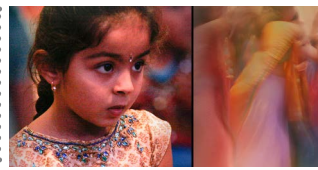




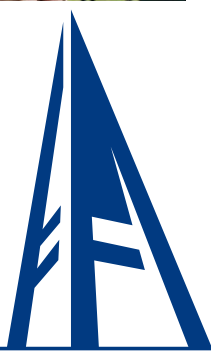
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Low-Income Michiganders Rejoice

Minimum wage increased to \$8.15

BY JOE ZYLKA
STAFF WRITER

On Sept. 1, Michigan raised its minimum wage from \$7.40 per hour to \$8.15 per hour, which is an important step in improving the lives of minimum wage workers. For tipped workers, like restaurant employees, the minimum wage rose from \$2.65 per hour to \$3.10 per hour.

The political and legal fight in Lansing lasted several months as interest groups like Raise Michigan, who started the ballot drive to raise the minimum wage, fought against interest groups like People Protecting Michigan Jobs (PPMJ), who did not favor a raise in the minimum wage.

Raise Michigan wanted to follow President Obama's newly signed \$10.10 per hour legislation and make that wage effective for all workers in Michigan immediately. However, PPMJ and Republican lawmakers pointed out that an immediate increase to \$10.10 per hour would cost Michiganders jobs and hurt local businesses.

As the dust settles, many people are satisfied with the outcome of the minimum wage battle, including Waltonwood of Carriage Park, a senior living center in Canton, Executive Director Teresa Hamos.

"I think raising the minimum wage in incremental ways is very fair for the people working minimum wage jobs," Hamos said. "Although it will slightly affect profit margins, the overall quality of work should go up." She added that while she is for the minimum wage increase, people should not rely on it to raise a family.

However, not everyone is happy about the increase in Michigan's minimum wage.

"I think the minimum wage increase is pointless,"

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Governor's race heating up

Gubernatorial election predicted to be close

BY LAUREN LUKENS AND JOE ZYLKA
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF AND STAFF WRITER

On Tuesday, Nov. 4, American citizens across the country have the chance to contest all 435 seats in the United States House of Representatives, 33 of the 100 seats in the United States Senate, 46 state legislatures, four territorial legislatures, numerous state and local races and 38 state and territorial governorships. Michigan is one state that is participating in a gubernatorial election. Recent polls indicate incumbent Republican Party candidate Governor Rick Snyder and Democratic Party candidate Mark Schauer are nearly deadlocked in voters' support with less than a month to go before the election.

According to an anonymous survey of 110 Schoolcraft students distributed at School Daze on Sept. 16 and 17, the number of responders that are informed and knowledgeable about the preferred candidates is appalling. Only 56 people of the 110 polled were knowledgeable about the upcoming election

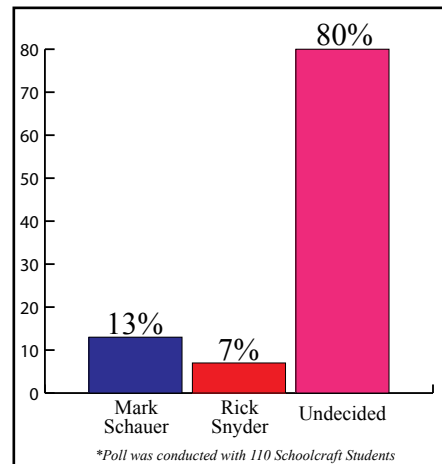
before taking the survey. Almost half of those polled were completely unaware of the possibility of future change on the upcoming ballot.

"We are very fortunate to live in a country where we can choose our leaders and they are not forced on us. As a woman, I am very interested in voting because, for over 200 years, we couldn't vote, and it took 72 years to finally get this right. I think all women should vote, but all men should vote too," said Laura Callow, Livonia resident and League of Women Voters member. "If we don't vote, we don't know what type of leadership we could get, and we shouldn't complain if we don't like what they are doing when we don't vote."

In addition, out of the 110 individuals surveyed, there were 73 people registered to vote and 37 not registered. Out of those individuals that are not registered, approximately 54% plan to register before the Oct. 6 deadline.

"Young people need to vote because the decisions being made involve their futures. This demographic has a viewpoint that is valid and deserves to be recognized just as much as any other group," said Civil Rights Action Club President Eric Watson, a sophomore at Schoolcraft.

Republican candidate Snyder is cur-



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rently making his pitch for reelection, while Democratic challenger Schauer is looking to unseat him. According to those surveyed approximately 80% are undecided on their vote, while approximately 7% favored Snyder and about 13% sided with Schauer. As the race is tight, every vote counts, and as many are still undecided of whom to vote for, becoming familiar with both candidates before the election could have a major impact on the future of Michigan.

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In Other News



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NEW DETROIT INTERNATIONAL
BRIDGE

The U.S. State Department approved the project proposal for a new bridge connecting Windsor, Canada and Detroit last year. Construction has not started yet, but the bridge will span across the Detroit River from the Brighton Beach neighborhood in Windsor to the Delray neighborhood in Detroit. This is about two miles south of the current international Ambassador Bridge that has 2.7 million trucks pass through it every year carrying \$120 billion worth of goods. The project will force 900 residents out of the Delray neighborhood.

According to CBS news, the bridge will cost an estimated two billion dollars, but Canada is paying for most of it and hopes to open the bridge in 2020 and earn the investment back through tolls.

MALE BIRTH CONTROL

Vasalgel is a gel inserted by needle into the vas deferens, which blocks sperm from leaving the tubes for an extended period of time. It is not a drug, but a "reversible" vasectomy involving no cutting, and unlike women's birth control, the operation does not conflict with any hormones (testosterone in a male's case). At any point in time though, the injected polymer can be flushed out with a second injection if the male wishes to be able to reproduce.

The experiment of Vasalgel on baboons has worked effectively for six months and human trials are planned for next year. There are hopes that male birth control for humans will be fairly cheap and ready for use by 2017.

For more information, visit <http://www.parsemusfoundation.org/vasalgel-faqs/>.

SECOND ROYAL BABY ON WAY

In early September, Buckingham Palace announced that Britain's Duke and Duchess of Cambridge are expecting another baby. Prince William and Princess Katherine already have a son, Prince George, who was born in July 2013 and is third in line for the throne.

The new royal heir, due next year, will be fourth in line for the throne and will move Prince Harry down to fifth in line.

Breaking new ground

Northville Park Place aims to bring new businesses jobs

BY KENNETH PORTER
STAFF WRITER

The second phase of construction has recently begun on Northville Township's ambitious commercial development venture, Northville Park Place. The project, resting on more than 100 acres of land, is expected to introduce dozens of new businesses and entertainment options for area residents following its expected completion in January 2015. Schoolcraft students and faculty can get a look at the construction site, located on the corner of Seven Mile and Haggerty, on their way to the college's main campus.

The land, formerly the home of the now-closed Northville Psychiatric Hospital, sat unused for nearly a decade before it was purchased in 2008 under a joint-venture between contracting firms Schostak Bros. & Co. Inc. and REI Investment Group Inc.

"Phase One" of the team's massive development project involved building the University of Michigan's Northville Health Center, a fully operational hospital focused on specialty care.

In June, the two firms broke ground on "Phase Two," which will involve bringing dozens of new businesses and franchises to Northville. The location will soon become a prime location for shopping and entertainment for residents from all over Metro Detroit.

"Northville Park Place is



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PHOTO EDITOR

The new Northville Park Place is located on the corner of Seven Mile and Haggerty, right across the street from campus will feature several popular restaurants such as Chipotle and Jimmy John's.

positioned as a prominent and scenic new retail destination, designed to energize the community and serve as a valuable civic resource and a popular social hub," said Schostak Bros. & Co's CEO David Schostak, speaking to Patch.com. "Offering first-class amenities, as well as fantastic retail, restaurants and mixed-use options, Northville Park Place is the connecting link along the flourishing Haggerty Corridor between 6 and 8 Mile roads."

The barren area adjacent to Schoolcraft's main campus will be unrecognizable come January. According to

Schostak's website, the redesigned Park Place will feature "many amenities, including water ponds with floating fountains, an elevated waterfall, walkable paths, a gathering area and outdoor seating throughout the property," as well as "a wide variety of perennials, ornamental grasses and flower features."

Several popular restaurants and businesses have already committed to opening up a show in Northville Park Place, including local, Michigan-based restaurants such as Granite City Food & Brewery, Rusty Bucket and BurgerFi,

along with larger national chains such as Sherwin Williams, Chipotle and Jimmy John's.

"I'm very glad that they're building a Chipotle across the street from Schoolcraft," said Howard Young, Schoolcraft College sports science major. "I love that restaurant, and I'm glad that they're bringing one so close to home."

Students and faculty can look forward to new places to eat and shop right across the street from Schoolcraft in the winter semester.

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CRIME

COMPILED BY JOE ZYLKA
STAFF WRITER

Stolen iPhone

On Aug. 26, a woman came into the Schoolcraft College Police Authority office to report her iPhone 4 missing. The phone was in a light blue case with a butterfly on the back. She said she had her cell phone with her at the bookstore around 12:15 p.m., and proceeded to the Fitness Center. Around 2 p.m., she realized she did not have her cell phone with her. She went back to the bookstore and it was gone, so she reported it missing.

On Aug. 27, the victim of the theft reported she had sent text messages to her stolen phone, stating that she filed a police report. Afterwards, she received a call from Suspect One, saying she did not have the phone, but her boyfriend, Suspect Two, did and wanted to keep it. That evening, Suspect One called the Schoolcraft Police Authority (SCPA)

and said Suspect Two had found a cell phone that day at the bookstore. The SCPA told Suspect One that all charges would be dropped if they returned the phone.

On Aug. 29, the victim's cell phone was returned to the SCPA. However, the victim said the phone was not hers, as her name is inscribed on the back of her phone. Also, it was not cracked before it went missing. This phone returned was cracked and did not have the victim's name on it. A note was attached to the phone from Suspect One, claiming Suspect Two threw the phone on the ground and cracked it. No further details were released.

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Minimum wage

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said Schoolcraft freshman Jake Gage. "It screws over small business owners and increases prices for everything else."

Although Gage is currently employed at minimum wage, he had a different opinion on the motivation factor at work than Hamos did.

"If anything, I'm less motivated to work harder. If I quit or get fired, I can still make good money at the next minimum wage job I get," said Gage.

Workers who are currently employed at the minimum wage are at \$8.15 per hour from now until Jan. 1, 2016, when it will go up to \$8.50 per hour. On Jan. 1, 2017 it will be \$8.90 per hour, and the increases will stop on Jan. 1, 2018 where minimum wage will top out at \$9.25 per hour. Although \$9.25 per hour is not exactly what groups like Raise Michigan were looking for, it is still a fair compromise and will help lower-wage Michigan families make ends meet.



**RAISE
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Governor’s race

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“It’s very important [to vote] because elections are won and lost sometimes on a very few number of votes; some communities one vote, or no votes—it’s tied,” said Livonia resident Roberta Young, who has been a member of the League of Women voters for over 50 years. “It’s very important to see who’s running, what they stand for and whether you agree with them or not. There’s always a choice to be made.”

“ONE TOUGH NERD” LOOKS TOWARD FOUR MORE YEARS

Governor Snyder, 56, was born in Battle Creek in 1958 where he grew up and helped his father operate a window-cleaning business. Snyder attended the University of Michigan and earned his Bachelor of General Studies, Master of Business Administration and a Juris Doctorate there. He is also a Certified Public Accountant. Snyder currently resides in Ann Arbor with his wife Sue and three children.

During the 1980s and 90s, Snyder was a successful businessman, venture capi-

talist and even served as an interim CEO for Gateway, a computer company.

In 2010, Snyder ran for governor under the Republican Party nomination. Although he had no prior political experience, Snyder received 58% of the vote and was declared the winner over the Democratic Party candidate.

Within the last four years under Snyder’s leadership, Michigan has seen some improvements. Michigan’s unemployment rate has dropped from 11.7% to 7.4% (now 44th in the nation).

Now, his campaign’s focus is his past policies that have created jobs will continue to help Michigan grow. During his tenure as Governor, Snyder has passed numerous bills, including those aimed at lowering business taxes, cutting unemployment benefits, approving a new tax on pensioners, Right to Work legislation and, in 2013, a bill that banned abortion coverage in standard health care plans. Snyder also actively supports a higher gas tax to help fix Michigan’s disastrous roads.

SCHAUER’S PITCH

Democratic party candi-

date Schauer, 53, was raised in Howell. He has a Bachelor of Arts in public policy from Albion College, a Master’s Degree in Public Administration from Western Michigan University and a Masters Degree in Political Science from Michigan State University.

The Democratic candidate currently lives in Battle Creek with his wife Christine. Schauer was a founding board member of Battle Creek’s Habitat for Humanity, which is a non-profit Christian organization dedicated to building houses for the poor.

Unlike Snyder’s first gubernatorial election, Schauer is running with past political experience. From 1997-2002, he was a state representative for Michigan’s 62nd House district. From 2003-2009, he was a state senator for Michigan’s 19th Senatorial district. From 2003-2009, Schauer was the Senate Minority Whip, as well as the Senate Minority Leader from 2006-2009.

Schauer was also a U.S. Congressman for Michigan’s 7th Congressional district from 2008-2010. During his only term in Congress,

Schauer agreed mostly with Democratic legislation. In 2010, Schauer was defeated by Tim Walberg, who was incumbent at the time, for a spot in the House of Representatives election.

His campaign argues Snyder’s policies have only helped the rich, while middle and lower class Michiganders have suffered. Schauer wants to increase education funds, repeal Snyder’s Right to Work legislation and the tax on pensions. Schauer endorses eco-friendly energy sources (like solar and wind power) and wants to toughen Michigan’s stance on pollution. He is also against raising the gas tax, and instead wants to increase fees for commercial truckers in order to help fix Michigan’s roads.

THE CHOICE IS YOURS

As Election Day approaches, it is the duty of United States citizens as a democracy to stay informed in order to make knowledgeable decisions when completing the ballot. On Oct. 12, Schauer and Snyder will participate in a live television debate at 6 p.m. on the campus of Wayne State University. The debate will be broadcasted

on Detroit Pubic Television and on Internet feeds across the state.

Whether wanting to vote in the gubernatorial election or not, voting for the United States House of Representatives and Senate members could make a difference nationally, while voting locally, such as for school board positions, could determine the future lives of people in the community.

“It’s your future that you are voting for. It starts now,” said Livonia resident Rosemary Doyle.

When the opportunity to fill out the ballot either from start to finish or only in one category comes, do not miss out on the chance to help decide the future of Michigan and the nation on Nov. 4. Let your voice be heard.

The expansion of Writing Fellows

Protecting and serving your writing

BY RICHARD TRASKOS AND NOOR CHARARA
STAFF WRITERS

Schoolcraft College has taken yet another giant leap forward by expanding the Writing Fellows program for students enrolled in Schoolcraft’s Firearms Training Center (FTC), including the Police and Fire Academy, to take advantage of. Dr. Deborah Daiek, Associate Dean of Learning Support Services, recognized the need to provide Writing Fellows services to all students at Schoolcraft, specifically addressing the academic needs of those training to serve and protect. This is a free walk-in service, available on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:00-1:00pm and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:30-6:00pm. The development and implementation of this program would not have been possible without the generous support of the Schoolcraft Foundation.

Because written communication is an important fundamental skill and vital in every facet in the criminology field, the FTC offers assistance with academic writing assignments and police report writing. Police officers write reports; criminologists produce proposals; and forensic scientists construct written records of their findings and results. With the help of the Writing Fellows, students who take advantage of this resource will be able to write accurate and concise reports.

Officer Daniel McCulley of the Livonia Police Department supports the importance of report writing. “Police reports can make or break a case. It is important that all the facts of the case are included in the police report. Any discrepancies can discredit the officer or the police department, and the case could be dismissed,” said McCulley. “Nearly all incidents the police handle end up in some


type of a report. Some cases do not end in court for one or more years from the report date, so a report with specific details is important for the officer’s memory as well.”

Writing Fellows at the FTC gives students a chance to bring their writing to new levels while avoiding common word crimes. The services available include, but are not limited to, brainstorming and organizing ideas for reports and essays, peer reviewing, formatting documents, reviewing for written exit exams and practicing and rehearsing legal terminology. This is where technical writing and economy will meet to serve the greater good.

Chief Steve Kaufman, Schoolcraft College Campus Police Authority, said, “Reports are used in many arenas; they are used by the media, in hospitals, and in the courtroom. People judge you by the words you use; it ties directly towards your professionalism.”


All students and recruits can benefit from the expertise of the Fellows. Professor Niran Kheder, an accomplished instructor in the English Department and Writing Fellows Coordinator, has enlisted numerous tutors with vast world experiences from advanced English and writing to international law enforcement. Although their backgrounds are diverse, they are ultimately bonded by a passion for helping students succeed.

With the experience and flair of Professor Kheder and her team, the Writing Fellows can meet the needs of all Schoolcraft students whether they choose to visit the Firearms Training Center (Room 501), the Livonia campus or use the online submission feature.



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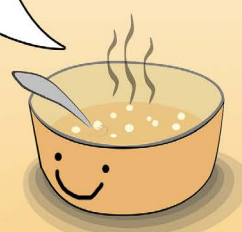
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- * Wed. Nov. 12th 3:30-4:30 in LA521.

**Your ideas for meetings/activities?
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All movies, LA140 11:30AM- 12:50PM

- * Mon. Sept. 29th **Black Indians** a documentary that explores our shared lineages
- * Mon. Oct. 6th **Song of the Drum** The Petroglyphs of Maine
- * Wed. Nov. 12th **Reel Injun** movie showing. Produced by Clint Eastwood, featuring Graham Greene, Adam Beach, John Trudell, Russell Means
- * Mon. Nov. 17th **Two Spirit** Sexual orientation and Native world view documentary
- * Wed. Dec. 3rd **In Whose Honor** Native American mascots in sports.
- * Wed. Oct. 8th 11:30-12:30. LA140.. **Native Veteran Eric Cox**, On Spirituality
- * Wed. Oct. 29th 11:30am to 1pm, LA140 **Ghost Supper/Dia de los Muertos pot luck and film "Food for the Ancestors"** (bring your deceased loved ones favorite dish to pass and photo to display)
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The ongoing struggle

College textbooks are not more trouble than they are worth



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The average college student will spend \$655 on textbooks each year with a single text-book easily costing as much as \$300 and that total can quickly increase. In fact, the annual cost of books and materials is put at \$1,168, according to the National Association of College Stores in 2012. This is true whether attending a pricey private university or an inexpensive community college.

Although the cost is high, students who buy their textbooks have advantages. Textbooks hold valuable information that could improve grades, and owning textbooks can allow one to make notes, highlight and write answers in it, which can aid in studying and comprehension.

Buying a book means keeping what was paid for and being able to use it later in life, especially for people study-

ing subjects that require a lot of referencing and research. Sometimes professors emphasize this by encouraging students to own certain textbooks. It is not uncommon to have the same books for multiple courses, in which case buying the book only makes sense.

While textbooks are a valuable resource to students, are they really worth one or more paychecks each semester?

Sadly, the answer is no for several adults in the United States. Oftentimes, students will not buy textbooks for particular classes due to their high costs.

The U.S. Public Interest Research Group, a progressive research and advocacy organization, found in a survey that 65 percent of college students had at some point decided against buying a college textbook due to its high price. Of that group, nearly all—94 percent—had concerns that their decision not to buy the book would affect their grades.

Even though these students are sometimes able to get through the semester with a passing grade, they are likely to do much worse than students that bought the book and use it religiously for homework and studying.

Not only do some students risk their grade by not buying textbooks, others use the cost of textbooks to determine how many classes they can afford each semester, which leads to loss of time and ultimately a longer road to their dream career.

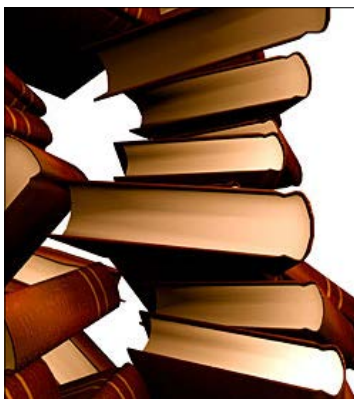
The fact is that college books are not cheap and that is not expected to change because they include highly specialized material that cannot be found anywhere else. There are hidden costs involved with textbooks, including publishing and copyright fees and online companions. When too many used books are in circulation, the publisher is no longer making money and a new edition is released. Required online companions are another way for authors, publishers and bookstores to make more cash.

Unlike high school, where a department or committee often decides the choice of books, college professors often have control over the books used in their class. While this is sometimes an advantage to students, not all professors are sensitive to cost, and some will require students to buy new special edition books or expensive ones they authored themselves.

Spending loads of money on books each year and excelling as a student go hand-in-hand, but there are a few ways to make the price of books more bearable.

It is always a good idea to communicate with professors before buying books and supplies. Often, a used previous edition of a book has the same core information as the more expensive current edition. Although it is less common, a professor may admit to not referencing the text much in class, relying instead on handouts or Power Point presentations. Never be intimidated to ask professors because a simple question could mean saving tons of money.

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Athletes beware



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Children playing sports at a young age do so to make friends, exercise and learn valuable life lessons, as well as how to play the game. Part of the enjoyment is imagining playing at a higher level and making huge game-winning plays. These imaginations become dreams and dreams become goals. Sadly though, what once was a dream can turn into a nightmare.

Athletes commit to college teams to play, not sit on the bench. Coaches typically recruit players by promising a certain amount of game-playing opportunities at certain positions, a certain amount of scholarship money and by convincing the recruit how much they need them on the team.

Coaches' intentions, however, are not always the same as the athletes. They are paid

to coach, win games and have student achievement, and sometimes making themselves look good conflicts with promises they make to players.

Some coaches will say anything to get players to commit to their team, and once an athlete is committed, circumstances often change and promises are broken.

I was recruited as an athlete to the collegiate level and witnessed this happen. I advise athletes not to believe anything a coach tells them unless it is in writing, especially when it comes to athletic scholarships. Sometimes the scholarship is not worth the money that will end up being spent to cover tuition and boarding costs, and no money is worth dealing with a coach that exhibits poor behavior towards his or her players.

Young athletes with big dreams need to understand that signing a commitment to play for a college sport is a business negotiation. Unless promises made to an athlete are in writing, athletes are at the mercy of the recruiting coach's integrity.

There are many reasons to recruit athletes other than to actually play them in a game. Some smaller schools may encourage coaches to do heavy recruiting to increase enroll-

College recruiters are not always true to their word

ment through enormous roster sizes. It also seems that many players are on teams solely for their academic performance, as many of the best students on a team get the least amount of playing time. High grades will bring the entire team's average GPA up, and coaches want to make the team look impressive on and off the field, which makes the coach look good.

Some coaches want big rosters in order to look intimidating to opposing teams. This tactic is often demonstrated in high school playoff games. Coaches bring up junior varsity players with no intent of putting the players in the game (at least for important situations) to make the team look bigger. This strategy goes hand-in-hand with animals in nature wanting to appear larger in hopes that the predator will get scared and not mess with the prey.

The above theories are bogus, and increasing enrollment or inflating a team's GPA by adding intelligent athletes whom the coach has no intention of putting in the lineup is simply wrong. Roster sizes should only be large enough to have back up if players are hurt, but definitely need to be small enough so every player can have a reasonable chance

to earn a slice of the playing time pie. Although the slices will not be the same size and playing time must be earned, it is better for a player to have a small slice than a sliver or no slice.

One problem with some collegiate teams is that the roster has far too many players to give everyone a fair chance to earn playing time. While all players work hard and have the same crazy time commitment (often 1,000 or more hours a year) towards their team, most players on teams with large rosters have a slim chance of making it into the lineup. Due to the strenuous hours required for college sports, if a coach has no intentions of playing a recruit, that athlete should not be recruited.

A "bench" player may go in once an entire season out-of-the-blue, often having sat for an entire month or more, which is a recipe for failure, and if that player does not perform well, they may never see the field or court again for the rest of the season. This puts additional stress on an athlete and can cause frustration.

This extra stress is not needed on top of numerous assign-

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Little sister wisdom



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Anyone out there that holds the title of big sister knows that there is an astonishing creation in this world called the little sister. The dictionary definition of astonishing says, “To fill with sudden and overpowering surprise or wonder; amaze.”

There is a popular belief that big sisters are supposed to guide their little sisters down the right path by teaching them from their own mistakes and helping keep their little sisters from making the same mistakes.

However, there are those rare instances when sisters grow up that seem to become more and more prevalent as they grow older. These instances are when the little sisters give wisdom that make the big sisters reel and swallow their words—when the little sisters are the ones that show the big sisters the way.

During the years that sisters grow up together, there are different stages of their relationship.

tionship.

There is the manipulative stage where the big sisters push the little sisters limits to see how much she can get the little sisters to do or believe. Most big sisters realize their little sisters are extremely naïve and use it to their advantage. All kinds of lies come out of the big sisters’ mouths during this stage.

One day the little sisters figure out that the big sisters are manipulating them, and the relationship transforms into the hate stage, where there would be nothing more rewarding for both sisters than to push each other off a bridge.

However, life goes on, and instead of bad-mouthing each

Why big sisters need little sisters

other to friends, they eventually start defending each other, which leads to the tolerance stage. This is when each sister starts to share secrets about themselves—the good, the bad and the ugly.

Lastly, the best friend stage is when there are no secrets. This is when sisters realize they’ve been through a lot together. The sisters become determined to map out the rest of their lives with each other. Now, it is not always the big sisters being the leader. The sisters are equals. In fact, the older sisters can often take an important lesson from the little sisters without either of them knowing it. When the little sisters talk to the big sis-

ters about issues, they take in all of the big sisters’ words and remembers them exactly.

While little sisters cannot help big sisters with first dates, the little sisters can blow big sisters’ mind, telling them to stop complaining about something. For example, little sisters will get mad about something their big sisters did, but the big sisters may shove it off. Later, a friend of the big sisters might do the same thing, and while the big sister is complaining to the little sister, the little sister will point out the similarities. They can give the big sisters a new

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(Continued from “Skating on Thin Ice” from Issue 1, 2014)

As rumors circulate about a possible move of the Plymouth Whalers franchise, devoted fans want to know what they can do to prevent a staple of

Weekend tradition

the local hockey community from relocating. A sure way to prevent this organization from moving would be a surge in attendance.

Fans who attend these games get to see the future of hockey for a fraction of the price of a Red Wings game. Fans also get closer to the action at Compuware than at Joe Louis Arena.

The players in the Ontario Hockey League range from 16 to 21 years old and are all drafted from the various major junior AAA hockey programs around the world. The games tend to be more physical and

higher scoring than in the NHL, and there seems to be more raw emotion from the players because they want to show their drive and desire to professional scouts in the crowd. The presence of those scouts brings out the maximum effort from all of the players.

Compuware arena is comfortable to watch games in, and there are fewer breaks in the action because there are no extended TV commercial breaks. Also, there are several giveaways throughout the game such as a 50/50 raffle sponsored by local youth

The significance of attending Plymouth Whalers games

hockey programs, various t shirt toss giveaways and a chuck-a-puck competition, where fans compete for a prize by tossing squishy rubber pucks on to the ice, aiming for a small red X located in the middle of the rink.

After the game, the Whalers open up their locker room to fans who want to meet the players and get autographs. A few times throughout the season, there are opportunities to participate in an open skate with the Whalers as well.

CJ’s restaurant is located in the arena, and specializes in fresh, homemade pizza.

CJ’s also has its own line of micro-brewed beers and has large rooms for parties and groups, so one can enjoy a meal and a fierce, competitive hockey game all in the same spot.

Tickets are not terribly expensive either. The price for one executive reserve seating ticket is \$14 and there are deals for Friday games that lower the price of one ticket to \$5.

My family and I have been season ticket holders for the Plymouth Whalers for 14

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Secrets of the Quill

Q: Do grammar mistakes really matter while writing? Making grammar errors, my proffesers act like it’s the end of the world but I feel like, what I’m writing can still be understood even if I make couple of mistakes. I just don’t think its no big deal. Thanx,

#Konflicted

A: Dear #Konflicted, Even grammarians make mistakes every once in a while. We are all busy, and with texting, tweeting and email nowadays, who has time for proper grammar? Grammar forms the building blocks of sentences into an order that can be understood; if the building has a weak foundation, the structure can collapse. Easily avoided mistakes will make writers appear misinformed. First impressions will sour due to erroneous grammar. When applying to a university or

new job, you certainly do not want to come across as misinformed, and the last thing you would want is to leave your potential employer with a poor first impression.

Many people fall victim to miscommunication that stems from minor mistakes in dialogue. For instance, if someone were to say, “Before being whipped, the chef took the eggs out of the refrigerator,” they may be entirely unaware that they implied the chef is going to be whipped rather than the eggs. This is called a dangling participle, and it comes when a sentence is worded in an odd, backwards sort of way. Similarly, sentences like, “We don’t need no education” are double negatives, and they suggest the opposite of the intended message. The first person should have said, “The chef took the eggs out of the refrigerator before whipping them.” And, to fix that double-negative, we would say, “We don’t need any education.” Writers must be mindful of the way they express themselves.

Before dismissing grammar as irrelevant, one must realize how quickly small mistakes can change the

meaning of a sentence. Consider the difference between, “The man finds happiness in hunting, his family, and his girlfriend” and “The man finds happiness in hunting his family and his girlfriend.” Taking the commas out puts a disturbing twist on this sentence. Or, there is the well-known “Let’s eat, grandma” and “Let’s eat grandma” quotes that suggest commas can save a person’s life. Now, bad grammar may not be life-threatening, but it does have its repercussions. For example, do not tell your significant other that you are anxious to see them – unless you really do feel anxiety and seeing them makes you uneasy.

These problems are becoming more prominent – not just in school, but in the professional world as well. Whether it is through an advertisement or a company communicating with its customers, poor grammar will portray unprofessionalism, and a company will lose business.

As the author of The Big Ten of Grammar, William B. Bradshaw, says, “Grammar, regardless of the country or the language, is the founda-

tion for communication — the better the grammar, the clearer the message, the more likelihood of understanding the message’s intent and meaning.” Grammar is about clarity and understanding. It also gives one the ability to explain and entertain, through writing, in an amusing, thorough and informative light.

Grammar errors in writing are common. People who carelessly commit these blunders depict particular characteristics that can make them look ill-advised. These seemingly small problems can be the difference between landing that dream job and sending out more resumes. While these mistakes can easily be made, they are just as easy to spot

and fix. Keep improving your grammar, and remember to proofread!

The Writing Fellows at the LAC in the Bradner Library and the Schoolcraft Police Academy are always happy to answer questions. Feel free to stop by whenever help is needed!

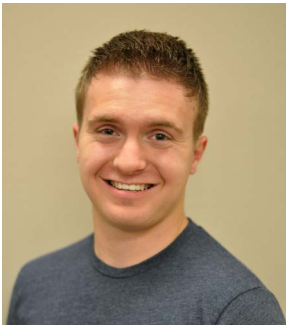
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Embrace change

Our lives are forever evolving



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The night before I started college at Schoolcraft, I was thinking on my back porch. The hazy sunset turned the western sky into an aurora of flaming oranges and dazzling pinks, and I pondered the changes I was about to face the next day in college.

I was one of those people who loved high school and was not ready to end my time at Plymouth High School (also known as P-CEP; three schools on one campus). There I had multiple groups of great friends, announced sports play-by-play on the P-CEP

WSDP radio station all four years and was one of the leaders of the tenacious Plymouth student section.

Understandably, I was very upset that things had to change. Most of my close friends were going off to school while I was staying home, and there was no radio station to join at Schoolcraft or anything resembling a student section.

New college students all face the same dilemma when they first arrive on campus. “How will I meet new people? Is there anything that’s cool to do on campus? Will college life be nothing but eating, sleeping, working, and studying?”

First, one should consider joining a club. Clubs are a great way to expand one’s interests and meet new people. I applied for the Schoolcraft Connection right away to meet awesome new people who have common interests in media like I do.

One can also become a fan of or join a sports team. Schoolcraft has men’s and

women’s soccer, basketball and more. Sports are a fun way to meet people and cheer on fellow Ocelots.

There is now a Schoolcraft College student section Twitter page, in order to form an exciting and intimidating student section for Schoolcraft fans and athletes to enjoy. One can follow the Schoolcraft College student section on Twitter at @ScraftSection15.

Award-winning speaker and author Steve Maraboli once said, “Incredible change happens when you decide to take control over what you do have power over, instead of craving control over what you don’t.”

When life throws a curveball, make the adjustment and knock it out of the park. Instead of mourning and reminiscing about the good times in high school or at a different college, look ahead to what Schoolcraft offers and take control of it.

Change, for better or worse, is something that



is inevitable in one’s life. Starting a new job, switching schools, moving to a new location and close friends exiting one’s life are all examples of inevitable change. Whatever the case may be, change happens. When it does happen, it is important to see the positives in it. One must take charge of a changing situation in order to make the transition easier, or in some cases, make the new situation better than the old situation.

Next time life brings about unexpected or unwanted change, try seeing it in a glass half-full perspective and react in a positive manner. By doing so, one may end up finding themselves in a much better place, like I am in college.

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When the book is necessary to succeed in class, students are usually able to rent them used at the bookstore, which is the best option when possible. If a rentable version is not available in the campus bookstore, explore all options on websites such as Chegg and Amazon before making a purchase. Sometimes, buying an E-Book is more affordable and convenient for students as well.

Keep in mind that selling books is always an option at the end of the semester when purchasing a new version of a book at the campus bookstore is necessary. Just make sure to keep receipts because they are required for returns.

Textbook receipts are also helpful during tax season when filing for the American Opportunity Tax Credit, which is a partially refundable tax credit of up to \$2,500 each year for out-of-pocket higher education expenses including course materials, tuition and fees. The credit is applied by using IRS form 8863.

While it is often discouraging to see the price of a single textbook over \$100, students should remember achieving goals outweighs the money in one's bank account. Do not let a textbook that costs a few hundred dollars prevent making hundreds of dollars a week with a degree.

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ments and exams that determine the success an athlete will have in a future job field. Most athletes do not continue their athletic careers after the collegiate level making grades more important than the success of the team, but often, more time is required for athletics than academics.

Athletes must be aware that coaches may have hidden agendas and remember that recruiting players is what pays for a roof over their head and a gas pedal under their foot. Players also should do as much research on a coach and athletic program as possible before committing to that school by talking to current players on the team and former players if possible. If the players are honest, they are the best people to tell a recruit what the coach's personality is like on and off the field and if the coach was honest with them.

If a coach seems sketchy or too good to be true, they probably are. Although not getting recruited can break the heart of an athlete who worked hard at their sport through high school in hopes of playing at the collegiate level, it is even more disappointing for that player to realize they had been recruited under false pretenses. One needs to follow their instincts and understand that even the most reputable coaches have priorities that may not be consistent with the player's priorities.

years. I have seen the likes of Justin Williams (Los Angeles), Stephen Weiss (Detroit), James Wisniewski (Columbus), James Neal (Nashville), Chad LaRose (Carolina) and Tyler Seguin (Dallas) wear the blue and white (and sometimes green) sweater. I have even seen some of the best hockey players in the world perform from 12 rows back for only \$16. Every number one goaltender that has played for the Whalers in my tenure as a season ticket holder has been drafted into the NHL. I have seen the current generation of professional hockey players years before anyone else has, and I saw them when they were still young and aggressive.

This year's team features amazing young talent in the likes of Matthew Campagna, Alex Nedeljkovic, and NHL first round draft pick Sonny Milano, so fans who attend this year's games should be amazed by the talent that is out on the ice.

This organization gives fans several memorable moments. Friday and Saturday nights would not be the same if the NHL hopefuls that comprise the Plymouth Whalers were not flying from one end of Compuware's rink to the other, balancing on a piece of metal that is only an eighth of an inch thick. Keep the tradition alive by attending a high speed, action packed Plymouth Whalers game. For tickets, visit www.plymouthwhalers.com or call 734-453-8400.

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perspective. This leads to the big sisters actively seeking out advice from the little sisters, while still guiding the little sisters, who continue looking up to the big sisters.

A big sister/little sister relationship is the most versatile of all relationships because

they can be friends, enemies, counselors and bosses of each other. "Sisters share a special friendship that lasts a lifetime," is a well-known, anonymous quote that could not be truer.

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People of all races and ages attend the Navratri Garba event at Schoolcraft to eat Indian food, dance and experience culture.

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Taste of culture

Annual Navratri brings Indian tradition to campus

BY LAUREN LUKENS
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Everyone is welcome to join Schoolcraft's version of Navratri Garba, presented by the Asian Student Association, in the DiPonio Room in the VisTaTech Center from 7 p.m. to midnight on Saturday, Oct. 18. Navratri is an Indian tradition that celebrates the goddess that represents power, all things good, the spirit of Indian culture and victory of good over evil. It is celebrated primarily in India, but as people have migrated to other countries, the festival has gained popularity all over the world.

"It's actually from Gujarat, but now it's taken on a life of its own. You don't have to be just from Gujarat; people from all over India celebrate it. Now, at Schoolcraft College, at the event, you will find people of all ethnic backgrounds coming and dancing," said Anna Maheshwari, Head of English Department and Asian Student Association Faculty

Coordinator. "Even if you don't know how to dance, we will teach you how to dance."

There will be Indian food catered by Suvai Taste of India based in Ann Arbor and live music by Sammvad, an orchestra that plays music for such Indian dances as garba, bhangra, dandia and raas. Lots of dancing will occur and guests can shop at a marketplace for Indian clothes and jewelry.

"It's a great place to have it. It's a wonderful way to showcase the culture amongst our students and it's a great way to bring people together. We have even had a lot of good luck with prospective weddings coming out of this event. Young ladies will meet young men and their families will be there," said Maheshwari. "We have had nothing but good luck attracting more and more people. It's just a fun event for the entire family—old, young children and everybody alike."



A group of children gather together and enjoy the festivities of Navratri.

In accordance with the lunar calendar, Navratri is celebrated throughout India in autumn, usually around the beginning of October, as a gesture of thanks for a bountiful crop season.

"The beginning of autumn is considered to be important junction of climatic and solar influences. This period is taken as sacred opportunities for the worship of the Divine Mother Durga," said Asian Student Cultural Association President Ashi Arora. "The dates of the festival are determined according to the lunar calendar in which women follow tradition to wear nine colors of dress on Navratri."

Navratri means "nine nights" in Sanskrit, and Garba is a form of Indian dance that originated in the state of Gujarat in India.

"It [Garba] is a simple and energetic dance that is performed in a circle and is described as dancing in a sweeping motion from side to side while hand clapping, and then spinning in a circle," said Arora. "It is performed around a centrally lit lamp, a statue or picture of Goddess Shakti, also known as Goddess Durga."

The traditions spread over

time, and there are different legends that describe Navratri's history depending on where one lives in India. The festival is celebrated with great reverence throughout India, and families often go out dancing all nine nights in celebration.

"My favorite part of the event is the Garba dance, where people dance in circles for hours, and the dandiya dance, which is performed using two colorful sticks. People wear traditional and colorful costumes designed with lovely embroidery and mirror craft, making the dance form unique," said Arora.

People of all ethnic backgrounds are encouraged to attend the festival to learn about Indian culture through music, dancing and food at Schoolcraft's Navratri Garba.

"It's a great way to learn about another culture. In the global society we live in, it's very important to know what's happening in the world around us. When I talk about being global citizens, it becomes our responsibility to know other cultures," said Maheshwari. "What a great way to get to know another culture while getting to have fun at the

same time."

All proceeds go to the Coins to Change program, which helps build a school in Uganda for orphans. Schoolcraft is currently close to reaching the \$20,000 mark towards a \$25,000 goal to help build the school.

"People are going to have a great time, they are going to learn about a new culture and they are going to have some good Indian food. At the same time, all proceeds are going to building a school in Uganda for orphans. I don't think it can get any better than that," said Maheshwari.

While guests are welcome to wear Indian attire or bright colors, there is not a specific dress code for the festival. Tickets are available for \$15 in the Student Activities Office, at Resham Boutique and Spa in Northville and at Taj Cottage in Novi. There will also be tickets available at the door for \$20 with no charge for children five and under.



Traditional Indian offerings are set up on a table with a portrait of Goddess Durga in which the Garba dance is performed around.

Phi Theta Kappa aims high

Omicron Iota chapter goes above and beyond

BY CASEY SAMYN
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Phi Theta Kappa's Omicron Iota chapter (PTK), the honor society at Schoolcraft College, held its first initiation ceremony on Sept. 22, 1966; today the group has 314 members. Over the years, the chapter has never ceased to provide opportunities for students to develop traits of leadership and service.

The organization provides an intellectual climate for the exchange of ideas, support for the continuation of academic excellence, as well as encouragement for those involved to finish the two-year level and reach for advanced academic degrees.

Liz Powell, the Michigan Regional President, said that PTK helps "build not only confidence in yourself, but confidence in your team."

When considering transferring to a four-year college or university, it is advantageous to include a list of activities and accomplishments other than just good grades in your application.

"I think colleges are looking for something different. They get tons of applications and having Phi Theta Kappa status really sets you apart," said Vice President Sarah Bridges. "They're looking for diversification in all aspects, not just

academic success. They want to see you involved in the community and your school, and making a difference."

In order to become eligible for membership, students must fulfill certain academic requirements. Eligible students must have at least a 3.5 GPA, and have already completed 12 credit hours above the 100 level. Upon acceptance, students are considered a general member, which entitles them to a professional membership certificate, a gold-plate pin with the PTK insignia, a subscription to society publications, and the honor of having the PTK status listed on their transcripts.

Aside from recognition as a member of PTK, members of the honor society focus on community service. For every optional hour of volunteering a member does, they earn a quarter star; for every four hours of volunteer work completed, they earn a complete star. Once a member gains six stars, they receive \$35 refund from their membership fee of \$110 and they become a Par Excellence member, which makes them eligible for additional scholarships and looks impressive on a resume. The six-star members can also wear special Par Excellence honor cords at graduation.

"We, once a month, usually go down to Detroit to help in the soup kitchens to help make the meals and feed the homeless. We also clean up parks and do fundraisers," said Omicron Iota Chapter President McKenzie Hayes.

Along with community service, the group has the early 'Honors in Action' study project, which helps members develop real-world problem solving skills. Being involved in this project also gives members opportunities to earn stars.

The International PTK Society sets forth a new study topic every two years. Each chapter considers the proposed topic and then decides how to approach it.

This year, "our study project's big topic is: Frontiers and the Spirit of Exploration. We [Schoolcraft PTK] chose the frontiers of health and medi-

cine, and within that, we are really focusing on medical 3-D printing," said Bridges.

The topic is relevant, cutting edge and worthy of investigation. While 3-D medical printing is being used occasionally right now, PTK is aware of the great potential for the technology, which may include the ability to reproduce major human organs at some point in the future. Right now, the technique is being used for smaller items, such as printing part of a baby's trachea. Use of the 3D printing technology could eventually decrease the need for organ transplant wait lists.

PTK also has a college project called S.M.A.R.T. (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, and Timely), which focuses on achieving goals and feeling proud. Reaching goals is what the group has chosen for their project. At School Daze, a

banner was displayed where people could write down their career goals, going along with the idea that if someone writes down their intended goals, they are 42% more likely to achieve them, according to Dr. Gail Matthews from the Dominican University of California.

PTK is currently updating their scholarship list to include not just PTK specific scholarships, but a more general scholarship list available to those who have a 3.5 or better GPA.

Hoping to continue to grow its membership, current PTK officers want to encourage people who are eligible to join, and for those not eligible to become eligible.

For more information, visit: <http://www.schoolcraft.edu/campus-life/student-activities/student-clubs-and-groups/phi-theta-kappa/>.



2014 Phi Theta Kappa members during their new member orientation on Sept. 22, 2014. PHOTO BY NATHAN GARTNER

Ocelot Opinions

Interviews and photos by Katie Miller
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"Biking"



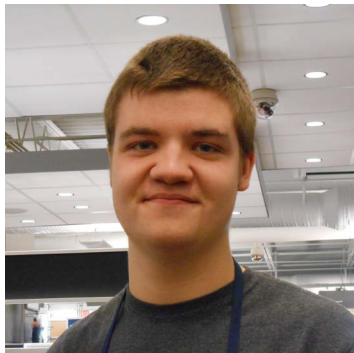
Jeni Ogle
Major: Business Information Technology
"I like doing halloween stuff."



Evan Daniels
Major: Undecided
"Chilling in Student activities with my buddies, playing video games and pool"



Anne-Marie Biasutto
Major: Social work
"I like walking downtown and having the leaves change and enjoying the cold air."



Casey Gordrup
Major: Undecided
"Football"



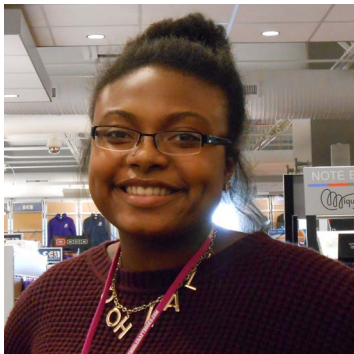
Katelyn Johnson
Major: Education
"Going to the cider mill with family, getting cider and donuts."



Angela Baydoun
Major: Undecided
"When it is not too hot, I like to be outside in the Fall. Fall is my favorite season."



Erin McDonald
Major: Marketing and Applied Management
"Going to football games, professional and college"



Maia Miller
Major: Neuroscience
"I like to go to the orchard to drink apple cider and eat donuts."

What is your favorite fall activity?



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(NEXT MEETING OCT. 17)

Aspiring artists at Schoolcraft can display their art and share ideas with each other. Students can express themselves artistically and boost their confidence by constructive criticism on their artwork.

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 at meetings, attend additional seminars and network possibilities for future employment.

BREAK DANCE CLUB

FRIDAYS FROM 2:45 TO 5:15 P.M.

PE 140

This club provides students with a chance to express themselves through dance. Have fun while learning about dance styles and practicing them.

CHESS CLUB

FIRST AND THIRD FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH
AT 12:30 P.M.

This club aims to create a network of chess players and teach people how to strategically play the game.

CHRISTIAN CHALLENGE

TUESDAYS AT NOON

This club challenges participants to explore God’s word and improve the overall college experience.

CIVIL RIGHTS – CIVIL RIGHTS ACTION CLUB

EVERY OTHER TUESDAY AT 3 P.M. (NEXT MEETING OCT. 7)

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 through several means, including events, activism and discussion.

COLLEGE NEWSPAPER – THE SCHOOLCRAFT CONNECTION

MONDAYS FROM 4 TO 5 P.M.

Become part of the bi-monthly, award-winning, student-run newspaper and help express student opinion as well as report college and world related news from a student perspective. Shoot, write, design, sell ads and edit to find a niche in media.

COLLEGE REPUBLICANS

EVERY OTHER MONDAY AT 3 P.M. (NEXT MEETING OCT. 13)

Their wish is to gain more members of the party at the college 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 exists to bring students with an interest in science fiction together, as well as introduce others to the show Doctor Who.

FIT CLUB

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

club EVENTS

COMPILED BY CASEY SAMYN
CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR

Fitness Center, PE Building
This group is designed to introduce various fitness principles and techniques through different exercises that will improve fitness levels and team building skills.

LGBTQI ALLIANCE

WEDNESDAYS AT 2 P.M.

The alliance exists to create awareness of gender and sexual identities and to create a safe place for LGBTQI people.

MATH AND PHYSICS CLUB

WEDNESDAYS FROM 5 TO 6 P.M.

BTC300

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.

NATIVE AMERICAN CLUB

WED. OCT. 15 3:30 TO 4:30 P.M.

LA521

To foster an understanding of Native American culture, history and traditions, the group will show films, sponsor guest speakers and have other cultural events.

OTAKU ANIME

OCT. 11 & 25, NOV. 8 & 22, AND DEC. 6 & 20 FROM 5 TO 10 P.M.

While enjoying and promoting Japanese animation and pop culture, students can come together as a group to make friends and plan different events.

PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY

NOV. 1 AT 10 A.M., AND NOV. 5 AND DEC. 3 AT 7 P.M.

Those who have a 3.5 GPA and have completed 12 credit hours above the 100 level are invited to join this prestigious society along with access to apply for certain scholarships, students will receive a membership certificate and pin, have the Phi Theta Kappa status listed on their official transcript, receive a gold seal for their diploma and be eligible for honors regalia at graduation if they sign up and pay the \$110 membership fee. At meetings, leaders will direct members on upcoming events to attend. Students can also visit the Student Activities Center to sign up.

PROJECT PLAYHEM GAMING CLUB

MONDAY AT 3 P.M.

This group unites members by creating a sense of community among student-gamers academically, socially and competitively.

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. They will compete in the Michigan Rugby League against other rugby teams from the state.

STUDENTS OF ACTIVELY MOVING FORWARD (AMF)

EVERY OTHER THURSDAY AT 6 P.M. (NEXT MEETING OCT. 9)

This is a nonprofit organization dedicated to emotionally supporting college students grieving the illness or death of a loved one.

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. The SAB’s mission is to make those in the Schoolcraft community feel welcome and help them participate in events around campus.

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.

VIDEO PRODUCTION CLUB

THURSDAYS AT 1 P.M.

This club helps those interested in the multimedia field learn more about the dynamics of media.

WALLYBALL CLUB.

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY FROM 1:30 TO 3 P.M.

WALLYBALL COURTS, PE BUILDING

Wallyball is played on a racquetball court. It is similar to volleyball, but players utilize the walls in this game.

ALL CLUBS, UNLESS NOTED, ARE IN THE LOWER WATERMAN CONFERENCE ROOMS, FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE STUDENT ACTIVITIES OFFICE AT 734-462-4422.



October 22nd 2014
11am - 3pm
Lower Level, VisTa Tech

Bring a canned good for our food pantry
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SIXTH ANNUAL-MEET THE BUYERS

TUESDAY, OCT. 7 FROM 8 A.M. TO 1 P.M.
VISTATECH CENTER

This event is designed to help those with small business expand through government agencies.

THE UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO CAMPUS VISIT

TUESDAY, OCT. 7 FROM 8:30 TO 11:30 A.M.
RADCLIFF CENTER

Representatives from The University of Toledo are available to meet with Schoolcraft students intending on transferring.

CORNERSTONE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS VISIT

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 8 FROM 11 A.M. TO 2 P.M.
HENRY'S IN VISTATECH CENTER

Representatives from Cornerstone University are available to meet with Schoolcraft students intending on transferring.

COLLEGE NIGHT 2014

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 8 FROM 2 TO 4 P.M.
VISTATECH CENTER

Over 80 representatives from various colleges and universities are available to meet with high school students and Schoolcraft students intending on transferring. Representatives from the State of Michigan Student Scholarship and Grant department will also be on hand. This event is free and open to the public.

LOAN WORKSHOP FOR GROWING BUSINESSES

THURSDAY, OCT. 9 FROM 9 TO 11 A.M.
JEFFRESS CENTER, JC123

Financial institutions and small business consultants are talking about the necessities of obtaining financing, the key

campus EVENTS

elements of a loan package and options available for financing. They are also available for questions regarding growing or starting a business. This event is free and open to the public.

SPRING ARBOR UNIVERSITY CAMPUS VISIT

THURSDAY, OCT. 9 FROM 9 A.M. TO 1 P.M.
HENRY'S IN VISTATECH CENTER

Representatives from Spring Arbor University will be available to meet with Schoolcraft students intending on transferring.

DEPRESSION AND ANXIETY AWARENESS

SESSION 1: THURSDAY, OCT. 9 FROM 9 A.M. TO NOON; SESSION 2: THURSDAY, OCT. 9 FROM 2 TO 5 P.M.

LIBERAL ARTS BUILDING, ROOM 200

Schoolcraft College Counselors Karen Krystyniak and Mary LaJoy are available for anonymous and confidential screenings in honor of National Depression and Anxiety Awareness Day.

USING CAPITALIZATION AND PUNCTUATION PROPERLY

THURSDAY, OCT. 9 FROM 11:30 A.M. TO 12:30 P.M.

BRADNER LIBRARY

A workshop presented by the Writing Fellows discusses the proper use of apostrophes and capitalization is free and open to all Schoolcraft students and faculty.

BUSINESS LEGAL ISSUES

THURSDAY, OCT. 9 FROM 4 TO 7 P.M.
VISTATECH CENTER

Information is offered on legal entities of structuring and initiating a new business,

including topics of tax and liability issues, contracts, licenses, etc. Prospective business owners are also guided in protection against unnecessary legal problems. The fee is \$45.

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE JAZZ STUDIES PROGRAM GUEST ARTIST – CHRISTIAN MCBRIDE

MASTER CLASS: SUNDAY, OCT. 12 FROM 3 TO 4 P.M.; CONCERT: SUNDAY, OCT. 12 AT 8 P.M.

VISTATECH CENTER, DIPONIO ROOM

There is a Jazz studies program in the afternoon, followed by a concert at night with guest artist Christian McBride, Sean Dobbins, The Louis Smith Jazz Orchestra and Rodney Whitaker and the Michigan State University Jazz Ensemble. The Master Class is free and open to the public, but the tickets are \$15 for general admission; \$10 for students and seniors and \$5 for children under 12. Tickets are available in advance at the Schoolcraft College Bookstore.

THE UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO CAMPUS VISIT

MONDAY, OCT.13 FROM 10 A.M. TO 2 P.M.
APPLIED SCIENCE BUILDING

Schoolcraft students who are intending on transferring have the chance to meet with representatives from the University of Toledo.

CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY CAMPUS VISIT

TUESDAY, OCT. 14 FROM 10 A.M. TO 2 P.M.

HENRY'S IN VISTATECH CENTER

Students who intend on transferring have the opportunity to meet a representative from Central Michigan University.

MADONNA UNIVERSITY CAMPUS VISIT

COMPILED BY CAITLIN LEROUX
STAFF WRITER

TUESDAY, OCT. 14 FROM 11 A.M. TO 2 P.M.

HENRY'S IN VISTATECH CENTER

Students intending on transferring have the opportunity to meet with a representative from Madonna University.

STARTING A BUSINESS

TUESDAY, OCT. 14 FROM 4 TO 7 P.M.
VISTATECH CENTER

For those considering starting a business, this is a workshop that helps to improve one's abilities to both lead and manage a company and evaluate the market and sales potential of a product. The fee is \$35.

THE UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO CAMPUS VISIT

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 15 FROM 10 A.M. TO 2 P.M.

BIOMEDICAL TECHNOLOGY CENTER

Schoolcraft students who are intending on transferring have the opportunity to meet with a representative from the University of Toledo.

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY OF ANN ARBOR CAMPUS VISIT

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 15 FROM 11 A.M. TO 2 P.M.

LIBERAL ARTS BUILDING

Schoolcraft students who intend on transferring have the opportunity to meet with a representative from Concordia University of Ann Arbor.

NOON CONCERT: JEFFERY ZOOK, FLUTE, AND MICHELE COOKER, PIANO

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 15 FROM NOON TO 1 P.M.

PRESENTATION ROOM, VISTATECH

Jeffery Zook, a prizewinning flute soloist who has been featured in many orchestras including the Detroit Symphony Orchestra since 1992, is performing with Michele Cooker, a pianist who has partnered with many distinguished musicians and has played in festivals in the U.S., Canada and Mexico. This program will include the works Mozart, Widor, Brahms, Debussy and Prokofiev. The Noon Concert is free and open to the public.

LAST DAY FOR OE/OE SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT/REFUND

THURSDAY, OCT. 16 FROM 8 A.M. TO 11 P.M.

Contact: Answer Help Line, 734-462-4426
For the fall 2014 semester, this is last day for OE/OE Schedule Adjustment/Refund.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

THURSDAY, OCT. 16 FROM 4 P.M. TO 7 P.M.

VISTATECH CENTER

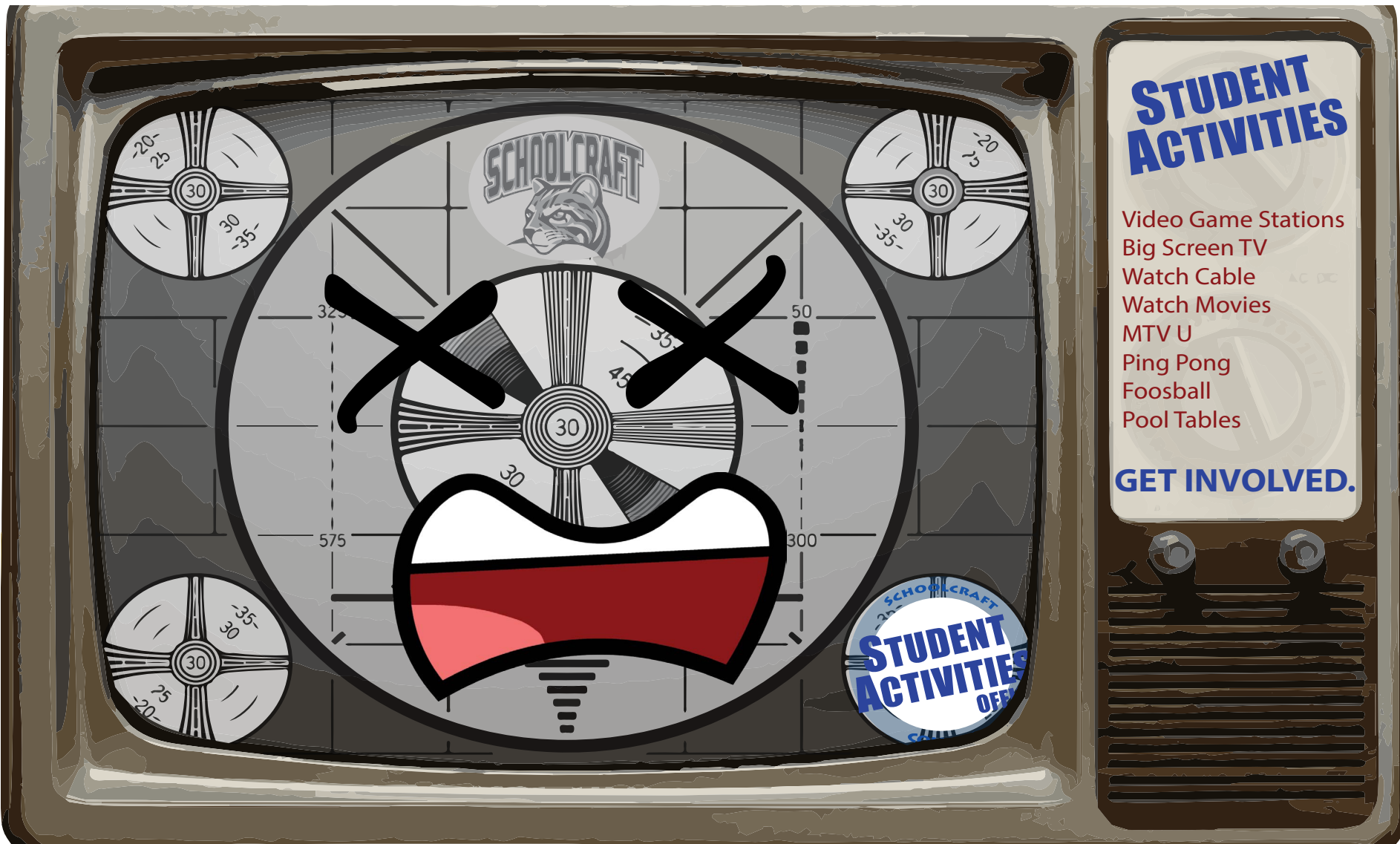
Basics of financial management are discussed, including accounting language, key financial statements, cash flow analysis, etc. There is a fee of \$45.

SOUNDS OF AUTUMN

SUNDAY, OCT. 19 FROM 7:30 TO 9:00 P.M.

RADCLIFF CENTER

The Sounds of Autumn concert, featuring the Schoolcraft Music Ensembles, is playing with free admission for all.



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Fall is here...

Local cider mills are worth the trip this season

BY CASEY SAMYN, ELAINE GEROU AND ELIZABETH CHAPA
CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR, MANAGING EDITOR AND ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

It is that time of year again, and cider mills are up and running for the fall season. As the weather gets cooler and with Halloween right around the corner, it is the perfect timing for a trip to the cider mill. The ideal date spot or family outing destination includes enjoying the best drinks and sweet treats just minutes away at local cider mills.

THREE CEDARS FARM

7897 SIX MILE RD, NORTHVILLE CHARTER TOWNSHIP, MI 48168

If one heads west down Six Mile Rd. past Schoolcraft College, the paved road turns into a dirt road, which leads to Three Cedars Farm. The atmosphere immediately changes as one feels as though they are in a different time—miles and miles away from any city. First time customers will enjoy the interesting, fun, fall decorations, while appreciating how clean and uncrowded the farm is. Customers who have been coming every year as part of a family tradition say that the general store is their favorite place, and the overall consensus of children is their favorite part is eating the donuts.

Jeff White, part of the Facilities Management staff said, “This season we have the Three Cedars Jamboree, which is an animatronic band playing in our kid’s area. We expect that to be a big crowd getter this year.”

Jennifer Whittaker, who is part of the family that owns the farm and works at the County Store, said she likes, “When families come together and enjoy the fall and just be a family.”

Three Cedars Farm has so much to offer, along with their cider and donuts, it is just a great place to visit for guests of any age.

OBSTBAUM ORCHARDS & CIDER MILL

9252 CURIE RD. NORTHVILLE, MI 4816

A cider mill that keeps to tradition and sticks to the basics is a perfect place for all ages. This season, Obstbaum Orchard & Cider Mill opened Sept. 6 offering apple cider, donuts and wine, all made on location.

As one walks into the store, to the right is a room enclosed with glass windows so guests can see the staff making the donuts. Other goods available, include pies, muffins, fritters, candy apples and fresh apples; along with honey, and jarred sauces made locally.

The best thing about this cider mill experience is the variety of drink choices. The options are cold apple cider, hard cider and wine. The fact that alcoholic beverages are offered at this site makes the cider mill stand out. Every step of wine-making happens on location, and the major ingredients that go into the wine come from there as well. Their special wine varieties include honey apple and cherry wine that have been national award winners. Peter Neuroth, son of the owners, said, “They develop it here, bottle it here and distribute it here.”

Additionally, hayrides are available, as well as the opportunity to purchase pumpkins and fall decorations. Plan

a visit to Obstbaum Orchards for some of the best fall drinks and fresh donuts this season.

PARMENTER’S NORTHVILLE CIDER MILL

714 BASELINE RD NORTHVILLE, MI 48167

Just off Baseline Road in Northville is Parmenter’s Cider Mill, which is celebrating its 141st cider season this year. Although the wait for cider seems long on the weekends, the line goes by fast when there are so many things to see.

Parmeter’s is definitely a family affair. K.C. Kitter has been working at the Nut Mill and the Fudge Hut for 23 years, which makes about 16 different flavors of fudge. Kitter’s sister and nephew own the cider mill, while her niece runs the Chow Mill, which has cotton candy, kielbasa and hot dogs.

Along with the family operated businesses at the mill, there is an annual craft show. Lynn Fecteau, one of the vendors there, said she does roughly 20 craft shows a year, but has been coming to Parmenter’s for at least 20 years. Some of the items that she makes and sells are hats, scarves, dishcloths, oven mitts and colored ribbon halos for little girls to wear. Her grandchildren also make beaded jewelry for her to sell.

Through her 20 plus years at the cider mill, Fecteau thinks that people enjoy the cider the most, but also enjoy bringing their dogs and looking at the crafts. Parmenter’s has fewer activities for families with young children, but they make up for it with their spectacular cider and donuts, unusual playground equipment and with their

craft show display of fall related items.

PLYMOUTH APPLE ORCHARDS & CIDER MILL

10685 WARREN RD, PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP, MI 48170

The Plymouth Orchards and Cider Mill is a trip that must be made by cider-drinking and donut-eating lovers this fall. Last year, they were voted Michigan’s BEST Apple Cider, and in 2010 their donuts were the best in the state.

“We have a traveling trophy, which is similar to the Stanley Cup,” said proud manager of the last twelve years, Mary Krause.

The famous cinnamon sugar donuts and homemade cider are not the only reasons people have been visiting the orchard since it opened in 1977. Going to this particular cider mill is a cultural experience because several kinds of farm animals are on site, making for many great picture-taking opportunities.

For an even more cultured and educational experience, there is a pressing room where the cider is made fresh and anyone can watch, learn and be enthralled by the sweet magic.

Scenic tractor rides through the many rows of apple trees are also offered for three dollars, and there is even a stop along the way for a pumpkin-picking patch.

“I think with the Plymouth-Canton community you can be in the suburbs living in a cul-de-sac, and five minutes down the road you’re out in the country looking at the farm animals, and having your kids experience a little bit of the farm life that maybe the parents had when they were growing



LYNN WIGAND
STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Emma Green, enjoys a donut at local cider mill, Parmenter’s in Northville.

up,” said Krause.

With eight cash registers lined up across the counter, Plymouth Orchards and Cider Mill is ready for business and hopes autumn will bring nice weather for enjoyable cider visits.

When asked about her twelve years at Plymouth Orchards, Kruase said, “I couldn’t think of a better job. I came out here to be a schoolteacher to do the tours and that lead to a full time job. I love it. My employees are a great team of people to work with. The community supports us: they come out and are here all the time.”

Plymouth Orchards ask that Schoolcraft students come visit their cider mill to join the locals on having fun participating in fall festivities.



LYNN WIGAND
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Parmenter’s is the place to be on the weekends with your family.



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Michiganders gather on a busy day at Parmenter’s on Sunday, Sept. 28 for fall festivities.

Spooky Sights

BY ELIZABETH CHAPA
ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Plan the perfect Halloween night

WILSON BARN

Open until Oct. 30
Monday through Friday
from 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. and
Saturday and Sunday from 10
a.m. to 7 p.m.

29350 West Chicago
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(About 20 minutes from
Campus)

This is the ideal place to
handpick pumpkins, gourds or
corn stalks for the season. Pony
rides are available all week
but hayrides are weekend
exclusives. Enjoy the freshest
apple cider—hot or cold, coffee,
hot chocolate, donuts and/or
hot dogs all available and sold
inside the barn.

Admission is free, but fees for
activities may apply.

HALLOWE'EN AT GREENFIELD VILLAGE

Oct. 10 through Oct. 26

Friday and Saturday evenings
from 6:30 to 9 p.m. and Sunday
evening from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

20900 Oakwood Blvd.
Dearborn, MI 48124-5029
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This Halloween season; take
a mile-long stroll through
the haunted streets and
alleys of Greenfield Village
while the illuminations of
hundreds of hand-carved
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Be prepared to find witches,
wizards and the Headless
Horseman along the way. This
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Halloween event. Tickets
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under two get in for free. Visit
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NIGHT TERRORS

Open until Oct. 31
Friday and Saturday nights
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Sunday night from 7:15 to 10:30
p.m.

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BOWERS FARM CORN MAZE AND HAUNTED MAZE

Open now through Nov. 2,
with the Haunted Maze being
featured Oct. 10 to Oct. 31. Corn
Maze is open: Friday, 5 to 9
p.m., Saturday 4 to 9 p.m. and
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Haunted Maze is open: Friday
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available.

The haunted maze tickets are
\$15 a person. The non-haunted
maze tickets are \$8 a person
for ages six and up. Children
under five get in for free.

what's the BUZZ

Compiled by Savannah Platukas
Staff Writer

Mamma Mia! Touring

Friday, Oct. 17 at 8 p.m.
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Sunday, Oct. 19 at 1 p.m.
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olympiaentertainment.com/
Friday, Oct. 10 at 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 11 at 7:30 p.m.
The Palace of Auburn Hills

The popular country artist is
currently on his “Burn It Down
Tour.” Meanwhile, his new al-
bum “Old Boots, New Dirt” is
expected to be released Oct. 7.
The country sensational duo,
Florida Georgia Line, and ar-
tist Tyler Farr will join Aldean
on the tour. Do not miss out on
these nights of country. Tick-
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ing at around \$70, at <http://>

Unseen- A Gallery Project Exhibit

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“Walking Dead” set to return

Season 5 offers new twists and chills



BY JOE ZYLKA
STAFF WRITER

Autumn is officially upon us, bringing chilly temperatures and the frightening tales of Halloween, ghosts, goblins and many more menacing monsters. However, none of those monsters compare to the horror and excitement of zombies. It is only fitting that the zombie apocalypse series “The Walking Dead” is set to return for a fifth season on Oct. 12 just in time for Halloween. “The Walking Dead” is a record-breaking TV drama on AMC. According to Entertainment Weekly, last season’s open-er had 16.1 million viewers, making it the most-watched dra- ma series in cable TV history, along with last season’s finale having 15.7 million viewers and was by far the most-watched season-finale thus far for the hit show. The show is based on “The Walking Dead” comic series by Robert Kirkman. New issues of the comic are still being made, and with the popularity of the show at an all-time high, even a season 12 might be more than just a dream at this rate. Zombie apocalypse movies and shows are nothing new; countless movies have been made depicting what is left of the world after it is overrun by zombies. However, “The Walking Dead” has differed from the rest. David Alpert, the TV show’s executive producer, said in a June interview with indiewire.com, “I happen to love working from source material, specifically because we have a pretty

good idea of what season 10 is going to be. We have bench- marks and milestones for seasons [11 and 12] if we’re lucky enough to get there.” The first season began with sheriff’s deputy Rick Grimes waking from a coma in an Atlanta hospital a few weeks after being shot by rogue criminals. However, Rick soon real- izes the whole city is overrun with zombies. Throughout the series, Rick leads his battle-hardened group of family, friends and survivors throughout the Georgia countryside as they battle zombies, people, disease and their inner selves. Rick’s group scattered and went after an attack on the pris- on in which they were refugees in the beginning of season four. The season switched between each small group’s strug- gle of surviving and finding each other. Slowly, each faction of the group finds maps on railroad tracks, leading them to a safe, zombie-free sanctuary named Terminus. By the finale, the group makes its way to Terminus, but is shocked to find that the people at Terminus plan to take them hostage. The last scene of season four has Rick and his crew forced into a boxcar at gunpoint, where they find the entire group alive and are stunned to see them. Season five expects to bring many more chills and thrills as the group tries to escape from the clutches of Terminus. Ev- eryone should mark their calendars for Oct. 12; it may surpass Halloween as the scariest night of fall.

It's all in the name

Basement Burger Bar will leave you hungry for more



**BY JANIS TSAI
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Sandwiched underneath downtown Farmington's historical Civic Theater and the even quainter mom-and-pop bookstore next door, is the Basement Burger Bar; a dimly lit man cave where the wait staff is on their game and the cooks are on point. The name says it all: it is located in a basement. They have delicious burgers. And there is a bar.

The Basement Burger Bar has two convenient locations in both Canton and Farmington.

The Farmington location's decor has brick walls covered with TVs, dartboards and University of Michigan football photos. But what makes this bar especially unique is its BYOB (build your own burger) menu, which involves giving a patron a dry erase

marker so they can check-off, directly on the laminated menu, every item they could possibly want on a hamburger. A Build-A-Burger menu is where the fun begins.

The special menu has a large and impressive selection of quirky toppings like grilled pineapple and unorthodox dressings, such as hummus, that are guaranteed to craft the ultimate patty. Dried cranberries on burgers? Wild.

There are also intriguing vegetarian options like the portabella mushroom cap burger, which is marinated in their house-made dressing and grilled. Or have fun building a "Kobe" burger, cooked medium on a buttered and toasted brioche bun with pesto, tomato, Parmesan and grilled mushrooms. Their "Kobe" burger, which is known for being extremely flavorful

and tender, is as a result of the Wagyu (Japanese cow) beef cattle being massaged with sake and fed a special diet that include large quantities of beer.

The burger the customer requests is the burger that is delivered: tender and flavorful with a firm, pale and pink center. Grilled mushrooms, available for an extra \$0.75, which are deliciously seasoned. If grilled tomato is a preference, be sure to note that on a future visit as the tomato topping is served raw.

Perfectly complimenting any burger, there are food and drink, happy hour specials: as in the \$4 Totchos, which are tator tots covered in nacho cheese, jalapenos, sour cream, black olives, onions and tomatoes. Spicy jalapenos pack an exciting punch paired with rich nacho cheese coating each perfectly deep-fried tater tot. It is a must to try the Fifth Voyage Coconut Porter, which has a hint of coconut and is exactly as good as a hospitable, fedora-wearing waitress described.

Service is prompt and the wait staff is knowledgeable about the (some-what intimidating) drinks menu. The restaurant is frequented by a wide mix of clientele that range from drinking buddies to families with children.

"Our restaurant stands out for its good, home cooked, fresh burgers. You actually get to build it by writing on a form. That alone makes us stand out more than most places. The best part about the Basement Burger Bar experience is the friendly, fun service and a lot of entertainment. We do trivia, karaoke and beer nights," said Jamil Azar, Farmington Hills resident and owner of the Farmington Basement Burger Bar. "The craziest burger combination I have seen was about a

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year ago when a customer almost ordered every single topping, which is a lot because we have almost 50 toppings." As a side note, the Basement Burger Bar in Canton is owned by Jamil Azar's brother, David Azar.

While the restaurant itself is outstanding for the burger lover, the dessert selection falls short as the Basement Burger Bar only offers cupcakes and ice cream. On the plus side, both selections are Michigan-made products. The cupcakes are from Ginger's Cafe in Farmington and the ice cream is the Hudsonville brand out of Holland, Michigan.

"I love the atmosphere, and the fact that it is secluded in a basement rather than out in the open," said customer Gage Antczak, Westland resident. "The best thing on their menu is definitely the totchos!" The place gets packed during huge sporting events and during the dinner rush, but if you are patient you will be okay since they are open every night until 2 a.m., except Sunday, when they close at midnight.

Spending \$10.25 on a customized burger may seem a steep price for lunch, but dining at Basement Burger Bar is more about having an excellent meal in an enjoyable setting, and it is for people of all ages. Consider splurging a bit and stopping by the Basement Burger Bar for lunch, dinner or a late-night snack.



**PHOTO BY ANDREW PYON
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Locals Dan Clunis, Chris Blaker and Max Majoros enjoy trivia night on Wednesday at Basement Burger Bar in Farmington.



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ASK LIZ

Q: My boyfriend and I broke up a few months ago. He recently has been talking to me trying to fix things. I'm just not sure what to do about this situation. Should I give him another chance?

A: Since you are giving this idea some thought, it is normal to think about all the good times that were shared and the happiness he brought to you, but keep in mind that you broke up for a reason. Think of things that went wrong in the past and things he did that may have hurt you before

making a decision. People can change, so there is a possibility that a relationship could work out, and you two could strive as a couple.

One thing to consider is the reason for going back. I am sure the number one reason on the list would be because you are still in love with your ex, but do not let it be because of fear of not finding someone else or the fact that you're afraid of being single and have not found anyone yet.

No one should settle for less than what they think they deserve. Know what is best for you. Maybe there is a future with the two of you, but time is needed. If your ex is willing to wait, that should prove to you how committed he really is. Consider what you need right now. That leads into the next

point, take things slow if you start talking to your ex again. Do not jump right back into the relationship without testing the water first. Give him a second chance and see how you feel afterwards. You should be convinced that he really is different and is being sincere with what he is telling you.

Also think about will you be willing to get over everything else that happened in your previous relationship. You do not want the same issues to resurface, and if they do, will both of you be able to work through it? If not, it will more than likely end again the same way. Will it be worth going through the same heartache and pain that you already went through if things do not work out? If you are willing to re-

commit, take it as if you are starting completely over. No baggage from the past can be in the picture. It is like reopening a wound; it must be healed and left alone.

Past problems should never be brought up in a future argument. Whether it was cheating, lying, always fighting or just not viewing things the same way, sometimes it is best to let things be and leave that chapter in your life closed.

A good reason to get back together depends on the how the relationship ended. If it was a rash decision and you two mutually want to be together, do it. If the two of you are truly happy with each other 90% of the time, there is no issue with that.

In the end, if sure that you will be happy, do it.

Listen to your instinct, and if it tells you to do it, then you know your answer. If it is telling you something else, make your decision cautiously. Follow your heart, but do not ignore your head. Weigh both options carefully.

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arts and entertainment column:

Crisis at DC Comics

The New 52: What went wrong?



BY COLIN HICKSON
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In 2011, DC Comics re-launched and rebooted their entire fictional universe following the events of the mini series “Flashpoint.” The New 52 was meant to give the DC Universe a fresh new start in order to attract new readers. It started off pretty well with some big name creators either taking over established titles that were restarted

or making new comics. For example, Scott Snyder and Greg Capullo’s “Batman” and Geoff Johns and Ivan Reis’s “Aquaman” have been critical and commercial successes. Others such as “Red Hood and the Outlaws” have not had success despite having big name creators on the titles such as Scott Lobdell (“Generation X”, “Uncanny X-Men”, “Alpha Flight”). The following year, things suddenly went south for The New 52 fast. Good titles such

as “Justice League International” and “Demon Knights” were cancelled and replaced by bad titles like “The Green Team: Teen Trillionaires,” which does not sound like an interesting read. Not only that, but creators were also leaving books left and right before the comics had even finished their first storylines, like when George Perez helmed “Superman.” The new history also seemed to contradict itself and brought up several plot holes into the stories. One instance is Batman claiming to have been active for for five years, but had four Robins and a ten-year-old son. The disaster only gets worse. Now DC is making poor decisions in their stories. One of the decisions was Lex Luthor, the number one nemesis of Superman and Captain Cold—one of the Flash’s main adversaries,

taking their respective foes’ places in the Justice League. Another recent decision was Dick Grayson abandoning his Nightwing identity and become a secret agent. The one truly responsible for all of the problems is Editor-in-Chief Dan Didio. Many who watch “Atop the Fourth Wall” may be familiar with Didio being the one to approve several horrible, mean-spirited and sometimes offensive storylines like “Countdown” and “Amazons Attack.” Didio is known to be obsessed with the Silver Age of comics, the period in which superhero comics were coming back into popularity. He is obsessed to the point where he forces unnecessary changes involving concepts from the stories. In short, Didio is merely using the reboot as excuse in attempts to relive the Silver Age. There is no problem

with occasionally reintroducing these ideas for new readers, but Didio has been doing it continually for some time now. The New 52 has turned out to be nothing but a disaster. DC only cares about focusing on the past and trying to force it on readers. They have even gone as far as to start giving villains like Sinistro and Klarion the Witch-Boy their own titles, while cancelling respectable comics like “Animal Man.” Let this be a lesson to all comic companies: if a company plans to reboot its own fictional universe, they should try to follow the example of Valiant Comics, the popular company from the 90’s that recently went back into business, instead of DC’s The New 52.

Lee Brice releases chart-topping album

“I Don’t Dance” Debuts at No. 1 on Billboard’s Top Country Album Chart

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Lee Brice, 35-year-old singer-songwriter, recently released his third studio album “I Don’t Dance” under Curb Records. The Nashville native co-wrote 10 of 13 tracks. Collaborators include fellow country stars Thomas Rhett and Jerrod Niemann. The single “I Don’t Dance” debuted on radio stations in February, quickly becoming a listener favorite. The single peaked at No. 33 on Billboard’s Hot 100 chart. The ballad tells a story of a man who is used to living the bachelor lifestyle, but would give anything up for his girlfriend. Many people have suggested it would be a great first dance song at weddings, with its slow and soulful sound and passionate vocals. A similar sound to “I Don’t Dance” can be heard in “Show You Off Tonight.” Another single released the day before the album was “Drinking Class,” a fun, upbeat tune with a touch of rock n’ roll influence. This track can easily be compared to “Parking Lot Party” off of Brice’s second album “Hard 2 Love.” With the immense success of his previous hit single, “Drinking Class” is sure to do just as well.

While all of the songs on the album are catchy and are an exceptional listen, there are a few that stand out. These include the slow, but powerful “Closer” and the laid back tune, “More My Style” that describes Brice’s country lifestyle. “Always the Only One” continues the theme of Brice’s love life, with a focus on guitar. “That Don’t Sound Like You” also holds the same subject matter, and has the potential to be an admirable single. Brice is more vocally impressive than ever in this heartfelt track. Brice has continued his success with the new record’s sound clearly fitting in with his first two albums. The sound

is also comparable to fellow country artists Chase Rice and Luke Bryan. The songs off “I Don’t Dance” have well-written, personal lyrics. One line that stands out is: “You took these two left feet, and waltzed away with my heart.” Listeners easily relate to Brice’s loving words while playing the album on repeat and singing along. Brice and his team worked hard promoting the album on social media. A day before the release, Brice posted on Facebook, “I’ve put my heart and soul into this new album that launches tomorrow. Can’t wait to hear what y’all think.” Country duo Florida Georgia Line tweeted Brice the day of the album release, “Our good buddy @leebrice has a new record out today that’s incredible! Get it now!” Brice retweeted it for his fans to see. Overall, Brice’s latest record has proven again that he is here to stay. With singles that are sure to be popular for a long time coming, “I Don’t Dance” is a success that will stay on the charts for the foreseeable future, as country music lovers are sure to enjoy this album. Brice’s newest album is available for purchase on iTunes.



Unrecognizable sound

Maroon 5’s Latest Album ‘V’ Tops Billboard’s 100

BY KAYLA WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

The California pop-rock band is at it again, but this time with a new style. Maroon 5 consists of band members: Adam Levine, lead vocals, Jesse Carmichael and P.J. Morton, backing vocals and keyboard, Mickey Madden and James Valentine, guitarists and Matt Flynn, drummer. The band released their latest album “V” (pronounced five), which was released Sept. 2, reaching No.1 on the Billboard 200, Sept. 20. Completely straying away from their original soul soothing sound, the band shifted over to a more mainstream pop genre, nearly abandoning their original “She Will Be Loved” sentimental style. The album contains infectious whistles and a new array of co-produced beats. “V” marks the band’s fifth album release, and a world tour will kick-off in February 2015. In a recent interview, band member Madden said on Mashable.com, “Our presence for this long is remarkable; I’m blown away by it.” The band reminisced on high school days when they were once known as “Kara’s Flowers.” “Lyrics have been a big part of why people have stuck around, but it’s also that Adam is super cute,” said Carmichael. The opening song and newly released single “Maps” has the same catchy beat as in the infamous “Pay-



phone” and “Moves like Jagger.” “Maps” is about lost love and determination to find it, with lyrics like, “I miss the taste of the sweeter life, I miss the conversation.” The single was performed at the 2014 MTV Video Music Awards in August, prior to the album release. Listeners feel the energy as Levine belts sappy love songs accompanied by an electronic beat in the album. Songs such as “Sugar” and “Coming Back For You” give a sense that Levine is in need of a distant lover. “Unkiss Me” is soulful and honest with a more R&B style that brings fans back to Maroon 5’s original sound. The album wraps up with a piano instrumental duet titled “My Heart Is Open” featuring Gwen Stefani, Levine’s co-star on “The Voice.” The collaboration of Stefani and Levine’s voices for this somber track is a brilliant edition to the album. Maroon 5 is scheduled to perform at the Palace of Auburn Hills on March 18 at 7:30 p.m. Visit www.Maroon5.com for more information on tour dates, tickets, fan apparel and purchasing Maroon 5’s latest album, “V.”

All the buzz this fall

New premieres set to debut

BY ALEXANDRA CIZEK AND COLIN HICKS
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State of Affairs NBC



Monday, Nov. 17 at 10 p.m.

The upcoming American drama series “State of Affairs” stars Katherine Heigl as a CIA analyst named Charleston Tucker. She is assigned with assembling and presenting the president’s daily briefing on the most vital security issues facing the country.

Alfre Woodard plays President Constance Payton who acts as the first black female president and, in a different world, would have been Tucker’s mother-in-law. Nothing says drama like family secrets and possible lives at stake.

The Flash CW



Tuesday, Oct. 7 at 8 p.m.

The popular DC superhero, Flash, accelerates his way back to the small screen in this “Arrow” spin-off. Nine months after an explosion lands him in a coma in the “Arrow” episode “Three Ghosts.” Geeky criminologist Barry Allen, played by Grant Gustin known for his role on “Glee,” discovers that he can now move at superhuman velocities. However, Barry is not the only one affected by the explosion, as several of his fellow “metahumans” are using their new powers for less than noble motives. With his own powers, Barry becomes the scarlet clad vigilante known as the Flash, fighting fiends like Captain Cold, Weather Wizard and Heat Wave, while also keeping his promise to solve the decade long murder mystery of his mother.

The Affair Showtime



Sunday, Oct. 12 at 10 p.m.

“The Affair” is the newest seductive drama on Showtime. Once deeply observed and intriguingly exclusive, the show explores the emotional effects of an adulterous relationship. Noah Solloway, played by Dominic West, is a New York City schoolteacher and novelist who is happily married, but has a hard time dealing with his dependency on his wealthy father-in-law. Alison Lockhart, played by Ruth Wilson, is a young waitress with efforts of piecing her life and marriage back together in the wake of a tragedy. The provocative drama unfolds the moment Alison and Noah meet in Montauk at the end of Long Island.

Marry Me NBC



Tuesday, Oct. 14 at 9 p.m.

Look for the new romantic comedy “Marry Me,” starring Casey Wilson from “Happy Endings” as Annie and Ken Marino from “Eastbound & Down” as Jake. Six years ago, Annie and Jake, bonded over their mutual love of nachos and have been inseparable ever since. Now, after returning from a romantic two-week island vacation, Jake is ready to pop the question. Before he can ask, though, Annie leaves nothing out when she blows her lid on Jake for his inability to commit. She was expecting him to “put a ring on it” in paradise, and now Jake’s perfectly planned proposal is ruined. Yet if history has anything to say, it is usually when people really expect things to go right that they tend to go wrong.

Constantine NBC



Friday, Oct 24 at 10 p.m.

Base on the DC-Vertigo title “Hellblazer,” “Constantine” follows the exploits of the British magician, detective and con artist, John Constantine starring Matt Ryan.

John will put his skills to work, traveling the country to find supernatural terrors that threaten our world and set them in their place. As he defends the world from a gathering supernatural evil, John is also battling his own past sins.

With his penchant for dishonesty and manipulation, John is the last guy anyone would think to turn to for protecting the world from paranormal threats. Could there be hope for John to balance out his evil with good?



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Counselors Corner

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Depression Awareness

Depression and anxiety are common disorders that cross all societal lines. However, the occurrence of depression and anxiety amongst college students is of particular concern throughout higher education because the incidence is especially high and often has far-reaching implications. In fact, in 2011, the American College Health Association's National College Health Assessment found that approximately 30 percent of college students reported feeling depressed at a level that made it difficult to perform daily life tasks.

Fortunately, Schoolcraft College has Licensed Professional Counselors (LPC) available to meet with student dealing with depression and anxiety, as well as other mental health challenges on a short term basis. This month, the Counseling Center is offering a Depression Screening on October 9 in the Liberal Arts Building, Room LA 200. If you think you might benefit from a screening or from talking to a counselor, please join us at the Depression Screening or call 734-462-4429 to schedule a counseling appointment.

Ahead of Dee-pak

Womens soccer remains undefeated; maintains division lead

BY NICK MISIAK
SPORTS EDITOR

The month of September has been extremely successful for the Womens Soccer program. Not only has the team remained undefeated through six games, but over the last three they have outscored their opponents 11 to two. The Ocelot's impressive victories came against Lake Michigan, Owens CC, and nationally ranked, Delta.

On Sept. 27, Schoolcraft played host to Owens CC in a non-conference game and shut out the Express, 2-0.

Sophomore Tiffany Gales opened the scoring for the Ocelots in the first half and an own goal late in the second half sealed the victory for Schoolcraft.

Twenty four hours later, the Ocelots traveled north to Delta to face the 20th ranked Pioneers. The Ocelots dominated the matchup, winning the contest 5-1.

Perry tallied another goal, her second of the weekend and teammate Remy Houttekier found the back of the net as well. Other goals were scored by freshmen Sara Mulcahy, Shae van Gassen and Lacey

Chanady.

The game wasn't without its share of injuries to the Ocelots. Houttekier left the game with an apparent ankle injury and was replaced by freshman Valeria Cossyleon. Shae van Gassen left the game as well after being struck in the head by the opposing goalkeeper, and was replaced by Maddie Cook.

Head Coach Deepak Shivraman was happy with the results of the weekend's games and praised his strong defense and depth in his roster.

"I thought we had setbacks in both games with injuries and feel that our players didn't lose focus and continued stellar play," said Shivraman. "Both games featured spectacular goals and defending from our players. Jessica's goal against Delta has to rank as one of the best goals I have seen."

OCELOTS VICTORIOUS OVER LAKE MICHIGAN

The team traveled to Lake Michigan on Sept. 20, and despite mechanical issues with the team bus and two lengthy lightning delays, they managed to defeat the Red Hawks 4-1.

The Ocelots maintained control throughout the game.

Sophomore midfielder Cien-na Rael-Whitsitt had the play of the game with an incredible upper 90 goal that whistled above the Red Hawks' goalkeeper and barely making it underneath the crossbar.

"Players who stood out for me were Jessica [Perry], Cien-na [Rael-Whitsitt] and Cynthia [Konan] on defense," said Shivraman. "Jessica propelled our team with high energy and hard work, and Cienna's goal has to be one of the best scored in the nation. It was a fantastic upper 90 laser type of shot."

The now 17th ranked Schoolcraft Ocelots are on the road for the next two weeks, traveling to Muskegon on Oct. 11, Cincinnati State on Oct. 18 and to Owens CC on Oct. 19. The next home game for the Ocelots is their season finale against Lake Michigan on Oct. 25. If the team can keep their performance level high as the second half of the season progresses, that game could be the determining game for an undefeated regular season for Shivraman's squad.



PHOTOS BY NATHAN GARTNER

Freshman Emma McLaughlin battles against an opposing Cincinnati State forward in a muddy game on Sept. 13.



The Ocelots celebrate after scoring their first of two goals against Owens CC on Sept. 27.

Still in the hunt

National contenders suffer first loss of season

BY AUSTIN VICARS
STAFF WRITER

On Sept. 26, the then sixth ranked Ocelots suffered their first defeat of the season as fifteenth ranked Ancilla shut out Schoolcraft 2-0. It was Schoolcraft's first regular season loss, as well as their first conference loss of the season.

Ancilla opened the scoring late in the first half, and added an early second half goal off of a free kick to silence the Ocelots high energy attack. The best scoring chance for Schoolcraft came just minutes after Ancilla's second goal, when a shot by freshman Victor Contreras dinged off the post.

The Ocelots late push for a comeback was silenced by opposing goaltender Samuel Lopez, who made two saves in the last five minutes of the game to keep the Ocelots off the scoreboard.

Despite having 16 shots, the Ocelots were only able to get the ball on net five times throughout the game.

Ancilla played extremely aggressive throughout the game as well, compiling 26 fouls and five yellow cards in the process.

The loss dropped the Ocelots to a record of 8-1, and out of first place in the MCCA A standings.

HUGE WIN

On Sept. 24, the Ocelots took on nationally ranked Owens CC. Owens was Schoolcraft's most formidable foe yet, and the Ocelots were able to escape with a 1-0 win.

The game started off with an aggressive offensive attack for the Ocelots, who stayed on the prowl for a majority of the first twenty minutes. Despite maintaining possession and control, Schoolcraft couldn't net a goal. About halfway through the first half, Owens had a great scoring chance that could have swung the momentum in their favor, but failed to capitalize, leaving the game at a scoreless contest thirty minutes in. After gathering themselves, the Ocelots came up with a great chance at netting a goal, but the Owens goalie made a great save.

With several failed scoring opportunities for both teams, it looked as if the first half may end scoreless, but Schoolcraft's persistent offensive attack finally paid off with five minutes left in the half, as Jeff Drzyzga

scored his first goal of the season. Drzyzga managed to get the ball after Podolski and the Owens goalie both went up for the ball in the air. Upon gaining possession, Drzyzga sailed the ball through the air with his left foot that bounced the ball off the post and into the goal.

The goal gave Schoolcraft a 1-0 lead over Owens heading into halftime. Throughout the second half, Schoolcraft was able to hold off a strong Owens attack to seal the victory.

SWEEP

After a 4-0 start, the Mens Soccer team looked to get a revenge victory at home over rival, Cincinnati State, on Sept. 13, as Cincinnati ousted the Ocelots in the MCCA A tournament last season.

The action started immediately against Cincinnati State with two goals scored in the first 3:30 of the game by freshman Victor Contreras and sophomore Alex Podolski. Freshmen forward Costa Wells assisted both of the early goals. Despite the early action, the game's score remained unchanged the rest of the game, which resulted in a 2-0 Ocelot victory.

Only a day after the Cincinnati State game, the Ocelots took on Cuyahoga at home. Schoolcraft's defense had another strong showing against Cuyahoga, not allowing a single goal. Schoolcraft won 4-0 thanks to Adam Antosh, Nate

Bergeson, Bobby Mason and Wells hitting the net with goals.

With a few games under their belt, the Ocelots have come together as a team.

"The team is more together now, and close to a family," freshmen left back Gino D'Orazio said.

Despite dropping their first game of the season against Ancilla, the Ocelots are still in the mix for a National tournament berth. Not only is Schoolcraft one of the top teams in state currently, but they are also

considered to be one of the best teams in the country according to the recent National Junior College Athletic Association polls.

Schoolcraft, now ranked tenth in the nation and second in the conference, looks to rebound with strong performances at Jackson on Oct. 8 and at Cuyahoga on Oct. 10. The Ocelots will then return home on Oct. 12 to face Ancilla once more at 1 p.m.



PHOTO BY TYLER KABROVICH

Freshman midfielder Jon Quintana moves the ball ahead in an MCCA A conference game against Jackson on Sept. 10.

Mid-season Woes

Schoolcraft volleyball struggle in Raider Challenge

**BY ANDREW LEACH
STAFF WRITER**

On Sept. 27 and 28, the Ocelots played in the Raider Challenge Tournament held in Grand Rapids.

On Sept. 27, Schoolcraft squared up against Cuyahoga CC. Coming off a three match-losing streak, the Ocelots were ready to pounce and get a win, and they did just that, winning 15-25, 27-25, 25-28 and 22-25.

Schoolcraft needed to go through a very good Lorain County CC team to continue their success in the tournament, but the Ocelots could not prevail in the close match. The scores of the match were 24-26, 25-17, 25-22 and 25-16. Despite the loss, it was a great team effort as they showed unity through out the match.

Coach Pumill knew things had to change the next day in order to beat another great team, Lakeland CC. It was an early morning match, and the Ocelots came out with great energy as they

won the opening set 25-13. Unfortunately, this was the only set they won as Lakeland swept the next three sets to secure the victory by scores of 25-13, 25-22 and 26-24.

The Ocelots then faced Grand Rapids CC, one of the best volleyball teams in the MCCA, and the Raiders swept the Ocelots 25-15, 25-16 and 25-20.

**VOLLEYBALL STRUGGLES,
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Thursday Sept. 18 did not go the way the Ocelots (5-5, 0-2 MCCA Eastern Conference) imagined, as the Macomb Community College Monarchs swept them. The Monarchs came into the game with a strong front line that had an incredible game, blocking most shots from the hard-hitting Ocelot team. It was a battle all three matches, especially at the net.

Even though the Ocelots lost all three sets, they didn't give up as they were always within a few points of tying the set. The scores of the sets



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Sophomore Caroline Scott prepares to serve the ball against Macomb CC on Sept. 18.

were 20-25, 21-25 and 20-25.

Ajsha Davis, who recorded seven kills, seven digs and two blocks, led Schoolcraft. Sydnee Miller also had a big impact with six kills and one dig. It was a solid team effort by Schoolcraft, but it was not enough to overcome the Monarch attack.

The Ocelots look to rebound from their recent slump when they play Oakland CC at home on Oct. 9 at 7 p.m. and wrap up their regular season at home on Oct. 21 at 7 p.m. against Mott CC.



Schoolcraft has dropped six of its last seven matches, and now sits at 6-9 overall on the season.



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Dropping the puck

NHL teams gear up for an exciting, unpredictable season

BY JOE ZYLKA
STAFF WRITER

Is it October yet? That is the question hockey fans all across North America have been asking since June, when the Los Angeles Kings hoisted the Stanley Cup for the second time in the past three years. October in the National Hockey League means a new season, and for all 30 NHL teams, a fresh start in the pursuit of Lord Stanley's Cup. Time to strap on the skates; here's the 2014-15 NHL preview.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Better known as the wild, wild west, the Western Conference boasts some of the league's top teams. Since the salary cap era began in 2005-2006, the Western Conference has won the Cup six times in nine seasons. With teams like the Chicago Blackhawks, Anaheim Ducks, Colorado Avalanche, St. Louis Blues and Los Angeles Kings, the West is poised to win the Cup again.

After being eliminated in the second round of the playoffs by the Kings, the Anaheim Ducks bolstered their roster by acquiring Livonia native Ryan Kesler in a trade with the Vancouver Canucks. The Ducks

hope a 1-2 punch of two-time all-star Ryan Getzlaf and Kesler at center can increase their chances of winning the Cup for the first time since 2007.

The Colorado Avalanche also made some bold free agency moves, signing veteran winger Jerome Iginla to a three-year deal. Iginla, who scored 30 goals as a member of the Boston Bruins last season, is still looking for his first Stanley Cup ring and hopes he can do it with a young Colorado squad that features young talent with forwards Matt Duchene, Nathan MacKinnon and Gabriel Landeskog.

The St. Louis Blues made headline-grabbing offseason moves as well, signing center Paul Stastny from Colorado. Stastny, who is from St. Louis, should help the Blues attempt to overtake Chicago for first place in the Central division.

EASTERN CONFERENCE

The Eastern Conference has not had a Cup winner since 2011, and many teams made moves to reverse that trend. The Boston Bruins won the President's Trophy last season for being the best team in the regular season, but were bounced in seven games by their hated rival the Montreal Canadiens. Sidney Crosby will

lead the ever-dangerous Pittsburgh Penguins into battle again this season, and teams like the New York Rangers and Tampa Bay Lightning will utilize their superb goaltending and team defense to attempt to capture the Cup.

Boston is again the favorite to win the East, and for good reason. The Bruins play an aggressive and nasty style of hockey, bullying other teams and limiting shots on star goaltender Tuukka Rask.

The New York Rangers represented the East last season in the Stanley Cup Final, but lost 4 games to 1 to L.A. In New York, the team's success revolves around the play of superstar goaltender Henrik Lundqvist, the league's top net minder. The Rangers also boosted their defensive corps and power play unit by signing star defenseman Dan Boyle. New York will be in the thick of the playoff race again this season.

The Detroit Red Wings did not make any major offseason moves. GM Ken Holland will search for trades during the season to strengthen the roster. This year, the Wings will rely on their nucleus of young players to continue developing while their stars do the heavy



lifting. Henrik Zetterberg and Pavel Datsyuk are expected to continue to produce at a high level, and defenseman Nik Kronwall will be called upon to be the top man on the blue line. Veterans Stephen Weiss, Johan Franzen and goaltender Jimmy Howard must pick up their level of play, especially if Daniel Alfredsson does not return from his lower back injury. The Wings will rely heavily on their talented young players Gustav Nyquist, who scored 28 goals in his first full season of NHL action, Brendan Smith and Danny DeKeyser. Both Smith and DeKeyser must show that they are ready to take the next step forward into becoming elite defensemen if the wins want to have

a shot at the Cup. Tomas Jurco is a power forward who's ready to become a star on the wing, and Tomas Tatar is a young, creative forward looking to build on last year's 19-goal season. The injury bug hit the Red Wings hard last season, but if they stay healthy, they have the talent and coach to make the playoffs and contend for the Cup for a 24th consecutive season, the longest active post-season streak in the four major American sports.



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MEET ETHAN LEVACK

Sophomore • Cross Country

BY NICK MISIAK
SPORTS EDITOR

Q: What high school did you attend?

A: Plymouth Christian Academy

Q: What is your major?

A: I am currently undecided, but I am kind of leaning towards the medical field. I am taking science classes in order to get my associates in science. I'm leaning towards physical therapy or nursing.

Q: How long have you been running cross country?

A: Since I was in eighth grade at Canton Charter Academy

Q: Describe how you prepare for your races.

A: I drink a lot of water the day before. Generally, for dinner the day before, I load up on carbs, so I eat a nice pasta dinner. The day of the race I drink a lot of water as well, and I try to stay relaxed and get ready for the run.

Q: Is there any particular strategy that you use in your races when you run?

A: Just go out there and run. I try to use my arms as well. I stay relaxed so I don't tense up. I also try increasing my stride length when I get tired to keep my form.

Q: What is it like having Ed Kozloff as your head coach?

A: He is a great coach. I really look up to him. He has a lot of running knowledge. He's been coaching for many years and has been running himself for a while too. He puts together good workouts for us and he really cares about all of his runners. He wants to see every one of his runners do well.

Q: Describe what it is like being on the Schoolcraft Cross Country team

A: The other runners are really good supporters. We are all around the same talent level and we all run together. Even though it is a small team, it is nice to have a couple people constantly pushing you to go harder and harder and it is great to be an athlete at Schoolcraft.

Q: What is your most memorable achievement or moment in your cross country career?

A: My junior year of high school, as a team, we made it to the state finals and everybody on our team ran in it. We got first place in regionals and it was an incredibly fun season.

Q: What is your most memorable experience running with Schoolcraft?

A: Last year, we made it as a team to nationals and five people from our team ran at the national race in Massachusetts. It was a pretty great achievement.

Q: Do you have any personal awards that you have won in your career as a runner?

A: Last year, I was voted my teams MVP and Most Dedicated Runner, along with being an Academic All-American.

Q: Are you looking to transfer somewhere after your time at Schoolcraft?

A: I would like to go to Indiana Wesleyan and also run on their cross country team.

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PHOTO EDITOR



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Sophomore Ethan Levack finished tenth in the Oakland Community College Invitational and won one of the events special awards.



The Schoolcraft Cross-Country team poses with Head Coach Ed Kozloff (center).

Running like the wind

Baetz, Levack top ten finishers at OCC invite

**BY NICK MISIAK
SPORTS EDITOR**

The Oakland County Community College Invitational on September 26 was an ideal setting for the Cross-Country team, as it continued its season in impressive style. In both the women’s 5K and the men’s 8K, special awards were given to the top ten finishers. Nearly every team member ran their fastest time of the year in mid seventy degree temperatures on a well shaded and fast course.

In the women’s 5K, Audrey Baetz improved on her best time by nearly two minutes as she finished in fourth place overall in an impressive 23:13. This comes after joining the team about a month ago after a summer with no training.

In the men’s 8k Teammates Liam Cardenas and Ethan Levack ran nearly together for most of the race with Levack a few steps behind Cardenas and Caton Hacker about 100 yards behind them. About 200 yards from the finish, Levack passed Cardenas, and it was an exciting sprint race to the finish that ended with Levack holding less than a second edge at the tape, edging out Cardenas 30:25 to 30:26. This finishing sprint gained Levack tenth place overall and the final special award. Liam placed 11th overall. 28 seconds later,

Hacker placed thirteenth in 30:54.

Levack’s time was his third fastest ever, with one of those being a spectacular time on the Northfield Mountain course at the 2013 National Championships in Massachusetts. Hacker lowered his best time this year by 29 seconds, and this was his second fastest time ever at this distance. Cardenas, who was ill and missed two days of training this week, was 4 seconds slower than his best ever 8K.

As for the other two team members, Brandon Sutton, at 36:33, was about a minute and a half better than his previous seasonal best, and Ryan Stamper, a little over week into joining and training with the team, knocked just over 5 minutes off his race from last week, with a finish in 39:09.

CARDENAS LEADS OCELOTS IN COMMODORE INVITATIONAL

On Friday Sept. 19, the Ocelot Cross-Country team traveled to Elyria, Ohio to compete in the Commodore Invitational hosted by Lorain County Community College. The course is highlighted by a major hill that runners must climb twice and it makes the entire route a challenge. With temperatures in the low 60’s and skies clear, conditions were good for racing.

Leading the team for the second straight week was freshman Liam Cardenas. His time of 31:09 for the 8K was 21 seconds ahead of teammate sophomore Caton Hacker and 43 seconds ahead of sophomore Ethan Levack, who finished in 31:38 and 31:52 respectively. All three ran close together for much of the race. Cardenas’s time was the fastest ever for a Schoolcraft runner on this course. Hacker was 4:30 faster than his 2013 time on this course and was the third fastest ever here. Levack was 1:54 faster than last year.

Also competing for the team were Brandon Sutton and Ryan Stamper. Sutton was 3 seconds slower than a year ago, finishing in 38:48. Stamper, who just joined the team the previous Wednesday, finished in 44:18. This was the first time he had run this far in over 2 years.

Also running from Schoolcraft was Scott Howse, who finished in 33:27.

In the woman’s 5K, Audrey Baetz finished ahead of all of the runners from Wayne County Community College and all but one from Lorain and Hiram with a time of 25:05.

Making things right

Ray Rice and domestic violence in the NFL

**BY KENNETH PORTER
STAFF WRITER**

The issue of domestic violence in professional sports returned to the forefront of public consciousness in September, when Baltimore Ravens star running back Ray Rice was suspended indefinitely by the NFL for assaulting his then-fiancée Janay Palmer in an Atlantic City casino earlier this year.

Controversy has surrounded the NFL’s handling of this issue since a disjointed video of Rice dragging an unconscious Palmer out of an elevator was released by TMZ Sports in February. After meeting with Rice and Palmer on June 16, NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell announced a two-game suspension for Rice, barring him from participating in the first pair of games of the 2014-2015 NFL season.

“If it’s a first offense, someone who’s had a strong background of being very responsible in the community, doing the right things and not violating other policies or anything else that reflect poorly on the NFL, then we would take that into account,” said Goodell, defending the punishment during an Aug. 4th press conference. “We’ve dealt with it in a serious manner, and we’re very confident that this young man understands where he is

and what he needs to do going forward”.

However, public backlash against the NFL’s decision was strong. Many pundits and news commentators viewed a two-game suspension as inadequate due to the severity of Rice’s crimes, especially since the NFL has repeatedly enforced stricter punishments for more minor offences. For example, Seattle Seahawks QB Terrelle Pryor received a five game suspension for “illegal tattoos” and Cleveland Browns WR Josh Gordon was banned for an entire season for marijuana use.

This criticism only intensified when, on September 8th, TMZ Sports released a second video, this one offering a much clearer picture of what happened in that Atlantic City elevator. The video showed Rice punching his fiancée so hard that her head struck the side of the elevator car and she was knocked unconscious.

That same day, Ray Rice was suspended from the NFL indefinitely and his contract was terminated by the Ravens, a reversal of Goodell’s previous decision. The NFL claimed not to have seen the video during its original investigation of Rice. Rice has announced plans to appeal this suspension.

According to a survey conducted by USA Today, domes-

tic violence accounted for 85 of the 713 arrests of NFL players since 2000, and many of those offenders received the same punishment that Ray Rice initially did.

The fact that it took a large-scale, highly-publicized case for the league to fix the obvious flaws in its suspension policies should be a sobering fact for football fans everywhere.

Since February, the NFL has taken several steps to improve its policies and its public image. The League has altered its domestic violence policy

to require a six game ban for first offenders and a lifetime ban for second offenders. On Sep. 28, Commissioner Goodell visited headquarters of the National Domestic Violence Hotline, a crisis intervention service for domestic violence victims, in an attempt to educate himself in the hardships faced by victims every day.

“We will listen openly, engage our critics constructively, and seek continuous improvement in everything we do,” said Goodell, in a letter to NFL owners. “We will use this

opportunity to create a positive outcome by promoting policies of respect for women both within and outside of the workplace.”

The NFL is taking small, but effective steps to resolve the criminal problems that are plaguing the league. With new, harsh punishments for domestic violence incidents, players may begin to think twice before engaging in such aggressive and unnecessary behavior.



Ray Rice (left) has been indefinitely suspended for domestic violence charges surrounding an incident with his now wife Janay Palmer.



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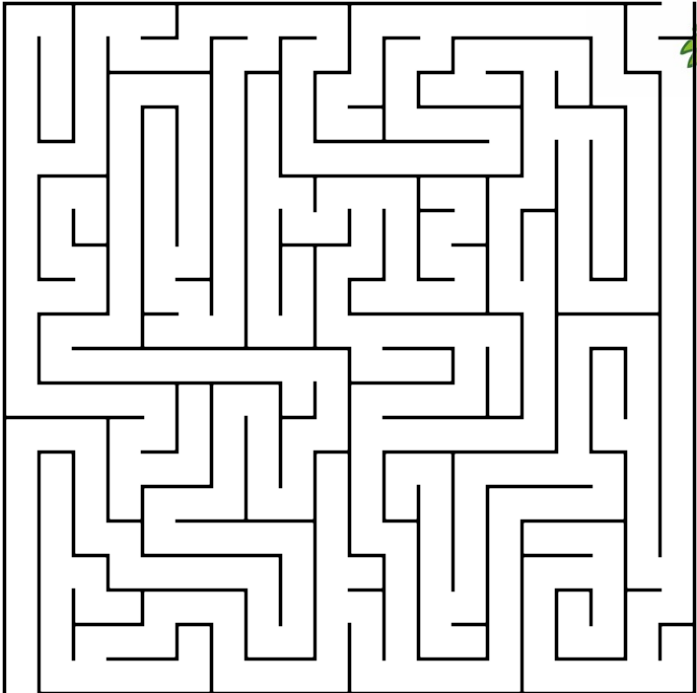
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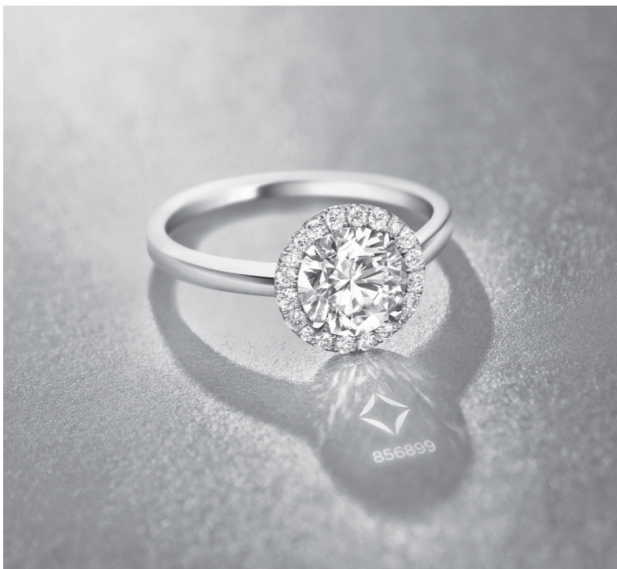
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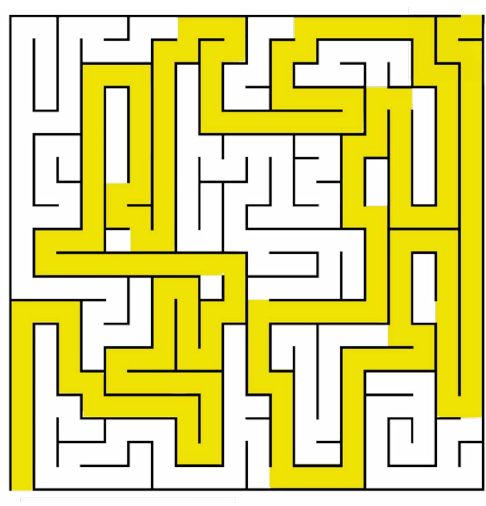
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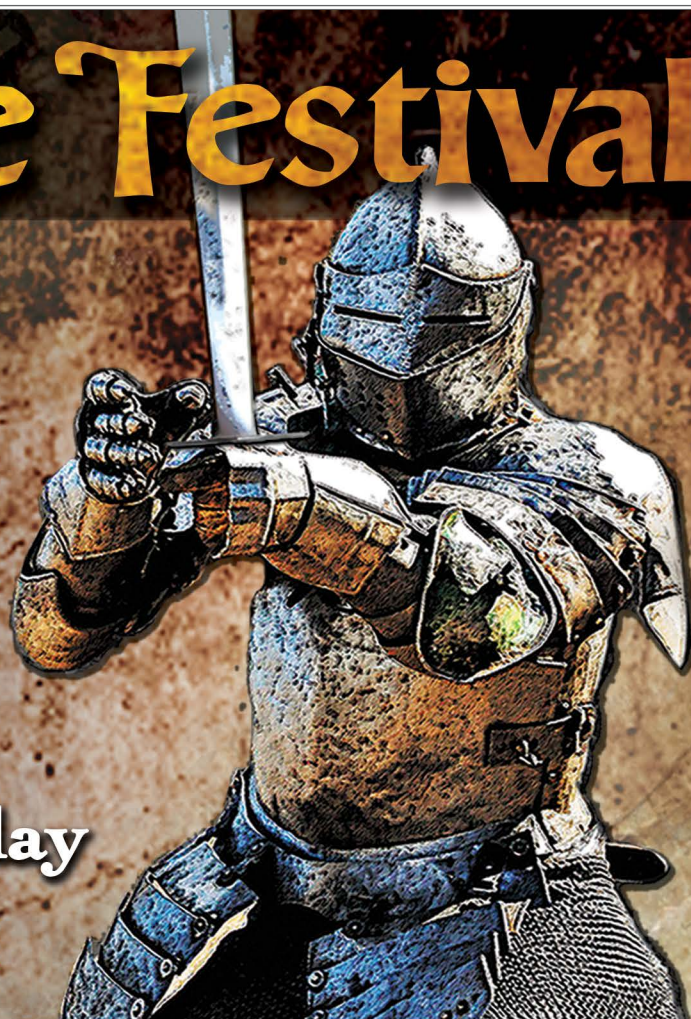
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