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WCC unveils new equipment from Gov. Snyder's CCSTEP grant

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PHOTO COURTESY JESSICA BIBBEE (From left) Instructor Glen G. Kay II, Gov. Rick Snyder and President Bellanca look at a laser-cut steel sample of the WCC logo made with the new Trumpf TruLaser Cutting Cell 3000

### Director believes grant en-

sures WCC 'students will graduate job ready'

JENEE GREGOR Deputy Editor

The Occupation Education building closed off and guarded by security, was prepared for a visit from Gov. Rick Snyder for the unveiling of new equipment in the Skilled Trades Education Department. The podium was set up for speeches and a "thank you" for the generous grant

AKS Cutting Systems do-nated ProNest 2017 software that was given to Washtenaw Community College to grow the skilled trades education to the college during the ceremony, valued at \$150,000, to be used in conjunction with the AKS plasma cutter/welder. program. CCSTEP stands for the Community College Skilled Trades Equipment Program. "The CCSTEP was geared

which is \$50 million in grants that go to colleges that are earnto get up-to-date equipment, because in many cases over the years the equipment had become dated...and another ing their grants through community outreach and growth in their programs. Last year, WCC received

big part of it was to get part-nerships to happen with the companies themselves," said \$4.4 million in a grant to update their equipment to state-Gov. Snyder. "When they of-the-art and up-to-date machinery that is used in the current job market. (AKS) made the gift they said 'come out and visit', and that's really part of the next step is to

continue that engagement. The more that people connect the more they can feel confident going into the job market." When asked about what is next in the fields of manufac-

turing and where the education and industry is headed after this program, and the future for Michigan's manufacturing there is excitement about in-telligent vehicles.

"There is a convergence go-ing on with the intelligent vehicles, the manufacturing world and the IT world are one world, it's all combine where we can get people to open their minds

to create new and wonderful products," said Gov. Snyder. More than 37 new pieces of equipment were added to the Occupational education pro-grams. The machinery went

into the automotive body repair department, advanced manufacturing technologies department, automotive ser vices department, and welding and fabrication.

Some of the new equipment were 3D printers, TIG welders, plasma cutting systems, lasers cutters and more See GRANT, A2

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improved trails

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### Blackboard SaaS vs **Canvas vs Brightspace** 'research project'

WCC's Center for interactive Teaching & Learning test drives new online programs

JENELLE FRANKLIN Editor

Students and faculty are the prime influences in the search for a possible alterna tive to WCC's Blackboard, the current Learning Management Software used for online learning since 2001.

"There wasn't any confi-dence in our current model that we have with Blackboard," Peter Baccile, senior director for online learning said; leaving an opening for discussion of a new LMS with better communication on the business and user experience ends.

There are 6,000 students taking classes online right now. 30 courses, 29 faculty and roughly 750 students, not counting the late starts are taking the test drive of the three systems," Baccile said.

"The hunt began in 2015, the business relationships we had were almost non-existent," said Baccile, "they were either never to be found, or turning people

groups for Q&A of the systems to ensure the live trial period goes smoothly for all," Nancy Collison, WCC online innova tion technologist said.

Students will have an anon-ymous survey opportunity sim-ilar to that of WCC student opinion questionnaire. "The

fully produce truthful answers to the objective and subjective questionnaire CiTL will be making available on the class

encing difficulties, "you as the student don't know if it's the faculty using it wrong because they don't know how, or if it really is the tool itself," Eccleston said, prompted the many train-ing and review opportunities that faculty have during the

See BLACKBOARD A2



Students, staff and faculty had a two hour window on Wed. Sept. 21, togather information on how to volunteer in their com-munities. 34 organizations lined the walls of the Student Center's first floor offering pamphlets, freebies and community support.

Of the organizations who participated VIP Mentoring, Growing Hope, and The Salvation Army's representatives relayed the im-portance of contributing and getting involved in the community students live and work in. Roger Waldon II, VIP Mentoring match specialist started

as a volunteera nd is now a full time employee. VIP Mentoring serves children in Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne counties, Waldon mentioned.

"I match children with one or two incarcerated parents to a caring adult who can help them during this difficult time in their lives," Waldon said. He sees potential on WCC's campus for many caring mentors and hopes students see their potential too.

community health, gardening and nutrition based organization said Growing Hope installs gardening boxes for community and private use.

"We are an urban farm in Ypsilanti. The best part is that our farm is hidden from the road. People will come to their first vol-unteer session and be so surprised it's here," Anthony said.

See FAIR, A2



CARMEN CHENG | WASHTENAW VOICE Michael Anthony, the volunteer manager of Growing Hope, shares the information of growing healthy food to students; Jacki Dotts, a volunteer at 826Michigan who started last Jan. as a program intern.

### Organizations that visited campus:

over so quickly we couldn't

form a relationship" "After a free pilot of the pro-grams, three training sessions were held for each LMS over the summer for faculty to learn tools. Those have been fol-lowed up with weekly support

faculty have their own peer-to-peer setup to review this re-search," Baccile said. The anonymity will hope-

homepages. "It's really important for us to differentiate between the faculty using the product and the tool itself," Gloria Eccleston, operations manager for CiTL said.

When it comes to experitrial



loger Waldon II. the match specialist from VIP Mentoring, at the rs Days of WCC on Sept. 21v

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GRANT, from A1 "The CCSTEP equipment places WCC in a position to meet businesses and industry demands for highly skilled and highly capable technicians in the workforce. And gives our students a chance to use machinery that is currently being used today," said Alan Lecz, advanced transportation center director, during his speech "Our students will graduate job ready," Lecz said.

FAIR, from A1 Outside of their own loca-on at 922 W. Michigan Ave. Growing Hope is spreading

throughout Ypsilanti. "We installed the boxes for Cultivate Coffee & Taphouse," Anthony said. Volunteers can sign up to schedule their time around work and school with so many options from clerical work to gardening; "no prior farming experience necessary," Anthony said.

BLACKBOARD, from A1 "We have had several iterations of Blackboard over the years, but we have always been a school that was self-hosted. The three new ones that we are taking for a test drive are Canvas, Brightspace, and Blackboard SaaS- 'software as a service'." Eccleston said.

What makes those three different from our self-hosted system is that they are cloud based, hosted by the Amazon server farm. This does force some limi-

tations on control, but opens up opportunities at the same time for better user experience, Baccile and Eccleston s There are 6,000 students taking classes online right

now. 30 courses, 29 faculty and roughly 750 students, not counting the late starts are taking the test drive of the three systems," Baccile said. The final recommendation will be in the form of a proposal

to the board of trustees around July 2017. We want to see which one

so rapidly." Baccile said.

As the industry grows and evolves, so does the equipment needed and the students were feeling that situation.

"We really needed new equipment. It (the problem) was more or less having to share," said Kimberly Nelson, a welding certificate student at WCC. The sharing of the equipment meant waiting for time and students not being able to use the tools at the same time,

and possibly not getting help Darlene Howard, Salvation Army volunteer coordinator, was born in a Salvation Army hospital. "I have been apart of this all my life, and it extends

way past me, I am proud to be the fifth generation of my family to participate." "We are here to help with basic daily needs, without dis-crimination towards anyone who walks through our door for help," Howard said.

All monies raised in

The Washtenaw Voice they needed during the class because of not having enough equipment, or the most current

With the new equip we aren't just learning the old stuff but also learning on the brand new equipment. We are very very lucky to have this new equipment, I was amazed when I came in this year," said Nelson.

President Rose Bellanca mentioned that the faculty, adninistrators and staff worked hard to make this grant happen

Washtenaw County stay in Washtenaw County to help with broad array of services from veterans needs, daily and disaster needs, and extending to the fight against human trafficking.

Volunteers are seen as "our helping hands," Howard said; there is a simple application and a background check for volunteers to join and the flexible scheduling system accommo dates volunteers.



will work the best as we grow Peter Bacille is the senior director for online l earning at WCC's Center for interactive Teaching and Learning (CiTL).

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## **IN BRIEF**

### WCC TRANSFER RESOURCES

Next month, WCC hosts a transfer fair for students. Around 50 universities will visit with information about their institutions and programs Oct. 5. The event takes place, 10 a.m.- 3 p.m. on the second floor of the Student Center. Last year's event had a wide array of possibilities- a full circle of tables lined the outer walls, each with their university's flags hung across the front. Students were greeted with pamphlets, brochures, business cards, free advice for transferring, and free pens. For those who wish to meet with Eastern Michigan University representatives throughout the semester, there will be someone in SC206 on Wednesdays from 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. and Thursdays from 12 p.m. – 4 p.m.

### ~ Jenelle Franklin

### **SPORTS**

WCC sports teams will be at home for students to come out and show some school pride. The baseball and soccer Fields are located next to WCC's Health and Fitness Center

### Saturday, Oct.1

Women's intramural soccer - WCC vs. Wavne State - 12 p.m.

Men's club soccer - WCC vs. Wayne State - 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 2 Baseball - WCC vs. Eastern Michigan University -

4:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 8 Baseball - WCC vs. Henry Ford Community College - 1:00 p.m.

Sunday Oct. 9 Women's soccer - WCC vs. Oakland University at 12 p.m. at WCC Soccer Field

-Derek Patterson

### FALL TRANSER **WORKSHOPS**

WCC offers multiple workshops to give advice and help students with their transfer process. Counselors and advisors will be present to teach students how to will be present to teach students now to make the most of their transfer credits. Also, successful WCC transfer students will be present for the second session to share tips on the process. Snacks will be provided, registration is not required.

Wednesday, Sept. 28, 12-1 p.m. LA 150 Wednesday, Oct. 3, 3- 5 p.m. LA 268

For more information contact, Counseling and Career planning at

734-677-5102.

-Jenee Gregor

### CALL FOR PERFORMERS

Bravo 51, The art of perfor-mance calls for people to show-case their talents for a special event in November. WCC fac-ulty, staff, students and alumni are asked to come and show off their talents.

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

> A: Obviously one of the things I'd do is do AL GOVIOUSY One of the things I'd do is do some travelling I enjoy travelling more than anything right now. I'd also probably set up some sort of foundation for myself, probably create some scholarships and do some philan-thropic work.



By Michael Mishler Contributor INSTRUCTOR: Elvis Smith

CLASS: Adjunct Communications professor, 22 years at WCC HOMETOWN: Canton, MI

### Q: Why did you choose to work at Washtenaw Community College?

A: I was teaching at Eastern Michigan University and I was invited to teach here to fill a spot. I've been able to come back every year and I enjoy teaching here because of the facilities, the closeness to home and to Eastern.

### Q: What is the most satisfying part of your job?

A: It's working with students and seeing students succeed, especially if it's those that are not sure if they will succeed or not. I teach the basic speech course COM (communica-

in politics. I think it might have been during the 1968 presidential election.

Q: If you won the lottery, how would you spend it?

Q: Where would you build your dream

A: I love travelling to Florida now, so I'm



Florida, some place on the water like Clearwater or Ft. Myers. Q: If you could time travel, what time would you go to?

A: I would like to go back to the time just before the turn of the 20th century, just before the advent of the automobile, just to see what that time was I got to know them and they told me stories of what it was like to ride in their first automobile. They still had some modern conveniences, but it was a time of great technological change. It was when the industrial revolution was really kicking into gear.

### Q: Where is your possible future travel destination?

A: I would really like to travel abroad, I'd like to go to England.

### Q: What is your favorite movie?

A: There are a lot of movies that I like. I haven't seen any movies recently, but I like "The Sound of Music." I love the old MGM musicals from the '40s and '50s, I really enjoy watching those.

Q: What is your favorite type of restau-

A: I love Chinese food, when my wife and I go out, we always look for a Chinese restaurant. My favorite dish is usually sesame chicken or chicken with broccoli.

### Q: Where do you see yourself in ten years?

A: I will probably still be here. I might be semiretired, but I'll probably still be teaching.





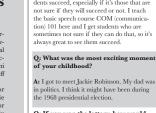
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familiar with that area, so I'd probably say in





by Jenee Gregor

Remember the saying, 'to color between the lines'?

When did the line become the problem, and why can't the lines be part of the grand

scheme of the drawing rather

than something that requires strict adherence The rules aren't the prob-

lem, discipline can be high-

ly beneficial for focus, but can also direct away from creativity. Ken Robinson, in a TED

talk titled, "Do Schools Kill Creativity?" discusses this. "The problem is to remain an

artist as we grow up. I believe

this passionately, that we don't grow into creativity, we grow out of it. Or rather, we get edu-

cated out of it. So why is this?"

SHENEMAN TRIBULE COLITELIT ABELICY

He talks about when children are young, they do not fear to be wrong, until they are

Robinson said



taught, they are able to explore and grow their minds into dif-ferent directions, without fear.

That fear of fault keeps them

between the lines on the pages and that is not where innova-

tion is born. Innovation is born out of

trial and error. Innovation is born out of exploration and

not the fear of being wrong but the possibility of being right.

The creative principle is "If you never

change your mind,

why have one?"

~Edward De Bono

Robinson also talks about the hierarchy of education that

starts with math and languag-

es, to humanities and then to arts. And with the arts, art and music take precedence over

Some children are dancers some are singers and they may be lead astray from these pas-

sions to sit at a desk removed

drama and dance.

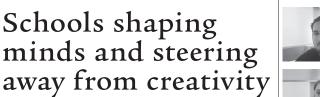
## Voice Box

BY MICHAEL MISHLER

### WITH THE NUMBER OF SCHOOL SHOOTINGS GOING ON TODAY, HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE STAFF CARRYING CON-**CEALED FIREARMS?**



"I think that'd be a good idea, I'm not opposed to it. I know there are a lot [of shooters] but I don't think they'd come to this campus. But it might be a good idea." Emily Simones, 19, Heartland, health sciences major



"I guess I would like those individuals to go through special training before we give them such means because a firearm's not much good if you don't know how to use it." Phil Gibson (WTMC), 18, Manchester, English major.



"The staff would obviously have to have a concealed weapons permit for one thing, but other than that, I'd say I'm for it." John Rains, 19, Stockbridge, physical therapy major.



"Granted, I would feel a little uncomfortable in the beginning because it's not a common image for me, but I do think that due to the recent and growing amount of school shootings that it is something of a safety measure." Marlene Enriquez, 22, Burgen County, NJ, Psychology GA at Sienna Heights University.

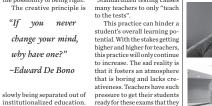
"I would not be okay with that. That would not be acceptable. think nobody should bring guns to school." Karen Finley, 48 Manchester, nursing major.

"I am not comfortable with that at all. I think they've done a lot of studies with CPL [Concealed Pistol License], people don't react in time. I just think it's just an added danger." Pamela Horvas, 34. Canton, nursing major.

"I don't know if it's the right way to go about it. I don't know, I guess I don't really have an opinion. It wouldn't affect my own personal school experience." Justin Smith, 28, Temperance, cu-linary arts major.

"Being able to have certain staff carry firearms could be benefi-cial, but I don't think all staff should be allowed to carry firearms, and I definitely don't think students should be allowed to carry firearms." Keith Elrod, 43, Ypsilanti, construction management.

want more protection. At the same time, I think it's something they need to consider a bit more carefully, perhaps find other ways to stop what's going on." Dami Netter, 21, Ann Arbor, history major.



pressure to get their students ready for these exams that they neglect to teach students skills that go beyond the tests." The fact that students are

moved away from creativity is recognized, but is there a change in sight? As specific college degrees become less

important but experience and creative problem solving is highly valued, should education shift to meet this demand



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"I mean, to be fair. I can see why they're doing it, because they



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from where they excel. This is tricky because in the reality of school systems there is a shortage of teachers, funds and time. The schools are rig-orously tested to make sure they deserve the funding they get with standardized testing Columbia University's text on standardized testing says this about the cons "Standardized testing cause













### NEWS

# THIRD PARTY

BY BRITTANY DEKORTE Staff writer

Third parties have seen a big uptick in the past few years, especially this election cycle. Gary Johnson, the Libertarian Party Candidate, has been polling at an average of 6 percent, and Jill Stein of the green party has been polling at an average of 1.5 percent, according to Real Clear Politics RCP average. People in the United States hear about Republicans and Teople in the characteristic ontext many and the photometal and Democrats all the time, but most people don't know very much about the other political parties. The US is unique in the devel-oped world in that two parties always dominate public policies; Canada, for example, has three major parties, while the UK has eight major parties and other minor ones. While the setup of our government favors two parties, many minor parties, referred to as "Third Parties" here in the US, have existed since

the beginning. The Libertarian party was founded in 1971 in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and held their first national convention 1972. The Green Party formed in May of 1984 in St. Paul Minnesota

Read more Third Party QSA at www.washtenawvoice.com



### LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF

### WASHTENAW COUNTY

James Hudler, Chair and Candidate for U of M Board of Regents Larry Johnson, Vice Chairman and Candidate for Ypsilanti Parks Comm

How well does Gary Johnson represent the Libertarian party's key platform points

Jeff Wood, Candidate for 8th US District

Gary Johnson, and his VP (running mate) Bill Weld, are considered moderate libertarians. Both were governors in the past, of New Mexico and Massachusetts, respectively. Both are more moderate candidates, and are more interested in a lower rate flat tax. We think a flat tax is a step in the right direction, but would like to see taxes eliminated eventually. The two of them believe in term limits, internet freedom, and immigration reform

What other candidates will be on the ballot in Michigan for your party, besides Gary Johnson?

Jeff Woods is running for 8th US congressional district, James Hudler is running for the Board of Regents, Larry Johnson is running for the Ypsilanti Township Parks Commission, Ken Proctor is running for the 7th district and Tom Bagwell is running for the 12th district.

People often say that voting for a third party is throwing away your vote. What is your response to this sentiment?

We personally reject the label of 'third party'. We are a legitimate party, with people running at all levels of government, and appear on the ballots of all 50 states. As for throwing away one's vote, the only truly wasted vote is voting for someone you don't agree with. When Abe Lincoln ran, he technically didn't run for a major party. If you keep voting for the lesser of two evils, you'll keep getting evil.

### Where can those interested in your party meet you and w supporters to learn mor

The Libertarian Party of Washtenaw County meets the first Wednesday of every month Classic Cup Café 4389 Jackson Rd, Ann Arbor. https://lpwc.wordpress.com/

How well does Jill Stein represent the Green party's key platform points Jill Stein, like Bernie Sanders, has given a voice to the protest ind anger over our broken, corrupt system of government. Still, if the people once again choose to delay the Green Party reforms by voting once again for Democrat and Republican party ideals, a fossil fuel economy and war mongering agenda, then the death nail for eco-meltdown will have been casted and a declining eco-future our fate.

HURON VALLEY GREEN PARTY

Eric Borregard, Candidate For House of Representatives 52nd District

What other candidates will be on the ballot in Michigan for your party, besides Jill Stein?

The convention was just last Saturday (Aug. 7) so a full list will be on our State Party website and Facebook page soon. I can tell we have two candidates for U.S. Congress: Dylan Calewarts in 12th and Harley Mikkleson in the 5th and two State Repre sentative Candidates in Washtenaw County, including myself.

People often say that voting for a third party is throwing away your vote. What is your response to this sentiment?

If you think your government is lying and cheating the public. corrupt and not serving you well, wasting your tax dollars on give away programs for the rich and fighting futile and immortal wars that only kill the innocent and harm the poor, why would you reward such parties by ever voting for them again? Isn't that the real definition of wasting your vote? Isn't that the real definition of insanity?

Where can those interested in your party meet you and w supporters to learn more

The Huron Valley Green Party meets the second Sunday of every month at the Big Boy Restaurant 3611 Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48105, at 8pm Online at: www.facebook.com/migreen:

9:00 p.m.-10:30 p.m. The moderator will open with a question,

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### The Political Science Club Wants YOU To Vote

WCC is making it easier for students to access voting information via TurboVote

BY IVAN FLORES Staff Write

The Washtenaw ommunity College Political Science Club (PSC) has been helping students register to vote since it was founded three years ago. Part of its mission is to

reduce apathy and promote participation in the political process. The club's efforts have produced over 800 voters.

This year, the club is collab-orating with Student Activities to step up voter registration efforts, through a program called TurboVote

TurboVote is an internet app distributed by Democracy Works. It makes registering to vote easier by making the forms available to be filled out online, and even mailing a hard copy of the completed forms

directly to the applicant. The packet will include a stamped envelope addressed to the appropriate city or county clerk Students enrolled at colleges, such as WCC, who are partnered with TurboVote get a free packet mailing, a \$5

value

In addition, TurboVote sends reminders about when Others promised to submit the completed forms to the counand where to vote, updates on ty clerk, and never did, leaving some students unable to nolling locations as well as invote. TurboVote is completely ormation about what's on the ballot. Once registered, indinonpartisan and leaves the ulviduals can also request absentimate responsibility of subtee ballots through TurboVote. mitting the forms with the The cost of the program was

individual students. Eastern Michigan University started using \$3000. The price depends on TurboVote this year. Annie Somerville, direc-tor of governmental affairs at

the population of the school, and covers postage. Peter Leshkevich, director of student activities, brought the idea of using TurboVote to Eastern, said EMU found the the the Political Science Club system most useful for request-ing absentee ballots. She said "I know other schools use it," Leshkevich said, "I wanted that navigating the process of requesting absentee ballots for a really simple way for students to register to vote where, where we can actually start tracking (them)." The Political Science out-of-state students used to be particularly messy. The new system will ensure those stu-Club holds a week-long camdents get their ballots delivered

paign to register students every semester. However, external organizations used to come on without a hassle. Schools subject to the Higher Education Act are recampus to register students. quired to make a good faith The experience wasn't always

effort to register eligible stu-dents to vote. TurboVote is a powerful tool to help WCC ful-fill this responsibility. Since it positive. According to Leshkevich, some of them were partisan.

was debuted in May, about 250 students have used TurboVote to register. In addition, the Political Science Club will continue to set a table in the student center. Rosie Van Alsburg, the pres ident of the club noted that Oct.

'We're trying to get the county clerk in before the deadline so they're at Washtenaw and people can hand their reg-istration directly to the clerk"

she said.

To sign up directly, go to wccnet.edu and click on the "activities" link at the top of the page. Then, log on to Campus Connect, scroll down, and look for the "register to vote" link on the left of the page.



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and each candidate will have two minutes to respond. Then, the candidate will have two minutes to respond. Then, the candidates will respond to one another and the rest of the segment will be used for deeper discussion. **Oct. 4 Vice Presidential debate** 

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Sept. 26

11 is the last day to register.

## WCC HOSTS FIRST EVER PAGAN PRIDE EVENT

BY BRITTANY DEKORTE Staff Write

A6 Sept. 26, 2016

A pride festival was hosted by the local branch of the Pagan Pride Project on Sept. 17, at Washtenaw Community to establish this event.

College. Ann Arbor Pagan Pride wel-comed people of all ages and spiritual backgrounds to their first ever event, which was set up in the Community Park, and went on as normally planned despite the rain.

paganism is the use of the term pagan; people who self identify as pagan." Rev. Rob Henderson lead the opening and closing prayer for the event. His Grove (or

congregation), is the Shining Lakes Grove, which teamed up with the Renewal Coven and "We ended up hosting this event at WCC because the price was the best we could find. Not other local pagan congregations to mention, the on-site security and being on a bus line," Henderson said. "Unfortunately, we still live in a day and age where peo-"To me, paganism means polytheism. Nature worship is defining, but not important.

It's about finding and under-standing one's place in the uni-verse," Henderson said, "As a ple will still be discriminated against based on their beliefs. Many of our members fear rewhole the one thing that unifies taliation in their everyday lives

because of their religion, which is why we need events like this." Amabran of the Renewal Coven said

Paganism is one of the smallest religious affiliations in the United States, with less than 1 percent of the popula-tion practicing, according to the Pew Research Center's Religious Landscape Study. Paganism is not a covered section of religion here at WCC. "In my comparative re-

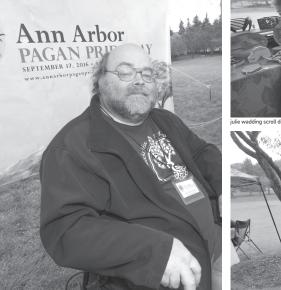
ligions class, we don't cover

paganism, only the five main living religions. It's not to diminish the religion in and of itself we often don't have time to coverit," said Professor Charles Johnson.

The Pagan Pride Project and its local affiliates are a non profit group that, "through education, activism, charity and commu-nity, promotes tolerance and understandingbetween people with different belief systems," according to their website. There was no entry fee to

the event, but a donation of a canned food or dry good item for the Food Gatherers pantry was appreciated. The event featured a Peruvian fire ceremony by

James Stovall, a belly dancing class led by members of the award winning troupe Sabba Zimora, a magical cleansing, information booths, vendors and other activities run by members of the local Pagan community.





Rev. Rob Henderson led the ope community park September 17. nd closing prayer for the Pagan Pride

### COLORS OF CANCER 5K SPARKS MINDFULNESS IN WCC STUDENTS

Colors of Cancer 5k charity race is an annual fundraising event held at Rolling Hills County Park, where participants are encouraged to walk, run, skip, jog, or dance their way to the finish line while being doused with colored cornstarch.



Jackie Gotz - "I volunteer with my church helping a homeless shelter in Detroit. We bring them winter clothes towards the end of Oct. And we bring them coffee and hot chocolate for anyone who has children. It's nice to help those who really need it. It really makes me realize how easy I have it compared to those less fortunate."



Runners participated in Colors of Cancer 5K run at Rolling Hills county park, Sept. 18, 2016



Shelby Wilson - "I like volunteering because it makes me feel good about myself, whether its helping to make a difference in my com-munity or helping out at an event to make it run smoothly, like the Sk. Working with peo-ple who share similar interests as me makes it that much more enjoyable."



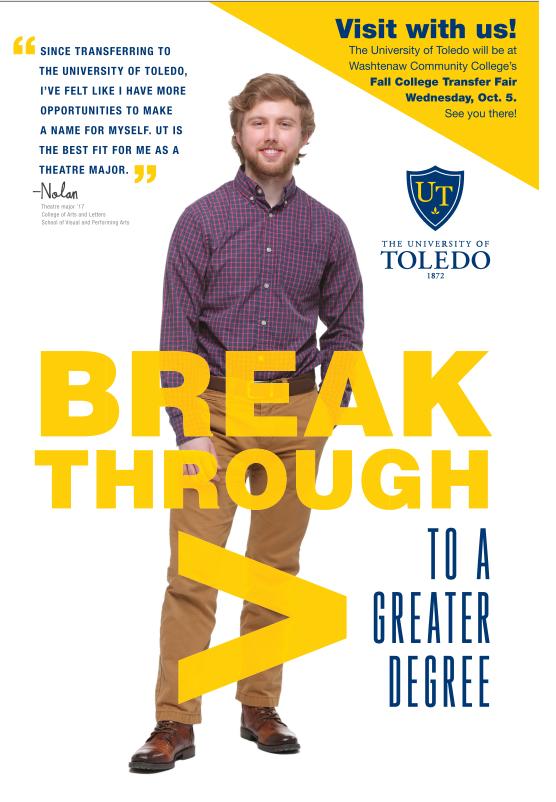
Rachel Guikema - "I enjoy volunteering because I get to be around happy people and do constructive work for a good cause. The best part about volunteering os probably that most (finot all) of the people there are choosing to be there and they're generally very kind and energetic and happy which is always wonderful to be around and be a part of."



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Allison Richards, event coordinator said, "I enjoy putting this event on every year because it gives the community chance to give back and know that their money is going towards a good cause. Many of us are affected in some way by cancer and its good to get people to stand up in the fight together





### WHEN NOLAN TRANSFERRED AS A SOPHOMORE TO UT,

he was confident in his decision to study theatre, but knew he would have to work for his chance to step into the spotlight. Under the instruction of leading faculty members, he's performed on stage in professional productions with the Toledo Symphony and at the Toronto Fringe Festival, and he played the lead in UT's production of "Little Shop of Horrors."

Those opportunities are helping Nolan become a breakthrough performer and student at The University of Toledo.

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## Biology classes utilize trails in WCC's backyard

### JENEE GREGOR Denuty Editor

Fall marked first semes-ter newly manicured trails are open to the students to be used to get a taste of na-ture while still on the campus. These two miles of

trails are meant to be open to all students, and are now a part of the biology classes. This semester they have become part of the biol-ogy classes, where students must walk the trail and address questions that are answered along the way.

trails have become a widened and manicured path with guiding signs about the na-ture around them. The original trails were sculpted by Ross Strayer, biology faculty and instructor and his father Jim Strayer as informal trails with faculty and parents. David Wooten, full-time faculty in Biology, headed up

What used to be primitive

the project of making new signs and helping with the re-design of curriculum to incor-porate them into the biology, zoology and botany classes. "I created, designed and

wrote the signs," said Wooten "We now have almost 2 miles of trails with a trailhead sign and nine interpretive signs." A WCC alumna Adri-

anne Chissus, drew the map for the trailhead sign before she transferred to Cornell University, leaving a special mark on the cam-pus, mentioned Wooten. The trailhead begins near the pond outside the

GM building. There are hopes that the ponds and other areas usefulness will only be extended in the future.

These areas have a fu-

that it is used by students the less likely there will be ideas to develop that wood-ed area, mentioned Strayer. The school and Departture with plans of an observation platform for hydrology studies and for other classes, mentioned David Wooten. "There are two ponds on

the trail that were dug recently as drainage ponds and over the years have grown into look-ing like ponds," said Strayer. These were originally primitive trails, that left na-ture just as it was, but with a newly widened path, the

trails seem more comfort-able, mentioned Strayer. Having nature as a classroom helps to protect said Heise. "The more peo-ple know it is here, the more they will want to protect it." the area as well. The more



Daniel Argersinger, 20, Ann Arbor, general studies is out and about taking pictures and the enjoying the weather while he walks along the WCC nature trail. ANDREI POP | WASHTENAW VOICE



A field biology class gathers around the pond behind the GM building to learn about various wildlife that inhabit the waters ANDREI POP | WASHTENAW VOICE



The WCC nature trail is extensive. There are entrances/exits by the ponds behind the GM building and the campus entrance off Clark Road. ANDREI POP | WASHTENAW VOICE

There are various informationa plaques all throughout the trail Students can learn all about the different species, plants, and the ecosystem of the woods

surrounding the WCC campus. ANDRELPOP | WASHTENAW VOICE



## Tigers in the fight for wild card spot in MLB playoffs

### BY DEREK PATTERSON Contributor

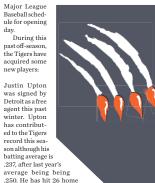
As of Sept. 23 the Tigers are in a fight for the last wild card spot in the 2016 American League. They stand a half of game in the lead of their league rival the Baltimore Orioles, as the season comes to a close Oct. 2

With the season ending, the Tigers have posted an overall record of 82 wins and 70 losses so far. To accomplish the goal of getting the wild card slot, the Tigers have to remain uninjured and consistent.

Matt Lucas, WCC sports co-ordinator said, "I think they can still make the playoffs. I think their pitching has been better, but the Tigers need more consistency." "I feel they can still make

the playoffs. They have a lot of talent with their hitting, but their bullpen needs to be bet-ter," Sean Morris, business sports management student at WCC said.

The playoffs start on Oct. 4, giving the Tigers a firm deadline if they want to be announced as part of the TBA game on the jury to his thumb.



.250. He has hit 26 home runs and had driven 79 RBIs so far this season, according to BaseballReference.com. Cameron Maybin, another

free agent Detroit signed, has been a big help, when healthy. Maybin suffered an injury during spring training that caused him to miss the first four-six weeks of the season

and recently had another in-



While Maybin has been in the lineup for Detroit he has been consistent with his bat as he has posted a .318 batting average so far

this season In August, some of the Tiger's the main players suffered injuries: all-star Miguel Cabrera, third base-man Nick Castellanos and starting pitcher Jordan Zimmerman

Part of the Tigers starting lineup, Michael Fulmer, is a rookie this year. Fulmer is the lead-ing candidate for the AL Rookie of the Year award. So far has a win/loss record of 10-7

an Earn Run Average of 3.03 and a total of 120 strikeoutsas of Sept. 23, according to CBS Sports.

Fulmer and injuries aside, there is more left in the last few games of the season before the Tigers secure or strike-out their spot in the playoffs.

They are going into the week-end trying to sweep division rival Kansas City Royals.

### American League division leaders: AL East: Boston Red Sox

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### B2 Sept. 26, 2016 Annual festival brings family-fun to Holly

BY BRITTANY DEKORTE Staff Writer AND JENELLE FRANKLIN Editor

Since 1997, the Michigan Renaissance Festival reported over a million people have flocked from around the country to eat, drink and be merry at its location in Holly, Michigan.

This 17 acre location offers family-friendly themed weekends in the village, with space to host weddings, parties and daily ticketed events such as:

Royal High Tea, King's Happy Hour, Feast of Fantasy, beer and bacon tastings. Activities to watch such as

jousting, food eating contests, and planning to join competitions in advance can fill up a day or more at the festival. Tickets are available for one day, of-fering a college ID discount, or a season-pass for multi-day visitors. Once guests step through

the towering gates, guests are surrounded by people dressed as fairies and mermaids, lords and queens, gypsies and sailors.

Costumes are not just for the employees, attendees often strut their stuff in their favorite fantasy dress-up alongside workers and volunteers. Bill Wilson has been

working at and going to the Clothiers. "Entertainment and food

are definitely 'top-notch,' I've had multiple people every year telling me how great the shows are." Wilson said.

Jammey Lewis,

ently works for The who curr Crimson Chain Leatherworks, has been working at the festival ticket giveaways. "There was a period in the early 2000s where not a lot was This year, tickets for the festival sold out in less than a week, according to the WCC

added to the fair. In the past few Working at an experiment of the second secon festival works with more than

they are the most popular tickets we sell," Jane Carmen, 30 non-profit agencies, to raise more than \$500,000 for the communities that support with their business, according to the

a part-time cashier, said. Tickets sold for \$5 for students and \$7 for staff at WCC's festival's community relations cashier office, regular adult

cashier's office.

"We started with over one hundred tickets. It's very nor-mal for us to sell out quickly;

besides Cedar Point tickets,

including a blood drive which totaled a value of \$10,975 in rice is \$22.95 daily festival entry.

The last weekend of the festival is October 1-2, 2016 The theme of the weekend is "Sweet Endings", and will fea-ture a chocolate festival and wine tasting. Coupons avail-able at participating Big Boy and Subway restaurants. As the festival grows in at-

tendance each year, the grassy parking lots are filling up fast. "I think the next thing that

needs tackled is the parking situation." Lewis said.



The renaissance festival shops draw visitors for food, trinkets and hand crafted works when they are not enjoying the shows and ticketed events BRITTANY DEKORTE | WASHTENAW VOICE

Jammey Lewis, who currently works for the Crimson Chain Leatherwork shop selling hand made satchels and other fine leatherworks, has been working at the festival since 1996. BRITTANY DEKORTE | WASHTENAW VOICE

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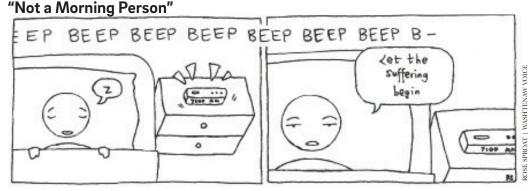
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Send ads to wcc.voice.advertising@gmail.com The Deadline for the October 10th issue is Tuesday, October 4th at 5 p.m.

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Below is a sample of recent employment want ads which have been posted with WCC Career Services. Students are invited to read these ads and to contact Career Services to find out how to apply for the openings.

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### Medical Billing Coordinator.

The Billing Coordinator provides services in accordance with billing requirements of related payer sources, company policy, and accounting firm requirements. The Billing Coordinator provides billing services and communicates observations and assessments to appropriate individuals. This individual will follow uniform billing procedures and practices ac-cording to Medicare, Medicaid, 3rd party payers, and private pay in accordance with other appropriate guidelines. All duties as-signed must be completed in a timely and efficient manner while ensuring accuracy and providing customers with high quality customer service. This position requires high attention to detail.

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Web Application Developers work on client projects using multiple languages, such as PHP, Java, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, .Net, op-erating systems, such as Android, iOS and Linux, and technologies such as AJAX. Developers must be able to work in a team and are expected to be able to learn new languages quickly. We offer practice based career develop-ment by hiring the best talent and investing in ongoing workforce development. This is instrumen tal in creating a fun and produc-tive work environment as well as driving exceptional business outcomes through technology leverage here at Nexient.

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This position is a full-time, nonexempt hourly position that requires experience and/or edu-cation as a Dental Assistant. The main job responsibilities are assisting dental providers with pro-cedures, patient education, and proper care of dental supplies and equipm ent

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getic, enthusiastic person who can multitask in our busy office. Position requires a minimum of 45 hours per week to include Saturdays, 8am-5pm.

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### ART

### TAKESHI TAKAHARA

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**ART PRIZE** Grand Rapids hosts citywide annual juried competition of art installations.

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SEPTEMBER 9-OCTOBER 8 117 Gallery | 117 W. Liberty St., Ann Arbor

### **MUSIC & FUN**

JAZZ NIGHT Every Thursday evening, Depot Town gets jazzy at the taphouse with weekly performers.

EVERY THURSDAY, 7:00-10:00PM Cultivate Coffee and Taphouse | 307 N. River St., Ypsilanti

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EVERY SUNDAY, 8:00–11:00PM The Raven's Club | 207 S. Main St., Ann Arbor

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EVERY SUNDAY, 8:30-10:00PM Weber's | 3050 Jackson Rd., Ann Arbor

### WORKSHOPS

**CAREER SERVICES FALL CAREER FAIR** 

A Career Services free event helping students and community to find employment.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1:00POM-4:00PM Morris Lawrence Building

### **TRANSFER WORKSHOP**

WCC Counseling and Advising assists students in their transfer process with information and advice.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 12:00PM-1:00PM LA 150

### FALL TRANSFER FAIR

50 colleges and universities come to WCC to give information about their institutions.

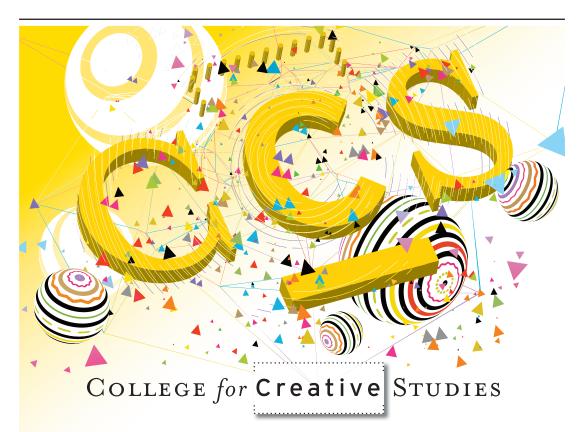
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