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SUINGING FOR THE FENCES

Schoolcraft adds baseball and softball teams while discussing new athletic complex

BY NICK MISIAK SPORTS EDITOR

The Flash" appears

The next major addition to Schoolcraft College has been announced, as the Ocelots will be adding Womens Softball and Mens Baseball as two new sports to their intercollegiate athletic program beginning in the 2015 fall semester. This will increase the number of varsity sports the <mark>college</mark> sponsors under the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) to twelve.

The new programs will compete in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association, which, with the addition of Schoolcraft, now fields 15 baseball and 17 softball teams.

"The addition of both a baseball and a softball team at Schoolcraft is an excellent way to expand our already impressive athletic department, and it gives us the opportunity to give Schoolcraft additional facilities that will improve our campus," said Schoolcraft Athletic Director Sidney Fox. "This will also strengthen our student recruitment appeal with high schools throughout the region."

This is the first time that Schoolcraft has added a sport since Womens Volleyball was added as a scholarship sport in 1994.

"This is a really cool thing for me to hear, because I played baseball in high school and came to Schoolcraft figuring that my career was over," said freshman student Josh Shepard. "Now, I have the opportunity to possibly play again and maybe even with a few people I've played with before."

Although many currently eligible Schoolcraft students will be interested in trying out for the teams, it is first important that head coaches who can recruit high school seniors are hired for both the baseball and softball programs.

"The first order of business will be to identify head coaches for these sports who have demonstrated a high degree of expertise within their sport and who also represent academic, as well as behavioral values compatible with our athletic

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Schoolcraft will add Mens Baseball and Womens Softball to their athletic program beginning fall 2015. Plans for a new athletic complex are also being discussed.

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From player to role model

Former student athlete takes over as the Student Athlete Support Services Coordinator

BY ELIZABETH CHAPA ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Immense responsibility is put on the shoulders of college students, so if one adds being involved with a collegiate sport, the pressure only increases. It is vital for student athletes to maintain their grades so they can remain eligible to play their sport and be academically prepared as they continue on their collegiate path. However, that can become difficult for some to handle, so Schoolcraft Learning Support Services requires all student-athletes to join the Student Athlete Support Services (SASS) program, which is a resourceful, academic support program.

"Most four year university athletic programs have strong [academic] support, like Michigan or Michigan State, but at the two year college level, most academic support programs for student-athletes don't have the depth that our system has. What makes our academic support system unique is that we have an individual whose sole responsibility is creating relationships with the student athletes and their faculty and

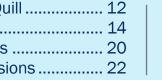
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PHOTO BY NATHAN GARTNER | PHOTO EDITOR

As a former collegiate athlete, Ryan Lemasters relates to the challenges of being a student athlete. With his position as SASS Coordinator, he will serve as a mentor to student athletes, helping them fulfill their academic and athletic requirements.

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MEASLES OUTBREAK

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From the first of the year to Feb. 6, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reported 121 people from 17 states and Washington D.C. had measles, including Michigan, which has reported one case. Last year, the U.S. had a record number of 644 measles cases from 27 states, which was the highest number since 2000. Eighty-five percent of the cases this year are thought to be linked to Disneyland in California. Most of the infected had not been previously vaccinated. The CDC wants people to remember that measles is still common in many regions of the world, and many foreign travelers continuously bring measles to the U.S. where it can easily spread with groups of U.S. citizens not being vaccinated.

DRIVERLESS CAR RESEARCH

Late in 2013, Governor Snyder signed Senate Bill 169, which approved testing of driverless cars on Michigan's roads. The University of Michigan Mobility Transformation Center has been researching the possibility of enabling cars to communicate with each other through wireless devices using a 32-acre model city on Michigan's North Campus, which was designed for these testing purposes. Driverless cars will improve safety, reduce congestion, and conserve energy while transporting goods and people. One goal of the driverless cars is to drop fatality rates of car crashes to zero, as over 900 people were killed on Michigan roads in 2013, but the ultimate goal is to have Ann Arbor be the first U.S. city to have a fleet of driverless cars by 2021.

CANADIAN DOLLAR PLUMMETS

As of Feb. 18, the exchange rate between the U.S. and Canada was 80 U.S. cents being equivalent to one Canadian dollar, a.k.a. Loonie.

New century, same tension

U.S. and Russia battle over European energy

BY JOE ZYLKA NEWS EDITOR

By definition, the Cold War was a state of political and military tension that pitted the United States and its allies against the Soviet Union and its allies. Although there was never direct confrontation between the U.S. and the Soviet Union, the Cold War lasted roughly from the end of the Second World War until 1991, when the Soviet Union collapsed.

Fast-forward to 2015, and tensions between the United States and the Soviet Union's most powerful former state, Russia, have turned ice cold once again, but this time the battle is over Europe's energy future.

Currently, Russia provides Eastern and Central Europe with most of their oil and gas supplies. According to a report by the Associated Press, the former Soviet states depend on Russia for over 75 percent of their energy needs.

This statistic is particularly alarming in Ukraine, where tensions are rising between pro-Russia separatists and Ukrainian forces, many of which have turned deadly.

"Diversify its (Ukraine's) energy sources; no country should be held hostage to another nation that wields energy like a weapon," said President Obama during a speech in the Estonian capital of Tallinn in September 2014.

The situation in Ukraine has prompted the U.S. and other Western European nations to begin setting up new gas pipelines across Southeast Europe and encouraging American oil companies to bid for nuclear power plants and fracking in Europe.

However, Moscow is not standing idly while the U.S. makes moves. Russia is buying up pipelines across Europe as well, and is also trying to influence what European nations do with their Russian oil once they get it. Russia also announced last year an \$11.3 billion deal with Hungary, where the Russians will build two new reactors at an old power plant built during the Soviet Union.

Secretary of State John Kerry and Vice President Joe Biden have traveled through Eastern Europe many times over the last few months to discuss possible energy deals in the near future.

"The United States is prepared to help Bulgaria, which has made difficult decisions in order to try to protect its energy future," Kerry said during a speech in the Bulgarian capital of Sofia. "We are committed to try to help attract investment and provide assistance."

Many Americans, including Schoolcraft student Eneida Ziraj, agree that Russia must stop using its oil and gas reserves as a way to bully the rest of Europe.

"I think Russia is being irrational," said Ziraj. "If the U.S. has the power and the ability to change the situation in Europe, then they definitely should do it." With Russia forming a closer relationship with China because of Western sanctions, it will be interesting to see how this new installment of the Cold War shakes out. While this may not be an age-defining conflict like the Cold War, it may set the stage for how international relations will be in coming years.



ILLUSTRATION BY SARAH SISK | STAFF WRITER

The United States and Russia are deadlocked in a new Cold War battle. The struggle has shifted from the fight for global influence to the fight for control of Europe's energy future.



MARUUANA SMOKING 17

Campus Police Authority (CPA) received reports of a strong marijuana smell in the north stairwell of the McDowell Building between 6:50 and 7:30 a.m. on Jan. 14. When camera footage in the building was reviewed, a subject was entering the stairwell from the second floor and staying within the stairwell for approximately four minutes. A clear photo of the suspect was produced from footage and CPA officers kept an eye out for the subject. On Friday, Jan. 16, a CPA officer was patrolling the McDowell Center on foot and smelled burnt marijuana in the east stairwell. However, no one was seen in that area. When footage of the doors leading to the stairwell was reviewed, it was revealed that a subject was seen entering the east stairwell at 7:33 a.m. Two additional reports of a marijuana smell were made on Jan.

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17 and again on Jan. 20 in the McDowell Center. At around 7:40 a.m. on Jan. 22, a CPA officer was patroling the east stairwell of the McDowell CenHalf an hour later, he returned and didn't notice anything wrong with the car. When the plaintiff started his car at 2:35, he noticed it was louder than normal. He then inspected the vehicle and noticed the catalytic converter was missing. The responding CPA officer asked the victim to move his car to search for evidence such as metal shavings or pieces. No such evidence was found during the inspection. When video footage of the parking canAmerican man wearing a black jacket, blue jeans, and brown boots, who is not a documented employee of the college, was seen entering the bathroom at 6:55 p.m. The man was seen entering the bathroom three times within a 30 minute window.

Just before 7 p.m. on Jan. 22, CPA officers met up with a person fitting the description of the person of interest from Jan. 20. The officers asked the suspect to provide ID, which the suspect was unable to do. However, he did provide his name, address and date of birth. When the suspect was asked if he stole a wallet and keys out of a brown jacket two days earlier, he confessed to stealing some money. He also admitted to throwing the wallet and keys into a waste basket in the restroom. CPA officers later found out the man had three outstanding warrants for traffic violations in Detroit and Warren and had a suspended driver's license. It was eventually confirmed that the perpetrator was a registered student at Schoolcraft.

This is the lowest the Canadian dollar value has dropped in six years, and as of Jan. 30, Bloomberg News reported that Canadian currency dropped for its 10th week in a row, which is the longest stretch of time since 2000.

TRAIN FROM ANN ARBOR TO TRAVERSE CITY

On Monday, Feb. 16, a conceptual "A2TC Train" will be discussed at the State Theatre in Traverse City. Transportation leaders from Michigan will attend the meeting to discuss the "A2TC" proposal, as well as other rail projects in the state. The train would make stops in Cadillac, Mount Pleasant, Alma, Owosso and Howell, and the option to continue to Detroit would be an option as well. ter from the second floor and noticed someone sitting close to the bottom of the stairs. The CPA officer entered the stairwell and after immediately smelling burnt marijuana, arrested the subject who was in possession of both marijuana and a marijuana pipe. The suspect had been turned over to the Livonia Police Department.

STOLEN CATALYTIC CONVERTER

On Jan. 14, at approximately 3 p.m., a complainant notified the CPA that the catalytic converter on his car was stolen. When the officer went to investigate the car, the officer noticed fresh cut marks on the exhaust pipe where the converter had formerly been located. The victim said he arrived at the college at 1:20 p.m. lot captured between 1:20 and 2:35 p.m. was reviewed, the footage was inconclusive.

LARCENY IN LA BUILDING

On the evening of Jan. 20, a Schoolcraft employee was waiting for CPA officers to respond to a call in the Liberal Arts building. The complainant informed the officers that he left his brown jacket, containing his wallet and car keys, in the Men's faculty restroom at 6:30 p.m. At 9:05 p.m., the employee returned to the bathroom, realizing he left his jacket, keys and wallet there. Although the man's jacket was still hanging in the bathroom, his wallet and keys were missing.

The next day, camera footage of the LA building was reviewed, and a young, AfriIN CASE OF EMERGENCY, CONTACT THE CAMPUS POLICE AUTHORITY AT 734-462-4424

Battle of the bills

Obama threatens to veto repeal attempts of Affordable Care Act

BY ELIZABETH CASELLA INTERN

For the 60th time since the Affordable Care Act (ACA) passed, commonly called Obamacare, the Republican-led House has again tried to pass a bill to repeal the law.

President Obama has issued nine vetoes to different legislation topics since taking office in 2008, and he threatens for a tenth veto if the house decides to pass new legislation that will completely repeal the ACA and replace it with new health legislation. On Feb. 9, the House approved a bill that would repeal the ACA.

"More than 250 million Americans with insurance - private insurance, Medicare, and Medicaid - would lose the benefits and protections they receive under the healthcare law," said the White House in a statement about what would happen if the ACA is repealed. "Women could be charged more than men, and up to 129 million Americans with pre-existing conditions

would be at risk of not being able to access or afford health coverage."

The ACA could be threatened by the Supreme Court case King v. Burwell. This case could potentially cripple the ACA, because it would eliminate subsidies for people whose states chose not to set up exchanges in defiance of the law. Fourteen states have refused to set up these exchanges, while seventeen others have with held making a decision. If this ruling goes through, President Obama would have no choice other than to pass new legislation. The Supreme Court's decision is expected in late June.

"If Obamacare is repealed, I wonder what would happen to all of the people who had to get new insurance policies to adhere to the new Obamacare legislation in the first place. It is difficult trying to plan the future when something as important as healthcare may change again within a year or two," said Schoolcraft student



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President Barack Obama, right, House Speaker John Boehner (R-Ohio) and Republicans nationwide battle once again over the Affordable Care Act (ACA). This time, Boehner's Republicanled house passed legislation to repeal the ACA, and the bill will now go to the Senate. President Obama has said he will veto any legislation that will repeal the ACA.

Gabriel Lindebaur.

According to Thehill.com, the primary reason a vote on the legislation was scheduled was to give the 47 House GOP freshmen a vote on repealing the law, because they all campaigned on vetoing the healthcare legislation.

House Republican majority leader Kevin McCarthy from California appointed a "working group," comprised of committee chairmen, to create a strategy to replace the ACA.

"It is ridiculous how many times the Republican dom-

inated Congress has tried to repeal Obamacare. It has just started to go into effect for most people who applied for it last year and hasn't really had time to be tested on if it is the best system for the American people or not. I think the Republicans need to move onto some other political topic and let the healthcare act have time to have a real effect," said Westland resident Joe Adams.

President Obama has continued to push for the Affordable Care Act and stands by his threats to continually veto any bills that are brought to him to repeal it, according to statements released by his administration.

Republicans may still take a chance to repeal the bill using a scarcely known reconciliation tactic that would only require a Senate majority. However, Senate Democrats vow to filibuster any attempts to repeal the law, as the party stands behind the ACA and the Presidents' decision to veto any competition against it. For now, the ACA will remain in place.

Alternative routes

Snyder supports and encourages skilled trade routes

BY ELAINE GEROU MANAGING EDITOR

As skill trade continues to lose workers combined with many of the remaining workers in skill trade approaching retirement age, Governor Snyder announced the need for more young people to go into skilled trade on Jan. 20 in 2015's State of the State Address.

"Talent is the new currency of economic growth," Snyder

"We are serious about leading the nation with new best practices in workforce development," said Snyder. "The skills gap is a national challenge and the state that best addresses this need will stand apart in fostering new business growth, attracting new businesses and creating more and better jobs. The next step in creating a great environment for business growth is to develop the most skilled workforce in the

Soon, the state will award as much as \$50 million from the state's Skilled Trade Training Fund to community colleges to update the tools they use to train students with for welding, machining and "It's good, but it's bad," said Schoolcraft student Alena Filina. "Our tax dollars should go to more useful things."

Although there is some opposition, others support Snyder. "There's a huge need for welders right now, which is why I'm taking the course in the first place," said Schoolcraft student Ian Bollman. Franchino Mold and Engineering used \$50,000 of state funding the last two years so apprentices can train at Lansing Community College (LCC) and work full-time at the company. After students complete the four-year program, they can make about \$20 an hour with no school debt to pay off.



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Michigan Governor Rick Snyder announced his plan at the 2015 State of the State address to send more state tax dollars to fund skill trade apprenticeships in Michigan.

"We are working hard to skill trade has been put on establish pathways that lead to sustainable careers through on-the-job training and apprenticeship programs," said LCC President, Dr. Brent Knight, to Michigan.gov. "Employers have repeatedly spoken about the difficulty of finding workers with the skills needed for today's jobs. If we can bridge the gap between what students learn in school, and what companies need from their employees, it will be a win-win for all involved." Although emphasis on

the backburners while the message to get a degree has skyrocketed in the past couple decades, society may change its standpoint on what paths can lead to success. One does not need to get an extensive degree from a prestigious university to earn a comfortable living; all it takes is a skill. Additional information on Michigan talent and workforce programs can be found at www. michigan.gov.

said to michigan.gov. "We can create a river of opportunity improving talent capacities through better matches of our programs to the needs of industry and our workforce, those in it now and those who will move into these much needed careers in the future."

This is not only a state problem; it is a national setback, as the message drilled into almost every high school student today is to go to college to get a degree. Snyder said this was a "mistake."

nation."

Although Snyder opposes across the board cuts, in order to achieve this goal, cuts will have to be made to the fiscal budget, so more money can go towards funding for programs such as the Michigan Advanced Technician Training program, which is a three-year training program, including paid onthe-job training for students. Students also come out of the program with an in-demand trade associate degree, paid for by their employer.

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Staycations galore

BY CASEY SAMYN AND REBECCA BREAZEALE CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR AND STAFF WRITER

With spring break right around the corner, many students are planning their trip to Florida or another luxurious destination. For those who cannot go out of state, these are some affordable, day-long events in the Metro Detroit area.

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Whirlyball is an activity friends can do together for cheap and spend hours having fun together. The concept of the game is that everyone is in bumper cars and must use lacrosse sticks to throw the ball into a goal. It sounds easy, but it's definitely challenging. It's a good activity for a few hours of fun or even a whole day. Whirlyball of Ann Arbor is a great location available with a reservation. Call to sign up for private game(s).

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Sky Zone's claim to fame is that they are the world's first indoor trampoline park. There are foam pits and basketball courts. Different events like Special Needs jump night, Kids Dodgeball and Open Jump are held often for an enjoyable work-out for all. Sky Zone holds several special deals each month, if one brings their college I.D.

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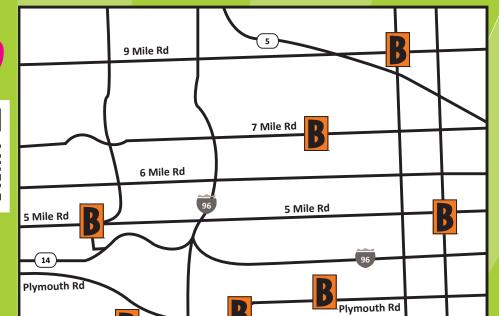


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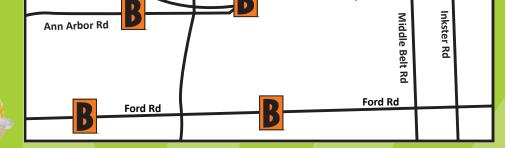
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Sports proposal

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philosophy," said Fox. "Unquestionably, the coaches hired will have to hit the ground running to successfully recruit competent high school seniors during the spring semester from area high schools."

The head coaches of the new teams would have a limited time to recruit players, but with every area high school in Schoolcraft's district fielding baseball and softball teams, finding players will not be an impossible task. Students from other community colleges or universities can transfer to Schoolcraft to play for the teams as well.

WHERE WILL THEY PLAY?

Two proposals to build an athletic complex that would include fields for the new baseball and softball teams, a new soccer field and press boxes were presented.

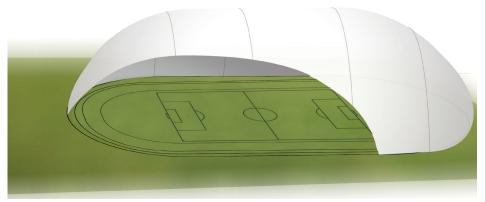
The first proposal calls for outside investors to build a dome east of the south lot parallel to I-275 to be used as an indoor facility for all sports. Additionally, a turf soccer field would be built in the same area with new seating and a press box. The baseball fields currently in existence at Ward Church, located just west of campus behind the Northville Village Center Shopping Center, would be renovated and adjusted to accompany a baseball and a softball field.

The second proposal calls for a new multi-sport complex would be built in the area east of the south lot. This would include baseball and softball fields along with a new turf soccer field with seating. A centralized press box would be used for concessions, bathrooms and locker rooms.

"These new fields would be fantastic," said Fox. "They would make the college look nicer, and we could rent them out to local teams like we already do with the soccer fields to help pay to keep them in good condition."

Both proposals are currently being discussed, but a final decision will not be made until a later date.

Coaches interested in applying for the head coaching positions should send their resume with references to Fox at sfox@schoolcraft.edu. For further information, call the Athletic Department at 734-462-4804.



MOCKUP ILLUSTRATION BY JORDAN FANCO | LAYOUT AND DESIGN EDITOR

Two proposals to build an athletic complex that would host soccer and track events are being debated by the Schoolcraft Board of Trustees.



Lemasters

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coaches. It is very intimate and very relationship based. It's has been proven to be very successful," said Ryan Lemasters, SASS Coordinator.

Before Lemasters became coordinator this new year, Dr. Michael Oliver was the person in charge as the SASS Coordinator for the past five years. When he came into the position, there were 36 ineligible student athletes, but leaving the position, there were only seven ineligible. Oliver is now passing on the "Olympic torch" to Lemasters, a young 24-year-old who was a student-athlete at Schoolcraft in 2009 on Mens Soccer team.

"What Ryan brings to this program is two things," said Oliver. "He already has the relationships with staff and faculty built because of his history here, and he has been a collegiate student athlete. We're not talking about a guy that played 25 years ago; we're talking about a guy that played 18 months ago. So when an athlete sits down to talk to Ryan, Ryan can relate to them both from an academic perspective and from a student athlete perspective."

"I really care about the program, because I am a product of this program. All the success that I have had as a student athlete is because of this program."

- Ryan Lemasters

While at Schoolcraft, Lemasters was team captain all three years (2009-2011) and took the team to Nationals his first year, where they took third place. In his third season, representing number two during the 2011 season, the team was ranked first in the country for half of the year and finished the year undefeated, however lost the district playoffs in a penalty shootout eliminating them from the National playoffs.

Lemasters' influence on the Mens Soccer team did not end there; he also was their assistant coach for this past 2014 fall season when the team went to Nationals in Prescott, Arizona.

In between his time as a student athlete at Schoolcraft and later becoming an assistant coach in 2014, Lemasters attended Western Michigan University where he received a full athletic schol-

Before Ryan

arship for soccer and studied philosophy and religion. While on the soccer team at Western for the 2012-13 and the 2013-14 season, he was selected as captain his senior season.

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Now, Lemasters will carry his remarkable experience into the SASS program to create a strong and positive experience for current and future Schoolcraft student athletes.

"The fact that they [student athletes] know that this guy was a student and an athlete and is now running the academic support system, they're already dialed in to having a successful academic experience," said Oliver.

When asked if he had vision of where he wants the program to be when he leaves, Lemasters said, "I don't ever want to leave."

Lemasters will bring a fresh perspective to the SASS program as to how to help student athletes, because he was recently in their position, and can relate to their goals, as he probably had similar goals at one point.

"I really care about the program, because I am a product of this program. All the success that I have had as a student athlete is because of this program."

As part of building onto the program, one his main focuses and goals is the recruiting process for high school seniors and transfer students, which will be a highlight in a brochure that is currently in development. It will discuss the all the academic support services offered as well as the athletics information such as, who they will be playing, how many national titles they have won, etc. He will make the process of introducing himself, and the SASS program right at the front of the recruiting process.

Lemasters also plans to be part of an electronic reporting system that will allow instructors to provide him with "real time" academic reports on all the student athletes. With this upgrade in the reporting system, he will be able to spend less time on paper work and more time providing student athletes with the support that they need. It will help create an "early alert" allowing him to reach out to athletes that are struggling, as well as make the instructor to intervention process smoother.

"It's such a great time to be a part of the program, because I see really, really positive things in the future," said Lemasters.

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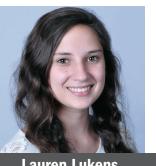
Relax and be safe

Spring break is a time to celebrate, not exceed boundaries

The break about halfway into winter semester can be a time of great adventure for younger college students, but if the right precautions are not taken, it can spiral into a week that defines the rest of one's life. One bad decision, such as having unprotected sex, driving under the influence or exploring alone, can make an average college

FIRST Spring break is a time to kick back, relax and adventure, but those traveling, especially younger students, should take safety precautions. **IMAGE FROM INSTRUCTABLES.COM**

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Biological conservation is important for the sake of future generations

student turn into a parent or get arrested. Whether going to a tropical place, hitting out-ofstate or nearby slopes, visiting family or staying home, being responsible and making smart decisions are vital, especially if one participates in activities that impair one's thoughts and actions. Students should enjoy their vacation in whatever way they choose with family or friends while knowing their surround-SAFETY ings, being cautious of whom they associate themselves with and think twice when around alcohol and/or drugs. When on spring break, students should be aware of the environment they stay in, whether it is in the U.S.

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or countries abroad. If staying at a resort out of the country, stay inside the resort, unless traveling in larger groups for safety. There are many dangers that exist outside of some resorts, such as in Central America, where American college students are targeted by criminal organizations for ransom.

Even if staying within the U.S. or another notoriously safe country, be aware that Americans have a target on their backs across the world and need to keep an eye out for potential dangers.

When on spring break, it is imperative to know the laws of the country traveling to. One can get into major trouble on accident just by not knowing the rules of a different state or a foreign country. For example, every travel destination has different regulations for drugs, public intoxication and drunk driving. Most importantly, use common sense and be cautious.

If planning to be out after dark, take precautionary measures. Friends always should stay in groups of two or more and watch their surroundings. If plans include going to unfamiliar territory, make sure to get familiar with the area before roaming.

While it is a biological fact

When walking about, do not trust strangers. Never take a pill or drink offered by strangers, unless crystal clear on what it is before consumption. Also, if drugs are planned on being consumed, know the emergency number for the country and the route to the nearest hospital in case of an emergency. Make sure to be responsible, and there should always be at least one sober person with the group.

With a spring break outing, drinking may be involved and with that judgment is impaired. Hooking up with someone that was just met may not seem so bad until the next day when logical thoughts are circulating again. Make sure to not be the friend that everyone needs to take care of, and a noble friend keeps tabs on his or her friends.

Many spend spring break at home, relaxing and occasionally going out with friends. If staying home for break, make the best of the time off by doing activities that there normally is not time for. It is important to remember though, partying or not, violence and crime can happen to anyone at any time. One should remember spring break as a college experience that is talked about for years, not a mistake.

that the world's natural resources are rapidly diminishing, it is necessary to have an optimistic attitude towards conservation biology. If everyone took initiative to educate themselves on the environmental results of their habits, people would be less likely to continue taking advantage of resources. Seemingly miniscule ac-

tions, such as turning off the water while brushing teeth, buying local produce, carpooling when possible and recycling, make a huge difference. If one is fortunate enough to have the option of investing

in forms of alternative energy in place of fossil fuels, such as electric cars or solar-powered panels, Earth will have a longer, more sustainable lifespan.

While we are fortunate to live in a country that provides people, wealthy or poor, with clean water, food and transportation, it is the duty of citizens to get educated, limit resource consumption and invest in environmentally friendly options to allow people of the future the same luxuries that exist today. Time is running out, and Americans must change now for the sake of generations to come.

water, air and soil, are gradually lost to society-a concept described as "the tragedy of the commons." For example, one selfish company dumping chemical wastes into lakes results in degraded drinking water, fewer safe fish to eat, less opportunity to bathe or swim in clean water and loss of species unable to survive in polluted water. On a smaller scale, one who excessively uses paper and never recycles contributes to clear-cutting and erosion, which results in lumber being more expensive, habitat destruction and species dying. Also, college students who drive multiple times a day with an older, gasoline-powered car pollute the air and contribute to global warming, a term referring to increases in average global temperature encouraged by human activities that release carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases.

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Due to industrial and technological booms in recent decades, it has become increasingly evident to both scientists and the general population that we are living in a period of extraordinary biodiversity loss. This has resulted in severe damage to the atmosphere and ecosytems, leading to endangered and extinct species. Although many nations overuse resources, Americans especially take running water, food, gasoline, paper and other luxuries for granted. If people are not educated on the effects of current human habits, future generations could suffer or even go extinct.



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Animals, plants and non-living resources all must be present for ecosystems to work effectively. Day by day, Americans take advantage of the world's natural resources, which affects more than just the human population. If habits are not changed now, species will continue to go extinct.

Dating meat market



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Dating shows are unethical

Ladies and gentlemen, please plop your behinds down onto the couch to enjoy an entire season of "The Bachelor," a show where a man chooses his preferred slice of meat by process of elimination. The show provides the bachelor many different options for his cuts. Usually, different races, hair colors, heights and weights are offered to the bachelor, and with such a diverse spectrum, drama and conflict often arises.

To many, such shows are extremely entertaining, watching the bachelor make his "difficult" choice of which pair of boobs and butt cheeks to walk away with after all other girls are eliminated and the season ends. The viewers, typically women, love these dating shows and seem to constantly discuss them with friends. as if the topic is actually an important aspect in life and is not completely ridiculous.

Although many enjoy dating shows like "The Bachelor," the shows are absolutely sickening. These shows are a way for a single man, who is often tan, in shape and Caucasian, to pretend to be interested in girl's personalities, taking them on extravagant dates. Most of the time, the man is likely just into their assets and the chance to get physical with multiple women in a short period of time.

Bimbos like to go on the show for their chance at fame and attention, but they only achieve making fools of themselves while competing against each other for a single man, often using the tactic of showing more skin than they should, knowing the whole television watching world is watching. A woman exposing herself to the people participating on the show that she just met and to the cameras literally turns herself into a slice of meat by doing so. Turning one's self into a piece of meat means that one is tearing off their dignity and throwing it in the trash. Once one does that, many people do not view that person as a person any longer, but more so an object that others can use to their liking. It is appalling that so many women degrade themselves to the level of a cut of meat from the market and cannot see that is what they are doing-or even worse, do not care that is what they are doing.

Of course, women are not the only ones behaving in this manner; men also participate in dating shows, such as "I Love New York," making just as much of a fool of themselves by looking silly, getting caught up in feelings with a woman who is dating multiple men. Real men do not need compete to "win" a woman; real men know that a woman who enjoys a battle to "win" her is not worth the fight.

Winning a person is an absurd idea. To win something is to own something. People can own cars, clothes, money, etc. Someone cannot own a human being; therefore, one cannot win another person.

People need to keep their dignity and not become contestants on dating shows or support them by watching them weekly, as the shows are unethical and unrealistic in the way they portray finding "true love" to society. The process of elimination is not finding love; it is only an embarrassment to all involved.

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Vaccination debate heats up



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The U.S. should require vaccinations

The recent outbreak of measles across the country has been nothing short of alarming over the past year. According to the Center of Disease Control and Prevention, in a 13-year stretch from 2001 to 2013, only once did the number of measles cases exceed 200 in a given year (2011). But in 2014, that number skyrocketed to over 600 cases of the disease, and so far in 2015,

there have been over 121 reported cases of measles in 18 states, including the District of Columbia.

Many people argue that the outbreak of measles, which started in December at two Disney theme parks in California, is a direct result of parents not vaccinating their children for measles and other dangerous diseases.

Parents may choose to not vaccinate for a number of reasons, ranging from "vaccines are a government and pharmaceutical conspiracy" to religious concerns, to the fact that these diseases are rare and they are not that bad.

In an August 2014 blog on the Huffington Post, Claire McCarthy, who is a pediatrician from Boston Children's hospital and an M.D., said, "Many illnesses are rare purely because of vaccines. And when lots of people are vaccinated, it protects those who can't be or choose not to be vaccinated. We have a name for that: "herd immunity." But

that herd immunity can break down when more people start choosing not to vaccinate -- and in our global society, illnesses like measles or polio are just a plane ride away."

While the cries of concern from deeply religious parents or skeptics on vaccinations are understandable, in today's globalized world, vaccines are necessary, and every person living in the United States must be required to get vaccinated.

Forget what surgeon Andrew Wakefield said in his now discredited 1998 study that showed a possible link to childhood autism to vaccinations. No other researcher was able to prove or confirm that, and in January 2010, the British General Medical Council proved Wakefield of three-dozen charges, including court dishonesty and abuse of developmentally challenged children. All Wakefield's report did was decrease vaccination rates, increase cases of disease and

bring fear to the hearts and minds of parents across the world unnecessarily.

Too many parents are still wary to vaccinate their children, and this poses a serious threat to the health and safety of the public and the children who are not vaccinated. Consider this: a child in elementary school is exposed to thousands of germs per day. According to CNN Health, elementary students get eight to 12 cases of colds and flu each school year.

Not only are non-vaccinators putting their children at risk; they are putting their communities, families and nation at risk. Please, do the right thing and vaccinate yourself and your child.



Destination warmth



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Traveling for spring break is the best way to enjoy the time off

Spring break provides a perfect opportunity for college students to get away from the dreadfully cold Michigan winter and travel somewhere warm with friends or family to enjoy the time off. There is no better way to reward oneself than relaxing on a sunny, sandy beach, listening to the waves crashing onto shore while basking in the warm air.

College is incredibly stressful, and in addition most students also add a job, family and a social life into the mix. Spring break conveniently falls right in the middle of the win-

ter semester. This is the perfect time to recuperate and take a breather by traveling away from the everyday stressors to the warmth of the south. Nothing feels better than shedding your winter clothes for some summer attire especially after being bundled up by jackets, coats and boots for months.

Panama City Beach, Florida is a common destination for younger college students to flock to for a week. Those who make the trek should use good judgment with their decision-making. Every year hundreds of thousands 18-25 year olds students flock to Panama City during spring break to party, it is easy to wander into trouble during spring break

season in Panama City, and precautions, such as the buddy system, should be taken to keep everyone accounted for. A trip in Panama City will be fun, but if you are not careful, it can transform into a nightmare.

Traveling smart and enjoying a week away from schoolwork in a warm getaway destination is the best decision for those looking to travel during their time off. College students are only young once, so why not travel while they are at the peak of their lives. One will make memories that last a lifetime by heading south for the upcoming break.

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Blasts from the past



Pop music needs to become retro to be innovative

From Mark Ronson's 70s funk-inspired "Uptown Funk" to the entirety of Taylor Swift's megahit "1989" album, pop music influenced by sounds of the past is becoming an entirely new, unique genre for today's generation. Artists are putting their own spin on classic sounds from the 60s through the 90s and are becoming increasingly popular by doing so. This new innovation is saving the industry and is providing fans with more interesting music than the standard club and dance beats.

When Daft Punk released their single "Get Lucky," in 2013, it not only was inspired by disco and funk, but also peaked at number one on the Billboard charts. The group also went on to win Record of the Year for the single at the 56th Annual Grammy Awards.

At this year's 57th Annual Grammy Awards artists from the past emerged to be both current and victorious. Paul McCartney graced the stage for the first live performance of "FourFiveSeconds," a folk-heavy track performed with Rihanna and Kanye. Afterwards, the song jumped to the number two spot on iTunes. Seasoned artist Annie Lennox performed "I Put a Spell on You" at the awards and is also featured on the soundtrack for "Fifty Shades of Grey." 90s artist Beck won one of the most important awards of the night, Album of the Year, for "Morning Phase" and jumping the number one spot on the iTunes album charts immediately after the ceremony.

With the increased influence of the past both sonically and physically through older artists returning to the stage with new hits, pop music is seeing a melding of time that can only help it to get better. In a day where album sales are struggling, records like Taylor Swift's "1989" and Justin Timberlake's "20/20 Experience" both heavily swayed by sounds of the past, sold more than any other albums in their respective release years. Music that adds a creative take to the great songs of the past is the way to reignite the industry and has proven to be a successful formula for many artists.

Feel the love



Spend more time with family instead of friends

Put down the phone, videogames, laptop, remote and whatever else is a distraction to spend some with family, instead of mindlessly being distracted by social media and other electronic devices. Quality time with family is important because it is a chance to create memories and bond. Those we love dearly won't always be around, so when they are, it is nice to take the time away from work, school and friends to build a stronger relationship within the family.

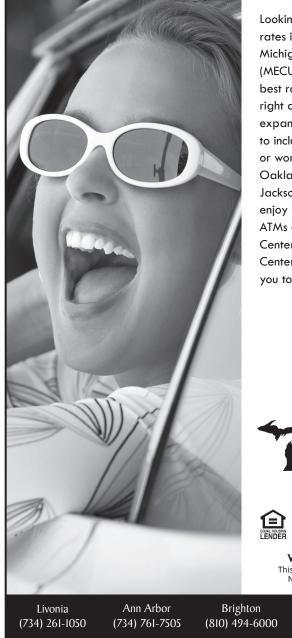
According to the Focus on the Family foundation, the amount and quality of time spent are both important. Short amounts of time can sometimes be the most meaningful to family members, if the quality of that time is spent doing activities everyone enjoys. Even sitting down at home for dinner once a week with the whole family is meaningful. Family game night with immediate and/or extended family can also be a great idea, if there is a need for activities to bond through.

Every Sunday, I go over to my grandfather's for an hour to watch a show we both enjoy and can relate to. During the commercials, we talk about his life experiences and the future. It is one of the best moments of my weekend every week. I also try to have at least one meal with my family a week, but it can be hard with everyone's different schedules. If I get the chance to spend even a few hours with my family playing games or watching a movie, I gladly will put the phone and remote down to do it.

Car rides, meal times, discussing the day and helping with cooking or cleaning around the house all have a major impact on bonding time even though they may be taken for granted most of the time. So instead of mindlessly going through the daily routine of work, school, outside hobbies and then going to bed just to start all over again in the morning, snap back into reality. Schedules may be busy, however take time to reprioritize life. It may be difficult, but is getting a coffee or going shopping alone is not more important than creating memories with those who mean the most in life.



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Johnna Lapetz Major: Undecided "I am staying at home and taking care of my dad."



Dominic Serini Major: Fine Arts "Nothing yet"



Brooke Timlin Major: Nursing "Nothing, but working"



Alyssa Weeks Major: Undecided

"Uhm.. I have no idea. I'm such an interesting person."



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Shelby Wright Major: Psychology "I actually don't have any. Just staying at home, sleeping... yeah..."



Kevin McGinness Major: Undecided *sigh* "Homework"



Ella Lemerand Major: Undecided "I don't really have any."

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Zak Clark Major: Geology "Uhm... I unfortunately don't have plans for spring break."



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A wild club appears

Student organization creates a strong community for those interested in Pokémon



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The Poké Pals club continues to grow in popularity on campus. (from bottom clockwise) Club President Eryn Koons, Danny Andress, Trevor Corn, Paul Patzer, Sarah Skronek, Jeremy Westervelt and Evan Jaslow are just a few of the members that play, trade and compare cards at each meeting in the Lower Waterman.

Finding the right catch

Catharsis Productions teams up with college to promote a healthy and safe campus at "The Hook-Up"

BY CASEY SAMYN AND REBECCA BREAZEALE CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR AND STAFF WRITER Pokémon has a wide variety of fictional species— 720 to be exact. Each Pokémon can be sorted into a generation based on what game they were first introduced to.

BY REBECCA BREAZEALE STAFF WRITER

Unlike many clubs at Schoolcraft College, there are few with such a strong fan base as Poké Pals-a club where a variety of students focus on the Pokémon video and trading card games and the community that surrounds it. Before the club was founded early last semester by the current president Eryn Koons, students would play Pokémon in the Lower Waterman, but did not have an organized time or place to meet. This made it difficult for players of the game to battle, trade and gather cards with each other. Poké Pals was created so difficulties would cease and new friendships could be formed.

"It gives me a cool place to hang out with friends, and it's something that my girlfriend and I both enjoy. I go there to play the TCG [trading card game] and trade with other players," said Evan Jaslow, a Poké Pals club member.

With something that has been around since 1996, it is impressive to see the fresh community that this club brings to the school. Many members find a place of belonging that did not exist before the club's creation.

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"I started the club to have a designated place to play and hang out while playing Pokémon. I am an official Pokémon judge, so it was very important to me to start the club," said Koons.

The club is open to new players, experienced veterans and those just looking to try out a new trading card game. In the past, the club has put on a Pokémon battling tournament and plans to do more of them and have a trading card tournament.

"The community is very friendly and accepting. If you are new to the game, nobody has a problem teaching you it. It's a judgment free zone," said club member Ronnie Farah.

For those interested in learning more about the club or wishing to attend, Poké Pals meets every Wednesday from 4 to 6 p.m. in conference room E. Email schoolcraftpokepals@ gmail.com with any questions.



To help promote the prevention of an issue before it starts, the Schoolcraft counseling department and the LGBTQI Alliance brought Catharsis Productions to Schoolcraft for a special presentation called "The Hook-Up: When it's Hot and When it's Not." This interactive presentation sought to educate students on what is a healthy hook-up, a bad hook-up and what is classified as rape. Amber Kelly led the presentation in the DiPonio Room of the VisTaTech Center on Wednesday, Feb. 18, and she used humor to help the audience relate and understand in a way that relates to today's culture.

"The Hook-Up is about sexual assault education prevention. It's my eighteenth year doing this and, because of it, I've been able to see that culture shift happening," said Kelly. "More people are under-

Kelly. "More people are understanding the issue and are able to speak up about it."

Marty Heator, the Associate Dean of Enrollment Management and Student Relations, opened the presentation and spoke of the importance of SC-Cares and the importance of reporting any suspicious sexual activity that makes someone feel unsafe or uncomfortable.

"We did this for two reasons. One is to promote a safe campus that people can feel comfortable being on at all times. The other is to make sure that people know about the differences between good and bad hook-ups," said Heator. "We also wanted to make sure that students know what bystander prevention is and how to apply it."

Most who participated were glad that they attended, as students had much to say on the topic of consensual sex versus rape.

"I enjoyed attending the Hook-Up. It was a very well organized event with a strong message carried through. The guest speaker was someone that was easy to relate too and very charismatic," said Samuel PHOTO BY NATHAN GARTNER | PHOTO EDITOR

Amber Kelly engages the audience with her vibrant personality. She explains the role of gender stereotypes and the effects of them in today's society.

Berger, Vice President of the Student Activities Board. "I learned a lot about how society views hookups and how social norms can disguise misdeeds."

The Hook-Up was an informative, engaging event that focused on the difference between a good and bad hookup. After the presentation concluded, attendees were well versed in bystander intervention techniques and how to recognize what an offenders motives are.



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ABOVE: Dr. Richard McDowell was Schoolcraft's third president. McDowell was in office from 1981 to 2001 and was responsible for many improvements on campus, as well as the development of the Six and Seven Mile Crossing complex.





An aerial view of Schoolcraft campus in 1985 shows advancements on campus.





Advancements continued in the 1980s at Schoolcraft College

BY CASEY SAMYN AND LAUREN LUKENS CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR AND EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The 80s was a decade that began with Mount Saint Helens erupting and ended with the fall of the Berlin Wall. At Schoolcraft, the decade began with a new president, Dr. Richard Mc-Dowell, in the year 1981. The first major construction project on campus, the addition of a culinary arts building, was also completed in August of 1982. Schoolcraft's decade ended with advanced electronics and better student opportunities, such as online courses.

"Richard McDowell, Schoolcraft's third president, was committed to education. As a student and community member, I took notice at the great enhancements he made to the physical facility," said Michele Kendall, who started classes in 1989 at Schoolcraft, went on to earn a degree at Madonna University and now works at Schoolcraft in Records and Retention as the Archive Specialist. "He improved and expanded the campus to include a Student Service Center which services the students as a one-stop shop."

The Waterman Student Center, which housed the first-ever culinary arts curriculum in Michigan, allowed the college to triple the enrollment of culinary arts students and provided a cafeteria and dining area for faculty, staff and students, which is now referred to as the Food Services area.

"There was a demo lab, history department and charcuterie area, but it wasn't like it is now with separate rooms," said chef Chris Misiak, Certified Executive Chef, Certified Culinary Educator and 1987 graduate of Schoolcraft's culinary program. "Students kind of wandered through the sections."

While Schoolcraft continued to advance and more programs became available, tuition re-

mained affordable. Federal minimum wage was \$3.10 at the beginning of the decade and tuition was \$25.50 a credit hour for residents, \$34.50 for non-residents and \$51.50 for non-Michiganders.

In the 80s, students attended Schoolcraft for many of the same reasons as Schoolcraft's first students—location, affordability and flexibility.

"I went for a preliminary class before I took computer classes at Eastern, where I was going. It was much cheaper than going to Eastern for that class," said Michael McGreevy, who attended Schoolcraft in the early 80s. "I liked my instructors—they were very down to Earth and understood that most of us were working and going to school at the same time, so they didn't fill our schedules with homework, and they knew their subjects well."

Adding to the flexibility of Schoolcraft, the college began offering online classes, known as Telecourses, in the 1980s, which allowed more full-time workers and mothers to attend college.

"My first class I attended at Schoolcraft was a Telecourse, better known as a Distance Learning class today," said Kendall. "This virtual learning environment was perfect for my lifestyle. It provided the flexibility as well as an opportunity to complete my studies having had small children."

With advancements in leadership and construction, as well as increased enrollment, the 80s at Schoolcraft were years to remember. In 1984, the Livonia Observer said, "Schoolcraft is affordable, close to home and a college for all manner of backgrounds and ambitions." Developments and overall greatness did not stop in the 80s though; Schoolcraft continued to improve for future decades.

ABOVE: Schoolcraft and its iconic bell tower celebrated their



20 year anniversary in the 80s. Expansions and improvements helped students learn more efficiently.



RIGHT: The expansion of the culinary department allowed students to form a gourmet club. Members (left to right sitting) Bruce Watkins, Julie Bauer, (left to right standing) Paul Anderson and John Lucchesi. Paul Anderson, John Lucchesi made up the 1989 group.

LEFT: At the School Daze event in 1985, student Renee Chemello, left, and counseling aid Sandy Zgoda promote the Counseling Center with psychic readings at their boot.

Secrets of the Quill

Dear Writing Fellows, I have to write a lab report for my biology class, and I don't know where to start. What does my professor want to see? How do I go about summarizing my thought process? Will I have to wear my lab coat and present my findings in front of the class? Please help! My deadline is quickly approaching.

Sincerely, Scientificallyscared

Dear Scientificallyscared,

Writing a successful lab report starts with an understanding of what exactly a lab report is. What is the format? What does it accomplish? A lab report is a document where you record and interpret your results from a conducted experiment. It's a diagram, or an outline, of your application of the scientific method. A lab report lays out your entire experiment in an easy-to-read format so that whoever reads it not only understands everything you did, but also understands it so well that they can replicate the same experiment and see the same results. This easy-to-read format consists of five sections: the title page, the introduction, the materials and methods, the results, and the discussion.

TITLE PAGE

Your title is one of the most important parts of your lab report. This is what your reader will see first, and it needs to give an accurate representation of your experiment. The title should start with the word "effect", followed by the dependent variable (what's changing) and then the independent variable (what's causing the dependent to change). For example, a biology student studying mealworms might write this for the title of her report: "The Effect of Humidity on Cellular Respiration in Mealworms." Include on the

title page your and your partners' names, your instructor's name, the course name and section number, and the date the experiment was conducted.

INTRODUCTION

The introduction of a lab report should provide the reader with the purpose and background of your experiment, your hypothesis, and your prediction. For the purpose and background, you will need to write a topic review, define any unfamiliar terms you'll be using, and give your reader a brief overview of what the experiment is about. For example, the student above might ask the questions, "What are mealworms? What is cellular respiration?" This will lead to your hypothesis, which is a proposed explanation based on the evidence that you're using as a starting point for further investigation. Then you will write down your prediction. This is your expected result, and is usually formatted with an "if...then" statement. The "if" restates your hypothesis, and the "then" will state your prediction. For instance, "If humidity affects the rate of cellular respiration, then the rate of cellular respiration of mealworms will...."

MATERIALS AND METHODS

The materials and methods portion is especially important for proper replication of your experiment. In materials and methods, you must describe how you performed the experiment and give a description of what materials you used. The easiest way to do this is to create a procedure list. Make sure you provide your reader with everything they'll need to understand your research!

RESULTS

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Usually the results can be compiled into one paragraph. The purpose of the results section is to show what your experiment produced and what trends you noticed between the variables. This is where it would be handy to include a table or a graph. These should appear only in your results section and should be labeled appropriately, such as "Table 4" or "Graph 1." Tables and graphs show how the experimental variable affected the dependent variable.

DISCUSSION

Lastly, you have your discussion section. Here is where you'll stop recording the observations and facts and start interpreting them. You want to show that the experiment either supported or rejected your hypothesis, you want to reveal what you have learned throughout the process, and, above all, you want to record and interpret your results.

These are the five sections a lab report must have. If you attend higher level science courses, you will build on this technique to write more complicated lab reports. However, the format never changes, which is reassuring. As long as you stick with the format, you will have the foundation of a successful lab report every time – with no public speaking required!

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JEFFRESS CENTER, JC 124 Before taking out a loan, meet with a group of financial advisors who can help with any questions or concerns. This roundtable will benefit those with good credit, a solid business idea and some money to invest.

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the Public Safety Training Complex on Industrial Road in Livonia. To reserve a spot, visit www.schoolcraft.edu/admissions/tour-schoolcraft.

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PRESENTATION ROOM, VISTATECH This noon concert will feature the talented Music Faculty of Schoolcraft College. Donations will be accepted at the door, and all proceeds will go towards student scholarships. Support the school, teachers and fellow students.

PLAGIARISM DETECTION RESOURCES AND TOOLS FOR FACULTY

THURSDAY, MARCH 12, FROM 10 TO 11:30 A.M.

BRADNER LIBRARY, L 105 Plagiarism is a serious problem, and finding ways to prevent it is a huge step to overcoming it. This workshop for faculty and staff will show different resources, tools and strategies to help stem the influx of plagiarism.

HOME DEPOT ON CAMPUS RECRUITING

THURSDAY, MARCH 12, FROM 11 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

LIBERAL ARTS, LA 320 Learn to navigate the Microsoft program Excel. Students will learn valuable skills to add to their repertoire. The workshop is perfect for math, science and accounting students who need to enhance their projects and reports.

ACCESSING SPRINGER EBOOKS AND JOURNALS

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 25, FROM 1 TO 2:30 P.M.

BRADNER LIBRARY, L 105

This workshop for students, faculty, and staff will teach a person how to navigate and access more than 25,000 eBooks through the Springer Library database. Not only will participants learn to access eBooks, they will also learn to access journals in the database.

WRITING A BUSINESS PLAN

THURSDAY, FEB. 26, FROM 9:30 A.M. TO 12:30 P.M.

JEFFRESS CENTER, JC 110

pers. In this workshop, students will learn the advantages and resources available to them through the library. This seminar is for students, faculty and staff.

MONEY MATTERS IN DIVORCE

MONDAY, MARCH 2, FROM 4 TO 6 P.M.

MCDOWELL CENTER, MC 105 Attendees will be given the opportunity to ask Vickie D, McLellan, a certified financial planner, financial questions related to divorce. All clients will be taken care of on a first come, first serve basis.

GOVERNMENT MARKETING STRATEGIES

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, FROM 9 A.M. TO NOON

JEFFRESS CENTER, JC 103 For business owners wanting to

er, this seminar is greatly beneficial. Attendees will learn how to understand their customers and how to MONDAY, MARCH 9, FROM 4 TO 6 P.M.

MCDOWELL CENTER, MC 105

Community members will be able to gain information from an attorney about divorce and family law. This service is offered on a first come, first serve basis. The attorney will be from the Creighton, McLean & Shea Law Firm.

DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP

TUESDAY, MAR. 10 FROM 7 TO 9 P.M.

MCDOWELL, MC 105 The Divorce Support Group is facilitated by Cynthia Koppin and Attorney Patricia A. Kasody-Coyle will also be available to answer questions in a private setting.

POLICE ACADEMY TOUR

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, FROM 9 TO 10:30 A.M.

PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING COMPLEX For a chance to see the cadets of the Police Academy in action, tour the facility and speak to the staff at

MATH WORKSHOP: GNARLY RADICALS DUDE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, FROM 1 TO 2:15 P.M.

LIBERAL ARTS, LA 200

For Math 113 students and above wanting extra practice on working with radicals, come to this workshop. The information is delivered in a way that's easy to understand and with the proper help and teaching. Radicals will no longer be a problem.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTING 101

THURSDAY, MARCH 12, FROM 9 A.M. TO NOON

JEFFRESS CENTER, JC 103

The information in the seminar is an immense help for those wanting to become a successful government contractor. Questions will be answered concerning the services and resources that a small business has. The fee for this seminar is \$45. HENRY'S IN VISTATECH CENTER Community members interested in a career or job with Home Depot are welcome to come and discuss the possibilities and opportunities available. The company asks for those attending to be dressed professionally and bring copies of resumes.

MATH WORKSHOP: FABULOUS FACTORING

THURSDAY, MARCH 12, FROM 6 TO 7:30 P.M.

LIBERAL ARTS, LA 200

For Math 053 students and above, this workshop is an excellent way to learn the essential skill of factoring. One of the most important things in math is having a strong understanding of factoring. Learn how to make factoring simpler and raise test scores.



COMPILED BY KELLY RESPONDEK STAFF WRITER

THE FOLLOWING CLUBS TAKE PLACE IN THE LOWER WATERMAN CONFERENCE ROOMS. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT THE STUDENT ACTIVITIES OFFICE AT 734-462-4422.

ARTISAN NOW ART CLUB

EVERY OTHER FRIDAY FROM 1 TO 3 P.M. (NEXT MEETING MARCH 6)

Aspiring artists at Schoolcraft can display their art and share ideas with each other. This group helps students express themselves artistically and boost their confidence by receiving constructive criticism on their artwork from peers.

BUSINESS CLUB

TUESDAYS FROM 2 TO 3 P.M.

Come for guidance and to develop one's knowledge of the business world. Discuss anything and everything business related meetings and attend additional seminars and network possibilities related to future employment.

CHESS CLUB

FRIDAYS AT 12:30 P.M.

This club aims to create a network of chess players and teach people how to strategically play the game. Learn what moves to make and when to make them. Whether a seasoned or player or just a beginner, all are welcome.

CHRISTIAN CHALLENGE

TUESDAYS AT NOON

This club challenges participants to explore the Lord's Word and improve the overall college experience through God. Help others grow spiritually by promoting friendship and participating in Bible discussions.

COLLEGE REPUBLICANS

EVERY OTHER MONDAY AT 3 P.M. (NEXT MEETING MARCH 2)

This club wishes to gain more members of the party at the collegiate level by developing a greater understanding of the U.S. Constitution through sponsoring speakers, hosting question and answer sessions with public officials and debating and discussing current events.

DOCTOR WHO

WEDNESDAYS FROM NOON TO 2 P.M.

This group brings students with an interest in science fiction together and introduces newcomers to the show "Doctor Who." The club hosts social events like costume parties and game nights themed around the show.

HATE THE WASTE CLUB MONDAYS AT NOON

The Hate the Waste Club is a group of young people conscious and concerned about the amount of wasted food in America. The club gives members an opportunity to volunteer and give back to those in need of food.

LGBTQI ALLIANCE

WEDNESDAYS AT 1 P.M.

The alliance creates awareness of gender and sexual identities and creates a safe place for LGBTQI people worldwide. Come help inspire change and educate others through events like sponsor symposiums and social gatherings.

PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY

WEDNESDAYS FROM 7 TO 8 P.M. AND SATURDAYS FROM 10 TO 11 A.M. Those who have a 3.5 GPA or higher and have completed 12 credit hours above the 100 level are invited to join this prestigious society with access to apply for certain

scholarships. At meetings, leaders welcome new members and direct existing members on upcoming events to attend.

PING PONG CLUB

THURSDAYS AND FRIDAYS FROM 6 TO 7 P.M.

Ping Pong can be taken to several levels, including serious world competitions. Come to this club for practices and casual mini tournaments where contestants play up to 11 points and the winner continues on to the next round.

POKÉ PALS

WEDNESDAYS AT 4 TO 6 P.M.

This club is the place for those who are long-time Pokémon fans or people who are just starting out. Play Pokémon and discuss the various facets of Pokémon like the television show. Anyone interested in Pokémon is encouraged to come.

PROJECT PLAYHEM GAMING CLUB

MONDAYS AT 3 P.M.

This group unites members by creating a sense of community among student gamers academically, socially and competitively. Like-minded individuals can connect for tournaments and get-togethers. The Schoolcraft Connection Mondays from 4 to 5 p.m. Become part of the bi-monthly, award winning student newspaper and help express student opinion and report college and world news related to Schoolcraft. Photograph, write, design, produce videos and multimedia and edit to find a niche in the media.

STUDENTS OF ACTIVELY MOVING FORWARD (AMF)

EVERY OTHER THURSDAY AT 6 P.M. (NEXT MEETING ON FEB. 26)

This is a nonprofit organization run by students, dedicated to emotionally supporting college students grieving the illness or death of a loved one. The group connects students together for support and aims to raise awareness about the needs of various grieving college students.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES BOARD

THURSDAYS AT 4 P.M.

Along with involving students in community, the SAB hosts service projects on campus and with local charities. Come to this club to plan events for fellow students to attend.

TABLE TOP GAMING CLUB

TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS FROM 2 TO 10 P.M.

This club is responsible for facilitating a fun and comfortable environment in which students can enjoy various non-electronic games. Students who enjoy classic games can join for fun and to make friends.

VIDEO PRODUCTION CLUB

THURSDAYS AT 1 P.M.

This club helps those interested in the multimedia field learn more about the dynamics of media through writing, producing and more. Anyone interested in acting, writing or editing is welcome to come to the club. More Club Events These clubs are sponsored and held at Schoolcraft but not in the Lower Waterman. Under the club meeting times, one can find the location of the following events.



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BREAK DANCE CLUB

TUESDAYS FROM 2:30 TO 3:30 P.M. FRIDAYS FROM 2:45 TO 5:15 P.M.

PE 140

This club provides students the chance to express themselves through dance. Attendees have fun while learning various dance styles, practicing them and meeting new people. Students can compete amongst themselves and showcase their skills.

CIVIL RIGHTS ACTION CLUB

EVERY OTHER TUESDAY AT 3 P.M. La 130

This organization promotes, educates and works towards the expression of identity and rights of those on campus and beyond. Members strive to involve students, faculty, staff and the community to promote this purpose.

FIT CLUB

MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS FROM 2:30 TO 3:30 P.M.

FITNESS CENTER, PE BUILDING

This group introduces various fitness principles and proper techniques through different exercises that will improve fitness levels and team building skills. Students who come to this club will improve their overall health and mindset.

MATH AND PHYSICS CLUB

WEDNESDAYS FROM 5 TO 6 P.M.

BTC 300

This group brings students currently seeking degrees in math or science related fields together. The club strives to foster higher levels of interest and understanding in math and physics related topics. Members receive the opportunity to participate in lectures and contests.

NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURE CLUB (NACC)

TUESDAY FEB. 24TH FROM 4:00 A.M. TO 5:30 P.M.

TUESDAY MARCH 17TH 11:15A.M TO 12:15PM

LA 140

This club fosters an understanding of Native American culture, history and traditions through showing films, sponsoring guest speakers and hosting other cultural events. Learn and cultivate your knowledge of the Native American culture.

RUGBY CLUB

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY FROM 5 TO 6:30 P.M.

FIELD BEHIND THE APPLIED SCIENCE BUILDING

This is the first rugby team at Schoolcraft College. Rugby combines speed, strength and strategy. The club is preparing to compete in the Michigan Rugby League against other rugby teams from the state in the spring.

WALLYBALL CLUB

MONDAY, WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS FROM 1:30 TO 3 P.M.

WALLYBALL COURTS, PE BUILDING

Wallyball is played on a racquetball court and is similar to volleyball, but players utilize the walls. Many teams play on a competitive level, students can join regardless of their intents for a friendly, highpaced atmosphere.

COLLEGE VISITS

DAVENPORT UNIVERSITY

TUESDAY, FEB. 24, FROM 10 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

APPLIED SCIENCE BUILDING UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN-

DEARBORN

TUESDAY, FEB. 24, FROM NOON TO 3 P.M. LIBERAL ARTS BUILDING

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 11 FROM 11 A.M. TO 2 P.M.

RADCLIFF CENTER

NORTHERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 25, FROM 9:30 A.M. To 1:30 P.M.

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY-ANN ARBOR

THURSDAY, FEB. 26, FROM 10 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

LIBERAL TUESDAY, MARCH 10, FROM 10:30 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M.

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MONDAY, MARCH 9, FROM 11 A.M. TO 2 P.M.

HENRY'S, WATERMAN IN VISTATECH CENTER

THURSDAY, MAR. 12 FROM 9 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

APPLIED SCIENCE BUILDING

WALSH COLLEGE

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THURSDAY, MAR. 12 FROM 11 A.M. TO 3 P.M.

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50 shades of awkward

Movie does not live up to reader expectations

BY ELAINE GEROU MANAGING EDITOR

Rating: 6 out of 10 **Duration:** 125 minutes Rated: R

IMAGE FROM OPI.COM

Most movies do not live up to the book, and the same is true with "50 Shades of Grey."

Sam Taylor Johnson directed "50 Shades of Grey," based off E. L. James' novel, which premiered on Feb. 11 and had a nationwide theatrical release on Feb. 13. Dakota Johnson starred as the main character, Anastasia (Ana) Steele, and Jamie Dornan played the rich, CEO, Christian Grey. Although the movie received mostly poor reviews, it brought in \$252 million as of Feb. 16, according to Film School Rejects.

The film begins just like the book, with Ana getting ready to head to Seattle to interview Mr. Grey on behalf of Ana's best friend, Kate Kavanaugh, played by Eloise Mumford,

who caught the flu.

Ana does not need to wait for the interview once she arrives at the sky scraping enterprise like there is in the book, and not all the employees are blonde either, showing inconsistencies. What was peculiar about the interview though was the tone in which Johnson portrayed the scene.

In the book, the tone was serious and formal, but the film made the scene humorous with awkward tension and how Ana behaved, asking Grey questions. The sexual tension was also flaunted in this scene, while it was hidden in the book. It is no doubt that was done for the audience, as everyone obviously comes to see "50 Shades of Grey" to see kinky, sexy, desire-filled tension between the actors. By doing so, it made the interview unrealistic, but it was one of the most entertaining scenes.

The scene at the bar had the same tone was portrayed, while it was completely opposite in the book, and was again one of the best scenes in the film.

After the interview, there was another inconsistency with Ana and Grey using first names upon departure, with the elevator doors closing. In the book, this did not happen, but in the movie, it helped the movie tie together, because a similar scene was used at the end.

More inconsistencies emerged with how Grey and Ana met again at the hardware shop where Ana works. In the book, Grey came up to the counter, but in the film, he spooked Ana standing in the middle of an aisle, as if he were waiting for her there, which was again, unrealistic and made Grey seem creepy.

Then, Johnson seemed to overemphasize the men in

The book that took over the world, "50 Shades of Grey," was brought into action by the release of the film on Feb. 13, starring Dakota Johnson and Jamie Dornan.

Ana's life being into her, but what was extremely disappointing to females in the audience was that all the guys attracted to Ana were better looking than Christian Grey. Dornan is a good-looking guy, but Paul, Ana's co-worker, Jose, Ana's friend, and Elliott, Chritian's brother, were all better looking than Christian, who is theoretically scripted to be gorgeous, where women practically drool over the sight of him. One person the director did get right with character choices was Kate, as she was more beautiful than Ana, but she was about the only character he casted well overall.

The first date in the movie was also the second date in the book, where Christian takes Ana in a helicopter to Seattle to his apartment. This is where Christian proposes for Ana to be his submissive and she tells him she's a vir-

gin, so naturally, he takes her to bed to fix that problem. This scene shows visible leg hair on Ana, which was not disclosed in the book, as Kate made her shave for the date in the book.

The film trudged on with sex scenes sprinkled throughout the plot with little conversation and ended with an abrupt, cliff-hanging ending. Moviegoers were left unsatisfied, nicely leading into the sequel coming out in 2016.

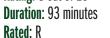
The film "50 Shades of Grey" was entertaining enough to keep viewers waiting to see what is next, but dragged in the middle, being filled with background music and sex. This book to film conversion is comparable to "Twilight," so readers may want to stick to the books, but those who did not read the book and are into dramatic, sex-filled relationships would likely enjoy the film.

Life is about do-overs

"Hot Tub Time Machine 2" returns for more laughs

BY ELIZABETH CHAPA ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Rating: 8 out of 10



The crew is back together

duction crew adjusted and did a good job of incorporating him not being in the movie.

"Hot Tub Time Machine 2" continues on the plot of the first movie. They are all rich, due to their "inventions" from staying in the past and coming up with futuristic ideas. For example, Google was called Lougle, because Lou so called invented it. By coming up with these inventions, they were able to change their present future. They were no longer in the same position that they were in before the first time travel in "Hot Tub Time Machine." When Lou, played by Corddry, gets shot, Jacob and Nick, played by Duke and Robinson, take him to the hot tub time machine in Lou's house. Their plan was to go back in time to prevent Lou from getting shot and save him. They soon realize that they traveled into the future, March 26, 2025, and not the past. This is where the plot



for another time travel adventure. The sequel "Hot Tub Time Machine 2" to the 2010 release of "Hot Tub Time Machine" hit the big screen Feb. 20. Steve Pink, the director of the first movie "Hot Tub Time Machine," directed this film as well.

Returning cast members Clark Duke, Craig Robinson and Rob Corddry welcome Adam Scott, who starred in "Step Brothers" and "Parks and Recreation," as Adam Yates Jr., taking the place of John Cusack, who did not return because of schedule commitments. Cusack played Adam in the first movie, but Scott portrays the character of Adam's son.

Although Cusack was missed in the sequel, the pro-

PHOTO FROM IMAGESERVER.MOVIEPILOT.COM

The crew is back together for the sequel of the spontaneous and humorous film in "Hot Tub Time Machine 2," only this time around Adam Scott joins Clark Duke, Craig Robinson and Rob Corddry in on the adventure. The movie hit theathers on Feb. 20.

got confusing to follow, even when Jacob was trying to explain the timeline of where they were in the movie to Lou and Nick.

The setting of the movie was better than the first. The future gave it more opportunity to be humorous, including all of the high-tech gadgets they had.

The movie had its humorous scenes with the cast, and one could tell that some of the scenes were not strictly scripted. There also were a couple of serious scenes from Robinson and a heart to heart from Duke and Corddry.

"Steve Pink allows us to play around, and he encourages it. Everybody is pitching jokes to each other," said a cast member in an interview that included Duke, Scott, Robinson and Corddry. "The first Hot Tub there was barely a script. We really did a lot of heavy improv. This one was a little more solid, except we got to play around a lot."

Watching the movie, one could tell there was something off setting about the

ending to "Hot Tub Time Machine 2." It did not have an obvious or clear conclusion to what would happen to the cast and lacked closure. To explain such action, one should note that the cast stated in the interview that neither films had a written ending.

Overall, the cast played their roles effortlessly well. Although the movie lacked in some key areas, it held up by entertaining with a comical scenes.

Compliments to the chef

Culinary graduate wins "Top Chef: Boston" title and \$125,000 prize



PHOTO FROM GOLDDERBY.COM

BY LAUREN LUKENS EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Some of the best chefs in the world compete on Bravo's "Top Chef," and this year's winner did not only grow up in Dearborn, Michigan, but is also a Schoolcraft College alumnus. Being one of only three women winners in the show's history, Mei Lin wowed viewers across the country after competing against three men with an all-female staff, using two previous female contestants from this season as her sous chefs when preparing her own meal, during season 12's final competition on Feb. 11.

A four-course finale menu allowed Lin to mix her Chinese heritage with flavors from Mexico, where the final round of the season was held. Gregory Gourdet, her competitor from Portland, focused on Asian flavors for much of the competition, but risked comfortability to emphasize Mexican ingredients for his final meal.

Lin's bowl of congee, garnished with Mexican carnitas, scallion puree, homemade hot sauce, peanuts and egg yolk,

gained immediate attention from judges, who praised the dish for its bold flavors and relation to her family roots.

"My favorite dish to make is congee, which is a rice porridge. Not only is it easy to make, but it's super comforting and very versatile," said Lin. "You can put anything you want in it. My favorite version is with thousand-year-old egg and pork. Very classic."

Though she gained notice early on, Lin and Gourdet were head-to-head throughout the competition. It was Lin's stunning contemporary dessert of strawberry-lime curd with toasted yogurt, milk crumble with bee pollen and yogurt-lime ice that likely won her the title.

"It's the best dessert I've ever had on 'Top Chef,' period," said judge Tom Colicchio, who questioned Lin's decision to attempt a dessert upon reading her menu.

Growing up working alongside her father at their family-owned-and-operated restaurant named Kong Kow,

located on Michigan Avenue in Dearborn, Lin learned the fundamentals of being a well-rounded cook and running a restaurant. After graduating from Schoolcraft's culinary program in 2007, she spent time training with some of the most respected chefs in the industry, including Michael Symon, Marcus Samuelsson and Wolfgang Puck, in Las Vegas before moving to West Hollywood to join "Top Chef" season six winner Michael Voltaggio's opening team.

while deciding her next career move.

"Working next to some of the best chefs inspires you to be better," said Lin. "I've had a lot of mentors who have guided me in the right direction. I have learned a lot from all the kitchens I've worked in, but working at ink. has made me develop my cooking style."

She worked her way up to a sous chef position at ink., Voltaggio's critically-acclaimed restaurant in Los Angeles, but departed shortly after the show to focus on projects elsewhere. Lin currently does not have a formal job, but has been busy fielding calls, working on travel plans and deciding what to spend her newfound earnings on.

Mei Lin plates a version of congee, her favorite dish to make, before starring on "Top Chef: Boston."

After winning the title and \$125,000 prize, Lin is appearing at pop-up dinners across the country

"With all of my travel lately, the best thing for me is to just continue to do pop-up dinners across the country. When that all dies down, I want to land as the Chef de Cuisine somewhere," said Lin to the Los Angeles Eater. "Mostly, I'm just going to pay off some bills and help out my parents. I want to help them be able to retire."

In the "Top Chef: Boston" season finale, Lin said she was there "to conquer it all ... to win 'Top Chef'." Despite her parents' restaurant, they did not want her to pursue cooking as a career. "My family wanted

me to be a doctor or a lawyer," said Lin. "I just want to show everybody I chose the right career path."

Ecstatic about her victory, she said at the end of the show, "My parents are definitely going to be really proud of me. Michael Voltaggio is going to be really proud of me," said Lin. "But most of all, I'm really proud of myself and where I am right now."

Lin has appeared at several pop-up dinners following to her win. Earlier this month, she went to Bacco Ristorante in Southfield, where she cooked at a Young Guns collaborative chefs' dinner with Root Restaurant and Bar chef James Rigato, who is also a Schoolcraft alumnus and Season 12 "Top Chef" contestant.

Whatever Lin chooses for her next career move, she will certainly satisfy taste buds from around the globe.

Healthy is in

Quick, nutritious recipes for an on-the-go lifestyle



Light apple pecan Chicken breast salad **YIELDS: 5 SERVINGS**

- **1 BAG ARCADIA BLEND LETTUCE**
- **1 APPLE**
- **1 CUP FRESH PECANS**
- 1/2 CUP DRIED CRANBERRIES
- **6 FLUID OUNCES BLUEBERRY**
- VINAIGRETTE

1. Place the bag of arcadia blend lettuce, pecans and dried cranberries into a large

with vegetable medley

- **YIELDS: 1 SERVING**
- **1 TEASPOON OLIVE OIL 1 CHICKEN BREAST**
- **1 BROCCOLI FLORET**
- **1 CARROT**

1 SMALL CAULIFLOWER FLORET

1. Cut the cauliflower and broccoli florets, so they are in

Light spaghetti and turkey meatballs

YIELDS: 6 SERVINGS

- **1 PACK BARILLA PLUS MULTIGRAIN PASTA**
- **1 CAN LIGHT SPAGHETTI SAUCE**
- **1 PACK JENNIE- 0 GROUND** TURKEY
 - 1/2 CUP CRUSHED WHEAT
 - **1 LARGE EGG**

Students often find it hard to cook healthy meals due to difficulty or time restraints. Here are some easy and quick recipes that anyone can make, and they taste great.

mixing bowl.

2. Pour the blueberry vinaigrette dressing into the mixing bowl and toss it.

3. Cut the apples into small, bite-sized strips and place onto the salad to taste as garnish.



small, bite-sized pieces.

2. Cut the carrot into equal cylindrical pieces in a small, oven-safe sauté pan, then place the ½ teaspoon of olive oil and the chicken breast into the pan, and sear on both sides.

3. After searing the sides, place the sauté pan in a 350 degree oven and bake for 20 to 25 minutes.

4. Place the ¹/₂ teaspoon olive oil and the sliced carrots into a medium sized sauté pan until they begin to tender.

5. Add cauliflower and broccoli and continue cooking until soft. Salt to taste.

> Start your dinner with an apple and pecan salad as a first course.

1. Mix the ground turkey, crushed wheat and large egg together in a bowl until distributed evenly.

2. On a baking sheet, place a sheet of wax paper and place the ground turkey in ball form on the tray. Then pop the meatballs in the oven at 350 degrees for 20 to 25 minutes or until golden brown.

3. Set the pasta to boil in a medium sized pot.

4. In a small saucepan, boil the light spaghetti sauce until it reaches approximately 160 degrees.

6. Strain the pasta in a colander, then pour the noodles back into the pot. Pour the sauce and meatballs over the noodles, and stir to distribute the sauce evenly. Salt and pepper to taste.

Back at it Love and Theft releases new music after years of being on break

BY AMANDA KOCHANOWSKI STAFF WRITER



Love and Theft's new record "Whiskey on My Breath" was released Feb. 10, under Hate and Purchase Music, the duo's new independent record label. This is their third studio album, known for their popular single "Angel Eyes." The hit song was popular on country stations back in 2012, followed by the stand alone single "Night That You'll Never Forget" in 2014.

While there has been a bit of a wait for new music from Love and Theft, the break allowed both members of the group to get married and be new fathers.

The album contains 11 new songs, co-written by group members Eric Gunderson and Stephen Barker Liles. Title track "Whiskey on My Breath" was released as a single late November of last year.

The title track and lead single shows a different side of the two men. While their previous singles are upbeat party tunes, this song is sentimental and slow. It has soul and depth that will make fans love it, even though it's different.

"You know, I fell in love with country music because of songs that meant something, so for me, that song, it's got a lot of depth to it, and it meant something that we wanted to show," Barker Liles told The Boot, an online country news website, at the beginning on February.



IMAGE FROM COUNTRYWEEKLY.COM

Country duo, Eric Gunderson and Stephen Barker Liles, released their third studio album on Feb. 10, under the independent lable Hate & Purchase Music.

While their third album may be a little tamer, Love and Theft definitely have not lost their love of partying and turning it up. The track "Lets Get Drunk and Make Friends" clearly proves that fact. However, unlike their previous singles, the song goes back to elements of classic country. With a harmonica solo and folk-sounding piano instrumentals, this tune is bound to be enjoyed by both young and old fans of country.

"Easy," "Wrong Baby Wrong" and "Like I Feel It" are also noteworthy tracks off the new album. All three follow the mellow theme of the album, each having its own sense of uniqueness, making the tracks memorable.

Overall, the album is a fitting soundtrack for hanging out at the bar, the beach or around a bonfire. This sentimental side of Love and Theft is a significant one. While their party tunes are still enjoyable, these new tracks show much more emotion from the duo and are ideal for any listener's occasion.

The band will promote their new album by playing small venues across the country throughout March and April, but no Michigan shows have been announced. "Whiskey On My Breath" is now available for purchase on iTunes.

COMPILED BY SAVANNAH PLATUKAS STAFF WRITER

Blast these tunes Singles for a spring break playlist

BY ELIZABETH CHAPA ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Building the perfect playlist more often than not needs a few suggestions. Here are some songs that are sure to turn the party playlist for spring break into everyone's favorite.

"Shut Up and Dance" By WALK THE MOON Duration: 3:19 This is an upbeat, feelgood song that will have everyone on the dance floor,

"Turn Down For What" 'Rap By DJ Snake & Lil Jon Hop/ Duration: 3:33

having a grand time.

This song is a must, as it is a party classic. It will definitely set the mood for the night.

"Wrecking Ball (Caked Up Remix)" Electron By Miley Cyrus Duration: 4:23

This remix to the lyrically well-known song "Wrecking Ball" will have everyone falling for the amazing beat.

"Lace Up" By Machine Gun Kelly Feat. Lil Jon Duration: 3:02

Wild boy, Machine Gun Kelly, produces a great pump up song a perfect listen, while one is getting ready to go out.

"Often (Kygo Remix)" By The Weeknd Duration: 3:55

Electron Turning it down with a somewhat slower song, this is a terrific single to play as background music.

"HeadBand" By B.o.B Feat. 2 Chainz Duration: 3:40 This unique and mesmerizing beat will have

any party-goer anticipating getting out on the dance floor in a flash.



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Monster Jam Saturday, Feb. 28, at 7 p.m. Ford Field

Enjoy an evening of monster truck racing and freestyle at Monster Jam. For only \$10, one can meet the performers and get their autographs during the Pit Party, hosted from 2 to 5 p.m. Gates for the show will open at 5 p.m. Tickets for the main show start at \$20 and can be purchased at www.fordfield.com or by calling 877-212-8898.



WWE Smackdown Tuesday, March 10, at 7 p.m. Joe Louis Arena

Join World Wrestling Entertainment for wrestlers for a night of epic beat-downs, featuring wrestlers Roman Reigns, Dean Ambrose, Seth Rollins, Bray Wyatt, Dolph Ziggler, The Big Show, Kane, Mark Henry, The Divas and more from the March roster. Tickets can be purchased at ticketmaster. com or by calling (800) 745-3000.

Meghan Trainor Concert Monday, March 2, at 6 p.m. Saint Andrews Hall

Her first album "Title" debuted at No.1 on the Billboard 200 chart, with top five hits "All About That Bass" and "Lips Are Movin." Now on "That Bass Tour," she is joined by Australian pop band Sheppard. Tickets for the show start at \$61 and can be purchased at stubhub.com/meghan-trainor-tickets/.



Echosmith Concert Saturday, March 7, at 8 p.m. The Shelter in Detroit

The up and coming American pop-rock band Echosmith debuted their album "Talking Dreams" in October last year, and their song "Cool Kids" was a top 20 hit on the Billboard Hot 100 chart. They are currently on tour with American rock band, The Colourist. Tickets for the show start at \$38 and can be purchased at stubhub.com/ echosmith-tickets/.



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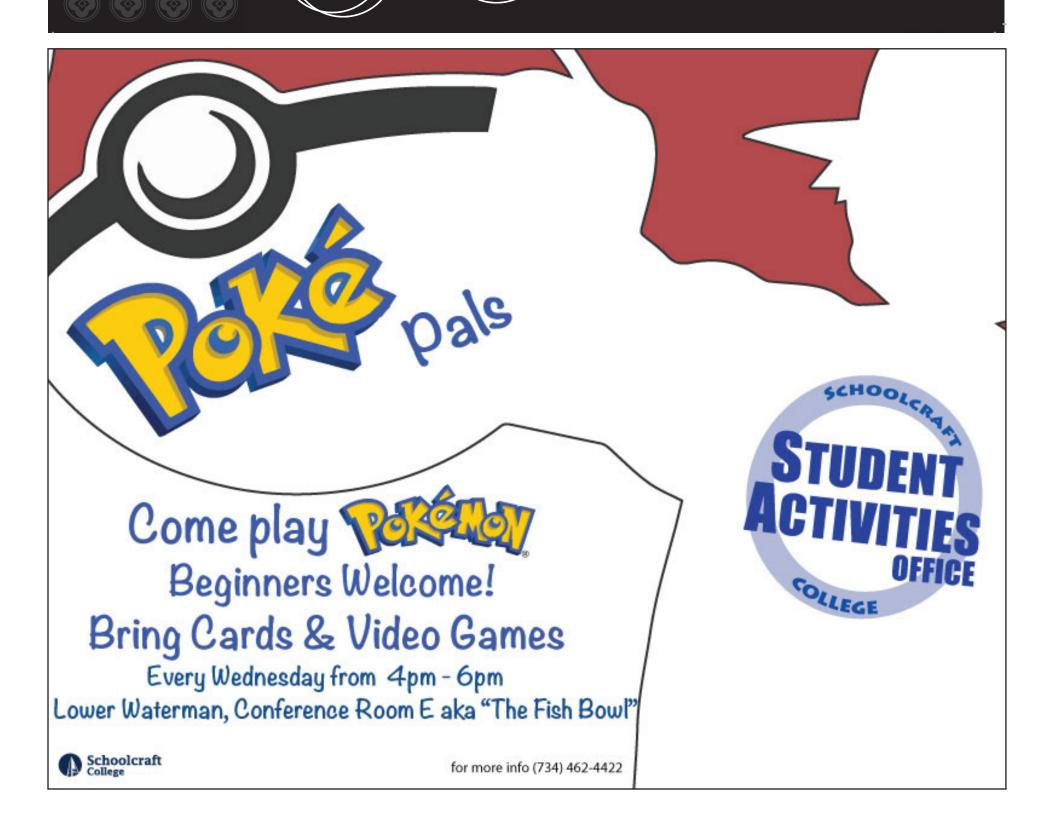
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BY STEPHAN BROWN STAFF WRITER



System: Microsoft Windows, Linux, PS4 and Xbox One

ESRB Rated: M for Mature. May contain intense violence, blood and gore, sexual content and/or strong language. Genre: Action role-playing Publisher: Warner Bros. Interactive Entertainment

If the campaign of "Dying Light," which was released Jan. 27, could be described in two words, it would be "monotonous running." Most of the games campaign is spent running around the city of Harran, using Techland's parkour system to evade zombies.

acter, is dropped into Harran to track down a double agent and save humanity. Zombies bite him almost immediately afterwards, which provides extra incentive to find a cure. He stumbles upon a group of other infected who have been using parkour to scavenge supplies around the city. The infected need a serum to not turn into zombies, and not everybody can hop around on rooftops to scavenge, so they enlist Crane's assistance, and give him a refresher course on parkour first.

Kyle Crane, the player char-

The parkour system is great for a while, but often feels buggy. When Crane is vaulting from rooftops and scaling fences, he is prone to get stuck and ruin the experience. The free-running feels limited at the beginning of the game, but improves as he levels up his agility. Agility is just one of the three skill trees in the game, others being survivor and power.

"Dying Light" has a great progression system that actually makes Crane feel more mobile and powerful, as he uses his various skills. During the games night cycle, when the faster, stronger zombies come out, more experience is earned. The stronger zombies, called Nightmares, can take Crane out in a single strike. If they catch the player in their line of sight, they chase him down, usually bringing along a zombie horde. One skill in the game allows Crane to look backwards while running. It is not recommended for the faint of heart if they would like to avoid getting scared during playing the game. The extra



IMAGE FROM GAMESPOT.COM

The not-so-typical video game "Dying Light" was released Jan. 27, putting a twist on the cliche zombie apocalypse.

experience points create an incentive for players to stay out at night, despite the night being completely terrifying.

Techland often tried to create similarly tense situations for Crane and designed some missions and objectives to be very punishing. Sometimes it worked well, but there were also times when scenarios felt like the only choices were jumping into fire or in front of an angry enemy. However, these tense situations are few and far between, as the vast majority of Crane's time is spent running around a huge map with practically no fast travel system, doing fetch quests and flipping switches. The daytime zombies, especially in the first half of the game, are as mindless as it gets. Players can often walk in the middle street surrounded by zombies without being in any sort of peril. Which, is almost a good thing with all the monotonous errand running Crane does.

While the games campaign may be a cautionary tale of potential lost, the multiplayer balances out the bore of Kyle Crane's newfound life. The multiplayer, in which players can be either hunters or humans, puts players right into the action of slinging around, either eating or getting eaten. Players do not have to run five miles to flip a switch, multiplayer is just instant gratification of being an ultra-cool zombie or being a helpless human, trying not to be dinner.

"Dying Light" has solid gameplay that is often muddled by bugs or mundane errands, but it is worth playing for fans of the zombie survival genre who want a fresh take, although the game is definitely is not for everyone.

Remastering one of the finest games

"The Last of Us" impresses with latest release





System: PS3 and PS4 ESRB Rated: M for Mature. May contain intense violence, blood and gore, sexual content and/or strong language. Genre: Action-adventure Publisher: Sony Computer Entertainment mastered" is only \$50, which is \$10 cheaper than the PS3 version at launch, and it features several improvements over its counterpart on PS3.

Increasing from 720p to 1080p and improving the frame rate from 30fps to 60fps, "The Last of Us" is one of Play-Station 4's best looking titles. The remastered edition takes full advantage of the PlayStation 4's capabilities by using the DualShock 4's touchpad and built-in speaker to improve the game's controlling and handling. "The Last of Us Remastered" also includes all the game's available Downloadable Content (DLC) including the "Left Behind" expansion and the "Abandoned Territories" and "Reclaimed Territories" online map packs. With all the critical success and next-gen upgrades, "The Last of Us" compared to its next-gen peers does not compare. What really separates "The Last of Us" from any other game are the characters in it; Joel and Ellie feel so real, it is almost hard to accept the fact they fictional characters. Joel is a father in his late 40s who's been turned bitter due to the fungal pandemic. Ellie is a 14

year-old girl who was born and raised in this post pandemic world, never being able to truly be a child. Due to circumstance, Joel and Ellie team up and take on the world. This unlikely team must fight and navigate their way through an infected and corrupt world by any means necessary. The dynamic between Joel and Ellie is flawless and allows both characters to shine throughout the entire game.



SCREENSHOTS BY AUSTIN VICARS | STAFF WRITER

ABOVE: Ellie takes cover in an old baseball stadium from danger during a mission in the video game.

On June 14, 2013, Sony video game developer, Naughty Dog, released "The Last of Us" for the PlayStation 3. "The Last Of Us" was released to huge critical acclaim, winning over 200 Game Of The Year awards in 2013, but the video game is not just one of the best games of 2013, it is one of the best games of the last decade and possibly of all time.

So after all the excitement, does "The Last of Us" hold up on the PlayStation 4? "The Last Of Us Remastered" not only holds up on the PS4, but also surpasses its PS3 counterpart. "The Last of Us Remastered," which was released July 29, 2014, comes packed with improvements, making an already perfect game, more perfect. "The Last of Us RePlayers are typically cast as Joel, but several sequences of the game are played out as Ellie. However it should be noted that the "Left Behind" DLC is played through entirely as Ellie. Players can't help but feel an attachment to both Joel and Ellie, which makes for an intense game atmosphere from start to finish.

There is also an addictive multiplayer mode that pins factions against one another for some player-versus-player action. Both the "Left Behind" single player DLC and multiplayer options give gamers even more playtime.

"The Last of Us Remastered" is truly a game unlike any other, between its amazing gameplay and plot and is a steal for selling at \$50. This game is **BELOW:** One of the two main characters in the game, Ellie, gets to be a kid, which was rare, as she grew up in a post pandemic world.



worthy of any gamers time, as it is one of the best games of all time, not just in recent memory. No words or testimony can give this game the credit it deserves. "The Last of Us" is an experience that every gamer needs to experience first hand.

Two eras of scarlet

"The Flash 1990" versus "The Flash 2014"

BY COLIN HICKSON STAFF WRITER

Before Grant Gustin portrayed "The Flash" in the hit CW spin off to the show "Arrow," John Wesley Shipp played the fastest man alive on the CBS version in 1990. The series was developed by the writing team of Danny Bilson and Paul De Meo, and in association with Warner Bros. television and produced by Pet Fly.

ack in the fall, the fastest man alive zoomed onto the CW network in the "Arrow" spin-off, "The Flash." In the series "Glee," alumnus Grant Gustin plays Barry Allen, a police officer in the crime lab division who gains super speed when struck by a bolt of lightning, generated by a particle accelerator explosion. With his new power, Barry protects Central City, as the Flash, from other metahuman or non-metahuman threats, such as Captain Cold, The Mist,

Blackout and Pied Piper. However what many may not know is that this is actually the second

live-action TV series featuring the speedy character. Back in 1990 when Tim Burton's "Batman" was still the top grossing superhero movie, CBS aired their own "Flash" TV series starring John Wesley Shipp, who plays Barry's father in the 2014 version. In the 1990 version, Barry was struck by a bolt of lightning while working late in the crime lab and discovered he could move at unbelievable velocities. Initially wanting to rid himself of this power, Barry's tune changed when his brother Jay was killed, and he decided to use his speed to clean up crime in Central City. With help from

Dr. Tina McGee, portrayed by Amanda Pays who also reprised the role in a recent episode of the new version, Barry became the Flash, a hero who protects Central City with his super speed.

Sadly, due to incompetence on CBS's part and high production costs, the show was cancelled after only one season. Still, the 1990 version has had a very large following, in which include those that may not like the CW network reboot. And it is not helped by the fact that the new version has been renewed for a second season, which the CBS version never received. However, the same could be said about the following of the newer version not liking the CBS 90s version.

Which is the superior version? First, both shows have a very different tone. The 1990 series was influenced by "Batman," a dark, gritty atmosphere, more realistic villains and more of a focus on crime drama than science-fiction, though that shifted towards the end. In contrast, the 2014 version has a slightly less dark tone and goes all out on the sci-fi, which is more appropriate for the character.

Also, while the 2014 version tied Barry's origin to some of the other metahu-

mans in the show, the 1990 version stayed closer to the comics, without the need of a particle accelerator.

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Barry Allen

is played by

Grant Gustin

in the new

CW spin

off "The

Flash."

Then, there are the villains. When the 1990 series started, there were few sci-fi elements in there, with the Flash battling terrorists, drug dealers and murderers. As the show progressed, the sci-fi elements began to become more prominent, showing time travel, clones and androids. The show also started to feature actual villains from the comics in the form of the Trickster (Mark Hamill, who will reprise the role for the current series), Mirror Master (David Cassidy) and Captain Cold (Michael Champion). However, the 2014 series jumps into the super villains with no hesitation.

Finally there is the faithfulness to the comics. While the 2014 series does a great job bringing the character to life, the 1990 series took few liberties with the character's mythology, considering that the 2014 version was influenced mainly by Geoff John's changes to Barry when he returned from the dead. As with most reboots, superiority is a matter of opinion. Both shows have done something wrong and right in their time. Which is the better version is up to the fans.

Night in

Movies to rent in spirit of spring break

"Spring Breakers"

"Spring Breakers" starrs Selena Gomez, Ashley Benson and Vanessa Hudgens as three desperate teens who rob a restaurant in order to fund their dream spring break. The movie features a string of misadventures on the girls. In the midst of drinking, taking drugs and partying, the trio is arrested, only to be bailed out by a drugs and arms dealer, played by James Franco. "Monte Carlo"

"22 Jump Street"

After making their way through high school twice, big changes are in store for officers Schmidt and Jenko, portrayed by Jonah Hill and Channing Tatum, when the two go undercover at a college. The undercover mission brings the differences between the two partners to surface; soon, they begin to question their partnership. Now, they

don't just have a case to crack, but they have to figure out if they can have a mature relationship.

With these movies, one will never be left out of the spring break celebration. It will be as if one is working on a tan, playing beach volleyball and clinking glasses together with friends, so let these fun films enhance spring break this year.

BY ALEXANDRA CIZEK STAFF WRITFR

Spring break is a teenage tradition dating back to the ancient Greeks and Romans era. It is the celebration of the warm weather, rebirth of flora and a time off of school for students. This is the time of the year that many college students take advantage of and celebrate to the most extreme. There are stories that students come back to school with that blow minds and pictures making those who did not go anywhere jealous.

For those who plan on staying in and do not have plans for spring break, here is a list of movies that will keep any viewer in touch with that inner spring break spirit.

Sometimes a graduation trip can be just as crazy as spring break. Leighton Meester, Selena Gomez and Katie Cassidy star in "Monte Carlo." The film takes viewers on a trip to Paris that is anything but ordinary. Grace, played by Gomez, is the doppelgänger to a spoiled British heiress named Cordelia Winthrop, and a case of mistaken identity causes her to be involved in an action packed adventure with her sister and best friend.

"She's the Man"

Viola, played by Amanda Bynes, is a soccer player with a passion to play, but when her school cuts the girls soccer team and her twin brother decides to leave town for a couple weeks, she heads over to his elite boarding school. With a vengeance, she disguises herself as her twin to join the soccer team. Little does she know that soon she will be in the middle of an intermingled love affair, creating chaos and confusion.



IMAGE FROM USMAGAZINE.COM

If one is not heading out of town during spring break, rent movies like "Spring Breakers" to get in the traditional spirit of spring break.

Spring break reads

"The Princess Bride" By William Goldman Published 1973 **Genre: Romance Fiction**

This humorous, fantasy novel by William Goldman inspired the popular movie of the same name, which was released in 1987. In the book, Goldman concocts a masterfully, ridiculous web of lies, among the story is merely the abridged version of a longer book in which he left only the "good parts" in. He keeps up his whimsical charade by continuously interjecting and commenting on his own work.

In an elaborately, witty, self-mocking style, he tells the story of the beautiful Princess Buttercup and the dashing farm boy-turned-pirate, Westley, who undergo trials of love when pitted against the cunning of the evil Prince Humperdink. He also recounts the tales of an unlikely outlaw trio: a Spaniard, a giant and a Sicilian mastermind. Goldman seizes the iconic tropes of the normal fantasy novel and turns them

"The Talisman"

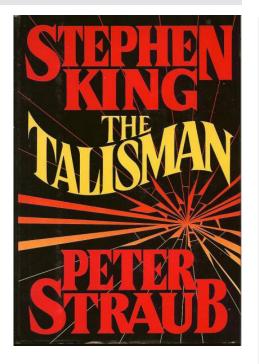
By Stephen King and Peter Straub Published 1984 Genre: Fantasv

Horror writer legends, Stephan King and Peter Straub, combine forces to write a fantasy of epic proportions that is part horror story, part coming-of-age tale and part hero's journey. Young Jack Sawyer sets out on a far-flung rumor that a magical Talisman can save his cancer-stricken mother. He quickly learns to survive in a world that is stranger, crueler and more magical than he had ever known, and he discovers a fantastic, parallel universe called The Territories, as well as his own marvelous ability to "flip" from one world to the other.

Jack's journey is fraught with nightmarish monsters and even more horrible grown-ups. Despite the story's bleak and gruesome elements, it is infused with the beauty of impossible hope. The co-authored novel is burst-

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on their head, fashioning an extraordinarily, funny and original work that has become a cult classic.



ing at the seams with its own particular brand of uncommon imagination.

This break, embark on an armchair adventure with one of these exciting classics

BY SARAH SISK STAFF WRITER

> "The Lost World" By Sir Arthur Conan Doyle Published 1912 Genre: Science Fiction

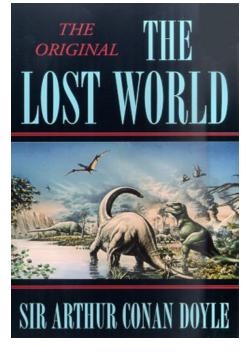
Inspired by his curiosity in archaeology, this science fiction novel by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, creator of "Sherlock Holmes," is one of the world's first dinosaur fictions. The master of Victorian adventure presents a simultaneously visionary and hilarious tale about a mysterious plateau in the Amazon that stands entirely secluded from the rest of the world.

Four men are determined to explore and document this untouched kingdom of prehistoric monsters in the name of science. These characters are a lovable near-parody of Victorian manliness: Malone, a love-struck reporter; the bullishly brilliant Professor Challenger (who befriends Malone, despite his reputation of hurling inquisitive reporters out of his house); the cool-headed skeptic Professor Summerlee and Lord John, an affable and chivalrous expert marksman.

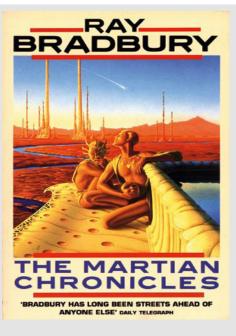
"The Martian Chronicles" By Ray Bradbury Published 1950 Genre: Science Fiction

The famed author of "Fahrenheit 451" toys with the science fiction genre in his series of short stories about a fictional expedition to Mars. Satirically, Martians sabotage and repel the first human voyagers to their planet, but the continued human colonization efforts lead to a dubious triumph, with the settlers forcefully claiming and reshaping the planet to suit their needs.

Each story pieces together a collage of the progress of the indomitable explorers that includes backwards glimpses at a dying Earth. Bradbury paints classic exploration adventure with thoughtful and allegorical overtones. He creates a lasting, relevant commentary on the morals of human



This novel was possibly Doyle's most beloved among his own works and is a timeless installment in the science fiction genre.



expansion and imperialism, as well as the essence of human identity.



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Even if you are not trying to save for something, just start a fund for yourself by putting five or ten dollars away in an envelope or a box when you have it. Once the cash is in there, do not touch it, unless it is an absolute emergency. Soon enough, your savings will accumulate. It sounds easy, but the hard part is sticking to your plan and not touching the money once it is put away. A good suggestion for achieving success with money is to set a restriction on yourself as to how much money you will set aside for spending money, along with making note of all essential purchases: groceries, gas, rent and other bills. Track how much you will owe at what time, and write it down or download an app to your phone if that is more suitable to you, such as Spending Tracker, Mint Personal Finance or Expensify, all of which are free. Create a plan that will help you remember what needs to be paid off and how much you have. That way, you can budget how much you can spend on yourself.

how much you are spending and how often; it will make one aware of how much they really are spending and will lead to better budgeting their dollar.

A huge money saver is cutting down on eating out; it is cheaper and healthier if one chooses to buy groceries. You can buy a few meals for what one meal costs eating out.

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Q: I am currently going to school, I work a part time job and I am trying to move out and cannot seem to save money. How do I save money? Should I get a second job?

A: First, you need to analyze how much money you are bringing in and how much you need to pay out for bills of how much you spend on necessities and wants. Realize that there is a dif-

You could potentially be blowing money on things that are unnecessary. For example, are you buying coffee every morning? Can you afford to buy that five-dollar Starbucks every day? Little purchases that seem minor and cheap at the moment add up quickly. Think if you would have skipped all those random small purchases, you could have had that money to put towards something more extravagant, like a laptop or a nice outfit. You need to be strict with yourself and the budget you set.

Acknowledge where your problem lies when it comes to saving money. Are you an impulse buyer? Do you not know how to spend rationally? Are you trying to put money away?

Set goals for yourself. Start by wanting to buy something and saving for it. Put small amounts of money towards

Writing out the plan is the easy part; following through is where the struggles come into play. Be conscious of

If you have multiple jobs, possibly make the income from one job go straight to paying bills and the other for spending money. Depending on how much one is making, in some cases one will need to have two jobs to pay bills. Just be sure it is not interfering with your schoolwork and you are able to maintain a stable mental health state. As for answering the question about a second job, it is truly up to what you are capable of handling and how much your current job is bringing in.

It okay to splurge on yourself once in a while with small luxuries—just don't do it often. Start with small steps towards saving money, and soon enough you will get there. It is a learning process, but it is possible for everyone to save money, whether it is one or four jobs.



Rising to the top

Mens Basketball, ranked No. 1, wins thirteenth straight

BY NICK MISIAK

In the latest National Junior **College Athletic Association** (NJCAA) Division II polls released on Tuesday, Feb. 17, the Schoolcraft Mens Basketball team was ranked first in the country, and with their 79-71 victory over Mott Community College on Wednesday, Feb. 18, the Ocelots also clinched the top seed and a first round bye in the NJCAA District 10 tournament.

Freshman guard Ronald Booth scored 23 points for the Ocelots, who were a remarkable 18-18 from the free throw line. Sophomore forward Javon Thomas added 13 points, eight rebounds, four steals, two assists and two blocks, while freshman guard Tyler Johnson made two clutch free throws and gathered a huge defensive rebound late for the Ocelots to seal the victory.

Freshman guard Rod Milton led the Bears offensively, scoring 14 points in 32 minutes off of the bench. Mott freshman guard Malik Young played all 40 minutes, totaling 12 points, six assists, three rebounds and a steal.

Schoolcraft faced a scare early on, falling behind by four and trailing the Bears most of the first half. Thomas' layup with 1:03 left in the half tied

the game at 33-33, but a lapse of defense in the final minute and a buzzer-beating layup from Mott's Young gave the Bears a 39-33 halftime lead.

Schoolcraft roared out of the gates to begin the second half though and took a 43-42 lead just over three minutes into the half, after Johnson drained a three-pointer. The lead volleyed back and forth until the Ocelots locked down defensively and began to pull away from the Bears. Booth completed a three point play with 1:54 left remaining in the game, and his two free throws with 33 seconds remaining iced the game for good.

VALENTINE'S DAY MASSACRE

Freshman forward Ja'Christian Biles made five of his nine three point shots en route to a game high 25 points on Feb. 14. as Schoolcraft continued their winning streak, rolling over Henry Ford Community College 85-60.

Freshman forward Anthony Wartley-Fritz scored a season high 15 points and snatched eight boards, while freshman guard Ronald Booth put together a solid stat line of 12 points, six rebounds and five assists.

Freshman guard Dalton Aaron led the Hawks with 24 points, and sophomore guard Lloyd Harris scored 18 points off the bench.

The Ocelots jumped out to an early 11-0 lead in the first four minutes of the game and did not look back. The closest Henry Ford came within tying Schoolcraft was within six points.

Schoolcraft carried momentum throughout the first half, and a last second dunk by Biles off of a pass from freshman guard De'Shawndre Black gave the Ocelots a 48-31 lead at the half.

"I thought all of our guys played well today. The last time we played this team, the game turned into a shootout, so today it was nice to see us step up defensively and control the flow of the game," said head coach Abe Mashhour.

OCELOTS PULL OUT WIN OVER OCC

Sophomore guard Tyler Johnson's late free throws contributed to his team high 18 points in an impressive 88-82 victory over Oakland Community College on Feb. 11.

The Ocelots all produced offensively, as seven Schoolcraft players (Johnson, Javan Thomas (14), Marcus Williams (13), Anthony Wartley-Fritz (9), Ronald Booth (9), De'Shawndre Balck (9) and Davon Taylor (9)) scored nine points or more.

Five Raiders players scored in double figures, but Oakland could not come back from a ten-point deficit with 2:26 remaining in the game. Freshman forward Trevon Bentley had 14 points and nine rebounds to go along with two assists and two steals. Fresh-



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Freshman forward Anthony Wartley-Fritz lays in two of his 15 points while surrounded by Henry Ford defenders during the Feb. 14 matchup. Schoolcraft went on to beat the Hawks 85-60.

man guard Brandon Robinson and sophomore forward William Abbott both had 13 points for the Raiders as well.

Schoolcraft will have its final home game on Monday, Feb. 23, when the Ocelots host Delta Community College at 7:30 p.m. before closing out the season on Wednesday, Feb. 25, at St. Clair County Community College.

No bumpers necessary

Mens and Womens Bowling finishes first place in tournaments

BY NICK MISIAK SPORTS EDITOR

On Friday, Feb. 13, the Schoolcraft College Mens and Womens Bowling teams hosted Kirtland Community College, Muskegon Community College and Wayne County Community College in the Schoolcraft College Invitational held at MerriBowl Lanes. Despite entering the final round down by over 100 pins, the men came within 18 pins of first place and took second place behind Muskegon, but the women pulled out their first victory of the season, behind a 556 pin performance from sophomore Angela Rodriguez. The late, almost-comeback by the Ocelots was aided by two impressive rounds in the final game by sophomores Colton Ma-Wu (216) and Ben Jakes (218). Sophomore Ricky Rutenbar (168-226-201-595), freshman Leon Hutchcraft

(201-192-183-576) and freshman Josh Coffee (168-182-204-554) all performed well for the men.

For the women, Yvette Avers (134-169-203-506), Ella Kearney (168-153-125-446), Ameera Sirhan (127-136-112-375) and Bethany McCormick (98-87-116) all contributed to the Ocelots first place triumph.

pany Ricky Rutenbar (798) and Leon Hutchcraft (793) as the top performers for the Ocelots. Josh Coffee (776), Colton Ma-Wu (740), Sam Berger (714),



"Overall I'm very happy. I think we have some great momentum carrying us into the state championship next week," said head coach Patrick Yeslik. "Our practice and effort are starting to pay off." MEN TAKE FIRST IN KIRTLAND

INVITE

The Schoolcraft men emerged victorious in the Kirtland Community College Invitational on Feb. 6, trumping host Kirtland, Muskegon and Wayne County for top honors at the tournament.

Kaylup Richards bowled a remarkable 812 pins to accomBen Berger (708) and Ben Jakes (631) also contributed to the Ocelots' first tournament win of the season.

The women were again led by Angela Rodriguez and battled to a second place finish behind Muskegon. Rodriguez bowled rounds of 224, 159 and 226 en route to 765 pins and a spot on the All-Tournament Team. Ella Kearney (727) and Yvette Ayers (645) aided the Ocelot effort.

Schoolcraft will next compete in the MCCAA Bowling Championship on Friday, Feb. 27, at Northway Lanes in Muskegon. For results of the Wayne County Community College Invitational that took place on Friday, Feb. 20, visit www.schoolcraftconnection.

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ABOVE: (top from left) Ben Jakes, Leon Hutchcraft, Colton Ma-Wu, Wesley Richards, Ricky Rutenbar, Coach Patrick Yeslik, Ben Berger, Sam Berger. (middle from left) Ella Kearney and Bianca Greco. (bottom from left) Bethany McCormick, Yvette Ayers, Ameera Sirhan and Angela Rodriguez.

BELOW: Freshman Josh Coffee slings the ball down the lane in the Ocelot's second place finish at MerriBowl Lanes on Feb. 13.



Twice is nice Ocelots qualify for NJCAA tournament for second straight year

BY NICK MISIAK SPORTS EDITOR

With wins over Henry Ford Community College and Alpena Community College in the past few weeks, the Schoolcraft Womens Basketball team has qualified for the NJCAA District Eight Tournament for the second time in two seasons under head coach Kara Kinzer.

The last few games of the season will determine the Ocelot's first round opponent in the playoffs, and their 63-57 victory over fellow tournament qualifier Mott on Wednesday, Feb. 18, moved them into fourth place, with only two games remaining in regular season play.

Schoolcraft improved to 19-8 (10-4 conference), while the Bears dropped to 10-13 (7-6 conference) on the season.

Only one Ocelot, freshman guard Elise Tolbert, scored in double figures. Tolbert led the Ocelots with 13 points, freshman guard Ashley Bland scored nine points and freshman guard T'era Nesbitt, freshman forward Rikki Sherdt and sophomore guard Jessica Parry all scored eight points.

Mott sophomore guard Day'na Holmes scored a game high 15 points, and freshman center Allie Brookman scored

10 points in 22 minutes off the bench.

Schoolcraft got off to a slow start, trailing by six before making their first bucket, but regrouped. A layup from Parry with 11:14 remaining in the half tied the score at 14-14, and another two-pointer by Parry, just under two minutes later, gave the Ocelots the lead for good.

Schoolcraft was able to ride their offensive successes to a 34-24 lead at the half and extended their lead to 40-26 3:22 into the second half when freshman forward Breiana Allen scored two of her six points with a lavup.

Mott had a nine-point run, concluded by sophomore guard Akeyilla Moore's 20-foot jumper with 5:35 left to play, to come to within two of the Ocelots at 52-50, but Schoolcraft answered the bell and made clutch shots to seal the win, despite a late surge by Mott.

VALENTINE'S DAY BLOWOUT

Schoolcraft showed no love on Valentine's Day, coming just a layup short of doubling up Henry Ford Community College in a 78-40 mauling of the Hawks.

Freshman guard Ashley Bland recorded a double-double, netting a game high 27

points and 10 rebounds. Two other Ocelots came close to scoring a double-double as well. Freshman forward T'era Nesbitt came just one rebound shy, with 12 points and nine rebounds, while freshman guard Elise Tolbert dropped 15 points and eight rebounds. Freshman forward Breiana Allen scored 10 points in 12 minutes off of the bench, and freshman forward Rikki Sherdt continued her monster season on the glass by collecting 12 rebounds.

"This was a tremendous effort by everyone, from the starters to the bench," said Kizner. "We were hitting our shots and made several good decisions with the ball. There were still a few things we definitely need to improve on, but we'll enjoy this win first and work on it in practice as we prepare for the postseason."

The Hawks struggled from the floor, shooting only 21.4 percent. Freshman forward Taylor Works scored over half of Henry Ford's points with 21, and freshman guard Sydney Holmes scored 10 points, despite shooing 3-19.

OCELOTS SNUBBED BY RAIDERS

Schoolcraft pulled to within one point of Oakland Community College with just under two minutes to play in the game, but failed to score before time ran off the clock, falling 73-72 to the Raiders on Wednesday, Feb.11.

Freshman guard Starnisha Harris had 38 points and 11 rebounds to lead the Raiders, while freshman guard Brijanae



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Freshman guard T'era Nesbitt attempts an acrobatic layup around two Henry Ford defenders on Feb. 14. Nesbitt has averaged 14.6 PPG this season and has evolved into a top threat for the Ocelots.

Durrough scored 21 points to go along with eight rebounds.

Freshman guard Elise Tolbert was the top scorer for Schoolcraft, scoring 24 points to accompany five rebounds, two assists, two steals and three blocks. Freshman forward T'era Nesbitt scored 18 points as well.

The Ocelots close out the regular season the week of Feb. 23, with two games; one at home on Monday, Feb. 23 against Delta Community College at 5:30 p.m., and the other is on Wednesday, Feb. 25 at St. Clair County Community College.



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Plymouth Whalers franchise sóld; moving to Flint

> **BY NICK MISIAK** SPORTS EDITOR

After 25 years of providing major junior hockey in the Metro Detroit area, the Plymouth Whalers are moving north to Flint. Whalers Governor Mike Vellucci announced on Jan. 14 that owner Peter Karmanos Jr. sold the Ontario Hockey League franchise to Rolf Nilsen, owner of the IMS Hockey Corporation.

"After 30 years of owning an OHL franchise, 25 of those years in the Metro Detroit area, Pete Karmanos has signed a purchasing agreement to sell the team to Ralf Nilsen" said Vellucci. "We would like to thank all of the season ticket holders, corporate sponsors, billet families, media, staff and all of the metropolitan Detroit fans for their support for the last 25 years and continued support for the rest of the season."

The Whalers will play the remainder of the 2014-15 season at Compuware Arena. Plymouth has six home games remaining this season, including dollar beer night

on Thursday, Feb. 26 against the Sarnia Sting, fan appreciation night on Saturday, March 7 against the Eastern Conference leading Oshawa Generals and a green out for the last Whalers home game ever on Saturday, March 21 against top prospect Connor McDavid and the Erie Otters.

The move comes after years of rumors that Karmanos was looking for buyers for the franchise. Cities such as Hamilton, ON and Chatham, ON were rumored to be possible landing places for the team, but Karmanos elected to sell the franchise to buyers who would keep the Whalers stateside.

Nilsen intends to move the team into the Pirani Arena and Events Center in Flint, a building that he recently acquired, for the 2015/2016 season. Nilson has a history with relocating an OHL franchise, as he was a key player in the relocation of the North Bay Centennials to Saginaw, MI in 2003.



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(From left) Mike Vellucci, Peter Karmanos Jr., Rolf Nilsen and Costa Papista answer questions from the media on Jan. 14 following the announcement that the Plymouth Whalers franchise had been sold by Karmanos to Nilsen, who intends to move the team to Flint following the 2014-15 season.

Joining Nilson on the podium was Costa Papista, another catalyst in the Centennial's move to the Tri-City area. Papista collaborated with politicians, OHL officials and members of the community to create a hockey atmosphere in Saginaw that still remains strong today. He will attempt to repeat his success in Flint, and having several teams relatively close to their new home will give the new team a few natural rivals.

"It's a bittersweet moment," said Karmanos. "The best thing about this is that the

OHL franchise stays in the states. Flint is an ideal location for an OHL team. They have a natural rival in the Saginaw team, as well as Sarnia just across the river and Windsor as well."

The Whalers franchise began in 1989 when Karmanos was awarded a franchise in Detroit. The team then moved into Compuware Arena in Plymouth at the beginning of the 1996 season and have called it home ever since. They have made the playoffs for an OHL record 23 consecutive seasons and

have won two OHL championships (1995 and 2007). There are currently 22 Plymouth alumni in the NHL this season, and over 100 Whalers have been selected in the NHL draft.

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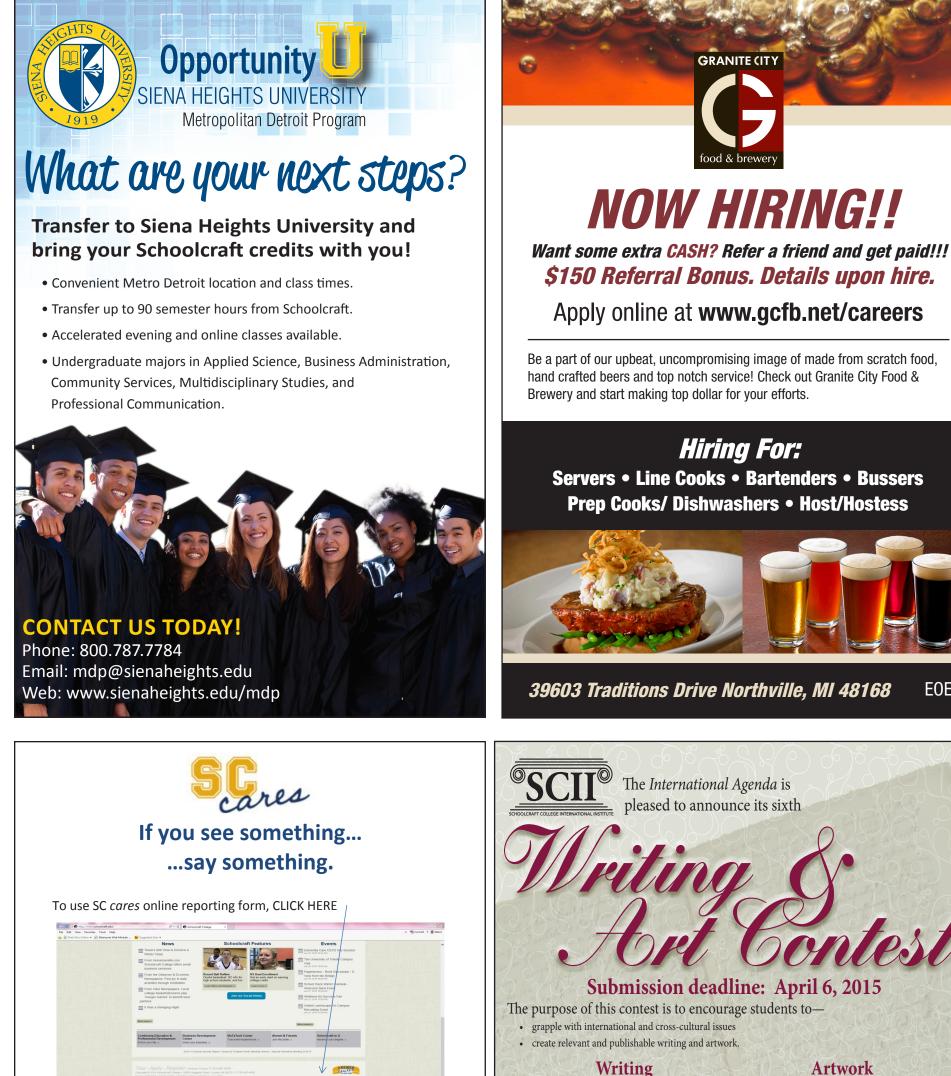
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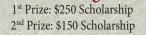
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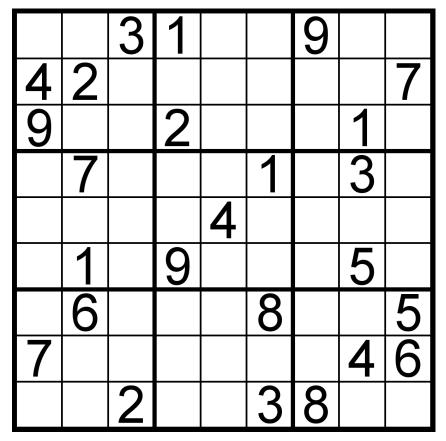


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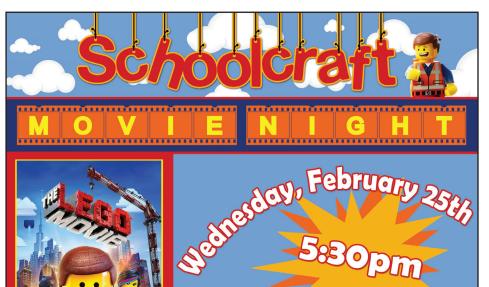
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