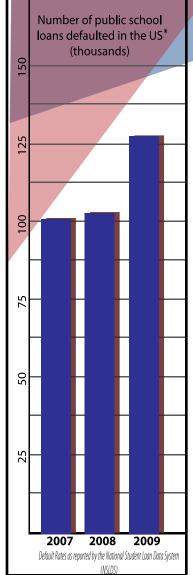


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STUDENTS IN DEFAULT Harsh realities of a tough economy





By Leah Esslinger Staff Writer

Nothing's worse than being a poor student ... unless you're a poor student in a bad economy. Student loan defaults reached 4.5 percent in 2003, after steadily dropping during the '90s. In the current financial crisis, student defaults are following the same trends as other forms of debt: they are on the rise.

At the end of 2009, loan defaults hit \$50.8 billion, a 30-percent jump from the previous year. The Chronicle of Higher Education reports that "one in every five government loans that entered repayment in 1995 have gone into default." The rate is higher for those who attend two-year institutions but it is the for-profit schools that really fail.

These for-profit institutions are the epicenter of the loan debacle, which accounts for a only 26 percent of borrowers, but 43 percent of defaulters as reported by The New York Times. For-profit colleges, such as Everest Institute, have been accused of charging maximum expense. They do not, however, offer highly marketable skills necessary for the increasingly competitive job market, earning them the moniker as a "diploma mill." Forprofits defend themselves by asserting most of their students are low-income minorities and are often the first in their families to seek out higher education. Three-fourths of their students are employed full-time. These char-

are employed full-time. These characteristics are often correlated with high dropout rates which, according to FAFSA, are the leading cause of student debt.

Although the numbers are not as dra-

prevent the harsh penalties that may fall upon those in default. The government has the right to garnish wages and deplete bank accounts with little or no notice. They can put liens on any property owned by students or their parents if they co-signed on the loan. Failure to understand the terms of an agreement will not avert these consequences. Figuring out how to prevent default is the best course of action.

It is important to understand that applying for government loans is the easiest way to go. Federal loan interest rates are capped at 6.8 percent, while private loans do not cap interest rates.

Although it is important to consider future salaries, it also pays to know about Public Service Loan Forgiveness. This program offers forgiveness of debt to people who work in low-paying - but vital - positions like law enforcement and public health. As with any loan, be sure to contact the lending institution if a monthly payment will be missed. Most institutions are willing to work with students. Deferment and forbearance are also popular options, but use them wisely as both deferment and forbearance do not prevent a loan from collecting interest. The most critical step one can take is to make sure to graduate. That is the best way to make a loan worth it.

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matic, the rise in community college defaults is also a cause for concern. The Chronicle of Higher Education says that the 15-year default rate for community college students is 31 percent, which is only 9-percent less than the 15-year default rates at for-profit colleges. This is especially concerning because only 10 percent of community college students took out any loans. When asked to explain these numbers, the Career College Association President, Harris N. Miller responded, "Four-year public and non-profit colleges and universities have more affluent populations." He added that the Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS) further complicates the issue because it is mostly awarded to parents of students who go to traditional universities.

Some experts believe private financial institutions are partially to blame for student debt. There may be some validity to this argument but it does not

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The chaos, the devastation, and everything afterwards

By Ian Mark

STAFF WRITER Hurricane Irene made landfall late this August, rampaging across the East Coast. According to The New York Times, there was at least \$7 billion in property damages and 55 people were killed. While not on the same level as Katrina, which leveled New Orleans in 2006, the hurricane was nothing to be taken lightly.

The Hurricane's path was predicted to stretch from the Carolinas to Cape Cod, putting an estimated 65 million people at risk, according to MSNBC Residents along the

coast stocked extra amounts of food and prepared by boarding up their houses and businesses. Shelters were organized and hundreds of thousands of people evacuated the area. Mayors and governors urged people to take the hurricane seriously, even though it was classified as Category 1. Fifteen states declared a state of emergency, mass transit was shut down and mandatory evacuations were ordered for low-lying areas of some states. Oddly enough, many New Yorkers said the city felt more relaxed and had a "community feel" before the storm hit, according to The New York Times. The storm made landfall in North Carolina on August 27. While Irene did not directly



hit South Carolina, gales ripped across the state, knocking out power and uprooting trees. The storm continued up the coast, raging through North Carolina and Virginia. The hurricane created several tornadoes, which obliterated homes and overturned cars.

The Mid-Atlantic States were hit the hardest by the storm, particularly New Jersey. Many drowned and thousands were left homeless when rivers flooded. High winds also plagued the state, knocking down electrical poles and leaving thousands without electricity. Getting the power grid back together proved to be very difficult due to the extensive flooding. New York also suffered quite a beating from the hurricane as

the Hudson River overflowed into much of the city. Sewage plants were overwhelmed causing overflow and polluting the area. Dams failed, leaving parts of the state in over eight feet of water and isolating many areas. According to The New York Times, DJ Big Jay Fink stayed on the air for 13 hours, spreading information about shelters and playing soothing music. "I didn't want sad songs, I didn't want happy songs," he

a quarter-of-a-million people in Quebec without power, according to CBC.

So was all the hype about the storm warranted? One student, Christa Bloxsom, said "I know lots of people along the East Coast, and they said it was no big deal."

It has been claimed that the storm was overblown and overhyped. People still died and many more could have lost their lives if there had been less diligence in warning about the storm. Irene was responsible for an estimated \$7 billion in damage. If everybody had simply scoffed at learning the hurricane was only a Category 1, it is hard to imagine the damage the storm could have caused.

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In our news

By RAMON RAZO

National news

A Michigan man was found mauled to death by a bear in Yellowstone National Park on August 25. The death was the second that month prior to 2011, bear-related deaths had not occurred in Yellowstone for over 25 years. Authorities say that John Wallace was likely killed on a solo hike as he passed through the Mary Mountain trail, due to the abundances of animal carcasses that die over the winter.

In July, a couple was attacked by a mother bear who park authorities say was protecting her cub. The couple was attacked eight miles from where Wallace's body was found.

The park also reported nine grizzly bear-related injuries, almost doubling last year's total.

College students of Linn State Technical University were greeted with a new, legally questionable policy when returning to the Missouri school. The new policy requires all students to undergo mandatory drug screenings. An ACLU lawsuit claims that the drug screenings violate students' civil rights and the restraining order placed on the program will remain until a court hearing can be scheduled. Federal and state courts have consistently upheld student drug tests, such as public school students who play sports and students at private schools.

Regional news

Adnan Hana, a local business man, was among the 13 arrested in connection with an international car theft ring. The ring operated by obtaining rental cars and SUVs, then driving them illegally to Canada where they would eventually be shipped and sold in Iraq

The thieves left behind a v paper trail, which included car agreements and police reports. "Criminals should be aware that just because they are transcending international borders doesn't mean the investigation will stop there," said U.S. Attorney Barbara McQuade.

The 13 suspects were arrested on charges of conspiracy to transport stolen goods. The arrests came after a two-year investigation dubbed "Operation: Hot Wheels." Authorities are also on the lookout for a 14th suspect.

Local news

In mid-August, authorities arrested Robert Paul Miller on suspicion of arson. The first fire was at 11:30 p.m. in Sherwood Village trailer park located on Old Michigan Avenue, southeast of Michigan Avenue and Haggerty. At 8 a.m. the next day, another mobile home was set ablaze. The first home's resident was in the process of moving out but was not home at the time. The Canton Fire Dept. told reporters that the destruction was confined to one room, although much of the house suffered smoke damage. The second house, which was vacant, became uninhabitable due to the devestation. Miller was arrested August 23 on unrelated warrants out of Washtenaw County. A tip to the authorities connected Miller to the fires in Sherwood Village. Judge Michael Gerou of the 35th District Court refused to lower Miller's bond totaling \$100 thousand after Miller admitted to his criminal history, including domestic violence and larceny.

said, "I wanted songs about being together."

The storm continued along the coast, even reaching into Canada. While New York and New Jersey were hit the worst, every state along the East Coast suffered casualties and experienced widespread flooding. Irene also managed to leave

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Trade school vs. college The two-sided coin of America's educational venues

By TODD WALSH

As hard times hit America, people young and old are heading off to college. The reasons are legion, whether it is for self-betterment or for the chance at getting a new career. However, some are taking a different route in the form of trade schools. In 2010, 18 million people registered for college while about 1 million registered at trade schools.

Trade schools, or vocational schools, are where students learn a particular trade like plumbing, electrical or automotive skills. It is often a lot more hands-on than college and instead of a degree, students receive a certificate. In college, students may study a subject like math, science, philosophy, psychology or English. After the required fields are complete, that person is given a degree in recognition of having met the academic requirements of their field.

Trade schools can have advantages over college. In trade school, people only take classes that are needed for their profession. For example, John Devore, an apprentice plumber only takes classes geared towards plumbing. College, on the other hand, requires students to take a variety of classes that contribute to a well-rounded education regardless of major. Trade schools are also usually less expensive than colleges and cost an average of \$5,000.

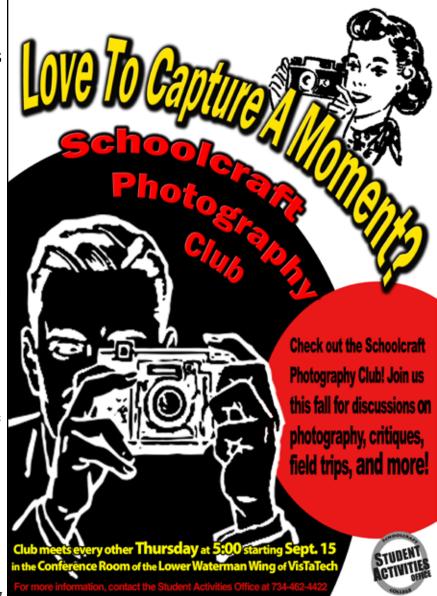
Completing trade school is usually faster than college, with most programs only taking two years or less to complete. However, to really utilize your chosen trade, you are still going to need some experience under your belt.

Even though trade school can seem like an ideal learning environment, college has its perks too. A major benefit is career options. A trade school student only focuses on one subject matter, while a college student can study several. For example, a student who gets an English degree can do many things like become a writer or a journalist. Even though many students are put off by the fact they pay for classes they will likely never use, they get the chance to try something new. Peter Smith, a Schoolcraft student, wanted to become an artist. In order to get a degree in art, he had to take a science class. He chose geology. After taking the class, he realized how much geology interested him and decided

to instead major in geology. College opens the mind to new ideas and possibilities.

Students choose to go to different schools for different reasons. Some go because they are interested in a certain field. Others want to learn more marketable skills. Automotive technicians can make over \$20 an hour and a plumber can charge up to \$85 an hour. Some students also choose to go to vocational schools because they do not think they can handle college.

Many students go to college because it is the only place that offers courses that interests them. Kelsey Liepa is going to college for animal therapy. There's no animal therapy at a trade school. Most college students have likely been told before that college is fundamental to their future, and that a college degree is one of the most important things in life to achieve.



The bottom line is that vocational schools offer a plethora of hands-on jobs that can pay well. They are also slightly cheaper than a traditional four-year school and present an alternative to the typical campus world. Traditional college, on the other hand, typically offers a chance at a high-paying job in exciting careers. It all comes down to the student's choice. We can never have too many geologists and we can never have too many plumbers.

The end of print as we know it Are e-books a blessing or a danger?

By Colin Hickson Staff Writer

If "Terminator" and uncountable episodes of "The Twilight Zone" and "The Outer Limits" have taught us anything, it's that advancing technology is not always a good thing. The conception of the e-book came in 1971 with the creation of a digitized copy of the Declaration of Independence and the first consumer products were debuted in the late '90s. Since then, e-books have steadily gained in popularity. By April of 2011, Amazon was selling 105 e-books for every 100 printed books, a stunning development that has sent the publishing industry scrambling. In case you don't know, e-books (short for electronic books) are digitalized publications consisting of the contents of a regular book, such as illustrations and texts, that can be downloaded and read on a computer or any other electronic device. In recent years, large numbers of buyers have been getting them through outlets like Amazon and Barnes & Noble and they are being used by publishers like Penguin Press. E-books are downloaded on devices such as tablets, cell phones and e-readers like the Nook or Kindle. They have made reading easier for people for a number of ways - one advantage is that e-books never go

out of print and so you don't have a hard to find books like the "Shivers" series. Something this good surely can't have any negative consequences, right?

Wrong. This year, many book lovers lost a great proprietor when Borders Group filed for bankruptcy in February. The bookseller was liquidated by September. While there are many reasons for why this happened (such as poor management on their part), one noteworthy reason is that people are buying more e-books than ever. As a result, Borders bookstores everywhere had a going-out-of-business sale, selling whatever was left on the shelves ... and then selling the shelves. And if you grew up shopping at Borders, you were probably shocked that a nationwide chain like that would simply close shop. This is not the only negative effect e-books have. The massive online retailer Amazon goes so far as to actually force people to sign a license to allow them to purchase e-books, basically restricting the reader's freedom with what they can do with the

books they purchase. Critics see this as an unnecessary measure. These are e-books, not the latest Lady Gaga mp3.

As more media become compatible platforms, e-books are proving to be a hazard on their own with their popularity and licensing agreements. In fact, since their inception, many critics have expressed an extreme dislike for e-books and there is growing backlash toward the technology. Writer Ray Bradbury, who penned the dystopian classic "Fahrenheit 451," believes that "there is no future for e-books, because they are not books." He added that, "E-books smell like burned fuel."

Others, however, argue for e-books and fully embrace the convenience. And the numbers don't lie – Codex Group predicts that by the end of the year, 43 percent of book buyers will own a dedicated e-reader, a tablet or both.

Whether e-books are a blessing of technology or the death of the print, we'd better get used to them because they're not going away anytime soon.



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Compiled by Ramon Razo • News Editor

Small Business Entrepreneur Series

Are you interested in starting a small business? Does the prospect of self-employment seem intriguing? The Small **Business and Technological** Development Center has courses geared toward your interest. Beginning Oct. 5, the center will be starting a course for aspiring entrepreneurs. The workshopstyle course will evaluate company management skills as well as market and sales potential of products. **Registration is currently** open and classes are \$30 per person. To register, go to webadvisor.schoolcraft. edu, click on "Continuing Education," then choose the subject line "Small Business/Entrepreneur." If you experience any issues, contact the Admissions and Enrollment Center at 734-462-4426.

College Night 2011

On Oct. 5, Schoolcraft College is pleased to host their annual College Night. Representatives from over 80 different colleges and universities from across the country will visit the VisTaTech Center. Schools in attendance include University of Notre Dame, Specs Howard, Davenport University, Eastern Michigan University, Hope College, Madonna University and Wayne State University. Representatives will be there to answer students' questions about their respective college's enrollment process, scholarships and more. The event is from 6-8 p.m. and is free and open to the public.

Avoiding Plagiarism

With the abundance of information floating around on the Internet and the easy access it provides, it is sometimes hard to draw the line between your own research and what constitutes actual plagiarism. To help ease the confusion, the Writing Fellows will be holding a Writing Rescue Workshop in the library on Oct. 6 and Nov. 2, from 12 to 1 p.m. For more information, call the Library at 734-462-4436.

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Never forget thanks to commemorative wine

It's September 11, 2011, ten years after the worst attack on American soil. The football games are over - the Lions actually won. Tomorrow will be the 12th and it could not have come soon enough. There's nothing wrong with taking time aside in our day to remember those who lost their lives and the tragedy that occurred; it is important to make note of these anniversaries lest they fall into the ashbin of history. (The Burning of Washington or the Battle of Fort McHenry anyone?) The reason I could not wait for 9/11 to pass is because it has become the latest victim of holiday creep and over-marketing.

How many are long sick of Christmas songs early in December? Who is tired of Halloween costumes following in the wake of back-toschool materials at Target? Some would argue that due to the significance of a decade having passed, more time should be spent on the subject. However, with all of the tie-ins, the special television programming, the patriotic merchandise and the announcements of what ceremonies will be held, it will only be a matter of time before there are animated specials reminding us of the true meaning of 9/11.

And the tragedy is not only the push of the remembrance to weeks beforehand, but the sheer amount of merchandise that has arisen from this national tragedy.

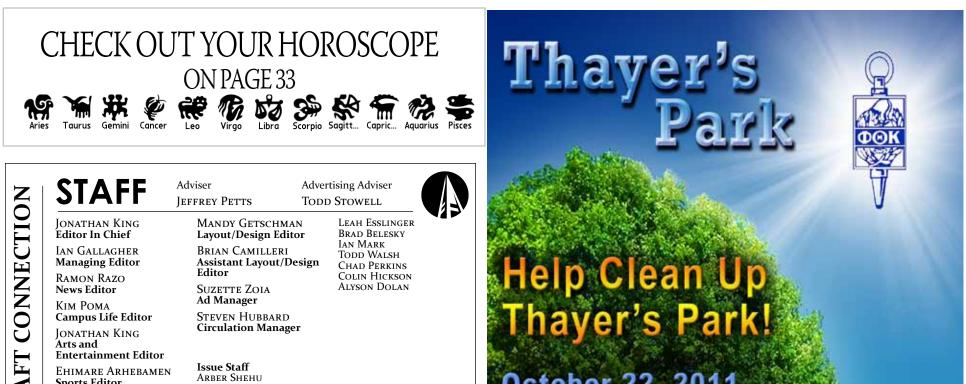
Most would have no problem with wearing a memorial ribbon or a FDNY or NYPD hat. Those are respectable ways of honoring and showing solidarity. The ribbons are comparable to the wearing of poppies in Commonwealth countries for Remembrance Day and even wearing a memorial shirt, depending on the design, can be acceptable. The sports teams that chose to make note of the day, and most of them did, were much better off when they opted for a single patch or small sticker on the helmet.

There are many commemorative products available that more than push the boundaries of good taste. A winery on Long Island has released 9/11-branded wine. What better way to honor those who lost their lives that day than to relax with a glass of merlot. The commemorative coins that have been minted regularly for the past decade could have been alright if not

for their unscrupulous marketing. Luckily most of the commercials only air during the middle of the night.

Other than the collectable coins, plates and shirts, various sports teams have decided to "honor" the anniversary. The universities of Wyoming, Washington, Northwestern, Arkansas, South Florida, Rice and Idaho all subbed their usual logos for ones with a stars and stripes motif. Think Fourth of July MLB hats, only on a helmet. There are better ways to make note of the anniversary than to plaster the stars and stripes over everything conceivable. Small black armbands or stars-and-stripes pins and patches would serve better than numerous gigantic decals.

Worse are the flag-patterned gloves and shoes that were worn by some professional football players. It's understandable that people are just trying to pay their respects in a variety of ways but there are limits of good taste. An honor guard and a moment of silence speak volumes more than a set of tacky athletic equipment, especially ones where the NFL logo is more visible than "Never forget." Even in the cases where pins or patches were used, they are often in conjunction with some other sort of decal or patch. Does no one else get the sheer sense being overdone? Those who lost their lives that day deserve better than cheap wine and swag.



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You can keep your gold statuette

LIKE THE TRUTH, BUT BETTER

> By Jonathan King Editor IN Chief kinetikai@hotmail.com

On Sunday, September 18, our TV screens were graced with the excitement and pageantry of the 63rd Primetime Emmy Awards. Did your favorite actor or actress win? No? Well, they probably didn't try hard enough. That has to be the case because, obviously, there's no way the Emmys could be wrong. I mean, they're the *Emmys*. So, you know, better luck next year.

Awards season always seems to bring about a healthy mix of excitement and outrage. A recent story on Yahoo.com listed the 10 worst Emmy snubs – 10 actors and actresses who have never won an Emmy, despite winning the hearts and minds of television viewers everywhere. The list included such notable names as Jackie Gleason, Desi Arnaz and Angela Lansbury as well as recent stars such as Hugh Laurie and Steve Carell. It seems like the only appropriate response to hearing such a list is a quick and violent outburst of "How dare they?"

Of course, this epidemic of insane misjudgment isn't just limited to TV. Are you a fan of music? Do you like The Who, The Doors, Led Zeppelin or Bob Marley? Well you clearly have no taste. Oh sure, they may have all been massively popular sonic visionaries that changed the face of music forever, but have any of them won a Grammy? Not one of them. And since the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences is the all-seeing, all-knowing, perfect eye of judgment in the realm of music, clearly the point of error must lie with the listeners.

Even the Oscars are not without fault. Here's a short list of movies that not only didn't win the Academy Award for Best Picture, but weren't even nominated: "King Kong," "The Third Man," "Singin' in the Rain," "Close Encounters of the Third Kind," "Do the Right Thing," ... the list goes on. And what about directors? Ingmar Bergman, Alfred Hitchcock and Stanley Kubrick – just to name a few – walked away at the end of their lives with a collective total of zero Best Director Oscars. Oh sure, "2001: A Space Odyssey" was revolutionary and all, but it's no "Rachel, Rachel" (1968 Best Picture nominee).

The overarching theme that appears to be developing is that it's very difficult to predict what persons or what pieces of media will stand the test of time and eventually go on to enthrall and inspire audiences years or even decades later. Sure, there are the lifetime achievement awards, but even those smack of "too little, too late" especially when given to people who were passed over by the same organizations time and time again. "Sorry, we didn't realize you were a genius until after we gave all the accolades to Milli Vanilli."

So we return to the original cry of "How dare they?" Well, oddly enough, we should have no urge to shout said violent outburst. While we may disagree with their choices, we shouldn't have any issues with the Emmys, the Grammys, the Oscars or any other "prestigious" award. That's because we should treat these awards as what they are – the physical manifestations of a small group of opinions. Nothing more.

If there was one thing that was really annoying about the aforementioned Yahoo article, it was the tone of "How could they overlook such glaring errors?" as if "The Emmys" was an accountancy firm that misplaced a decimal point. Yes, these award-givers probably deserve some mild chiding for some of the more outlandish lapses in judgment. ("Dances with Wolves" was the Best Picture of 1990? Really?) But it is we, the TV-watching, movie-going, album-listening public who deserve the true lashing for thinking that these awards are handed out by some superhuman committee whose criticism is absolute and all-encompassing. As well-informed as these award committees are, they're not perfect, they can't predict the future and, ultimately, they're just people fighting an unwinnable battle against a world of opinions. The sooner we stop treating these awards as gospel, the better off we'll be.

Incidentally, if I ever win an Emmy, a Grammy or an Academy Award, we'll forget this conversation ever took place. Okay?

Guilty till proven otherwise

LET'S BROADEN OUR MINDS

> By Ramon Razo News Editor misterrazo@gmail.com

Our legal system is an amazing thing but justice can also be fickle. One aspect of our legal system that we always hear is the notion that anyone accused of a crime is "innocent until proven guilty." If only this were true. In today's day and age, it seems as though if enough people are out for blood, the ones on trial are guilty from the get-go.

A case that glaringly comes to mind is Casey Anthony. I didn't really follow the trial and, in the end, all I could really see was circumstantial evidence. Without a doubt, Casey Anthony was a terrible parent. She may have even been involved with the death of her daughter. But a jury of her peers found her innocent on charges of first-degree murder. We have to respect that. Legal experts accurately say that the jury must have realized they had insufficient evidence to sentence this woman to death and were left with little option except to acquit Anthony.

But the biggest travesty of this event is perfectly captured by Time magazine which described the trial as "the social media trial of the century." It was a media circus. The public went on a witch hunt wanting desperately to avenge the death of this poor little girl. But how many thousands of people die a year in this country? In this state? All innocent human life is equal and we can't be hasty when it comes to matters of life and death. We have developed into a microwave society and we have to get away from this need to have "Law and Order"style justice delivered to us hot and ready in 60 minutes or less.

In a more local case, orthopedic surgeon Labeed Nouri was sentenced to 10-to-20 years in prison after he had already lost 700 days of his life in the Oakland County jail. Nouri had been accused by a woman who used to work for him of sexual assault and. even though his and the accuser's timeline's didn't sync up, he was found guilty. Nouri's attorney told the Detroit Free Press that the jury couldn't reconcile the two timelines so they chose to disregard it and simply go with their guts.

Go with their guts? This is someone's life we're talking about!

Luckily, the accuser's boyfriend later went to Nouri's attorney and admitted the whole thing was a lie. Among other things, they had both lied in court about the accuser being a virgin (a critical piece in determining possible rape).

Where's the demand for this woman to be thrown in prison? Where's the demand for justice? It's sickening that there are people out there who can so callously screw up people lives for their own affairs and that there are juries so ignorant that they can let an innocent man suffer just because they hear "sexual assault" and automatically side with the accuser.

Whatever the scenario, we need to step back from our emotional blinders. We need to take a breath and take our time when it comes to dishing out judgment and punishment. Because when we make mistakes, the blood is on our hands.



A perfect day can easily be ruined by the tiniest pet peeve. And when that pet peeve is in the form of a professor, it's even worse. But there is a way to rectify this.

Dear Instructors Everywhere,

The majority of you reading this are (hopefully) college professors. We have a bone to pick with you. Once upon a time, every student in your class started out as a wideeyed freshman, thrust into the big, busy world of college with nothing but the knap-

To whom it may concern

sack on their back. We had no idea what we were walking into, just that we were leaving high school and all our petty problems far, far behind.

Or so we thought.

Here's the thing: We're all adults. We can legally vote and be shipped across the ocean to fight any wars in distant lands. We're *not* children anymore. And, we'd really appreciate it if you stopped treating us as such. Especially when we're living in dorms, far away from "home" and "parents", trying to survive in the world as adults.

Confused? This is what you're doing wrong:

You're talking down to us. Yes, we understand. You are the teacher and you are in charge for the time we spend in your company. And we can respect that – we wouldn't be here if we didn't – but there's a difference between being the leader and being condescending. Like when we, the students, don't share the same opinion of you, the instructor? In the real world, people can disagree and be taken seriously but, in your classroom, the same rules don't seem to apply. You don't have to smile and pat our head like a dog, all the while telling us with a fake smile "Oh, that's nice."

The skills you received during your years of training to be a teacher? Good for you. You earned those talents, you've obviously honed them. But we're not as lucky. In math, some of us need calculators. In English, some of us need dictionaries. In science, some of us need the study guide. When you call us out on it, it's not a very flattering feeling.

But it's okay. There are very simple solutions.

Try listening to us. When an instructor stops and listens and absorbs an opinion rather than dismissing it, it's really awesome. In fact, it makes us want to contribute in class more. We like people who want to see eye-toeye with us. All good leaders in the past actually stopped to listen to their followers.

If you're teaching an advanced class – skip the basics. The reason we're in your class is because we've done the basics twice over. We're ready to hone *our* skills and work on the hard stuff. The math majors want to ditch the calculator, the English majors want to memorize that dictionary, and the science majors want to take the test without the study guide.

You're the instructor. It's up to you to mold our minds, hold our interest and get us to get our homework in on time. We understand it's a lot of pressure and we wholly commend you for it. But, that's no excuse to make us feel insignificant in every lesson. If we work together, we can make the best out of every class.

Sincerely,

Every student.

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September 26, 2011

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"Do you prefer E-books over regular books?



Ben Gresko

Major: Biology



Jesus Lopez



"Yes, because

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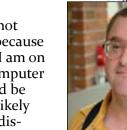
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Major: Liberal Arts



Major: Bio Medical Technician

Kip

"No, because if your computer stops working there is no way to study and they are really easy to forget about.

Blake Hughey



"No because you can not keep an E-book after the class and they are easier to

lose."



Technology



Mike

Fulton

school."

"Yes, I prefer the portability and convenience of eBooks (I have a B&N Nook in my bag right now), But I miss the feel of an actual paper



"I would be all for it if they were cheaper, and if they were online where all students had accounts and could access all books from any computer."



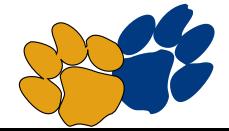
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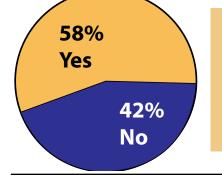
Major: Undecided

"I would not like to transfer to E-books, staring at a computer screen half of the day would only make my eyes worse than they already are."

Rhonda Wertz

Major: Undecided





WOULD YOU SUPPORT A SCHOOL-WIDE TRANSITION FROM PRINTED TEXTBOOKS **TO ELECTRONIC TEXTBOOKS?**

Too many fall colors



By Ehimare Arhebamen SPORTS EDITOR earhebamen@vahoo.com and, yes, Miami are trying to get in on it too. The money does help with the college and any person, persons or companies that are investing in the program seem to be profiting substantially. The issue is that the number of uniforms that they have is just too many because the team does not even use the uniforms more than once. The idea is that there is a new uniform for each game of the season.

The good thing about having one color scheme, like at the University of Michigan, is that the wearer would be honoring some type of tradition that the school has developed over a great number of years. While traditions take time to develop, and every college program experiences some changes over time, it seems like the answer

JIMMY JOHN'S, YOU STOLE MY HEART, NOW YOU AND I WILL NEVER PART! STEPHANIE B. - OMAHA, NE



Bryan

Cochran

Major: Electronic



wide transition. Believe it or not, not everyone owns a computer. Those who don't own one would be forced to do almost all of their homework at

Major:3-D Animation

book." " I wouldn't support a school

When it comes to a college football, most teams traditionally had three jerseys; one for home games, one for away games and possibly one more for special occasions - rivalry games and such. Learning about the Oregon State Ducks being one of the collegiate teams in the Nike Pro Combat Program, it makes one wonder why the need to have more than three jerseys for a single team.

The color scheme consists of orange, green, black, white and steel/gray. The color swapping can produce up to 60 combinations and the team is given a new uniform by Nike, Inc. each week. Oregon State's new football uniforms consist of new gear for the team designed by Nike that has been profiting off of this gold mine as they are big supporters of the program. Phil Knight, one of the co-founders of Nike, went to Oregon State also helps in the design of the uniform program as well.

There's nothing wrong with gimmicks to help out a suffering college team that is losing fans and is a perpetual football loser but Oregon seems to have the program just for the uniforms. Now other college teams are also following the same route. Oklahoma, Alabama, Boise State

some schools are taking is to avoid convention altogether.

The uniforms are actually are throwbacks or at least odes to former players and earlier designs. One of their new jerseys, which is black and orange, is a flashback to one of the old Oregon State teams called the Giant Killers. Why they would go from Giant Killers to Ducks? Who knows? As great as the idea of the memory lane jerseys are, the main concern is that what will happen if Oregon State loses and is on a losing streak? Will the fans be able to hold onto their tees and use it as a support their team? Will they be so confused by the gimmick that they will just lose interest in the program? Having three jerseys for different seasons would be fine but having a different one every game is just ridiculous because it makes the team and fans lose interest as the team brand becomes diluted. In a world full of branding, intentionally watering down the image of your team seems counterintuitive.

Special uniforms are great for a team to add value to their image. However, when it's overused to the point of a new uniform for every game, it's shouldn't be a surprise if fans lose interest altogether.

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The hidden key to success

It's no secret the Transition Center is here to help

By Leah Esslinger Staff Writer

Formerly called the Women's Resource Center, the Transition Center has branched out over the past few years. While still retaining its status as a resource for women in the community and the College, the center now serves many special populations such as adults returning to college for retraining, those facing economic or academic challenges, single parents and veterans.

Resources once considered exclusively for women are now open to all those who need them. Programs such as childcare, divorce support and financial planning were once thought necessary for the female college population but the Transition Center recognizes that these challenges affect men equally. Programs such as Adult Orientation are meant to help students with these concerns and move them back into an academic atmosphere with ease. Adult Orientation meets once a week for five weeks and helps students get through the application process. Financial aid paperwork is addressed and students are taken to meet the advisors. There, participants create a plan to get them where they want to be. Upon completion, students are given a \$100 voucher for their first class.

The College with Confidence program addresses academic needs such as time management and library and research skills. Students are taught how to use Blackboard and are given test-taking strategies. As many of these students have faced some challenges which led them back to college, psychotherapy is offered to help them rebound, furthering their chances of successful completion. This group meets once a week throughout the semester. Upon finishing the course, students receive a voucher for any four-credit class.

Veterans are also well served by the Transition Center. Led by Pam Paxton-Keechner, the Veterans Services Coordinator, dedicated individuals can help veterans understand all of the education benefits offered to them by the government, such as the Montgomery GI Bill and the Reserve Educational Assistance Program.

Many students would do well to make the Transition Center their first stop in their academic career. Paperwork associated with Michigan Works and No Worker Left Behind can be filled out and processed in the office and they have access to an attorney who is available to answer legal questions. There is also a database of services offered by

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Secrets of the Quill

By Leah Esslinger Staff Writer

Writing troubles? English conundrums? The Quill is here to help. We're here to provide answers to all your questions and hopefully make you a better writer.

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Q. My professor suggested I should begin with some webbing. What is webbing?

A. That depends. If you're Spiderman, it's the sticky substance you use to tie criminals to lampposts. If you're a writer, it's a handy technique that you can use to get ideas flowing. Webbing is a prewriting technique that can help you narrow down a topic and come up with ideas. It is especially useful when you are attempting to write a paper on a very broad topic, like education. You would start by writing "education" in the middle of the page, then circling it. Then, you can begin writing things around the circle that have to do with education. Maybe some of these thoughts will spawn other ideas. This way, you can see all of your ideas clearly. Seeing things graphically can often help you better organize those thoughts that float around randomly in your head. There are a number of techniques you can use to develop an outline and come up with ideas. An excellent set of prewriting techniques can be found at www.simpson.edu/hawley/writing/prewriting.html. Q. Today my science teacher told us that we should forget about the MLA we learned in English class. He said scientists only write in APA. I'm not even sure what MLA is, so when he said that I was doubly confused.

A. Don't worry – we're all confused. APA and MLA are actually just acronyms for two common writing styles used in academic writing. APA, or the American Psychological Association, is most commonly used when writing research for the sciences. MLA, or the Modern Language Association, is used when writing for liberal arts and the humanities. The two styles have many similarities. Both require 12-point font and a plain writing style, such as Times New Roman. Whichever style you use, remember to double space.

There are some key differences between the styles, regarding how to cite, the inclusion foot and end-notes, and how to create a heading. APA requires a title page, abstract, and a bibliography in addition to the body. MLA only requires a works cited page to accompany the body. There are many other differences and it's enough to make your head spin ... luckily, owl.english.purdue. edu is an excellent website that is user friendly and provides precise guidelines for both formats. If you are still confused, please feel free to visit Writing Fellows at the Learning Assistance Center on campus.

Do you have any English queries of your own? If so, you can send questions to fellows@ schoolcraft.edu. We'll be glad to help you work through your writing troubles.





Photos BY STEVEN GRILI Tim Kruger and Melina Chiatalas enjoy the sunshine on campus while practicing their talent.

Kickin' bass

The return of the Beats and Music Faction

By Ian Mark Staff Writer

After a two-semester hiatus, the Beats and Music Faction (BAMF) is back on campus. BAMF was founded two years ago by Trevor Gurlock as a way for musicians at Schoolcraft to meet and collaborate with one another. At the time, there were no clubs on campus for musicians or music lovers. BAMF provided an opportunity for these creative minds to connect and work together creating music. The purpose of the club is for musicians to help one

another, often guiding inexperienced musicians through the songwriting and recording process.

"It opened up my eyes to a wide base of music lovers at Schoolcraft," said veteran member Tim Kruger. With the revival of the club, the members are ambitiously revamping and changing it. Their goal is to work with anybody who has an idea all the way through until they have a finished recording of the song in their hands. Planning to help any new musicians through the whole process, the club provides a crash course in creating music - from humble beginnings of songwriting (both musically and lyrically) to recording and engineering the song. They hope to expose inexperienced musicians to the full array of songwriting, both creative and technical. This includes helping musicians flesh out their ideas for a song and fine tuning it until it sounds just right.

So how does BAMF plan to help turn newer songwriters into grizzled veterans? They aim to pair you up with somebody who has more experience writing music, resulting in feedback and advice from somebody who knows your music and where you want to go with it on a very personal level. BAMF Vice President Melina Chiatalas commented, "I like the fact that I can bring my songs into the meetings and get feedback from the other members. I'm always looking to better myself as a songwriter, and it helps to have a place to go where I can showcase some of my songs, get a second opinion. For me, that's the best part of being in the BAMF." At the typical BAMF meeting, the

At the typical BAMF meeting, the members get together and will listen to a small speech (no lectures, they promise) about what is currently going on with the club and introduce new members. After that, members break off into pairs so musicians and their mentors can have intimate and helpful discussions about their music.

"When you're in the company of creative minds, the juices flow naturally," said Kruger.

The club welcomes any new recruits, no matter how experienced of a musician you are. If you have an idea for a song or would like to help out others with writing music, join BAMF. You never know what you might learn about music while teaching it to a newer musician and anybody can benefit from time spent around creative people. Joining the club could inspire you to write new material or pick up a new instrument. It is also very encouraging to see somebody write their first song or to see an experienced musician push themselves to new limits. BAMF is an opportunity no musician at Schoolcraft should miss.

The club meets every Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the Lower Waterman.

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Complete the degree

Program talks students through their academic future

By Alyson Dolan Staff Writer

Any Schoolcraft student that has ever wondered what comes next in their academic path should check out Complete the Degree on Oct. 13. The concept for the event came when staff member Tracy Miller saw a similar program at another school, then brought it to the attention of fellow staffers Nicole Wilson-Fennel and Transition Center Director Stacy Stover. After hearing the concept, Stover decided to contact Phi Theta Kappa (PTK), to get Schoolcraft's honor society involved. Michael Wisniewski, PTK president, shared that SC was already involved in a recently launched program similar to what Tracy suggested, the Community College Completion Corps (C4). With all of this information available, it became obvious that the next task was getting the message out to students.

Complete the Degree is designed to help students who want to find out where to go next with their education. Do you have a question about transferring to a four-year university? Do you want to learn how to build a résumé? Do you know how to apply for graduation? This program uniquely brings together all processes students would have to go through to further their education and future. "It's



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE STUDENT ACTIVITIES OFFICE

Administrators – including Schoolcraft College President Conway Jeffress – and members of Phi Theta Kappa assemble to sign a banner committing to Complete the Degree at the annual School Daze Fall Festival on Sept. 13.

helping people find that finish line," says Wilson-Fennel

There will be several four-year universities giving presentations and answering students' questions including Cleary, Davenport, Eastern Michigan, Grand Valley State, Lawrence Tech, Madonna, Mary Grove, Michigan State, Northwood, University of Michigan (Ann Arbor and Dearborn), Walsh College, Wayne State and Western Michigan University. Ferris-Criminal Justice and Central Michigan University will also have spokespeople there, discussing the schools' offcampus programs. Advisors and counselors will be available. If you

need to write a résumé or help knowing how to conduct yourself in an interview, Complete the Degree is a necessary tool.

The coordinators of the event are making this fun for students with presenters from the transfer colleges and food galore. This is a chance for students to take control of their future and realize their potential. Checklists will be given out to students for planning to transfer, applying for graduation and building your résumé. There will also be resources to help students get a job or that internship needed to build their career. Wilson-Fennel and Schoolcraft College want students to know "once you have your education, no one can take that from you."

For students everywhere trying to keep things organized and simple, this is an event with ease-of-use in mind. It puts all the resources in one place. The College wants students to be successful and know that they offer the tools for success and how to take advantage of them. The best part - Complete the Degree is absolutely free. Students should take some time out of their busy schedules and stop by. Stover even recommends students sign PTK's pledge banner for "Commit to Completion."

"The Complete the Degree event will be an exciting and informative event for all students," Stover continued, "Our goal is to take the information to the students. We want to make the process of finishing a degree at Schoolcraft easier and more accessible through this program. We hope all students will take advantage of this opportunity."

Complete the Degree will be in the lower Waterman wing of the VistaTech Center on Thursday, Oct. 13. For more information, contact the Student Activities Office at 734-462-4422.

Spooked Haunted house luncheon brings A&E star

By Alyson Dolan Staff Writer

It is time to gather 'round a roaring campfire under a moonlit sky and listen to tales of the strange and unknown. Have you ever wondered what inspired those stories? Ever stopped to think that this lovely, simple mitten state could actually be hiding the strangest and most bizarre happenings of our time? On Friday, September 16, John E.L. Tenney, a cast member of the A&E show "Paranormal State: The New Class" and an enthusiast of the very strange, paid a visit to Schoolcraft College and shed some light on the mysteries of the Great Lakes State. "Did you know that there have been more missing planes and ships over the Great Lakes than in the Bermuda Triangle?" Tenney asked the crowd in the midst of weaving a tale of how the Air Force had been watching a mysterious blip on their radar, finally sending a jet to scope the area. The jet and blip began to inch closer and closer and closer when suddenly they hit and then there was nothing. They scrambled more jets to comb the area but found nothing. No wreckage, no aircraft, no bodies. Absolutely nothing. "In this case, the government did not give the families of the pilots any aid, for they do not believe the pilots are dead," said Tenney. Tenney then told of a mist that covered Reynolds Cemetery in Jackson, supposedly caused by the double homicide of a father and daughter years ago. The daughter was buried five miles away in St. John's Cemetery and her father in Reynolds. Many see this mist rise up from nowhere, hover over the cemetery, then vanish just as it reaches the father's grave, as if the daughter is trying for one last visit. Tenney detailed how he was not a believer in "ghosts," but



PHOTO BY BRIAN CAMILLERI

"Paranormal State" star John E.L. Tenney entertains the guests of the luncheon with tales of eerie mysteries and paranormal happenings.

rather a believer in "the strange world we live in and of us sharing our strange stories so they become not so strange."

Tenney gave the crowd something to chew on, showing pictures of "ghosts" then showing them if the pictures truly held something out of the ordinary or if it was a case of hocus pocus.

Tenney's appearance was for the benefit of the Haunted House luncheon, one of many events put on by the Transition Center. Schoolcraft hosts a number of these luncheons throughout the year, all of which are open for anyone to attend.

The next luncheon is being held on October 28, this time with the theme of "Is There a Treasure in Your

Attic?" Do you have something old sitting in your attic that your mother refuses to let you toss out because she claims it's worth something? Are you glued to the screen whenever "Antiques Roadshow" or "American Pickers" is on? This is the perfect event for you. Come sign up in the Transition Center by phone or in person. For \$20, you get a delicious lunch and you can meet Kenny Lindsay, a professional certified auctioneer and personal property appraiser. Money raised during these events is processed back into student scholarships so attendees can share in a wonderful luncheon while doing something for a good cause. Come support fellow students and enjoy the show.

Club Events



Compiled by Margie Wisniewski• Staff Writer

Blizzard for Bucks

Come join us on Monday, October 24 from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. as "We Show You the Money." America's number 1 campus game show, Blizzard of Bucks is crazier, bigger, better and more fun than ever. It's got a whole new look with new games, and more prizes and even more chances to win. Come compete against others in the wildest, goofiest games ever for your chance to step into the Incredible Money Machine and "Go for the Dough" and a swirling sea of green.

Asian Student Association

The ASA will be hosting a Navratri event on Saturday, October 8th from 7:00 p.m. until Midnight in the Lower Level of the VisTaTech Center. Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$12. For more information, please contact the Student Activities Office at 734-462-4422.

Baptist Christian Challenge

Do you want to enrich the quality of your overall college experience ethically, morally, and spiritually by challenging yourself to explore God's word? Then come to our meetings every Thursday from 12:00-1:30 p.m. in the Lower Waterman. The next meetings are scheduled for September 29, October 1 and 8.

Beats and Music Faction

Want to make progress in personal musical talent? Then stop by the Beats and Music Faction meetings. During meetings you'll meet, teach, and learn, as well as giving and receiving constructive criticism with those who share the passion of music. The next meetings are scheduled for Wednesday, September 28, October 5 and 12 at 1 p.m. in the Lower Waterman located of the VisTaTech Building.

Eccentric Movie Club

Join SC's Eccentric Movie Club for some of the most odd, puzzling and just plain crazy movies produced by some of the most respected writers on TV. Each session is from 12-6 p.m. Schedules of movies can be provided upon request. Movies are watched in the Lower Waterman of the VisTaTech Center. Their next viewings are on September 27, October 5, and 12.

Gay/Straight Alliance

The Gay/Straight Alliance is a social connection for equality-minded individuals who want to create a safe environment to help change, support, and educate our world one step at a time. Meetings are held on Wednesdays from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Their next meetings are on September 28, October 5 and 12 in the Lower Waterman located in the VisTaTech Building.

Native American Club

Learn about Native American culture and tradition with respected SC faculty member Karen Schaumann. Learn the ins and outs of Native American history, tradition and customs through a variety of hands on activities, productions and learning-based activities. Their next meeting will be on Wednesday October 12 from 3-4:30 p.m. in LA 521.

Otaku Anime Japanese Animation Club

The Otaku Anime Japanese Animation Club provides an opportunity for viewing and discussion of Japanese Animation. Their next meeting is on Saturday, October 8 from 5-10 p.m.

Math and Physics Club

We want you to come ask us math and physics problems as you meet new people who love math and improve your problem solving skills. Meetings will be held every Friday at 10:00 a.m. in the Biomedical Tech Center, Rm. 300.

Pageturner's

On Monday, September 26 from 1:15-2:15 p.m. at the McDowell Center Rm MC 200 and Tuesday, September 27 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. in LA 105 join the Pageturner's book club as they discuss this month's book. Phi Theta Kappa members will receive ¹/₄ star for attending or 1 full star for facilitating. They also will be discussing the book on Thursday, September 29 from 4-5 p.m. at the Radcliff Campus in RC 645.

Photography Club

Photography Club provides a welcoming environment for graphically inclined hobbyists, graphic designers, and students majoring in artistic fields. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 29 from 5:00-7:00 pm.

Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society

The PTK meetings will be on Mondays from 12:00-1:00 p.m. and Wednesdays from 7:00-8:00 p.m. beginning October 3.

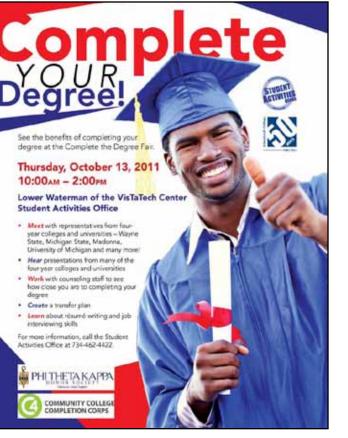
PTK Movie Nights

Come join us on Wednesday, October 9 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. as we watch *Waiting for "Superman"* **a** 2010 documentary film from director Davis Guggenheim and producer Lesley Chilcott. The film analyzes the failures of American public education by following several students through the educational system, hoping to be selected in a lottery for acceptance into charter schools. Popcorn will be provided.

Pizza Kit and Fruit Basket Orders Due and Delivery

Phi Theta Kappa is hosting another Pizza Kit fundraiser. Orders are due by Wednesday, October 17 for Pizza Orders and Friday, October 21 for Fruit Baskets and members will receive one star for every \$50 sold. Pizzas will be delivered on Tuesday, October 25 and Fruit Baskets on Wednesday, October 26 and can be picked up on that day anytime after 1 p.m.

Spooked, page 12) and Are There Treasures in Your Attic (Oct. 28), attendees can be entertained and well fed for just \$20.



PTK/ Biggby Coffee Fundraiser

Help raise money for Phi Theta Kappa by purchasing our specialty mug. It includes several coupons, including one for a free beverage. The mugs are available for sale now in the Student Activities Office for \$8. They are refillable at the new Biggby location in Livonia at the intersection of 7 Mile and Farmington Roads for \$1.25. For more information, please contact the Student Activities Office at 734-462-4422.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Help us to help saves lives. By donating one pint of blood, you are saving three lives. American Red Cross will be collecting blood donations on Thursday, September 29 from 9:00am-7:00pm in the Lower Waterman of the VisTaTech Center. Please call Student Activities at 734-462-4422 to schedule your appointment.

The Schoolcraft Connection

Want to further your skills in writing, editing, photography and design? Then join the award-winning Schoolcraft Connection, a studentrun newspaper. Staff meetings are every Monday at 4 p.m. in the Lower Waterman of the VisTaTech Center.

Student Activities Board

Want to get involved on campus? Then come and see how with the Student Activities Board. General meetings are Thursdays at 4:00 p.m. in the Lower Waterman of the VisTaTech Center. The Student Activities Board provides students and the college community with a variety of programs and activities that are educational, service-oriented, have entertainment value and provide a social environment where students can meet a diverse group of new people.

Table Top Club

Come and join the Table Top Club every Thursday from 12:00-10:00 p.m. The Table Top Club is Schoolcraft College's premier location for game players alike. Play a variety of card games ranging from Dungeon and Dragons, Solitaire and Cheat. Students shall learn to develop personal friendships and leadership.



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Transition

the community which students may wish to take advantage.

The Ombudsman program advocates on behalf of any student who may need assistance with academic or other challenges they may face at Schoolcraft. The center provides aide for classes, books and childcare. A student just needs to go to the office with their Financial Aide Award letter, class schedule and an application letter and ask for assistance.

Students are also encouraged to come out to the Speakers' Series. With topics such as Haunted Houses of Michigan (also see The excellent resources available at the Transition Center are an often overlooked treasure. "We don't want people to have an obstacle and just leave," said Stacey Stover, Director of the Transition Center. "We want them to say, 'This is my obstacle – is there something that can be done to help me get by it?'"

The Transition Center should always be the first stop and with all the contacts offered by Stover and other dedicated individuals, the Transition Center may be the *last* stop. You can find the Transition Center in room 225 of the McDowell Building, or learn more online at schoolcraft.edu/transition.



September 26, 2011

Dean's List

Academic Achievement

Each semester we recognize students for high academic achievement by naming them to the Dean's List. The minimum requirements for fall or winter semester are: • Full-time students who complete 12 or more credits during the semester with a semester grade-point average of 3.5 or higher. The College sends a letter of recognition to students' homes and notifies hometown newspapers.

• Part-time students who, after completing a total of 12, 24, 36, 48, and 60 credit hours, have earned a cumulative grade-point average of 3.5 or higher. The College sends a letter of recognition to students' homes.

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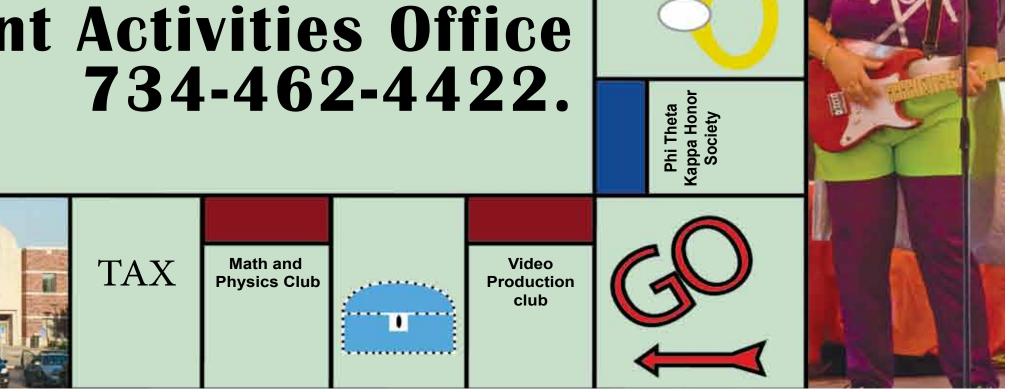
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Just can't wait to be king

"The Lion King" returns to theaters in 3-D

By TODD WALSH Staff Writer

Every once in a while, a movie comes along that is held very dear to many children's hearts. And a great deal of these films have come from the animation titan known as Disney. In the '30s, Disney released "Snow White," for the baby boomers, they gave us "Cinderella" and during the '90s, Disney Studios released "The Lion King." "The Lion King" has stood the test of time and it was first released it was highest grossing animated film of all time, finally surpassing "Snow White," which held the record since 1939. Disney has a long tradition of re-releasing their movies and now it's "The Lion King's" turn – this time in 3-D.

"The Lion King" is essentially Disney's retelling of Shakespeare's "Hamlet." It begins with all the animals in land coming to seeing the birth of King Mufasa son's Simba. As times goes on, Mufasa teaches Simba how to be king, although all the while Mufasa's brother Scar plots to kill Mufasa.

After Mufasa dies, Simba feels it's his fault and he leaves the kingdom in shame. Once Simba's gone, Scar takes over as King and brings the Pride Land to a wasteland. Meanwhile, Simba is found by meerkat Timon and warthog Pumba, who nurse him back to health, accept him into their group and teach the most important idea, Hakuna Matata. Simba grows up but somehow the kingdom can't escape him as Nala, a childhood friend finds him. She informs that he must returns because Scar is destroying the kingdom. Simba still feels guilty but after having a vision of his father, he decides to return and take back his kingdom.

"The Lion King" is a masterpiece of modern animation and just about everyone is familiar with it - just go to a random stranger and say Hakuna Matata. The animation is beautiful from start to finish. It enlightens people with the birth of Simba and frightens people with the site of Scar. Elton John and Tim Rice's soundtrack is still as timeless as ever with songs like "Just Can't Wait to be King" and "Circle of Life."

The voice acting is fantastic. "The Lion King" features an all-star cast and every voice actor brings there own unique talent. Jeremy Irons takes an already scary villain in Scar and takes it to a whole new level of crazy. Of course, James Earl Jones' voice is still as wonderful and commanding as ever. Even the smaller characters are treated with a cornucopia of voice talent. Whoopi Goldberg and Cheech Marin voice two of the Hyenas, while Rowan Atkinson voices

the

toucan Zazu. It is just remarkable that so many people got together and were able to bring all the characters to life.

What makes this film different from any previous re-release is that it's in 3-D. Many find 3-D to be the worst thing to ever happen to movies in the past decade, and unfortunately "The Lion King" is unlikely to convert people. The 3-D is nothing spectacular – there are only some particular scenes where the effect really works, like the birth of Simba or Mufasa's death. For everything else, it just gets in the way.

"The Lion King" is a classic but it's hard to recommend seeing the movie. It is not really worth the 10 or 12 dollars to see this movie again with a pair of 3-D glasses strapped to your face. It's cheaper to watch it on DVD and less likely to give you headaches. However, if you've never seen it before or if you're just a huge fan, it's still a great movie and it's highly recommended. Four stars for the movie but three for making it 3-D – shame on you, Disney.

Illustration by Mandy Getschman

Thundercats, ho!

The feline furies return in all new reboot

By Colin Hickson Staff Writer

In 1985, writer Ted Wolf and Rankin/Bass Animation brought audiences the hit series "ThunderCats," an animated epic that became one of the rages of the nons and Punk Brewster. As with many of the shows of that time, "ThunderCats" has become an object of nostalgia - as well as an object of parody - with memorable characters and lines, like the oft-repeated battle cry. So imagine the surprise of many fans when it was announced last year that Warner Bros. Animation was developing a total re-imagined version of the show, which would air in July of this year. Taking place on Third Earth, the show once again focuses on Lion-O (voiced by Will Fridel), the prince of Thundera and wielder of the Sword of Thundera. In a twist, the people of Thundera have little faith in Lion-O. This is due to his fascination with technology (which to them is about as real as Elvis still being alive), his stance on cats not being better than

the other races and his belief in the legends of Old Thundera. Even his father, audis (voiced b Larry Kenney, the original Lion-O) and older foster brother Tygra doubt he is worthy of the throne. This all changes when Thundera is betrayed by Grune, destroyed by Slithe and his lizard men and Claudis is killed by Mumm-Ra. Forced to flee, Lion-O and Tygra set out to find a way to defeat Mumm-Ra and avenge their father. Joining them are the super-fast Cheetara, the super-strong and super-smart Panthro, the crafty WilyKat and WilyKit and Snarf - who, luckily, doesn't talk in this version. In the vein of 2002 reboot of "He-Man and the Masters of the Universe" and the countless "Transformers" remakes, the new "ThunderCats" stays true to the origi-

nal, while also creating a new identity for itself. Among the ways it differs from the original is that it has better animation, more character depth and some interesting plot twists. One of which is Mumm-Ra's claim that the Eye of Omens was once his. Beside the dialogue being somewhat over-the-top, the only bad aspects would be if Snarf spoke again and if Tygra became the badexample character he once was. If you were a fan of the original "ThunderCats" and want to see what has been done or just want your kids to experience the action for themselves, sit on your couch to feel the magic and hear the roar once again. "ThunderCats" airs Fridays at 8:30 on Cartoon Network.

"Fallout" + "Left 4 Dead" = "Dead Island" Killing zombies is frustrating work

Don't you hate it when you wake up in the middle of a zombie apocalypse? Recently released for the Xbox 360 and Playstation 3, "Dead Island" begins with you waking up and discovering that the entire island you are on is infested with zombies. You try to escape your hotel by doing the most logical thing ... jumping into an elevator shaft. However, you are knocked unconscious by a

zombie. Luckily you are immune to whatever disease ort virus has infected the island. Eventually you encounter a few more survivors and set out on mission to escape the island.

Let's say one thing right off the bat: "Dead Island" is gorgeous. The graphics are simply amazing to look at. Trees actually look like trees from a distance instead of the blobs found in most games. Sometimes you might just get caught up with the beautiful scenery and completely ignore the flesh-craving undead running towards you. Unfortunately, while the scenery is beautiful, the characters just look awkward. Some people's eyes appear to be bulging out of their skulls and the mouths look like Muppets. But graphics are not everything in this game -



the gameplay is what you want to pay attention to.

Combat is the most irritating problem with "Dead Island." You start off with a simple boat paddle for a weapon. Early on, it becomes very apparent that beating up a single zombie takes a lot of time and effort. You can upgrade every weapon and skill (combat, survival and equipment) to make yourself more prepared for the zombie horde. However, this does almost nothing - you can be level five with a level three baseball bat and it will take you longer to kill a level one zombie then it does a level four zombie. This makes it frustrating when you have a horde coming towards you and you are

trying to kill every single one of them. To be fair this does help give the impression that you're fighting a group of individual creatures, with their own strengths and weaknesses, instead of one enemy copy-pasted a million times. It's irritating, yet refreshing.

The difficulty ratings are also misleading. The first mission has its difficulty is set to easy, and it is - no surprises there. However, the second mission is labeled "very hard," but is pretty easy to complete. Conversely, the next mission will be marked "easy" and it will be the hardest mission you have ever set out to accomplish. This makes the game tedious and leaves you wondering if the game creators just said, "Let's make up difficulties at random just to screw with the player."

However, "Dead Island" is actually a pretty solid game, despite

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Evening of the undead "Zombies Ate My Neighbors" is horrifyingly delightful

By Jonathan King EDITOR IN CHIEF



When will people learn that building your house on the Indian burial ground right next to the graveyard and the radioactive waste dump is just asking for trouble? Released in 1993 for the Super Nintendo and the Sega Genesis, and rereleased on the Wii Virtual Console in 2009, "Zombies Ate My Neighbors" is a slice of pure entertainment for gamers and classic horror fans alike. This title throws every '50s horror flick into a liquidizer, frappes it lightly for 60 seconds, and the spreads the finishing puree on your TV screen. The result is a tribute to terror that is too fun to put down. icture the scene: The world has been overrun with every type of evil creature imaginable. It's up to you to find and rescue any survivors and make your way to safety, plowing through anything and everything that gets in your way. You choose between radical '90s kids Zeke and Julie (or play as both with co-op) and fight your way through 48 stages of pure horror. The game's four dozen levels will take you to a variety of locales, from suburban backyards and shopping malls to castles, pyramids, haunted houses and evil laboratories.

The enemies are the main attraction here, and horror buffs will delight at being able to fight their way through every B-movie baddie imaginable. Zombies are just the tip of the iceberg, as the ghoulish cast also includes vampires, werewolves, mummies, martians, toxic slime, lake creatures and chainsaw-wielding psychopaths. There are also several terrors of the "giant" variety: giant ants, giant spiders, giant sand worms, and even a couple giant demonic babies.

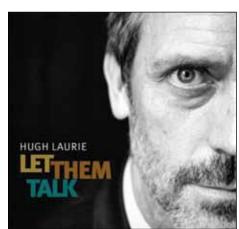
The arsenal you use to fight off this cavalcade of evil is equally diverse. Weapons include a squirt gun, soda can grenades, a fire extinguisher, a flamethrower, a weed whacker and a bazooka, among others. There are also special items to help you out, including a potion that turns you into a purple monster capable of ripping through walls and Pandora's Box, which unleashes a selection of evil spirits that attack everything on screen. Every weapon is about as helpful as you would imagine it is, although remembering your classic horror cliches will help you considerably. Got a vampire on your back? Break out the crucifix. Werewolf breathing down your spine? Throw a knife and fork at it. ("Silver"ware ... get it?) The simple arcadestyle gameplay lends



itself perfectly to this title. Running and gunning your way through hordes of bloodthirsty creatures is tough but rewarding, especially with a second player at your side. Unfortunately, while "Zombies" is by no means boring, the



Alternate



Hugh Laurie

"Let Them Speak"

Genre: Blues

★★★★☆☆ **By Alyson Dolan** Staff Writer

Most people stateside know Hugh Laurie as the brilliant TV doctor Gregory House, but what you may not know about him is that he is an accomplished musician as well. He has performed as a keyboardist in a rock band titled "Poor White Trash and the Little Big Horns" and has also participated in a band featuring television stars to perform for to raise money to give to charities, called "Band from TV." Hugh Laurie signed on with Warner Bros Records and together they have released a blues album.

"Let Them Speak" is full of soul and down south feelings, with the rough and edgy sound of Laurie's vocals and jazzed-up piano arrangements. It has a similar style to the soundtrack of "O Brother, Where Art Thou?" arranged by T-Bone Burnett, as well as Ry Cooder's "Buena Vista Social Club." The album contains classic standbys like "John Henry" and "Swanee River" with, of course, Laurie's own style and twist on them. As you may guess much : of the music is riddled with featured piano parts, but the album also features a number of different musicians and instrumentalists. The album is graced by the soulful Irma Thomas and Allen Toussaint on blues piano and horns, as well as Sir Tom Jones. Laurie also performs "After You've Gone" a song by a personal hero of his, Dr. John.

Laurie described his past as being privileged as a middle-class English child, and how he is indeed trespassing on the American South traditional



Red Hot Chili Peppers

"I'm With You"

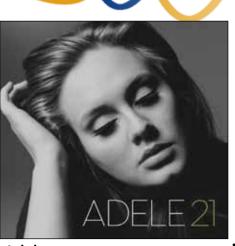
Genre: Funk rock

★★♪☆☆ BY CHAD PERKINS STAFF WRITER

The Red Hot Chili Peppers are back, and they've brought middleof-the-road funk rock with them. RHCP was formed in 1983 by singer Anthony Kiedis and legendary bass player Flea. They have released 11 albums to date and have had countless singles such as "Dani California," "Give It Away" and "Snow (Hey Oh)." However, in 2009 the band went on an indefinite hiatus. One-and-ahalf years later, the band emerged from the ether to release their latest album "I'm With You."

The Chili Peppers are a pretty easy group to describe – they have a funky style and that's that. Kiedis' voice is easy to identify and they tend to write strange and bizarre lyrics. Basically, if you've heard one RHCP album then this one will be nothing new. It's literally the same as all their other albums. Flea does some weird crazy bass lines, Kiedis sings "Hey" and then the album is complete. The only songs that are worth listening to a second time are "Police Station," "Look Away" and "Meet me at the Corner."

When it comes down to it, the album is still a nice comeback. Having been away for so long it's nice to hear that they still have it in them to make music. But when dissecting the actual content, it is just another funk rock record that brings nothing new to the table except all the lyrics in each song. Following the stories behind each set of lyrics is the only reason why you would want to listen to every track. Looking on the better side of the album - and there really is only one good side - the lyrics are set up nicely and make you really think "what the heck are you singing about now?" which was a decent perk for the Chili Peppers back during the '8os. But in this time when emo whining child voices are the popular thing, RHCP at least has the common decency to conform to the latest fads. Nevertheless, after listening to the album and getting to the nitty gritty, it's still just your average Chili Peppers album. It's not good, it's not bad it's just ... the Red Hot Chili Peppers being funky.



Adele

"21″

Genre: Pop $\bigstar \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar$

By Alyson Dolan Staff Writer

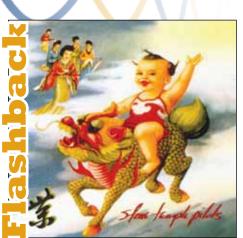
The British songstress and song writer known as Adele released her second album, "21," in February and it sold 352,000 copies its very first week. Adele Adkins, 23, wrote the album about a breakup she had with "the love of her life."

Through the lyrics and the music it is very certain this is a heart-breaking tale. Her music is very acoustic and simple, for a majority of the songs, allowing you to concentrate on her voice and the lyrics that she spills from her soul. Her voice is very rich and powerful and is in no need of big bands or large off-the-wall shows to get recognition.

In the beautifully sober "Take it All," Adele pleads her case to the man she loves, but she tells him to go and to take all of what she has given him with all of her love. It is very simple with a piano in the background and few backup vocals, but through her voice you hear the emotion behind the song – it is deliciously depressing. However she also has a very catchy upbeat track titled "Rumor Has It" which is about a love leaving his girlfriend to be with the singer, so not everything is dark and emotional.

She does her own interpretation of "Need You Now" which was made popular by Lady Antebellum as well. It is very similar to the original however you hear the beautiful voice of Adele instead of Miss Hillary Scott's.

This album is based around Adele's life as a 21-year-old, and is focused on her loss of her soulmate. When asked about this ex-boyfriend, she responded: "I don't think I'll ever forgive myself for not making my relationship with my ex on '21' work, because he's the love of my life." She added that she would have been willing to give up everything for him. Everything? "Well, I would still be singing in the shower, of course, but yeah - my career, my friendships, my hobbies. I would have given up trying to be the best." Listening to "21," it's clear Adele has some very powerful lyrics and emotion which she pours into all her songs. And with two hits already from this album, "Rolling in the Deep" and "Someone Like You," this is bound to be a promising step for this maturing artist.



Stone Temple Pilots

"Purple" Genre: Alt. Rock

BY JONATHAN KING Editor in Chief

Stone Temple Pilots emerged in the early '90s, quickly mixing in amongst the heavy hitters of the grunge crowd such as Nirvana, Alice in Chains and Pearl Jam. After establishing their rock credentials with their debut release, "Core," the band decided it was time to develop a personality of their own. And so they did on their seminal second release, "Purple."

The album opens up harmlessly enough, with frontman Scott Weiland doing his best Eddie Vedder vocals over the sludgy, distorted guitars on "Meatplow." However, it isn't long before the first left turn kicks in. The psychedelic breakdown on "Lounge Fly" is the first truly eye-opening moment, signifying that this is more than some boilerplate grunge affair. Later on, "Pretty Penny" provides the greatest change in scenery, eschewing crunching riffs for little more than two acoustic guitars and a simple rhythm tapped out on an Indian drum. The resulting interlude is strange, serene and unabashedly beautiful.

Of course, the album is not without some good old-fashioned rock. "Unglued" is quick and vicious, with Dean DeLeo providing mangled guitar work that sounds like it's been spit out of an amplifier with a bad attitude. Meanwhile, "Silvergun Superman" moves slowly with a lumbering aggression and menacing undertones.

"Purple" spawned two of the group's biggest hits: "Interstate Love Song" and "Big Empty." The former is a catchy midtempo rocker with a distinct country twang that fits all the criteria of an altrock super-hit. Meanwhile, the latter switches between bleak and bluesy acoustic verses and a triumphant chorus that steps up and cuts through the coffeehouse smoke. Arguments will be had on whether or not "Purple" is STP's best record, however it is undeniably their most important. It marks the point where the band stepped out of the domain of pure grunge - where they were easily outgunned - and into a realm of their own. The heaviness and distortion is still there, but it's accompanied by a sense of inventiveness that would become the foundation of the band's best work to come. And of course, it's also a rocking good listen.

blues music. He has no explanation for his passion – it is just simply a passion of his. He also references classic blues pianists and guitarists such as Lightnin' Hopkins, Bo Diddley, Muddy Waters, Professor Longhair, James Booker, Allen Toussain and Dr. John. However for as long as his list of favorite guitarists and pianists is, his simply lists two vocal inspirations: Bessie Smith and Ray Charles.

With all of this backing and inspiration the album is very much a work of art. Truly the music and arrangements are very full of down south soul and rich in jazzy blues flavor. If this is the sound of trespassing, then sir, you may trespass all you like.

The Bottom Line:

If you are one to like soulful music or even looking for a change of pace, "Let Them Speak" by Hugh Laurie is not a disappointment.

The Bottom Line:

"I'm With You" is a nice comeback but it brings nothing new to the table. Fans will likely enjoy this album ... anyone else can move along.

The Bottom Line:

If you are looking for something with substance and emotion, coupled with a calming musical arrangement, this album is highly suggested.

The Bottom Line:

"Purple" shows STP for what they are: dynamic, occasionally eccentric, hard-rocking and full of surprises. This album sits just off the well-worn path and is required listening for any fans of '90s alternative rock.

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Compiled By Leah Esslinger Staff Writer

Concerts

Enrique Iglesias with Pitbull

and Prince Royce



Enrique Iglesias, one of the best selling Latin artists today, will be touring with Pitbull and Prince Royce. "Unity through music is still a driving force in the community," as Pitbull

said at the Billboard concert announcing the tour. Iglesias and Pitbull will

undoubtedly be preforming the hit "I Like It." They have promised a show filled with energy and great music. They will hit Michigan Sept. 30 at 7 p.m. at the Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets run from \$39.50 to \$89.50.

Smashing Pumpkins

One of the most successful bands of the '90s, the Smashing Pumpkins are drenched in street cred. Their classic album, "Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness," debuted at number one on Billboard 200. Their new record has been promoted as "an album within an album" and seems to be a promise of what's to come. They rock The Fillmore in Detroit on October 15 at 6 p.m. Tickets range from \$45 to \$60.

Sloan

Sloan is a Toronto-based alternative band established in 1991. Jay Ferguson, Chris Murphy, Patrick Pentland and Andrew Scott share songwriting responsibilities and switch instruments accordingly, which makes for an inspired performance. They have been nominated for numerous Juno Awards through the years and won in 1997 for the album "One Chord to Another." In 1996, Chart! Magazine named Sloan's album "Twice Removed" the best Canadian album of all time. They play Saint Andrews Hall Oct. 7 at 7 p.m. Tickets go for \$26.50.

Events

Detroit Moth Story Slam

The Moth promotes itself as an event where real people tell true stories without notes. These stories may be funny, or sad, or both. The Slam series is a competition open to anyone with a story. Largely underground, the best stories may be heard on NPR. The live show can be seen Oct. 6 at Cliff Bells. Doors open at 4 p.m. and although the show doesn't start until 7 p.m., get there early because space fills up quickly. Tickets are \$5.

City of Life and Death

This 2009 film brought down the house at the Toronto International Film Festival. It chronicles life in 1937, after The Second Sino-Japanese War. Don't confuse this high-action flick with some boring foreign documentary, though. The heroes, Lu, Zhao and Xiaodouzi must fight or face annihilation immediately following the very bloody Nanking Massacre. The high action gives way to human complexity and shines a bit of light on the Pacific in WWII, beyond Pearl Harbor. The film is showing at the Detroit Film Theatre (at the DIA) from Oct. 7-16. Tickets are \$7.50 for the general population and \$6.50 for students with valid ID. Check out DIA.org for show times.

Theatre

Tyler Perry's Haves and Have Nots

This play provides a humorous outlook at the different faces of the American social system. It features new music and Perry's trademark poignancy, which is comically softened. Perry's work includes the television show "House of Pain" and the "Madea" series. The show runs from Sept. 27 through Oct. 2 at the Fisher Theatre. Tickets range from \$33-\$46.



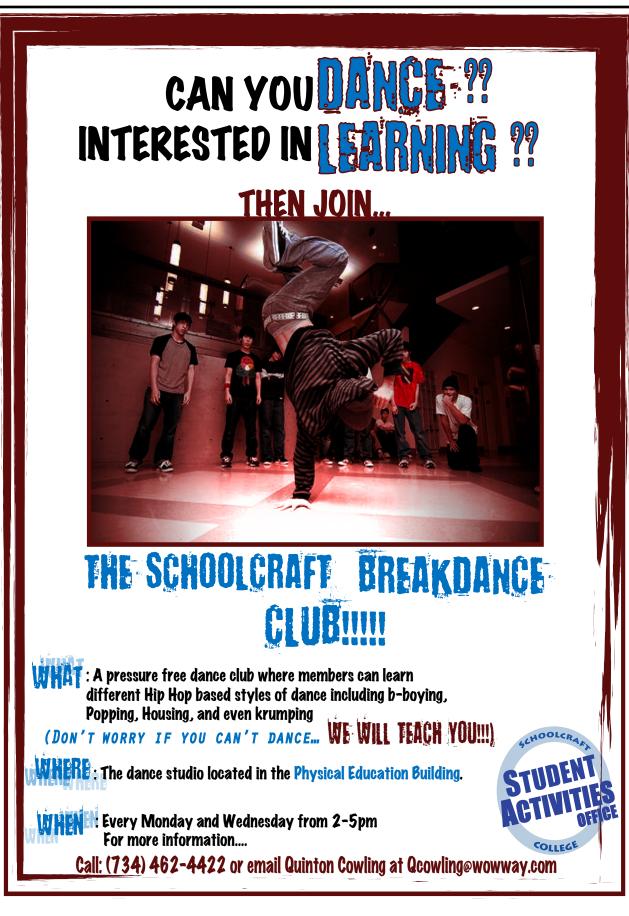
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the frustration of the missions and the time it takes to kill zombies. The game has a realistic survival feel, giving you a rush of adrenaline to destroy the undead. It takes a lot of skill and planning to either avoid the horde or jump into the blood bath and hope to survive. The creators really tried to make a good game that has the open-world attraction of "Fallout" but with the survival-against-all-odds aspect of "Dead Rising" and "Left 4 Dead." For the most part, they pretty much succeeded. Pick up this game and get ready for a hectic hard time destroying zombies.

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farther you get into the game the more repetition rears its ugly head. While there are numerous welcome breaks in level design, the last quarter of the game definitely skirts the edge of



tedium.

Yet even at its most repetitive, the game's decidedly tongue-in-cheek humor keeps things afloat. Countless movie references are made throughout the course of the game, and it makes playing the entire thing worthwhile just to try and catch all of them. The level names alone are half the fun, with titles like "Dances with Werewolves," "Office of the Doomed" and "Seven Meals for Seven Zombies." The stellar graphics and soundtrack – both of which pay homage to classic fright films of yore – also make the process of navigating the 48 levels that much more enjoyable.

Altogether, one would be hard-pressed to find a better 16-bit zombie slaughter-fest. "Zombies Ate My Neighbors" is a classic piece of gaming that pays tribute to even more classic pieces of cinema. If you're a fan of Frankenstein and little green men, you owe it to yourself to set your squirt gun to "annihilate" and pick this game up today.





Eyebrow threading and henna will be available.



Four films and a jug of apple cider

By TODD WALSH & CHAD PERKINS Staff Writers

Summer has come to end and fall has begun. For many it's a time to head on over to the apple orchard and grab some donuts and a cup of cider. The only thing that's left is to curl up on the sofa and watch a great movie ... or four!

"Cider House Rules" (1999)

The film is about an orphan, Homer Wells, played by Tobey McGuire. After being adopted and brought back twice, Doctor Larch (played by Michael Caine) adopts him as an apprentice and teaches him everything he knows about medicine, giving birth and performing abortions. A young couple, Paul and Candy, appear to get an abortion and, before they leave, Homer decides to go with them. The young couple give him a job picking apples at their family orchard. There Homer meets Arthur Rose (played by Delroy Lindo) and his daughter Rose Rose (played by Erykah Badu) and finds out that Rose is having a baby. Worried about what Rose might do to her body, Homer confronts her and against his better judgment performs an abortion. At the same the time Homer is having an affair with Candy while Paul is away at war but things completely change when Candy finds out his boyfriend is coming home paralyzed.

This movie is not for everyone. It hits many controversial issues and definitely has a pro-choice stance throughout. Many films try to push their viewpoints on audiences and if it seems too heavy-handed it tends to fail but in this movie it works. Throughout the whole Homer is dead-set on not being a part of Dr. Larch's abortions, but after unseen events he changes his mind. While movie goers might not change their minds, they are going to understand a bit more about this complex and controversial subject. The acting is also remarkable - Michael Caine really steals the show. It's no wonder he got the Academy Award for Best Supporting Actor that year. There are movies that make people laugh, cry, and think all at the same time, and this is one of them.

"Melody Time" (1948)

Walt Disney is known for telling wondrous stories of fantasy. The world knows about "Snow White" and "Bambi" but in the mid '40s Disney created a series movies which are somewhat forgotten, where he took some cartoon shorts and put them together to create a full length movie. There is one that stands out above the rest and it's Disney's 10th animated movie "Melody Time." The film consists of seven shorts that went together with popular and folk music. The movie is similar to "Fantasia" but with a focus on jazz and country instead of classical music.

Each short is a work of art with its colorful visuals and its lively music. The first one, "Once Upon the Wintertime," is about young couple skating but it's backed up by the wonderful singing styles of Frances Langford. The second short, "Bumble Boogie," is just plain fun and hearing a jazz cover Rimsky-Korsakov's Flight of the Bumblebee is something everybody needs to experience. The movie will take everyone back in time with Andrew Sisters as they sing a song about little tug boat in "Little Toot." Poetry fans will get a kick of the recitation of the famous Alfred Joyce Kilmer poem in the shorts "Trees" and Disney fans will enjoy Donald Duck reunited with José Carioca in "Blame it On the Samba." Finally, there are the two best shorts "Johnny Appleseed" and "Pecos Bill." Disney gives both compelling stories, which are rare to find most animated shorts and remarkable songs that will stick in anyone's head. This is a great film to watch not only for fans of Disney or animation but for music fans as well.

"American Pie" (1999)

If raunchy comedy is more your style, we've got you covered. "American Pie" is about four high school kids who want to lose their virginity before they graduate and that's pretty much the extent of the plot. The movie mostly focuses around Jim Levenstein (played by Jason Biggs), who is sexually naive and awkward when it comes to talking to women. He also has intimate relations with an apple pie.

At a first glance you might look at "American Pie" as one of those stupid funny movies that uses drugs, alcohol and teenage ignorance as a basis for hilarity. However if you sit through the movie you acknowledge that it's not some stupid attempt at comedy but it's actually well-thought out and makes you feel like you are back in high school, desperate to prove your manhood. "American Pie" delivers clever jokes and accurately captures the pressures of high school, making you remember – for better or worse - that time when everyone was pressuring you to lose your virginity like it was a big deal. The acting is surprisingly fantastic in this movie and the whole premises will make you feel just plain awkward but in that silly kind of way. If you are looking for a sexuallycharged high school comedy with plenty of fresh pastry, this is an instant recommendation.

"In Dreams" (1999)

Have you ever had a dream about a serial killer and it all ends up being true? No? Well, that's probably for the best. In the 1999 movie "In Dreams," Claire Cooper (played by Annette Bening) isn't so lucky. Claire is a suburban housewife and mother who has strange visions of a man who kidnaps and murders a young girl which turns out to be her own daughter. This movie is very bizarre there really isn't anything mainstream to compare it to. The movie comes off as a "What in the world is going on and why am I watching this?" But for some reason you can't look away. Something compels you to keep watching.

The acting in the movie is pretty decent. Annette Bening doesn't do an amazing job, but she still holds the performance of a raving insane woman pretty well and convinces you throughout the movie that she really is insane. However, the real props should go to Robert Downey Jr., who makes you truly believe he is a raving psycho killer. The movie really never explains why these two are psychically linked, which is probably the one of the tiny flaws of the movie. However, if you want a good "Psycho" mind blower and don't feel like checking out "A Clockwork Orange" or "The Cell," then get this movie - it will satisfy your urge for mind-warping goodness.



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A world of talent SC looks abroad for new soccer stars

By Ehimare Arhebamen Sports Editor

When the NCJAA Div. I poll came out on Sept. 21 – and the Ocelots were ranked third in the nation – there was little surprise in the offices of the Physical Education building. The team was 5-0 in Region XII, 8-0 overall, and riding high.

One of the keys to the team's success is its willingness to recruit from oversees. This inclination led to Schoolcraft signing 10 foreign players including four from Venezuela, three from England and another trio from Canada. This assortment of players is an example of how soccer is a truly international game and a testament of

how it can bring vastly different people together.

"This team can help benefit these international students and players as it can help be a gateway into the American system," said Head Coach Rick Larson. "The international players have adjusted into this general environment well."

One of the English players, Sam Ellis-Stockley, is a freshman player from Gloucester, England. He is a forward on the team who had two assists against Cuyahoga Community College and Heartland Community College. Another English player, forward Tom Nevill, has contributed a quartet of goals and an assist in just six games.

Marco Lobo, the Ocelot's secondleading scorer, hails from Caracus, Venezuela, as do sophomore defenders Juan Garcia and Jose Viloria, and freshman midfielder Carlos Izquierdo.

The Canadian contingent consists of two players from Ontario – Adrian Tash, a freshman midfielder from Mississaugua, and sophomore goalkeeper Scott Shewfelt from London – and Anthony Lourenco, a second-year midfielder from Winnipeg, Manitoba.

"The [international] players have valuable strengths, skills and a high work commitment," said Larson.

With the remaining majority of the roster being homegrown, in-state talent, including the top scorer, Stoney Creek High School product Brent McIntosh, it's the team's ability to blend personalities from near and far that has led to the Ocelots' continued success.

This has translated directly onto the pitch as the Ocelot offense has tallied 33 goals – nearly four per game – through eight matches. Defensively, players and goalkeepers have been stingy allowing a meager five goals. Play of this caliber typically leads to a prolonged postseason run.

Look for the men's team to continue their pursuit of perfection on the road at Owens (Sept. 28), the Cuyahoga Tournament (Oct. 1-2) and Delta (Oct. 5) before returning home on Oct. 8 to face Jefferson College at 4 p.m.



Foreign Exchange

SC men's soccer international contributors

Year Hometown
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Winnipeg, Manitoba
Mississaugua, Ontario
Notts, England
Gloucester, England
Spennymoor, England
Caracas, Venezuela
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PHOTO BY STEVEN GRILL

Above: Marco Lobo, one of the Venezuelan imports, evades an opposing player with a sharp cut and turn.

Right: When opponents stumble, Ocelot players like Anthony Laurenco are quick to take advantage.



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Lady Ocelot

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Monroe CC Invitational – Rochester, NY

Oct. 1 Laramie Away 1:00 p.m.

Oct. 2 Monroe Away 1:00 p.m.

Sept. 28 Owens Home 4:00 p.m.



SC Forward #11, Dawn Easton, keeps her eye on the goal.

Fierce as ever Lady Ocelots climb soccer rankings

By Holly Bunzeluk

Schoolcraft College boasts an excellent athletic program and the women's soccer team certainly contributes more than their fair share. In a preseason NJCAA poll, the Lady Ocelots ranked 10th and their 7-0 record has done nothing but reinforce that belief.

The women of Schoolcraft soccer thrive on the challenge to work harder than their opponents, their teammates and themselves. The Ocelots are always pushing and encouraging each other to be better. "This quality makes it a joy to work with them and be part of the team," said Head Coach Deepak Shivraman, the new coach of the Schoolcraft team. He says that the team's playing style is comparable to that of FC Barcelona. The Lady Ocelots have a possessive style of play, which works for them offensively and by curbing pressure on their defense. Players worthy of special attention include the three team captains sophomores Renee Boudrow, Ashley Weldch and Lindsay McMullen. Shivraman says that leadership is what really drives the team. The three scholar athletes are all inspiring leaders and gifted players. They lead by example and set a high bar for their teammates. On defense, midfield and forward respectively, these three women dominate the field. This is Shivraman's fifth year as the head coach of the women's soccer team. He says that the team always works hard and strives for excellence both on the field and in the classroom, while focusing on fitness and strength training.



Oct. 8 Jackson Away 2:00 p.m.

The Schoolcraft girls celebrate their victory over Jackson on Saturday, Sept. 10.

This year, the team hopes to bring home a national championship. The reputation of Schoolcraft College has always been formidable within soccer circles. They have appeared in several national tournaments in the postseason so followers expect a lot from this team. Shivraman is confident that they can deliver. The coaching staff work hard to ensure that representing Schoolcraft on the pitch is a rewarding, unique and unforgettable experience. Coach Shivraman shamelessly calls

himself a soccer fanatic. He jokingly

said that his children know that there is only one real sport in their house. FC Barcelona has a nine-year-old fan in his daughter and he proudly said that his two-year-old son has started kicking already. Shivraman is passionate about the game. He claims that soccer has given him so much, with all the amazing people he has met over the years, and he tries to share that passion with his players. Shivraman is more than a coach, he is an educator. He has taught in a classroom for the past fourteen years, and

recently accepted a job as an Assistant Principal.

With as much enthusiasm as Coach Shivraman possesses, three fantastic team captains and players who always strive for excellence, Schoolcraft's women's soccer team seems destined for another outstanding campaign.

Look for the Lady Ocelots to continue their excellent play against Owens Community College, at home, on Sept. 28 at 4 p.m. before traveling to Rochester, NY, for a tournament Oct.

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VERLANDER:

MLB'S VERSION OF THE BOOGEYMAN

BY BILLY BLUETURTLE STAFF WRITER

A Detroit Tigers playoff preview

With the Major League Baseball playoffs only days away, the Detroit Tigers are preparing for their first postseason since their World Series run back in 2006. Rather than entering October as a wild card, this year's Tigers managed to claim the American League Central Division crown - the team's first since 1987.

By clinching the division on Sept. 16, the Tigers had more than two weeks to rest position players, reset the pitching rotation and audition minor league additions for inclusion on the postseason roster. The rest was well deserved and a welcome change from the disappointing collapse of 2009 when the team blew a three-game division lead in the final four games of the season. A 12-game September winning streak played a pivotal role in securing the division crown.

Another key factor in winning the AL Central was the outstanding season-long performance of pitcher Justin Verlander. With one start yet to play, Verlander boasted a 24-5 record with a miniscule 0.91 WHIP and a dominating lead in the AL Cy Young award race for the season's best pitcher. Verlander's play has been so impressive he is even garnering consideration for the Most Valuable Player award, an honor not bestowed upon a starting pitcher since Boston's Roger Clemens in 1986. As of Sept. 21, Verlander was leading all Major League pitchers in Wins, Innings Pitched, Strikeouts and WHIP. He set a franchise record by winning 12 (and counting) consecutive starts. With Verlander toeing the rubber, the Tigers' chances of success are promising. Of course, he is only one player on roster of 25. A quick look at the rest of the potential playoff roster is promising. The collection of veteran hitters, led by first baseman Miguel Cabrera, kept the Tigers in the top six of most offensive categories throughout the 162-game regular season. This is a sign that the offense should keep the team competitive in October.

is a major reason the Tigers are cruising to the postseason. Unfortunately it was a necessary one as the remainder of the starting rotation has been inconsistent at best. Heading into the playoffs, manager Jim Leyland can pencil in Verlander and Fister ... then the questions arise. Max Scherzer has improved some of his peripheral pitching numbers - ERA, WHIP and K/BB - but that improvement hasn't provided wins as the right-hander has only managed a 4-5 record since the All-Star break. The other starting option, Rick Porcello, has been consistent but only in a mediocre way. On the other hand, Porcello's 1.41 WHIP and 4.79 ERA sparkle next to Brad Penny's 1.57 and 5.31 season tally. It will be up to Leyland to squeeze success from the back of this questionable rotation.

they have repeatedly managed to hold onto games better than any other team in the American League. It's apparent that Leyland will hope his starters can pitch deep enough into games to hand the ball directly to Valverde for the save. If not, it will be time to Tiger fans to share the antacids.



However, after Verlander and the impressive offense, the Tigers have a couple major weaknesses to overcome. A bold trade at the deadline brought hard-luck 3-12 pitcher Doug Fister from Seattle to Detroit. Since the transaction, Fister has dominated, amassing a 7-1 record as of this writing. The move

The bullpen, which has been shaky and near the bottom of the league in many reliever categories, is fortunately anchored by perfect-on-the-season closer Jose Valverde. Though the staff has often flirted with pitching disaster,

Fortunately for Detroit, the other main contenders - the New York Yankees, Boston Red Sox and Texas Rangers – all have issues of their own ranging from injuries to inconsistent pitching. Two others teams - the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim and the Tampa Bay Rays – have an outside chance of earning spots in the postseason. Stacked side-by-side, the Tigers are entering the 2011 postseason with as much chance to win as any team in the American League. If Verlander can continue his utter dominance of opposing hitters, the Detroit Tigers have the chance to play deep into October and a legitimate shot at another trip to the World Series.

Heartbreaker Women's volleyball lose to national contender

By Connection staff Staff writer

With little more than a month left before the MCCAA State Tournament in Kalamazoo, the Lady Ocelots have been red hot and solidifying their position near the top of the MCCAA Eastern Conference standings thanks to an impressive hot streak. With postseason tournament hopes riding high, the Lady Ocelots looked to continue their winning ways heading into a headto-head match with the other conference leader, Oakland Community College. The Oakland Raiders were ranked second in the nation coming into play.

The Lady Ocelots came out aggressive and overwhelmed the Raiders through the first pair of games. Oakland recovered to win the next two games, sending the match to a decisive fifth round. Both squads battled to send the game into sudden-death overtime. Unfortunately for fans of the home team, the Raiders prevailed taking the pivotal game, the match, improved their record to 17-1 and moved into sole possession of the top spot in the Eastern Conference standings.

With the loss, the Lady Ocelots fell to 19-5 overall, 5-1 within the conference.

Catch the Lady Ocelots when they travel to Warren to play Macomb on Sept. 27 before returning home on Sept. 29 to face the Mott Bears at 7 p.m.



Women's Volleyball upcoming games

Sept. 27 Macomb <i>Away</i> 7:00 p.m.
Sept. 29 Mott Home 7:00 p.m.
Grand Rapids Invitational
Oct. 1-2 TBD Away TBD
Oct. 4 Delta <i>Away</i> 7:00 p.m.
Oct. 6 St. Clair Home 7:00 p.m.



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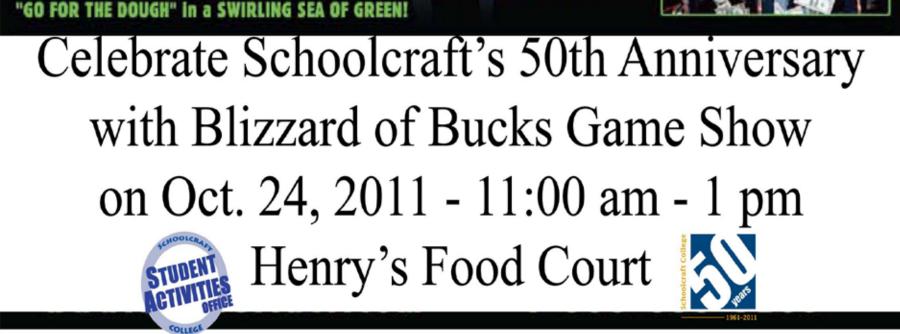
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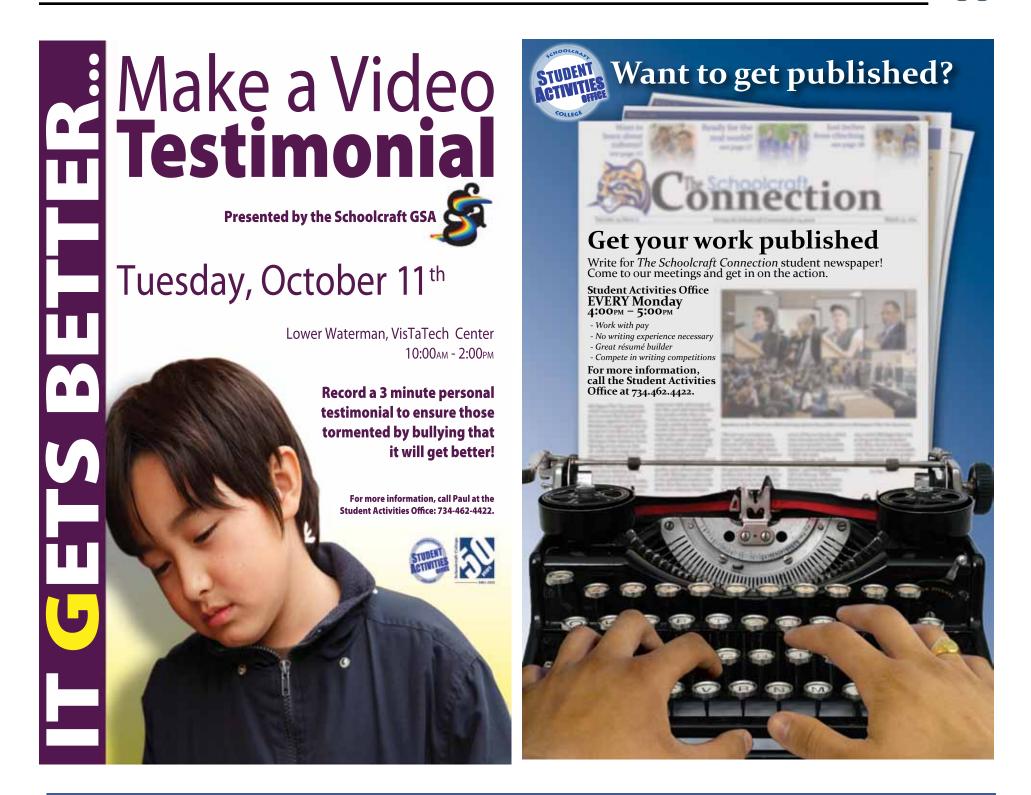




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HOROSCOPES

By Ramon Razo News Editor

Aries 3/21-4/19

A lurking presence may be descending upon you, unaware. But do not flee from it. It is your responsibility to embrace this change and alteration to your very being. In the end, it will be your greatest achievement and it will be your greatest source of power.

Cancer

6/22-7/22

Your persistence in the face of the humdrum grind of day to day life, if balance well and kept straight, will give way to bigger and better things. Just never forget to elevate the ones who might have passed up on the way to your goal. You owe them more than you know.

Leo

7/23-8/23 Dark times may engulf a

Dark times may engulf all of us. Some darker than others. However, be of strong will. Your dark days and your problems just might be your greatest resource, and your greatest driving force for a better tomorrow. Your brush with bad times and sorrow has made your strong, allowing you to potentially stand your ground in the face of insurmountable odds.

Libra

9/23-10/22

Pay attention to your time wasted and your time gained. Wasting time is like wasting anything else. You can never get time back, even if you try. Try hard to do lots of useful things at once, and never do things that are counter-productive or non-beneficial. Now might be a good time to pick up a new hobby ... perhaps fishing.

Scorpio 10/23-11/21

Capricorn

12/22-1/19

Don't be against socialization. It is not reproachful. Mingling is a natural thing. You may think that you have seen it all, and that you know the system and its works. That is you. If your heart breaks, do what you do best. Trust in the one who loves you, and never put others on top of your well being.

Aquarius 1/20-2/18

Is your life difficult? Do your friends feel distant? Do things feel like they're going downhill without any hopes of betterment? Well then, friend, you may be in luck. With your future rapidly approaching, great things may be just around the corner. However, don't get your hopes up. Tomorrow could just be another day. You never know.

Taurus

4/20-5/20

Be sure to keep your three closest friends with you as much as you can. They have been, and always will be, your greatest asset. When trouble arises, you always have them to fall back on. Rely on their strength, their transparency, their flexibility and their fiery passion. Through all things, try and work through your issues and you be eternally blessed.

Gemini

5/21-6/21

Bad times are behind you. Better times might be ahead. You have the ability to spring back, better than before, if you keep pressing onwards. Rely on others for help, but remember that life is a journey that sometimes must walk alone.

Virgo

8/23-9/22

Your life is flamboyant with edification. Consolidate the travesties that have beset you in the past. Their undoing in their malevolent binding shall provide a cornucopia of expression and long suffering. Always relish in the notion that expenditure is a double edged sword, and never withdraw from the notions of nullification in the face of insurmountable adversity. If you have left a place you once called home, it may be in your best interest to return post haste. If you are currently residing in place that makes you unhappy, it would be beneficial to perhaps get out and see the sights. The big places are enticing, with their flashy colors and their expensive prices. But if the bright lights don't warm your heart, turn around and return home.

Sagittarius

11/22-12/21

Change can herald forth all kinds of new experiences and alterations too your experiences. Embrace them, whole heartedly, with open arms. Unless you can't. Change can also make things difficult and hard and annoying. Try and see things in best light possible, if possible. Never forget the days gone by. If anything, always look at things a different way. Unless you can't.

Pisces

2/19-3/20

Happiness occasionally requires outstanding sacrifices. Carry on persevering, emphasize strength, and remember: everyone rises eventually. Always live like your success is limited. Look youthful, and never despair – acting sullen is neither intelligent nor efficient.

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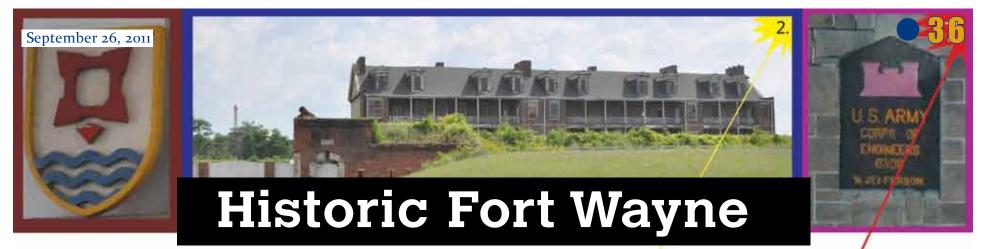
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The site of Fort Wayne has played a major role in many wars, even before the Forts construction. The surveying of Fort Wayne began in 1840, with construction of the Star Fortification in 1845 followed by the building of the limestone barracks in 1848. During the Civil War, starting in 1861, Fort Wayne was used as a staging ground for all troops leaving Michigan, and as a place for wounded veterans to recover. At the start of World War I, Fort Wayne began shipping out cars, trucks, and spare parts for the military. Fort Wayne really hit its shipping peak in World War II when becoming the designated motor supply depot. The Fort had employed over 2,000 people during the war, mostly civilians. At the end of the WWII, they began to close the fort, and in 1948 the Star Fortification and limestone barracks was given to the City of Detroit's Historical Commission to become a military museum.

In the 1950s the Fort was outfitted with anti-aircraft guns. In 1953 distribution of the Nike Ajax missile began, and Fort Wayne was one 240 launch sites upgraded with these. Through the Cold War, Korean War, and Vietnam War, Fort Wayne served as a staging ground for thousands of soldiers awaiting deployment. Now, there is still a presence of the Army Corps of Engineers, but 83 acres of the original 96 acres belong to the City of Detroit and is maintained by Detroit's Recreation Department, who welcomes volunteers to help out in all aspects.

Not only is the Fort interesting because of its intense history, but there is also a Native American Burial Mound still in existence there, with at least two burials remaining untouched. Also on the grounds, tucked back in the corner of the land in a isolated warehouse, is stored thousands of historical artifacts, most popular to the "Bubble Cars". Over 60 vehicles kept safe from the elements inside self-inflating and filtered plastic bubbles, including a 1963 Cougar II concept car by Ford, which is one of only two made. With over a hundred years' worth of history in their collection of cars, not to mention all the other items they keep in the climate controlled warehouse, visiting Historic Fort Wayne would definitely be an experience to be proud of.

