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BYE-BYE BRUEGGERS, HELLO BAGEL TALK

As many of you may already know, Brueggers at the PSU is “outsies” and Bagel Talk is “insies”. But what many of you may not know, is that one of our very own envisioned and created the entire idea of “Bagel Talk” for a class project last semester. Who is this visionary? And how awesome are they? The answer to your very convenient questions are as follow: Isabel Fuente-Navarro, and she is “off-the-charts” awesome. Time for some stats: A senior, graphic design student, and she works in the marketing department for the Student Unions.

More on her later. We’re here to learn about Bagel Talk. Launch date? Officially, around March (specific, I know). It will feature similar items to Brueggers, but with the Unions’ own special twist. Coffee, bagels, bagel sandwiches. Simple, and delicious. The layout will remain the same, so for everyone out there who hates change, don’t worry, it’s still the same grab-n-go situation. But there’s more.

When Isabel designed the identity of Bagel Talk, she envisioned a small little character that truly made this idea *pop*. What is a bagel, really? Bread with a hole in it? What if that piece of bread had personality? What if he had attitude? Luckily, we will get to see just that. Without spoiling too much, let’s just say he might be the highlight of this new restaurant for the Student Unions.

And when it opens, be sure to stay tuned for some promo items and specials.

- Kyle Oman

Why are
there plasma
screens by
the time
clock?



The Unions are trying to increase communication to its employees. Check them out for new and exciting Union news! Brought to you by the **Communication Committee**

- Jennifer Martin

GAMERS PREPARE TO BE PWN3D AT THE PSU!

Take one step into the Park Student Union these days, and enter an area of epic proportions. Where pool tables, 80s-inspired decor, and foosball once reigned, a dimly lit den of blue lights and big screens is spawning. Whether you prefer the new edged design of Darksiders or Halo and Call of Duty’s classic first-person-shooter appeal, get ready to enter a new virtual battle zone unlike anything the Unions have seen before.

This new attraction will give all PSU patrons access to two Nintendo Wiis, four Xbox 360 systems, a PS3, and an extensive selection of games for eleven hours a day at a great rate.

This gaming zone will be opening on Monday, February 15th. Equipment can be rented out at the Information Desk directly across from the zone, and, please, be kind to n00bz.

- Piya Debnath and Colleen Runyan

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GALBRAITH GARDENS

A sustainable herb garden – to be named the “Galbraith Herb Gardens” after David Galbraith, Student Unions Dining Services Director – is being built on the roof of the Student Union Memorial Center. The project is being led by Joe Sottosanti, with support of the Unions’ Sustainability Committee.

About 125 herb plants (such as basil, oregano, thyme, parsley, chives, dill, and mint) will be grown in organic soil between March and November to be used in our own Dining Services establishments such as Redington, Catering, and the Production Kitchen. Buckets are being used to catch rain water to water the gardens, and the project’s sustainability is expanding with the development and use of compost made from Union leftovers.

Dozens of Dining Services employees have volunteered to participate in this sustainable project, by getting involved in the entire process of garden construction to garden cultivation. Our maintenance department set up the planters and laid down pads on the roof in December, and in February and March the team will fill them with soil, install a water drip system, and plant the seeds in time for the spring! We are looking into winter items as well. Throughout the year, volunteers will water and care for the herb plants as they grow.

- Stephanie Cunningham

RENEW-THE-U!

Thank you to all who participated in the Renew-the-U Day here at the newly spiffed-up SUMC. On January 7th and 8th, 60 Arizona Student Unions employees russed up some clean and rocked our main building on their own valuable time: offices, meeting rooms, lounges, and equipment across all four floors faced the start of the semester with that fresh ahh-just-like-new feeling.

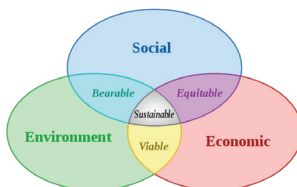
Renew-the-U was part of an Unions wide effort to become more sustainable. While most people think of sustainability simply as "going green," it extends into social, economic, and educational contexts. Renew-the-U encompassed this broad ideal of sustainability by encouraging the cleanliness of high traffic areas and creating an opportunity for employees to work extra hours while enjoying a low stress, friendly, and united environment.

To celebrate their achievements, the myriad of students, staff, and senior management gathered together for a rousing games of kickball and finger-licking barbeque.

DON'T STAND BY, STEP UP

Have you ever witnessed a tragedy and later realized with regret that you were just standing there when you could have done something? Or have you ever had a friend who just didn't seem like him/herself? These situations both have something in common: you, as a bystander, doing nothing. Luckily, the Step-Up! bystander awareness Program, debuting for Student Unions employees on Thursday, February 11th, focuses on issues like these and others, your role in which you may have never realized. One participant says the program impacted how he made basic, everyday decisions and helped he and his teammates and friends "establish the right thinking patterns" and "realign values and beliefs" in an unbiased but socially accountable fashion. If you want to learn how to make a difference in all situations, from anger and depression to discrimination, harassment, or hazing, ask your supervisor about attending a Step-Up! session.

- Jesse Calabrese



If sustainability interests you, ask your supervisor about the Unions' YOUNION Aid and Sustainability Committee: the founders of Renew-the-U and trailblazers for Unions sustainability efforts.

- Caitlin Beckett

STUDENT EMPLOYEE PROFILE: KYLE OMAN

DASHING! DARING! DANGEROUS!

While he might only reflect these traits a few days of the week, Kyle Oman definitely has a sense of adventure and a touch of "crazy." So, where does this devilishly handsome young individual work, and why do you care? Let's just get right down to it.

Kyle Oman, a junior in the Media Arts - Producing program, is the lead student marketing assistant in the Student Union/Student Affairs Marketing Office up in room 441. Yes, he does take visitors. No, he doesn't accept anything but chocolate chip cookies and high-fives. What does a student marketing assistant do? When asked, Kyle gave a blank stare, stood up on the chair, and answered the question with this statement:

"I bet you're wondering why I'm standing on this chair. I'd tell you but, you have to understand, this makes my answer much more intriguing...admit it. My job is basically a collection of random tasks and projects that aim to help out whoever is in need up in the office. I work primarily for the assistant director of Student Affairs (Magan Alfred), but that doesn't mean a graphic designer, web developer, or Bill Shiba doesn't come around a every now and then and ask me to help milk their goat, run a copy, or take an embarrassing picture. My day-to-day tasks usually include a lot of writing. A good amount of it is web-content for the Student Affairs website, another good chunk of my writing goes to the MyPlace article in the Daily Wildcat where I have a bi-weekly article called "The Skinny". I also find myself running around the SUMC, a lot. Why? For those random tasks, maybe people will say hello to me after this article?"

After persuading Kyle off the chair, we got down to business with some of his personal life, much of which won't interest you at all. When Kyle

HOLLYWOOD LENDS HAITI HELPING HANDS

Thousands of Americans have donated and some celebrities are topping the list. Below are some of Hollywood's biggest hearts for Haiti:

- ★ Lady Gaga (concert proceeds, \$500,000)
- ★ Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie (Doctors without Borders, \$1M)
- ★ Leonardo DiCaprio (\$1M)
- ★ Wyclef Jean (Yele Haiti)
- ★ Madonna (Partners in Need, \$250,000)
- ★ Sandra Bullock (\$1M)
- ★ Gisele Bundchen (\$1.5M)

... and the list goes on. Thoughts are with Haiti during this time.

- Marisa Enriquez

isn't in the office, he is in class or at a local favorite coffee shop, Avenue Coffee. Aside from academics, Kyle finds himself filling his time writing, most of which is written in hopes of seeing some screen-time in the future. "I really want to write a good story that people watch and get involved in, I would find a huge sense of personal accomplishment in that." Music also plays a large role in Kyle's life. "I DJ. Mostly dance and electro, mostly upbeat, always fun. Do you think people will like me more after this article?"

So there you have it, folks. Kyle Oman. One interesting fellow. Read his article, check his twitter, add him on Facebook. Whatever you want, really. After the interview, he ran off wearing a Snuggie backwards screaming "I'm



Batman" in French. If you find him, please send him back up to the office, he has some goats to milk for Stephanie Cunningham.

- Kyle Oman



Students with birthdays in January and February!

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