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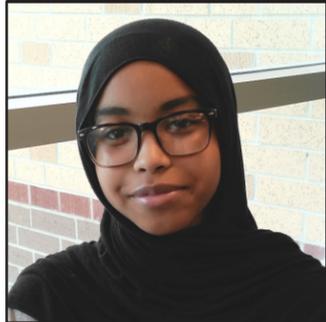
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letter from the editor

Happy Valentines Day, a day of love to spend with your loved ones. As the month of February is the time with pink and red hearts, Valentines Day candy, and flowers in each shop.

We give you a paper full of ideas to do for Valentines day and love themed articles.

As February is one of my favorite months as it filled with pink, hearts, and love. Hopefully, the weather starts to clear up and we have a spring this year.

We Hope you enjoy this Valentines Day issue! Happy Valentines Day!

Sincerely,

Savannah Swanson



KING OF GREED

Panic. Divorce.
Forgiveness.



By Savannah Swanson

King of Greed is about a husband and wife, Dominic Davenport who is a self-made billionaire and a Wall Street investor. He built his own business from nothing, and it makes him very greedy for control and achievement. Greed causes problems in his and his wife Alessandra relationship.

Alessandra Davenport has always supported her husband, his business he built from nothing, but she had to suppress her own dreams when supporting him. She has always been by Dominic side whenever he needed it but as the years go on, she notices the lack of effort back that he gives her. One night, she finally bursts and leaves.

In the beginning, Alessandra for the past year has always felt like her husband's shadow and yearns for a feeling of independence. As Dominic is driven by continuing his business and too busy to see the lack of effort, he is putting in his marriage. As Alessandra planned a vacation for their 10-year anniversary and told Dominic to remember to be home at a certain time, he forgets.

She leaves, she packs her stuff up and leaves a note stating getting a divorce and leaves their house. She goes and stays with her friend Sloane Kensington while trying to figure out her next move.

When Dominic eventually comes home, he finds the place empty, confused, he finds the note and sets into a panic. Calling her phone multiple times and eventually finds where she's located but gets stopped by Sloan stating Alessandra does want to see him.



Dominic spirals and throws himself in his work trying to forget about the chaos happening inside his head. But as the days go by he starts releasing his anger onto his coworkers. He begins to learn how he relied on her for emotional support.

Alessandra starts to build a life on her own, away from Dominic. She starts to regain confidence and heal from neglect. Dominic reflects on how he treated his wife and self-acknowledge how he neglected her.

They met for a brief moment; Alessandra firmly states boundaries if they want to try again and Dominic accepts. As they both deal with confusing feelings it slowly brings them back together. Alessandra makes a deal to Dominic that he must work for their relationship for it to work and he accepts. As months go on, Dominic makes sure to work for their relationship while keeping his business going.

As Alessandra opens her own flower printing business Dominic helps tremendously, and Alessandra finally accepts getting back into a relationship with Dominic. At last, Dominic and Alessandra finally accept each other and make their relationship work.

For more details, you can find these books at your local book stores.

The Story of ARC Raiders

Leaper Jumping
Image courtesy of Reffi Comics

By Emmitt Miller

When *ARC Raiders* was first revealed, it appeared to be a stylish but relatively modest sci-fi shooter. It looked ambitious and visually striking, yet it wasn't immediately obvious that it would grow into something much larger. Over time, however, the project expanded far beyond its initial scope. Through careful creative decisions, evolving design goals, and the rising reputation of its developers, *ARC Raiders* transformed into one of the most talked-about new multiplayer games.

The game was announced by Embark Studios, a Stockholm-based developer formed by former DICE veterans known for their work on the *Battlefield* series. This background gave the project instant credibility. Players trusted that the team understood large-scale action, technical polish, and immersive worlds. The reveal trailer reinforced that trust by focusing on atmosphere and scale, showing small groups of players standing against massive mechanical enemies in a mysterious, hostile world.

Originally, *ARC Raiders* was planned as a free-to-play cooperative shooter. As development continued, Embark made the significant decision to reshape the game into an extraction-focused experience. This change aligned the project with a growing genre that emphasized risk, tension, and player-driven stories. The new structure gave more weight to every mission, turning each match into a careful balance between survival and reward rather than simple combat.

This shift also deepened the game's identity. Players were no longer just fighting enemies; they were making strategic choices about when to engage, when to retreat, and what resources were worth risking. The slower pace and higher stakes helped *ARC Raiders* stand out from faster, arcade-style shooters, appealing to players looking for a more intense and thoughtful experience.

The game's growth was further fueled by curiosity and word of mouth. Embark Studios avoided oversaturating the public with

constant updates, instead releasing information in measured moments. Early playtests and trailers encouraged discussion, and players who experienced the game shared stories of tense escapes and unexpected encounters. These personal narratives helped build excitement and gave the community a sense of ownership over the game's identity.

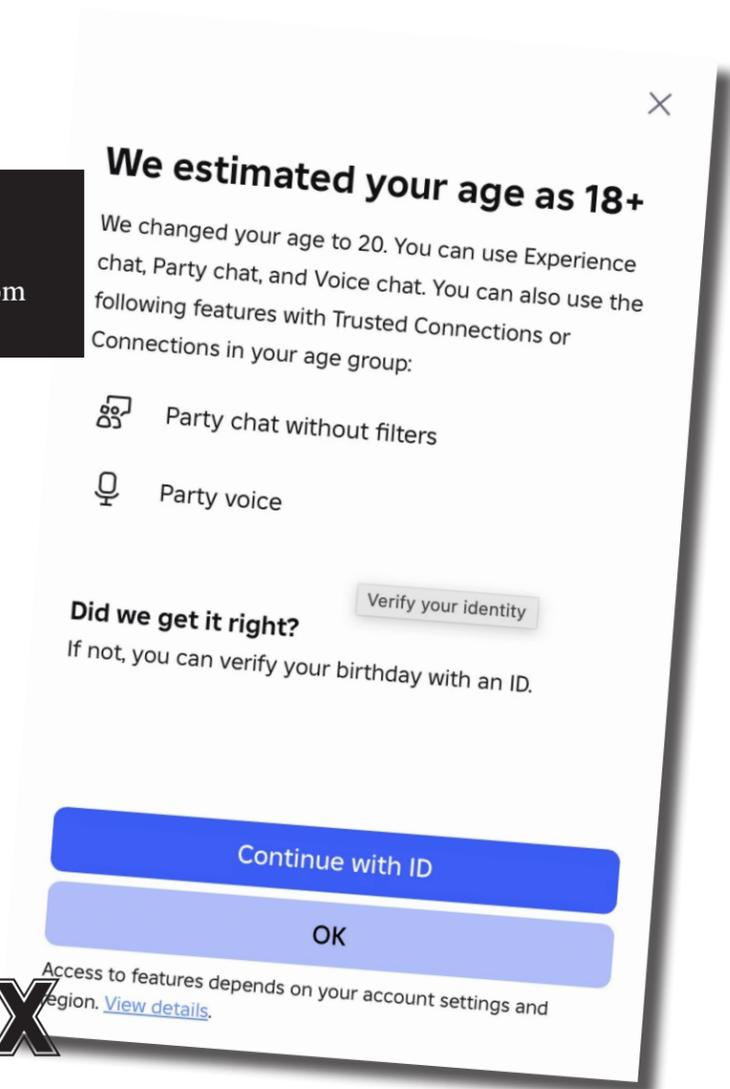
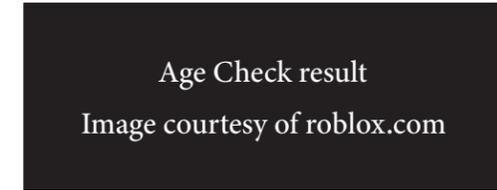
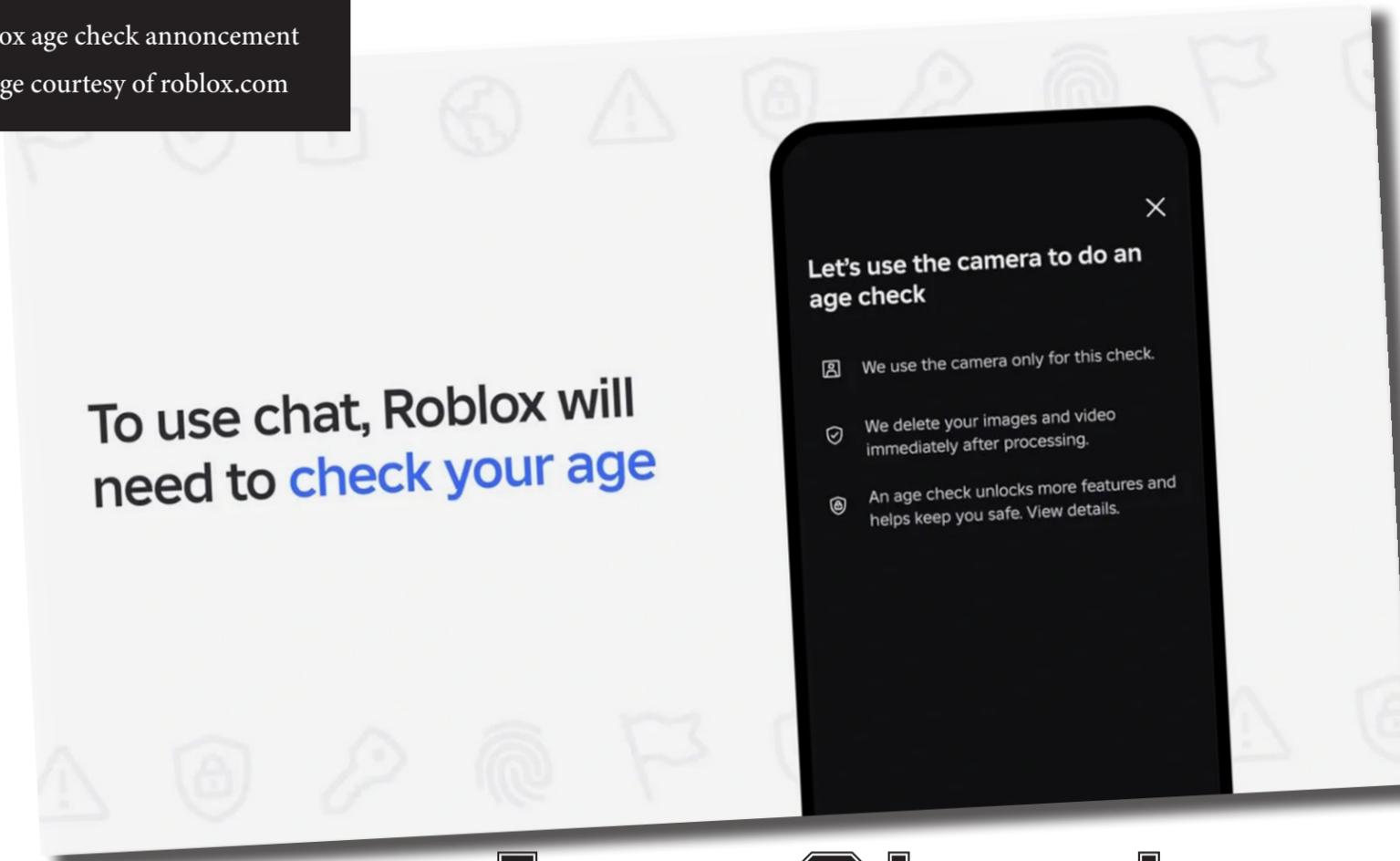
Visually, *ARC Raiders* reinforced its appeal through a grounded and realistic sci-fi aesthetic. The world felt worn and lived-in, with ruined environments and towering machines that seemed ancient and unstoppable. This approach made players feel small and vulnerable, emphasizing survival over power. The detailed worldbuilding invited immersion and made every encounter feel meaningful.

Much of the anticipation surrounding *ARC Raiders* also comes from trust in Embark Studios themselves. The developers communicated openly about changes and showed a willingness to delay or rethink ideas to improve the final product. In an industry often criticized for rushed releases, this patience helped strengthen confidence in the project.

Ultimately, *ARC Raiders* grew not through sudden hype, but through steady evolution. What began as an interesting concept matured into a large-scale, high-stakes experience shaped by thoughtful design and a clear vision. Its journey shows how a game can grow organically, becoming something far bigger and more influential than it first appeared



Bastion walking
Image courtesy of Embark Studios



Age Checks on Roblox

By Christina Miller

Roblox faces a significant problem with bad actors on its platform, which has led to mounting calls for the game to be banned. This concern has prompted some countries to take action, implementing bans centered around child safety issues. To address these pressing concerns, Roblox recently rolled out a controversial new feature known as the "Facial Age Check." Unfortunately, it appears that this measure is not achieving its intended goal of protecting young users.

This age verification system relies on a third-party company called Persona to scan users' faces, which raises serious questions about privacy and security. Many players express feelings of discomfort at the thought of submitting facial scans to an unfamiliar site, fearing how their data might be used or stored. The use of AI for estimating age

further complicates the situation; AI systems can be notoriously inaccurate, potentially misclassifying users and leaving vulnerable individuals at risk.

Since the launch of this feature at the beginning of January, numerous players have publicly voiced their frustrations. The policy dictates that users who do not complete the age verification process are barred from chatting, a significant limitation entirely, since communication is a core component of the Roblox experience. Furthermore, once users go through the verification, they can only chat with other players in a similar age demographic. This restriction can severely impact social interactions, both for content creators and casual gamers who thrive on engagement and collaboration.

KreekCraft, a Roblox content creator, has voiced his concerns, stating, "And the reality is there are just some games on Roblox that need to be able to talk to other people in order to play the game." This highlights the challenges posed by the new age verification

system. Many roleplay and team-based games, which rely heavily on communication, could become unplayable under the current rules, diminishing the overall gaming experience and user engagement.

Parents, too, have expressed alarm over the update. There have been reports of children being mistakenly categorized as adults and vice versa, which poses significant safety vulnerabilities. These mistakes can create dangerous situations where adults might inadvertently interact with minors, raising serious concerns about child safety on the platform.

Moreover, the current age verification system has glaring weaknesses. Some users have discovered workarounds to bypass the age check entirely. Techniques such as using makeup, fake IDs, or even purchasing accounts with altered birthdates have become prevalent. Unfortunately, these loopholes can be exploited by bad actors, allowing them to potentially engage with unsuspecting children. This situation underscores the inadequacy of current measures to enforce

age restrictions effectively.

The flaws in the age-checking feature represent troubling safety risks, as they can make it easier for adults to connect with children for inappropriate reasons. If Roblox fails to adjust or eliminate this feature, it could inadvertently create a more harmful environment for its users, rather than the protective space it aims to offer.

In conclusion, while the intention behind the Facial Age Check feature may have been to protect young players, the result has left much to be desired. The potential risks created by mistakes and bypass methods show the urgent need for Roblox to change its approach. Properly addressing these concerns with a more effective age verification system is critical to ensuring the safety and enjoyment of the gaming experience for all users on the platform.

By Amara Duchaine

“So delicious!” are the words I think of when I hear Nicholes Fine Pastries.

As I walked inside with my sister and her girlfriend, Nicholes and went inside I immediately felt welcomed with the scent of baked goods and the friendly hospitality.

We walked up to the display case looking at what we wanted to order. My sister’s girlfriend, Paige ordered first.

Paige got Tiramisu and a Crème Brulé. My sister Naoma went up next and got a Vanilla Bean Cheesecake, a Strawberry Filled croissant as well as a Raspberry Italian Cream Soda.

As they both were served and went to sit down it was my turn. I ordered a Blackberry Cheesecake, an éclair, and a Fresh Fruit Tart, along with a Strawberry Italian Soda.

When I sat down Naoma and Paige were both eating their pastries and then we were served our drinks.

The first pastry I tried was the éclair and it was very delicious, the chocolate was rich and the filling was very smooth and delicate.

I tried the fruit tart next, and the crust wasn’t very sweet which I liked and the cream spread on top was refreshing and was slightly sweet. The fresh fruit on top consisted of different berries and overall, it was very refreshing to eat.

I then decided to try the blackberry cheesecake, and the cream cheese flavoring was so rich, and it wasn’t too sweet and it was so thick and it was topped with blackberry jam that was so good. The crust of the cheesecake was the perfect thickness; it wasn’t too thin where you couldn’t taste it and it wasn’t too thick where it was overpowering.

Then I proceeded to try the crème Brulé and tiramisu, and it was my very first time and to say the least I was very nervous, I wasn’t going to enjoy it.

I first took a bite of the crème Brulé and the crunchy top with the creaminess was so delicious and it was nice and sweet but not the sweet that

Nichole's Fine Pastry



hurts your teeth, the crunchy top had a nice caramel taste to it.

The tiramisu had a rich coffee flavor, and it was thick but soft and it was delicious especially for coffee lovers.

Naoma had me try hers as well and I first tried the vanilla bean cheesecake and just like the blackberry cheesecake the cream cheese flavor was so rich and very delicious, as well as the blackberry cheesecake the crust was perfect and had an amazing flavor and perfect crunchy and smooth texture.

The vanilla bean cheesecake was topped with a strawberry puree and a fresh strawberry. The filled croissant was topped with freeze dried strawberries and a strawberry frosting. The croissant was nice and flaky the filling was tart and had a rich strawberry flavor.

After we took bites of all the pastries we had our drinks.

The strawberry Italian soda was very delicious, and the strawberry flavoring was not too strong, and it was a perfect ratio between the sparkling water and the flavoring.

The raspberry Italian cream soda was very good as well and had a subtle raspberry flavor and again it also had the perfect ratio between the sparkling water, half and half, and flavoring.

After we tried everything, we asked for some boxes to take home what we didn't finish so our families can try them.

After my visit I will definitely go back and I want to try more pastries they offer because the ones we had that night were so delicious.

Overall, the place was very clean, delicious and the perfect place to go if you want to take a special someone to get dessert, or if you just want to go there and study either way it's the perfect place.



Before the roses

The origins of Valentine's Day!

By Maryama Ali

Every day on February 14 is a time where hearts appear everywhere — from department stores aisles of handwritten cards, chocolates, flowers and gifts flood the shelves.

These gifts are often received from lover to lover professing their affections, but Its origins is rather peculiar from the ordinary sugar coated version we celebrate today.

Legend has it that the man who was named after the holiday was a priest in Ancient Rome who had rebelled the emperor's laws pertaining to marriage for young couples, creating secret marriage ceremonies in private.

He was later discovered causing him to be imprisoned and executed for the sake of one's love. Before his death, he is said to have written a letter signed, "From your Valentine," a phrase enduring centuries that still appear in heart-felt letters

Long before its links to love, Valentine's Day may

have roots from the Roman festival Lupercalia, a celebration focused on fertility and purification.

During the festival, rituals were performed to promote reproduction, and young men would draw names to determine their partners for the season.

By the Middle Ages, it official became the holiday that centers around romance. Poets such as Geoffrey Chaucer spread the idea that mid-February was a special time where lover get to express their feelings for one another.

What is now celebrated as a day of romance was once a story of forbidden love and sacrifices, it serves as

reminder that comes with a great cause. From marriages in ancient Rome to poetic celebrations in medieval courts,

Valentine's Day carries a lot mysterious history than its usual pink and red exterior.

ARTIST *Spotlight*

Featuring Sheyenne High School's Student Artists



ABOUT THE ARTISTS & COMPETITIONS

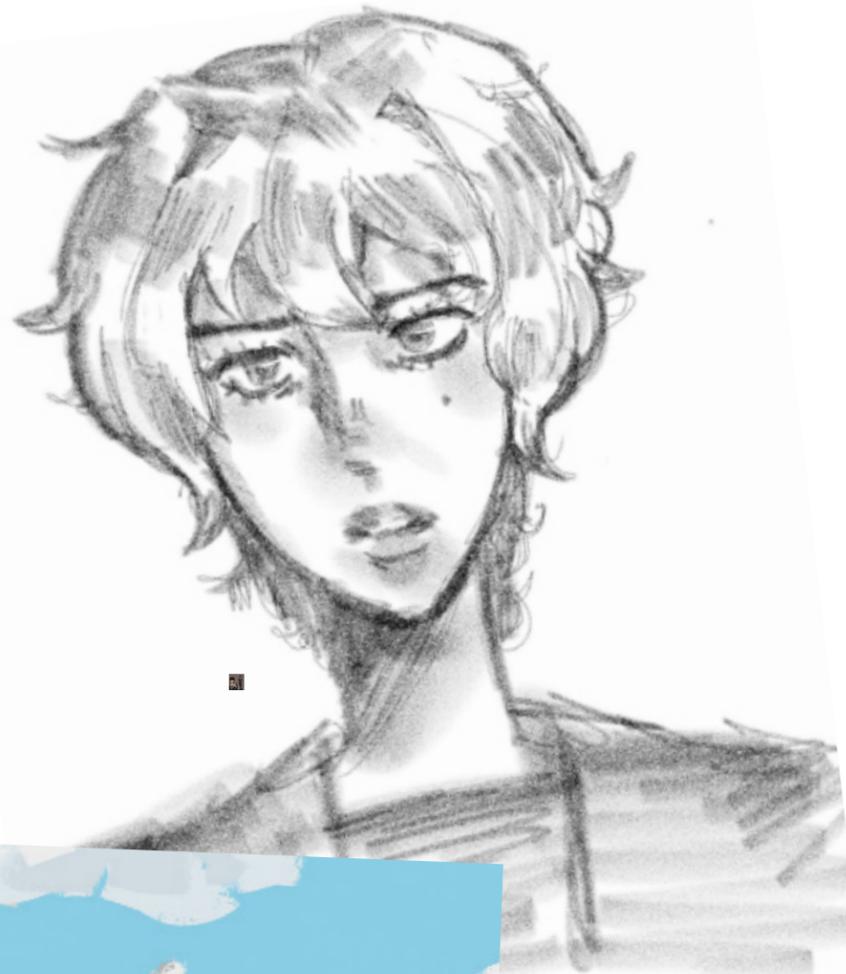
Hi im Umisha I'm currently a sophomore at Sheyenne High School. I've been drawing since I was in elementary.

Since then, I've been drawing and watching tutorials, which primarily were anime tutorials since I couldn't draw realistically, so that really inspired my art to be what it is.

As of now though, I've been getting into trying more realistic or semi-realistic art. I've also begun to enjoy landscapes and art that encaptures nature, but I'm a beginner in that regard. Nonetheless, I hope to improve my skills as I grow.

Umisha Rana

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Thriftling: What Makes it so good?

By Adrianna Raile

The average person spends about \$120-\$170 a month, shopping for clothes at a high-end retail store like American Eagle and Hollister, making that roughly \$2,000 per year. However, those who go thrifting have an average spending of about \$55 a month, or \$660 per year. Thrifting saves someone 33% a year compared to shopping at a high-end retail store.

In an interview with my mother, Elizabeth (Elle) Hilt, she gave her opinion on why she believes thrifting is better than high-end retail shopping.

“As an avid “thrifter”, the answer is yes: Thrifting is far better than shopping at high-end stores for most things. First, the obvious: it saves money. In today’s economy, prices are rising for nearly every commodity. In fact, prices are rising even at the thrift stores! For people who enjoy the little joy of buying something new-to-them to wear, read, or redecorate, or for people who find themselves in a situation where they have to replace something that they can’t afford at full price, shopping at a thrift store meets those needs without the pain of sticker shock.

Second, it is environmentally friendly. Manufacturing companies generate a lot of waste and often make more products than there is demand. A little secret? Some thrift stores actually have agreements with department stores to collect the surplus items they couldn’t sell! Brand new items for secondhand prices? Seems like a no-brainer. When it comes to used goods, people who shop secondhand reduce the demand on the manufacturers to keep the new stuff on the shelves, and when

people opt to donate their used items to thrift stores instead of throwing them away, they reduce their contribution to landfills. Win win.

The first two points are reason enough to be a thrifter, but the real reason thrifting is so much better than shopping at high-end stores is the thrill of “the find.” When you shop at department stores, you pretty much know what you’re getting into – multiples of the exact same items, limited to whatever the store’s buyer decided was “in” and popular enough to make them a lot of money. At the thrift store. You never know what lies in store (literally). A thrift store is like the melting of pot of every store’s style, spanning decades of fashion and design. IF you are really lucky, you might find something really special, something someone gave away because it was ugly or old or had no personal meaning to them. You might buy that oddity for a few bucks and end up on the Antiques Road Show where you learn that little \$3 trinket is actually worth \$3,000! Now you just made money by thrifting. And the bonus, most thrift stores are run by local charity organizations and so your secondhand purchase helps support services provided to people in need.

Thriftling isn’t perfect: It takes a lot more time to sort through the variety of items, sometimes you get something home to find it has a stain you didn’t notice, and some people don’t like the idea of wearing something a stranger wore before them. But the benefits far outweigh the drawbacks. Thrift shopping is the best!”

In a following interview with my grandfather, Jon McTaggart, he also explains why he considers thrifting is better than high-end retail shopping as well.

“I’ve spent my lifetime learning that how I spend money says a lot about who I am and what is important to me. My dad taught me that, and thrift stores (and pawn shops) made that lesson clear when I was growing up. I can walk into a thrift shop and find a stylish wool coat that’s already survived five winters, a sturdy solid oak table without a scratch, or a pair of Red Wing boots broken in just right, and all for a fraction of what any retail store would charge if these were new.

High-end retail might promise status, but thrifting delivers real substance. When I buy secondhand, I’m not paying for a logo, a marketing campaign, or fancy lighting. I’m paying for craftsmanship, durability, and real value. Over time, these savings add up, not just to money in my pocket, but to a greater sense of freedom that comes from needing less and choosing carefully.

Thriftling also feels like an act of respect for the people who made the item and for the resources that went into it. I often think about the world my grandkids will inherit. Every shirt, lamp, or electronic device that I buy secondhand is one less thing headed for a landfill and

one less new thing that must be manufactured, shipped, and packaged. I’ve always believed that if something still works, still fits, or still has beauty in it, it deserves another chapter.

Thrift stores are full of those second chances. So, for me, shopping this way is really about stewardship. I also enjoy imagining the stories of the people who have previously owned the secondhand items I buy. And to me, that feels like a better bargain than anything I’ll ever find at full price.”

To conclude, thrifting isn’t about just saving money, it’s also about the sentimental value items can have and how your imagination could explore every possibilities about the item’s past and the stories it may have.

The New Life Center Thrift Store in
Fargo, ND
Image courtesy of reddit.com



GENSHIN

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THE GAMEPLAY



By Quinn Nordick

Genshin Impact has a fun adventure-like gameplay. When you first begin, you learn the basic controls such as how to walk, sprint, dash, climb, and fight. After you learn the basic controls, you learn how to resonate with an element, and then you progress in the game via story mode.

As you progress in the story mode, you gain XP, known as experience. This XP helps you level up your adventure rank and claim rewards.

As you level up your adventure rank, you unlock more things in the game, such as co-op, commissions, and wishing.

When you unlock wishing, that is how you can get other characters such as five-star characters and four-star characters, and weapons. you can also get specific four-star characters from certain events that miHoYo releases into Genshin.

You unlock co-op at adventure rank 16, this is where you can go into other people's world. but, their world level, which the difficulty of monster level in a world, has to be either lower than yours, or the same. So, if your world level is 5, and your friends is 7, you are unable to join their world because their monsters would kill you instantly, but since your world level is lower than theirs, they can enter your world.

In co-op your friend can help you defeat bosses and steal your materials if you let them.

When you defeat a boss, you claim rewards with resin. Resin is a way to claim rewards from bosses, domains, and something in Genshin called the ley lines.

Another thing you can get from completing quests is character level up materials. They come in the form of books, or paper. You use them to level up your characters as you progress.

After you level up your character to level 20, you have to ascend them so they can level up to level 40. You have to ascend your character at level 20, 40, 50, 60, 70, and 80 so they can get to level 90.



Chibi Twins

Image courtesy of miHoYo

The View of a Nearby Nation
Image courtesy of miHoYo



Genshin Gameplay
Image courtesy of miHoYo

Leveling up characters makes them able to do more damage and have more health. When characters with different elements use their elemental abilities together, it can cause an elemental reaction.

These reactions are known as the following freeze, overload, swirl, melt, burn, vaporize, and crystallize. Depending on the characters on your team, the reactions can buff certain characters damage.

Most characters are made to do certain things such as be a healer, sub-dps, main-dps, or supports. Adding one of each of those characters to a team with elements that give good elemental reaction can give your damage a huge buff.

Genshin impacts gameplay is very interesting and fun, it has a lot of exploring, interacting with other npcs or characters, playing story quests, and fighting bosses.

It is free-to-play friendly and has consistent updates that add in more fun puzzles and quests. Genshin also has a ton of diverse characters with fun mechanics and different types of weapons.

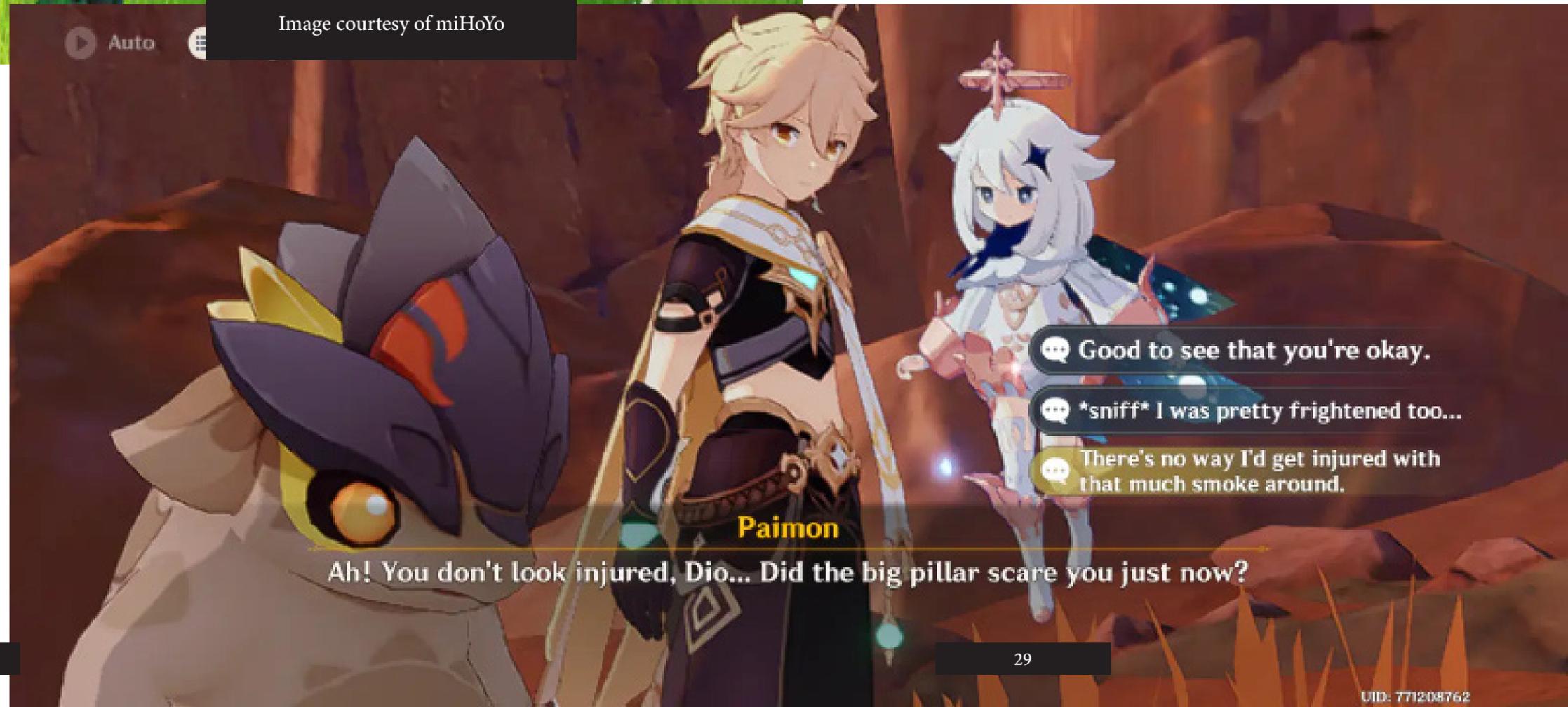
The visuals in the game are stunning, there are mountains, rivers, oceans, cliffs, and many more beautiful sites to see. Players enjoy climbing, gliding, and sprinting across the diverse regions.

You can play across many platforms such as PC, PlayStation 4 & 5, Android, and iOS. The quality remains amazing on whatever you decide to play on.

Overall Genshin impact is a fun, free-to-play, exploration game with amazing quality and fun challenging puzzles.



Chibi Tighnari
Image courtesy of miHoYo



N.I.L: Name, Image... Money?

By Callen Foshier

Name Image Likeness. This is the type of world that is taking collegiate athletes by storm, hindering decision making and choices all over the concept of money.

NIL became popular in 2021 when the NCAA lifted their prohibition on college athletes receiving money from their publicity rights.

According to Pete Nakos of on3.com, The NIL Era started with the legal court case, O'Bannon v. NCAA. Former UCLA basketball player Ed O'Bannon filed on behalf of the NCAA's Division I football and men's basketball players, challenging the organization's use of the images and the likenesses of its former student athletes for commercial purposes.

The lawsuit argued that upon graduation, a former student athlete should become entitled to financial compensation for NCAA's commercial uses of their image.

To further O'Bannon's case, in July of 2009, he

filed a lawsuit against the NCAA and the Collegiate Licensing Company, alleging violations and actions that deprived him of his right of publicity.

In January 2011, Oscar Robertson joined O'Bannon in the class action suit along with Bill Russell, among the 20 other former college athletes who agreed to be defendants as well.

Electronic Arts and the Collegiate Licensing Company, both original co-defendants with the NCAA, departed from the case and finalized a \$40 million settlement. This compensated current and former collegiate athletes between \$4,000 to 100,000, if they had appeared in EA Sports' NCAA Basketball and NCAA Football series of video games since 2003.

July 1, 2021, the NCAA announced the board had agreed to new rules that removed restrictions on college athletes from entering paid endorsements and other sponsorship deals, and from using agents to manage their publicity. Students would still be required to inform the school of all such activities, with the school making determinations if those activities violate state and local laws.

As the world we live in changes and evolves every day, the atmosphere of college athletics continues to be impacted heavily by Name, Image, and Likeness.

With recruiters showing off a variety of NIL deals they can provide to their athletes, it stirs up lots of drama between schools and the battle with money. As certain schools cannot pay their athletes as much through deals, colleges are losing recruits due to not having money to compensate their NIL.

With highly honored schools like Texas, Ohio State, LSU, Georgia, and Oregon being able to pay

their players significantly more than other schools there's one question to ponder on; was it the correct move to pass NIL deals?

With the exceptions of this new law passed in 2021, thousands of collegiate athletes started brand deals, promotions, and gaining lots of popularity from their Name, Image, and Likeness deals.

Among many of those athletes, I would like to highlight 4 of the highest paid ones: Cooper Flagg of Duke Men's Basketball, Flau'jae Johnson of LSU Women's Basketball, Shedeur Sanders of Colorado

(Below) Ed O'Bannon at UCLA in 1995

si.com



(Left) Cooper Flagg's player shot for the 2024-2025 NCAA Season
goduke.com



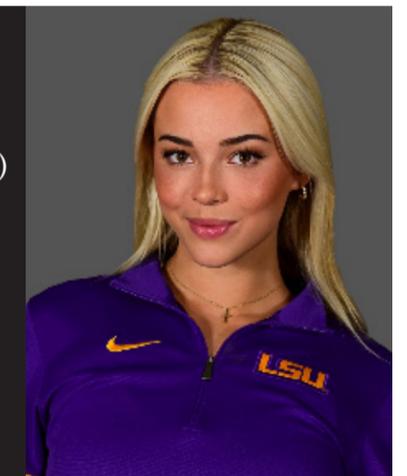
(Left) Flau'jae Johnson's player shot for the 2025-2026 NCAA Season
lsusports.net



(Right) Shedeur Sanders' player shot for the 2024 NCAA Season
cubuffs.com



(Right) Olivia (Livvy) Dunne's player shot for the 2025 NCAA Season
lsusports.net





(Above) Cooper Flagg advertising for his New Balance NIL deal

newbalance.com

Football, and Livvy Dunne of LSU Gymnastics.

These 4 athletes have combined total earnings of 42.4 million dollars from the 2024-2025 season alone and a whopping 48.5 million in total across all their collegiate seasons of NIL earnings.

Cooper Flagg, born December 21, 2006, in Newport, Maine. Flagg attended Nokomis Regional High School and later transferred to Montverde Academy in Florida, his sophomore season.

Following his high school career, Flagg continued his basketball journey to Duke where led the Blue Devils to the ACC regular season title in March of 2025.

After an amazing Freshman season; winning ACC Player of the Year and ACC Rookie of the Year awards, Flagg then declared for the 2025 NBA draft where he was later on taken first overall by the Dallas Mavericks.

Throughout Flagg's freshman year at Duke, he earned a whopping 28 million dollars from NIL deals. This number totals from a 13-million-dollar contract with New Balance and a 15-million-dollar deal with Fanatics.

Flau'jae Johnson, born November 3, 2003, in Savannah, Georgia. Attended Sprayberry High School in Marietta, Georgia.

Following her high school career, Johnson committed to LSU where she chose to play under head coach Kim Mulkey. In 2022 during her freshman season, Johnson entered as LSU's starting shooting guard where



(Above) Flau'jae Johnson advertising for her Puma NIL deal

puma.com



(Above) Shedeur Sanders advertising for his Nike NIL deal

nike.com

second-team All-SWAC, and won the Jerry Rice Award.

Sanders soon transferred to The University of Colorado where he earned Big 12 Offensive Player of the Year honors, winner of the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award, as well as his jersey number being retired for the Buffaloe.

Following the 2025 season, Sanders declared for the 2025 NFL Draft where he was selected in the fifth round by the Cleveland Browns.

With Sanders successful collegiate career, he had also signed major NIL deals with numerous companies including Gatorade, Beats by Dre, and Nike, earning him a total of around 6.5 million adding to his rookie contract of 4.6 million.

Olivia (Livvy) Dunne, born October 1, 2002, in Westwood New Jersey.

Dunne joined the LSU Tigers gymnastics team in 2020 where she competed on uneven bars in every regular season meet. During the 2023-24 season, Dunne

she helped her team win its first national championship. She was then named the 2022-23 SEC Freshman of the Year.

As her fame continues to grow in college, so do her pockets.

She has signed major NIL deals with brands such as Puma, Meta, JBL, and Taco Bell, earning her a total of 1.5 million in the 2024-2025 season and a total of around 4.5 million annually. Along with basketball, Johnson also is a rapper who has earned some money from this as well, earning towards her 7-million-dollar net worth.

Shedeur Sanders, born February 7, 2002, in Tyler, Texas, to former NFL player Deion Sanders.

He attended Trinity Christian School in Cedar Hill, Texas. Initially committing to play college football at Florida Atlantic, he then flipped to Jackson State.

There, Sanders earned SWAC Freshman of the Year,



(Above) Livvy Dunne advertising for her Accelerator Energy NIL deal

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St. Valentine

Valentine's Deaths and Dates

By Jeremy Monette

Saint Valentine was beaten and executed on February 14th, 273, for trying to convert Claudius II to Christianity. In his life he was a martyr, having apparently cured his judge's daughter's blindness while on house arrest. He also performed secret weddings, helping to marry whoever wanted to after Claudius II banned marriage to help the army effort. He was named a Saint after his death, though the stories of him are ferociously debated, with many slightly conflicting details, or possible misremembering for a different person from witnesses.



Al Capone

While not directly present, Al Capone killed seven members of a rival gang on February 14th, 1929. After a series of pervious murder attempts between the two leaders, and a hefty fifty-thousand-dollar bounty set on his head, Capone had enough. He had sent lackies to do it for him, two of them impersonating police officers to help the effort. The lackies found them in a garage and had them all killed execution style. They lined the men up against the wall and massacred them with seventy Thompson machine gun rounds, and a full shotgun clip. Their intent was to kill the North Side Gang's leader, but he hadn't gotten there yet.

Gangster

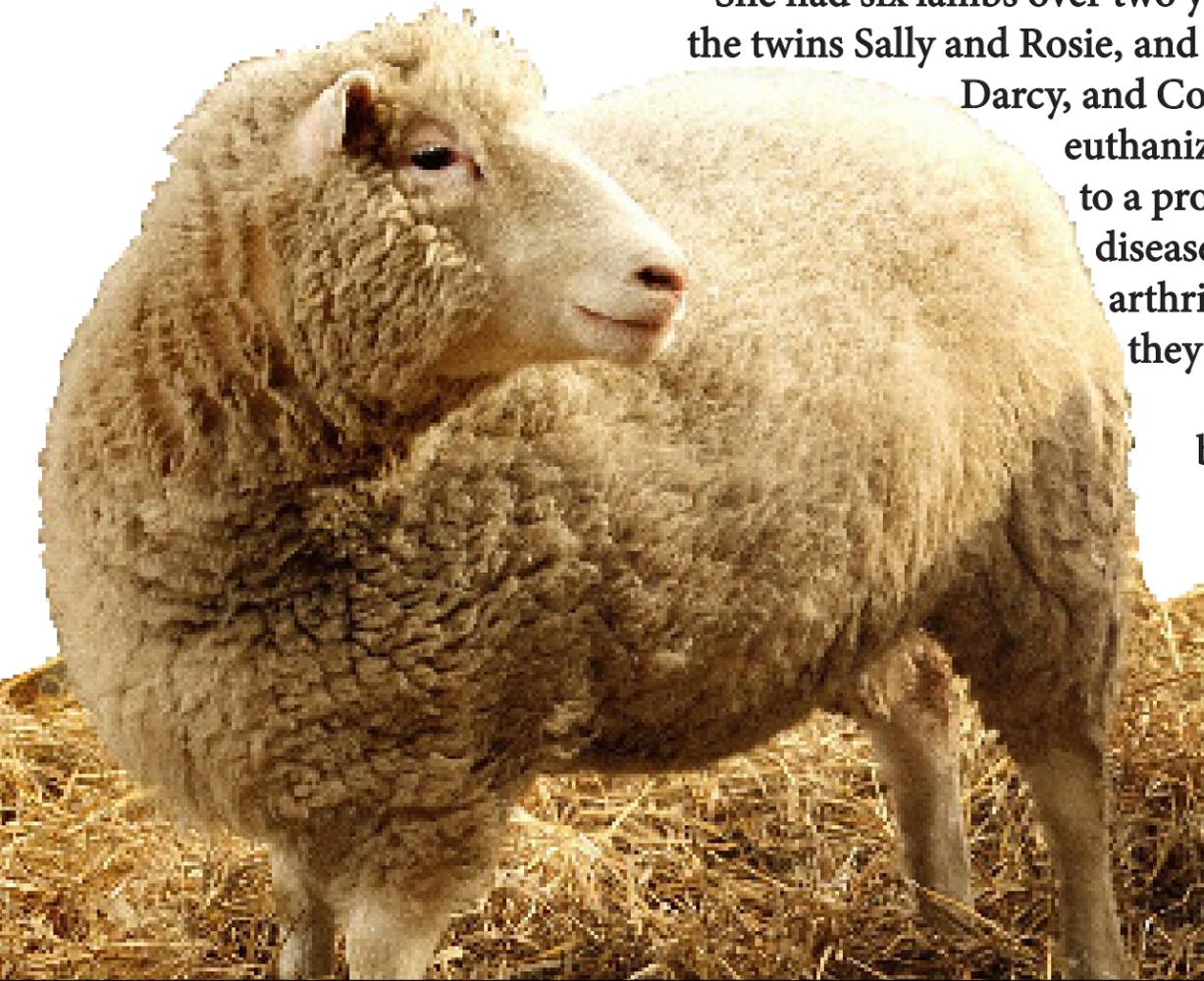
DOLLY

Dolly the Sheep was put to rest on February 14th, 2003. She was the first mammal to be cloned from a formed adult cell, as opposed to unformed stem cells; as well as the only one out of two-hundred and seventy-seven attempts to reach maturity.

During her life she got an extraordinary amount of coverage, sometimes being misdescribed as the first ever cloned animal.

She had six lambs over two years: Bonnie, the twins Sally and Rosie, and triplets Lucy, Darcy, and Cotton. She was euthanized in '03 due to a progressive lung disease and chronic arthritis, although, they said it wasn't related to her being a clone.

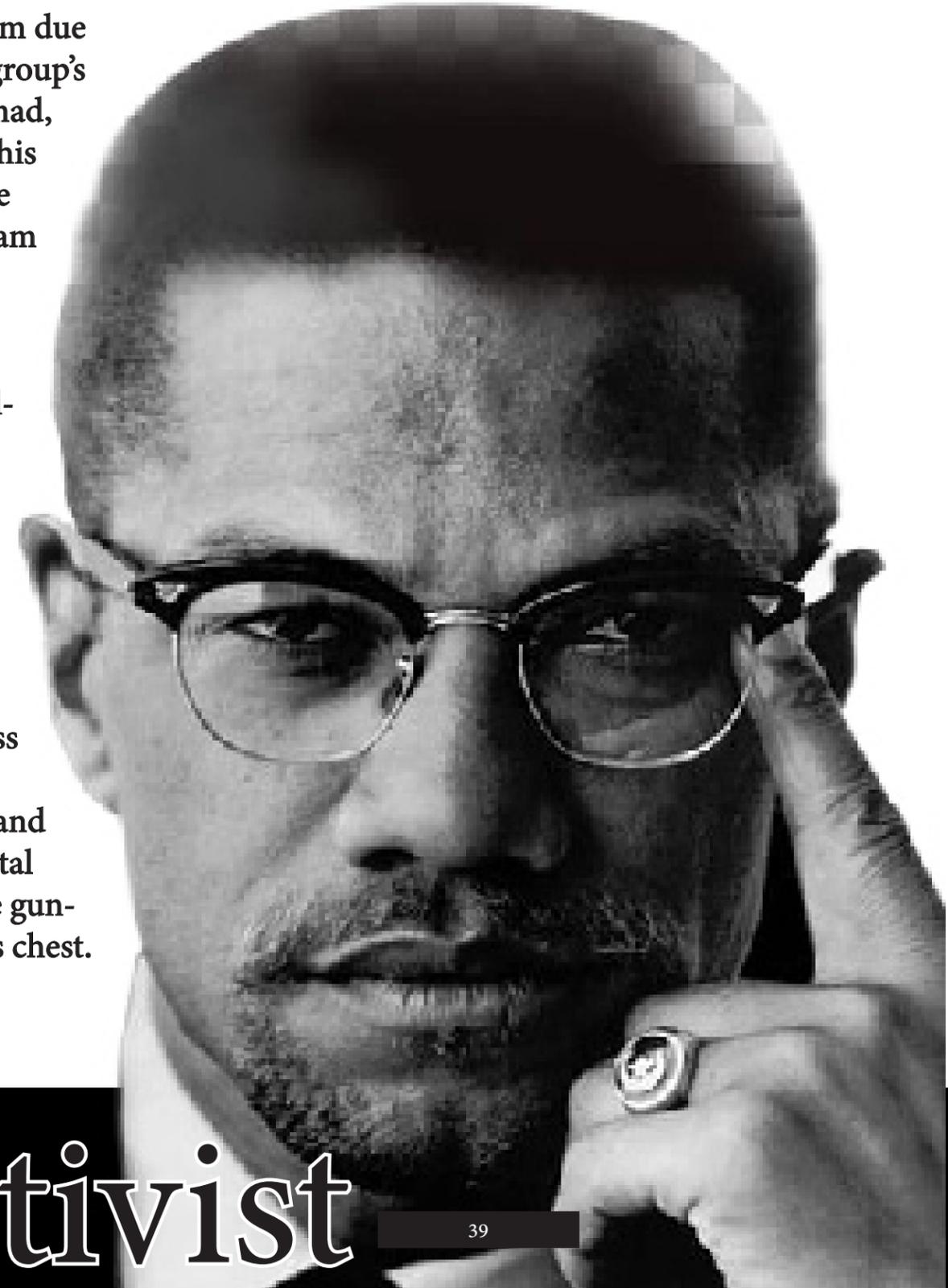
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SHEEP

Malcolm

Malcolm X's house was firebombed on February 14th, 1965. He had recently fell off from the Nation of Islam due to "disrespecting" the group's leader, Elijah Muhammad, reprimanding him for his relations with underage girls. The Nation of Islam had sent for a hearing to evict Malcolm from his home, which they owned at the time. Malcolm had been waiting to be killed somehow by the group; the only question was when. Malcolm X was shot and murdered on February 21st, 1965, moments before an address to the Organization of Afro-American Unity, and a week after the non-fatal house fire. Twenty-one gunshots were found in his chest.



Activist

The F1 2025 season recap

By Mateo Landayan

The 2025 Formula 1 season finished with one of the closest championship battles in recent history, as Lando Norris secured his first World Drivers' Championship for McLaren by 2 points over Max Verstappen. After 24 races, Norris finished the season with a tiny point advantage, built through consistent podium finishes and limited retirements rather than outright dominance. Verstappen, driving for Red Bull Racing, pushed the title fight to the final round but barely fell behind.

Norris ended with multiple race wins and frequent top three finishes, rarely finishing outside the points. His McLaren teammate, Oscar Piastri, played a big role in the team's success, finishing third in the Drivers' Championship and regularly competing at the front. McLaren's ability to gain results from both drivers clearly drove them to the constructor's championship across the season.

Verstappen remained Red Bull's primary points scorer, collecting several victories and maintaining strong qualifying form. However, Red Bull's second car and Yuki Tsunoda struggled to match McLaren's consistency,



McLaren celebrating their constructors standings win
Image courtesy of McLaren.com



F1 STANDINGS 2025

Drivers Teams

Season 2025

#	DRIVER	TEAM	POINTS
1	Lando NORRIS	McLaren F1 team	423
2	Max VERSTAPPEN	Red Bull Racing	421
3	Oscar PIASTRI	McLaren F1 team	410
4	George RUSSELL	Mercedes AMG F1	319
5	Charles LECLERC	Scuderia Ferrari	242
6	Lewis HAMILTON	Scuderia Ferrari	156
7	Kimi ANTONELLI	Mercedes AMG F1	150
8	Alexander ALBON	Williams Racing	73
9	Carlos SAINZ	Williams Racing	64
10	Fernando ALONSO	Aston Martin F1 Team	56

2025 drivers standings
Image courtesy of F1.com

costing the team valuable points in the Constructors' standings.

Behind the top three, Charles Leclerc led Ferrari's efforts with a fourth-place finish in the championship. Ferrari showed competitive race pace on high downforce circuits but struggled with tire degradation and poor engineering on others. Ferrari's inability to regularly convert strong qualifying positions into wins prevented an actual title challenge. Lewis Hamilton contributed steady points,

keeping Ferrari competitive in the Constructors' battle.

The 2025 season also marked a transition year ahead of major regulation changes in 2026. Teams began shifting resources toward the new power unit rules, which will increase electrical output, eliminate the MGU-H, and mandate fully sustainable fuels. Aerodynamic regulations will also be revised to reduce turbulent air and improve close racing. McLaren secured the Constructors' Championship by placing both cars in the points at



Charles Leclerc in the Monaco GP
Image courtesy of F1authentics.com

ATHLETE SPOTLIGHT

Featuring Sheyenne High School's Student Athletes

By Allison Ambuehl

Callen Fosher is a senior playing for Sheyenne Girls' Basketball, and in her words, the 2025 - 2026 girls basketball season started off a little bumpy as they lost their first five games.

However, their rocky start to the season hasn't stopped them and they are currently undefeated!

They have won 7 games in a row and even had a major win against Horace, the #1 ranked team in the EDC.

Unfourtantly, in the game against Horace Callen suffered a hand injury, but she is persistant and that substantial win against Horace has brought their team alot of attention which has motivated the team to keep pushing!

Fosher is gradutaing May 2026, and her after high school plans inclue attending Central Arizona College where she is playing basketball and studying communications.

Central Arizona is a juinor college where she will spend two years gaining additional recruitment exposure, so after graduation she hopes to eventually earn a scholarship to at least a division II four year college, while pursuing a degree in sports journalism.

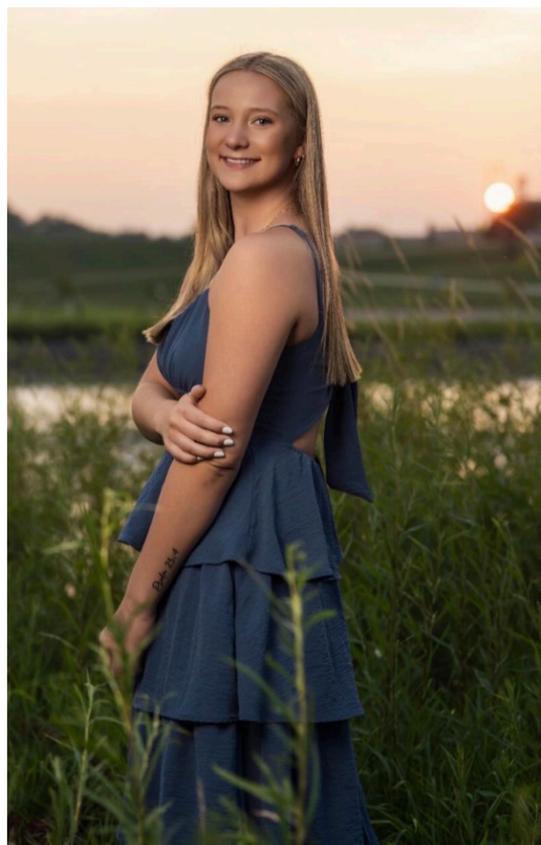


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FUN VALENTINE'S DAY DATE IDEAS (FOR NEXT YEAR, WHOOPS!)

By Allison Ambuehl

With Valentines Day coming up, I bet you're wondering where to take that special someone.

Whether it's your first date or your 20th valentines together, don't you want to make it extra special?

Living in Fargo North Dakota makes that a little harder as it's not necessarily a noteworthy place to live.

Do not worry though, there are still hidden gems all throughout Fargo that will impress whoever you're spending your valentines with!

If you're looking to impress your date with a romantic atmosphere and fine dining experience, Mezzaluna & the Drawing Room is the perfect spot.



With an astounding 4.8-star review on google, the food has been described as “works of art” and “worth every penny.”

Mezzaluna has a cozy ambiance with subtle romantic themes, the dim lighting and expensive décor add to the luxury feel which will make you and your date feel like you have traveled to a whole different world of flavor and grandeur.

Along with the food and scene being excellent, the service is top notch. Mezzaluna is truly a restaurant that leaves you in awe, being a designated fantastic experience.

A reservation is required for a meal, which you can make through their website, and they are open Tuesday – Saturday from 2 – 10 PM.



Next, if you still want that exceptional service, and intimate dining experience but you do not want to spend a pretty penny on just one night, a great option for you would be Doolittle’s Woodfire Grill.

The restaurant has a homey, cozy, vibe and has lots of private seating options. Doolittle’s is perfect for a winter night filled with laughter, and personal conversations to share with your valentine.

You can get good food and a good time all without spending hundreds of dollars, as the average cost for two with full meals and drinks is going to be around \$80 - \$110.

Also, if you want to have a cozy night in but have a craving for Doolittle’s, pick up order and UberEATS/door dash are great options!

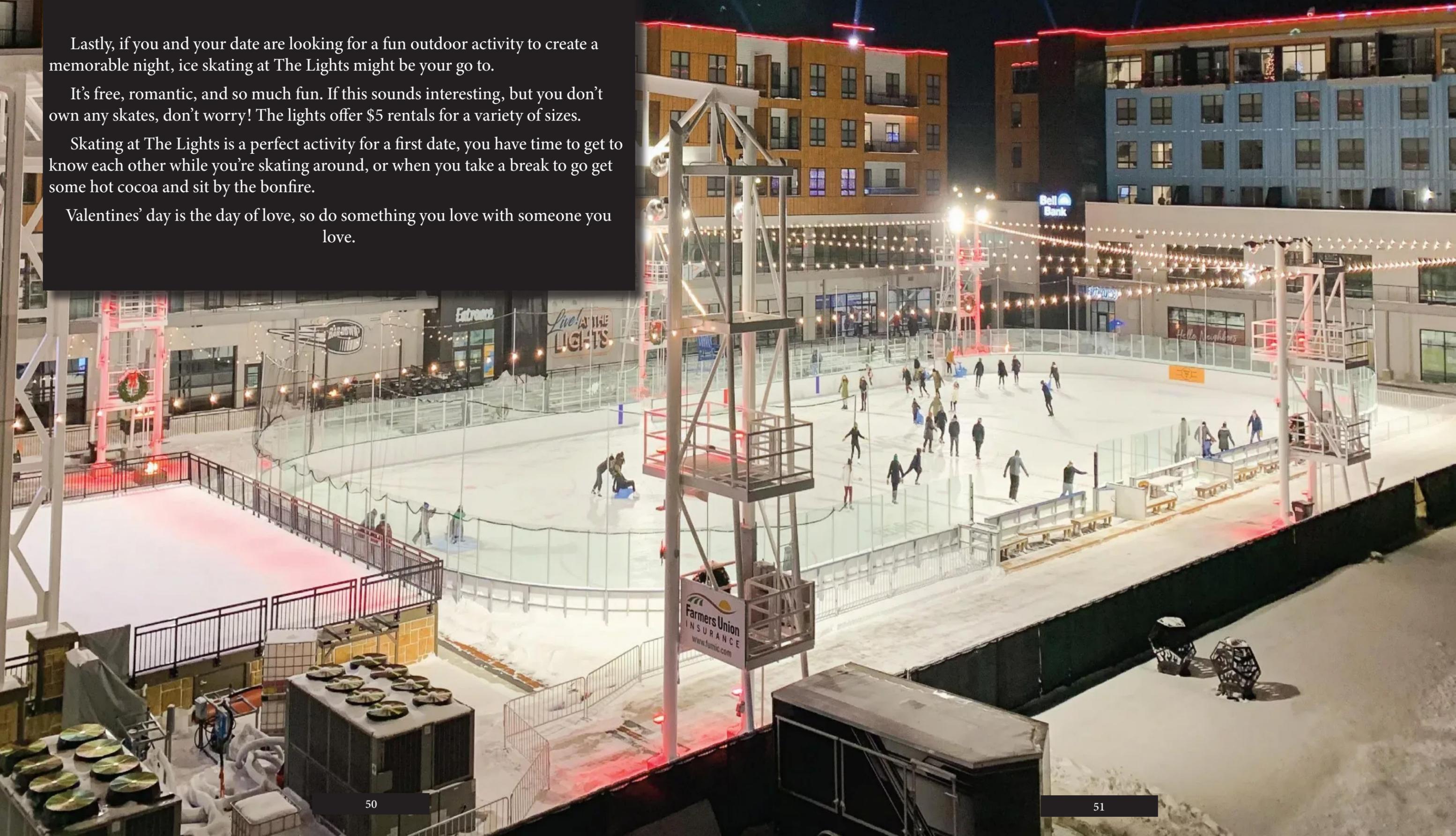
Reservations are encouraged, not required and the hours are 11 AM – 10 PM every day.

Lastly, if you and your date are looking for a fun outdoor activity to create a memorable night, ice skating at The Lights might be your go to.

It's free, romantic, and so much fun. If this sounds interesting, but you don't own any skates, don't worry! The lights offer \$5 rentals for a variety of sizes.

Skating at The Lights is a perfect activity for a first date, you have time to get to know each other while you're skating around, or when you take a break to go get some hot cocoa and sit by the bonfire.

Valentines' day is the day of love, so do something you love with someone you love.



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