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STUDENTS PROTEST RACIAL SLURS



Students and community members march across Eastern Michigan University's campus in solidarity for change after hate speech graffiti was found at King and Wise halls. PHOTO COURTESY ADAM KARR | THE EASTERN ECHO

BY CHANEL STITT Contributor

Michigan University and other parts of Ypsilanti gathered. The protesters walked through all of the buildings on EMU's

They yelled, "No justice, no peace," all the way to Washtenaw Avenue. Traffic had been stopped at the intersection of Washtenaw Avenue and Hewitt Road and Eastern Michigan Police rushed to clear it. One car attempted to drive through the protesters, no one was injured.

Racial slurs had been spray painted on a wall in the Julia

displayed "KKK" painted in red, white and blue; and also painted On Sept. 20, hundreds was the phrase, "leave n****rs." again. And this time, in a stair- not let on the field during the being oppressed, senselessly

> Eastern Michigan University President's home right outside of campus. University President James Smith spoke out to all the students and also allowed people to share their opinions. He talked about the removal process of the graffiti as well.

> "I understand that removing something doesn't mean that somehow it doesn't exist," said Smith.

> "The atmosphere was very enthusiastic and loud. You could tell that everybody that was there was passionate about the message," said Jazzlyn

Anne King Hall courtyard which Robinson, a student at Eastern Michigan University.

> On Sept. 21, it happened incident read "n****rs" on the side of a brick wall.

> "The slurs made me beyond mad. It made me think, 'how can someone be so careless to do something like that?' This is a diverse school," said Deandre Webster, a protester and student at Eastern Michigan University.

The night of Sept. 23, the EMU students united under the Black Lives Matter movement at their football game. The students walked onto the field, held up their right fists and chanted, "We stand up, we

fight back, when black lives are under attack."

The football players were of protesters from Eastern Many people gathered at the case of Wise Hall. Wednesday's national anthem due to safety murdered by police, and not precautions.

"We strongly defend the right of students to peacefully demonstrate about issues important to them," said Smith. The peaceful protest at the football game was supported by the campus and posted all over Facebook and YouTube.

There has already been protesting happening in cities across the nation for the Black Lives Matter movement.

People have different views on what Black Lives Matter means to them. "To me, Black Lives Matter is a movement for the black community to raise awareness about how we are tired of receiving equal treatment as other races. It's a movement that will not rest until something is done about these is-

sues," said Webster.

"People believe Black Lives Matter is a violent segregation movement, which just isn't true. The vocal minority outshine the peaceful majority," said Marc Anthony Davis, a student at Washtenaw Community College.

"We're fed up with the grotesque amount of numerous

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WCC group hosts 'Dear White People' movie screening and discussion

Aims to create an open dialogue about race

BY IVAN FLORES Staff Writer

Eastern Michigan University and the University of Michigan were recently in the spotlight for racist incidences that occurred on campus. Buildings at EMU were vandalized with racist graffiti, and white supremacy flyers were distributed on U of M campus.

In response, Justin Teague and Nagash Clarke invited students and faculty from Washtenaw Community College, EMU and U of M to have a discussion about race on college campuses.

Teague and Clarke are both WCC faculty. Teague, a WCC behavioral science instructor and Clarke, a WCC chemistry instructor hosted a showing of 'Dear White People" at Towsley Auditorium. The screening was followed by a long conversation about the movie and racism on college campuses.

"Dear White People" is a satirical comedy set in a fictional Ivy League school called Winchester University. The main characters are black.

They struggle to reconcile the color of their skin and their sexuality with the cultural expectations on campus, as well as an administration that is oblivious to their needs.

The story climaxes when a fraternity decides to host a 'blackface" themed halloween party, leading to a confrontation between minority students, their white peers and the administration.

The turnout for the the movie was not large. News of the event was spread mostly through word of mouth and flyers.

The discussion after the movie lasted more than a halfhour past the allotted time

See MOVIE, A5

WCC looks into replacing Compass test

BY BRITTANY DEKORTE Staff Writer

A group of instructors from varying departments, lead by Dean Kristin Good, announced their plans to redo WCC's placement tests Washtenaw Community College's Board of Trustees meeting on Sept. 27.

"To give you a sense of how many students need a placement test, of the about 3400 students who come to Washtenaw each year, about two-thirds of them need some sort of placement," Good said as she began the presentation.

Since 1999, WCC has used the compass test to give students base level scores in reading, writing, English as a Second Language (ESL) and math, along with assessments of ACT/SAT scores and high school GPAs.

"We got word really about a year ago that Compass made a statement that said, 'Compass doesn't work. Compass does

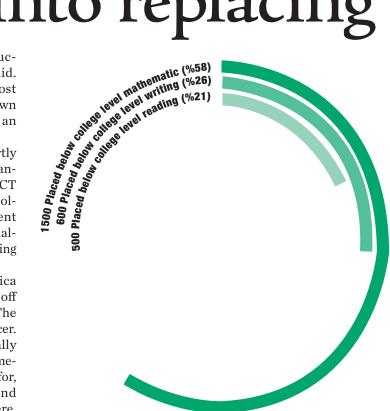
not accurately predict success in college," Good said. Customer feedback and post secondary trends have shown the Compass is no longer an effective placement test.

In Autumn of 2015, shortly after the state of Michigan announced the switch from ACT to SAT testing for high schoolers, each academic area went to work to find an individualized, 'best practice' way to going about placement testing.

WCC instructors Jessica Hale and Julie Kissel lead off with reading and writing. The text chosen was the Accuplacer.

"There is not a nationally accepted standard for, or something that everyone is using for, these Accuplacer tests, and there are other tests out there, but we felt that the Accuplacer based on its national and state usage is the best fit for where we are at WCC," said Hale.

Hale and Kissel compiled data about the Accuplacer's test scores and success data,



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and compared it to classes at WCC. The Accuplacer is changing soon, but they plan on doing a test run with the newest

"The test isn't perfect by any means, but hopefully this new version will fit our needs bet-

> ter," Kissel added. Representing ESL was

instructor Heather Zettlemaier, discussing the chosen Cambridge Michigan Language Assessments (CaMLA).

"The test works off of listening, grammar, and reading, but there are a few small differences. That it is a timed test, 60 minutes, and unlike the Compass where they could take each part separately, they must take the full 60 minute test," Zettlemaier said; CaMLA is already used by many of WCC's sister institutions, and is very flexible.

"CaMLA is put out by a local business in downtown Ann Arbor, who we have worked with in the past, and they have made nationally and internationally acclaimed tests for English as a Second Language," Zettlemaier said.

The final placement test that was presented was for mathematics; Professor Lisa Rombes spoke about ALEKS, which stands for Assessment and LEarning in Knowledge

"The test works on Knowledge Space Theory, which can figure out what the student knows in 30 questions or less." Rombes said. "This ALEKS test includes five placement tests, and all of the material ends with 'you just took a placement test, it is not final.' Included in their placement test is 314 topics in a pie chart that they can work on to improve next time they take it. No one's placement in that is final."

The ALEKS test will be paired with a one credit hour class, Math 099, and they will have access to the ALEKS tests and practice modules for up to six months. According to Rombes, WCC will be one of the first two year schools to jump into the ALEKS test.

"Our goal is to keep moving the needle on what improves student success," Good said at the conclusion of the presentation.

FEATURED TEACHER

BY: MICHAEL MISCHLER Contributor

Q: Why did you choose to work at WCC instead of a larger college or university?

A: I do actually work at both, but I love WCC because of the diversity of students. I have people who have real-life experience, and in a class on ethics, it is very important to have people who have a perspective on life. I teach at Michigan.

Q: What is the most satisfying part of your ioh?

A: When students see how the course relates to their life.

Q: What is the proudest moment of your career?

A: Anytime I have a student who still remembers something years later and comes back and tells me how it mattered. It feels good.

Q: What do you like to do the most in your spare time?

A: I am a mom, so I hang out with my kids.

Q: What is your favorite thing to listen to and why?

A: I listen to NPR, because it has grown-ups talking, it's not children-based, and everything else in my life is very kid-focused, so I like having a good source of news with actual analysis. I like All Things Considered.

Q: What is your favorite food and why?

A: Chocolate, because it makes everything better.

Q: What advice would you give to new WCC students?

A: Find a class or a group that makes this community feel like home to you.

Q: If you could go anywhere in the world for free, where and why?

A: I would take my dad to Norway because he's always wanted to explore the Viking roots of our family.



MICHAEL MISCHLER | WASHTENAW VOICE Emily Peterson, 5 years at WCC, part-time humanities teacher, teaches Ethical and Legal Issues in Healthcare, Ann Arbor.

Q: What is your motivation that gets you out of bed in the morning?

A: I get such positive feedback and energy from the students, and I really feel like we have a good connection, and that feels good to me.

Q: What is the thing you most look forward to in life?

A: My children's happiness. I have two, a sevenyear-old and a three-year-old.

If there is a suggestion of a teacher that should be recognized, email Michael Mischler at mpmishler@wccnet.edu.

IN BRIEF

WCC's Mind Your Mental Health & Wellness Fair

Wednesday, Oct. 12, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the first and second floor of the Student Center Building.

35+ vendors will be on campus to provide tips, information and to support your overall wellbeing. You'll get a chance to enjoy:

- A free yoga class taught by a yoga instructor from the Health & Fitness Center—
 1:00pm to 2:00pm in the Community Room (first floor of the Student Center)
- A pet therapy session
- Free goodies and snacks
- Gratitude stones
- And many more!

Register for a raffle ticket to win a sixmonth membership to the WCC Health & Fitness Center! Tickets will be available at the check-in table.

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Space Concert

Washtenaw Community Concert Band's next concert is on Oct. 28, at 7:30 p.m. in Towsley Auditorium in the Morris Lawrence Building. The theme will be Space, the band will be in costume and the audience is encouraged to be in costume as well.

Call for Performers

Bravo 51, The art of performance calls for people to showcase their talents for a special event in November. WCC faculty, staff, students and alumni are asked to come and show off their talents.

For more information or to participate contact Noonie Anderson at 734–913–3378, or email at nooniea@wccnet.edu.

Free Coffee Wednesdays

The Entrepreneurship Center welcomes all students to come and enjoy free coffee and snacks to get more information about the center and their workshops. Stop-in between 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk

WCC Team Wolfpack hosts the American Cancer Society's walk against breast cancer in the Community Park. October is Breast Cancer Awareness month and the event is held on the Oct. 15, 8 a.m. - 11 a.m. Come and show some support for the cause!

Workshop for DBA and LLC filing

The Entrepreneurship Center hosts a free workshop for students that are looking to file paperwork in registering their businesses. A guest speaker attorney Russell Brown will be there to assist in the process with advice and information.

Stress Reduction Event

Students manage many different things in their lives, in response to this, WCC is holding a stress reduction table with advice, freebies and resources. This will take place on Wednesday, Oct. 19, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on the first floor of the Student Center.

Panel for Student Success

WCC is looking for input on what it takes for students to succeed. Wednesday, Oct 12 9:00 am to 10:30 am in BE 282, come and give input on questions, such as "What challenges have you overcome to be successful at WCC?" and, "What tips do you have for working with faculty and other students?". Your insights are important! Register beforehand on WCC's Orgsync on the Service Opportunities page.

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Community celebrates Free College Day

Community savors WCC campus packed with events, memories to-be buried in time capsule

BY SUNI JO ROBERTS
Contributor

The 13th Annual Cars & Bikes on Campus show, free college classes, a scavenger hunt, a campus tour and the burying of a time capsule were all part of WCC's Free College Day and Open House event which took place on Sunday, Sept. 27.

At the Morris Lawrence building, former and current Board of Trustee members, WCC presidents, students, faculty and staff all watched as more than 40 items were put into a time capsule to be opened 25 years from now.

This time capsule ceremony is continued on a tradition from 1990; the last time a time capsule was buried containing relevant items from that time.

WCC President Rose Bellanca delivered the opening speech. Bellanca used her time to thank the people that continue to make WCC an accessible institution with open doors.

"Every day we are improving lives," said Bellanca. "It is also a day, to be grateful, to celebrate all of the people that have come before us."

Board of Trustee Vice Chair Diana McKnight-Morton also spoke at the event. Mcknight-Morton spoke of her decision to attend WCC and the gratitude she has to be able to serve on the board.

"For me being on the board for over 20 years has been such a privilege because I've seen WCC impact first hand," said McKnight-Morton, "WCC has continued its history of excellence but just as important, [WCC] has been accessible."

The event organizer Julie Morrison, Bellanca and McKnight-Morton announced the items as they placed them into the capsule.

The contents of the time capsule, "represent[s] what the college is now," said Morrison.

Included in the more than 40 items: a printout of WCC tuition rates in 2016, a copy of the Aug. 2016 issue of The Washtenaw Voice, a pottery bowl from the Sustainability Literacy Task Force's event "Empty Bowls," a stack of cards with written predictions of a future 25 years from now.

On the other side of campus, as part of this event, was a party in the park, the Cars and Bikes show and free college classes open to the community.

Terry Abrams, faculty member in the Digital Media Arts department taught a free class on iPhone photography. Abrams used a variety of iPhone generations: the iPhone 4 up to the iPhone 7 Plus.

About 30 people attended the class according to a statement by Abrams.

"One unique aspect of the class is that we went outside and the participants practiced taking pictures using panoramic, HDR, burst mode, focus lock, time lapse and slow motion techniques," said Abrams. "It was a lot of fun for them."

Dan Robb, a WCC alum, came to the party in the park

with his children.

"I just thought it would be something fun I could come do with the kids," Robb said, "I liked the cars myself."

Ricky Carrington, a WCC grounds department staff member ran a free class on how to plant a tree. The class was called "dig this."

"It went really smoothly," Carrington said. "You can help plant the tree and take a tree home. It was educational."

Free College Day is an annual event at WCC that is open to the public and encourages preregistration. This year, WCC reported more than 250 guests at the event set to close out the college's 50 year anniversary.



Diana McKnight-Morton and President Rose B. Bellanca, honored WCC's student focused commitment by putting a Resource Center folder into the time capsule. CARMEN CHENG | WASHTENAW VOICE



A class taught by Terry Abrams on shooting with iPhone versions four through seven sent students outside to practice taking pictures using panoramic, HDR, burst mode, focus lock, time lapse and slow motion techniques. PHOTO COURTESY | TERRY ABRAMS



WCC staff and student jazz band performed at Free College Day. Back row: Dan Salazar, student lead guitar; Thornton Perkins, history faculty bass guitar. First row: Duane Wells, student trumpet; Kiela Samuels, pharmacy faculty vocalist; Julius Tompkins, student vocalist.

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New program to close the gap in advanced certificates



Jason Withrew is the primary adviser for new program.

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BY BRITTANY DEKORTE
Staff Writer

Washtenaw Community College's Board of Trustees announced at its meeting on Sept. 27 that there will be a new advanced certificate program added to the school's curriculum.

The program is Digital Strategy Advanced Certificate (CVWDIS), and will consist of three classes, for a total of 11 credit hours. "Courses focus on the knowledge and skills necessary for employment as a digital strategist, web marketing specialist, business analyst or project manager," according to the description given to the Board

of Trustees.

"The certification will be a cross between business and web," said Scott Shaper, an internet professional instructor.

"Basically, it's a capstone,

Business on the Internet (BMG 155).

Instructor Jason Withrow will be the primary adviser for the new program, as well as the

"This program is for students interested in the strategic and mangement aspects of web design and development."

saying okay, here is what you learned about computers, how here is how it actually works

in the real world," Shaper said. The classes that the program will encompass are Web Analytics and SEO (WEB 233), Business Analysis and Project

Management (WEB 263), and

professor for both WEB classes.

"The new advanced certificate does address a gap in the advanced certificates that we offer. The existing advanced certificates focus on web programming and web graphic design/interface design; this new advanced certificate deals with

strategy and web marketing."

Two of the classes in the program, BMG 155 and WEB 233, are already offered at WCC. The new class, WEB 263, was compiled and organized by Withrow specifically for this new certification.

Kelley Gottschang, instuctor of digital media arts, helped get the program through committee as a colleague of Withrow.

"The recommendation for the program came out of our advisory committee last year. They found that particular skill set was difficult to find employees for in this area, and while they can just hire coders, having these skills is a lot better," Gottschang said. The certification should be ready in time for winter semester, according to Withrow. BMG 155 will be offered in winter semester, but the WEB classes will not be offered until next fall.

Students who go through with this program will be in high demand; to the Digital Marketing Institute which predicts 150,000 new digital jobs by 2020. Many of these relate to what this certification requires.

Digital media arts department proposal noted the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics median annual wage for web developers was \$64,970 as of May 2015.

Home is where the honey is

WCC hosted a Saturday morning workshop the last weekend in Sept. to show a TEDTalk, "Why Bees are Disappearing," and to visit the CORE garden for a taste of honey from WCC's honeybees. The hive in the CORE garden is entering its first winter at Washtenaw Community College under the care of Drew Zemper, WCC biology instructor and beekeeper. Here are Zemper's tips:

BY JENELLE FRANKLIN Editor



THERE ARE 20,000 BEE SPECIES AROUND THE WORLD, THE EASTERN U.S. HAS SIX BEE FAMILIES ACCORDING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENTOMOLOGY AT MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY:

- Honey bees
- Bumble bees
- Carpenter bees
- Mason and Leafcutter bees
 - Sweat bees
 - Digger bees



LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION

"I have heard that facing the entrance of the hive to the East is best," Zemper said.

Keep the hive out of the wind, a beekeeper can use a sections of trees like pine for a natural barrier.

Don't keep bees by agricultural crops such as corn because they do not feed off it. "It's basically a food desert for them", Zemper said. Parks, open fields and forests that are diverse with food sources help maintain a healthy hive.

When in an urban environment, hives should be in low traffic areas where incidents and encounters can be kept to a minimum.

"The bees at WCC are some of the most tame bees I have ever seen," Zemper said. His personal hive of bees at his home are wild, and more unpredictable he mentioned.

"Bees travel up to three or four miles in a day, hopping from flower to flower to flower," Zemper said. He believes WCC's campus has enough food sources for the hive with the many varieties of wild flowers and trees to keep its sustainability.



search published in Oakland County.

come shipped in a hive.

for purchase in the spring.



KNOW YOUR BEES

they descend from Europe," Zemper said.

said, "Craigslist is a great place to get bees from local beekeepers."

"Honeybees are not native to the United States,"

There are websites for ordering bees, some come in

Zemper mentioned there are wild bees and domestic bees available

If someone's not interested in ordering and having the bees shipped, Zemper

"Bees react more to darker colors, which is why the beekeeping suits are mostly white,"

Keeping offensive smells like strong body odor and heavy colognes and perfumes away

from the hive is best to not excite and agitate them Zemper warned. "About 5000 people

in Michigan keep honeybees as either a business or a hobby. They produce about

\$4 million worth of honey and beeswax and pollinate over \$100 million worth of commercial fruits, seeds and vegetables (not to mention the fruits, seeds and vegetables in backyard gardens)," according to MSU extension re-

Zemper said, "the material is a thick cotton. Bees can and will sting through the fabric."

loose containers and need to make a colony once implanted

in a separate hive, some already have their colony established and



PROVIDE PROPER NUTRITION

Bees get all of the protein they need in their diet from pollen and all of the carbohydrates they need from nectar.

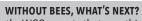
Bees enjoy many varieties of Michigan wildflowers and trees throughout the majority of the year, coming into winter the hive is insulated and bees excluding the honey bee, feed solely off of stored honey.

Beekeepers must not rob the bees of too much honey, as it can cause the bees to starve once sealed in their hive, winter is the most hands off season in Michigan, Zemper explained.

During the warm months when all bee species are out and buzzing about the Mitten they enjoy plants such as: clover, alfalfa, goldenrod, sunflowers, black eyed susans and echinacea. Trees, including the pussy willow and fruit trees see heavy bee activity.

Nature can help provide constant nutrition year-round, "I am looking more into the flower side of stuff, because you can plant your garden to time itself with different flowers," Zemper said, making it effortless to provide a variety of nutrients with minimal care.





e Currently, WCC reports that one-third of world crops are pollinated by bees equalling, "one out of every three bites of food come from a bee pollinated plant," according to the Sustainable Literacy Taskforce.

In her TEDTalk, Marla Spivak said, "In parts of the world where there are no bees, or where they plant varieties that are not attractive to bees, people are paid to do the business of pollination by hand. These people are moving pollen from flower to flower with a paintbrush."

Without the raw honey production of the bees, we are losing a natural source for allergy relief and more. The World Health Organization and American Academy of Pediatrics recommend honey as a natural cough remedy.

Medical uses of honey date back to Aerostitol.

"Manuka and other honeys have been known to have wound healing and anti-bacte-grial properties for some time," according to reports by Dr. Rowena Jenkins, from the University of Wales Institute.



WRAP THEM UP WITH TLC

Materials used to build and insulate hives varies.

Some beekeepers use a 50 gallon plastic barrel, others use stacked wood boxes.

The shape varies how the bees move from Queen's location

through the hive and into the honey production zone, either vertically or horizontally; and changes how the honey is collected.

Sheets of thick styrofoam board or yards of tar paper both make useful

insulators for the face-freezing winter weather in Michigan.

WCC's beehive will be wrapped in black tar paper, which Zemper uses at home for the added absorption of heat during the winter months.

"Total annual losses were 42.1 percent for April 2014 through April 2015," USDA reports indicated. Winter is known as the toughest season for beekeepers, although hives have reported losses in the warm summer months as well, according to USDA findings for 2015.



Voice Box

During the first Presidential Debate, America's prosperity, America's direction, and national security were discussed. What would you like Hilary Clinton and Donald Trump to discuss in the upcoming debate?

BY HEBE ORMSBY



"I want them to discuss how the money is going to be spent. Because too much money goes into the military, so I would like them to talk about where the money is going."

Morgan Stratton, 18, Canton, MI, criminal justice major



"I want them to pull out the dirt they got. I mean, they say things, but I want them to mean what they say. Because the media only shows what they want to show. I also want them to talk more about the "Black Lives Matter" issue too. So, all I want is to know the truth."

Myles Hardy, 20, Redford, MI, communications major



"I would like them to discuss our military and industrial constructs. Because our economy is based off constant warfare." Erin Sherer, 27, Ypsilanti, MI, global studies major



"I don't like either candidate. I hate that I have to vote for one of them. I mean, it's just a reality show for publicity when it's supposed to be a serious issue."

Talecia Avery, 27, Ann Arbor, MI, human services major



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"I don't know how to answer that. I am opposed to both parties because in the last debate, it was just them bickering and nothing was discussed."

Nichole Wright, 23, South Lyon, MI, radiology major

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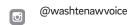
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PROTEST, from A1

social and institutional injustices that have failed the American people for too long," said Jayson Wright, a student at the University of Michigan. Local residents were also upset about the graffiti and spoke upon how they feel about the slurs and living in the Ypsilanti community itself.

"I feel the perpetrator was trying to... almost mock the black community," said Parker Bunton, a resident of Ypsilanti for 18 years. "I really think Ypsilanti has been changing lately now. The city has been more active than I've ever seen, especially in Depot Town," said Josiah Foster, an Ypsilanti resident.

Students, professors, and the president have all been working together to keep the positivity and peace going on campus.

Ypsilanti residents have also been participating in creating the peace again.

"Eastern Michigan University has valued peace and diversity. There's been a lot of emails, events, and positive quotes all over campus since these events," said Rocke Jones, a student at EMU.

"Now seems to be a good time to remember that our differences should serve to bring us together and provide learning opportunities to honor all cultures and backgrounds," WCC President Rose Bellanca said in an email statement.



Protestors constructed signs that used different wording although shared the same message of not backing down during a march across EMU.

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MOVIE, from A1

for conversation. The audience was able to direct questions at a three person panel.

Members of WCC's administration, including Vice President Linda Blakey and Rose Bellanca's Chief of Staff, Monique James, were in attendance.

Teague and Clarke are the sponsors of an organization called the Black Male Initiative. Their goal is to enroll and retain more young black men at WCC, as well as to create a sense of community for them.

Part of their mission is to encourage respectful dialogue and reduce the stigmas of race, which transcend educational institutions, class and gender.

"I'm originally from Jamaica," said Clarke, "Black culture there is very different than in America. People don't think twice if you say you want to be a doctor, lawyer, or an engineer. They just say, 'well, go to school.' But here, being a black chemistry teacher is somehow a little weird."

Teague and Clarke ran into each other at a conference on a presidential initiative called My Brother's Keeper. President Barack Obama started the initiative in 2014 to "help more young people stay on track," according to the White House's website. In particular, to help young men of color avoid incarceration and succeed in school. According to Teague, the conference was underwhelming.

"We were both in the section on higher education," Teague said. "After having gone through that experience, we recognized that as a county, there wasn't a lot going on. The conference was poorly organized and they didn't have a direction or tangible outcomes they wanted to accomplish."

Teague recalled being in a breakout group filled with administrators and only one African American student.

"The questions that were asked were bad questions. (The conversation) wasn't lending itself towards working on anything. The population that we were supposed to be focusing on, specifically for my breakout session, African American males in college, we only had one sitting at the table and no one wanted to listen to him."

Clarke and Teague responded by having their own discussion group at WCC. They pulled administrators and young black students together, and gave

them the opportunity to communicate about the shortcomings of the institution.

It was out of this event that the Black Male Initiative came to be

Even with the ability to organize an event like the showing of "Dear White People", there are a lot of obstacles to overcome in discussing issues of race. Clarke didn't like the fact that he couldn't feel comfortable inviting his white students for fear of turning them

Gary Hopkins, 21, is an African American political science student who has had a positive experience at WCC. Having attended schools in Detroit and Ypsilanti, he counts himself lucky to have received most of his education in Ann Arbor. However, he knows that some people come from environments where race can be isolating. He doesn't think he is singled out for being a black student.

"I'm just another student getting my education," Hopkins said. "But I just look at things a little differently... I can see what they're talking about, and the need to help each other succeed."



Nagash Clarke is a WCC Chemistry instructor and was a co-host of the movie screening. WASHTENAW VOICE

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The Washtenaw Voice

Board of Trustees candidates join debate

BRITTANY DEKORTEStaff Writer

Down-ballot debates, while not as flashy as the presidential debates, are still important. The League of Women Voters in Ann Arbor is hosting multiple down-ballot candidate forums for open positions in Washtenaw County, including WCC's Board of Trustees. There are 10 candidates for two open positions on the WCC board. Other forums concern the Ann Arbor District Library's four open positions and state representatives for the 52nd, 53rd, 54th and 55th districts.

"The League (of Women Voters) is a nonpartisan, grassroots organization that does not support individual candidates or parties," Sally Allen, a member of the group and debate moderator, said at the Board of Trustees debate, which was held on Oct. 4. "The League's most important goal is to help voters stay informed," she continued.

Candidates for the WCC's Board of Trustees were asked about a variety of topics, including armed security on campus and the possibility of future on-campus housing for WCC.

"The questions came from both the community, and a committee of League members," said Susan Smith, who acted as the main moderator.

All of the debates will be aired on Ann Arbor's Community Television Network, channel 19, multiple times before the election on Nov. 8.

THE FORUMS SCHEDULE:

7 p.m. - Ann Arbor District Library Board

6 p.m. - State Representative District 54

7 p.m. - State Representative District 52

8 p.m. - State Representative District 53

9 p.m. - State Representative District 55

9:45 p.m. - Washtenaw County Prosecutor

9:45 p.m. - Washtenaw County Commission District 9

9 p.m. - Washtenaw County Sheriff

MONDAY OCT. 10

TUESDAY OCT. 11



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In the studio of CTN for the Ann Arbor League of Women Voters forum for candidates, Dilip Das, Angela Davis, Suzanne M. Gray, Marisa Rader Huston and William Milliken Jr., running for WCC Board of Trustees, answering questions from representatives of the League of Women Voters.



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Roderick Casey, Holly Heaviland, Charles Wolfe Jr. and Anna Zinkel were on the first panel of candidates running for the Washtenaw Community College Board of Trustees at the League of Women Voters debate at Community Television Network (CTN) in Ann Arbor.



Michigan Voter Registration Forms must be completed and submitted to a city or county Clerk's Office by close on Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2016.

The WCC Political Science Club members will be on the First Floor of the Student Center Building to help you register to vote between 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.:

- Monday, Oct. 10, 2016
- Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2016

Club members will have a computer and printer available for you to print your completed voter registration from. They will also provide you with the correct address of your local Clerk, so that you may deliver the form in-person.

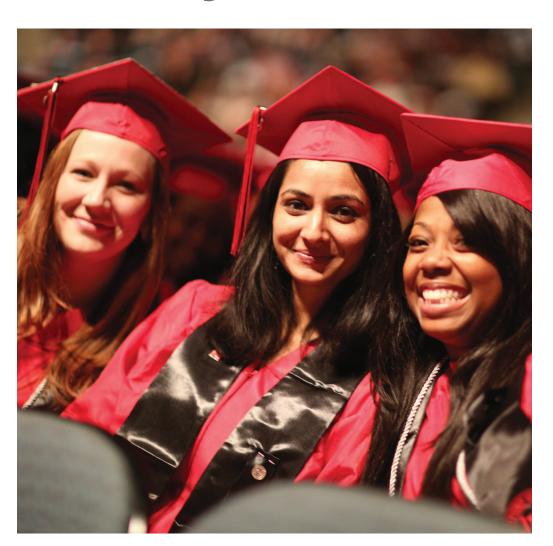
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Ways that make the Student ID pay for itself in discounts

BY JENEE GREGOR Deputy Editor

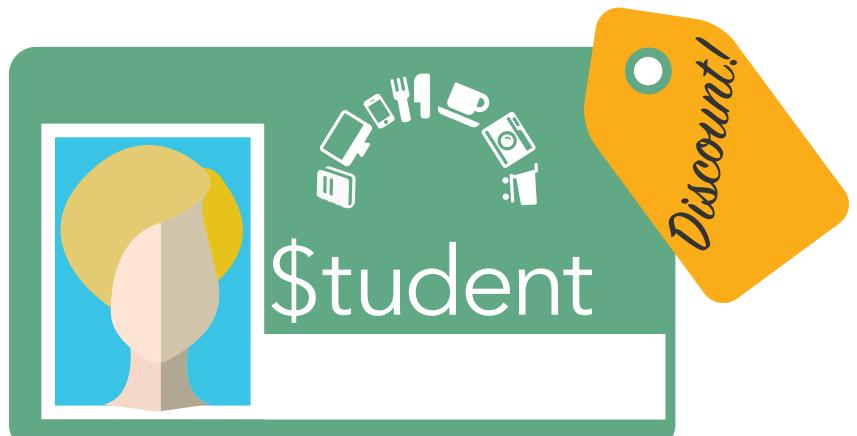
The degree isn't the only benefit to the years spent chasing it, can't forget the student discounts! There are many options that students have to get discounts on daily life items and things that are necessary for school success.

"They have student discounts at all?" said Breana Holden, WCC student.

The textbooks, rent and tuition adds up to a hefty level of cost and these retailers appreciate the fact that students have tight funds but would like to offer some help to make ends meet and make the student's lives a little more affordable.

Businesses get the benefit of student patronage and loyalty, which is something that can continue, mentioned Kristen Gapske of the Entrepreneurship Center at WCC.

Having the student ID has many perks when it is presented. A lot of local retailers offer a 10 percent or more discount for students with the EMU or WCC student ID, or student discount platforms like UNIDAYS.



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YPSI STUDIO

Ypsi Studio is a gym in downtown Ypsilanti that has various classes and personal training sessions. Students receive a 20 percent off class packages with either the punch cards or unlimited passes.

A2 YOGA

Westside Ann Arbor Yoga studio offers 10 percent off dropins and class packages with a student ID.

THE RIDE

WCC students get a free ride on Gives up to \$100 off MacBook the bus from in front of the student center when ID is presented. The free rides do not occur anywhere other than leaving the campus.

SALVATION ARMY

Student discount day is Thursday. Students with valid ID receive 25 percent of their total purchase.

APPLE

Pro, \$50 MacBook Air, and MacBook and \$100 iMac new computers for students Brandon Sawyer, an Apple associate at the Briarwood Store explained.

MICROSOFT

Offers students 10 percent off their new items when purchasing online.

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The Creative Cloud and Photography programs allow for students to get a deeply discounted rate for the programs they need. They boast a 60 percent off discount, which is only \$19.99 a month, or \$239.88 for the year.

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Teaming up with Sprint, Amazon Prime offers a free six month trial as a student. They offer free two day shipping on all orders and plenty of other benefits.

SPOTIFY

A global music streaming service that provides users with offline listening, offers a large percentage discount for students for up to a year. Their regular price is \$9.99 per month, but offers Spotify Student at \$4.99 per month.

As the financial aid check dwindles, hopefully the discounts keep coming.

WCC Career Fair

BY CHANEL STITT Contributor

eas talked to employers who had positions available while at the Washtenaw Community College Career Fair on Tuesday, Oct. 4 from 1-4 p.m.

The WCC Career Fair is an annual event that takes place on campus in the Morris Lawrence Building. People are able to sign in and talk to the various companies that attended the fair.

Employers were asked what values they look for and work ethic was the most common among which each company requested.

"We look for quality, not quantity," said Tim Osugi, an employer of Primerica Financial.

Companies such as Primerica and Clean Water Action mentioned that they will hire people with no experience and teach everything that an employee would need to know to complete their jobs.

There were companies for various educational backgrounds, for example: culinary arts, automotive, child care, education, healthcare, business, industrial, information

Many students and resi- technology, staffing and public more entry level instead of fulldents of the surrounding ar- service careers. on careers.

> Healthcare businesses like Reliable Home Care are hiring people that are willing to help the elderly and disabled on a daily basis.

> The career fair gave the ability to search beyond the degree program that people are currently working in at WCC.

> "I'm applying [to] Bell Tire, AV Fuel, and probably Glacier Hills," said Chinonso Duruaku, a student at WCC.

Toyota is hiring for the positions of a technician and a power train dyno operator. They want their employees to have work ethic, punctuality and willingness to learn, which are the top three values in their company.

Culinary businesses also attended the fair. McDonald's, Pizza House, and Domino's were recruiting new employees in these local restaurants.

"We're looking for fun, reliable people who love to smile," said Jordan Jones, a representative of Pizza House.

Students were looking for jobs within their educational field along with jobs that were

"It helped me look for new and fun job opportunities that I wouldn't find on the internet," said Arcell Harris, a student at WCC.

With classes in session, this also factors into job options that can accommodate students. Many part-time jobs were available at the fair for this reason.

"I'm looking for a job that is flexible with my school schedule," said Keion Jackson, a student at WCC.

The local Marriott hotels and the downtown Ann Arbor Graduate Hotel are flexible with hours. They are hiring for most positions.

Michigan Dining is offering positions where one can choose whichever shift works best based on the availability given. Anyone is able to be hired to this job.

Companies have many jobs available within each industry, and can be available to a variety of degrees earned in one's years of college.



Chinonso Duruaku (left), Keion Jackson, WCC students attended the Career Fair on October 4. CARMEN CHENG | WASHTENAW VOICE



"We look for quality, not quantity," Tim Osugi, employer at Primerica Financial, will hire the right people and teach those who show promise, but have no prior experience. CARMEN CHENG | WASHTENAW VOICE



Chip Tarter, powertrain testing manager at TOYOTA Technical Center, explains recruitment information to Joshua Steininger, Washtenaw community member. CARMEN CHENG WASHTENAW VOICE

Bizarre Bazaar Ypsi 'the perfect fit' for new vendors

BY JENELLE FRANKLIN Editor

A Saturday morning spent shopping in an open air market that has hailed itself the "gypsy caravan" put customers among handcrafted jewelry, fresh baked goods, fortune tellers and decorated animal skulls. A day in the market followed by a small theater packed to watch horror films, sound Bizarre? Precisely.

"Bizarre Bazaar Ypsi is not your normal arts and crafts show. On average we have 12-16 different artists that create handmade items that you

average craft show or gift shop," Morgana Grimm, BBY organizer said. The event, scheduled from

11 a.m. to 8 p.m. brought over 300 people to the Massage Mechanics 11 E. Cross st. hosting location.

WCC alumna Pam Hennigan debuted her pastries from her company Pastry Garden LLC, on Oct. 1.

"I have been to the Bazaar as a visitor, and asked Morgana if I could sell my baked goods here, under the cottage food law," Hennigan said.

Her first time running her own vendor tent, Hennigan sold out by late after-

ers market atmosphere over that of a grocery store. "It's the one on one experience I like to have with the customer. You can ask the questions and get the answers from the person who made the

product," Hennigan said.

rugulah, shortbread cookies,

and variety of cupcakes hit the

Hennigan prefers the farm-

right market.

Grimm said BBY is the best place for first time vendors, allowing for the foot in the door to be placed and connections

made. "Bizarre Bazaar Ypsi focuses on artists who are new

to vending their work, helping side of how to sell/market their work, and to network with other artists to find more events

from each other," Grimm said. Rebecca Sisler's booth for Just a Little Off & Reba's Small Batch had antique style handmade bookmarks, alongside attachable fox tails and wrapped

gemstone jewelry. Inspiration for hand crafted jewelry starts with the materials, "I like to select the stones' designs based on how they feel to me," Sisler said.

One catalyst of her BBY booth rental lies in the love of her products and the desire to share them universally, "I love working with turquoise, and I feel everyone should own a piece of skull jewelry," Sisler

Although not everyone may own a piece of skull jewelry, BBY is the perfect market to share the opportunity to wear something unique.

"BBY brings new art to the community, (provides) a place to meet new people and enjoy the day," Grimm said.

Logan Frizzell, owner of By Copper and Steel filled his booth with jewelry accented with dinosaur teeth, hand polished stones, sea glass and crystals, wrapped with leather, wood and metal.

"I collect my wood pieces right after a thunderstorm, and my seaglass has come from years of family trips to North Carolina," Frizzell said, "The wood is usually Oak, Pine or ash and I use typically copper when making metal jewelry."

Each BBY opportunity brings a unique clientele to vendor booths and the theme of the event does not always reflect what's sold, creating unpredictable inventory requests and stimulating online purchases after the fact.

"I have gone to horror movie conventions and sold only seaglass when I prepared for many saw blade pendant purchases," Frizzell said.

Brittany Berkley, The Wandering Wendigo artisan sat at her BBY booth, feeding an injured Monarch sugar water and giving it a safe place to dry out after Friday night's rain.

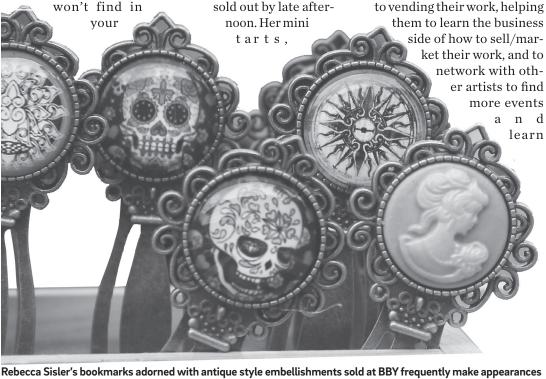
Berkley brought a variety of skulls collected from nature walks through places such as Rolling Hills County P ark, Hillsdale and Allen, MI. Some of her skulls are offered to her after relatives have inherited them and don't know what to do with them she said.

"I used to be a zoo keeper so I can recognize most of what I come across," Berkley said. The hand painted designs and sculptures can take days or weeks to complete, depending on the intricacy and customization.

Each skull is treated as a canvas for art, sometimes not being cleaned properly which adds to time process. Once cleaned with a peroxide solution, they are painted or sculpted and then, "I adorn them with quartz or swarovski crystals," Berkley said.

Every vendor brought their business card with contact information for future purchases and special requests, a perk vendors say of face-to-face interactions with customers at BBY events.

BBY themes vary from month to month throughout the year, "Some events offer free educational gifts for children, free activities for children or, like this event, four hours of free indie horror short movies for teens and adults," Grimm said, "The tiny theater was packed, people were happy to stand, and it became an amazing version of MST3K."



at events for the Pagan community. WHITNEY BROWN | WASHTENAW VOICE



A fox skull designed by Brittany Berkley of The Wandering Wendigo. Skulls are cleaned with peroxide instead of WHITNEY BROWN | WASHTENAW VOICE bleach to preserve the delicate material.



Owner of By Copper and Steel, Logan Frizzle, hails himself, "a maker of many things." Materials include: leather, copper, reclaimed wood, amethyst and Mosasaur teeth. WHITNEY BROWN | WASHTENAW VOICE



WCC alumna Pam Hennigan sampled her shortbread cookies and pumpkin cupcakes to entice visitors at Bizarre Bazaar Ypsi. Hennigan sold out of everything she brought in just a few short hours.

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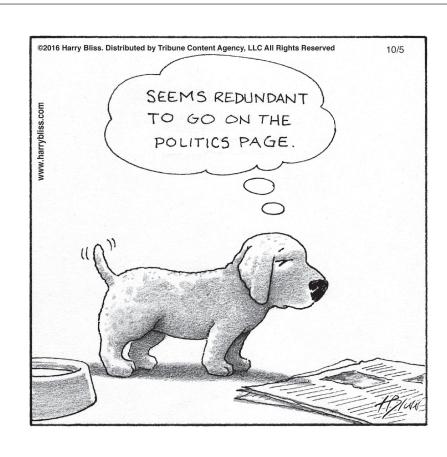
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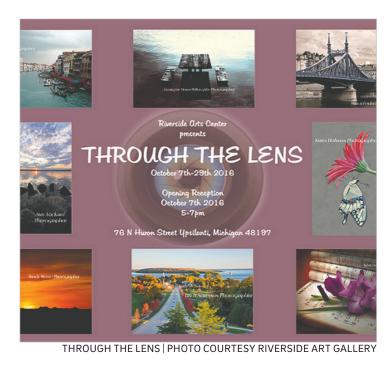
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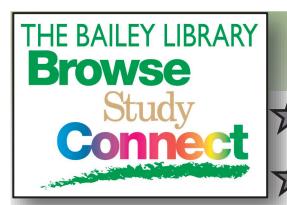


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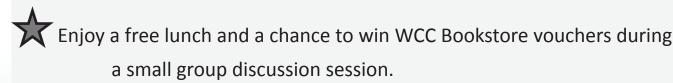


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