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Rising to the top

Executive Chef Chris Misiak named “National Chef Educator of the Year”

BY ELIZABETH CASELLA
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In recent years Schoolcraft College has proven itself in many regards as the community college that is one of the best in the country. Countless awards have been bestowed upon the college and most recently another honor has shined from the Culinary Arts program that can be compared to some of the best in the country. Chef Chris Misiak, a Certified Executive Chef and Professor of the Culinary Arts program was awarded “National Chef Educator of the Year” from the American Culinary Federation’s (ACF) national convention after previously winning “Chef Educator of the Year 2016” from the American Culinary Federation’s Central Region.

The ACF National Chef Educator of the Year Award was established in 1998 and is meant to pay tribute to an ac-

tive culinary educator whose skills, knowledge and expertise has enhanced the image of the professional chef, and who in addition, by example has provided guidance of students seeking a career in a culinary profession.

“What an honor, unbelievable. I am very humbled to be here because of where I grew up in a small town in northern Michigan and am humbled to have won this award,” said Misiak during his speech after receiving the awards at the ACF national convention, held in Phoenix July 15 through the 19.

Competitors came from major universities that hail from major cities such as Las Vegas, New York City and Orlando, Florida. Misiak, is from Posen, Michigan and proves that even a community colleges Culinary Arts programs continue to be one of the best after being hailed nationally for many years. Misiak is the first Michigan Chef to win.

Culinary Arts Department Chair and Certified Executive Chef Shawn Loving said in a recent press release, “We are very proud of how Chef Misiak represents Schoolcraft College and the quality of teaching he provides. This award also echoes testament to Schoolcraft’s commitment to students and the strength of our curriculum and faculty. This type of award allows me to feel confident that our tradition and consistency remains relevant and important with the many changes in the culinary arts profession and hospitality field. We proudly continue to be one of the most prominent culinary schools in the country.”

Misiak previously won the “Chef Educator of the Year 2016” award this past spring. He became involved in the candidacy for this previous award after the local American Culinary Faction chapter, “Michigan Chefs de Cuisine,” nominated him. Misiak went through an arduous application process in the regional competition. This included a submission of a lengthy



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After competing at the American Culinary Federation’s International Conference, Executive Chef Chris Misiak won “National Chef Educator of the Year Award.”

resume that he continues to grow and one of his culinary chemistry videos that shows his ability of instructing within the classroom setting. Misiak also had won the local award that helped him to secure the regional win in addition to his peers and fellow

Schoolcraft culinary instructors Certified Executive Chef Shawn Loving and Certified Master Chef Brian Beland. He then went on to win the national competition that he

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Schoolcraft goes mobile

College launches interactive app

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Schoolcraft has propelled itself into a new era of the digital age by launching its first mobile app. Debuting on Aug. 12, Schoolcraft students were given access to the brand new app on all mobile devices through the Apple store as well as the Google Play Store. This app is aimed at revolutionizing the way students interact on campus, as well as how they access WebAdvisor, Blackboard and other services offered on campus.

When Schoolcraft’s administration decided to incorporate a mobile app to the Schoolcraft experience they made the de-

cision to target exactly what students would want. The focus of this app was to create and easier and faster route for registration that is also more accessible to students.

Executive Director for Applications and Academic Systems, Laura Cullens stated, “The reason we created this was to provide a fast, efficient way to give students the items they need to be successful.”

The app utilizes a multitude of resources from around campus to make student life easier. These resources include an interactive map of the entire campus, important contact numbers for all campus departments and calendars, which highlight important academic deadlines and campus events.

Another notable feature that the app has established

is the registration tab. Within the registration feature, students can view their schedule of classes on a day-to-day basis. They can easily drop classes or withdraw with a simple click and get continual updates on announcements from different sources on campus, in addition to faculty.

When asked what made the registration feature so unique compared to WebAdvisor, David Johnson, Senior ERP System Administrator, said, “Instead of students have to go through a multi-step process to sign up and register for classes, they can do all of that with five or six clicks on their phone.”

As the campus continues to grow and add new features the creators of the app plan to do the same thing. Updates are always to be expected with technology and



PHOTOS COURTESY OF SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

The Schoolcraft App launched on August 12 is now available for student usage.

this will be no different. The software right now is the basic system that was mapped out as the easiest route for students to navigate regis-

tration, schedules and areas such as the map of the cam-

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Secondary campus, primary education

Discovering the vocational programs of
the Radcliff Center

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NEWS EDITOR

Conveniently located and nestled in the heart of Garden City lies Schoolcraft’s secondary campus location, the Radcliff Center. Despite being a fraction of the size of main campus, the Radcliff Center is the hub for multiple career programs. These six programs are the Emergency Medical Technician/Paramedic, Massage Therapy, Health Information Technology, Medical Assisting and Phlebotomy.

The largest program currently offered at the Radcliff Center is the HIT (Health Information Technology) program, where students learn about dealing with insurance, billing and guidelines for patients. In the Medical Assisting program, students learn to work in a medical office with an emphasis on both the clinical and administrative aspects of the job. In the Phlebotomy program, students learn to draw blood from patients for a job in a medical office or facility.

Although each of these programs offer a different option for those looking to work in the

medical field, the demand for professionals in the EMT and Massage Therapy programs is increasing the most.

According the Bonnie Heckard Farmer, the Associate Dean of College Center, “The massage therapy program graduates approximately 30 students per year and the EMT is probably closer to 45.”

All of the other programs are just as good and consistent.

What really makes these programs worth it is the fact that they are applicable to so many different careers. For instance, the EMT course sets students up to keep going to become a paramedic, and covers a prerequisite to becoming a firefighter. “The EMT program has two levels, so there’s the basic level and that’s just one semester of EMT classes... and then you go on to be a paramedic, which is more advanced.”

The Massage Therapy program is just as applicable to many different fields of work.

“If you’re going into physical therapy or physical therapy assistance or occupational therapy or sports

medicine, any of those, the clinical hours that you have where you’re doing hands on working with clients would all be applicable to a career or education program in some of those. So, you can take those hours with you because they require clinical hours and you gain those in this program-plus, just the skills.”

In all, these programs are really handy and applicable to many different career fields, even if they don’t seem it at first glance.

While the Radcliff Center campus maybe notably smaller than the main campus, the specialized programs offered here have a large impact in the careers fields these students are graduating from. Schoolcraft’s rigorous and challeng-

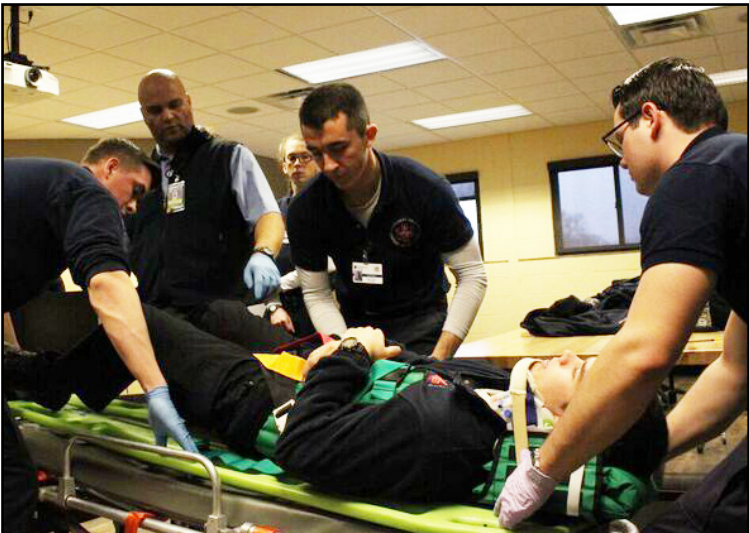


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EMT students imitate transporting a victim from a car wreck.

ing academic standards are implemented throughout these programs and the community of students who enroll

in these programs can rest assure they are getting top quality education from the best faculty in the industry.



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Physical therapy, occupational therapy and sports medicine students all benefit from taking the Massage Therapy program offered at the Radcliff Center.

Ocelot Opinions

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Jacob Peltz
Returning student

“Have a planner, staying organized is the best tool to help you succeed.”



Dominique Mones
Returning student

“Take advantage of syllabus week...if you get right on point it’ll be helpful because before you know it’ll be exam week.”



Sarah Gamble
Returning student

“Don’t wait last minute to get all your school supplies.”



Rachel Pettie
First year

“Where is the best place to park and when.”

FIRST YEAR: WHAT DO YOU WANT TO KNOW ON YOUR FIRST DAY?

RETURNING STUDENTS: WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE YOUR FELLOW STUDENTS?



Kristen Maskimovic
First year

“Where my classes are and what buildings are where.”



Samveo Mirakyan
Returning student

“Come to class prepared, come with your books on the first day to make a good impression on the teacher.”

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competed against three other qualifying candidates this past

July in Phoenix, Arizona.

At the national competition an even more extensive process was waiting. Misiak had to again submit an extensive resume as well as a culinary chemistry lesson plan and his own accomplishments in addition to those of the program. He had to demonstrate the dif-

ferent lesson plans that teach students the science behind the food that they cook as well as the experiments that students conduct with the chemistry department throughout their courses.

“I decided to submit a culinary chemistry lesson plan and lab because I thought it

would be different than what everyone else was submitting for the vetting process and because culinary chemistry is so new and I have developed a course from scratch it had a special place for me to do that,” said Misiak.

Chef Misiak has devoted his talents to the growth of the

Culinary Arts program for 31 years, along with the many other chefs on the team of educators and this award is well deserved. It just goes to show that hard work through innovation to create a better program for the students can truly pay off to create better educators and a program overall.

Schoolcraft goes mobile

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pus or the important contacts list. The map will continue

to be updated as the construction finishes. There is currently a separate app that students must use to access Blackboard. The Schoolcraft app will connect users to this app without having to close out of the app and open a new one and create a link between the two. With future updates it is hoped that certain fea-

tures of Blackboard such as grades and teacher notifications will be accessible in the Schoolcraft app as well.

“The main reason we created this app was to meet clients ‘at their home’ through their mobile devices,” said Patrick Turner, Vice President and Chief Administration Officer.

The app will continually be updated throughout the year to keep students up to date on the latest technology offered as well as on the most recent changes on campus. Any questions or comments regarding the app can be addressed to the Answer Center. They can be reached by email at answers@schoolcraft.edu

or by phone at 734-462-4426.

This exciting new interactive feature is hoped by many to make life on campus a little easier to manage as well as take some of the stress of registration away in future semesters.

Tomorrow’s leaders today

Public Safety Training Center offers state of the art training for careers in public safety

BY DYLAN RANDOLPH
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Ever want to run into a burning building and pull someone out to save his or her life? How about rushing to the scene of a crime and catching criminals breaking the law? School-

craft’s Public Safety Training Center trains students how to excel in high-pressure intensive situations like these. Whether it is for careers in law enforcement, firefighting, or homeland security students who are interesting in pur-

suing these careers have the opportunity to do so at the Public Safety Training Center in Livonia.

Established in 2010, the Public Safety Training Center began to take in students who were looking to further their careers in emergency situations.

Fire Academy

For students enrolled in the Fire Academy the center offers indoor simulations where students can practice extraction through narrow openings, disoriented firefighter extraction as well as learning the essentials about each piece of equipment a firefighter must work with. Not only will the new firefighters have to endure countless hours of classroom work but they will also engage in physical training and real life fire situations. On days where students are trained for situations that firefighters are dispatched to they will be escorted out to a training tool called the Fire Tower. This four story fire training tower can be set ablaze repeatedly through

its gas controlled functions so students can practice a variety of fire exercises. The tower also contains an elevator, which will help students practice high angle extractions furthering the extent of their abilities.

Police Academy

While the Fire Academy may seem impressive the Police Academy has just as much to offer their incoming students. Just like the Fire Academy, Police Academy candidates will have to endure physical training and conditioning, while practicing real life scenarios in a mock setting. Students participating in this program will engage in exercises such as practice traffic routines, takedowns and situational training mazes. These mazes are made up of movable walls that can be reconfigured to close spaced environments where students can practice extractions and tactical police operations.

The Police Academy students will also have the ability to practice vehicular training on the center’s 10-acre driv-

ing pad. Here, students will be able to practice road maneuvers such as serpentine, driving on two wheels, emergency braking and more. Students will have to pass these courses and more in order to become a certified police officer. Another fairly new feature added to this facility is the shooting range. The full length shooting range gives local law enforcement as well as students a chance to practice their sharpshooting skills with an arsenal of firearms on the training facility.

Schoolcraft program graduates can be found throughout the country in the ranks of every public service, making a difference and saving lives everyday. Thanks to the Public Safety Training Center students can keep up to date on the ever-changing field of emergency management and law enforcement.

For more information about the facility students can contact 734-462-4306 or visiting the center at 31777 Industrial Road, Livonia.



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Cadets are trained on how to properly roll fire hoses to be put on the truck.



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Police Academy students use the firing range to practice fire arms training.



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When Public Safety students are not physically training, they are in the classroom mentally training.

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Staying ahead of the class

The Connection’s guide to surviving the semester

By The Schoolcraft Connection Editorial Staff

Going back to school can be a stressful time of year. Wondering how to pay for tuition, textbooks and supplies can be a daunting task of endless to do’s. Preparing for the first day of class is the first step into creating a stable foundation for success for the rest of the semester. This can be done in several ways from being prepared, getting organized, finding resources to help and getting involved on campus.

Be Prepared

The worst first impression a student can make is to arrive late and disrupt a class. One should arrive early to class by five to ten minutes. This way a student can find a seat, make sure they are in the right class-

room and be ready to learn when the professor begins. Another step to be successful in one’s academic studies is note taking. In order to be an effective note-taker, remember these important rules: be alert, aware, organized, neat and tidy. It’s important to be alert so that the student is capable of in-taking the information. Being aware goes hand-in-hand with being alert, because the student has to be sure that what they’re writing down is factual and relevant. Using colorful pens or a laptop to take notes is another way to keep track of notes, stay alert and engaged during lectures.

Get Organized

Buying a planner is an essential part of being organized for school and work. A planner or keeping a schedule on one’s phone with alarms can help to keep homework, work schedules and personal engagements etc. organized in one place. This can also be a place to set up a schedule to follow to

ensure that all work is getting done and turned in on time.

Asking for Help

The campus offers the Learning Assistance Center (LAC), the Writing Fellows and the Peer Assisted Learning (PAL) program to all current students. These resources are for students who are looking for ways to clear up confusion on important information in their classes, would like feedback on their written assignments varying from lab reports to lengthy research papers and structured study sessions facilitated by peer students. Take advantage of these support services to get back on track and feel confident.

Relieve Stress

Another important thing to keep in mind is how to deal with all the stress you experience. From balancing that intense academic schedule to fitting in your part-time job and social life, stress is nearly unavoidable. Some small and reasonable activities such as exercising, eating healthy

foods, reading a book of one’s own choice or watching tv can all help ease the everyday stress levels.

Get Involved

Navigating successfully through your classes is the most important priority in college, but don’t forget about getting involved on campus. Many students do not realize just how getting involved on campus can help prep them for more opportunities down the road. Finding an activity on campus that students love to do opens up many doors for the future as well as it builds a great resume. The Student Activities Office offers over 30 clubs on campus where one can get involved in. Clubs ranging from academic to social, cultural to sports are available to choose from.

Being prepared for the new and sometimes hectic environment will certainly make the transition smoother. Getting involved and making new friends is a great way to enjoy the time on and off campus as well as strive for success. College isn’t impossible and there are plenty of resources to help along the way.

Gotta catch em’ all



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Pokémon GO continues to surge in popularity

The newest interactive app from Niantic that continues to gain popularity since its July 6th release is “Pokémon GO.” The game is a free-to-play, location based augmented reali-

ty game where players use GPS capability to locate, catch, battle and train virtual creatures, called Pokémon. The game forces users to get up and go out into the world to explore and find these animated creations. The game was released to mixed reviews with praise for its concept and incentive to become more physically active within the real world, but it has also faced many struggles.

Within the first few weeks of the games launch, major technical difficulties became apparent such as the servers crashing frequently. Accidents and concerns from several governments have also been problematic. The real question being, is the game really worth it?

Pokémon was originally created by Satoshi Tajiri in 1995. The franchise began as

a pair of video games for the original Game Boy in 1996. It has since grown into multiple video games, trading card games, animated television shows, movies, comic book series and toys. Over the years it has become the second most successful and lucrative video game based franchise in the world. Branch off series of the original “Pokémon” such as red, yellow, blue, diamond and silver, as well as next generation series have all held popularity throughout the twenty years since its creation among several generations.

This newest game is not all it is cracked up to be.

Yes, the game is fun to play and gets users to be physically active to find all of the rarest and multitudes of Pokémon there are, but there is always a downside. The first issue the game faced shortly after its release was the constant crashing of the servers due to heavy

usage and popularity. Even as the time goes on, many users still face issues of servers running slowly or crashing during periods of time where hunting traffic is heavy or in highly populated areas.

The app is becoming dangerous at times for users as well. To capture the rare creatures that are so desired and coveted, players must travel to unpopular areas that relate to these creatures environment such as water or forest and rural settings. Many reports of injuries from falls and accidents on bikes, skateboards, cars and walking due to lack of paying attention because of the app on the phone are common according to the New York Post.

Criminal activity is taking advantage of the app as well. Teens and young adults using the app and traveling to areas either late at night or to areas that are under populated has had phones stolen or have been put into other dangerous situations have all been reported according to Syracuse.com.

The game is an innovative idea. Viewers should keep in mind though to always be aware of their surroundings while playing the app. Travel with others in big groups while hunting. Use the app as a time to socialize with others and look up from the phone. The safest way to play is while walking. Avoid playing the game while driving or even riding a bike or skateboard. It is okay to have fun and catch them all, but be safe and aware while doing it for oneself and those around them as well.



IMAGE FROM VG247.COM

Pokémon Go can be a fun and exciting game as long as players use caution while playing and stay safe.

Police lives matter



Police shootings from an officer's son point of view

In the past two years the media has been filled with headlines such as “Unarmed black male shot by white cop” only to be preceded by a story about a police officer who had been shot and killed in the line of duty. However, the immediate differences in these issues are the public outrage that follows each of these shootings.

When Michael Brown was shot and killed on August 9, 2014 in Ferguson, Missouri, the public rioted with outrage,

tearing apart their city as a demonstration of their anger aimed towards local law enforcement. Nearly a month later on December 20, 2014 in the Bedford-Stuyvesant neighborhood of New York City, Rafael Ramos and Wenjian Liu, two police officers were shot and killed just simply sitting in their squad car. The gunman who assassinated these two officers then made a second attempt on a police officer in Brooklyn, but was stopped due to his gun jamming before he could fire off the shots.

According to Dailynews.com, the gunman had posted on social media earlier that day stating, “They took one of ours, we take two of theirs,” referring to the deaths of Michael Brown and Eric Garner. After these two police officers were innocently shot and killed in cold blood, there were no protests, no public outrage, no petitions and certainly no rallies with shirts and signs saying, “Police lives matter.”

How is it that police officers can be gunned down and no one bats an eye, but as soon as another innocent individual is shot and killed everyone loses their minds? There is no difference between these in-

dividuals whatsoever; people should take a stand because innocent lives are being taken; not because race is made an issue by the media. In fact, Politifact.com said, “At the end of 2013, ninety percent of African Americans were killed by other African Americans.” How come there was no public outrage about that? It seems that people only take a stand when the media tries to make things a white on black issue.

The website Omdp.org has stated that since January 1st, 2016 there have been 71 police officers killed in the line of duty, including the five officers that were gunned down by a sniper in Texas as well as the officers’ shot and killed in Louisiana. These shootings were not protested even though these officers were just doing their job protecting the public.

No one is saying that black lives do not matter, every life matters. White lives, black lives, Hispanic lives and every other nationality, sexuality and so on; no one should have to suffer the remorse of losing a loved one to a tragic shooting. However, people to need let go of the racial barriers that the media outlets implant in their minds about an issue that is not about white on black or black on white. It is simply about the violence needing to come to an end.

My father was a decorated Sergeant of the City of Wayne Police Department for over twenty years and in all those years of service I have never been this worried about his well being while on the job as much as I worry now. With people constantly targeting police officers in an “eye for an eye” attacks daily every time I hear on the news “Another officer has lost their life today” my heart drops. Being surrounded by law enforcement my entire life I have grown with a bond not many peo-

ple can say they have. Every time another officer is killed I wear the thin blue line just like every other officer of the law does.

The criminals aren’t just destroying one family, but a brotherhood of men and women who swore their lives to defend the people who are now targeting them. People need to stop killing police officers because they feel they need retribution. It is time to realize this issue is not about race like the media claims it to be, no more innocent lives should be taken.

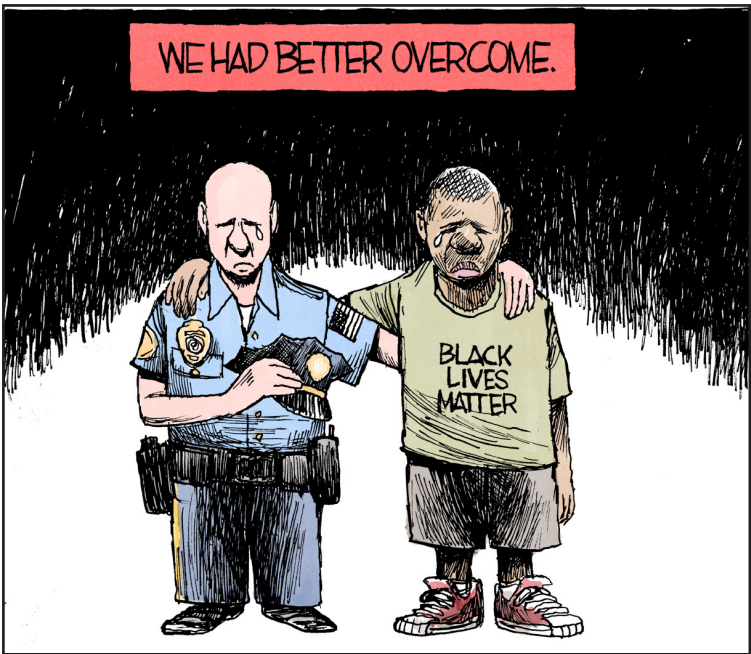


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Outrage should not be about race, outrage should be about innocent lives being lost.

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Hailing the wrong heroes



Stop celebrating bad behavior of sports stars

In a life where people need role models and heroes to escape the chaos that surrounds us all; sports can be that escape that everyone needs.

Earlier this summer, New York Yankees future hall of fame pitcher Alondis Chapman came back to pitch for the after missing 30 games. Chapman has the fastest throwing arm in the Major Leagues by being able to throw pitches consistently over 100 mph and by throwing a ball 105 mph earlier this year. He then was traded

to Chicago where he has a permanent role as the teams closing pitcher.

He is considered a hero to many baseball fans, and New York showed their love when Chapman returned to the field earlier this summer. Thousands of people cheered and welcomed Chapman back to the game like he was returning from an injury or just experienced a personal tragedy. However, in reality he was suspended.

The suspension was for a domestic violence incident that occurred between him and his girlfriend in Florida on Oct. 30, 2015. According to ESPN.com, Chapman allegedly choked his girlfriend and punched her in the head.

Sports offer many positive role models and heroes but why are fans cheering on athletes like him?

Domestic violence has taken over the sports world headlines in recent years and more athletes are continuing to maintain high paying jobs even after committing crimes.

According to the NCAVA (National Coalition

Against Violent Athletes), one in three sexual assaults are committed by athletes. Young boys and girls look up to athletes and imitate them in real life situations. For example, when football players do something worth a celebration most of the time they beat their chest, which is the exact same thing that every little league player does to emulate their favorite players. It has become almost routine to hear that another athlete is involved in a domestic violence case and true sports fans want this to end.

The question is what is the right punishment for an athlete committing such a crime?

The professional sports suspension system is not harsh enough on the penalty to make

people regret committing crimes. A real punishment would be a yearlong unpaid suspension for any athlete who has been proven of a crime. A year without pay for an athlete and being away from the sport that they adore paying will be a reality check for abusers of humanity and the law.

In sports the law and morals are relaxed due to the ability to do something physically impressive; but more people need to care about how players’ treat women, not just how fast they can throw a ball.

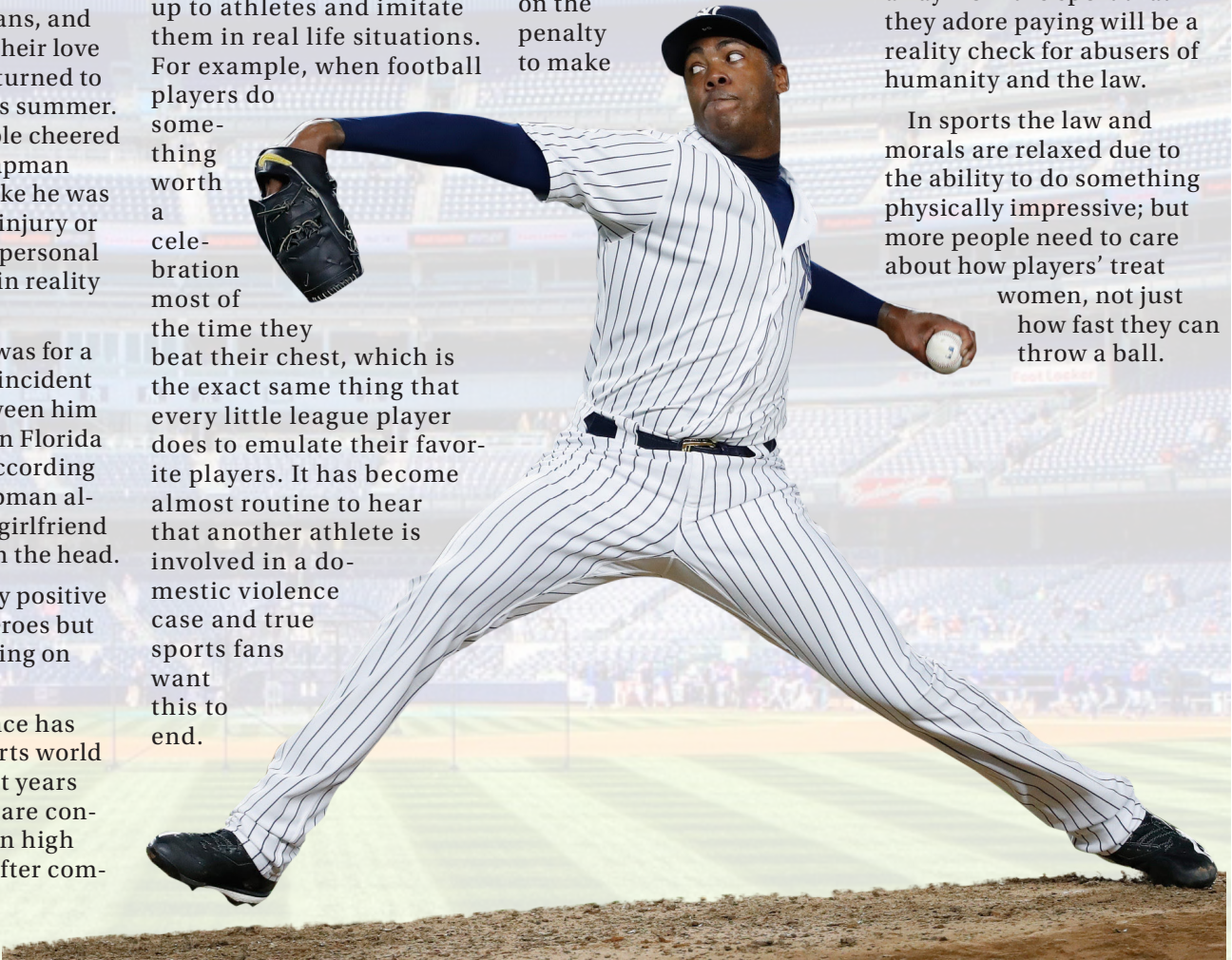


IMAGE FROM CHICAGOTRIBUNE.COM
Should fans really be praising athletes involved in domestic abuse?

Helping students along the way

Student services provide valuable resources

BY QUINN STORM
NEWS EDITOR

With the start of the fall semester, it's important to be reminded that Schoolcraft has a variety of on campus resources for students to utilize year round. If one is unsure on where to start with a question or inquiry, contact one the following departments that seem to fit the topic of your question. Each of these resources is located on campus and has convenient hours for students.

Bradner Library

Hours:

- **Monday–Thursday 7:30 am to 10 pm**
- **Friday 7:30 am to 5 pm**
- **Saturday and Sunday 12 to 5 pm**

(734) 462-4440 x 5316

library@schoolcraft.edu

The Bradner Library is located next to the McDowell Center. This is the go-to place to study, check out books, review instructor sample tests and materials and the headquarters for the Learning Assistance Center, Writing Fellows and University Bound programs. If students need to make copies, two photocopiers are available for patron use. The library also has computers for students to utilize and users may print up to 25 pages per day without charge. If students are looking for a place to study individually or in small groups, study rooms are available in the atrium at a first-come-first serve basis.

Schoolcraft also has a library located at its Radcliff campus in Garden City avail-

able for students who are taking classes at the Radcliff location. For more information on hours of operation contact the Radcliff Library at (734) 462-4400 x 4742.

Learning Assistance Center

Hours:

- **Monday–Thursday 8 am to 8 pm**
- **Friday 8 am to 4 pm**
- **Saturday 12 to 4 pm**

734-462-4436

Lac@schoolcraft.edu

The LAC is a great tool for students to utilize on campus. If students are struggling in the subjects of Math, Science or English, the LAC provides tutors that the students can sit down with and learn from in between their classes. The LAC is located in the Bradner library near the entrance closest to the Forum building. Upon entering the LAC students will have to provide proof of enrollment. Drop-in and online tutoring are free services provided.

A convenient Radcliff Center location is also available. For more information about hours and services available at this location, call 734-462-4755.

Bookstore

Hours:

- **Monday–Thursday 8:30 am to 6:30 pm**
- **Friday 8:30 am to 4 pm**
- **Saturday–Sunday CLOSED**

(734) 462-4409

books@schoolcraft.edu

The Schoolcraft bookstore is the hub for all your textbooks and supplies. Students can purchase, rent, or sell back textbooks, as well as buy supplies and Schoolcraft gear. It is also available online at schoolcraftbooks.com.

In addition to the bookstore on main campus, there are two other convenient bookstore locations available to students, one at the Radcliff Center and the other at Public Safety Training Center. For hours and information regarding the Radcliff Center location, contact (734) 462-4778 and for the Public Safety Training Center location, contact 734-462-4306.

Testing Center

Hours:

- **Monday–Thursday 8 am to 7:30 pm**
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(734) 462-4806

testing@schoolcraft.edu

The testing center offers comprehensive testing and placement testing for students, specialized testing, and even offers test prep for those who feel their skills could be improved, or just want to practice. Some of the special placement testing that students can take are American Culinary Certification (ACF) written exams, College Level Examination Program (CLEP) test, Credit by Examination in several subjects, DSST IBT Computerized testing National credit, Firefighter written exams, GED testing Michigan Testing For English Language Proficiency (MTELP), Nursing Entrance Exam (TEAS) and payment for any testing taken on the campus can be found here. The testing center also offers makeup test for students that could not attend class the day of if the professor has made arrangements for them.

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Hours:

- **Monday–Thursday 5:30**

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- **Friday 5:30 am to 7:30 pm**
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(734) 462-4348

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Counseling and Academic Advising

Hours:

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- **Friday 8 am to 5 pm**
- **Every 2nd Saturday 10 am to 2 pm**

(734) 462-4429

counseling@schoolcraft.edu

The Counseling Center has counselors that are here for students to offer assistance with personal or school related issues. In addition to that, they offer services for international services, veterans, disability support services and transfer options and planning for additional support as well as mental health resources. The Advising Center offers academic advisors that are available for students or incoming students who have questions at any time throughout the year about their classes, transferring or

any other school related topics. They also can work with students that are questioning where they may be going after their journey at Schoolcraft has ended.

Career Services

Hours:

- **Monday–Thursday 8 am to 6 pm**
- **Friday 8 am to 4 pm**

734-462-4421

carerservices@schoolcraft.edu

The Schoolcraft College Career Services provides excellent resources for students and alumni who need assistance with career direction or are seeking employment. The center assists with interviewing skills, resume building, LinkedIn and job fairs throughout the year. They also offer many workshops on all of these topics. The Career Services office will also be available for students who have been hired for on campus jobs in order for them to fill out paperwork before starting their jobs.

Financial Aid

Hours:

- **Monday–Thursday 8 am to 6 pm**
- **Friday 8 am to 4:30 pm**

734-462-4433

finaid@schoolcraft.edu

The Financial Aid office can answer all questions about college payment, financial aid, student accounts and financial literacy. For questions regarding a personal account, contact the cashier's office for answers at (734) 462-4449. In addition to going into the office to get questions answered, there is in depth answers online on the Schoolcraft website at schoolcraft.edu/financialaid.

These are just a few of the many resources the campus has to offer. These sources are easy to use, and contact as well, that any student with a question is sure to get an answer as soon as possible.

Online Editor Wanted

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Student Activities offers clubs and programing aimed at enriching the college experience

COMPILED BY ELIZABETH
CASELLA
MANAGING EDITOR

Not everything in college is learned inside the classroom. The Student Activities Office is committed to providing programs and events that complement students’ in-the-classroom experience and help them to develop their life and leadership skills. Through programs geared toward social, cultural and community engagement, students are able to achieve the total college experience.

The following is a list of the clubs and organizations currently offered on campus for students to become involved in.

ACADEMIC CLUBS

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- Transfer scholarships to four year universities are available

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MATH AND PHYSICS CLUB

- Bringing together students seeking a degree in math or sci-

ence related fields

- Creating a higher level of interest in math and physics related topics
- Participate in lectures, Math League contests, Rube Goldberg projects, and tutor high school students

CHEMISTRY CLUB

- Increase students interest in science
- Goals are to conduct experiments, discuss current events, expand thinking and help relate chemistry to our daily lives

BUSINESS CLUB

- To give guidance and develop knowledge about the business world
- Hold meetings with discussions on anything business related, attend seminars, networking possibilities, fundraising and scholarships

VIDEO PRODUCTION CLUB

- Helping those interested in the multimedia field learn more about the dynamics of media including writing, producing, editing, directing, in-studio broadcasting and off-site movie shoots for film

HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CLUB

- Develop and maintain a growing interest in the field of Health Information Technology

STUDENT NURSE ASSOCIATION

- Bringing nursing students together to promote a healthy community
- Goals are to be involved with community outreach, service learning, promoting health and wellness
- Establishing a support system for nursing students

COUNCIL OF EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN STUDENT CHAPTER

- Linking future special education teachers with the leading professional organization in the field of special needs
- Provide a network for professional growth

METRO DETROIT ASSOCIATION FOR THE EDUCATION OF YOUNG CHILDREN STUDENT CHAPTER

- To provide a professional development opportunity for students interested in teaching/working with children and families

SOCIAL CLUBS

STUDENT ACTIVITIES BOARD

- Fostering a welcoming atmosphere; involving students in community service projects on campus and with local charities; giving students the opportunity to participate in social/recreational events just for fun

PROJECT PLAYHEM GAMING CLUB

- Creating a sense of community among student gamers
- Encourage members to test and improve each other’s skills in a friendly and social atmosphere
- Hold tournaments and participate in community service projects

COMIC CON CLUB

- Bring students together through mutual interest in Super Heros, Star Wars, Doctor Who and others

OTAKU ANIME

- Enjoying and promoting Japanese animation and pop culture

POKE PALS

- A resource for people who want to play Pokemon - both video and card games
- Sponsor tournaments and trading events

CHESS CLUB

- Create a network of chess players to teach people the game

CARDFIGHT CLUB

- A fun friendly environment to play your favorite card games

TABLE TOP CLUB

- A fun social environment to play RPG’s

HARRY POTTER CLUB

- A place for Harry Potter lovers to come together, have fun and make friends

CARTOON CLUB

- Get together with other cartoon fans to watch episodes and discuss your favorite shows

SERVICE CLUBS

CHRISTIAN CHALLENGE

- Enriching the quality of the overall college experience by challenging participants to explore God’s word as a guide for a full and well-balanced life

SEXUALITY AND GENDER ACCEPTANCE (SAGA)

- Create awareness of gender and sexual identities
- Establish a place where ALL are safe and welcome
- Create meaningful events for the campus and community, sponsor symposiums, and social gatherings

STUDENTS OF AMF (ACTIVELY MOVING FORWARD)

- The National Students of AMF Support Network whose goal is to connect and empower grieving students to support one another
- Participate in community service in memory of deceased loved ones
- Raise awareness about the needs of grieving students

CIVIL RIGHTS ACTION CLUB

- Promote, educate and work towards the expression of identity and rights of all beings on campus and beyond

ACTIVE MINDS

- Purpose is to remove the stigma surrounding mental health issues and create a comfortable environment for open conversations about mental health on campus

CULTURAL CLUBS

ASIAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION

- Create awareness of the South Asian culture.
- Sponsor events such as the annual Navratri Celebration that showcases the Indian culture to the college and community

NATIVE AMERICAN CLUB

- Foster an understanding of Native American culture, history and traditions

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION (ISO)

- Assist in the globalization of the campus and offer social and learning opportunities to students
- Goals are to smooth the transition for international students, connect them with domestic students through cultural and educational events

INTRAMURAL SPORT CLUBS

CLUB HOCKEY TEAM

- Provide students who play ice hockey an opportunity to play and enhance their skills
- Tryouts held for each season

MEN’S LACROSSE TEAM

- Play seasonal and off-season for sport and fun

WOMEN’S LACROSSE TEAM

- Participate in a group sport
- Create fellowship with others Practice in scrimmaging and enhance skills

HIP HOP DANCE DIVISION

- Students can express themselves through dance
- Learn and practice these skills

For more information on clubs and organizations, please visit the Student Activities Office in the Lower Waterman, VisTaTech Center or contact by phone at 734-462-4422 or e-mail at sc.sao@apps.schoolcraft.edu.



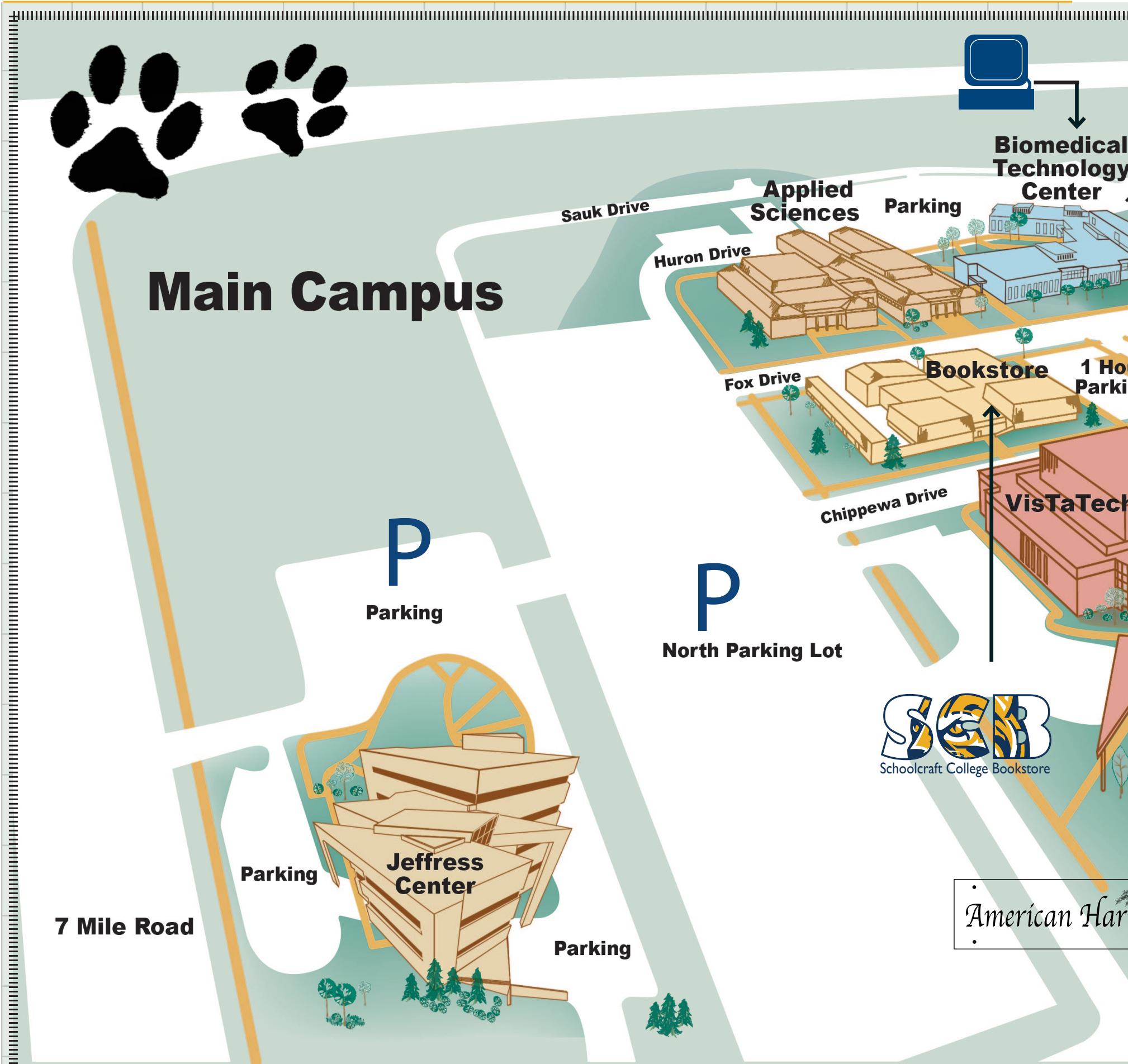
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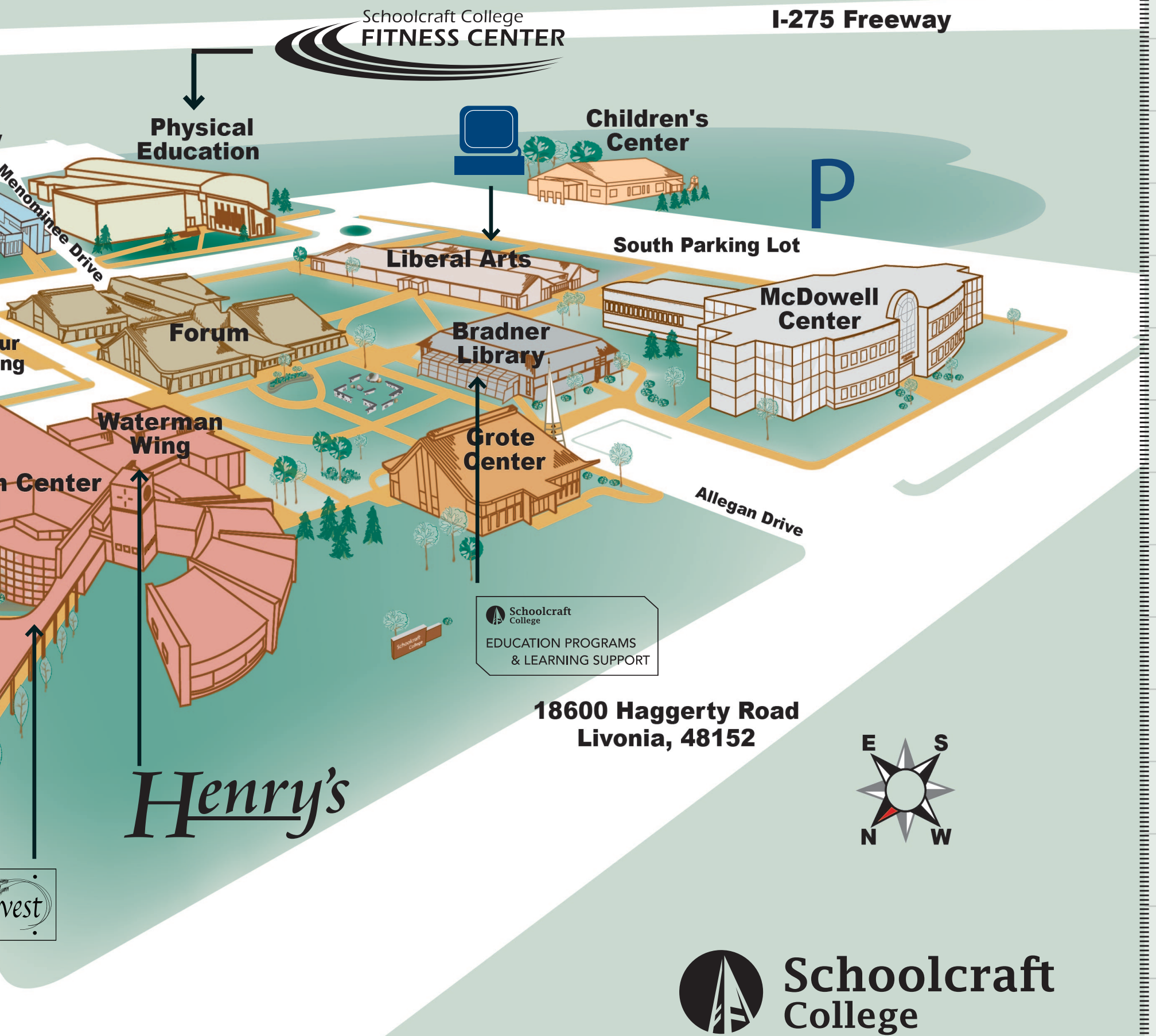
- In Learning Assistance Center located in Bradner Library
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COMPUTERS

- Bradner Library
- Biomedical Building
- * Free to students with class schedule or ID





Map


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* Parking is free for students and visitors

* Electric stations are located in the Bradner lot and North parking lot


BOOKSTORE

* Books and supplies are sold at the Bookstore



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- Counseling Office
- Admissions Office
- Computer lab in basement
- Payment Office
- Registration Office
- Woman's Resource Center
- Veteran's Center
- Career Transfer Center



Where to go and how to get there

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Entertaining the crowd

Schoolcraft Theatre Department to offer Double Bill performances

BY DYLAN RANDOLPH & CHRIS SKARNULIS
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF | ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

The Schoolcraft Theatre Department has a history of presenting a variety of productions that leave audiences wanting more. Students, staff, faculty and community members anticipate attending the awe-inspiring performances Schoolcraft puts on each year.

This year is no exception.

For the upcoming fall semester, the Theatre Department will be hosting one production consisting of a Double Bill performance of Edward J. Moore’s “The Sea Horse” and Lucille Fletcher’s “Sorry Wrong Number.”

The Sea Horse

“The Sea Horse” is complex love

story taking place in a waterfront bar where a seaman, Harry Bales, is induced in a physical relationship with the bar’s owner Gertrude Blum. Recently divorced Gertrude keeps her feelings hidden from Harry throughout their estranged relationship, causing a stir as Harry tries to reveal to her that he has a plan involving raising a family and owning his own business.

Sorry Wrong Number

“Sorry Wrong Number” is a heart pounding thriller set around Mrs. Elbert Stevenson. After being confined to her bed for years to anxiety issues, Mrs. Stevenson tries to call her husband who has been working late. However, when the operator patches Mrs. Stevenson through, instead of her husband’s soothing voice, she overhears two mysterious men planning what sounds like a murder. From here Mrs. Stevenson engages in a game of cat and mouse with the Police Department as she believes she is the target for the alleged criminals.

Tickets for

Performance Dates:

Fridays and Saturdays

- October 28 Dinner Theatre
- October 29..... Dinner Theatre
- November 4..... Dinner Theatre
- November 5..... Dinner Theatre
- November 11 Theatre Performance
- November 12 ... Theatre Performance

Menu:

- **First Course:** Fall harvest vegetable gazpacho soup with cucumber avocado cream.
- **Second Course:** Country style braised Swiss steak, buttermilk mashed potatoes and roasted root vegetables.
- **Third course:** Fruits of the forest pie
- **Rolls and Butter**
- **Coffee and Tea**

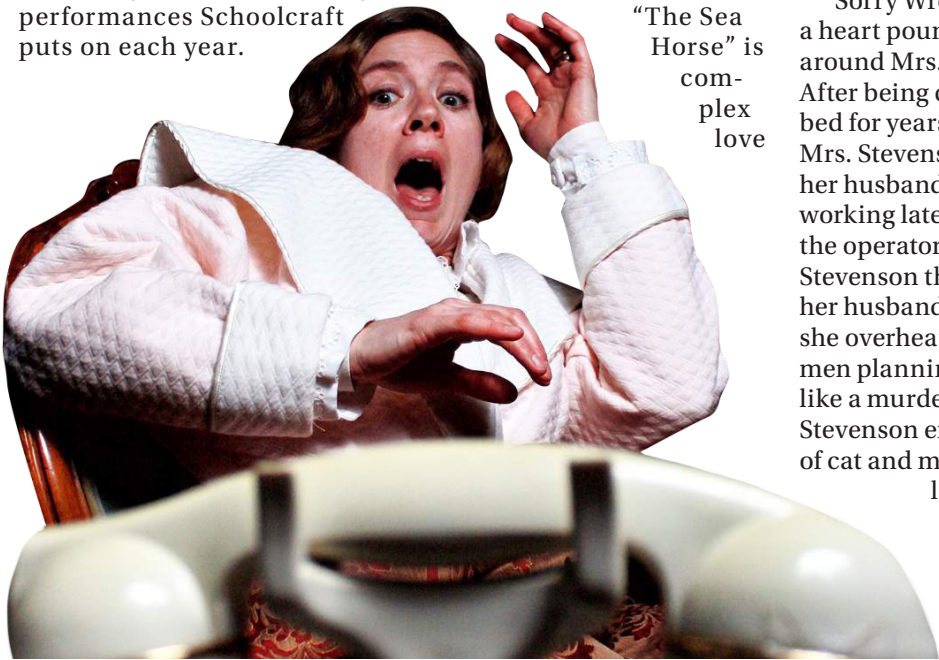


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Anatole Litvak’s “Sorry Wrong Number” will be the second show featured in Schoolcraft’s Double Bill production.


the performances are on sale now at the Schoolcraft College Bookstore or by calling the Bookstore at 734-462-4596. Tickets for the Theatre performance only are \$15, and the Dinner Theatre performances are \$27. Dinner theatre tickets need to be purchased in advance and due to their demand and reputation have the history of selling out quickly.

Auditions

For anyone possibly wanting to attend auditions for


these shows, the auditions will be held on September 13 and September 14 at 7:00pm in the Liberal Arts building. Students who attend Schoolcraft are not the only ones allowed to audition; the auditions are open to the public and are encouraged. For anyone looking for more information about auditions, they can stop by Dr. James R. Hartman’s office in the Liberal Arts building LA443 or call 734-462-4435.

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New era

Cross Country team preps for 2016 season under new leadership, continues to build roster

BY JAMES PAXSON
SPORTS EDITOR

The upcoming Cross Country season will look different for the first time in almost a decade.

Ed Kozloff who coached the Schoolcraft Cross Country team for eight seasons retired at the end of last year season and handed over the program to successor, Wright Wilson.

Wilson brings with him decades of coaching experience. In Wilson’s coaching career he has coached men and women’s track at Royal Oak Shrine from 1989 to 2015. He won statewide men’s coach of the year in 2007, has coached 16 state champion athletes and led the Shrine boys track team to a state-runner up title in 2007. This fall, Wilson is looking to continue the excellence set forth by his predecessor. He has inherited a program filled with history and is striving to improve the program even more. Wilson is no stranger to the Schoolcraft Athletics program, as he

has been the PA announcer for the Schoolcraft men and women’s basketball games.

New recruits

The team is still in search for additional runners to add to its 2016 roster. Currently, the team has one returning veteran, Caitlin Goyer, who is back to compete for her second season. One of Goyer’s top performances last season was when she competed in the MCCA championship meet and placed 42 out of 50 other runners.

“Goyer has improved a lot from last year and will keep improving due to her wanting to be a better runner,” said coach Wilson.

Students interested in joining the team, can visit the Athletics Department office located in the Physical Education building on the Livonia Campus or call 734-462-4804 for more information.

Tough competition

Last season, Lansing Community College’s Men’s and

Women’s teams were crowned the Michigan Community College Athletic Association Conference champions. Schoolcraft is will be looking forward to competing with Lansing in the hunt for the top spot of in the conference.

The Ocelots first meet of the 2016 season will be the Golden Grizzly Run on Friday Sept. 2 at Oakland University in Rochester. A week later they will run the U of D Mercy Tommy Titan Invitational in Cass-Benton Park in Northville on Sept. 10.

Rounding out September’s competition calendar are the MSU Spartan Invitational in East Lansing taking place at Forest Akers Golf Club on Friday Sept. 16 and the Grand Rapids Community College Raider Run at Riverside Park in Grand Rapids on Sept. 23.

“The Spartan Invitational for sure because the energy there is like no other meet I have competed in, and we are com-

peting against athletes of all levels,” said sophomore runner Caitlin Goyer.

October the competition heats up for the Ocelots with four invitationals. On Oct. 1, the team will travel to compete at the Oakland Community College Raider Run, which will take place at the Oakland Community College-Highland Lakes campus in Union Lake. On Oct. 7, the Ocelots take to the road to compete at the Lansing Invitational at Grand Woods Park in Lansing.

The Ocelots will get a little breather in the schedule before the EMU Fall Classic on Oct. 21 at Hudson Mills Park in Dexter and will finish off October at the Region 12 Championships on Oct. 29 at Grand Woods Park in Lansing.

Academic Excellence

The cross-country team has a history of excelling not only athletically but being a team who does well academically in the classroom. Last season, all members of the team had a grade point average of 3.33 or above. Team members and Coach Wilson have the hopes to continue to put student before athlete and by the end of the year have amazing runner’s scores with the combination of an impressive grade point average.



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Cross country plans to better themselves as athletes and as students.

2016 Men's and Women's Cross Country Schedule			
Date	Opponent	Time	Location
9/2	Golden Grizzly Run	4:30pm	Rochester
9/10	UDM-Mercy Titan Invitational	11:15am	Northville
9/16	MSU Spartan Invitational	11:50am	East Lansing
9/23	Grand Rapids CC Raider Run	3:15pm	Grand Rapids
10/1	Oakland CC Raider Run	TBD	Union Lake
10/7	Lansing Invitational	1:30pm	Lansing
10/21	EMU Fall Classic	4pm	Dexter
Postseason			
10/29	Region 12 Finals (Grand Woods Park)	TBD	Lansing
11/12	NJCAA Division III Championships	TBD	Canandaigua, NY

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Dome-inating the field

Long awaited soccer dome works toward completion

BY ELIZABETH CASELLA & MIKEY CEBULSKI
MANAGING EDITOR | PHOTO EDITOR

After months of hard work, the construction workers have nearly completed the long awaited soccer dome. This is an exciting time for the college itself as well as its soccer team. Prior to having their own soccer dome, the Schoolcraft soccer team played on a field on the south side of campus. After the 2016 winter semester ended, construction workers began their project. Tearing up fields and working long days, they are beginning to near the end of

the long project. The outdoor field is set to open on Aug. 26; with the dome itself set to tentatively open in mid-October. The dome is mainly going to be used by the Ocelots, but is also going to be open for use to public leagues to host their games and other community members. The indoor field will hold multiple fields for use as well as stands for fans to cheer on their teams and a concession stand as well. One of the main reasons that dome is being constructed is so the Schoolcraft team can train and practice year-round. With two new fields on the horizon, this is going

to be a huge and exciting year for the Ocelots.

The Ocelots men and women’s soccer team hit the outdoor field for their first home game on Aug. 26 when the field opened and will continue to play games as well as hold practices on this field throughout the season. To find more information regarding the soccer dome construction visit schoolcraft.edu. For more information on the soccer team and their schedule visit schoolcraft.edu/campus-life/athletics or njcca.com.



Projected image of the Schoolcraft soccer dome.

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Contraction dome workers power through the heat.

PHOTOS BY ELIZABETH CASELLA & MIKEY CEBULSKI | MANAGING EDITOR & PHOTO EDITOR



Faculty must take caution with all the ongoing construction.



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Men and women’s soccer team can look forward to playing on the newly constructed outdoor soccer field.



The construction workers utilize all equipment possible in order to finish the soccer dome in time.



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