a safer work environment (June 12).

- Firefighters, police and a veterinary clinic oversaw the removal and rescue of a red squirrel that had gotten its head stuck in a manhole cover in Dortmund, Germany. Initial attempts to remove the squirrel onsite were unsuccessful, so the entire manhole cover was removed and taken to the clinic while police guarded the open sewer. The rodent was successfully freed (June 21).

- A state audit in Iowa revealed that a county employee faked having an internship and collected about $219,000 worth of improper benefits (June 20).

- Police in Alabama arrested a man with multiple felony warrants, and were warned about a potential "attack" squirreled "named Doernitz." The man allegedly kept the squirrel as a pet and fed it methamphetamine. Police caught the rodent but were unable to test it for meth and released it (June 28).

- An alligator, nicknamed "Chance the Snapper," was fi-
Saying goodbye to the familiar

Close your eyes and imagine yourself walking through the deepest part of a forest and coming across a cave. You take a step closer to examine it and discover it is darker than pitch-black night, and it is eerily quiet. A floating feeling in your stomach of equal excitement and nerves radiates across your body like a shockwave. Should you dare to take a step into that obscurity, you risk encountering your greatest fears. You could get lost amidst the winding maze of caverns, and find yourself victim to the abundance of dangerous creatures lurking in the shadows. However, this is a challenge you stand in front of and could be as spacious and easy to navigate, even leading to a secret hideaway with luxurious plants and glistening waterfalls.

This uneasy feeling of the unknown is comparable to what it is like saying goodbye to your family when you move into college. For the past 18 years of your life, you have likely lived in a house with a family that is loving and has supported you in your endeavors. All of a sudden you must take a step into the unfamiliar, venturing out on your own, uncertain as to what challenges might come your way.

I remember being accustomed to a certain way of life, as I am sure I am myself incoming first-year college students. Regardless of the challenges I had faced during the previous 18 years of my life, I had food available and a comfortable couch on which to rest. I could count on a warm shower and clean clothes to wear. Most of all, I could count on my family members being around me to give me a sense of being at a safe home.

No one told me that when I went to college my definition of home had to change. It did not occur to me until the moment I started driving away from my house that I would no longer be resting my head on the same bed I had for a decade or be coming home to the same family I had been with for 18 years. Xavier was my new home, and I was traveling in a spacious house for a cramped dorm.

Change is not necessarily a bad thing, but it is also a human quality that we resist. Like me, you could find yourself on the wrong side of the unknown. I am frighten-

ing because of the uncertainty that lies on the other side. It is unreasonable to think of myself as a student, but do what I love so it became a second home very quickly. To say that I never missed home would be a big understatement, but I also never forgot the journey I was on, and that made the goodbye to my old life much easier to swallow.

College means the beginning of countless incredible memories that will last a lifetime, the freedom to do and be who you want and be a part of something that is a transformative experience in which you will encounter both the good and the bad. However, it can be easy to forget that college also means the end to the familiar. To all the first-year students: embrace the change and embrace the goodbye to your family—it is a moment unlike any other.

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In order to keep up and more importantly get ahead in our increasingly globalized society, it is this understanding that is essential for success and, in this case, to avoid embarrassment. Knowing a foreign language or understanding the distinct culture can propel young professionals far into their career and make them more qualified for nearly any job they could ever want. The best, and frankly the easiest, way to achieve an understanding of a different society is to study abroad while in college.

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Not long ago, I found myself in the grief section of my local bookstore. Almost two years after my assault, I was overwhelmed with the feeling that I had used up all of my resources. I had no clear picture of what the future of my healing would look like. I skimmed through books about mothers losing daughters and sons losing fathers, like. I skimmed through books about mothers losing daughters and sons losing fathers, like. I skimmed through books about mothers losing daughters and sons losing fathers, like. I skimmed through books about mothers losing daughters and sons losing fathers.

But what if you lost part of yourself? Building a new sense of identity is labor intensive, but when it is an identity it is also exhausting — something you cannot separate out from the everyday activities of getting coffee or socializing with friends. The longer I looked through the grief and self-help books, the more I felt the need to define what long-term, healthy healing looked like that wasn’t just “time.” This is one of the experiences that led me to this project, creating a road map that would inspire intensive, mindful healing — not only for survivors of sexual violence, but secondary survivors, perpetrators and the American culture that upholds systematic sexism and devaluing of women’s experiences.

This summer, I had the opportunity to continue the research I started last summer through the College of Arts and Sciences. Last summer, I, along with a research team, looked at the link between hookup culture and sexual assault on Xavier’s campus. Exploring the link between the two led us to some key root causes for understanding why sexual violence is happening. The root causes were toxic masculinity, enforcement of traditional gender roles, a culture of silence and moral relativism. This opened up an honest and fruitful dialogue among campus administrators about how to expand preventative efforts and protect students in the future. We advocated for a new position in the Title IX office and we have more plans in the works to continue to expand outreach into all corners of campus life.

While getting the upper levels of Xavier’s administration involved on a deeper level was a life-changing opportunity, my heart called me to return to the survivor experience on Xavier’s campus. As the discourse around sexual violence continues to grow in America, there are astounding studies and statistics that seem to come into the news cycle almost every day. The one-in-four statistic is wallpapered through college awareness campaigns, survivors are encouraged to share their stories through social media and groups on campus push awareness campaigns. But when planning for the long-term healing of survivors, there seems to be little to no research about what the future looks like for those who have experienced sexual violence.

There are testimonies of those struggling with their assault generations after, and the widely shared statistics say that survivors are more likely to develop post-traumatic stress disorder, depression and anxiety. But what exactly does that stress disorder look like two years after the assault has taken place? What form does depression look like in the face of everyday life? How does a survivor maintain long-term support with that anxiety? Talking about the long-term future can be overwhelming and unclear. In the current political environment, people find it difficult to take stances about assault as they are faced with it in the moment. For some, taking a stance against assault as they are faced with it in the moment.

The search for long-term healing for the self...
Xavier sports: Recapping the 2018-19 seasons

Men’s Soccer: The Musketeers played particularly well against ranked competition, upsetting No. 2 Indiana and No. 8 Georgetown. They also tied with No. 7 Michigan State and upset Purdue in double overtime. Xavier finished with an overall record of 6-7-6. According to TopDrawerSoccer.com, Xavier is bringing in the seventh-best recruiting class nationally for the upcoming season.

Women’s Soccer: Xavier secured a playoff bid for the second straight season under head coach Nate Lie after going 4-3-2 in the Big East. The Musketeers advanced to the Big East Semifinals but fell in overtime, 3-2. Redshirt junior Samantha Dewey was named the Big East Midfielder of the Year and was also named to the All-Big East First Team.

Women’s Golf: Junior Mikayla Fitzpatrick’s stellar season helped elevate the Musketeers to their first team NCAA Tournament appearance. She played at the NCAA Louisville Regional and shot a total of 229 (+10) in three rounds.

Women’s Tennis: Junior Givin was chosen by San Diego State to their Academic All-Mountain West Academic Team.

Cross Country: The women’s cross country team was an individual Big East Champion, junior Garrett Wood won the individual Big East Championship and the women’s team finished 20th at the NCAA Great Lakes Regional.

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A guide to setting up a successful fantasy league

Here are some tips on how to make the most out of being a commissioner

BY JACK DUNN
Campus News Editor

Fantasy football is in the minds of many as the season is fast approaching. Whether you’re looking to revamp your league or add new incentives, here are a few tips on how to effectively manage as a league commissioner to respond to the trade — or at least enough to approve or veto it. It’s entirely possible for a week to start and teams to lock without the trade going through.

People may also veto because they are vetoing one of the teams in the trade, just to mess with them. By switching the trading approval to.commission vote, teams can shoot the commish a quick text and have him approve the trade almost immediately. That way everyone is happy.

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Stranger Things excites audiences

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On July 4, the latest installment of the Stranger Things series was released. Fans of the show were excited to see their favorite characters again, especially after a second season that left many underwhelmed. This time, though, the cast and crew brought their A-game.

While the last two seasons seemed to keep a central focus on Will and Eleven, this season extends the plots relating to characters like Dustin and Max, whose lives we tend to see less of unless it relates back to the overarching plot. While this season still deals with the mysterious Hawkins Lab, it also differs from the original introductory storyline from the first season with the Upside Down and Demogorgons.

This season featured a lot of moments that were screen-shot-worthy. The introduction of Steve's new post-graduation job and his coworker Robin, the reveal of Eleven's new style with the help of Max, and even the beginning of Hopper's second shot at being a dad are all moments that stand out among the season. The comedy bits are light-hearted and create interesting dynamics even between the most unlikely pairings.

In this eight-episode season, there's a lot of character development. This season saw the development of Billy's character, who was introduced in the second season. More of Max was brought forth, and she was shown as more than just the tomboy, skateboarding girl with an attitude.

There were even some characters who developed in a not-so-great way. Lucas and Mike both lost focus on maintaining their friendships and focused more on the girls they're dating, à la the effects of puberty. All of the characters are complex in their development, and none of them are truly good or bad, just like in real life.

In terms of production, this season killed it. The use of color throughout the season was beautiful, especially considering the '80s were filled with bright, fluorescent neon. While there were some minor continuity errors that may drive film fanatics mad, the overall quality of the cinematography was amazing, as was the attention to detail of set design, wardrobe and music selections. In previous seasons, this was also very notable, but it was even more so this season.

This season will not let down any Stranger Things fans. Anyone who loved the first season is sure to love this one. And fans disappointed by the second season falling short are sure to feel redeemed. With a light-hearted summer feel combined with the most heartbreaking of character deaths, this season was hotter than Cincinnati in July.

Spice up your playlist with these new albums

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On July 4, the newest season of Stranger Things was released, delighting audiences with its complexity, character development, production, costume elements and cinematography. The season proved to be an enjoyable and interesting continuation of the series and a fun way to spend the summer.

The National
I Am Easy to Find

If you’re looking for the National’s best album, this isn’t it. The Cincinnati-originated, Grammy Award-winning band’s eighth album, I Am Easy to Find, comes with the highest of highs and lowest of lows. This album has a number of outstanding tracks. “Bulletproof,” a highly anticipated release, “Quiet Light,” and “Where Is Her Head” feature some of the best of the National’s performances. Meanwhile, some tracks like “The Pull of You” and “Roman Holiday” don’t fit the album.

This album isn’t groundbreaking, but it is a beautiful piece of art that demonstrates where the band is at this moment of their lives and marriages. If you’re a listener like me, you may create a playlist that takes out some songs from the album.

Lewis Capaldi
Divinely Uninspired to a Hellish Extent

Lewis Capaldi’s debut album is one for the books. While the single “Someone You Loved” begins to climb the charts in the U.S., Capaldi has been known across the pond for quite some time. The 22-year-old Scot has toured with big-name acts like Sam Smith and headlined Glastonbury, the UK’s biggest music festival. His first full-length album, Divinely Uninspired to a Hellish Extent, released May 17, comes with a lot of memorable songs. From the powerful first line of “Grace”, to the moody final notes of “Hate Me,” this album is captivating.

Capaldi is known for being funny, but his music shows his softer side. If you’re looking for a beautiful album with emotional and instrumentally simplistic tracks, this is one that comes highly recommended.

Ed Sheeran
No. 6 Collaborations Project

For Ed Sheeran, this isn’t his first trip around the collaboration block. No. 6 Collaborations Project, released July 12, features some of the biggest names in music today. From rap legend Eminem to country music star Chris Stapleton, this album runs the gamut of genres. Fans of Sheeran’s previous works may be left disappointed, as the album differs immensely from any of his previous releases.

All in all, this album brings nothing new to the table musically. “South of the Border” with Camilla Cabello and Cardi B is hard to pick out from the average Top 40 hit and “Best Part of Me” featuring YEBBA, while not a bad song, is like any other mushy-gushy love song of Sheeran’s previous discography.

That being said, there’s a few notable highlights. “Remember the Name,” featuring Eminem and 50 Cent, reiterates Ed Sheeran’s belief in working for his dreams and not letting others stop him, and is enjoyable even for people that don’t enjoy rap or hip-hop. “BLOW” is another curveball: a song featuring Chris Stapleton and Bruno Mars that sounds more like a Beautee Boys track.

While the idea of a collaborative project like this is genius, a majority of songs themselves are less than impressive and unmemorable. If you’re looking for something to listen to for 3 weeks and then grow sick of, this is for you. If you’re looking for something to keep you listening look elsewhere.
Ah, summer. The classic best season. I’ve been going back to that word a lot this summer: classic. I feel like once you start looking for tropes in your summer, you’ll never be able to stop seeing them. I was at the pool the other day and one of the lifeguards blew their whistle to stop some kids from running on the deck. I mean come on, talk about classic!

To be fair, I have missed a lot of classic tropes. There’s no mall in my town, so no Stranger Things shopping montage for me. The reason I’ve kept coming back to this word is one simple reason: my job. Oh, it is classic. But I need to keep you on the hook, so I’m not gonna tell you what it is until the end. My job is so classic it made me decide to consider what truly are the most classic summer jobs. For this summer edition of the Newswire, I present the top 10 classic summer jobs:

1. Dog walker
   For the first few, we’ve got jobs that technically are year-round jobs. Yeah, you can walk a dog any time of year, but I’m picturing a little kid biking around the neighborhood on a hot summer day, knocking on doors and offering to walk dogs. It might not be the most classic, but that’s why it’s at the bottom of the list.

2. Lifeguard
   Now this is the job most people guess when I say I have the most classic summer job. It’s true, this job is so classic. When I was a kid this is what I imagined all teenagers did with in the summer. Not even actually guarding lives, but sitting around and talking. Now that would be the pinnacle of classic, if it wasn’t for...

3. Golf caddy
   I hear this is quite the lucrative job, so if you’ve got a connection, hit me up. I mean seriously, why wouldn’t some rich old geezer want to pay some kid to carry all his heavy clubs on a hot day? I feel like this job sucks, but it’s definitely good money and it’s definitely a classic.

4. Teaching swim lessons
   Now we’re in the territory of jobs that actually are summer exclusive. I guess some people can learn to swim in indoor pools, but that’s kind of lame. I’m talking about a bunch of kids in one swimming pool with a flabbergasted teen trying to teach them how to backstroke. Now that’s classic.

5. Snack bar attendant
   Come on. This is the king of classic summer jobs. For this summer edition of the Newswire, I present

6. Ice cream scooper
   Do I even need an explanation for this one? Kind of year-round, but come on.

7. Car washer
   Okay, not picturing some teens in swimsuits washing cars to save their favorite rec center. Then one person accidentally splashes another, they splash back, and it’s a whole water fight! You can’t tell me you didn’t read that and think classic.

8. Coaching sports teams
   This is another year-round job, but I think it gets more classic in the summer. Teaching a bunch of kids how to play baseball so they can beat the rival town in the summer league? Sounds like a summer blockbuster waiting to happen.

9. Landscaping
   You can’t say it’s not a classic sight when you roll past some sweaty teen mowing some old geezer’s lawn. This also includes gardening and stuff like that, so maybe it bleeds into spring a bit, but it’s pretty dang classic. I flipped burgers, fried fries, and went to the window and yelled “Order up!” Not actually, but people definitely do, making this an easy number five.

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Across:
4. The zodiac sign of the horoscopes author who underestimated the amount of summer work they have
5. Something every lifeguard tends to have
7. The alignment of Venus and Mars were so close to saying a certain sign would win the
8. Being a golf caddy is one of the most___ jobs on the summer list

Down:
1. For Sagittarius, it’s a bad idea to talk about your___ this week
2. This job is only available in the summer
3. The lowest on the list of classic summer jobs at least let you play with
4. The name of the movie series the astrological stars keep recommending for every summer

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