The Second Annual 2014 University of Chicago Scavenger Hunt List

The University of Chicago Scavenger Hunt Organization Committee

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SCAV TEAMS AND THE RULES OF THE HUNT

1. Acquisition of Items. All items on the List can be obtained and performed legally. It may involve smooth talking, or it may involve something else, but it is all possible. The Judges take no responsibility for your getting thrown into the clink—be it local clink, state clink, federal clink, or Colonel Klink. If you end up there, it is your fault.

2. Fair Play. Sabotage is bad. We don’t like it, and we don’t want it in the Hunt. Sabotaging teams or their items can lead to immediate disqualification, and we may even loose the hounds of the Administration on you.

3. Contact with Judges. While we don’t want to complain and say that Judges have it so tough, Scav Hunt is always teetering on the edge of sheer chaos, and if we can avoid it, we should. Thus, please only communicate with the Judges if you are going to do it in a professional manner. Generally, just remember that the more people shout, the less will be understood. That seems like it makes sense, no?

4. Props. All props must, always and forever, be mad props.

5. Points. Point totals are final. We ask you to do awesome things and expect awesome things to be done. If you do said awesome things, the Judge will accord to you Full Points, the highest number of points possible for any item. In rare cases—for example, if we ask for a car and you give us the Batmobile with both George Clooney and Adam West inside—we will consider giving you 1 special point. Maybe 2. As far as point values, well, we use a dartboard, numberwang, and Tibetan numerological methods to determine how much items are worth, so no complaining that “the lazy eye patch was worth more than the moonbounce made of guns!”

6. Items. Be aware that doing items nude when it’s not explicitly asked for will not get you more points. Nor will involving alcohol in items that don’t clearly call for alcohol. The same goes for nudity and alcohol’s redheaded, stepchild cousins sex and drugs. Please note that few items explicitly call for nudity, alcohol, or either of the aforementioned redheaded variants. Lastly, we don’t like to harm large mammals that can make sad eyes at us, so please treat any non-humans involved in your items with extreme care.

7. A Good Time. For a good time call (202) 762-1401.

8. Preliminary Events. The deadlines for the submission of items and performances are final as stated on the list or as announced by the Judges at the Court of Captured Criminal Captains. It is the Captains’ responsibility to make sure that they submit these in a timely manner. Items that do not have discrete time/place stated on the list are not preliminary and therefore must occur at Judgment. Upon request, we may, at our discretion, come to see an item at a time/place other than Judgment. Consider this a privilege, and use your ‘Come See Our Items’ cards sparingly.

9. Early Submission. Items marked with © are Early Submission. These items may, but do not have to be, submitted via email prior to Judgment. To do this, send a missive with the appropriate links/attachments to ScavPage[PageNumber]@gmail.com (Ex. ScavPageOne@gmail.com) with the subject: “[Your Team Name]: [Item Number]”, where [Page Number], [Your Team Name], and [Item Number] are the page number, your team name, and item number respectively (duh). Like the dining halls, Early Submission closes at 2:30 p.m. Saturday. We’ll send a confirmation when we receive your item and another when we judge it. If you have not gotten the latter by 8 a.m. Sunday, mutter something unkind about us and prepare to present the item at Judgment.

10. Curses! That crackpot Caped Crusader has captured your costumed Criminal Captains. After critiques and clearance of the Road Trip cars and their conquering crews (at 8:00 a.m. Thursday on 57th Street outside the Reynolds Club), he will convene the Court of Captured Criminal Captains in Hutchinson Commons. But in this crazy court, it’s the condemned Captains who convey the queries in a quest for clarifying confusing items. They may also collect any crucial crap they require to carry out their captivating capers.

11. Road Trip. The Road Trip can be done without getting busted by the cops or breaking any rules. Please get it done that way. The destination point most distant from campus may not exceed 1,000 miles. Use of 15-passenger vans or trucks is prohibited.
Driver requirements:

a. Minimum age of 18 (If a rental car is used, the rental car company minimum age requirements apply).

b. Must have held a valid US driver’s license for at least two years, which must be in driver’s possession throughout trip.

c. Must possess valid passports, should the mischiefs of foreign intrigue beckon.

d. Must have more than 2,000 miles driving experience.

e. May not have received moving violations or convictions or court-ordered supervision.

f. Must be alcohol- and drug-free (it’s the way to be), including illegal, prescription, and non-prescription drugs that could impair driving function or are used for any reason other than their FDA-approved intent.

g. Must have valid automobile insurance.

Road Trip Management:

a. No one may operate a vehicle for more than three consecutive hours or six total hours in one day.

b. Total driving time may not exceed 16 hours within a 24-hour period.

c. No driving permitted between midnight and 6 a.m.

d. Another person must be awake in the seat next to the driver at all times.

Road Trip Rules:

a. Upon spotting a sign casting opprobrium upon various measures of birth control or the deliberate termination of a pregnancy, one must punch another occupant of the car and proclaim, “Foetus Boetus!”

b. Upon spotting an adult entertainment venue or advertisement, one must punch another occupant of the car and proclaim, “Moetus Boetus!”

c. Upon spotting any sign that Canada is actually different from America, one must punch Justin Beaver and proclaim, “Beavus Boetus!”

d. Punches not in accordance with the above rules may be met with one equal or harder punch in retribution.

e. Any occupant of the car must, upon spotting roadkill, yell “Canuck!”

A Captain of each team must certify in advance to the Judges that the team understands and agrees to abide by these regulations.

12. Judgment Day. Like in the Bible, Judgment Day should take, like, 45 minutes. Late Saturday night, the Judges will email the Captains with a list denoting which items are Road Trip. Prepare all Road Trip items for judging at 9:00 a.m. on Judgment Day. Regular items will be judged after the Showcase. The Showcase will be judged at Showcase, which will be at 10:00 a.m.

In addition, please have a highlighted list of the items you’ve acquired ready so that when a Judge comes by to judge your page, there won’t be any time wasted with “do we have the particle accelerator?” questions. If an item is followed by †, it must be ready for judging as part of the Showcase, prior to regular page judging. Judges will hold up placards (really just sheets of paper with Sharpie™-ed numbers) denoting which pages they are ready to judge. Call over whichever Judge corresponds to the page you are ready to present. Here's a tip: sort your items based on which page they are on. In short, BE ORGANIZED.

13. Rules. Ain’t no rule says a gerbil can’t wear a t-shirt. This rule brought to you by gerbiltees.biz.

14. Prizes. Prizes are money and eternal glory. If you are not a house team, you may have to provide extra documentation in order to get your fat benjis; ORCSA can hold your hand through this. If this is the case, you must provide such documentation to the Head Judge.

15. Decisions. All decisions of the Judges are final. Final.

Scav Olympics

To be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, 10 May 2014, on or about the Eckhart Quad. For each competition, 30 points will be awarded for 1st place; 20 points for 2nd place; 10 points for 3rd place; 2 points for $(3 < x \leq 20)$th place.

1. À la CharDee MacDennis: The Game of Games, the Grape Gobble.
2. Combat Juggling free-for-all. Send one (1) team member with three (3) jugglable beanbags into the arena. The last team representative to remain juggling will be declared the winner. Interference with another team’s beanbags is allowed. Interference with another team’s person is very much not allowed and will result in immediate disqualification.
3. This event will involve sticky hands.
4. Provide one triathlete to compete in the Videogame Triathlon: Katamari Slalom, Superman 64 Hurdles, and Morph Ball Sprint.
5. Whether caring for the sick, nourishing an infant, or setting a romantic mood, the act of feeding someone else is usually born of love. Except when it is born of a desire to earn points by having two (2) teammates feed each other as many gummi bears as possible with sets of our specialty chopsticks.
6. Έφαγε την ολόκληρη την αλεπού! ( taxedude)
7. Four (4) square? More like for squares, am I right?! Nine (9) square? Now you’re talking my language.
8. Because egg drop contests were too boring: an egg bounce contest! We’ll provide the eggs, but you may protect your egg using any contraption you construct. Competitors will have one (1) chance to chose what height they would like to drop their egg from, but remember: it’s the bounce that counts. Placement based on bounce distance. No points for a cracked egg. Double your height or nothing for risking your Captains’ kid.
9. This is very simple. You simply have to blow a bigger balloon than anyone else. We’ll provide the balloons.
10. 15 years after his trip to Pokémon Island, veteran photographer Todd Snap has been called out of retirement for one last job: documenting a new Judge-Pokémon hybrid discovered in the UChicago region. With his trusty BYOCamera, pester balls (provided), and BYOShopping cart Zero-One (0-1), he’s ready to take some more award-winning snaps.
Items


2. FIRE A CANNON. Must be a historical cannon or an accurate reconstruction (made before the Hunt). Please don’t destroy anything that doesn’t have it coming. [40 points]

3. Our fault, dear Brutus, was not in our hearts but in our Starz®... thank goodness we switched to HBO®! Rewrite and perform a scene from Shakespeare with the amount of product placement a contemporary audience is used to. [5 iambic points]

4. Last of his line no longer! A working CL4P-TP robot, decorated with war-paint and bullymong hair. May be made to any scale, but must be able to balance and move, perform dubstep, and feel alone. Must not be able to climb stairs. [35 experience points]

5. Without any water, some would say that the model yacht basin in Harold Washington Park is going to waste. I say the wind waits for no man. Send a wind-powered ‘landship’ to the park at 10:00 a.m. Saturday for a race. You may choose any design you like, but there is a max 65 cm length, 100 cm height (including wheels), and 2,250 square cm of sail. [15 points. 10, 7, and 5 points for 1st–3rd]

6. Max Weber Grillz. [1 point]

7. Protest the sordid associations of your class reading in the manner most dramatically demonstrated by Benjamin Lay. [7 points]

8. A pen from Big Boyz Bail Bonds. [1.5 points]

9. A pen proving that someone lives on 15th Street of a major American city. [7.5 points]

10. TBA [1 point]

11. Only one aria of J.G. Wentworth’s classic opera has ever been performed, and frankly it leaves us wondering. How did the structured settlement come to be? What are the tragic consequences of cash now? Write and perform another scene from the great cycle. [9 points]

12. Oliver Hazard Perry was ‘engaged’ on Lake Erie and couldn’t go on Road Trip, but he shouldn’t have to miss out. The Royal We record a ‘captain’s log’ in the style of the 19th c. Navy so that he knows what happened. It should include heading, position, distance traveled, and speed (both in knots). Don’t give up the ship! [18.12 nautical points]

13. It sucks that the Mummer’s Parade is always getting canceled. Let’s make it more durable by combining it with another Philadelphia tradition: the Kensington Kinetic Sculpture Derby. Your ‘Fancy’ Kinetic Sculpture Mummer ought to walk, not roll, but it need not be bipedal. Otherwise, it should adhere to the Derby’s rules. Points for functionality and decoration. [175 points]†

14. Before Gray’s Anatomy came in and made things standardized and boring, anatomical drawings sometimes depicted the body doing activities and hanging out. Using photography, update this form of art to the modern day, showing skeletal, muscular, and/or nervous systems feeling the richness of life as a UChicago student. [10 points]

15. The prostitute with the heart of gold trope is, in our opinion, a little played out. Produce a trailer for a movie where a Richard Gere-type, or equally dashing leading lady, instead encounters the judicious Hooker. (See Locke, Second Treatise §5, 15, 61) [6 points] ⊙

16. Fuck the CN Tower. [0 CAPoints]

17. Cum on feel (I)da Noyes! Send your rocker to Hutch at 9:45 p.m. Thursday for the most fun you can have with an invisible instrument without playing doctor. Rules and judging will follow official US Air Guitar Championship rules. Contestants will present up to one minute of a song of their choice and be judged on technical proficiency, stage presence, and what USAG calls ‘airness’. The top three contestants will advance to the finals, where they will perform a surprise song of our choosing. There won’t be anything quiet about this riot! [20, 15, and 10 points for 1st–3rd. 2 points for participation]
18. _______ A serpent. No, not a snake. The musical instrument. [11 points if you make it. 26 points if you don’t]
19. _______ Do you ever feel overwhelmed? Like K.C. and the Sunshine Band were asking for too much? How many shakes could one booty possibly manage? For the answer, we turn to technology. Construct a dancing rendition of Shiri that will respond in beat to musical input. [16 points]
20. _______ If these walls could talk, what would they say? Attach appropriate speech bubbles to any three campus buildings of your choice. [2 points each]
21. _______ As they depart Chicago, while sitting in the shadow of the Skyway, The Royal We examine a weapon of war from days past. The Queen inspects the tank but is not amused. The Royal We will use subterfuge, not strength, for the journey ahead. Tim Horton thinks he can take it. [8 points]
22. _______ This is a tea party but also a test. How distinguishing are your taste buds? Can you identify the different ingredients of each tea? How about whether it’s organic or not? Biodynamic? Assemble in Reynolds South Lounge, Thursday at 4:00 p.m., in your Sunday’s best with teacup at the ready and pinkies up. [12 points]
23. _______ Amelia Bedelia Goes to UjC [5 points]
24. _______ If only I were fortunate enough to have a fortune cookie papier mâché out of only fortune cookie fortunes in my future. [four-tunate points]
25. _______ I am like the Lorax, but exactly the opposite. The trees speak for me. They speak of this fairly odd item. It’s something I absolutely must have for Judgment. Start at Tree 1077; it knows what’s up. [10.77 points]
26. _______ At Bronson Park in Kalamazoo, Lady Liberty shows the kids how it’s done. The Beaves searches for the missing liberty pole. [4 points]
27. _______ It’s nice to feel welcomed with a kind greeting sometimes. Decorate your headquarters door as the kind of grade-A greeting card found at any quality dollar store. We do mean the musical kind. [6 points]
28. _______ Barbie™’s résumé. [3 points. 2 bonus points if marked up by Career Advancement]
29. _______ Like a vinyl record, but wood. Should be playable. Should be totally rockin’. [33 RPM points]
30. _______ A diorama of what you think Judgment Day is going to look like. Do we mean Sunday? Do we mean the apocalypse? We mean both. Concurrently. [6.66 points]
31. _______ At the Air Zoo in Portage, The Royal We stop to consider using one of the planes on the lawn to fly under the radar and avoid Canadian customs. [5 points]
32. _______ Kurt Vonnegut warned us in Player Piano what was to come of having no engineering department. Somehow, I don’t think he saw molecular engineering as the answer, so we’ve best prepare ourselves now. Send a team member to Bartlett Lounge at 4:30 p.m. on Friday to see who can best win their livelihood in the dystopian future to come. The point is to guess from just seeing. [15 points]
33. _______ An eggplant boat that can carry at least one vegetable passenger. It should be propelled by a mechanism (sails, engine, etc.) that uses at least one vegetal component. [6 points]
34. _______ The Royal We arrive on day three at the Henry Ford Museum looking for some retail therapy. The Queen inspects a Model T assembly line and concludes that her next car will be a Tin Lizzie. Lady Liberty is awestruck by Canada’s solution for snow-covered railways. The Beaves is more interested in travel by air and settles on a small, fishlike plane fitting his home country. Finally, Tim Horton is enraged when he sees a gigantic, golden-arched reminder that he is no longer in Canada. [12 points]
35. _______ Star light, star bright, will you lead the way tonight? Wish all you want, but only cold, hard knowledge of star light and other techniques of astronavigation will lead you to victory in the Ida Noyes Library, 10:00 p.m. on Friday. Bring only a calculator and a true heart. [13 points]
36. _______ At Judgment, a single mournful yodel. [1 point. 1 bonus point if we shed a tear]
37. A model organism. No, not a species used to study biological phenomena. A complex organism, made from molecular modeling kits. [12C points]

38. Running, hiding, boogie-oogie-oogie-ing in secret: that’s the way (uh-huh uh-huh) the Discopian people have been living since the Disco Demolition Night of ’79. However, the recent disappearance of the only Discopian symbol still stayin’ alive in Chicago, the Grande Disco, has led these proud, perm’d, and polyester’d people to finally rise up in protest. Send three Discopian team members to join in their Disco inferno insurgence as they gather in front of Admin at noon on Thursday. [9 points]

39. Is your wacky, wild inflatable tube man just not doing it for you in bed anymore? Why not try one of these wacky, wild inflatable strap-ons instead? [6.9 points]

40. A Pythagorean red Solo™ cup. [12 oz. points]

41. Did you know ‘Narsil’ is almost an anagram for ‘Snail’? Bring us a blade made from the shards of several Snail menu items. Must be rigid. Must be delicious. [9.95 points with tax and tip]

42. Hot potato, hot potato, hot potato, hot! No team member can refuse the hot potato when tagged with it, but the team remaining with the hot potato will lose out on [2 points].

43. Of course, your drivers have had their passports at the ready for weeks, but your characters in The Royal We need theirs to get across the border into Canadia! By 8 a.m. on Thursday morning, make sure they have convincing forgeries to match their countries of origin. Protip: do not attempt to cross the border using these fake passports. Duh. [2 points each]

44. You should have no trouble bowling a 300 game... if all 300 pins are on the lane at once! In the event that you cannot compile 300 pins at once, the team with the most pins knocked over at once will get the most points. Note: only real pins knocked down with a real ball at a real bowling lane will count. [30.0 points]

45. It ain’t easy being the only giant head on campus. Create a José Lerma-style paper bust of a famous poet in any campus building to keep Walt Whitman company. [16 points]

46. Lampropeltis getula californiae? More like Lampropeltis getula california roll! Make a sushi roll that, when cut, reveals its anatomically correct digestive system from head to tail. [15 points. 10 bonus points for the Mus musculus it has just consumed]

47. On Western Michigan University’s quad, his hormones raging, Justin Beaver asks a canoodling couple where to find a face full of crotch. They should direct him to The Committee. [4 points]

48. Ballroom dances can really reveal the intricacies of romance and love, but they leave out a vital aspect of the relationship—the 3rd wheel. At Judgment, perform a dance that incorporates this element into its choreography. [3 * 4 points]

49. Bring us an Animusic-style instrument that plays itself. Once activated, it should perform, unaided, a composition of no less than 90 seconds. While your device may have electronic components, it must not produce electronic music. [175 points. 50 bonus points if the music is played by multiple distinct mechanisms that join in gradually as it proceeds] †

50. Two summoners. One champion. Join us in Bartlett Lounge, 4:00 p.m. Friday—not for a One for All, but an All for One. [10, 7, and 5 points for 1st–3rd. 2 points for participation]

51. Why do the seasons change? How did we acquire fire? Why is Shake Day on a Wednesday? Most great ancient cultures have origin myths, and UChicago is no different. Write us an original origin story for a naturally occurring UofC phenomenon. [5 points] ◊

52. Well, I’ve done it again—wasted a perfectly good five minutes listening to your team’s Core Talk, the call-in radio show where listeners get help with their HUM and SOSC papers. [91.5 points. 4 bonus points for getting on local radio]

53. Your team is one big family, right? So why don’t you get together for one big Sears-style family photo? [0.2 points per person, max 10 points]
54. Model a Canadian Tuxedo. No, not a jean jacket. A full denim tuxedo comprising jacket, pants, tie, cummerbund or vest, belt, and pocket square. [‘Eh’-teen points]

55. Build a topologically representative 3D map for Risk, Ticket to Ride®, or another map-based board game. [25 points. 5 bonus points for altering the game rules to incorporate the new board topology]

56. During the lead-up to the Winter Olympics, Moscow attempted to instill in citizens ‘the Spirit of the Games’ by providing free subway rides to all who performed 30 squats. Get Chicago into ‘the Spirit of Scav Hunt’ by asking citizens downtown to successfully Bop It™ Scene-It™ Skip It™, make orange juice using only their face, or complete another wacky Scav Olympics challenge in exchange for a reward of your choice. [1 point per citizen, max 11 points]

57. Don’t Blow The Joker (oh, get your mind out of the gutter!). At Judgment, place a pack of cards on top of our bottle, joker face up on the bottom, and blow all cards except the joker off. [5.2 + 1 points]

58. At Judgment, all Captains must be outfitted with a rear license plate: FOR. YOUR. ASS. No counterfeits! Plates should identify which team each Captain hails from, and because Captains are somewhat vain, make sure each plate’s eight letters say something about your team leader. [A5.5 points]

59. “We need a lifeguard over here!” Save strangers from drowning in work. Proper uniforms and life buoys required. [7 points]

60. A crank-powered wooden, papercraft, or wire automaton that accurately demonstrates a cellular or atomic process, such as electrons orbiting a nucleus. [32 points]

61. Publicly, Dean Boyer’s preferred mode of exercise may be bicycling, but deep down we think he may have another passion. Convince him or another dean to lead members of your team on a Prancercise tour of the Quads. [9 points for an assistant dean. 11 for a full dean. 14 for the man himself]

62. I may look like I’m interested in your video item, but really I just want to check up on the scores. At the bottom of at least one of your productions on this page, add an ESPN-style score ticker to inform me of how events from the first three days have gone. [4 points]

63. A short documentary in the style of Blue Planet or Planet Earth describing the ‘wildlife’ of some of UChicago’s most fascinating campus ecosystems. [7 points for the video. Double points for playing it on the nature documentary television in the BSLC. 50 points for David Attenborough’s narration]

64. Songs they play in the club always be tryin’ to convince me I’m having a great time, but other places need that a whole lot more. Craft an ambience-adherent tune for the dentist’s office, elevator, waiting room, or any other unpleasant location that brainwashes me into wanting to be there. [6 points]

65. Science classes full of words that make you giggle. Humanities seminars that make you go “Someone studies that?” Cool mustaches. Netflix’s recommendation categories have been great for helping me choose what to watch. If only I had a tagged database of classes that could give me equally specific recommendations from the course catalog. [15 points]

66. I might be able to pull an all-nighter in the library one time during finals week, but what if I want to stay multiple nights in the Regz-Carlton? Good thing you have a prototype for a Murphy or Trundle bed that folds out of a Reg locker! [18 points]

67. During the judging of this page, have your sunglasses and neuralyzer at the ready. When something doesn’t quite go according to plan or an unfinished item is presented, you know what to do. [2 points]

68. Yayoi Kusama’s Infinity Room has been reported to make many visitors feel meditative or at peace, but the four-hour line is a drag. Create a box I can insert my head into that will mirror Infinity Room’s effect whenever I’m in need of some zen. [3³ points]

69. When we up in the club, eight eyes on us. Make the partiers “Scream and Shout” when a member of your team enters a club downtown after 10:00 p.m. dressed as a spider. Proof required that the team member indeed entered the club as a spider, that the costume was sufficiently arachnoid, and that a bouncer was present to witness this strange affair. [8 points for wearing the costume in line, another 8 for entry, and 0.8 for each spider from a different team you are photographed with in the same club on the same night]
A polygraph. No, not a lie detector. A polygraph. [17 points based on quality of reproduction]

DANGER DUE TO BASED GOD. [5 CAPPoINTs]

A sample syllabus from our favorite HUM sequence, Reading Vultures: the class about vultures, for vultures. [3 points]

The most expensive comic book you can find according to the Comics Price Guide, present at Judgment. [0.001 points per dollar of worth, max 40. 20 bonus points for one of the top five]

Barbershop rendition of “The Ballad of Bilbo Baggins”, as originally performed by Leonard Nimoy. And if your quartet is not in costume as hobbits who are also Starfleet members, we just don’t see the point. [2 * 4 points]

Thomas Pynchon loved this item. Almost as much as he loves cameras! Evidence that the man himself supports your team. [10 points for a letter from his publisher or agent. 40 points for a signed and verified letter from Pynchon. 60 points for a picture of him wearing your team’s t-shirt]

A kinetic sculpture using the methods of Markus Raetz. Both his portrait of Piero della Francesca and his sculpture of Kiki de Montparnasse feature acceptable techniques, just make sure it represents something real and something we can recognize. [21 points]

Sure Adrian Brody went to space and became one with the universe, but where would Dean Boyer, or Susan Sontag, or any other UCB celebrity go? And we better not hear any Lemon Demon. [6 points]

For the second of two items invented by founding fathers on this page, we want the instrument that makes dogs bark and women swoon: a glass harmonica on campus. [50 points. 10 bonus points for a performance of the Theme Song]

ORCSA vetoed all of Barbie’s items, but that doesn’t mean you can’t complete her page anyway! Rumor has it she leaked her list somewhere out of spite...[3 points]

Of course you use a French press, you imperialist gaijin! A cup of delicious iced coffee and the Kyoto Drip you used to make it. [17 points]

Harry Potter and the Leopard Walk-Up-To Dragon, Harry Potter and the Big Funnel, or Harry Potter and the Chinese Overseas Students at Hogwarts Academy of Witchcraft and Wizardry. [10 points]

A convincing diploma indicating one has achieved the same level of academic honor that Kanye West has in “Breathe In, Breathe Out”. [2 points]

Dr. Zizmor moves west! Only instead of dermatology, he’s buying El ads for...Scav teams? [3 points for your Dr. Zizmor-style team ad. 7 bonus points if you mount it on an El car]

To bring us the girl and wipe away the debt, turn to page 84. A Choose-Your-Own-Adventure® book, including cover, based on the only videogame influenced by “The Garden of Forking Paths”: Bioshock Infinite. [9 points]

“Honey, wake up. You won’t believe the dream I just had. I was competing in this demented scavenger hunt in Chicago. Nothing made sense in this place. People wore costumes on a road trip, made foods that should never be eaten, and completely neglected their studies!” Why don’t you try telling Dr. Hartley all about it? [These are your 2 points, and these are your other 2 points]

Ich bin ein Berliner? Nein! Ich bin ein Berliner essen einen Berliner. [1/6 points for a person eating a pastry, 5/6 points for a pastry eating a person]

Lo, what kind of dark god could make small objects float through the air using naught but the power of sound itself, almost acoustic levitation, if you will? Maybe your kind of dark god? [36 points]

Finally, the Libertarian dream realized! Elevate yourself at Judgment with a pair of boots that lift the wearer half a foot when the straps are pulled. [You get yourself 24 points]
89. ______ Comrade! Not to let dirty capitalist pig-dog say you this nonsense of “lift up by own bootstraps”! Let instead team lift you. No anti-worker mechanisms. Only bootstraps they touch. You touch nothing. [Your team gets 3 points]

90. ______ Turn that gyre right ’round and teach us how to Bethlehem Slouch. It’s the dance craze based on Yeats’s “The Second Coming” that’s keeping everyone dancing till the world ends. [5 points]

91. ______ No one man should have all that power. At Judgment, a single virtuoso performs Kanye’s “POWER” using the Frippertronic looping techniques of the original 21st Century Schizoid Man. [26 points]

92. ______ Sucks that the Magic Mirror can only answer questions that rhyme with “Magic Mirror, on the wall”. Still, see if you can use it to settle $P=NP$. [2 points for a mirror-ready phrasing of the formal conjecture. 4 bonus points for a proof that uses the Mirror to to demonstrate that $P=NP$]

93. ______ Smuggle your Wookie into Rockefeller to deliver a Chewbacca laureate address at the lectern. [3 points]

94. ______ Magic 8-Balls are too polite. Bring us a Magic Hate-Ball. [12 points]

95. ______ Walk sign is on for all crossings. Perform a 15-second play in Jackson and State. [8 points]

96. ______ Make friends with a Big Brother contestant. Fuck with a Wu-Tang Clan member. Touch MC Hammer. [12.5, 25, or 50 points]

97. ______ Send a mime to: Mind, a Metra quiet car, a mosh pit. [2.5 points each]

98. ______ You may have hoes, but in how many different area codes? Bring us five phones bearing distinct area codes mentioned in Ludacris’s treatise on the subject. [2 points for each code no other team provides]

99. ______ Now that I’ve heard sorting algorithms, I want to hear more. Make an audio/visual representation of Karger Min Cut, Gale-Shapley Matching, or Bellman-Ford Shortest Path. [19 points]

100. ______ In 1977, Carl Sagan helped design The Golden Record, which carried a capsule version of human civilization on the Voyager probe. Less well-known were his efforts to do the same for his four-time alma mater. Complete his vision with two minutes of audio, three images, and a pictogram that summarize UChicago for the interstellar audience. [14 points]

101. ______ A page from the LARPer Image catalog. [3 points]

102. ______ Give your class some Bohemian flair. Accompany your professor with a walking bass. [8 points]

103. ______ A cross-stitch sampler of the Litany Against Fear, embellished with scenes of everyday life on Arrakis. Perfect for your Bene Gesserit grandma! [16 points]

104. ______ Lean In. No, farther. Farther! Shoes flat; the rest of your body perfectly rigid and unsupported. [$\frac{D}{\sqrt{2}}$ points, where $D$ is the degree of angle formed with the normal. Max 20 points]

105. ______ Blue-White to deck in two. Create a set of three chess-style ‘Magic: The Gathering puzzles’ where the player must force the win of an in-progress game given a set number of turns. [3 points each]

106. ______ A selfie of you painting a watercolor of you posing with an oil painting of Seth Meyers. [9 points]

107. ______ Batman can Bat Climb, but so can your clambering Criminal Captains! [1 point. Up to nana-nana-nana-nana-nineteen bonus points for meeting a celebrity on their way up]

108. ______ MC MCMC has all the most stochastic beats. Write us a program that draws from the distribution of disses to procedurally generate a fresh rap verse every time it’s run. [15 points, plus 10 if they rhyme]


110. ______ An eight-legged essay on the prompt:“Does great responsibility come with great power?” Don’t forget to cite the classics. [4 points] ⊗

111. ______ It can be embarrassing to forget basic $\LaTeX$ commands, but with your new pair of embroidered, fingerless $\LaTeX$ gloves, you’ll soon know them like the back of your hand. [10 digit points]

112. ______ I’ve had the Scav of my life, and I owe it all to you. In particular, your ability to perform the Dirty Dancing lift. [3 points. 5 points if you put Baby in a corner and lift the Judge instead]
113. What better way to teach young Rivenese children to count than a morbid game of hangman? Build a two-player toy counting game that really drives home the importance of knowing your numbers (as well as the importance of avoiding a gruesome death at the whark gallows). [10 points]

114. To prepare for the invasion, The Queen leads The Royal We in a team-building exercise at the Endover sculpture. [7 points]

115. Construct a laser from scratch. For safety, your laser should not be classified above 3R. Anyone involved with construction of this item must be equipped with appropriate eye protection in compliance with the University’s laser safety policy. During construction and presentation, your laser must be mounted on a table with a beam stop in place to prevent any damage to the eyes of passersby. Provide proof of the coherent properties of your light source for full points. Many, many bonus points will be awarded if your lasing medium is edible. [80 points]

116. The phone number of an established business organization that you have convinced to cut down on the volume of customer service calls by replacing ‘on hold’ music with the sound balloons make when you rub them. (I should be able to look up this phone number using Google or Yelp.) [8 points]

117. A premium version of one of the Power Nine that incorporates holographic foil into the art of the card. Must pass superficial, non-destructive scrutiny as being legal for tournament play. [18 points]

118. The Royal We torment the U of M NEEERRRRDS!!! by marching all over their wave field in Ann Arbor, MI. Is it a Sine Wave Field? Is it a Cosine Wave Field? Pour quoi pas les deux? [5 points]

119. A published scientific article discussing the properties of copper nanotubes that the authors may be proud of professionally but for the sake of propriety, certainly won’t be able to forward to their mothers. [1.5 points]

120. At 12:15 p.m. on Friday, be a bloody nuisance on the Quads by blasting music out of the Victrola you carry around with you. Make sure you look the part by wearing Victorian-era garb. [13 points. 3 bonus points for playing Public Enemy]

121. Safety first! Have one team member participate in at least two Scav Olympics events equipped with a bike helmet, elbow pads, ski goggles, shin guards, safety whistle, lacrosse rib guards, fire-retardant lab coat, water wings, jockstrap, and pillows strapped fore and aft to the torso. [11 points]

122. At Bell’s General Store, the Beaves pops off a tune on the stage. The Queen and her enforcer tactically examine the strange contraption out back, while Lady Liberty is drawn to a sculpture that, like herself, can move. [9 points]

123. To complete the analogy of electric potential being like water level, build a working, water-based transistor, op-amp, or another nonlinear device that uses feedback to regulate the water flowing through it. [35 points]

124. Sometime during the Hunt, rescue your telegenic love interest by grabbing him or her around the waist and swinging to safety on a rope. A fedora is optional but encouraged. [10 points]

125. Homemade Pop Rocks®. [3 snap crackle points]

126. A rattleback [1 point. 1 additional point if you make it yourself out of an everyday object. 1 additional point if you make it out of something the Judge has never seen used to make a rattleback before]

127. On the eve of the Canadian invasion, The Queen leads The Royal We in prayer at Detroit’s POO (Point of Origin). [10 points]

128. Fingepainting with your forehead, 3:00 p.m. Thursday in Reynolds South Lounge. Is it too late to make Gorby jokes? Yes. Yes it is. [Four-head points for participation. Three-head points for quality]

129. A painting of your headquarters’ exterior, à la Magritte’s Empire of Light. #thereisadarkthatnever-goesout [12 points]

130. Pitch a ball to yourself by throwing it straight up in the air. Knock the ball high into the air by hitting it with a baseball bat. Pick up your baseball mitt off the ground, put it on, and catch the ball before it hits the ground. You did it! You’re out. [3 points]
131. The free-standing, cut and slot, 100% gingerbread model of your team’s mascot and the cookie cutters you used to make it. [14 points]

132. When the singularity comes, we are fully prepared to rock out with the choirs of robo-angels. Just as soon as we find our laser harp. [60 points for a laser string instrument at Judgment. 10 additional points for a performance of the Theme Song]

133. A stop-motion video displaying your Beanie Baby™, Cabbage Patch Kid®, or other favorite childhood toy going through the seven stages of decomposition. [10 points]

134. I’ve got better things to do than stand by the clubhouse door all day. Construct a door that will open only to your secret pattern of knocks. Points for accuracy and knock-password security. [35 points]

135. On their way to the Great White North, The Royal We stop at Bell’s General Store for lunch. What’s anachronistic about the flag displayed prominently above the café floor? What should an intelligent woman think of beer? Do what Brett McNabb wants you to do slowly. [6 points]

136. Shadow puppets are neat and all, but I want a little more variety than duck, dog, and talking hand. Scratch that, I want to play Limbo again. Create a playable game that displays on a wall, screen, or lampshade using either shadow or silhouette. [31 points]

137. CGI is for chumps. Do Old Spice® proud with a short film in which costume, setting, and prop changes proceed seamlessly as a single team member stands center-stage, suave as fuck. [11 points]

138. A sword embedded in a stone. Must resist all who try to pull it out except your team’s Chosen One. [16 points]

139. Life is fleeting; fire is fun. Design and craft a paper flower bud that will bloom spectacularly when set alight, and then presumably crumple into a pile of ash. Oh well. [15 points]

140. We’ve long been told that books can transport us to faraway places. We’d like one that actually delivers on this promise. Construct a pop-up book large enough for us to explore the whimsical, and well-engineered structures within. Multiple pages would be nice, but we’re really just after one fantastic centerfold. [150 points]†

141. Automate the drip-painting process. Create an object that, when suspended above a canvas and melted, will drip pigment to form a recognizable image. Heat must be ambient. [17 points]

142. While Lady Liberty joins in some unladylike behavior with The Committee, TRW play Twister on the ground below. [8 points. 3 bonus points per passerby who joins in. Up to 3 passersby]

143. I’ve long admired the expressive efficiency of the clap-hat, but how often do I witness something worthy of applause? For my other communication needs, bring me a hat that can express polite disapproval, embarrassment, or righteous anger with the pull of a string. [8 points]

144. Imagiro—it’s reverse origami! Collect the unfolded sheets at the Court of Captured Criminal Captains, deduce the origami that once was, and deliver the finished designs at Judgment. [15 points]

145. Time is money, but those little Chex® Mix breadsticks are joy. Construct a Chex® Mix sorting device to separate the wheat from the chaff, or at least the breadsticks from all that other crap. [10 points for accuracy and 10 points for isolating even more snack elements from the crap]

146. It is said that Semele immediately burst into flame upon looking upon the likeness of a god, so break out the sunglasses and come to the McCormick Tribune Lounge at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, ’cause it’s time for BEAT. THE. JUDGE. [Ω points. Details at the Court of Captured Criminal Captains]

147. As they cross the Ambassador Bridge, The Royal We sing the dirty version of “O, Canada!” [3 points]

148. Chair pants: a utility garment for ’dat UChicago lifestyle. Your chair pants should offer normal coverage and mobility but lock into a comfortable seat for the wearer when they bend their knees at a 90° angle. Elastic waist optional. [5 points for stability. 10 bonus points if I cannot tell which team member is wearing them at Judgment]
Shake your moneymaker like somebody’s ‘bout to pay you. Moneymaker, in this case, refers to both your ass and your thes-ass. Enter your Thesis/Dissertation/Magnum Opus in our *Dance Your Thesis Competition*! You and your crew should submit an abstract and a three-minute video that wordlessly makes your pointe using any style of dance. [A5.5*4 points]

A Swaggedy Ann Doll. [1 points]

“I’ve never seen so many electric jellyfish in all my life!” At 11:30 p.m. on Thursday, the Judges are getting into a submarine and setting out on a Wes Andersonian adventure to view your team’s stunning trio of bioluminescent deep sea fish, found swimming at the center of the Quads. [7 points per fish]

“This Crazy College’s Coed Scavenger Hunt Blew Our Minds, Such That We Were Forced To Write About Them On This Totally Legit Professional Internet Blog” [Up 10 points based on noteworthiness of website via Alexa scale]

The illustrious Stanley R. Pierce sent University officials on a treasure hunt to find the money he donated to construct his namesake dormitory. Keep the dream alive by burying your senior class gift and presenting the Gift Committee with a treasure map leading to its whereabouts. Provide the Judge with a copy of said treasure map and proof of the Gift Committee’s receipt of your donation. I’ll have you know that legit treasure maps are written on scrolls and cover 10x10 block areas of the City of Chicago. [20.14 Chris Strauss points]

Produce an accurate tampon commercial. [6 points]

Usher Does St. Augustine’s *Confessions*. St. Augustine Does Usher’s “Confessions”. [5 points each]

A karaoke machine for people who have something to say. That is, a karaoke machine preloaded with excerpts of ten great speeches from American history. Be sure there’s patriotic music and a little bouncing ball to help us along—Kennedy’s intonation was pretty distinctive. [14 points]

Reverse Tooth Fairy a Judge. We are both excited and scared to wake up with baby teeth and your calling card under any one of our pillows. Be stealthy; should we catch you mid-flight, you had better be outfitted with wings, a tutu, and a fuckton of glitter. [6 points. 8 bonus points if they are a Judge’s own baby teeth, as verified by a family member]

Climb Jacob’s Ladder and Butterfly your way to a multi-person, full-body-sized game of Cat’s Cradle. [20 digit points]

The Escape Machine can take us to far-away places, but the Judges would rather travel through time. In the style of Voyages SNCF, starting from an unidentifiable black cube and using human and mechanical elements, take us to another decade in a one-minute temporal explosion of sight and sound. [100 points]

Prove that you’re the head of the class with your very own “Reflektor”-style head. Must be worn to office hours and resemble the person inside such that they are recognized by the professor. [16 points]

NOW ANNOUNCING YOUR ALL-StARS ALL-AMERICANS PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE: HUTCHIN-SON COMMONS, THURSDAY @ 9:00 PM CST. Prepare your candidate for an evening of patriotic nostalgia by reviving a President from history to run again for the Presidency. Historically accurate answers to questions of your candidate’s platform, as well as convincing impressions and accurate facial hair, will help your candidate capture the hearts and minds of America’s judges. Note that Presidential debates, unlike sheriff debates, are about historical knowledge rather than bombast and booze. [30 points. Presidents TB Assigned at the Court of Captured Criminal Captains]

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Pie-athlon! Make a pie on a treadmill. Pie-athlon! Eat a pie while lifting weights. Pie-athlon! Is that Frisbee® a pie? Pie-athlon! Combine your favorite athletic competition... with pie. [3.14 points]
164. I’m a lover, not a fighter... but those wrist-blades just look so damn cool. Construct a wrist-mounted contraption Altair would be proud of that delivers a single, innocent rose instead of a killing blow. No fingers should be removed in the making of this item. [9 digit points]

165. You sure have been lonely since you graduated from St. PigeoNation’s Institute; no longer are your nights filled with the frantic flapping of wings and soft cooings. Thankfully, you were selected as a contestant on Hatoful Bachelor, the hot new blind dating show that sets you up with pigeons off the street! [8 points]

166. A signed apology from an accredited member of the Star Wars Holiday Special cast or crew. [10 points. Up to 30 points for a major actor. 40 points for George Lucas]

167. A retractable beard. [3 points]

168. O.M.G! This is the best sleepoverpartywar eva! But you know what would make it even better? Grab a friend and head downstairs to the Ida Noyes bathrooms at 8:30 p.m. on Friday to find out! This shit is gonna get weird. [4 points]

169. Construct one of those dunking bird things and bring it to the fountain behind the Reynolds Club at 5:15 p.m. on Saturday. Your bird should be thirsty enough to drink continuously for at least 10 minutes (BYOBucket of water) and must stand at least five feet tall. [41 points]


171. A foodstuff which you believe best represents H.R. 3263 (112th Congress), the Lake Thunderbird Efficient Use Act of 2012; H.R. 5883 (112th Congress), To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 115 4th Avenue Southwest Ardmore, Oklahoma, as the “Specialist Michael E. Phillips Post Office”; or H.R. 4066 (108th Congress), Chickasaw National Recreation Area Land Exchange Act of 2004. [H. R. 2 points]

172. Make a cuddly-wuddly, cutsey-wootsy, plush Care Water Bear. [14 points for adorableness. 2 bonus points if your tardigrade is also flame retardant]

173. It is decreed, at 8:00 a.m. on the 8th of May, in the year of our Lord 2014 Part 2, by Her Royal Highness, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of Her other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith, that a most noble regiment of loyal servants to the Crowne will assemble in the Hall of Reynolds. This coterie, heretofore known as The Royal We, will seek to reclaim the renegade states of Canadia and return them to the Crowne. This mission is led by HRH, The Queen, etc. The cherished icon of British Monarchy appears in the manner to which she is accustomed. She then calls upon one of Canadia’s most treasured pop icons to win the hearts of the populace. Unfortunately, due to licensing difficulties, he is replaced by his chimeric cousin, Justin Beaver. The French-born Statue of Liberty joins the team as translator and mistress of disguise. To round out the gallery, Miles Gilbert “Tim” Horton joins as enforcer and local expert, donning his Leafs sweater, helmet, and pads. They set out in the Robin Sparkles Mobile, the Teen Girl Wonder’s former tour bus, to the mall, Canadia, and beyond. [ρ points]

174. Everyone loves Scav Hunt, but only one of you will be able to call her your Kanojo come Judgment. Grab the app, scan the barcode on a surviving copy of Doing Honest Work in College, and start your whirlwind romance with this year’s List. Attempting to buy her love with real cash monies won’t get you anywhere with her, however. Scav is classier than that. [1 point for wooing. 4 bonus points for winning her heart]

175. A Playmobil® diorama of Dealey Plaza on November 22, 1963. Whether you choose to base your model on the Warren Report version of the events or the House Select Committee on Assassinations report version is up to you! [6 points. 6 bonus points for a LEGO® model of the RFK assassination. 6 more bonus points for a Mega Bloks® recreation of the Chappaquiddick incident]

176. An ear wax candle! No, not an earwax candle. That would be fucking gross. Just an ear-shaped candle made out of good old-fashioned beeswax. [5 points]
177. An earwax candle! [1 point]
178. Like Judgment Day, Convocation should take, like, 45 minutes. Help the University speed things up this year by replacing President Zimmer with a human-sized PEZ® doppelgänger that dispenses diplomas when you pull back his head. [Like, 45 points]
179. A metal admissions tag from the Metropolitan Museum of Art. [0.5 points per color, max 8 points. Up to 2 bonus points for pre-2000 colors]
180. Create a hidden fore-edge painting on your copy of the Iliad depicting Achilles’s shield. [12 points]
181. In Italy for 30 years under the Borgias, they had warfare, terror, murder, and bloodshed, but they produced Michelangelo, Leonardo da Vinci, and the Renaissance. In Scav Hunt, we’ve had brotherly love—27 years of democracy and peace. What has that produced? A cuckoo clock, elaborately decorated in the traditional Jagdstück style and depicting the spoils and arms of the Hunt. [16 points for the decorated clock. 2 points for an appropriate cuckoo. 4 points if it plays a few notes from the Theme Song when it chimes]
182. As The Royal We pass into Canada, HRH is further confused to find Oxford, London, and Cambridge so far from England. [2 CAPoints]
183. Order in the court! Team Judge presiding! The media are hungry for a glimpse behind the closed doors of the Court of Captured Criminal Captains, in session at 8:30 a.m. Thursday. Send one courtroom sketch artist with your accused to capture the proceedings. You will be expected to complete three drawings before we adjourn: one featuring your team’s defendants, one depicting a dramatic courtroom outburst, and one of your choice. [Up to 5 points per sketch. All supplies BYO]
184. Pop quiz, hotshot. There’s no bomb on the bus. Once the bus leaves Tucson, it can go up to 45 mph. If it overheats, you get towed back to the start. WHAT DO YOU DO? WHAT DO YOU DO? You get started, because this is a Desert Bus Relay. [10 points for scoring a point by noon on Thursday] ∅
185. Victorian-style hairwork jewelry, made by—and from—your team. [17 points]
186. An IKEA®-style manual with step-by-step instructions on how to assemble one of your items. [5 points. 1 bonus point if it can be accomplished using only an Allen wrench]
187. For the Sochi Olympics, Molson® designed a beer fridge that only opens when you scan a Canadian passport. Sucks that your headquarters doesn’t have one that opens exclusively for your properly-identified team members. [35 points]
188. Sometimes the course catalog just isn’t enough to get us excited about reading. Give a major text from HUM or SOSC an abbreviated, illustrated Reading Rainbow treatment of no more than three minutes. Bonus points twice as high if LeVar Burton tells us personally that we don’t have to take his word for it! [6 butterfly in the sky points]
189. In 1393, King Richard II passed a Royal Act making it compulsory for public houses to hang a sign outside. In 2014, the Judges have decreed that your headquarters should also be marked with a British-style pub sign, featuring a traditional sounding name and imagery. [3² points. 3³ points if your sign is carved/three-dimensional]
190. A LEGO® minifig depicting one of your costumed Criminal Captains. [4 points]
191. I’m convinced that with a little Ron Howard narration and some chipper ukulele music, Breaking Bad could be just as funny as Arrested Development. I’m convinced it would take nothing else besides those two things. [11 points] ∅
192. Upon exchanging for the local currency, The Queen is confused to find someone who looks exactly like her on the money. [1.0 USPoints=1.1 CAPoints]
193. In the proud tradition of corrupting children’s toys for Scav Hunt: a Fisher-Price JumperooTM! But bigger! Should be sturdy enough to support a full-grown human adult but juvenile enough to entertain a First Year. [40 points]
Here’s the deal. Remember when you had to care for that egg in Sex Ed in high school? Well, congratulations! Two of your Captains have given birth to a yummy, uncooked egg. You will, of course, name and costume this egg. Your baby must be with one of your Captains at all public events and must participate in at least two Scav Olympic events (so that it can be properly socialized, of course). On Judgment Day, we will crack the eggs open to ensure their uncooked, unaltered state and ignore the fact that the egg-baby metaphor becomes very scary at that point. [10 points]

The Royal We stop to see what all the fuss is aboot at the Bata Shoe Museum in Toronto, ON. Justin Beaver hears a familiar voice and provides backup. Tim Horton finds the most menacing shoe around. Unfortunately, its proper function is far tamer. [4 CAPoints]

So, I see you working your team tee, but you know what would really make me smize? A former ANTM contestant taking Scav-shirt chic to the next level with a fierce photo or Flixel. Feel free to make it flawsome, but say nooch to the hoochie-tooch. [12 beautiful points stand before me]

NaNoWriScav—Exquisite Corpse style. Send your novelist and illustrator to Hutch at 9:30 a.m. Thursday to be given instructions. Each team will write and illustrate a chapter of the next great Scav novel—with only the last paragraph of the previous team’s chapter and the last couple inches of the previous team’s drawing to guide them. [Up to 8 points]

UJJC, you light up my world like nobody else—like, kinda dimly. Especially now, what with your team’s custom campus-themed string of novelty Christmas lights! [9 points]

While The Queen is distracted at the Toy Soldiers of Toronto, the Statue of Liberty and Tim Horton look on in horror and realize the mistaken premise of their invasion: the United States lost the War of 1812. They stage a photo to reverse the situation, then hurriedly escort The Queen back to the car and show her the photo. [12 CAPoints]

These Common App schools will let in any monster these days! Create a glossy admissions brochure for a college with standards, UC Sunnydale. [4 points]

Pillowtown and Blanketsburg: First Blood part 2014 part 2. The two factions gather their troops, clad in pajama uniforms, at 8 p.m. Friday in the Cloister Club. Both have brought copious pillows, blankets, and other soft things with which to assemble their forts, along with other essential slumber war materiel: truths, dares, Ouija boards, spinnable bottles, and mounds of delicious, home-baked cookies. There will be no magical friendship hats this time, though, so combatants should be prepared for the night to end in an epic pillowfight. [5 points. Factions assigned at Court of Captured Criminal Captains]

We all know that The Office and House of Cards are imports from across the Pond, but did you know Parks and Rec is too? Neither did I! And I won’t believe it until I see the opening credits and a few minutes of Britrofitted footage from the original 1980s version of the show. [7 points]

At Niagara Falls, The Queen receives a stern talking to from dear old dad. Tim Horton mistakes Nikola Tesla for a member of the Tampa Bay Lightning and gets into another brawl. [6 CAPoints]

Dr. Eugenia Cheng developed a mathematical model for the perfect cream tea, but let’s cut the posh and tosh and get to the real American deal: the perfect peanut butter and jelly sandwich. Present the perfect peanut butter and jelly sandwich at Judgment along with a scientific explanation of each choice you’ve made: from perfect thickness of bread, viscosity of jam and peanut butter, to the appropriate spreading margins, cut, and jam flavour. Original research required and “because that’s how Mom makes it” reasons discouraged. [5 points]

A coloring book about Sen. Ted Cruz (R), colored in. [4 points]

It’s a shame that Scav Hunt, despite holding a record, isn’t represented in the Guinness World Records Hall of Fame at Niagara Falls. Thankfully they’ve taken the time to commemorate us by prominently displaying an item from last year’s Hunt out front. [3 CAPoints]

The largest vegetable. Places for both weight and size. It need not be homegrown, but it should be huge. [8, 6, and 4 points for 1st–3rd in each category]
208. Defy gravity with a chain fountain. [1 point per inch of height, max 15 points]

209. Get your thetan levels read by a licensed Scientology Auditor during the Hunt. This item can be completed at a Church of Scientology or at a pop-up thetan reading station in a mall or other public place. This item is not for the faint of heart. [13 points]

210. Holy obscurity, Batman! It looks like some of your many, many, many C-list villains have created the Conniving Cartel of Criminal Captains. This craven caper committee’s cockamamie quest is a four day cavalcade of colorful costumes and cliché quips. Gee willikers, Batman, I haven’t seen some of these cunning characters in decades—Wikipedia would barely classify these crummy clowns as “foes of lesser renown”, but I guess it’ll be nice to get a break from the standard rogues gallery. [α points]

211. A functional, homemade Gömböc. [20 points]

212. Send your freem of two, with Frisbee®, to Frekhart Fruad at froon on Thursday for a Fricket frournament. [30, 20, and 10 froints for 1st–3rd. 2 froints for frall frothers]

213. The Royal We stop by the Criminal Hall of Fame wax museum in Niagara Falls to gawk. Why did the Iceman kill with bare-handed beatings? Get a picture with Texas Chainsaw Teddy. What’s wrong with Ted Bundy? Did you know the museum has an actual electric chair? Unfortunately, this one isn’t sustainable like last year’s. Have a seat! [9 CAPoints]

214. Shove your fist into a fistulated cow. [25 points]

215. With the Second Non-Consecutive Summer of the Sisterhood approaching, Blake Lively is struck by an unassailable truth: those Scaveling Pants weren’t so special after all, and the magic has been in our hearts this whole time. Still, those dubiously-fitting jeans or jorts will bring you luck (and points) throughout the Hunt, provided you correctly honor the denim deities through the appropriate rituals. A team member may don the Pants at one event before passing them along to the next wearer. Upon parting with the Pants, one should document their Pantsperience as follows: on the left leg, write the best thing that has happened while wearing the Pants; on the right leg, write the worst thing that has happened while wearing the Pants. Remember: Pants=Love. Love your teammates. Love yourself. [2 points per Pants-wearer, max 18 points]

216. Turkish despair. Must be edible. [3 points]

217. At all major events, one member of your team must actually be two members of your team hidden under a trench coat, one sitting on the other’s shoulders. [15 points]

218. Hey, that sounds familiar…! Where have I heard it before? Somewhere in Chicago, I’m sure…but where? We’ve put some sounds on our website. Would you do me a favor and identify where in the city of Chicago they can be heard? Thanks! [1 point per sound] ⊗

219. Print a movie poster featuring your dark, gritty, Chris-Nolanized Criminal Captains. [14 points]

220. Haven’t you heard? A prized, solid plastic Chachapoyan Fertility Idol will be on display in Cobb 409 from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Friday. It would be a shame if one of you sneaked in and snatched it from the display case and got away safely. Be careful though, we hear guards will be patrolling the exhibit, and the University has spared no expense on the security system. [10 points]

221. The Royal We arrive at Battlefield Park ready for combat. The Queen leads the troops in a charge to the top of the hill, planting a Union Jack in glorious victory. Then, as she reads the plaque, she becomes furious and confused. Looking towards Lady Liberty, she falls to her knees and cries: “YOU MANIACS, IT WAS THE COMMONWEALTH ALL ALONG!” She then climbs the tower to survey her newly-claimed domain that has been hers the whole time. After, TRW return to the Robin Sparkles Mobile for a questionably-deserved victory tour of Canadia’s natural beauty. [20 CAPoints]

222. With Scav Hunt being the hive of scum and villainy that it is, it only makes sense that the NSA would want to tap into our misdeeds. Foil them with your very own, low-current EMP gun. [19 points]
223. _______ Crowdsurf someone between two classes. Must be surfed from chair-to-chair. Can and should be in the same building. [6 points]

224. _______ A Shaq-in-the-box, Shaq’o’Lantern, and battleShaqx. [3 points each, and that’s a fact]

225. _______ On the morning of the third day, TRW stop at the Heidelberg Project to experience the ‘real’ Detroit. The Beaves finds a vehicle appropriate for their journey. Tim Horton remarks on Tyree Guyton’s favorite time. HRH feels uncomfortable about the price of Camel cigarettes. [12 greenback points]

226. _______ A trio of your most ghoulish artist’s hair-raising handiworks, fit for the halls of a haunted house: a portrait whose eyes follow you around the room, a painting that extends downwards to reveal a macabre surprise, and a book whose page erupts into a moaning, spooky ghost face. [21 points]

227. _______ A Sunday GWARfield strip. [3 RIPoints. 0 RIPoints for GWARfield minus GWAR]

228. _______ At the Historic Adventist Village, TRW take in some much-needed rejuvenation. Lady Liberty and HRH do some morning exercises led by the museum’s proprietor. Tim Horton tests his strength on the adventist dynamometer while the Beaves sings a verse of “Baby” on the vibrating chair. [10 points]

229. _______ To commemorate the deceased inventor of the gummi bear, have your team’s gummi artisans (who work exclusively in the medium of gummi) craft a gummi Winged Victory of Samothrace or gummi Lobster Telephone. [13 RIPoints]

230. _______ One fully-illuminated page from The Book of Kel. [4 points. 0 points for The Book of Kenan]

231. _______ Lady Liberty makes a clumsy pass at Alexander Wood, but Beaver, far more his type, gets the wood and a second face full of crotch. [5 CAPoints]

232. _______ Satanic stallions and murdery murals? It’s like the Denver Airport isn’t even trying to conceal its ties to the New World Order. Unless... those spooky symbols and ensuing conspiracy theories are all a ruse to distract from more sinister goings-on right in our backyard(ish)!! What terrible secrets could MDW be hiding?? Gather your evidence and create a website to unveil the truth of America’s biggest airport conspiracy, before it’s too late. (Too late for what?????? Only time will tell.) [5 points]

233. _______ Grischsnacks™: the malevolent munchables for your lil’ metalheads’ lunchbox! [6 points]

234. _______ Those little Despicable Me minion scrote-warwers. One for each sack. [2 points per sack]

235. _______ The Skrillex bong. Create a water pipe that makes wub wub wubs instead of bubbling noises when used. (Only to be used with 100% legal wubbaco, or your team is disqualified, folks.) [8 points]

236. _______ Clear acrylic, liquid-filled softball bat with a Young Elvis inside that turns into Bald Elvis when you shake it. [15 points]

237. _______ In Toronto, Lady Liberty asks a tourist for directions to the CN Tower in stilted French while The Queen looks on intently. [2 CAPoints]

238. _______ We’ve already seen your team’s headstone. Now we want its Ghanaian fantasy coffin! [50 points]

239. _______ New talking Mr. Meeseeks doll! [18 points]

240. _______ At the Bata Museum, what size is Shaquille O’Neal’s shoe? What did the Polish refer to break shoes as? What were flat-soled clogs used for? How did smuggler’s shoes work? [6 CAPoints]

241. _______ Your crafty Criminal Captains have captured the Judges’ own Boy Blunder. Though they will conveniently entrust him to their henchmen instead of doing it themselves, there’s no way the Boy Blunder will escape from their theme-appropriate, multi-part death trap! It must successfully decapitate, detonate, eviscerate, or otherwise obliterate the masked marvel, who, being but a lad, is between 8 and 15 inches tall. A death in the family unfolds this Sunday, same Scav time, same Scav place! [24 points]

242. _______ Taste the pizza mime. His face is a pizza. His hands are slices of pizza. Motioning silently. Serving itself. Taste the pizza mime. [2π points]
243. Do the sweetest jump with an RC car. I'll have you know that sweet jumps involve at least two rings of danger, another very suspenseful hazard, and a perfect landing. [14 points]

244. TRW begin their victory tour of the Commonwealth by enjoying the natural beauty of the Niagara Falls. They choose between viewing the falls from above by Spanish Aerocar or from below by traveling behind the falls themselves. [10 CAPoints]

245. Eat a Popsicle® or Choco Taco® slowly, whilst riding a mechanical bull at its lowest speed. [14 points]

246. A mobile exoskeleton. If you want to mecha big splash, your design should: (1) exhibit finesse in grasping and rotating a tennis ball that lies well beyond the normal reach of the pilot, (2) include two secret add-on technologies—nothing you wouldn’t trust an angst-ridden teenager to defend the Earth with, and (3) have impeccable aesthetics. [60 points]

247. A gossip web, made by your team’s most powerful council of ‘girls’. Must connect your entire team with color-coded Sharpie® lines signifying exes, hookups, couples, as well as hypothesized existence and directionality of crushes. Make no distinction between fact and femininely-intuited data. Gel pens are also, like, totally acceptable for this research. [4 points]

248. In St. Thomas, Justin Beaver considers using Jumbo the Elephant as a mount to rival the mounties themselves. [5 CAPoints]

249. Team full-body shadow puppets! Send a team of two to five to the border of Pillowtown and Blanketsburg at 9 p.m. Friday to compete. Teams will stand behind a backlit screen and will be asked to demonstrate different shadow puppets to the Judges on the other side of the screen. Multiple team members must be involved in the formation of each puppet, judged on recognizability and complexity of shadows. [23 points]

250. Throw roses at the actors during curtain call of a campus play. Duct-taped to the roses should be chocolate and a tinfoil Tony®. [3 points]

251. While downtown, Lady Liberty asks the Spirit of Detroit for directions to the border. Having just finished off all those Red Wing hosers, Tim picks a real fight and goes tit-for-tat with the Brown Bomber’s right hook. [9 points]

252. At some point during the Hunt, your Captain must go down with the ship—either literally or figuratively. Points will be awarded based on two criteria: first, the nobility of the sacrifice, and second, a team member playing “Taps” as the Captain descends into the real or metaphorical abyss. [5 points]

253. It’s a living. A team member must dress as a prehistoric animal to perform one of the myriad chores needed to keep HQ running smoothly. The team member must perform the chore ONLY using the abilities that animal would actually have. Should you desire, completion of this item may also implement cartoonish stone-age technology (ropes, pulleys, wisecracks, etc.) [It’s 7 points]

254. At the Monkey’s Paw, TRW spend a toonie and roll the dice on a random book from the Bibliomat. [4 CAPoints]

255. Majora’s Mask. Must be wearable. [18 points]

256. On the eve of the third day: at Lunker’s there are bears, turtles, tarantulas, and eels, but of all these monsters, the most horrifying are the weirdly muscular albino frogs. Lady Liberty eyes one as a keepsake of her time in the Great White North. (Protip: try the rattlesnake bites and be sure to say “hi” to Tammy for us!) [6 points]

257. This may be the last moment in time that we, as a nation, know Star Wars: Episode VII will exist, yet we are still blissfully unaware of any actual plot details. Search your feelings, you know it to be true! With that in mind, beat Abrams to the cutting-room floor and fulfill your destiny: with your teammates as actors, assemble at least five minutes of footage from Star Wars: Episode VII. [Episode VII points]
Wake up, sheeple. If you think you can handle it, why don’t you create an interactive journey on a quest through the friendzone with me, Fedora the Explorer. [6 points]

A team member demonstrating a sample of your new line of habit-trail clothing. And that hamster inside better be happy! [20 points]

Cholie’s was so nice to include this little table with our order. Now if only you made the box into a matching fauteuil, ottoman, davenport, credenza, curio cabinet (with curios), and Tiffany lamp, it would really tie the room together. [2 points each]

Has The Queen’s world really been turned that upside-down? Nah, it’s just an upside-down house in Niagara Falls! [3 CAPoints]

An item from this year’s Hunt, camouflaged from the peeping eyes of other teams through the process of hydrographic dipping. [22 points]

Craft a tooled leather mural on a belt depicting the creation, life, destruction, and rebirth of said belt. [8 points]

At college you’ve managed to avoid the stress of the dreaded Parent Teacher Conference… until now! Get one of your professors to fill in your folks about how you’re progressing well but really need to apply yourself more if you’re going to get something out of Media Aesthetics. A Skype™ date counts as a minimum completion; only an awkward physical meeting in a classroom over pink cookies and fruit punch will get full points. [13 points]

We’d like to sell our flagship paper, the New Scav Times. Are you the right person to buy it? Convince us with a professional business card in the style of Chen Guangbiao. [China’s 2 Foremost Points]

Loose FlexDollars. A five-minute documentary utilizing low-quality footage, deliberately quote-mined interviews, blatantly forged evidence, and a soundtrack by DJ Skooly that ‘proves’ the destruction of Pierce Tower was, in fact, an inside job. [7 points]

At one point during the Hunt, startle the Judges. [1 point per Judge who screams, max 10 points]

Duke University recently took the lead in the veritable arms race to build the world’s largest cardboard castle on its quads. On Friday, the situation escalates as we turn Eckhart Quad into a Real Medieval Arms Race. By 1:00 p.m. bring your traditional gothic cardboard castle (at least 6 cubic feet in volume) to place at one end of the field. On the other end, you’ll pick a spot to begin construction of you water balloon-flinging catapult, trebuchet, or other stationary siege engine with a foundation not to exceed 3 feet tall. When we say go, start building and take out your opponent’s castles as quickly as you can with a single direct hit. You’ll get points per team you eliminate and for being the last castle standing. While you are encouraged to plan your design and prepare your materials in advance, no parts of your siege engine may be assembled prior to the race. [7 points]

As the sun sets on the third day, TRW pull into Battle Creek, MI. Lady Liberty tries to find a sympathetic ear to her struggles in the Sojourner of Truth. Justin Beaver wonders if she would have been a Beleaver. [5 points]

You Scavved too much last night. You’ve woken up in a Maroon Room that’s not your own. And, as expected, the door is locked, the place is filled with Weird Puzzle Shit, and you’ll need to SEEK A WAY OUT in time to get the points. [17 points. Up to 3 persons per team. 1 door. 5, 3, and 2 bonus points for the 1st–3rd fastest escapees. Schedule your Saturday afternoon escape time at the Court of Captured Criminal Captains]

TRW stops on their way out of the Great White North to observe Canadia’s best cow ever, The Springbank Snow Countess. [3 CAPoints]

Hetalia has shown us that learning is lame when it isn’t moe. Manga us up to 10 yonkoma starring the bishie personifications of this year’s Scav teams and their hilarious interactions with items, each other, and history. Please include a reference guide for the obtuse background details. [10 points]

Video evidence that, while the Judges were concentrating on another task at hand, they totally missed the moonwalking gorilla. [6 points]
274. Scavvy, you’ve got some mansplainin’ to doooo! Fellas, send your best to the est-test at 11:30 a.m Friday in Hutch, where they’ll be quizzed on gender non-discrimination legislation, birth control side-effects, and bra size calculus. [12 points]

275. A hat that has a little cannon that fires and then goes back inside the hat. [9 points]

276. The most egregiously misspelled counterfeit designer brand item, found in the wild. (No, you can’t make this one yourself—someone at Calvin Klain went to all the trouble to get the font just right, so let’s show some respect here.) [4 points]

277. Donning their civilian disguises at the United Memorial Gardens in Plymouth, TRW receive an education to prepare them for re-acclimating to the US via The Facts of Life. Tim Horton laments the fate of Ben Drowsy, and Lady Liberty discovers what, on most girls, will just show fanny. [8 RIPoints]

278. Someone who was awarded the Betty Crocker® Homemaker of Tomorrow award. [5 points for school, 10 for region, 15 for state, and 20 for national. 10 bonus points if the winner is male]

279. Toast Chee® Mochi. [5 points]

280. American soldier Frank Dux has entered the Kumite, an illegal underground martial arts tournament where serious injury and death are not unknown. You are his opponent: a healthy, well-rested, well-fed scavvie, trained in the art of pumpin’ iron(-filled life juice) and servin’ communities to the jams of the ’80s. It’s you, versus Jean-Claude Van DCAM in... Blooddrive. [β points]

281. Other Magazines: The Swimsuit Edition. We suggest choosing from among the greats like The Economist, The Watchtower, or Cigar Aficionado. [6 sexy points]

282. Who says mathematicians have to have all the fun? Step up to the board, young scholars! We give you a sentence; you diagram it as fast as you can. [4 points]

283. Kim Jong-un looks simply Kim Jong-unstoppable while sporting the hot haircut of the season! To ensure that at least one of your team’s dear leaders looks supremely stylin’, either a Captain or Scavvie should sport North Korea’s official hairdo for the duration of the Hunt. [7 points]

284. 25-minute SAT® essays are for slackers. We’ll give you a prompt, a blank Google Doc, and ninety seconds starting at 5:00 p.m. Friday. You’re welcome to collaborate with your teammates. [1 point per raw SAT® point]

285. An automatic BeDazzler™. [25 points for semiautomatic. 35 points for fully automatic]

286. Back in the day, tunes were in shorter supply than lyrics. In honor of our hardy forebears, write and perform a religious hymn, a national anthem, and a drinking song that share the repurposed melody of the theme to Charles in Charge. [3 points each] ⊗

287. Last year, the other Judges made fun of me for keeping an eye out for the schleets when we traveled at night. Well, I’m sick of that mugshit. This year, if you have any schleets on your team please ask them to show Team Judge who’s a stupid, gullible drunk. [Your point total approves +8]

288. A Samarian sunset. [20 points if potable. 0 points if Neelix told you how to make it]

289. Resolute in their victory, The Royal We poses with one of Canada’s most treasured landmarks, the nation’s oldest maple tree. The Beaves tries in vain to get a face full of maple and add it to his dam. [4 CAPoints]

290. Hey Judges, I know this sounds weird, but you know that old video game I picked up from that garage sale in Kenwood? There’s something seriously freaky going on with it. I’ll bring it to Judgment so you can see. [29 points for a playable ROM hack. 0 points if BEN drowned, Ghost wants to fight, or any other pre-existing oddities]

291. The dread pirate Neckbeard. [1 point]
292. And on the Third Day, The Royal We sat down to enjoy Dr. Kellogg’s fine foot massager and saw that it was good. [2 points]

293. Arrange a scene whose photograph appears to be distinct images spliced together. In it, please feature at least two items from this year’s List. Submit an additional photo of the compartmentalized scene from a different angle that reveals its chimeric nature. [14 points]

294. Your team’s homage to Jonathan Borofsky’s *Hammering Man*, at least 5 feet tall and installed on the Quads by 10:00 a.m. Friday. We’ve already seen *Hammered Man*, though, so have your sculpture perform another action. [33 points]

295. Surreptitiously plant and discharge a fart machine in class. Remember, timing and subtlety are key to a classy fart joke. [4 points]

296. In the United Memorial Gardens, Justin Beaver finds the place he’d like to rest once he’s building that big dam in the sky. [2 points]

297. Lisa Frank Gehry. [10 points for a model. 0 points for purple panda stickers on Pritzker Pavilion]

298. Explore the art of edible alchemy with us during this year’s Scavenfeast. At 6:30 p.m. Saturday in Cox Lounge, delve into the ancient and mysterious. Begin your meal with an effervescent drink. Your potion should creatively draw from the four classical elements: earth, fire, water, air. Next, turn lead into gold. Prepare an elegant appetizer using simple ingredients taken entirely from cans. For your entrée, explore alchemy’s philosophical underpinning of transformation, death, and rebirth. Develop a dish that contains a trinity of ingredients—plant, animal, fungus—wherein each species in the cycle feeds the next in your chosen ecosystem. To finish your meal, compose a dessert inspired by three of the twelve alchemical processes involved in alchemy’s magnum opus. [ε points]

299. At the Kingman Museum, TRW examine the fetus jars intently. What was their original intended use? [4 points]

300. Create a sculpture or multi-surfed mural. When viewed from a specific point, your three-dimensional composition should lose a dimension. [17 points]

301. The Royal We stop for breakfast at the Lakeview in Little Portugal and try the Canadian specialty: poutine. Lady Liberty lies through her cheese-curd-stuffed mouth: “This tastes just like my mom used to make back in France.” What type of shakes are free? What’s sold out? [6 CAPoints]

302. The Millennium Puzzle is powerful, but it pales in comparison to Millennium Park. Send your duelists with TCG Advanced decks to the great *Cloud Gate* for the Ultimate Mega Super Duel-Monsters Tournament of Champions, Friday at 10:30 a.m. And remember, style counts, so the only thing pointier than your hair should be your lapels. [15, 10, and 5 points for 1st–3rd. 5 points for participation. Up to 5 points for style]

303. It’s time to submit your final proj for Selfie Culture and Society! How many reflective surfaces can you duckface into on campus? As with all Core assignments, collaboration is encouraged. [0.2 points per distinct source, max 8 points. Portable mirrors and spoons will receive no credit]

304. Many have come to seek healing from The Kellogg Rejuvenators. Which notable individual recorded a visit to the Historic Adventist Village on April 13, 2014? [1 point]

305. I’ve always wanted to play Russian Roulette, but I don’t fancy getting shot in the face. Create a version of the game in which the player who empties the chamber receives a sudden burst of happiness instead of, you know, dying. [6 points]

306. Upon learning the alligator’s name at Lunker’s, The Queen’s eyes once again burn with the flame of conquest as she sets off back to Chicago, full of resolve and grim determination, ready for her next campaign—*The Royal We: Down Under*. [5 AUpoints]

307. The Second Annual 2014 University of Chicago Scavenger Hunt is proudly sponsored by gerbiltees.biz. Request your own tee at gerbiltees.biz/invitation to wear it with pride! [σ points]

308. A million dollars isn’t cool! You know what’s cool? A swamp booger. [20 points]