Trump comes to Minneapolis

Trump hopes to turn Minnesota red

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Speaking to supporters at a rally Oct. 10 at Target Center, President Donald Trump began his speech by telling the crowd he will turn Minnesota red in 2020.

“For the next 13 months, we are going to fight with all of our heart and soul, and we are going to win the great state of Minnesota,” Trump said.

According to sophomore Ben Olson, he had a great experience at the rally, despite getting there four hours before it began.

“I got there really early so it was kind of boring at first when I was waiting in line for a while, but once I got in it was actually really fun. Everyone was super nice. Everyone was just excited,” Olson said. “The atmosphere was great and the people were great, too.”

According to sophomore Sophie Chenvert, people need to focus more on Trump’s policies than his personality. Chenvert said if she could vote in the upcoming election, she would vote for Trump.

“I would vote for Trump. I think he can be rude about some things, but I agree with some of his political views, but others I completely disagree with,” Chenvert said. “They need to focus less on his personality (and) more on politics.”

In an Instagram post Sept. 27, Minneapolis Mayor Jacob Frey said in most cases Minneapolis would welcome the Trump supports to turn Minnesota Red, continued on page 2

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A number of Park students joined masses of protesters outside of Target Center, where President Donald Trump was holding a rally.

Senior Yoni Potter said he hoped to share his objections against Trump by attending the anti-Trump protest.

“His values conflict entirely with mine, and I wanted to share that,” Potter said.

Potter said he supports protesting because it highlights controversy in the United States.

“There is a great value (in protesting) because it shows people that there is a lot of opposition (in our country),” Potter said.

Junior Xiomara Leon said it is crucial to speak out against representatives that individuals don’t agree with.

“It’s really important (to protest Trump), because a lot of people don’t really like him,” Leon said.

Leon said while protest is important, it’s also necessary for Democrats and Republicans to communicate with each other instead of fighting.

“(Both parties) have to find better ways to communicate,” Leon said.

“Trump supporters were coming out and a lot of us were (cursing) and hitting them,” Leon said.

According to Potter, the right to protest is a key part in political advocacy.

“It’s super important to use our rights and to show our values and beliefs,” Potter said.

New turf to be placed inside track field

Track field to be renovated over the summer

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After playing on the grass field inside of the track, sophomore football player John Swindlehurst said many injuries were sustained due to the worn-down field.

“Over the summer, we had a lot of injuries because there were a bunch of potholes and the grass got too long. Turf would prevent it,” Swindlehurst said.

According to athletic director Andrew Ewald, because of the damage, the track field isn’t suitable to play on.

“The field is worn-down, it’s lost its crown,” Ewald said. “Most grass fields have a crown in the middle so that when it rains, the water runs off.”

Sophomore Adam Gips said future turf installations will negatively affect the track team.

“If you’re warming up on the turf and you get these black pellets from the turf on your spikes, you’ll run slower and it hurts,” Gips said.

Ewald said turf considers athletes’ safety.

“It would be a safer field to play on because the surface will be consistent, and if it’s raining, it won’t affect whether you can use the field,” Ewald said.

Junior Danny Walsh said the new turf will reduce accidents while training.

“The grass won’t have divots to roll an ankle on,” Walsh said. “Although it’s pretty expensive to install, I think there’s nothing but advantages.”

The turf will be installed during summer break, according to Ewald.
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Senior uses music to influence kids
Ethan Deetz hopes to turn his talent into a lifelong hobby

Ethan Deetz, senior
How did you start producing music? (My brother referred me to the musical sensibilities and moused with the software in the business, making music in our free time. I played the drums and my brother played the base guitar, among other things.)

Why is this something you’re passionate about? I’m passionate about music (because being able to fulfill others’ emotional experiences is a good bonding experience with others. It really brings everyone closer together, and it is fun too.)

What was the main reason you wanted to teach kids how to produce music? I’ve been doing freelance music production and running my own business (because I wanted to make a buck. I know a lot of the kids I teach come from lower-income areas and don’t have the proper tools or good equipment to get them started. I wanted to give them an opportunity to learn creative expression.)

At what age did you start producing music?

Music for all: Senior Ethan Deetz works to produce music at his studio in Minneapolis. Deetz also teaches kids how to make music by a program funded by Prince.

I started recording in Ableton Live, which is the software I used to make music when I was around 13 and look back at that time taking some seriously doing freelance work and looking at music as a potential career opportunity toward the end of sophomore year. I’ve been working on that nonstop ever since.

How did you get to work with the foundation Prince funded to teach music? It all started when I was at the May Day Parade. I really liked the idea of having a Park program that would provide not just musical education, but also classes in business, art and academic education. It’s a great job. I love the kids I work with and it’s a great experience.

How has producing music made an impact on you and what do you hope to achieve through music? I would say it’s the foreword, it’s given me music for my creative expression. Secondly, it’s given me a community to bond with. It’s kind of hard to describe, but when you work with people in music, everyone gets involved in the project, it’s just to make everyone’s life a little better by making them (can listen to)...

What are some of your memorable moments while producing music? Just the fact that my music has manifested with a half a million people or has been streamed to half a million times over the different artists that I work with is crazy. (Teaching) is really the most satisfying just because the kids that I work with gave me feedbacks when I started, and that natural curiosity gives me energy. I’m fortunately able to have a lot of cool people support you with a good deal of capital.

Junior’s photography displayed at local business
Sota Clothing hosts photo competition
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Junior Erin Broussard said the opportunity for local photographers to display their work at Sota Clothing is a good way to connect a diverse community.

“It is a way for the community to come together, because there are a lot of local photographers and you can meet new people. It is just a cool way to show off the city,” Broussard said.

According to Karena Johnson, ware house and customer service manager for Sota Clothing, the photo contest is a way to interact with the community.

With the (photographers) having a platform to express their creativity through the work they get from the contest and give them an opportunity to share it with everyone else,” Johnson said. The contest was run through Sota Clothing’s social media and they are thankful for another competition in the spring.

Birderfield expands impact on Park

Clothing Closet offers students clothing, personal care items
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The Clothing Closet is in place to help students and families.

“Clothing Closet is in place to help students and families. Rosu said. “They’re ready to come to us to learn, not think about food on their next meal.”

Birderfield is expanding to include a place for students to access clothes and personal care items called the Clothing Closet. According to junior Hope Kilcrease, a manager of the Clothing Closet, many different people can do that.

“We have people donate that go to the school and (people) come in and just bring random items,” Kilcrease said.

According to Rosu, the Clothing Closet is basically a thrift store on Park Campus.

“The Clothing Closet is in place for students who don’t have resources can come and get personal care items for themselves,” Kilcrease said.

Senior Hayden Hahn, who is another manager of the Clothing Closet, said it helps and doesn’t overwhelm students that come in need.

“I like, because it’s an anonymous way for students to pick up clothing for free,” Hahn said.

ACE seeks new members
A new Architecure Construction Engineering student organization is looking for students to join the group.

“I think the small group could be good,” Shakaruk said. “You get less one-on-one attention from the mentors and the teachers.

DECA heads to Timberwolves field trip
Business teacher and co-adviser of DECA, Abigail Lags, said the club is taking students to a Timberwolves game to look at the business aspect of a sports team.

“We are going to see what is to run the Timberwolves games, but on the business side of it, so students will get an in-depth look.”

Five more students could go, Shakaruk said. “They have to apply for a scholarship and write a letter about why they want to go, what they want to get out of it.”
The 2019 city election unraveled

Neighbors become candidates

City elections focus on local problems

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Senior Isaac Wahl, who plans on voting in the upcoming election, said he believes it is essential for young people to vote in order to make their voices known.

"It’s important for high schoolers to vote because we’re the very conscience of what’s going on in the world today," Wahl said. "We’re all affected by a lot of the world’s problems directly because we’re a large group of students. We’re exposed to a lot of different types of people, situations and opinions." 

Lucas Wrede, a 2018 Park alum, said he plans to come back to town and vote despite currently living in Alaska, and urge high school students to vote.

"Local elections can be you making your own decisions based on meeting and getting to know the candidates to person," Wrede said. "That’s something super valuable that we don’t get to experience in any other kind of election."

According to election special for your education and outreach Michael Sand, this year's city elections will take place Nov. 3 — with early voting beginning in September — and will feature ranked choice voting for the first time.

"In terms of how you vote on the ballot, you can rank up to three choices, so a first choice, a second choice and a third choice," Sand said.

Wrede said local candidates are interested in the community and have a stronger connection to voters.

"Citizens are important because the people you elect are your neighbors. They are people that are generally involved in every decision that is made in the community," Wrede said. "They are just as involved as you are, so it’s important to get the right people in office." 

Wahl said students should take advantage of their right to vote and voice their opinions through the ballot box.

"We have the freedom and privilege to vote," Wahl said, "So it’s really important to do your own research and take the responsibility to go out and vote."
New sport drives hope for growth

Senior creates local pickup league

Students’ desire to play continues post season

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enter Nick Ridley said he was upset after the end of his high school soccer career, so when the team bided, Ridley came up with the idea to create a free pickup league, using Instagram.

“It just made as an Instagram account, because I had an account and I got a few people to follow it,” Ridley said.

Senior Mohamed Mohammed, Ridley’s former teammate, said while they are not a strong team, the pickup game gives them a chance to re-unite.

“Pickup is for everyone, whether you play soccer or not,” Mohammed said.

“We have a couple people from foot-

Volleyball moves onto Section finals

NPX10: 0-0 to advance onto next match

Tobias Rhodes and Avery Ponton promote the volleyball team's upcoming match at MHSchool.

As a senior and captain Malakai Withrow realized her team had won the state championship against Benilde-St. Margaret’s, putting the team’s record at 25-3, she said the team was crazy.

“I am super happy about the outcome,” Withrow said. “I think personally did really well. I’ve been focusing every hard in the game.”

Although the team had a rough start, coach Whitney Minor-Warren said it was able to find its footing and take the lead.

“They’re really proud of us being able to handle the match in their sera,” Minor-Warren said. “We started a new rivalry but

Cross country team participates in Nike Cross Regionals race

Team heads to Sioux Falls

Tobias Rhodes and Avery Ponton promote the volleyball team’s upcoming match at MHSchool.

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hree boys and girls cross country teams will travel to Sioux Falls to participate in the Nike Cross Regionals, an annual gathering of high school cross country runners from all over the Heartland region.

Senior captain Caraahn Prinsenfeldt and Kais Myers have organized the team every year for the past three years. Prinsenfeldt explained that it would be a great way to get fellow runners together.

“Last year and starting pushed our interest in the future three years ago and we heard about it from other runners. It seemed like a fun opportunity,” Prinsenfeldt said.

“I really like that the (two) competing teams get to be friendly with each other,” Shope said.

For future games, Hagen said he wants to improve race strategy and increase mobility on the field.

“We need to have better movement, more consistency, and (more) the disk spacers,” Hagen said. “We need to ensure we’re hitting every player that’s open, not just the person you want to catch it.”

According to Ryan, new players positively influenced the team’s effort and the outcome of the game. She believed each player competed, even without previous experience.

“Every individual was pushing themselves,” Ryan said. “Even new players really got a whole their time we got to the third set we were comfortable.”

Junior Harlow Jordan said she appreciated their performance improved.

“We started strong but that was just nerves,” Howard said. “We really heated up through set two and played good.”

According to Minor-Warren, she hopes to see the team continue to be composed on the course.

“If we were able to push our control in the first set, we end up getting better at the course,” Minor-Warren said. “I think in our runners in the first set got the best of us. I’d really like to see us get more strong.”

The team will play in the Section final match won No. 2 against Bloomington Jefferson at Bloomington Jefferson High School.

As of press time, the team had not yet played in the Class 2 match.

What do you think you would need to improve on to get better?”

I would say get a little bit stronger because there been a couple of times where (being physical) has been a challenge for me. What has been the hardest part of this season? The hardest part of the season would say (the team’s) spirit down and when everyone gets mad and doesn’t talk to each other on the field. We need (are) working on that, and it’s going great.

Do you have a favorite memory while playing soccer? This summer I was playing in the USA Cup and we won. We played against a few teams from Jamaica and it was fun.

How was your season? The season was great. We won our first game against (Oct. 1-6) against Cooper and we had another game against Washburn and that’s a pretty good win to us. It’s a great feeling to win.
White extremists target teens
Social media recruits white males
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She warned that white supremacist
recruiting white males through social
media using 15 tweets in the span of almost
an hour. The tweets suggest that they don’t
publish in detail. Throughout her tweets, Schroeder
views that “social media and messaging are active
tools for recruiting and are used in white
teen studies) to turn them into right-wing
radicalism.”

The boys consume media with inappropriate
themes, and end up getting called for their
views. They then turn to media,
conveying themes of “people being too
sensitive.” The posts emphasize this with
them as no longer able to criticize groups
such as women, feminists, liberals, people
of color or LGBTQ people.

Schroeder brings valid concerns to light,
which need to actively take into
consideration. When making decisions about
the media youth should view, it
is important to focus on its,
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Deborah connections
The Constitution should be a document that
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Superpowers aren’t just for Marvel heroes

‘Superpower Dogs,’ a treat for animal enthusiasts

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Since the birth of the internet, people have been captivated by animal videos. However, Daniel Ferguson’s Superpower Dogs finds a way to combine cool with cute in an exciting 47-minute documentary about dogs with “superpowers.”

Chris Evans, who plays Captain America in the Marvel Cinematic Universe, narrates the documentary. The Minnesota Science Museum’s newly renovated Omnitheater is showing the documentary through Jan. 5.

Although the movie covers six dogs itcenters around one dog named Halo, a Dutch shepherd. The movie first follows Halo as she learns to become a search and rescue dog. As the run of her litter, Halo is already the underdog, no pun intended. This made the movie more relatable, and seeing Halo learn to save people’s lives after disasters and helping clear them from rubble was inspiring.

The movie then travels to Italy to find Reef, a Newfoundland lifeguard dog undergoing training. As the audience watches, he saves two people to the iconic song “The Ecstasy of Gold” by Ennio Morricone.

This song, added by the speakers of the Omnitheater, not only creates a sense of suspense, but it also provides an almost western thriller experience.

Similar to Halo, another search and rescue dog Henry helps save victims from avalanches and is reminiscent of movies like “Point Break.” This thrill-seeking border collie hangs out of a helicopter, flying to save people.

Ricochet, a golden retriever whose role is almost polar opposite to Henry, is a therapy dog for soldiers and special needs children. Ricochet sheds light on much sadder issues that dogs can help alleviate.

This switch in tones between dogs gives a realistic feel to the movie, bringing it back down to earth.

Tippin and Tony, the final two dogs are bloodhounds found in Kenya. Their job is to use their advanced sense of smell to help protect endangered species by finding poachers and thieves.

By using actors such as Evans for the narration, and adding special effects to highlight these dogs’ abilities, this movie felt like a superhero movie. Although merely about dogs, it was a cute and exciting film.