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Letter From the Editor

Hello TBPeople!

Hopefully you all had an enjoyable fall break and a chance to relax and (maybe) catch up on work. We are getting into a very busy and stressful part of the semester. As things speed up, remember that some service (and free food) are great ways to de-stress, so continue signing up for events and attending meetings.

We have some really great events coming up. I would like to mention in particular MindSET III and Cub Scouts Day. These are the last K-12 events, so if you need credit, make sure to attend. Cub Scouts Day is my favorite TBP event. The kids are a lot of fun, and they are really excited to have you there helping out. There is nothing quite like the enjoyment kids (and David) get from dropping eggs!

As always, if you have any suggestions for future editions of the Cornerstone, please be sure shoot me an email or visit me in my office hours.

Sincerely,
Patrick McCauley

Second General Agenda

tinyurl.com/tbpmig3gf16

Activity: TBP Jeopardy

Announcements :

Events Team

Chapter Team

Executive Team

Upcoming Events

All meetings are at 6:30pm and are in 1013 DOW unless otherwise noted on the calendar.

Cider Mill Trip	Oct. 28
Mindset III	Oct. 30
Third Actives	Nov. 1
Lazer Tag	Nov. 4
Cub Scouts Day	Nov. 13
Fourth General	Nov. 15

Electee Reminders

Undergraduate Electees:

⚠ 10 Hours of Service (by November 1st)

⚠ 1 hour of tutoring

⚠ Only 2 K-12 events remaining. Make sure to sign up!

Graduate Electees:

⚠ 5 hours of community service - by November 1st

⚠ Several grad socials will be added this week. Check them out!



Undergraduate Electees of the Week:

Jennifer Spiegel

Major: Biomedical Engineering

Favorite Bagel: Honey Wheat

TBP Acronym: Teddy Bear's Picnic

Why she's awesome: She really went above at MindSET this past weekend!



Michael Toennies

Major: Electrical Engineering

Favorite Kind of Bagel: Everything

TBP Acronym: Tyrannical Body Part

Why he's awesome: Over 20 service hours! He's already finished most of the electee requirements and continues to give back more to the community.



Graduate Electees of the Week:

Asma Sharafi

Major: Mechanical Engineering

Favorite Bagel: Blueberry

Hobbies: Playing the drums

Why she's awesome: She's attended 4 social events! Awesome!



Rutvik Top

Major: Automotive Engineering

Favorite Bagel: Donut?

Hobbies: Trying to swipe non-touch laptops

Why he's awesome: He's attended 4 social events! Wow!

Ancient Origins of Halloween

Halloween is coming up this weekend. Many of you are probably wondering whether you will dress as Ken Bone or Harambe. What you may not have wondered is how this Halloween business came about in the first place. So this edition, I am sharing the origin of Halloween, so that you all may wow your friends with your knowledge.

The following article was originally published on History online, 2009. You can find the full story at <http://www.history.com/topics/halloween/history-of-halloween>

ANCIENT ORIGINS OF HALLOWEEN

Halloween's origins date back to the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain (pronounced sow-in). The Celts, who lived 2,000 years ago in the area that is now Ireland, the United Kingdom and northern France, celebrated their new year on November 1. This day marked the end of summer and the harvest and the beginning of the dark, cold winter, a time of year that was often associated with human death. Celts believed that on the night before the new year, the boundary between the worlds of the living and the dead became blurred. On the night of October 31 they celebrated Samhain, when it was believed that the ghosts of the dead returned to earth. In addition to causing trouble and damaging crops, Celts thought that the presence of the otherworldly spirits made it easier for the Druids, or Celtic priests, to make predictions about the future. For a people entirely dependent on the volatile natural world, these prophecies were an important source of comfort and direction during the long, dark winter.



Image from the Book of Halloween (1919), showing several Halloween activities such as apple bobbing

To commemorate the event, Druids built huge sacred bonfires, where the people gathered to burn crops and animals as sacrifices to the Celtic deities. During the celebration, the Celts wore costumes, typically consisting of animal heads and skins, and attempted to tell each other's fortunes. When the celebration was over, they re-lit their hearth fires, which they had extinguished earlier that evening, from the sacred bonfire to help protect them during the coming winter.

Ancient Origins of Halloween

By 43 A.D., the Roman Empire had conquered the majority of Celtic territory. In the course of the four hundred years that they ruled the Celtic lands, two festivals of Roman origin were combined with the traditional Celtic celebration of Samhain. The first was Feralia, a day in late October when the Romans traditionally commemorated the passing of the dead. The second was a day to honor Pomona, the Roman goddess of fruit and trees. The symbol of Pomona is the apple and the incorporation of this celebration into Samhain probably explains the tradition of “bobbing” for apples that is practiced today on Halloween.

On May 13, 609 A.D., Pope Boniface IV dedicated the Pantheon in Rome in honor of all Christian martyrs, and the Catholic feast of All Martyrs Day was established in the Western church. Pope Gregory III (731–741) later expanded the festival to include all saints as well as all martyrs, and moved the observance from May 13 to November 1. By the 9th century the influence of Christianity had spread into Celtic lands, where it gradually blended with and supplanted the older Celtic rites. In 1000 A.D., the church would make November 2 All Souls’ Day, a day to honor the dead. It is wide-



A church on All Soul’s Day with candles placed on graves (Public Domain, <https://commons.wikimedia.org/w/index.php?curid=8312789>)

ly believed today that the church was attempting to replace the Celtic festival of the dead with a related, but church-sanctioned holiday. All Souls Day was celebrated similarly to Samhain, with big bonfires, parades, and dressing up in costumes as saints, angels and devils. The All Saints Day celebration was also called All-hallows

Sudoku Puzzles

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Sudoku Solutions

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