The 2024 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. We expect all participants to abide by the Code of Conduct, which can be found on our website.

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 one special point. Maybe two. 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 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 A Place on Earth in Reynolds Club, which happens at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday in Hutchinson Commons. It is the Captains’ responsibility to make sure that Items are submitted in a timely manner. Items that do not have a 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. If an item is followed by , it must be uploaded to the early submission drive folder by 9:00 p.m. on Saturday. Only submissions following the file naming convention of “PAGE #. ITEM #. TEAM NAME.” will be accepted.

10. Judgment Day. As in the Bible, Judgment Day should take, like, 45 minutes. Scav is Hell, however, so be prepared to wait. Regular Items will be judged after the Showcase. The Showcase will be judged at Showcase, which will be at 9:30. 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. 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.

11. Rules. Ain’t no rule says his sled can’t be Rosebud.
12. Prizes. Depending on how much of the Scav budget the Judge Cabal hasn’t spent on Choles for our holes, you may be eligible for a free-food bacchanal or other in-kind prize. Offer void where prohibited. Check local laws.

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

Scav Olympics

To be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday May 4th, 2024, in and around Ida Noyes. For each competition, 30 points will be awarded for 1st place; 20 points for 2nd place; 10 points for 3rd place; two points for > 3rd place.

1. Can or can’t your chemist compete at competitive decanting?

2. Amy Bruckheimer can text behind her back, and so can you. Bring a wifi-enabled phone and get ready to party.

3. The “Foreign Airlines Impose a Weight Limit on Carry-Ons??!!?” Challenge! Your entrant should bring a carry-on suitcase (Southwest Airlines® standards) full of clothes—at our mark, they will have 90 seconds to don as many non-sock/underwear articles as possible.

4. Bring your best card shark. We’re going to play 52 Pick Up.

5. Speed painting! Send two of your fastest painters wearing helmets and knee pads—we’ll provide the paint and the easel.


7. Are millennials killing bocce? Bring a pair of unripe avocados with your team’s name Sharpied on and we’ll find out.
Showcase Items

The Showcase will be judged at Showcase, which will be at 9:30a.m. on Sunday. Choose no more than two of the following Items to complete in time for Showcase. Each Showcase item is worth up to 160 points.

1. _______ This Scav, we’re grabbing this bull by the Hora! That’s not a typo—we are in the market for the next big thing in bar mitzvah bragging rights: a mechanical Hora ride that rocks a Scavvie mensch up and down in a chair. Mazel tov!

2. _______ Rumor has it, on the occasional rare Sunday, a shadhavar makes an appearance in Ida Noyes courtyard, posed in contemplative respite. It is said that blissful music plays from its shimmering, kinetic horn whenever the wind passes. The spectacle invites all to come close, watch, and listen closely. Stories tell of one lucky, sailor-hat-donned soul that is allowed to sit upon the back of the creature and bask in the wonder of it all...

3. _______ ¡Felicidades! Two of your teammates just got hitched! Commemorate this momentous occasion at Judgment with a Oaxacan calenda. Your team’s calenda should be complete with a parade featuring a pair of rotating, floppy-armed, gargantuan papier-mâché monos de calenda of your team’s spouses-to-be.

4. _______ Create a penny slot diorama inspired by the Studio Ghibli movie of your choice and fit for the Musée Mécanique. Your diorama should depict a key moment from your film and when a coin is inserted the diorama should come to life with lights, music, and two to three points of movement.
Items

1. ______ A copy of the 2024 University of Chicago Scavenger Hunt List. [1 point]
2. ______ Robyn’s Body Talk Pt. 1 on CD. [5 points, or 0 points and a firm handshake]
3. ______ A condom filled with as much sand as possible. [δ points]
4. ______ Scott Pilgrim vs. the World Trade Center, the comic in which Scott Pilgrim must defeat a complex of seven evil skyscrapers to win the heart of ** member Ramona Flowers. [10 precious little points]
5. ______ The zero-energy Bio Refrigerator may cool your food with future gel, but you can already keep your whisk, mixing bowl, heavy cream, powdered sugar, and vanilla extract cold in the present by using fluorescent Jell-O! [25 points]
6. ______ chest hair crop circle [14 points]
7. ______ Is it just us or does Liza Minnelli look like the crested guineafowl? Straight from *Ca-bird-et*, show us increasingly sexy pieces of burlesque costuming inspired by the Eurasian oystercatcher, the toco toucan, the blue-footed booby. [20 “Doesn’t my birdy drive you wild with desire?” points]
8. ______ Bone marrow Pixy Stix. [8 points]
9. ______ The Reg is too crowded to study in comfortably at this point in the quarter, but we’ve got you covered. Throughout the Hunt, we’ll send you to some other study spots around the city, and you’ll send us back pictures of your team getting some work done in peace and quiet, okay? [10 Regenstoints per productive day]
10. ______ Sandra Bullock looks like somebody. Who? [1 point, 20 bonus points if you actually help us figure this out because we’ve been trying to ever since Bird Box came out]
11. ______ A 1:12 scale model of the Backrooms that appears to go on infinitely, as though Thorne herself noclipped out of reality. [30 points]
12. ______ You can take a horticulture, but you can’t make her think. Perhaps she’d be interested in Raphaellesia’s fresco *The Triumph of Calathea*? [15 points]
14. ______ TBA. [10 points]
15. ______ Two loose front teeth, wiggly. [5 loose front points, wiggly]
16. ______ TBA. [6 points]
17. ______ A nice, warm glass of mulled pickle juice. [3 points]
18. ______ Your team may not have the budget to orchestrate an international song contest this year, but that shan’t stop your tourism board from filming gorgeous Eurovision-style postcards. Each video should feature a Scavvie from another team visiting your HQ, where they’ll marvel at the local landmarks or partake in a unique cultural tradition. [5 points per video]

? ______ Miss Zarves is the guest judge for Item 19. There is no Miss Zarves, so there is no Item 19.
20. ______ “So, you go to UIC?” / “No, dearest uncle/rando I’m talking to on the Red Line, I go to U of C, not UIC. They’re two separate schools.” / “Oh, exactly what I thought! You and optionally a friend should go to the world-famous 38th annual UIC Scavenger Hunt, occurring at 4:00 p.m. on Friday at Halstead and Harrison, and you should bring a notebook and pen, some walking shoes, and the expectation of a slight twist.” [37 Sparky D. points]
21. ______ Wood cold-formed into the shape of a Larch curve. [ρ points]
22. ______ This item can be found at the Hanna Holborn Gray Special Collections Research Center. [5 points]
23. A copy of the 2023 University of Chicago Reva and David Logan Center for the Arts Orientation Week Party Scavenger Hunt List. [1 point]

24. themagmatictemple.net [7 points]

25. One of your Scavvies is a budding sneakerhead, but those new Air Jordans are just too expensive—good thing they’ve got a pair of spats that make any footwear look just like them! [9 points]

26. A My Little Pony rhyton. [Friendship is 15 magic points]

27. Give us a phone number by 1 p.m. on Thursday. When Bell calls, don’t disappoint him. [3 points per call]

28. LAY’S® Potato Chip Flavored Cucumber Slices. [7 potatoints]

29. In the spirit of the Portland Timbers, bring an appropriately decorated log cake to Scav Olympics. If a Scavvie on your team wins an event, your team’s Timber Joey must slice off a piece and bequeath it to them. [14 Pitbull ft. Ke$h points]

30. Our collection of 1931 University of Chicago Spode plates is nearly complete! It’s a shame your favorite post-1931 campus building isn’t included. [19.31 points for a plate in the style of the original collection]

31. A photo with the day’s newspaper and a half dark from the highest-numbered unique Harold’s Chicken location. [Harold’s Chicken #10 points]

32. Ist es Eis? [22 Punkte for fooling us at HQ Visits]

33. A salad fork. [3 compositional points]

34. A barbed wire sweater. [30 dear God please have a first aid kit on hand points]

35. Swedish Fish garum. [5 fish-shaped, chewy points]

36. a. A photo of a Scavvie on your team with Nuclear Energy. [1 point]
    b. A photo of a Scavvie on your team with Atom Piece. [2 points each]
    c. A photo of a Scavvie on your team with Maquette for Atom Piece. [7 points each]

37. Why should lawyers get all the fun? Other jobs with animal stereotypes want their own set of customizable Microsoft Teams stickers, too! [3 points per sticker]

38. Much like the anonymous Dutch Patriot with an affinity for Hendrik Daniëlsz Hooft, your team has a verklikker that reveals your mascot in the right circumstances. [20 loyal points]

39. These people have dressed up to win cars, cash, and amazing prizes (and they’re doing it on Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at the MADD Center in Crerar Library). It’s time for LET’S BEAT THE JUDGE! And now, here’s Scav’s big dealer, WAYNE BRADY! [Ψ points]

40. This item cannot be found in Chicago. [25 points]

41. What is this, a Can Opener Bridge for drink cans? [11’8”+8” points (it’s 8 points)]

42. At Judgment, bring a beverage concocted by: Nils Sjöberg, Émile Ajar, Taio Cruz, Le Corbusier, Miss Cleo, Ryan Idol, Shabba Doo, Katherine Kath, Mirtha Legrand, The Penguin, and Sugar Ray Robinson. [3 points]

43. Weekly practicum of the Foppish Hairdo Committee? Elections for the board of the Distinctive Regional Accent Practitioners? Year-end seafood boil hosted by the Sea Creature Pun Association? No matter which classroom we enter, it looks like your team’s new RSO (Random Scav Organization) has just finished meeting! [4 points per classroom that this page’s Judge finds where the chalkboard references your team’s RSO, maximum 20 points]

44. Can can can you do the can-can? Can you do the kanban? Can you create some sort of live kanban board made up of can-can dancers moving from column to column as progress gets made on a project of your choosing? [7 poin-points]

45. An unredeemed Series HH bond. [up to 20-year, non-marketable points]
Ya ever imagine the gulper eel gulping you? Like, ~wow~ it can open its mouth so big... what if it ate me? What if a bunch of Scavvies made a dragon dance–style puppet but instead of a dragon it’s the gulper eel? And then the Scavvies manipulate it to dance but also, uh, eat me? That’s something Judges can ask for, right? Th... that wouldn’t be weird, would it? [45 RIGHT?? points]

Duck Shoes?? They’re hyper-realistic ducks you can wear on your feet! Duck Shoes!! Delight your friends and intimidate your foes with each QUACKIN’ step... literally! DUCK. SHOES. Fool every duck on the block with just how much these shoes look and sound like ducks—we’re not even kidding!! *Duck Shoes: If it looks like a duck, floats like a duck, and quacks like a duck, it's probably shoes!*® Shoe size 10.5 please! [16 Botany Points]

À la Alvin Lucier, your rendition of “I Am Sitting in HQ.” 30 minutes minimum. [7 points 📚]

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“Mama, where do LEGO® Minifigures™ come from?” “Well, you see, when a Daddyfig™ and a Mommyfig™ love each other very much...they FUCK.” We know them Figs™ get weird with it, which is why they have the LEGO® Sutra™! Bring us an 3-5 page excerpt, with illustrations depicted in the medium of LEGO® letterpress. [10 points]

A custom Gesichtswurst, wherein each delicious !!EDIBLE!! slice depicts Clippy, MC Skat Kat, or Freddie Freaker. Coleslaw-inspired flavor preferred. [11 yummy points 😊]

Soft body porcelain clown baby doll bean bag chair. Did we stutter? [19 points]

An anamorphic art installation on campus that spells out “FUCK!” from a certain vantage point. Please send observation coordinates to this page’s Judge at any time during the Fourdays for judgment to occur. [24 FUCKING points]

One unassuming, unexpected, unconventional clock. It does not appear to be a clock, but once explained it intuitively tells the time. [32 tick tock tick tock tick tock tick tock tick points]

You’ve heard of a challah braid—how about challah victory rolls, finger waves, or a beehive?? [8 points]

Legend has it Waldo (or “Wally” if you’re one of those) is an ancient symbol, given form not in the 1980s as so many believe, but approximately five centuries beforehand, birthed by none other than Hieronymus Bosch! Provide a forgery of one of Bosch’s true originals, depicted in the paint medium of your choice. Be it in tempera, oil, or gouache, one with enough faith should be able to spot the strip’d miscreant! [Where’s 16 points?]

An animatronic of Lefty, the beloved-yet-infamous Hamburger Helper™ mascot, that gives you the finger. [America’s Favorite 15-point Meal]

It is coming... The ground begins to warm, driving signals millions of years in the making. The massive emergence will lead to cacophony that will deafen the region! Bodies, writhing free from constraints grown too tight, leave behind shells of their former being. You, Scavvies, will personify this phenomenon! Cast aside your shells... and maybe bring a cool timelapse to boot? [Cheeeeeeep cheeep hceep hceep heepCC!!! 17 points for a human-sized-and-shaped husk, 17 bonus points for an emergence timelapse]

A detailed diorama scene lovingly tucked into an ALTOIDS® tin that depicts the fall of the Roman Empire. Be prepared to justify its accuracy. [15 cute ‘n’ crafty points]
60. My goth gerbil would really like to relax in a miniature 17th century New England cemetery, complete with Puritan gravestone imagery. [17th century points]

61. You just know that 14th century monks and nuns were going stir-crazy without a microblogging and social networking platform where they could vent their frustrations and get into petty beefs with one another. Show us a glimpse of the Monkblr that could have been... [14th century points]

62. All Scav Headquarters have a secret compartment where a turnspit dog is running on a wheel to roast the meat, don’t they? Wait, the turnspit dog went extinct at some point in the 19th century? AND you’re a vegetarian? How about a fake dog roasting fake meat over a fake fire? [19th century points]

63. so i put my hands up they’re playing my song the evil skull flies away [15 points if you put your hands up, they’re playing your song, and the evil skull flies away]

64. Who is that mysterious and handsome young man who only appears after dark, and why does he always wear a hat? When we take off your hat, exposing your blowhole, you should turn back into an Amazon River dolphin. [10 points]

65. We all know that Herman Melville dedicated his literary masterpiece Moby-Dick to his crush, Nathaniel Hawthorne. But few know that he also created secret scrimshaw fanart of the two of them together. [15 your-heart-beat-in-my-ribs-and-mine-in-yours points]

66. We’re redecorating our bathroom in honor of German Expressionist film, and the pièce de résistance will be a terrifying custom toilet seat that pays homage to Nosferatu. [5 F.W. Murnpoints]

67. No German Expressionist bathroom is complete without an unsettling and disorienting medicine cabinet of Dr. Caligari. [9 Robert Weinpoints]

68. Finally, when we look in your German Expressionist bathroom’s mirror, we should have an experience à la the student of Prague. [10 Stellan Ryoints]

69. The ancient Egyptians had canopic jars to preserve the organs of mummified bodies that would be needed in the afterlife, each jar representing a different deity. Create your own four canopic jars in which to store a Scavvie’s organs when they pass on, and designate an appropriate Scavvendeity to watch over each. Don’t forget to include the organs! [26.00 BCE points]

70. Now that your Scavvie has passed away, their heart will need to be weighed on a scale against the feather of Maat. If it’s heavier than the feather, it will be fed to Ammit, the Devourer of Souls (receive no points). Be prepared with your lighter-than-a-feather but anatomically accurate heart to be weighted at Judgment. [7 eternally-fated points]

71. Did your bolo tie just wink at me? [:) points]

72. The old grist mill isn’t getting too much use anymore, but you know what would be useful? A conveniently sized, old-fashioned grist mill we can use to grind ~plant matter~ at our desk. Bonus points if it’s powered by a stream of running water. [18 coarse-ground points]

73. It’s a hot spring evening just as the sun is going down. The Judges could really go for some BEER AND COLD DRINKS but there isn’t any Narzan water, and the beer won’t be delivered until later. So what have you got? [6 POINTS]

74. Leonora Carrington’s debutante may have wanted to skip her own coming-out ball, but you don’t really feel like going to Judgment. Send your team’s hyena wearing a human face and clothes to make small talk in your stead. If a Judge insults your hyena, well, it can always eat its own face and leap out the window. [10 points]

75. A lovingly hand-embellished codex from the cult of the Tully Monster, conveying the lore of the almighty Tullimonstrum and depicting scenes from Illinois’s Carboniferous past. [Ma20n Creek points]
76. In a competitive market with rapid technological advances, successful Scavving demands a new frontier of efficiency and automation. That’s why your Headquarters should mandate 8-hour shifts without breaks, draft all Items using AI to ban idle conversation among Scavvies, look like a 1900s factory, including a conveyor-based assembly line capable of transporting materials within your HQ; a punch clock tracking Item completions; and custom-made interchangeable parts for frequent Scav needs, demonstrated in prototypes of two Items on the List that use some of the same parts. [40 points]

77. A Lewis Hine-esque photo of a suspiciously young Scavvie in your team’s factory. [4 points]

78. An Upton Sinclair-esque exposé of conditions at your team’s factory. [4 points]

79. TBA. [A points]

80. Pick up a ten-spot in Prescott, would ya? Or actually, just pick up the tens-spot from each of these local brands. And call me when you’re done—I’ll be in the area. [7 points]

81. A convincing performance of Téodor’s insane new dance move. [13 points]

82. “...and the Cartographers Guilds struck a Map of the [area of campus] whose size was that of the [area of campus], and which coincided point for point with it.” [20 points]

83. The Birdsong Project (2022) was a 20-LP compilation in which indie musicians contributed tracks inspired by and gently incorporating the avian sounds that form one underappreciated part of our everyday aural environment. The Car Alarm Sound Project (TBD) would be a 20-LP compilation in which those same musicians contributed tracks inspired by and gently incorporating the vehicular sounds that form one underappreciated part of our everyday aural environment IF ANY OF THEM EVER RESPONDED TO OUR EMAILS. [8 points for a song in the style of one of the artists that we can show them and say SHOULD’VE SAID YES WHILE YOU COULD, LOSER, NOW WE DON’T NEED YOU ANYMORE]

84. A short pornographic film showing only a regular icosahedron. No genitals, no sounds, no shenanigans. We’ll know it when we see it. [6.9 points]

85. We have long dreamed of the experience of consuming a single dense brick of pure pasta flavor. Tightly winding our spaghetti around a fork, smushing together as many bowties as we could: these were but our pale childhood imitations of the desire we so crave to sate. [Also we have a bunch of allergies so keep a list of ingredients and avoid cross-contact with peanut products pretty please, if we die we can’t give you 7 points]

86. Accounting Hero, featuring five-button versions of a calculator, a stack of invoices, QuickBooks, or similar. [5 points for concept drawings, 25 points for a playable level]

87. Is that Sacred Harp group singing “Africa” or “Africa”? We can’t tell, nor should we have to! [17.8-6 points if performed by a Sacred Harp group, 17.8/6 points if mashed up in post]

88. Doppelgängers of your professor, to lecture in unison with said professor. [15 points for d doppelgängers]

89. Higgledy piggledy / Double dactylically / Versify Scav—all your / Exploits conjoint. Properly witty and / Sesquipedalian, / Four days of dactyls will / Earn you [ten point].

90. A pinecylinder. [2 points]

91. The Anatomy of: Theme Song. An intuitive and beautiful visual representation of a segment of “Rock Lobster” to be assigned at A Place in Reynolds Club, with features precisely correlating to pitch, volume (including envelope), and any striking changes in timbre for each instrument. [16 Rock Lobstoints]

92. Propose and justify a new ordering of the alphabet. [6/5/4 points for 1st/2nd/3rd-best]
93. A UChicago Physics Forget-the-Year playbill or comparable memorabilia. \(n\times\text{Chandrasekhar Limit}/M_\odot\) points for a playbill \(n\) years old

94. Webkinz of mass destruction. [8 Come in and Points]

95. Who says Dan Holz gets to have all the fun? Give us the social media feed from a countdown party for the Doomsday Clock. [10 seconds to midnight points]

96. The Napoleonic Wars were nothing. We wonder what Goya would have painted on his wall if he’d been in lockdown in Max P. [10 Max Points]

97. MarsacGyv(samplereturn). Who says we need billions of dollars when we have your CONOPS, complete with figures? Who says we need [12 points]?

98. your embargoed data, as a treat \(♡⁺⋆⁺\) [3 points]

99. The 2023 P5 report, outlining the future of particle physics in America, recommended building a “second phase of DUNE.” But we literally have Dune at home??! Present a scale model and a summary write-up. [20 points, 5 bonus points if co-authored by an nChicago Group member or 10 bonus points if co-authored by P5 Committee member Abigail Vieregg]


101. Whenever Gotham is experiencing a crime emergency, Commissioner Gordon can summon Batman using the Bat-Signal. But what about a philosophical emergency requiring the aid of Agnes Callard? Make it. Use it. [25 reader, I forgot points]

102. Little Free Libraries are very charming if you regularly need access to the Nicholas Sparks back catalogue, but libraries are about more than just random paperbacks! That’s why your team’s LFL on the Bartlett Quad will feature at least one actual library service, whether it’s a reference desk, educational programming, a makerspace, or some other bibliothecary offering. Ideally, the aesthetic of your LFL will draw from the vast and beautiful variety of library architecture around the world rather than looking like a tired-ass birdhouse. Finally, passersby should also be able to register for a library card in order to make having fun less hard. Make sure your library is open between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Friday. [50.1 nonprofit points]

103. The Arbiter from Chess: The Musical is really on their high horse, but they only have to remember how, like, 6 pieces work. Try over 20,000. Compose and perform a self-congratulatory synth anthem for Magic: The Gathering judges. [6 points for greatness, at any cost, 3 bonus points if performed by an actual MTG judge]

104. Wake up, babe, we’re in Colombia! Well, not really, but you got excited for a second, right? No worries, because this year for Scavenfeast we are bringing the colorful feather capital of the world to Chicago with our theme “tropical birds.” In fact, we love birds so much that we would like our crunchy first course to be dispensed to us through a bird feeder. Sure enough, this sounds like a lot of culinary freedom, but don’t wing it—that would be hawkward. For the main dish, a little birdie told us we will be having a colorful toucansu ramen with a flamcaccia on the side, infusing your favorite noodle dish of choice with the color and spirit of a toucan and a focaccia with the vibe and aura of a flamingo. Finishing the bird fest, we are looking for something sweet, but forget Black Forest cake—they do not have tropical birds on German mountain ranges. Instead, give us a Cordillera de Tilarán cake: a tropical twist on the traditional German torte celebrating the mountain range that hosts the Monteverde Cloud Forest, the ultimate birding destination, served in an edible bird nest. Got it all down? Now spread your wings and fly to the kitchen! Once done, join the flock for the celebration at 7:00 p.m. Saturday in the 3rd floor theater in Ida Noyes. [Δpoints]
105. What’s that, you say? Your Mom Went To Scav And All She Got You Was This Lousy T-Shirt? Well, we don’t think it’s lousy at all! In fact, it’s quite cute. Perhaps we’d like to have one of our own... do they come in a size adult medium? [Lousy 3-shirt points]

106. Make a shareable multi-slide Instagram infographic educating the public on the critical endangerment of left-handed people, and how you can help. The more Corporate Memphis, the better. [So You Want To Talk About... 4 points]

107. A pair of shoes that make you shorter. [40 points]

108. Concept art for a few deleted scenes from the rejected Inside Out sequel, in which the four new added emotions are dorcelessness, nage, varination, and ponnish. [8 points]

109. Isn’t it a shame how The Vessel at Hudson Yards has been sitting idly for the past few years? Like all great neglected urban monuments, we should turn it into a skate park! Unfortunately, we can’t judge Items in New York, so bring your own Vessel to Judgment, and shred to its outermost layer with your team’s Manhattan-themed Tech Deck fingerboard. [25 Hudson Inches points]

110. Your team’s favorite (w)rapper just dropped a new Single!(™)! Get a Kraft Single autographed by a rap artist who has been previously featured on XXL. [18 points, negative points for Chief Keef; he’s had his moment]

111. Play bridge, over troubled water. [2 points]

112. Oh no! Your team’s Magic Grow foam capsule was supposed to turn into a dinosaur, but you left it in the water for too long and it evolved into a chicken instead! [Oh yes! 11 points!]

113. TBA. [5/4/3 points for 1st/2nd/3rd]

114. BrainPOP: Tim and Moby explain Pizzagate. [12 adrenochroints]

115. Buckle up... and prepare to up your buckles. One of your Scavvies must come to Judgment wearing as many belts through the belt loops of their khakis as possible, each one layered completely around the one beneath it. [1 point per belt. No fucking limit. Real fucking belts and real fucking pants get real fucking points]


117. Did one of your Scavvies eat the plums that were in the icebox? There shouldn’t be a need to guess! In preparation for HQ Visits, write a poem describing some of the comestibles which lie inside of your Scav team’s refrigerator exclusively using refrigerator poetry magnets. No food words or rebus magnets allowed. [5 sweet and cold points]

118. Judges aren’t supposed to take bribes, but you can pay your way to [4 points] with an appropriate amount of Wongas.

119. Sort this grid into its 4 respective groups of 4 [for 4 plus 4 points]:

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120. Think of 2024 Scavify Wrapped as a celebration of the real, the realer, and the realest Scavving moments that defined our Hunt. It’s the receipt that you’ll definitely want to keep—from the item you secretly couldn’t stop improving, to the events you weren’t shy to shout your unwavering admiration for. At Judgment, give us an exclusive look at your team’s Scavify Wrapped, complete with your team’s Scav highlights, statistics, and of course, a fun interface. [10 points in review]

121. A complete set of texturally accurate Yo Gabba Gabba!–themed rubber ducks. [10 points]
122. We’ve had you Scavvies “make” rubber duckies. Well now it’s time for a Scavvie “as” the rubber duckie. A Scavvie as the rubber duckie that makes bathtime so fun. A Scavvie as any special character rubber duckie that was limited time only. Not only that—throughout the Hunt, your Scavvie should Jeep other rubber duckies, and by Judgment have a Jeep for every major event. [5 points for your costume, 5 more points per Jeep]

123. Bon Iraitt & Bonnie Ver. [1 musical point]

124. After the Trip to the Moon–inspired music video for “The Loneliest Time,” Carly Rae Jepsen decided to deepen her interest in film and take a class. She is now desperate for someone to help her make a Meshes of the Afternoon–inspired video for a song from her latest album. [16 Maya Deroints, max 2 minutes]

125. Prove what we all know to be true: A vending machine just has a guy inside. Giving you what you want. Prove with your own built-out vending machine that we can buy something from. [30 points if we have been lied to our whole lives]

126. Earlier this year we experienced Moongate, but it’s not the only UChicago Moon controversy. It’s time to reignite the Hot Moon Cold Moon controversy. Choose your side and make your stance known on campus throughout the Hunt through posters, chants, t-shirts, the whole gamut. [35 hot points cold points]

127. The treatment and poster for The Land Before Time XV: Bone Wars. Must feature concept art of Edward Drinker Cope and Othniel Charles Marsh. [Land Before Time XV points]

128. Since Wansink’s disgrace, scientists believe his Bottomless Bowls experiment may have never happened. Please set up the bottomless soup apparatus to prove his theory of satiation. [15 All You Can Eat points]

129. Remember the episode of Scooby-Doo where Scooby was locked in a room so then he got on a block of ice and ran with it really fast into the keyhole and the ice block hit the keyhole so hard that it went through the keyhole and formed the perfect key to open the door? Yea that. Arrive in front of Ida Noyes Saturday at 5:00 p.m. [BYODoor and ice for 42 points]

130. Sign up here for the surprise Scav raffle, with chances to receive a prize throughout the Hunt.

131. We unfortunately missed the inaugural Old Man of the Mountain Day last year, but it’s already become so commercialized. To remember its roots, on Old Man of the Mountain Day this year, please serenade the Judges with your favorite Old Man of the Mountain carol, wearing your favorite Old Man of the Mountain Day sweater. [12 points to live free or die]

132. Hayao Miyazaki has started to allow Studio Ghibli merchandising, from penny slot dioramas to these lowbrow couture sweatpants that read “I strongly feel this is an insult to life itself” on the butt. [5 points]

133. How lucky do you think you are? [θ points]

134. In the style of Sherlock Jr., walk into the screen at Doc Films and struggle through at least three different scene changes before escaping. [40 Buster Keatoints]

135. Create a Wikipedia article about actor Corbin Bleu in a language which does not already have one. Scots already being taken, this Item must be completed by an actual speaker of that language with requisite proof. [5 Corbin Bloints]

136. A hand puppet of the newly introduced meet-and-greet Fucked-Up Dumbo. [5 fucked-up points]

137. A full recreation costume of the newly introduced meet-and-greet Fucked-Up Dumbo. [15 somehow even more fucked-up points]

138. A line of the newly introduced meet-and-greet Fucked-Up Dumbo Elephants on parade. [3 points for your 1 minute long parade]
139. We love having a copy of *Das Kapital* on our living room table, but it’s so dense none of our guests ever take a look! Bring us a coffee table copy of *Das Kapital* that is easy to read with lots of pictures so our guests can learn about Marxism. [4 points for a 2-page spread]


141. *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* is old news. Give the Judges your version of *If You Put Big Bird on the Space Shuttle Challenger* to educate the youth about the world that could have been. [10 BOOOMMMMM!! points]

142. Did you know that the Thinking Chair from *Blue’s Clues* was a regular chair called Max produced by Steve Galerkin that came in multiple colors? The Judges have always dreamed of sitting in a real actual Thinking Chair. You should find one for us. Other colors are accepted and encouraged. [18 points, 0 points for a chair that is for a child]

143. A *Clockwork Orange*-style conditioning tape imparting the lessons of *Doing Honest Work in College*. [15 points]

144. Do you know Chicago’s streets like the back of your hand, and the back of your hand like we know the lyrics to *Rock Lobster* (that is to say, perfectly)? Then show up to Bartlett Trophy Lounge at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday to plot street intersections and addresses (of various levels of difficulty) on a blank-but-gridded map of the Second City. [28 midwestern points]

145. Since Scav is museum-sanctioned now, we need to be up to museum standards. Make sure to properly catalogue a page of item completions. Documentation should include accession number, picture, materials, provenance, and condition report for each item. [12 *Managing Previously Unmanaged Collections* points]

146. An ice cream dispenser modeled after a wombat’s digestive system. Ice cream goes in, cubes come out. [3 points]

147. Official UChicago Communications That Look Like Shitposts. [5 points]

148. Here at Scav Hunt, we will never consign jizz to the dustbin of dubious canon. So sci-fi up some instruments and deliver a rendition of “Take the A-Wing” by the Darth Ellington Orchestra or “Porg’s Groove” by Parsecs Davis. [15 points]

149. Did you know that in the ’90s, the US Forest Service killed off Smokey Bear to juice comic sales? Bring us the cover of the resulting *Funeral Pyre For A Friend* collection, packed full of PSA stars and other public mascot types. [Only you can prevent 6 points]

150. On 4/4/2024, the number 6 bus arrived in Hyde Park at regularly spaced intervals. This momentous occasion calls for a celebratory dessert. Prepare an exquisite CTA entremet with a themed exterior and one layer for each El line. [Sox-35th points]

151. Will your baby be choleric or phlegmatic? We can’t wait to find out at your team’s humor reveal! [4 humors points]

152. Junk mail junksters have gotten trickier and trickier, camouflaging their fraudulent mortgage offers in envelopes ranging from super official-looking to folksily faux-hand-addressed. The logical next step: disguising their garbage letters as intricately beautiful invitation suites, with the likes of chic envelope liners, vintage stamps, and frivolous belly bands. [Forever 5¢ points]

153. This event is only suitable for Scavvies with the proper adaptations. Send an athletic Scavvie to the Midway across from Ida Noyes immediately after Scav Olympics with safe eyewear that simulates monocular (“prey”) vision. [20 points, 2 bonus points for wearing motion dazzle]

154. This item, this item is more fun, when... a Captain sends a Discord message to @JudgeAdi. [30 points]
155. Gargoyle, Grotesque, Great-Aunt Mildred. We don’t particularly care what you call it, we just want you to bring us a stone-cold ugly bastard. [20 points for stone, 1 point for cold, 5 points for ugly]

156. On the Third Day, at the Third Hour, on the Third Minute, Command Lightning to Strike down upon the Social Sciences Quad. [222 angelic points]

157. Ugh, I wish I could pay attention to you presenting your Items, but my Zoomer attention span needs at least two streams of stimulation at all times. Maybe while you present this page, you and your team could act out some Family Guy funny moments that I can look at whenever I get bored? [10 points, 22 bonus points if one of your team members is also jumping over crevasses and alligators and getting bigger or some shit like that]

158. Deepest dish pizza. [1 point per inch deep, no fucking limit]

159. The Spear of Longinus. [1000 points]

160. Every item on this page deserves a witty xkcd comic, so we know that the item is clever/funny. [1 point per funny comic]

161. Well this is how we gon’ do this / Fuck David, fuck Emma / Diss one of the Judges as a judge, individual, and as part of a motherfucking’ crew / And if you wanna be down with the Judges then fuck you too. [Hit ’Em Up (the Judges) for 8 points]

162. You’re creating a comic / ’Cuz nobody wants to read Hegel no mo’, / It’s all Jacques’ psychoanalysis / Well if you want Lacan this is what I’ll request / Make a comic hand-drawn ’bout his concepts / But also make it about the rapper—Eminem, Slim Shady, and/or Marshall Mathers / Each and every persona illustrating, each of the 3 concepts—I’m not debating. / Symbolic, real, and imaginary, get crackin’, go on make an image and snare me. [The Amazing Spiderman #23 points]

163. The Knight’s Map and Quill, complete with adjustable gleaming, scarab, token, and shell markers. Oh, also throw in a magnifying glass so we can see the insect’s penmanship. [Zero points for a map of Hollownest, 8 points for anywhere else]

164. A Dragonlance, complete with a demonstration of how it fits onto your dragon saddle for aerial combat. [The Silver Arm of Ergoth and The Hammer of Kharas are NOT necessary to get 33 points]

165. Convincing alibis for every member of your team for the date of January 6th, 2021. They will be scrutinized. [16 points]

166. Show us a cold spot that definitely looks like a ghost when viewed in infrared. [13 paranormal points]

167. Au Hazard, Bulbasaur. [7 Robert Bressoints]

168. A pride flag for the algae-BT+ community. [2 points for flag design and explanation, 15 points for actually making it out of algae]

169. Re-paint a presidential portrait from Hutch, but yassify it. Yas! [13 Alivisatoints]

170. A teammate with a non-standard amount of digits. [4 points]

171. The Duchossois Center for Advanced Medicine presents: Winnie-the-Pooh: Blood and Honey 2 sans Winnie, Pooh, Honey, or 2. [The Blood and α Points]

172. “And on Tuesdays, we offer endless wings.” “Haha, cool. I have those.” [1 point per foot]
173. ______ Adorable! Your team’s baby dressed up for Anne Geddes’ newest piece: *My First Scav.* [6 adorable points]

174. ______ Adorable...? Your Captains dressed up as babies dressed up for Anne Geddes’ newest piece: *My First Scav.* [3 adorable...? points]

175. ______ An official 2024 Maria Pappas calendar from the Cook County Treasurer’s Office. [12 points, 6 bonus points for calendars of years past]

176. ______ Couldn’t find Item 175? Well, good thing you convinced different Cook County elected officials to pose for the unofficial 2024 calendar, *Cook County Elected Officials Dressed as Anne Geddes’ My First Maria Pappas Calendar.* [up to 24 points]

177. ______ New from Quaker™: *Reissa roni* (Evenhuis, 2001). *The San Francisco Treat*...for spiders! [$4.95 points for the foodstuff and packaging, 0 points for using actual insects]

178. ______ For a brief period in the late aughts, “Do You Realize??” by The Flaming Lips was the official state rock song of Oklahoma. Well, we Illinoisiens are a jealous type, and the only way to rectify this is to get one of our favorite local rock darlings the same legislative fame that they deserve. You can choose the song, but it better be a certified banger. [6 points for support from a state senator or House rep, 12 points for a US House rep or senator, 24 points for our favorite big boy governor, 50 points and certified Scav Hunt 2025 Theme Song status for making it official]

179. ______ #huntyforredoctober: this sub...goes down. [10 points for your blueprints for the cuntiest little drag submersible, 10 bonus points for a scathing critique from Chicago’s own Detox]

180. ______ An Alex Schaefer–style oil painting of your least favorite building on campus, to be painted in front of that building. [20 points, 2 bonus points for painting alongside another team]

181. ______ Remember making mashed potato volcanoes at the Thanksgiving dinner table? Well, that shitty stratovolcano might give you a passing grade for a PHSC Core requirement, but you’ll have to step it up for the Geophysical Sciences BS. Where are the gravy magma chamber(s)? The green bean fissures? The breadcrumb pyroclastic cones? Create a scientifically accurate model of the 2018 Kīlauea eruption, from the collapse of Halema’uma’u through the Lower East Rift Zone eruptions, from the Thanksgiving larder. Be sure to cite your sources. [20.18 points]

182. ______ All video Items are performative, really, and we think it’s about time we cut right to the chase. In the style of Naomi Uman, physically remove all Scavvies from one of this year’s video Items using nail polish remover. What remains? What is the Item? Are we the Item? [25 points for a 20-second clip]

183. ______ Where, oh where is dear little Scavvie? / Way down yonder in the pawpaw patch / Pickin’ up pawpaws, puttin’ em in your pocket / Way down yonder in the pawpaw patch. Honor America’s largest edible native fruit by picking some imaginary pawpaws (the season is late summer, duh!) from the not-imaginary tree located in Hyde Park. [A pair of points]

184. ______ Do your ears hang low? Yeah, that’s probably on account of the gauges. Still, can you tie them in a knot? Can you tie them in a bow? [3ar points]

185. ______ Ted Allen and DJ Screw remix the mystery ingredients in your one-minute clip of *Chopped* and Screwed. [7 pointzz]

186. ______ Ashes to ashes, crust to crust. Erect a Tombstone™ outside of a former Hyde Park pizza location. [3.14 points]

187. ______ “*El Niño...*Spanish for...*The Niño*!” Chris Farley had the right idea, but if we’re going to survive this climate crisis, we’ll need to spread awareness through more wrestlers themed around other extreme oceanic, atmospheric, and geologic phenomena. Have your team’s representative make a promo video for the 2024 Thunderdome that extolls their physical prowess and wrestling skills while also accurately describing their environmental impacts. [*El Niño-o points, 5 bonus points if Orange Cassidy approves*]
188. How many beeves* did we get for this? Come by the doctor’s** later for that one. Establish a new Scavvie Rhyming Slang used among your team members. Must be consistent and permit regular intrateam communication, but if the squares know what you’re talking about you’re doing it wrong. (*one point=joint of beef; **Headquarters=doctor’s orders) [10 beeves]

189. Your team’s child, trapped in a well. Quick, get help! [9 points if your team’s dog successfully tracks down the Judges and leads us back to the well to help the poor child. Dog must be real dog. 6 bonus points if it is outfitted with Item 196 while it does so]

190. It may be a little early, but we can still celebrate International Museum Day with a good ol’ fashioned stamp rally! Visit the various museums on campus and collect stamps to complete your “museum passport”. [1 point per stamp, plus a special prize from Judge Blathers if you get them all]

191. They say the early bird gets the worm. And today, that bird could be you. [7 morning points for a live, unharmed earthworm delivered in front of Linnaeus at 7:00 a.m. on Thursday. 42.2 bonus points if you also bring us Scotty 2 Hotty or Dennis Rodman at any time during the Fourdays]

192. The music comes in waves. Freakbeat Vivaldi sampled and spliced together with screams and butterflies. And wedding bells. The clamor of wedding bells. [7 points if it sounds good]

193. Ooh, baby, do you know what that’s worth? Scav Captains are holding the Earth. They say in Scav Hunt, Captains costume first. And we’ll make Captains’ costumes...the outfits worn by the backup singers in the music video for Belinda Carlisle’s hit single “Heaven is a Place on Earth”. Captains should appear in costume starting at A Place on Earth in Reynolds Club and must appear in this garb throughout the Hunt at all Scav events where they are in attendance. Note that the globes are part of the look: they are the Captains’ symbol of office, so you should never be without them. [Ω points]

194. Chopsticks in Heaven 2: Chopsticks in Hell. This time, instead of 3-foot chopsticks, everyone has to feed one another using Freddy Krueger gloves with chopsticks instead of the finger blades, no thumbs allowed. Details to be provided at A Place in Reynolds Club. [25 points]

195. You didn’t know you were Scavving with the Scavving Crooner, did you? The Scavving Crooner should be seen throughout the Fourdays at public events. The Scavving Crooner must only be seen by the Judges at the angle that makes the Scavving Crooner look real. If it looks fake, that’s no points. [15 points? Just watch out when you’re on the east side of University Ave.]

196. Recreate H.R. Giger’s Armor for a Dog. [20.69 points]

197. At some point on Thursday or Friday, your team should cause us to exclaim, “There goes a narwhal!” [B29 points. Only full-sized narwhals get full-sized points]

198. Beet the Judge. [1 point. Offer valid for this page only, while the Hunt lasts. Offer not valid in Indiana, Pilsen, or New Brunswick]

199. Before A Place in Reynolds Club, make up a rumor about something that allegedly happened on campus, and write it down on a notecard. Your claim must be original, false, and not particularly mean-spirited, but you should aim for verisimilitude. Don’t share your story with anyone outside your team; further instructions will be given. [λ points]

200. Have a tenured UofC economist name their favorite Ferengi Rule of Acquisition on tape. [2.85 points, 28.5 bonus points if they also receive Oo-mox]


202. After realising that the perfect Scavvie doesn’t exist, you decided to make your own out of dryer lint. Don’t be jealous <3 [30 this one can never run away points]
203. Join the Scav Hunt mile high club by completing an item at least one mile above sea level. [5 high points]

204. Join the Scav Hunt mile long club by completing an item on a moving train. [3 long points]

205. A Blessed Virgin Italian shark statue. [12 immaculate points]

206. n-tuple chocolate chip cookies. [0.5n points]

207. A watermelon that, when cut open, contains a melon. Inside that melon is a pineapple. And inside THAT pineapple is a peach. And inside THAT peach... [3 points per fruit]

208. If SYRTYSBNABUFMCIMELGAYOWROC is here, then who just left? [7 points]

209. Doily Parton. [working 'til 5 points]

210. You know what looks like candy? Polly Pocket clothes. You know what to do. [10 tiny is mighty points!]

211. You know what ALSO looks like candy? The Abbott COVID-19 rapid test. You know what to do. [10 please give it a normal flavor or I will cry points]

212. Do you know what is NO LONGER a candy? Fruit stripes. Where else could we find a candy item on the List with packaging that is also a functional temporary tattoo? You know what to do. [3 yipes stripes points]

213. A printed .stlbreadco file. [3-D points]

214. Duolingo & Dragons. The first learning app that teaches 5e rules through fun characters and cute quizzes. [5 points for a design, 18 points for a functional game]

215. In a world with rats on the red line and missed bus stops, comes a movie straight from the nightmares of any CTA rider. Critics are saying “Don’t watch this after dark” “It’s scarier than that bus scene in A Nightmare on Elm Street 2” and “Can the 55 PLEASE show up, I’ve been waiting here for an hour”. Introducing: The Ghost Bus. Coming soon to a theater near you. [Friday the 13th points]

216. Embed a video item from this year’s List in a delightfully detailed, Scav-themed DVD menu. [11 points]

217. What’s worse than finding a worm drive in your apple? Finding half a worm drive in your apple. [5 eaten points]

218. What’s better than finding a worm drive in your apple? Finding out that your apple is also a worm drive! [10 edible points]

219. To be a part of Scav, you must have a flair for the dramatic—and there is nowhere in the world that brings extravagance like a Southern homecoming. Your team’s personalized mum should include handmade flowers and detailing that represents what makes your team special. And while everything is bigger in Texas, your mum must still be sturdy enough to survive the student section of a football game. [18 HOCO points]

220. A tamagrouchy. [4 grumpy points]

221. Pseudophysicians say that due to the positioning of your teeth and jaw muscles, if you put a lightbulb in your mouth you cannot easily remove it. Judges say that everything must be tested. Please provide us an edible lightbulb that we won’t be too upset over crunching down on if it does in fact get stuck. [12 eureka! points]

222. LPS Littlest Pet Shop of Horrors Custom OOAK Murderous Plant Handpainted Handmade. [7 littlest point shop]
223. Yugi, it’s time to E-E-E-E-E-E-Estate Plan! Grandpa Muto shouldn’t be banished to the Shadow Realm intestate. Present to us at Judgment a holographic will that complies with 755 ILCS 5/4-3(a). [15 P-P-P-P-P-P-Points, 5 bonus points if the will comes in a foil wrapper with a chic design that can be opened at Judgment]

224. Gonzo journalism. [99 points if you get Dave Goelz to do this item, 5 points for the next best thing]

225. A Funko Pop! being destroyed by the person depicted by said Funko Pop!. [17 Funko Points!]

226. Did you know “ciabatta” comes from the Italian for “slipper?” Bello! Make us a pair out of bread. And don’t forget the arch support! [11 punti!!]

227. Did you know “calzone” comes from the Italian for “pants?” Bellissimo! Form us a pair of trousers out of dough and fill it with all the fixins. And don’t forget the button fly! [11 punti!!]

228. Did you know “vermicelli” comes from the Italian for “little worms?” Bellississimo! Craft us an animal carcass in the later stages of decomposition out of only pasta and sauce. And don’t forget the bloat! [11 punti!!]

229. Clive Cahuenga, the Singing Civil Servant, sings the whole Pest Control Code to Mozart in the Key of F... and you can too! Set any municipal code to classical music and bring a ~30-second recording to Judgment. Unlike Clive Cahuenga, you won’t need to sing it in duplicate. [8 IDPH.gov points]

230. Alien vs. Predator? More like... A Lien vs. Creditor! Transpose and distort the text of Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code to create a visual, epic poem. [15 points, with apologies to M. NourbeSe Philip]

231. They say that Fran Lebowitz is the modern-day Dorothy Parker, but what good is being considered a seminal cultural critic if you never got your head on a PEZ dispenser? Rectify this grievous misdeed by crafting a dispenser that honors her likeness. [15+8+5 Lebowoint... hold on a second! We’ve just received a cease and desist letter from Fran’s lawyers. She’s dismayed by PEZ’s problematic history as a smoking cessation aid, and will only permit her likeness if it’s a vape instead. Make us and her counsel proud! 15+8+5 P(retend) E(t’s a) Z(ity) points, for real this time]

232. This is a test. Color in the bubbles and don’t turn around. When you trip into the center of the earth, search for a thin wire of lichen to grab onto. It doesn’t stop your descent but you can correct your course. Aim to land between the trapezii. When you’re back on solid ground, the dodos invite you to dinner. They’re not the bragging sort, so say yes. They might ask you to stop by the bazaar on your way to their home. Decline and say you missed the bus stop. The tablecloth doubles as a napkin, but tuck the most ripped corners under your spoon. Compliment the berries but nothing else. They’re a gift from the quokka down the way and paying them the right attention wins the dodos over, too. Two days later, you find an official invitation to a gala at the world’s center, signed by a deer who once ran with dinosaurs. Coat check is run by aardvarks; it’s essential you don’t lose your ticket. Better double-check that it’s in your pocket. [11 points]

233. カブトガニの貴重な授乳シーン。カブトガニの貴重な生後1年間のシーンの育児日記。カブトガニの大切な人たちとの貴重で静かな葬式シーン。[10 ポイント]

234. The most upsetting facet of All Dogs Go to Heaven (1989) is that there are indeed a non-negligible quantity of dogs who do not go to heaven. The second most upsetting facet is that the dogs bet on horse races instead of dog shows. You can’t fix the first one, but we can fix the second one at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday in Bartlett Trophy Lounge. [13 good boynts for 1st place, 5 points for participation]
235. As this page is judged, fold a sheet of origami paper into a design the Judge’s smart phone recognizes as a human face or QR code. [29.53 binary points, per ISO/IEC]

236. The Chicago Kitchen Sink: each scoop is a different flavor from a different Chicago ice cream parlor. [3 points per scoop with proof of origin, max 60 points]

237. You hired an orbital balloon clown for Judgment?! Best. Birthday. Ever. Make sure your clown has at least 3 balloon organics ready-made with p and sp orbitals, and be prepared for a special request up to 3 carbons long. [σ points. π bonus points if they can do π orbitals]

238. A music video for Britney Spears’s “Not a Curd, Not Yet a Cheese,” showcasing Chicago’s stunning topographical formations and dairy vendors. [7 Lucky points]

239. Apply the knowledge of stabbing and needles you’ve learned from the great villains of horror. Recreate one of them as a felted fright that shows what it truly means to feel afraid. [Unlucky 13 points]

240. Double-entry bookkeeping for an entire game of Monopoly. [Ages 9+ points]

241. Expand one of the fonts listed on our website with custom versions of eight unicode emojis that fit seamlessly into the font’s style and ethos. Your eight must include U+FE0F and two of the following: U+1F47B, U+1F41B, & U+1F36C. [2 points]

242. Announcement: It is the Cabal’s belief that Sky High is located above Indiana. So, we’d love to see Will Stronghold’s senior cords. [Ron Wi15on, Bus Driver points]

243. Maybe we would pay better attention to the manual for our Xerox machine if it was formatted as an artistically inventive, textually thought-provoking zine!! Ever thought of that?! [Xerox B-9 points]

244. Play Dvorak while listening to Dvořák on the green grass of Dvorak. [4 Dvoǐńts]

245. Herald’s Chicken: your team’s arrival to events shall be announced by a brass instrument and the cry of a chicken—any chicken. [9 points]

246. The (Scav) Olympics merchandising sounds incredibly profitable, and the Judges want your free labor input! Create illustrated proposals for two mascots that symbolize Scav as a nation and mock up an associated stuffed version. [5 points for the proposal, 20 points for the stuffy]

247. Perform ten lines of Beowulf: A New Translation by Maria Dahvana Headley at a frat party. [5 broints]

248. Synchronized swimmers are impressive for many reasons, including athleticism, frequency of being twins, and the hair and makeup trickery that keeps their lewk completely intact in the water. Swan up to Judgment snatched, synchro-style, and we’ll put your hair and makeup to the test in the Ida Noyes pool (i.e. BYOBucket of Water). [9 World Aquatics points]

249. Oh, that candy turned your tongue blue? How cute. Next time, put at least three colors on your glossal canvas and recreate a famous work of art. Temporary tattoos are not art. [15 points]

250. TBA. [26/5 points]

251. A millennial tetramorph—each of the 4 heads on its body is an iconic 90s/2000s toy. [4 tetroints = 16 points]

252. One-player tennis. No, not singles tennis. One-player tennis. Show up, racket in hand, to the Nichols Park tennis courts at 12:00 p.m. on Saturday. [15-love points]

253. On this page, we believe no item should go kittyless. [Van3ssa Stockard points]
254. Ex Libris Cafe will be renamed Ex After Dark for a special one-night event this Scav at Scav PM. But what is the menu? What is the vibe? The vibe is deception and manipulation! Gaslight the UChicago community into YOUR own Ex Libris After Dark event by leaking the Absolutely Truthful menu on Sidechat and let the freshman post-upvoting naiveté make bank for your team. [Buy none get 4 points for a popular post; 11 bonus points if the fake menu somehow becomes real by turning into a full-blown Ex Libris event]

255. A plushie of Dula Peppa. [2 peppoints]

256. TBA. [8 peppoints]

257. Give me my bathrobe; put on my bathcrown. I have immortal longings in me, so I pull up to Judgment in a bathrobe embellished with a Mark Antony/Cleopatra VII of Egypt fanfic written in Egyptian hieroglyphs with an autograph and testimony from the professor teaching an Egyptology class this quarter. I am even prepared to transcribe. [20 Pharaoints for a robe to die for (literally)]

258. Crocheting is out, chenilling is in! Showcase your arts and crafts prowess and create a chenille bouquet so irresistible you could not keep a real bride from walking down the aisle with it. [Say “I do” for 18+ points]

259. A pair of Sox. [A pair of points for a pair of Sox, 0 points for one Sox or a pair of socks]

260. Babe, are you heading out for the Alice’s Wonderland Returns exhibition at the Atlanta Botanical Garden looking like… that? Did you forget your queen of (garden) spades cosplay? [10 of ♠ points]

261. The List might not make you risk your life this year, but that does not mean no one gets to eat their last meal! Pick the most interesting UChicago persona and put together an interview by feeding them their (multi-course?) last meal in the best traditions of Josh Scherer’s Mythical Kitchen. [36 Mythical points for the humble righteous ones]

262. A beautiful marathon-style medal congratulating its owner on making it to Bart before rush hour. [9 Olympoints and a firm handshake]

263. Tired? Hungry? We get it. Good thing that this Scav we offer teams a mandatory ScavMagic™ membership! The ScavMagic™ membership is $free/week and will offer members one free local brownie delivery once per Scav in addition to other exciting VIP perks all Scav long, such as a smile with online orders and 100% off nationwide delivery orders. Unfortunately enough, our state-of-the-art website does not allow the teams to pick a delivery time, and the only employers we could find for InsomniaBrownies™ were Scavvies themselves, so be prepared to light up the assigned enemy’s HQ with one pan of a fresh batch of brownies within 2.5 hours of the Judges’ delivery order. [12 points for brownies that are Warm. Delicious. Delivered.]

264. A signed letter from a professional perfumer stating you smell delicious. [0 points, unless your perfumer is listed under “perfumers” on Fragrantica.com, and then 15 moderate-sillage, long-lasting, fruity floral points]

265. TBA. [10 points]

266. You know what is a problem with today’s society? The fact that cigar holders are made in such a way that I need a hand to hold the cigar holder that holds my cigar, completely defying its initial purpose. As such, I would like an ace-high cowboy hat adorned with a delightful Nicaraguan landscape that has a built-in stogie holder for my delightful Nicaraguan Padrón. And no catchpenny. [Max 20 puffs]

267. Us Judges like to give back, in part by performing much-needed replications of psychology studies. Send one Scavvie who likes apple juice to Bartlett Trophy Lounge at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday. [30 psychoints]
268. Would you eat them on a boat? Would you, could you, with a goat? Will you eat them in the rain? Or in the dark, or on a train? Would you, could you in a tree? Or in a car, that’d work for me! Would you try them in a box? Could you try them with a fox?

[2 points per condition, with an additional $2^x$ bonus points, where $x$ is the largest number of simultaneous conditions met]

269. Yes or no. [1 point]

270. Over the past few years, I’m afraid, I’ve noticed a terrible tragedy made. Though youngsters know all about Mister Columbus, It’s vanishingly few who know all about Wumbus! Kiddos today don’t know Yekk, Itch or Vroo, And sadly, an educator’s nothing to do! And so I’ve devised a most clever device, To educate sprogs at quite a small price, A “manual” of “monsters” all alphabetical With “stats,” illustrations, and text exegetical. So pick a creature, from Yuzz to Hi! And I’ll see you at Judgment, with a page right nearby.

(Bring us a monster manual entry with the whole shebang of a creature in “On Beyond Zebra”) [7 points]

271. A successful performance of the ‘double-hit’ technique to cheat at dice. [d100 points]

272. A laptop that only functions when upside down. Extra point if you can prove you’ve been using it for assignments/that it was like this before the Hunt even started. [20+1 points]

273. An encyclopedia. [25 – $n$ points, where $n$ is the number of years since the date on the volume. (One tenth the amount for providing an incomplete namby-pamby “Junior Encyclopedia” or “Encyclopedia of Dinosaurs”. It should encompass everything.)]

274. The original Borat manga. (In the original “Kazakh.”) [50 points] NOT! [5 points]

275. One cup that is 1 cup. [Three points that are 1 point]

276. One rod that is 1 rod. [One point that is 3 points]

277. One stone that is 1 stone. [32 Imperial pounds of metal, worth 3 points]

278. Beat The Judge. (He’s waiting in MADD. Ask for Judge Judge.) [9 Amiiboints]

279. A (preferably) unopened pack of badly translated genuine counterfeit trading cards. [6 points intact, 3 if not]

280. You’ve forgotten your death talisman [25 points] but luckily your buddy Thorgel is there to give you one at Judgment. Make sure to bring everything he asks for! [Judges will cover any missing items for the cost of .5 points per]

281. A lottery ticket for Saturday’s Powerball lottery. Must be submitted before the numbers are drawn. [4 points for the ticket minus 0.4 times the dollar value of your winnings]

282. On Saturday at 4:00 p.m., Judge *Torquigener albomaculosus* will be at 57th Street Beach looking for a mate, and she had best be impressed by you when she arrives. [11 “on the sand, not under the water” points]
A Scav Captain should always know the status of their team and be ready to provide assistance whenever necessary. But what if the team faces a crisis while the Captain is away from their HQ? For this purpose, the Captain always has their Portable Scav Command Center nearby. Contained in a briefcase or similarly important-looking container, the Portable Scav Command Center includes an item progress tracking system, miscellaneous small tools for last-minute item touch-ups, a locked or hidden compartment for sensitive materials, and an ominous red button to be pressed in event of a Scav emergency. [DEFCON 30 points]

Grippy dress socks! They’re dress socks but grippy! Don’t you understand? [3 points]

How can you prevent snakes (Judges) from entering your nest (HQ) and eating (criticizing) your eggs (Items)? Do as the genus *Anthoscoptus* does to foil the Judgeship’s hunt (HQ Visits) this year. [11 penduline points]

Forget Earth-like planets; your team has found a celestial body with the conditions we really need to survive: the necessary gravitational field and relative velocity to ensure that ten weeks on its surface correspond relativistically to nine weeks on Earth. Report the mass, location, and motion of your planet so that we can start sending out colony ships ASAP. [12 points for a hypothetical planet with the desired time dilation, 25 points for an actual recorded exoplanet. Show your work!]

A 3-minute-maximum YouTube video in which you acknowledge that your team’s behavior was unacceptable, pledge to learn from your mistakes, and promise it won’t happen again. [4 insincere, performative points]

Some people, of course, would argue that it’s much more effective (or just plain simpler) to split a complex thought into multiple sentences; we, however, disagree—if you aren’t supposed to write like this, why are there so many punctuation marks that serve this exact purpose? [5 points for the highest number of comma asides, parentheticals, semicolons, and em dashes on a single page of a (12pt, double-spaced) essay submitted for a grade before this year’s Hunt]

Through a series of linguistic questions, Josh Katz’s dialect survey is able to pinpoint your location to a frighteningly accurate degree. But to be honest, we don’t really care where the person we’re chatting with is from—what we need to know is if we might be talking to an econ major. [10 points for a quiz that can accurately pinpoint your major via questions about the words you use]

“Modeling the Venturi Effect in a UChicago Archway to Estimate the Minimum Weather Conditions Sufficient to Knock Over an Undergraduate (p<0.05)” [20 points for wind/water tunnel testing, 30 points for a software simulation]

Lori Lightroot. [1 point]

OK, you know how at Five Guys the walls are decorated with giant red and white quotes from regional publications praising their food in out-of-context snippets like “memorable sandwich”? We encourage you to do that but for your professor’s office or classroom, highlighting compliments from their course evaluations, book reviews, and other such published praise. [10 + 5 points burgers and froints]

Look, we’re not trying to armchair-diagnose anyone here, but that’s largely because there’s no Armchair DSM. UNTIL NOW! Contribute to the mental health profession and also the APA’s enormous material gain by developing psychiatric diagnoses for issues that might afflict armchairs. Because we’re being scientific here, each disorder you describe should come with diagnostic criteria, relevant modifiers, and a summary of risk factors. [1 point per diagnosis for up to 10 points total]

Boxed Monster Is Better. [1 point]

With the fiscal year coming to a close, your team’s stakeholders are clamoring for a copy of your annual report. Stunning photos, text, and infographics will demonstrate your team’s impact and make a powerful case for future investment. [10-K points]

Hexagonal buttocks, as are the style in Paris. (Triangular would do too, if you can manage it.) [6 points]
297. We don’t know what the mantis shrimp can see that we don’t, but we sure know we’d like to see a mantis shrimp Squishmellow. [15 squishy points]

298. Gift of Gab gave us “Alphabet Aerobics” and “Chemical Calisthenics.” You’ll give us “Metaphysics Marathons”! Really get that heart rate up—this track should be, at minimum, 90 bpm. [10 bpm points]

299. Inside you there are two wolves. Provide diagnostic imaging to prove it. [18 points, 0 points for voring a wolf]

300. Guess who’s back, back again? The sand-swimming golden mole’s back, tell a friend—with a trifold poster that would make your 3rd grade science teacher proud! Use lots of glitter glue and don’t forget to tell us where he’s been all this time. [7 points]

301. Join us on the Bartlett Quad at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday for the Great British Rake Off. [µ points]

302. The old UChicago Gothic font? Cool. The new preppy font? Boring. The secret third font, prepared by your team to embody the true spirit of UChicago? Only one way to find out. Make sure it’s ready for us to test out at Judgment. [4 dad its not a phase points]

303. The current location of Shelly Miscavige. [100 points]

304. Pondering my orb... my Vivienne Westwood orb... my Vivienne Westwood orb that answers me when I ask a question... [18 DBE RDI points]

305. You remember when you was young and you had to leave the family farm behind? The drought done dried everythin’ up, and Ma said it was time to go lookin’ for greener pastures. That farm was the only home you’d ever known. There was a berry patch round back you’d tend to. The only thing in your little life that had truly belonged to you. When it was time to pack up into the wagon, you shed more tears than the sky shed rain that year, so Ma gave you a bowl of cream to soften the blow. With some of them berries mixed in, the last from your patch. You ate it by the spoonful, too young to know if it was the berries that tasted bittersweet on your tongue, or the end of childhood? This is that. This tastes like that. [5 points]

306. Pete Davidson. [30 points]

307. If you’re cold, they’re cold. Wrap Judge Penguin in an appropriately-sized Scav temperature blanket that tracks the mood of your team over the Hunt. [9 warm and cuddly points]

308. Leave a tribute to Chicago’s Original Gangster, Big Jim, outside his old restaurant. We’ll need photographic evidence that Hinky Dink and Bathhouse were there to pay their respects, too. [8 points]

309. Send one member of your team to the front entrance of the Reynolds Club at 7:45 a.m. on Friday to stop and look around a while. [Φ points]

310. A damp squib. [7 points]

311. Subway? No, dubway. Beats, fresh. Have your sandwich artist whip up a dubstep track as an ode to the submarine sandwich. [6$ footlong]

312. The TSA has announced their newest anti-terrorism measure: all passengers must travel through the Nine Gates of Airport Hell before reaching their terminal. Provide a drawing of the entrance and a description of each gate and the airport sin it punishes. [9 TSA Pre-Checked Points]

313. Forget the treadmill, help Polypterus reach their full evolutionary potential through an ’80s jazzercise video! [4 repeat after me points]

314. Turns out Panera Charged Lemonade is lemonade that can kill you, but have you seen the groovy new marketing materials for the Chick-fil-A Plant-Based Milkshake? Surely there’s no hidden surprises there. [4.20 points]
315. How high is your spice tolerance? We’ll let the Monster Hell Ramen, XXXX, and Pho’s Spicier Thai Challenges be the judges of that... [5 points per challenge]

316. NYT presents... Tiny Scav Stories! [4 Modern Scav points]

317. Otherwise known as “the Pitbull of the Midwest” and “the King of Logan Square,” Weimaraner is the hottest local act who’s ready to rock. But he needs a promo reel of his latest Chicago-inspired party anthems, and he’s asked your Scav team for help! You wouldn't want to disappoint Mr. 773, now, would you? [I know you want 7.73 points]

318. All hail the mighty cat. Donate for blessings. Steal for curses. [ points]

319. A bowl of custom-designed matchbooks welcoming the Judges to your HQ. [9 points]

320. You found this humerus. [30 elbow j(p)oints]

321. Someone tried to autograph your head this morning? You’d better show us that rash, Mr. Sack! [8 Peanuts]

322. A bearded tit, baked by Cedric Grolet. [15 bearded points]

323. A bearded tit, painted by Botero. [14 bearded points]

324. A bearded tit, knitted by you :) [13 bearded knoints]

325. He came, he saw, he con-curd, baby! Caesar crossed the Rubicon for world domination, Scavvies cross TSA for a pint of Beecher’s “World’s Best” Mac & Cheese. Same difference. [8 World’s Best points]

326. An M&M wrapper Eminem rapper. [8 Detroints]

327. Introducing: Scav Fashion Week 2024! Oh wait... Scav is only four days long? 😊 Okay, maybe just one show on Friday then. Get your designers, reporters, photographers, and models ready for the Scav × Harper Finkle Spring 2024 Haute Couture Collection! Don’t forget that no show would be complete without your fashion house’s Instagram previews, product seeding, and presence at the most exclusive afterparty of the year. At the end of the day, everything is up to your teams when you can get all the fashion from your wildest dreams. If you’re at the Reg at 7, you’ll be glued to your seats. Because everything is not what it seems... [Σ points]

328. Disco ball-ify any item on the List. [5 points]

329. De visdeurbel eekhoorndeurbel. [15 punten]

330. Yeah, Jewel-Osco has your extra spicy, your extra toasty, your extra big Cheez-Its, but where are your 100,000 SHU, just below burnt, triple XL Cheez-Its? [13 Cheezy points]

331. 7 kohakutou chakra stones [and 7 points in return]

332. It’s time for the annual Westminster Kennel Club Pet Rock Show!! BYOR(ock) to the Bartlett Quad at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday. [Best in Shoints]

333. A scrapbook of your team Djunkelskög, complete with pictures of him accompanying you everywhere. [10 Djunkelskoints]

334. Don’t you want to impress the Judges at HQ Visits? Why are all of your hinges so plain? Haven’t you got any hinge heads??? [5 points]

335. 2024 Outs: Betty Boop angels. Ins: Betty Boop Sonny Angels. [5 Boop-Oop-a-Doints]

336. Today’s red carpet demands bold looks with tasteful side, under, and/or upper boob. But with great fashion comes great risk. Designers, your challenge this Scav is to create a pair of reusable, skin-safe googly eye nipple pasties that will transform any accidental nip slip into an eye-opening red carpet moment. The higher the quality of googling, the higher the reward (of points). [B11bz points]

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