Changing perspectives
This drink marks the end of Pandora. While we all know how this event changes our worlds during the week. Only few know the effects on a Pandora member on the entire world.

As a participant, you’re looking out for hidden puzzles, random hints and your life at all time. As a committee member, you can look at a tortoise documentary and think of a puzzle. Every element of everyday-life is transformed into a what-if. What if bees can be a puzzle? What if I make potatoes into a puzzle? What if this cooking recipe was made into a puzzle? What if I chug this beer, can I become a puzzle? You know what, I’m gonna make this marble track for kids into a puzzle.

While this may sound stupid and exaggerated, take a look at the archive, think back on this Pandora. Almost all puzzles are based on hobbies and daily encounters of Pandora members who had a random thought: “What if?”. Personally, I was a member of the previous Pandora committee. And still, 12 month later, I look at everyday objects and suddenly realize all the puzzle-potential it offers.

And while this new perspective in life is not a bad thing, it might even boost my overall creativity. But sadly, it does become painful when you know that your amazing puzzle won’t be used in next Pandora. That making the puzzle won’t make anybody happy, and that you’re only fooling yourself. So next time you see a former Pandora committee member gaze at a random object, ask him about the puzzle. Make their day 😊

Critical Thinking Brought To Practice
From Peter Willem
Today marks the end of Pandora, a week full of running around on campus, possibly a drink or two, but most importantly, puzzling! Long story short, if you participated, you have been grinding your gears all week. When looking back at these seven days of fun, you must have come to one particular need: The need for critical thinking.

As students at the university, the need for critical thinking has always been apparent. However, this need has become more important following the start of some of our Theme researches or Research projects. I too have been busy with one of these. Moreover, I have found that this practice is hindering me from my day-to-day life. Namely, in the last few weeks I have been wondering why things in nature are coloured the way they are.

It all started with a Reddit post displaying a type of bird with blue feet (icts.v.nl/duck). This type of bird had enough resemblance to a duck for me to start reevaluating the nature of ducks. Logically, I began by considering their brightly coloured orange bill and feet. I wondered why evolution had clearly put an advantage in short-necked waterfowl possessing orange bills and feet.

Uninterestingly, the answer is that the diet of male ducks - drakes - should consist of meals that bring in sufficient vitamins, primarily carotenoids. As you might recognize, the word of an oddly familiar orange coloured vegetable remains in that vitamin: Carrot. To keep it concise, female ducks - hens - desire breeding partners that either have: a strong immune system, getting more out of those vitamins, or a strong sense for hunting, getting more out of those vitamins.

Long story short, hopefully this anecdote has awakened your critical thought process and hopefully one day you may also think: Why?

Bartenders’ blog
From the teppers
Here we stand, together as two members of the Board Fort-EThree team of Pandora. What a week it has been, with not that much sleep. Puzzling until deep in the night and then having room duty again at 9 is not something I would recommend. I think most people at this drink have the same experience of a lack of sleep.

Not everything in this week was about Pandora. While a lot of people did not do anything for their studies this week, some of them even got grades back that gave them a Bachelor of Science. Next to that, there was also a meeting of the Summer Sounds (hype! Keep the afternoon and evening of the 8th of July and the morning of the 9th free) at 9 in the morning, while everyone except for the person planning the meeting participated in Pandora :(. Or think of the GMM during a week of Pandora, which resulted in the association buying association ties in a new design. And we even had a secretary at our GMM! In short,
a week full of different things than only Pandora.

Now I am done with writing since we have to build up the Abscint. The rest of this blog will be short so that you can start with yet another puzzle. Yes, Pandora is over, but still the puzzling doesn't stop. You can free us of 10 delicious beers by being the first to solve the puzzle. Good luck!

Life in the committee room

From the Pandora committee

It’s 9:44 in the morning. You have had 5 hours of sleep because yesterday you decided you wanted to stay for “one more drink” in the room because it was so much fun. Now you sit there in a smelly room staring out of the window, contemplating the life choices you have made. This is the life of the Pandora committee morning crew!

Aside from the tiresome morning, the Pandora committee had many fun times in the committee room. Organizing the last things necessary for the puzzle hunt, but also watching movies and having some drinks made this week terribly busy but nonetheless very enjoyable. At the C.A.K.E. (Consuming & Assessing Kitchen Establishments) drink, many participating teams had assembled their best cooks and baked the most creative and tasty cakes ever seen! In the evenings, the teams were busy with trying to solve the first 5 puzzles to get the time bonus. After these 5, the committee room became more fun by the hour. The Pandora committee has received many presents in the form of coziness, food, drinks and more. When providing the possibility to earn bonus points, all teams do their best to please the committee! After these fun, late hours, the morning crew goes to sleep. Of course, they have to get up at 9 again...

Inter-/Actief/ congratulates...

Egbert Dijkstra BsC.

The 44th candidate board of Inter-Actief on achieving a bachelor’s degree

From the candidate praeses

For many students, especially those who are active within a study association, EC’s are often hard to come by. So how do you balance your study with a healthy social life, and achieve your goal of receiving your bachelor’s degree? The seven candidate board members of Inter-Actief have much experience in this, so you should follow their example. Here is an overview of their progress towards their own bachelor degree.

/Disclaimer: of the seven candidate board members, none have a bachelor's degree./

Oliver: 120 EC / (Fourth year)/
Maarten: 165 EC / (Third year)/
Jochem: 0 EC / (Fourth year)/
Quirijn: 87 EC / (Second year)/
Wout: 165 EC / (Third year)/
Niels: 135 EC / (Third year)/
Mariska: 84 EC / (Second year)/

Public Void Puzzle();

Every public void close() contains a puzzle to exercise your mind. And being a former Pandora committee member, I saw this as the ultimate opportunity to make one last Pandora puzzle. I admit, it might be a little harder than the usual PVC drink, but you’ve been practicing :)

If you need some more motivation: the first person or group to hand over the correct solution to the bartenders will receive eleven free drinks from the bartenders!

Shaping relations

Example: $a = c$

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See you next Friday Afternoon drink!