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Attendees at the advanced transportation conference examine a custom concept car made at WCC. EVANS KOUKIOS | WASHTENAW VOICE

## WCC HOSTS 'HIGHWAY TO HIGH DEMAND CAREERS' IN ADVANCED TRANSPORTATION

BY COLIN MACDOUGALL  
Contributor

High school and college students alike gathered into the Morris Lawrence building's Towsley auditorium, to listen to WCC alumni, staff and industry developers about growing demand for careers in the automotive and transportation industries.

"This year the focus is the Advanced Transportation Center... We thought it would be appropriate to look at these careers," said Brandon Tucker, dean of advanced transportation and public service careers.

The ATC is a concept that combines information technology with programing that goes into the newly emerging vehicles. Students will need these types of skills to repair and upgrade these vehicles.

The ATC will also specialize in intelligent transportation systems, advanced



Jay Mosquera, instructor in Auto body department, gave the tour at the conference. EVANS KOUKIOS | WASHTENAW VOICE

automotive service and repair, and advanced lightweight materials manufacturing. The ATC at WCC offers programs with advanced certificates and associate degrees in advanced manufacturing,

applied data science, auto-body repair, auto service technology, motorcycle service

technology, and welding and fabrication, among others.

The event focused on different career fields, in different industries – including a panel discussion, lunch, and a tour of the facilities. WCC

takes into account high demand careers that professionals are entering.

"It's a great opportunity to introduce high school students, as well as college students, to this industry, and tell them about the future of what type of skill set and training that they need to be successful in that field," said David Wildfong of Career Services.

While the event targeted high school students, it also reached out to women in advanced transportation. Kristin Dzicek, the director of the Industry Group at the Center for Automotive Research, was a keynote speaker.

A panel discussion led by Brandon Tucker included WCC students such as Amy Voss, a 25-year-old motorcycle service and technology

major; Ashley McNamara, a 25-year-old auto-body major; and WCC Alumna April Eby, a master certified motorcycle technician, formerly in the motorcycle program.

McNamara first came to WCC to study painting, in hopes of transferring to a university or art school. She was first introduced to the auto-body repair at Welcome Day where she encountered what she called, "this green monstrosity" or the Zombie Rescue Unit Vehicle.

"I always wanted to learn how to custom paint but I'd never be able and I'd never been into cars or around cars," said McNamara. Soon after McNamara switched her program and fell in love with auto body work.

Al Lecz, the director of the

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## Students' belongings have nowhere to go

BY JENELLE FRANKLIN  
Staff Writer

Students concerned with germs on the bathroom floors of Washtenaw Community College are reaching to put their book bags up on stall door hooks.

Upon a walk through of campus buildings – the Student Center building, the Gunder Myran building and the Crane Liberal Arts & Sciences building were found to have the most significant count of broken or missing hooks in restroom stalls.

The problem is, "They were never intended to hold a 20-pound, or 25-pound book bag, they were meant to hold a light jacket," said Damon Flowers, WCC's vice president of facilities, grounds and campus safety.

The resulting problem is that there is no current alternative for belongings except on the germ-covered floor. WCC journalism major Esiban Parent, 21, says he would change stalls when encountering broken or missing hooks.

"My backpack is full of deadly bacteria," Parent said, because of not having a hook to hang his bag on.

The student concerns about

microbes on the bathroom floors are nothing to take lightly, Flowers agrees.

"Students are driving home the fact that they don't want to put their book-bags on the floor. As a former student, I don't blame them. There could be urine on the floor, you don't want to put your book bag on the floor, so I understand that," Flowers said.

The American Society for Microbiology has produced a study tested in university bathrooms that shows bacteria resides and grows on bathroom surfaces, even after they are locked from human use.

"The team did find genes from MRSA hiding on the floor, as well as traces of some troublemaker viruses, including HPV and herpes virus," Jack Gilbert, ASM study author, said in an interview with National Public Radio.

"For some reason, this is something that has come up in the last 24 months. I am not sure if students are carrying more books, or not using the floor and using the coat hooks, but they are breaking more frequently than in the past," Flowers said.

With the increase of stalls having broken hooks, the administration says they are looking for a permanent fix.



Student vandalism reflects dissatisfaction with hooks. EVANS KOUKIOS | WASHTENAW VOICE

"When we see one failure that keeps happening we know something is causing it, we reach out to other colleges. There's a lot of exchanging of ideas with institutions that are having the same issue," Flowers said.

Replacement hook design is a "stubbier hook," allowing for more weight without the risk of it "shearing off," as Flowers said, the longer ones tend to do with excess weight applied.

Students, like paralegal studies major Harriet Kozyn, who have encountered maintenance issues are directed to voice concerns via the facilities' website or phone number.

"Today, it was in the library, second floor," Kozyn said of

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## Muslim students discuss life in America's current political climate

BY IVAN FLORES  
Staff Writer

Ahlam Al-Kubaty hadn't heard of Donald Trump, one of the Republican presidential candidates. The 22-year-old student from Yemen was surprised to hear Trump's suggestion to temporarily ban Muslims from entering the United States.

"Why?" she asked.

Al-Kubaty came to the United States two years ago to pursue education. She's in Washtenaw Community College's radiography program. However, since her country descended into civil war in 2015,

she sees her future here.

"(Yemen) is not safe," she said. "The war is everywhere."

In November of 2015, Paris suffered a series of terrorist attacks. The perpetrators were all European citizens, but Western public opinion turned against Syrian refugees, most of whom are Muslim. In the U.S., several governors, including Rick Snyder, sent letters to Secretary of State John Kerry requesting that the relocation of Syrian refugees be suspended. It was in the wake of this incident that Trump called for America's borders to be temporarily closed to Muslims.



Ahmad Abu-Shtayyah, 22, is the president of the Muslim Student Association. GRAY BANCROFT | WASHTENAW VOICE

More recently, Ted Cruz, another presidential hopeful, said that police should step up patrols of predominantly Muslim neighborhoods.

According to a National Public Radio report, more people have been killed by right-wing extremists than by jihadi terrorists since 9/11. The average American citizen is 3,000-5,000 times more likely to be killed by another American with a gun than by a jihadi terrorist.

For Muslims, the atmosphere of mistrust and even hate is something they have to deal with constantly. Miski Guilani is familiar with it.

"I was at a gas station," she said, "and there was this guy... he (told me) 'go back to your country, you Muslim trash.' That really pissed me off."

Guilani, 20, is an American citizen, but she immigrated from Somalia. Like Al-Kubaty, her home country is plagued by war. Guilani strongly maintains her Somali identity, but she is deeply rooted in the U.S. She is currently studying surgical technology at WCC and is hoping to get into the University of Michigan's

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## Board talks tuition

BY TAYLOR ROBINSON  
Editor

Washtenaw Community College's board of trustees discussed multiple scenarios for tuition rates for the 2016-2017 academic school year. The March 22 presentation was led by Bill Johnson, a WCC vice president and chief financial officer.

While community colleges across the state are struggling with maintaining tuition rates, a tuition freeze for in-district rates has been proposed, while increasing rates for out-of-district and out-of-state WCC students.

In-district rates would then be proposed to increase at a 1 percent rate, or \$1, in 2018 and 2019. This scenario is preferred by Johnson and his team. According to his presentation, "The college can support a 0 percent in-district rate increase for FY 2017, which is forecasted to reduce FY 17 tuition revenue by approximately \$150,000."

Using this scenario would support the strategic recruitment and retention plans, and the college's goal of maintaining an affordable cost for students, Johnson said.

"The college has worked very, very hard on this affordability issue," he said. "We are blessed because of the level of property tax revenue that our residents provide to us that helps in part keep (tuition) down."

The local property tax provided \$47.7 million for 2014-2015. The forecasted property tax is set at \$49.1 million for 2015-2016, and up to \$49.7 million projected for 2016-2017. Because of the level of property

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Bill Johnson speaks to the board of trustees about tuition. GRAY BANCROFT | WASHTENAW VOICE







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ATC at WCC, was among other industry leaders at the event. Prior to working at WCC, Lecz, worked in the industry at Ford Motor Company for 35 years before retiring. He explained that the automobile companies are becoming more of “mobility companies,” rather than the old car and truck manufacturers.

He explained this paradigm shift is occurring because of how embedded technology has become into our lives, and things like Google cars, autonomous vehicles, and hydrogen fuel cells are going to comprise

the future.

“The ATC really is around the vision that the automotive and the transportation industry are changing,” said Lecz.

Many of the Advanced Transportation Center’s facilities are currently under major renovations right now. The state of Michigan awarded WCC a \$4.4 million step grant to invest in these types of programs.

Renovations are currently underway in the OE building, including a reconfiguration of space to accommodate the auto body repair, welding and

advanced manufacturing department. Installing of the new equipment will continue through the Spring/Summer Semester.

“We have over 4 million dollars worth of new equipment that will be installed and ready to go for students by Fall 2016,” Tucker said.

“Passion goes a long way. If you don’t enjoy it now, switch. If you don’t like waking up to go to work, then it’s time to work on other options, following your dreams is always going to lead you to the place you are meant to be,” Eby said at the end of the panel discussion.



Panelists from left: Mike Berns, Alan Lecz, Susan Walsh, April Eby, Amy Voss, and Clarity Newhouse. EVANS KOUKIOS | WASHTENAW VOICE

HOOKS, From A1

waslking into a bathroom stall and finding no hook for her belongings.

Adding weight – more than the coat and scarf she was wearing – would be Kozyn’s valuables she wants to keep close by her, but don’t fit in a pocket. Hook racks by the entrance of LA restrooms come with a sign from campus security warning students against leaving valuables there unattended. As far as hook weight limit concerns, the doors are not meant for such added weight and the new hooks will be moved.

“If there’s enough room on either side we will look to see if we can put the stronger hooks in a solid wall surface, that back

wall made of ceramic tile, because we have more material there to insert a lag screw that will not fail,” Flowers said.

Flowers said the stall doors are not built for holding heavy objects, and it causes the hinges to bend.

Kozyn, who is a returning student to WCC, has also attended Eastern Michigan University, and the University of Michigan. She has found building maintenance to be a problem across the colleges in the area.

Students may have to play an urgent version of “musical stalls” at WCC until Fall 2016, but can relax with assurance that the tune will be changing over the summer.

“We recognize it, we heard

from students, and it’ll be corrected before the new semester in the fall, across campus,” Flowers said.



The hooks in the bathrooms are useful for students who don’t want their personal belongings to sit on the bathroom floors. EVANS KOUKIOS | WASHTENAW VOICE



The Washtenaw Voice staff at the MCCPA awards ceremony. EVANS KOUKIOS | WASHTENAW VOICE

Student newspaper brings home 15 awards

The Washtenaw Voice received 15 awards from the Michigan Community College Press Association conference held at Central Michigan University earlier this month.

As a staff, the Voice placed second in outstanding overall

newspaper design and an honorable mention in general excellence. Individual awards were given to staff members in categories: front page design, personality profile, serious column, feature photo, news photo, news story, sports

news, editorial cartoon, information graphic or illustration, feature story, and entertainment cartoon.

The Voice entered work published from March 1, 2015 – Feb. 29, 2016. Individual award winners include:

**Taylor Robinson**  
*editor*

**Sofia Lynch**  
*managing editor*

**Gray Bancroft**  
*photo editor*

**Rachel Johnston**  
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**Ivan Flores**  
*staff writer*

**Taylor Mabelitini**  
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**Ben Ellsworth**  
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**Emily Stout**  
*previous managing editor*

**Sanaa Naeem**  
*previous illustrator*

**Paulette Parker**  
*previous staff writer*

Security notes

MARCH 31 – APRIL 15

Hit and run

On March 31, a 2010 GMC Sierra was found at 1 p.m. by its owner to have damage to its driver’s side after being struck by an unknown vehicle. WCSO was notified.

Hit and Run

On April 13, at 1:30 p.m., the owner was driving his 2012 Ford in Lot 4 when a white Ford F150 truck struck his driver’s side front bumper causing scrapes. The white truck did not stop and left the scene.

Hit and Run

On April 13, between 9:15 a.m. – 3 p.m., the car owner returned to her vehicle, a 2009 Chevrolet HHR, in Lot 7 and discovered a scratch to its driver’s side rear bumper and a broken tail light.

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- Record serial numbers of electronic devices
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IN BRIEF

MACKINAC ISLAND TRIP

On Friday, May 27, Student Activities hosts a day trip to Mackinac Island from 6:30 a.m.-1 a.m. The \$50 ticket includes motor-coach transportation, ferry pass to/from the Island and a \$20 lunch voucher to Mama Mia’s Pizzeria in Mackinac City. Tickets are on sale at the Cashier’s Office, on the second floor of the Student Center building.

KAYAKING ON THE HURON RIVER

Student Activities hosts a kayaking trip from Argo to Gallup park on June 3 from 10a.m. – 2 p.m. The \$15 ticket includes kayak rental and lunch. Tickets are on sale at the Cashier’s Office, on the second floor of the Student Center building.

CEDAR POINT TRIP

Student Activities heads to Cedar Point on Thursday, June 16 from 7:30 a.m.-12:15 a.m. The \$40 ticket includes motor-coach transportation, admission and a drink wristband, good for free non-alcoholic drinks all day. There will be more information about the ticket sales on Campus Connect.

STRESS REDUCTION DAY

On Wednesday, April 27, the Student Activities Office, the WCC Bookstore, the Counseling Department and Learning Support Services co-sponsor a stress reduction day. There will be a staffed table on the first floor of the Student Center available for students to learn about stress reduction, how to take care of one’s mental health, and freebies. This takes place from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

GREENFIELD VILLAGE/ HENRY FORD TRIP

Tickets for a trip to Greenfield Village and the Henry Ford museum on April 29 are available at the Cashier’s Office on the second floor of the Student Center. The \$15 includes admission to both Greenfield Village and Henry Ford Museum, college-van transportation and lunch at Mongolian BBQ.

SPRING SWING CAFE

On Tuesday, April 26, WCC hosts its annual Spring Swing Cafe in the Towsley Auditorium. This evening of dance and music includes WCC Combo performances at 6 p.m., and dance performances from WCC, Dance4Unity, and community performers at 7 p.m. This event is free and open to the public.

SEEKING INSPIRING STUDENTS

Have you been inspired by what you see a fellow student do, or what you hear them speak about? This is your opportunity to submit the name and email of a fellow WCC student who inspires you. The Washtenaw Voice is reaching out in search of those who inspire their peers so they can be given the spotlight they deserve. Please include a short note about what makes them stand out to you, how you know each other, and the aforementioned contact information in an email to [jnfranklin@wccnet.edu](mailto:jnfranklin@wccnet.edu)

-Sofia Lynch

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EDITORIAL

# WCC community needed for campus decisions

The college is facing the issue of enhancing campus safety and security. If anything, this is one of the most important, and probably one of the most overlooked stories you should be reading about. In a recent survey conducted by Voice reporters over the course of three days, more than 100 students were asked if they were aware of the negotiation taking place between the college’s administration and the Washtenaw County Sheriff’s Department. 100 out of 108 students said, “No.”

Yes, everyone wants a safe campus – especially with the rise of violence across the nation – but at the same time, the campus community should be involved in the decision making when it comes to having armed officers on campus. According to the current contract up for negotiation, and WCC board of trustees Chair Richard Landau, WCC is the only higher education institution in the county that doesn’t have some form of officers on campus. Just because “everyone else is doing it,” does that mean it’s in the best interest of our own, unique institution?

At the most recent board of trustees meeting in March, trustee Dave DeVarti held up an issue of the Voice that came out just the day before. On the front page was a story about the Washtenaw County Ways and Means Committee approving a contract to move forward with instating the School Resource Officers, at their March 16 meeting.

While the board of trustees have the final say as to what the decision will be, which the article should have included, a number

of the members were surprised and seemed unaware of the committees vote, or that it was even on their agenda. DeVarti was noticeably outraged, and felt as though the process is moving at a quicker than anticipated rate.

More than once, board members DeVarti, Ruth Hatcher and Secretary Christina Fleming, have voiced their concerns about not having enough counselors on campus. Instead of using the hundreds of thousands of dollars getting aid from outside of our school, looking at how to improve the atmosphere in-house by hiring more full-time counselors is another option.

“The thing I personally find somewhat offensive about the entire discussion is that I think Sheriff Clayton’s department has an unimpeachable record....We are partnering with the best of the best,” Landau said in a recent interview with the Voice. “We aren’t training our own police force...We considered that, but why would we do that when we have a sheriff’s office with a sterling reputation that’s willing to work with us and provide input on hiring and firing of officers? I don’t get where the grounds for objection are quite frankly.”

To be clear, this has nothing to do with the work the sheriff’s office does, and how well they do it. This is simply a plea to look at this issue more closely. County board’s are already reviewing this contract and sending thoughts back to the WCC board of trustees. During the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners meeting on April 6, a long discussion took place concerning the contract. Students from

WCC spoke during public comments, against the idea of moving forward with the contract.

After the board of commissioners meeting, Clayton sent an email to WCC President Rose Bellanca stating that “Several times, various commissioners referenced the ‘unrest’ and concern about ‘police on campus’ that is being expressed by faculty and the student body as a source of their concern. They also mentioned the conflict and lack of agreement on the WCC board of trustees.” Later on in the email, Clayton says, “I am inclined to discontinue the police services contract discussions with Washtenaw Community College, because of the continued undermining efforts, interference and lack of role clarity exhibited by the Washtenaw County Board Commissioners and others.”

Landau says he has since spoken to Clayton, and the negotiation process continues. While Clayton may not like how the boards are discussing this issue, that is exactly their job. Wouldn’t the college rather have a board who dissects the issues and looks at every possible option?

Ever since the board members got shaken up a bit with three newcomers, there’s finally been more debate instead of constant, unquestioned agreement. Yes, it’s good for a board to get along, but it’s even better to have a board whose members challenge one another – a board who makes sure there are no stones turned when it comes to making a decision that will affect its school’s staff, faculty and students.

We aren’t outright saying this is a bad idea. We are simply suggesting that the board

members make sure they have identified an actual problem before jumping to expensive, drastic solutions. Also, students need to be made more aware. The Voice has written at least four stories concerning this issue, but that’s not enough. The survey conducted months ago, given by the administration, was not enough. Reach out and make sure your students know what’s going on.

Bringing armed officers into the WCC environment isn’t guaranteed to stop a tragedy before it occurs, and in the meantime, that means there are even more lethal weapons on this campus on a daily basis, as well as more opportunities for students to end up in handcuffs. Even if these weapons are in the hands of trained officers, more guns does not mean more safety – proven by the fact that the more guns there are in a state, the more instances of gun violence.

While we’ve only talked to a little more than 100 students so far, the outreach continues. Although Landau says that he hasn’t seen a single instance of student outreach on this issue, at least two actually have spoken during board of trustee meeting’s public comments. Even just one student showing support or not should be enough for the board to take a step back and think about the best way to involve more of their opinions. Students make up the majority of this campus, and somehow they are the last ones to know.

The board will discuss this issue further at their April 26 meeting at 4 p.m. in the Morris Lawrence building, room 150.

COLUMN

## What really happens when you don't leave a tip



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With this election being extremely controversial in many aspects, including the raising or lowering of minimum wage, some people have found a way to bring their political views into the argument about tipping your server.

Republican candidate Donald Trump’s supporters have been outwardly unfriendly to many individuals of many different races and genders. The hate continued when a supporter decided to stiff a server of a tip on a \$70 bill, and proceeded to write “miracles come from hard work, not handouts” and ended it with #MakeAmericaGreatAgain and #Trump2016.

Going out to eat is one of America’s most popular pastimes. According to Rasmussen Reports, 58 percent of Americans eat at a restaurant at least once a week. Although going out to eat is a fun and great way to bond with family and friends, the people serving begin to become an afterthought. Supporters of Trump may be some of the worst examples of people who are against tipping, but they are by no means alone.

Walking into a restaurant, the first thought is not always wondering whether or not a tip can be afforded, but more so the food itself. Nowadays, many teenagers and adults alike do not tip accordingly, or they act like tipping is a handout that servers don’t deserve.

“If you cannot afford to tip, do not go out to eat. It’s the most basic, straightforward thing,” said Nick Sullivan, a student at Washtenaw Community College and a server. “I think it’s common sense that you should tip your server.”

It is easy to find articles about why it is best to tip your server, but recently, articles have been popping up arguing the opposite. Links like ‘5 reasons why I won’t tip if you’re a waiter’ and ‘Why you should stop tipping—Reasons not to tip’ are easily found, and their arguments include statements like “waiters act too much like they’re my best friend” and “bringing my food doesn’t deserve any extra money”.

“I was very upset when I first got stiffed on a tip. It has a lot of repercussions,” Sullivan said. “I pay for my own school, so that takes away from me being able to pay that and various bills, so it just makes my entire life outside of work even harder trying to scrape up that money.”

Servers make about \$3 an hour, depending on where you live. Some states require one to be paid at least minimum wage, so if tips do not reflect that, money will be given to make up for it. But not all states are this kind, and even if they are, repayment is not always guaranteed to occur. So for those of you who are against raising minimum wage, like Trump supporters, would you rather just tip the appropriate amount, or have the minimum wage be raised to make sure servers make at least enough to be considered stable?

According to the Wall Street Journal, nearly 15 percent of the nation’s 2.4 million waiters and waitresses live in poverty, compared with about 7 percent of all workers. They are more likely to need public assistance and less likely to receive paid sick leave or health benefits—and their ranks are increasing.

With that being said, it is extremely important to remember to tip and to think about how not tipping can affect other people. Tipping your server is not a “hand-out.” It is a supplement to the sub-minimal payment that servers receive in the first place. As servers, there is no decision on what the wage will be. It is determined by the people being served, the people who need to tip to ensure that their servers can pay bills and go to school—and not even Trump supporters can refute that.

COLUMN

## No, you’re not American



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My father’s biochemistry career brought my family to the United States when I was in second grade. I was born in Mexico, but by the time I was in fourth grade, I already spoke and read English better than Spanish. On Saturday mornings, I would get up early to watch “Liberty’s Kids” before the television rules were enforced. It was then that I began to identify more and more as an American. My parents separated soon after that. I was left in the U.S. without a visa. I grew up as an Ann Arborite, celebrating the Fourth of July, going to Top of the Park, and watching Michigan-Ohio State football games. I was told I could become anything I wanted to be. Study, work hard, and go to college, they said. Nothing is ever that simple.

Children 18 and under make up almost 1.8 million of the estimated 11.3 million undocumented immigrants in the U.S. According to Educators for Fair Consideration, about 65,000 undocumented students who have lived in the U.S. for at least five years graduate from American high schools every year. Only 7,000-13,000 of them are enrolled in colleges nationwide.

Many of these people were brought to the U.S. at a young age and have grown up with little or no association with the country where they were born. Culturally, they are no different than their peers with American citizenship. However, the circumstances they are raised in create major obstacles for social mobility. Without academic or financial support, most undocumented students can’t access higher education. The few that go on to college must do so without the aid of federal loans or grants. In many states, they have to pay international or out-of-state tuition rates, even if they have completed K-12 education in local schools.

Jorge Luna, a southeast-Michigan area social worker, has spent a lot of his career working with the immigrant community in Washtenaw County. He is now a naturalized U.S. citizen, but he was born in a poor and rural indigenous community

in the Mexican state of Oaxaca.

“Personally,” Luna said, “I believe that the more educated you are, the better your life will be, with money or without it... I agree we all have potential, but if you have limited resources, you will never get there. That’s one of the things that hits the immigrant community most.”

In 2012, President Barack Obama signed an executive order that provided relief to some young undocumented immigrants. Deferred Action For Childhood Arrivals, known as DACA, granted two-year work permits to individuals who meet certain conditions.

Maria Ibarra-Frayre, 26, was among those who obtained relief under the executive order. She was born in Mexico, but grew up in Dearborn. She has lived in the U.S. for 17 years. With help from her parents and scholarships, she was able to get through undergrad at the University of Detroit Mercy.

“It was really expensive,” she said. “I worked the whole way through her undergrad. But it’s worked out. I’m worried and scared that things could go back to the way they were before I had DACA, especially with my degree... I try not to think about it.”

Ibarra is now a graduate student at the University of Michigan School of Social Work, where she’s studying the health effects of living without documentation. She is also an immigration rights activist.

Some schools, like the University of Michigan, have lowered tuition for undocumented students with DACA, but the cost still makes it inaccessible. And, in the case of U-M, there’s a provision that limits the window of enrollment with in-state tuition to 28 months after graduation from high school. Washtenaw Community College offers tuition breaks for students with DACA. However, during the 2016 winter semester, only eight such students were enrolled for credit classes at WCC.

The fundamental problem is that America’s immigration system is broken. There is no path through hard work or education to citizenship, or even permanent residency, for millions of people who have grown up as Americans and have no other home. Many young undocumented immigrants wish to serve in the military or go to college to earn the right to become Americans. But we are not allowed to enlist, and we are not able to enroll. We were told we could become anything we wanted to be. They didn’t tell us “American” wasn’t on the list.

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Ann Arbor residents protest the deer cull at Ann Arbor City Hall. COLIN MACDOUGALL | WASHTENAW VOICE

# Deer cull over, controversy continues

BY COLIN MACDOUGALL  
*Contributor*

Ann Arbor parks are re-opened, but controversy continues over the deer cull that closed 14 parks during the winter months. Deer population concerns are what drove Ann Arbor’s city council to make the decision on the cull. The cull was implemented back in August of 2015 and has been approved for four years.

The city looked to cull 100 deer in that two month period, but only 63 deer were actually culled. Of the \$90,000 budgeted for the cull, the city only used \$35,000 toward the United States Department of Agriculture’s sharpshooters. Many protesters and concerned citizens participated in city council meetings, looking to bring the cull to a halt.

Sabra Briere, an Ann Arbor city councilwoman, said before the cull and the protests there were several complaints from residents she calls “impact statements” that said how much they were being bothered by the deer.

After approving the cull, many impact statements flooded city council – many stating how bad of an idea a deer cull is for the city of Ann Arbor. Working in public office for

many years, Briere explained that the public tends to only react when something is not being done, or when something they don’t want is being done. She says some people reacted to the deer with fear of their children being hurt; whereas others reacted with sadness for the deer being killed.

“You cannot trivialize what someone’s emotions are going to be like...It’s hard to weigh through all of the that, and figure out what to do,” Briere said.

“You can alert drivers where there is a problem with deer, create a feeding ban, or allow taller fences to be built. Also, you can educate the public on how to behave around deer.”

Carly Slank, Washtenaw Community College Writing Center tutor and EMU anthropology student, feels that there needs to be a greater understanding of what culling is.

“I think that there needs to be a greater understanding of what culling is because people generally associate animals being killed and they don’t like that,” Slank said. “It tends to be more of an emotional response than people taking an objective look at the situation, and realizing that you know there are other sides of the story.”

While Slank isn’t vehemently

opposed to the cull, she’s more concerned that people aren’t informed about the other environmental issues at hand.

“It should be thoroughly investigated by the environmental agency and people who are responsible about those things,” Slank said. “I think that it’s important that the general public kind of respects those people’s professional opinion and maybe does their own research before damning them for killing deer.”

WCC photography instructor Terry Abrams, however, founded Friends of Ann Arbor Wildlife and Nature, an organization whose mission is to “educate and engage the community” about effective non-lethal solutions to living with urban wildlife. Abrams first got involved with the cull late last summer.

Abrams points out other concerns the group has with the cull, including that the parks may have been closed during the hours of 4 p.m. – 7 a.m., but the public didn’t always follow the ordinance.

Tanya Hilgendorf, the president of the Huron Valley Humane Society, also has been working with Abrams to stop the cull. HVHS does not believe that Ann Arbor has a deer population problem.

“We will continue to provide education on the most effective, affordable, legal, safe, humane ways of addressing human-deer conflicts,” Hilgendorf said.

Although the cull is still scheduled for next winter, Abrams and Hilgendorf continue to try and overturn city council’s ruling. Engaging the community and encouraging their members to participate in the political process is the only way that an issue like this can be changed.

“FAAWN has created a petition designed to show the city council how many people are opposed to the continuing of the cull,” Abrams said.

Both Briere and Hilgendorf explained how a cull is a short-term solution for managing deer population. They think contraception is a better method. The deer will replenish the environment in only a few years. However, contraception of the herd can help with managing the population over a longer period of time.

The city of Ann Arbor launched an online survey. The city is looking now to its residents to evaluate their interactions and attitudes towards the deer, as well as their attitudes toward the city’s deer management program.

**MUSLIM, From A1**

nursing program.

“I think it’s really hard for us,” Guilani said. “I can’t judge everyone, but there are those students who are automatically scared or threatened by you... It’s frustrating.”

Ahmad Abu-Shtayyah, 22, is the president of WCC’s Muslim Student Association. He is in the automotive program. He was born in Ypsilanti, and has lived in Ann Arbor his whole life. He is an active member of the Islamic Center of Ann Arbor, where he enjoys practicing and sharing his faith. Despite the current hostility towards Islam, he is optimistic that he and his fellow Muslims will come out of this stronger. In the meantime, he’s planning on pursuing his goals.

“I would like to open a (car) shop,” he said. “But first I want to get experience... Yeah, I’d

like to get to open a shop and maybe live my life off of that.”

To combat complete ignorance of Islam, the Islamic Center offers a free class about the faith. “Islam 101” is held at the Islamic Center on Plymouth Road, at 7 p.m. on Wednesday nights. The participants are given an English translation of the Quran, as well as handouts about the five pillars of Islam and the Prophet Muhammad.

Abu-Shtayyah indicated that the attention Muslims have received since 9/11 hasn’t been entirely negative. Despite the hateful attitudes, many Americans have been drawn to Islam and converted. He doesn’t think that would have been possible without the post-9/11 awareness of Islam. Abu-Shtayyah believes that the challenges faced by himself and his fellow Muslims will ultimately make them stronger people.

**TUITION, From A1**

taxes, along with state aid ranging from \$13-14 million, Johnson’s team tries to make tuition rates as competitive as possible with other community colleges in the state.

Overall, WCC ranks 23 out of 28 Michigan community colleges for tuition rates. For in-district full time costs from 2011-2015, WCC had an 8 percent total increase over five years, while the average total increase for college’s was 19 percent.

Another proposed scenario would be to keep the same tuition increases as FY 2016, projecting a 1 percent increase for in-district tuition, 2 percent for out-of-district, 2.5 percent for out-of-state, and 3 percent for international.

The third scenario includes increasing in-district rates by 1 percent, out-of-district by 2 percent, and out-of-state by 3 percent, for the next three fiscal years. International tuition would initially increase by 6 percent, tapering off to 4 percent for FYs 2018 and 2019.

The board was also presented with enrollment projections and how it plays a significant

role in determining the college’s costs and tuition rates for students. Vice Chair Diana McKnight-Morton expressed concern at the decreasing enrollment rate.

“We’re seeing this slope getting more slippery because the economy is going up,” McKnight-Morton said, adding that the better the economy gets, the less people think they need to go back to school. “It’s really scary to think that now we are really going to go down, back to the late 90s, because we were doing O.K., but not great... Here we are going to be O.K. for the next few years, but what can we do in the meantime when the crash starts coming down in 2018? That’s something to really start thinking about.”

The board will continue to discuss rates at their next meeting on April 26. If the board comes to a decision, they will vote on tuition rates for the following school year.

“Last year, I took this on in an effort to demonstrate that it would be possible to hold the line on the tuition and I really thank you for embracing that for this year for the people that are in-district who already pay taxes,” said trustee Dave DeVarti.



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David Combs, 22; Daniel Damiany, 19; and Ashley McNamara, 25, all students of the auto body repair program are enjoying a nice meal at Garrett's. ANDREI POP | WASHTENAW VOICE



Mel Cooks, 23, a culinary arts and hospitality management student of Ann Arbor, gives the final touches to each dish before it leaves the kitchen. COLIN MACDOUGALL | WASHTENAW VOICE

# Garrett's brings more than gourmet plates to the table for students

BY SOFIA LYNCH  
Managing Editor

There are many things that a college student has to worry about on a given day. A lot of times, getting a good meal falls to the bottom of this list. However, with Washtenaw Community College's student-run restaurant, Garrett's, this doesn't always have to be the case.

During the fall and winter semesters, six classes of hospitality management and culinary arts students use their class time, spread across three days a week, to provide upscale-restaurant style foods to the WCC community and beyond. For less than \$10, Garrett's patrons receive a complete entree, with a starch and vegetables, made from scratch and made by students. Patrons get to enjoy these meals in the high-class setting, without the upscale prices, pointed out Alice Gannon-Boss, a professional faculty member in culinary arts, who was a product of Garrett's, and WCC's Culinary Program.

"We are a totally state of the art restaurant setting which a lot of other schools don't have. We have a designer set dining room; it replicates

exactly working in a restaurant setting, like if you were to walk into a restaurant in Chicago or any metropolitan city setting..." Gannon-Boss said. "It's hard to break through to students from other program areas on campus to realize it's actually not going to break your bank and everything is made from scratch."

When people dine in Garrett's, they're really dining in a live, educational environment, said Derek Anders Jr., a professional faculty member for culinary arts.

"(Hospitality students) are understanding what it takes to be good wait staff in order to deliver the food and customer service, and become really good sales people on the floor," said Anders Jr. "At the same time, students will be in the kitchen learning the different aspects of flavor profiles, to the execution of menu items in a timely fashion for folks, to understanding techniques, and some of the science behind what we do."

A WCC student staffs every job position at Garrett's. Throughout the semester they rotate roles, giving everyone a chance to work both the kitchen production and service sides

of the restaurant. This wide spectrum of duties is just one of the many ways that Garrett's provides a learning environment to its students, while providing a dining environment to its patrons.

"All of our students who go for the associate degree do front and back of the house classes, so they have a better scope on how to be a strong team member when they're out in the industry, and they have an opportunity to actually be in charge," said Gannon-Boss.

Gannon-Boss equated the learning environment of Garrett's, to that of a laboratory.

"If you had a science class and you're studying all these theories and you have an opportunity to apply those theories in your lab hours, this is the equivalent of those lab hours for our hospitality and culinary arts students to practice and apply their learning," Gannon-Boss said.

Because Garrett's is a fully-functional and licensed restaurant, students who earn their degree through this program gain skills by dealing with real-life situations

from their career fields, like food inspections.

"Pretty much everything is a learning moment," said 27-year-old hotel and restaurant management student, Andrew Williamson. "One person might point something out so we'll kind of huddle people up and explain the situation and why it went well or why it didn't and how we could improve it. It's constantly a learning environment."

On top of being a live lab environment, Garrett's is also an American Culinary Federation accredited restaurant. This means that WCC's program has met the necessary national standards of the ACF, and thus WCC students who gain their culinary arts and hospitality management degree, as well as their ServSafe certification, can apply for one of the earlier levels of ACF certification without having to pay for it.

When a WCC student

completes the culinary arts and hospitality management program, they have the opportunity to not only graduate with an associate degree, but also apply for the certificate of their major. The curriculum of the program also provides opportunities for students to acquire other certifications.

All these certificate opportunities add up; Garrett's staff members walk out of WCC with a potentially hefty resume.

"The idea behind the program having a fully licensed operational restaurant to the public is that our students

are leaving here completely ready to be in charge and understanding the rights and responsibilities to that," Gannon-Boss said. "...So there is less teaching that the employer has to do because we're able to provide that for our students here on campus."

Despite the gourmet food and career preparation provided at Garrett's, the faculty still have gotten the impression the restaurant is not well-known amongst the WCC community and beyond.

"I participated in doing two news segments as a part of Fox 2, and one of the things we're finding out was, I don't think most people knew that Garrett's, nor even the culinary hospitality program at Washtenaw, truly exists," said Anders Jr. "I think we're a well kept secret in the community that doesn't need to be well kept anymore. I think we offer a really great educational experience."



Sautéed rainbow trout in pine nut- served with black quinoa French cut green beans and herb roasted tomatoes. COLIN MACDOUGALL | WASHTENAW VOICE

## INTERESTED IN DINING AT GARRETT'S?

The restaurant opens its doors for the last time this semester on April 20, so make your reservations at [culinary.wccnet.edu/garretts](http://culinary.wccnet.edu/garretts) or just stop in during business hours.

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Left: A Diamondback rattlesnake specimen on show at the WCC Earth Day. Top right: David Wooten shows an endangered sea turtle specimen at the WCC Earth Day Festival. Bottom right: Organic vegetables that are grown in WCC's Core Garden. EVANS KOUKIOS | WASHTENAW VOICE



David Clipner, wildlife program director at the Leslie Science Center with a wild owl. EVANS KOUKIOS | WASHTENAW VOICE

# Earth Day celebration brings light to being Earth-friendly all year

BY JENEE GREGOR  
Staff Writer

April is designated as Earth month, with a multitude of events that showcase ways to be more eco-aware and conscious about daily activities. An Earth Day event has been put on at WCC for the past 20 years, and this year the head of planning from the Sustainability Council, Dale Petty, along with Student Activities showed the school's commitment to being more sustainable.

"I like to think of it as Earth Month, and we do whatever we can," Petty said.

One of the graphic design classes created different posters for Earth Day that were put up all over the school, giving the students a sense of involvement and experience.

More tables were set up than can be mentioned, and all the organizations were educating about what they do for the earth and how others can get involved. Wheels in Motion bike shop representative Matt Yost was showing off some of their road bikes

and talking about their "Go by Bike Top Ten List." Plus, the infinite gas mileage from riding a bike is a benefit, Yost said.

Friends of the B2B, or Border to Border bike trail, came to talk about their events and encourage people to do more biking. The B2B trail starts in Ypsilanti and heads through Ann Arbor, and eventually will go all the way to Dexter.

"We are trying to get students and staff to use the trail that is right outside of their door," said Bruce Geffen, the affiliate of Friends of the B2B. They also have a Spring Ride put on by Bike Ypsi, in 3, 15, 30 and 40 mile routes.

The Huron and Clinton Metroparks staff came out to hand out maps, and give details about using the parks and what they are doing for the environment. Mark Irish, an interpreter to the naturalist position offered this piece of advice for people looking to be more Earth forward in the area to, "let your native plants grow." Native plants are those that are naturally growing in this area, before it was settled by the Europeans long ago. These plants are better for

maintaining a balanced ecosystem. Irish mentioned that in the parks they are doing invasive plant removal and doing more native plantings to maintain the ecosystem.

Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti District Libraries had representatives making crafts, including paper cut outs and buttons, and handed them out to passersby.

Ypsilanti District Library has a seed library, much like WCC's, and has an upcoming workshop that educates people about the seed saving practices, taught by Stefanie Stauffer, a WCC instructor. Recycle Ann Arbor brought information about how to be more involved with recycling and what resources are available within Ann Arbor.

"Recycle Ann Arbor is a non-profit contracted by the city, not part of the city system," said Lisa Perschke, a recycling program specialist, master composter and gardener.

Recycle Ann Arbor attended to help people sign up for programs, and to educate. Perschke mentioned that they are the re-use center in Ann Arbor and help people find places for hard-to-recycle

items. The message is that if someone wanted to recycle something that was at least possible to be recycled, they are the ones who make it happen.

WCC Core Garden showcased some of their accomplishments, and asked for volunteers to work in the hoop houses, the enclosed greenhouses, near campus. Most of the food they grow goes to Garrett's, the restaurant in the Student Center, creating a small food loop within the campus.

The City of Ann Arbor was educating people on what they are doing for the community, and have very lofty, yet attainable goals. Josh MacDonald, an environmental affiliate with the city, shared that they hope to have carbon emissions down by 25 percent by 2025, and down by 80 percent by 2050, by implementing more and more from the Climate Action Plan.

April is Earth Month, but people shouldn't be relegated to only being environmentally conscious in April. Take shorter showers, turn off some lights, and plant a tree at any time. Each thing that can be done in small steps makes it easier to think of in the future.

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Ted Lawrence, with the federal Great Lakes Fishery Commission, shows live lamprey eels. EVANS KOUKIOS | WASHTENAW VOICE




WCC students watching Leslie Science Center Wildlife Program Director, David Clipner, with his live wild owl on exhibit at WCC's Earth Day Festival. EVANS KOUKIOS | WASHTENAW VOICE







# Roundabouts



Three circles of death at Lee Road and U.S. 23.,  
no one has a clue, except maybe me.  
The construction occurred almost ten years ago,  
people still do not know which way to go.  
I look at their faces, as I pass them by,  
I see the fear and panic, fill into their eyes.  
They think to themselves, should I go now or wait?  
I'm thinking hurry up, I'm late for a date.  
They are easy to identify, the seasoned and new,  
I wish they would figure out, how to get through.  
Winter creates havoc on already scary terrain,  
Using four letter words, I must refrain.  
It's my turn now and I'm easing in.  
Then "new guy" decides to go for a spin.  
You're in the left lane, but you're turning right.  
I will stand my ground and not give up the fight.  
The turn signals now, seems only optional in cars.  
half of these people should go live on Mars.  
He cuts me off and goes on his way,  
thank you, asshole, have a nice day.  
I get through one and celebrate life,  
why must there be so much unnecessary strife?  
Well, shoot, there's more, possibly two,  
I really wish people would get a clue.  
Let's do this again, I silently say,  
only have to get through and face a new day.  
At least twice a day and sometimes more,  
I drive these circles and hold on to the door.  
It makes me feel safer, though maybe I should pray  
before someone decides to go the wrong way.  
There's on ramps and off ramps to navigate, too,  
it turns my mood from happy to blue.  
The next asshole comes charging through,  
he must be so much better than you.  
Except no, he's not, he has no idea,  
he goes in the wrong lane and I say, "See ya."  
You see him go around and around again,  
Reminds me of that movie with Parliament and Big Ben.  
He shouts out the window and then gives the finger,  
I brush it off and don't let it linger.  
It wasn't my fault, what can I say?  
I really want to ruin the rest of your day.  
Teenagers driving through on their phones,  
looking scared to death but not letting it go.  
It would be great to show everyone how,  
first, move out of the way for the snow plow.  
Merge to the left, I know it's something new  
this is only practiced by a select few.  
To the lady with five kids in the blue mini van,  
get off the phone, really, you can.  
To the little old lady, you can go 35,  
you still have your license, are you even alive?  
Old people, young people, everything in between,  
I consider myself the roundabout queen.

-Susan Barduca, WCC supply chain management student





# FEATURED TEACHER



BY MICHAEL MISHLER

Contributor

INSTRUCTOR: Tresa Jex

CLASS: Adjunct English faculty, 16 years

Q: What made you want to teach at Washtenaw?

A: I was a student here many many moons ago. I've always loved this school and have been impressed by their staff.

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

A: I'm an athlete, so I play sports.

Q: What is your favorite food and why?

A: Tomato orzo soup because it's easy to make and it tastes fabulous.

Q: Where would you most like to go if you could go anywhere in the world for free?

A: I would love to see the Greek isles. I've seen pictures and they're absolutely magnificent. I've had friends visit there. They're beautiful and definitely the one place I'd like to go.

Q: What is the most exciting thing you've ever done?

A: The most exciting thing I've ever done is ski in the Swiss Alps.

Q: If you could know the answer to any question you have, what would you most like to know?

A: That's a good question. The answer to "What makes calculus so difficult to learn?" My daughter asks me every day.

Q: What is your motivation to come do your job?

A: My motivation is the students. I have students who, believe it or not, still in 2016, are the first kids going to college out of

their family. The motivation to help them succeed is all I need to get going in the morning.

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

A: Absolutely seeing the students succeed and overcoming obstacles that we take for granted. You have a roof over your head, I have a roof over my head. But I have students who don't have roofs over their heads. I have students who've gone hungry, been abused by some significant others, but they still come to class every-day. That's what makes it so important to be here.

Q: What is the most concerning thing you've seen in the news lately?

A: I don't watch the news because it's all depressing bad stuff, but I would say what concerns me the most is how in every election year, the candidates have gone so far off track. We no longer talk about politics. We talk about the politicians' nasty lives, things that don't matter to their office and things that shouldn't matter to us. We care about their personal business, and that's very concerning to me. What is their actual platform? What do they stand for? What are they hoping to achieve in office? We shouldn't care about the rest. That's very concerning.

# Voice Box

What do you think about banning the sale of bottled water on campus?

INTERVIEWS AND PHOTOS BY MICHAEL MISHLER, CONTRIBUTOR




"I think they should just sell BPA-free water bottles instead. I think crappy water bottles should be banned, yeah, because they're bad for your health. Although I do love that Voss and Fiji though."

Joshua Saucedo, 15, Ann Arbor, WTMCC




"I think it's kinda stupid to ban bottled water. It's a good way to get accessible water. About the health risk, it's a health risk to step out of your house. There's going to be health risks everywhere you go. It seems stupid to just be running away from all these things."

Massimiliano Arturo Nardelli, 17, Northville, WTMCC




"I would be against not selling them because I'm diabetic and I need to drink purified water. I can understand it, but I'm against it because I need the purified water."

Jake Thomas, 22, Ypsilanti, culinary arts




"I don't really think it's necessary. Some people might just want to buy it. It's available everywhere. Why don't we just find an alternative way to sell water? If it's just some word-of-mouth thing, I don't care if we switch it (the bottles) out."

Alec Woods, 21, Pinckney, computer science




"I feel like there's a lot of stuff in a lot of places that does something similar to your health. If you're only going do it with bottled water, then what's the point? I feel like it'd be better to find a resource that won't mess up the water and changing what you use to contain the water, instead of just banning the water."

Devan Hayes, 21, Ypsilanti, music psychology




"It doesn't make sense to ban it, since you're going to need something to put your water in anyway. Give people the information to make decisions, not ban something. If you can buy cigarettes and alcohol, you should be able to buy bottled water."

Matthew Kleinhenz, 21, Livonia, construction management



"I think they should figure what bottled waters have fluoride and lead and stuff in them and ban those. There's a lot of misleading companies that are selling just tap water. I also try to stay away from BPA-type bottles. I think Washtenaw should just try to stand against chemicals. Nowadays, water bottles are just tap water and it's not good for you. They should find water that's healthier."

Sequilia Stevens, 24, Detroit, liberal arts



"Honestly, the actual bottles end up everywhere, they're made of plastic. No matter what plastic it is (BPA or not), you're still going to end up with tons of bottles. Banning it might be for the best."

Paul Coch, 29, Manchester, 3-D animation

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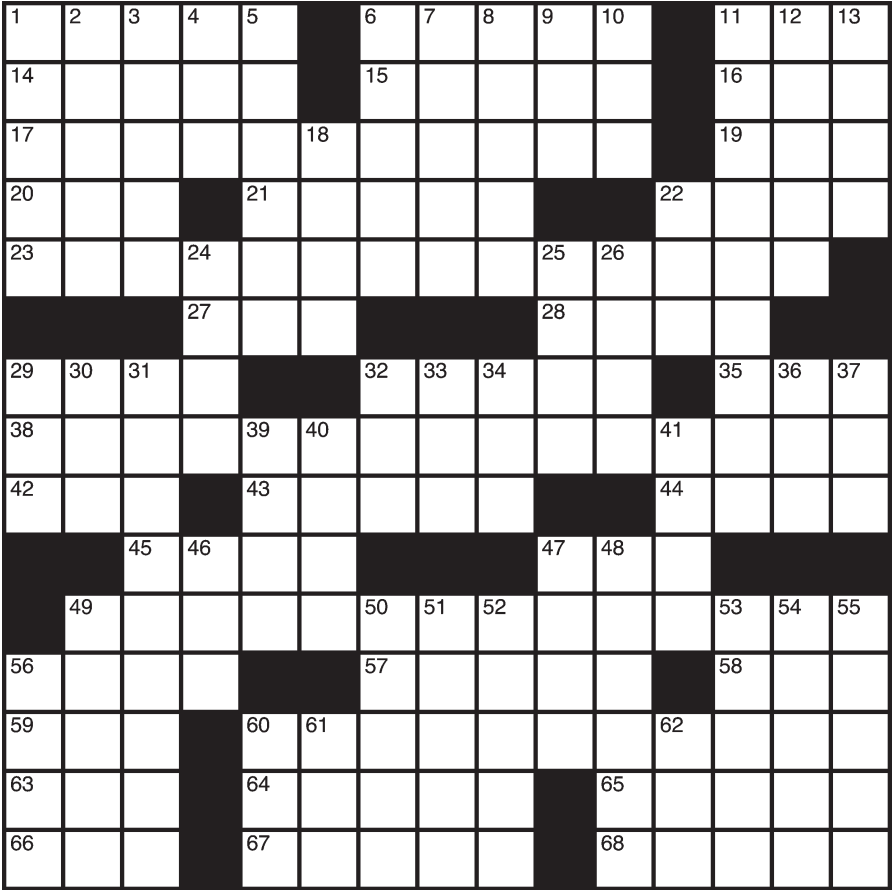


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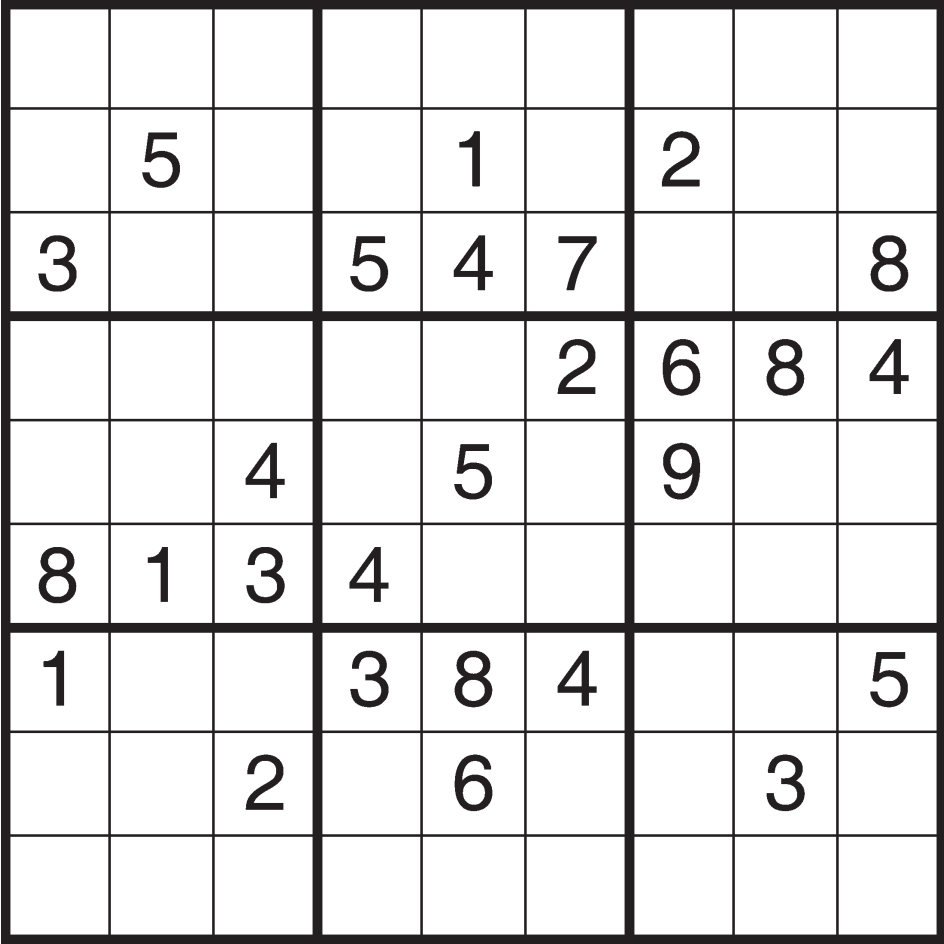
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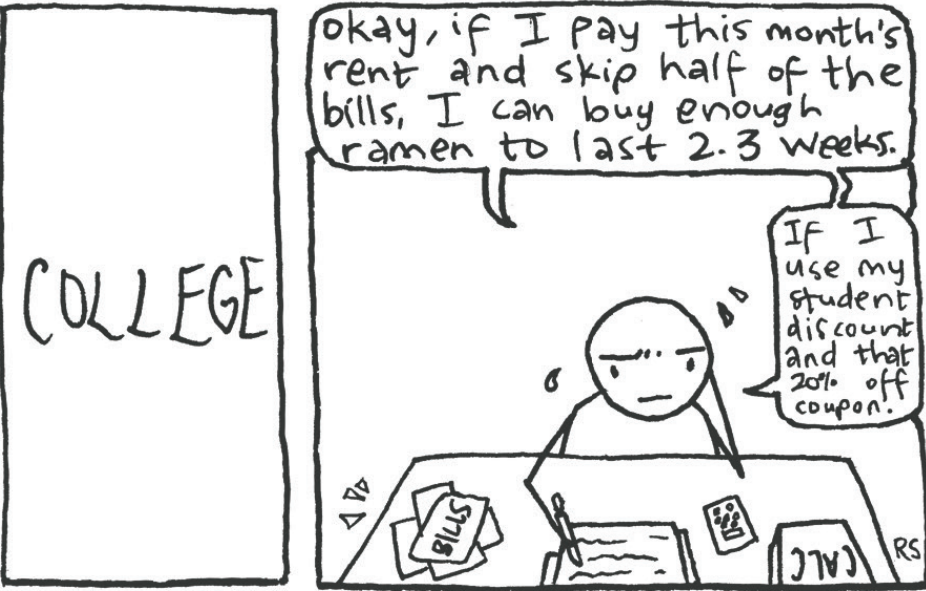
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**STUDENTS AND WCC EMPLOYEES**  
Classified ads in *The Voice* are free.

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Looking for help? Post your free help wanted ads in *The Voice*.

*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. Career Services is located in ML 104. For more information, phone 734-677-5155, email [careers@wccnet.edu](mailto:careers@wccnet.edu) or visit <http://www.wccnet.edu/careerconnection/>*

**DOCUMENTATION AND ACCOUNT SPECIALIST.** Perform weekly Accounts Payable run preparation reports for approval by supervisor. Input monthly invoices into online accounting system for payment processing. Review various types of reports, including but not limited to, Payroll Reports, document files, and other internal documents for accuracy and anomalies. Contact outside parties to request information and/or documents, complete paperwork, and update contact information as needed. Compare and crosscheck various documents and reports to ensure accuracy

**REGISTERED DENTAL ASSISTANT.**  
Expanded duty Registered Dental Assistant

**DRAFTER/PARALEGAL.** Drafting of wills and trusts, filing of documents including deeds, working with clients in all aspects of Estate Planning and Elder Law.

**ANIMAL CARE SPECIALIST.** Do you like working with and being around animals? We are seeking an individual that wants to work, is self-starting, compassionate, capable and can follow directions. The duties include feeding, cleaning, walking and caring for boarding and hospitalized pets.

**PART TIME HELP DESK TECHNICIAN.** Molecular Imaging is a specialty CRO offering preclinical in vivo pharmacology testing and imaging services to many types of clients: universities, big and small pharma, private companies and beyond. Our team is growing and we are looking for a part-time Help Desk Technician to support the IT Manager. We invite those having the qualifications below to apply to be a part of our team!

**NATURAL AREAS ASSISTANT.**  
Under the supervision of a higher classified employee, position involves a variety of tasks related to natural areas and general park maintenance. These activities can include but are not limited to: invasive species control trail and fence construction,

repair, and maintenance trash and litter removal grass, forbs, shrub, and tree care wildlife management activities and other restoration and maintenance activities on natural area sites and park locations.

**PRESCHOOL LEAD TEACHER.**  
Looking for an excited, hands-on, dependable lead preschool teacher. Associates or Bachelors in Early/Elementary Education is a must. CPR, safe sleep, first aid, blood borne pathogens training is preferred but not required. Must pass a CPS and iChat clearance.

**INTERNSHIP – PROJECT COORDINATOR.** The Project Coordinator, in collaboration with the Client Services team, pursues flawless planning and timely execution of client projects through a variety of administrative actions. Coordinate recruitment efforts for project participants. Manage participant registrations in multiple media formats. Keep team up-to-date on client status. Create timelines and assist team with staying on track. Assist with helping vendors (internal and external) stay on track with project scope and budget

**VEGETABLE FARMER / PRODUCE GARDNER.** Grows large quantities of a wide variety of vegetables using natural and organic practices, placing a high value on sustainability. Our gardens grow

year-round for local sale in the Ann Arbor, MI area. We're looking for a high energy, enthusiastic, earth conscious, reliable person to work in our vegetable gardens - previous 2+ years of experience in a professional environment with hoop houses, farmers markets, organic gardening practices, and plant mapping is needed in order to perform successfully in this position.

**CERTIFIED MARINE MECHANIC.**  
Disassemble and inspect motors to locate defective parts, using mechanic's hand tools and gauges. Mount motors to boats (rigging) and operate boats at various speeds on waterways to conduct operational tests. Start motors and monitor performance for signs of malfunctioning, such as smoke, excessive vibration, or misfiring. Document inspection and test results and work performed or to be performed. Replace parts, such as gears, points, pistons, rings, spark plugs, etc. and reassemble engines. Idle motors and observe Temp. to determine the effectiveness of cooling systems.

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FILM/FOLK/PHOTOGRAPHY/EXHIBITS/POP/YPSILANTI

ART

**WHAT:** **Art Now 2016: New Directions in Contemporary Photography** – Artists will come together in a judged art exhibition using their own style and talent to show what photography has evolved into.

**WHERE:** 117 Gallery  
117 Liberty St., Ann Arbor

**WHEN:** April 1 - May 14  
Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.  
Saturday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.  
Sunday, 12 - 5 p.m.



Art Now Photography at the Ann Arbor Art Center.  
COURTESY | MEGAN WINKEL

**WHAT:** **Wild Land Thomas Cole and the birth of the American Landscape** – Art exhibit showcasing Thomas Cole’s landscape paintings.

**WHERE:** Ypsilanti District Library  
Whittaker branch  
5577 Whittaker Road, Ypsilanti

**WHEN:** Currently exhibiting through May 25.  
Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.  
Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Sunday, 12 - 5 p.m.

The local events section of this paper is compiled by Jenee Gregor. If interested in seeing your events in this paper, please contact her at jgregor2@wccnet.edu.

Relax, there’s hope for your hammocking

BY JENELLE FRANKLIN  
Staff Writer

Swaying in the breeze and feeling one with nature may take the mind off school, work, kids, or whatever is keeping Washtenaw Community College students down, but remember where you hang a hammock is important too.

“There is not a formal policy prohibiting hanging hammocks between trees on campus,” said Jacques Desrosiers, WCC director of public safety. “In the past, we have asked people not to hang hammocks due to the potential for damage to the trees, and to prevent injuries to people getting in and out of the hammock. We recommend this approach to maintain a



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MUSIC

**WHAT:** **Live Jazz Thursdays** - Resident jazz band comes weekly to provide an eclectic jazz mix to the coffee and tap house experience.

**WHERE:** Cultivate Coffee and Tap House  
307 N River St, Ypsilanti

**WHEN:** Thursdays, 7 – 10 p.m.

**WHAT:** **Brews and Tunes** – Corner Brewery hosts live music Mondays with a different act each week.

**WHERE:** Corner Brewery, 720 Norris St., Ypsilanti

**WHEN:** Mondays, 7 – 10 p.m.

**COST:** \$2 cover suggested

**WHAT:** **Totally Awesome Fest** – A free music and fun event that is family friendly and taking place at venues all over Ypsilanti.

**WHERE:** Dreamland Theater, Lampshade Café, Vg Kids, House of Mole, Friend’s Closet

**WHEN:** April 29 – May 1, 11 a.m. – 2 a.m.



COURTESY | LUIZ MOTA

WORKSHOPS

**WHAT:** **Seed Saving Workshop** – Learn about how to save seeds from one year to the next with instruction from Stefanie Stauffer, aWCC instructor from Tillian Farm.

**WHERE:** Library Room 118, Washtenaw Community College

**WHEN:** Thursday, April 21, 12 – 1 p.m.

**WHAT:** **Business Librarian Walk-In Market Research Consultation Hours** – WCC Entrepreneurship Center Resource available for anyone looking to grow their business or start one.

**WHERE:** WCC Main Campus, PO 120

**WHEN:** April 19, 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
May 2, 10 – 11:30 a.m.

ALL LOCAL EVENTS ARE FREE  
UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED

**WHAT:** **Spring Ride** – Bike Ypsi puts together a spring ride to ride into the summer with friends and new friends to be made. Helmets are recommended, and required for those under 16.

**WHERE:** Recreation Park  
1015 Congress St., Ypsilanti

**WHEN:** May 1, Registration 9 – 10 a.m.  
Registration for family 1-3 mile rides, 10-11 a.m.

YOGA

Yoga classes are FREE  
DONATIONS ARE ENCOURAGED

**WHAT:** **Hello Noon Yoga** – Donation classes through the week with local instructors to make yoga available to everyone.

**WHERE:** 1145 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti

**WHEN:** Mondays, 7 p.m.  
Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m.  
Wednesdays, 7 p.m.  
Sundays, 1 p.m.

**WHAT:** **Shangri La Sharing Yoga** - Free class by the Mota Thai Yoga Teacher Training graduates, to build their skill and share yoga with the community.

**WHERE:** Mota Thai Yoga  
416 W. Huron St., Suite # 22 Ann Arbor

**WHEN:** Saturdays 12 p.m.

**WHAT:** **A2 Yoga Studio Free Community Classes** – Yoga teachers at A2 share classes for free, Oña Flow and Nia classes.

**WHERE:** 2030 Commerce Blvd., Ann Arbor

**WHEN:** Wednesdays 11:15 a.m. Oña Flow  
Thursdays 6 p.m.  
Fridays 10:45 a.m. Nia class  
Fridays 4:30 p.m. Oña Flow

safe and secure campus for our students and members of the community who visit our campus.”

Surrounded by trees in the warm seasons, the Voice offers a few tips on responsible hammocking:

1. LEARN ABOUT WHERE YOU'RE HANGING FOR THE AFTERNOON.

Ann Arbor, city of trees, is thriving with different kinds of timber all over the map.

“We have 60 different kinds of trees here on campus,” said Holly Herman, manager of landscape and grounds maintenance at Washtenaw Community College.

Herman said there have been 2,000 trees planted by staff, and more species of trees grow in the wooded areas that replant themselves.

“We just had an Arborist from Oakland University come and talk to us. We are always learning,” Herman said.

18-year-old WCC student, Anatoly Light of Milan, owns a hammock and knows the value of observation – escaping the disturbance of bees in a tree above his hammock.

“I almost didn’t see a beehive above; observing the trees is definitely the most important part,” Light said.

2. CHOOSE A HAMMOCK THAT BEST FITS YOUR SITS.

There are many styles of hammocks made all across the world that are available for

purchase in stores and online. Hammocks come in sizes fit for one or more people. Hammock weight limits go up to 400 pounds from the brand Eagles Nest Outfitters. ENO sell products in stores, online, and tour music festivals each year with the “Lotus Lounge” multi-hammock chill zone. ENO uses nylon taffeta material.

An 869-pound weight limit hammock, found online at Hammock Universe USA, called the “family XL,” is hand-woven by Mayans who reside in the Yucatan Peninsula.

Nathan Hill, an 18-year-old WCC student said, “I prefer harder surfaces.”

Hill and others who are unsure of the idea, would want to think about their options like choosing a sturdier style spreader bar hammock or opting for a picnic date to stay grounded.

3. SECURE IT SAFELY, FOR PEOPLE AND TREES.

Hang from straps sewn to secure a grip around a tree, instead of rope that can slide up and down, to minimize damage to the bark.

“Anytime you damage a tree it can get infected,” Herman said.

Hammock straps should be designed to wrap securely around a tree trunk and not “bore into the trunk for support,” said Herman.

Straps are usually a separate component when buying a hammock, which gives you options to choose from.

Hammock manufacturers are also offering more recent lightweight stands that you can carry with you and be able to hammock

without needing trees to do so; ENO will be releasing these in 2016.

4. SIZE DOES MATTER.

“The size of the tree is more important than species,” Herman said.

Look at the trees you choose to hang from. Be conscious of choosing trees that have trunks too small to hold the weight you are adding to them to keep peace of mind when swaying in the breeze.

Holding up her hands, Herman made a circle roughly 8 inches around, stating anything smaller would be unsafe for all involved. ENO states their standard hammock is nine feet long, and to keep this in mind when searching for the perfect tree limbs.

Altogether, safety and comfort go hand in hand when in the trees and although there are options galore, some students prefer a more solid surface like Hill. Still, all around the state, hammocks are finding their way into the forests on campuses.

Students at Michigan colleges, such as Northern Michigan University, are gearing up for hammock-friendly days. NMU even rents hammocks to students and the public for daily or week-long use. Christopher Smith, the outdoor recreation manager, offers maps with suggested spots to hang out.

“We have many students on campus that go out to Presque Isle, Harlow Lake, Sugarloaf Mountain, on campus, Wetmore Pond, as well as many other hidden locations that students always find,” Smith said.

Always keep in mind the blooming flowers of summer at the base of WCC’s trees while finding the perfect spot.

Hang tight, hammockers, warm weather breezes are on the way.

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