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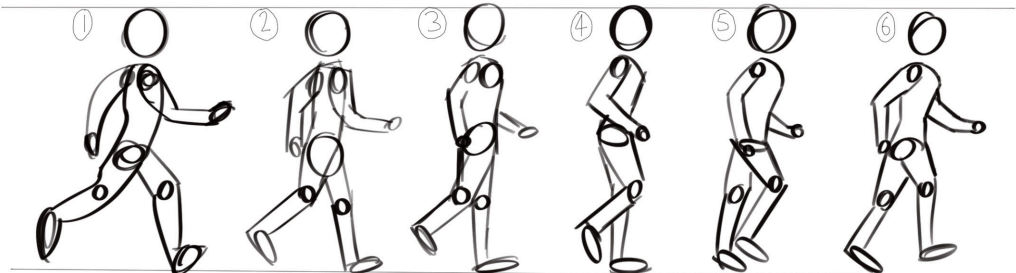
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Animation club fosters creative collaboration



BY WILLOW SYMONDS
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When renaming their club last semester, the Washtenaw Animators Initiative – formerly known as Animators Anonymous – began with creating the abbreviation: WAI, pronounced ‘why.’

“If anyone wants to understand what our club is for, then they can ask WHY,” Club President Amari Anest joked.

In their Feb. 2 meeting, WAI hosted a show-and-tell. Attendees could discuss their own project or someone else’s creation, as long as it included animation or was “animation-adjacent,” in Anest’s words.

“People forget how varied animation is as a medium,” Anest said. “People who might not think they’re super into animation might be surprised.”

For example, WAI member Stefon Stubbs majors in social work at EMU, but he found a way to apply his career path to a video game concept. On Feb. 2, Stubbs presented “HIGH SCORE,” accompanied by high-energy techno music. His moving slideshow ventured through a pixelated world where numbers decide one’s social status and influence.

While this may sound like a social commentary, the game’s purpose instead re-

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volves around self-improvement.

Main character Fibonacci starts at level one (“the most common social class”) and players navigate her life from there. However, she suffers from anxiety, especially over her future. While players might not eradicate her disorder fully, they can learn ways to manage her symptoms and gain life skills. Doing so helps them level up and reach their chosen goal, whether that’s becoming a CEO or going to the moon.

Many details still need to be processed, but Stubbs wants to incorporate other media into the game, such as podcast snippets and book passages to teach people valuable skills applicable to real life. He isn’t sure if he would record this podcast or write these books himself, but he has many references for existing self-help media.

Another decision Stubbs set in concrete is HIGH SCORE’s animation style: 3-D pixelated with a futuristic Japanese aesthetic. Since he has “limited qualifications in animation,” as he told The Voice, he chose this art form because it’s “simplistic without all the geometry and [he]



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Washtenaw Animators Intuitive member Stefon Stubbs presents “HIGH SCORE,” his self-help video game concept.

just really likes how it looks, especially on a PC.”

In the feedback section of his presentation, Stubbs mentioned a non-playable character called Icarus, who’d climbed to the social ladder’s highest rung: level 10. When Icarus tried to reach the moon without the proper skillset, he fell back to level one, becoming “disabled” and stuck just above the deadly level zero.

Anest pointed out how using a physical disability as in-game punishment could be insensitive to disabled players.

“Like all things self-help,” she advised, “you need to be really careful about what information you’re putting out there.”

Though Stubbs thought of Icarus’ plummet as a “sports injury” and didn’t mean to associate it with disabilities, he still “respects [Anest] for calling that out.” This is one reason why Stubbs attends WAI meetings – not just because EMU has no animation club, but also since WAI’s officers and members are “really good to bounce ideas off of.”

Club secretary Nelson Portis complimented HIGH SCORE’s multimedia aspect, noting how this will attract different types of people.

Portis himself is a 3-D animation major, but his main show-and-tell on Feb. 2 involved a comic book pitch. A collage of 2-D supervillains demonstrated the concept’s art style, and once he explained the universe’s main idea, he scrolled down to his notes.

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Amari Anest and Nelson Portis discuss animation during the show-and-tell.

Plymouth-Canton to launch early middle college program

WCC one of two colleges to be post-secondary partner

BY WILLOW SYMONDS
Staff Writer

Plymouth-Canton is the state’s fifth biggest school district, having 16,000 students with 6,000 of them enrolled in their three high schools. However, opening their early middle college program won’t

necessarily increase their student population. Instead, they hope to provide their current students with more opportunities, according to the early middle college’s coordinator, Amanda Pelukas.

The COVID-19 pandemic halted plans for the early middle college. In spring

2020, the state of Michigan approved the EMC and recently approved funding for each student. The school will receive the same amount of money for each student, though the individual and overall amount remain unknown to the public.

Pelukas stressed how the early middle college will use existing campuses instead of building new classrooms. Because of this, the general grant won’t take money away from other Plymouth-Canton Community Schools students.

This school year, Plymouth-Canton’s Board of Education moved their plans forward and will begin student registration this spring. Depending on how many

students enroll for the early middle college, their first year in operation will either start in fall 2023 or fall 2024.

Based on their chosen major, EMC students will attend either WCC or Schoolcraft for their junior and senior years. The Board of Education continues to decide what majors belong to which community college, though Pelukas knows WCC classes will teach Mechatronics, General Business, Graphic Design, and Computer Information Systems to their students.

Pelukas believes the EMC program will help their high schoolers “learn what it’s like to be a college student.”

“Most high schools don’t teach how to be a college student,” she explained to The Voice. “They teach how to

be a highschool student. Lots of [college] kids struggle and don’t finish past their first year because they don’t know how.”

The early middle college students will spend their freshman and sophomore years at their respective high schools, taking the same classes as their peers. Their college may require an exception for one or two courses, such as a certain science credit for STEM majors.

Even after switching to college classes for their junior and senior years, the students can participate in their high school’s extracurricular activities, such as sports and seasonal dances. Taking college classes while still being connected to one’s high school will help students “get the extra support they need to succeed,” in Pelukas’ words.

WCC’s chief operating officer, Linda Blakey, said that Plymouth-Canton’s early middle college is unlikely to affect Washtenaw Technical Middle College enrollment. However, she stressed how WCC and P-CCS’s early middle college are still “separate entities. It’s not our place to make announcements.”

WTMC became one of Michigan’s first early middle

colleges in the summer of 1997. Since then, over 200 early middle colleges have opened. Charter schools have steadily grown in popularity, but enrollment increased dramatically during the COVID-19 pandemic.

However, early middle colleges are unique from most charter schools in that they have to follow the rules of community colleges instead of creating their own.

“Students can discuss their after-high-school plans earlier,” Pelukas said. “I hope that, ultimately, all students graduate from the program with a certificate or an associates with their high school diploma.”

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools’ board of education will make more information available in the following weeks.



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Canton High School’s assistant principal Montybe Barbee holds a Q&A for interested parents of incoming ninth graders on Feb. 7.



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Plymouth High School, Canton High School, and Salem High School all share the same campus as part of the same school district.



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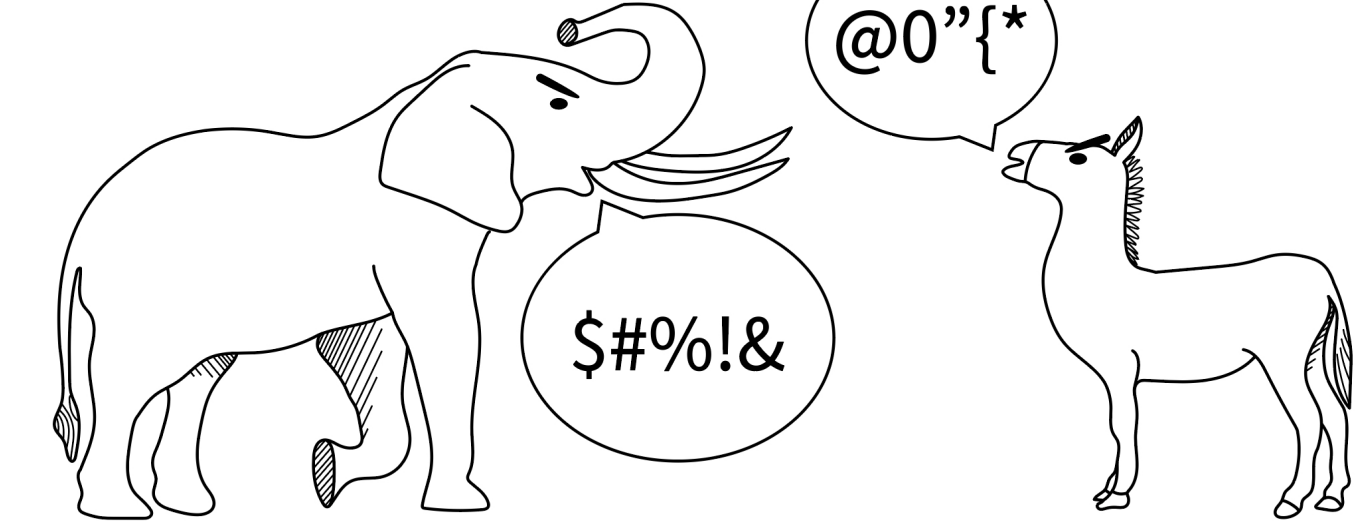
Bipartisanship talk turns to party-based argument

By JACOB KUIPER
Staff Writer

The University of Michigan Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy recently had two former Michigan congressmen, Democrat Andy Levin and Republican Peter Meijer, attend to talk about ways to promote bipartisanship and restore confidence in our democracy. The event was guided by retired Ambassador and UM professor Susan Page.

The event started off with a simple question: “What does bipartisan leadership mean to you?” Despite being an event promoting bipartisanship, partisan barbs quickly came out. “Our problem isn’t a lack of bipartisanship. It’s that one of our parties has gone off the reservation of democracy all together” answered Levin, offering a thinly veiled jab at the GOP. Meijer similarly responded with a jab at former Speaker Nancy Pelosi and her response to legislation he had worked on as a member of the bipartisan Problem Solvers Caucus, “Speaker Pelosi found out what we were working on and shut it down very quickly.”

The next question offered no relief to the argument. When asked about what poli-



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ity between lawmakers is a major hindrance to progress, “If we can’t agree on what the problem is, you’re not going to be able to agree on a solution or make progress towards a solution, and if you deny that that even is a problem, then you’re not getting to a point where you can have any of those conversations.”

Meijer also suggests that certain electoral reforms like the elimination of partisan primaries and the implementation of instant runoff mechanics could help elect more consensus makers. “You are incentivising candidates to appeal to a slimmer section of the electorate rather than going more broadly,” he said, speaking of partisan primaries.

However, the conversation does end on an inspiring note. When asked what advice they would have for current Ford School students looking to work in public service, both men encouraged young people to set their sights high.

“Go out and do something you believe in,” Levin said. Meijer supports this saying, “Find an area that interests you. Find an area that maintains your curiosity and then everything else will unfold once you’re in there.”

cies could be implemented to facilitate a bipartisan healing, Levin was quick to lay out parts of H.R. 1, also known as the For the People Act, a sweeping election law package laid out by Democrats in 2019. H.R. 1 was passed along party lines in the House of Representatives and died to the filibuster in the Senate. Meijer dismissed it as a “non-starter” and visibly bristled at the thought of the federal government forcing a change this large on our largely decentralized electoral system,

one that he champions.

The conversation continued with an argument about the validity of parts of the bill, with Levin expressing Democrats’ go-it-alone nature on the bill, nearly denouncing bipartisanship all together, “Bipartisanship isn’t the answer for everything. The people of Michigan...because of our Republican legislature [in 2018 and 2020]...had to take the darn matter into our own hands and pass...ballot initiatives.”

As the conversation con-

tinued to the next question about how to increase confidence in our elections, the discussion was again derailed by partisan bickering. Levin offered his most pointed criticism of the GOP yet saying “The Republican Party has a national systemic program to prevent people from voting in this country in state legislature after state legislature.” This ignites a dispute between the two over various partisan boogeymen to which Page has to cut in, “OK...OK...clearly we can have another conver-

sation about this.”

It is not until the end of the discussion that true concrete ideas emerge. Levin explains that the impersonalism of our current government is a major roadblock to more cooperation, “The important thing is to build real relationships across the aisle...personal relationships. Find something that you have in common [with another congressman] and work on that issue.”

Meijer echos that animos-

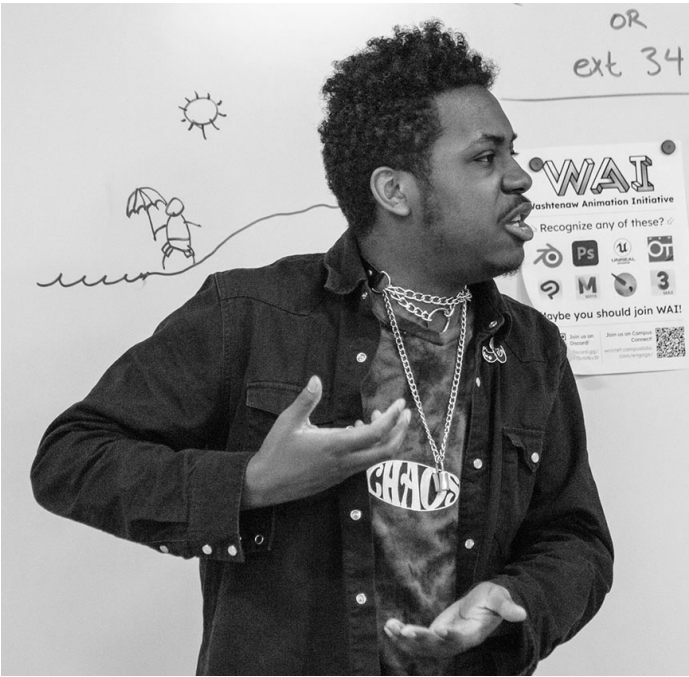
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He “loves writing and creating narrative structures,” made evident in his expansive world-building Google Doc. A lot of what he creates is meta, as his storytelling and world-building refer to itself by the genre’s conventions and cliches. This comic series, currently named the D.o.t.W (Destroyers of the World), shows themes of anti-establishmentism through an alternate America.

Club attendees laughed at his jokes and suggested character ideas – if the teenage supervillains are this world’s equivalent to notorious rappers, then would the superheroes be based on K-pop idols? Or would these “superpowered boy bands” just be villains committing crimes with hardcore training and excellent choreography?

After the club meeting, one member approached Portis and told him that, even though the comics technically don’t exist yet, they still want to draw fan art of the characters. These characters include a dead-party-girl-turned-possible-devil’s-apprentice, Superman if he were a Michigander, and the Surf Nazis,



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Club secretary, Nelson Portis, presents his comic book idea, “Destroyers of the World.”

the latter of which he named after an ‘80s C-grade horror movie.

As a first time club president – and a first time club member, period – Amari Anest has learned to manage not just WAI’s meetings, but also how to keep the club’s momentum rolling—even if said momentum moves at an inconsistent speed.

Member participation has gone up and down already this semester, according to Anest. Welcome Day attracted many new members, but snowfall the next week lowered attendance significantly. On Feb. 2,

six people stayed consistently throughout the meeting, with a few others popping in and out.

Hopefully starting this month, Anest and the club’s officers will “try and push more advertising, like making posters, doing fundraisers, and just being out on campus. Word of mouth last semester was super effective, especially in the animation classes.”

WAI spent much of the pandemic having movie nights on the ANIFams Discord group. Even after switching meetings to in-person this school year, the club uses the

Discord to communicate and post announcements, such as explaining meeting plans like the show-and-tell.

“Trying to get speakers to talk to us is a bit of an uphill battle,” Anest said. “I want to try and do some college visits, but I want people in the club to be the ones telling us where we go. It’s a bit hard for me to say, ‘We’re gonna do XYZ thing,’ because to me the most important thing is, what do the members want?”

Their overall goal is to recruit more creatives, whether they’re animators like Portis or non-animators like Stubbs.

“The club has a bend toward creative students, just because animation as a field is such a creative thing,” Anest said. “People don’t think of it as creative, but coding is art in a lot of ways because you’re building something new.”

Students can attend WAI meetings every Thursday from 3:30-6 p.m. in room GM107.



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WAI club president, Amari Anest, hosts a show-and-tell for their Feb. 2 meeting.

Arena created for Esports on campus



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Students break in the new esports center.



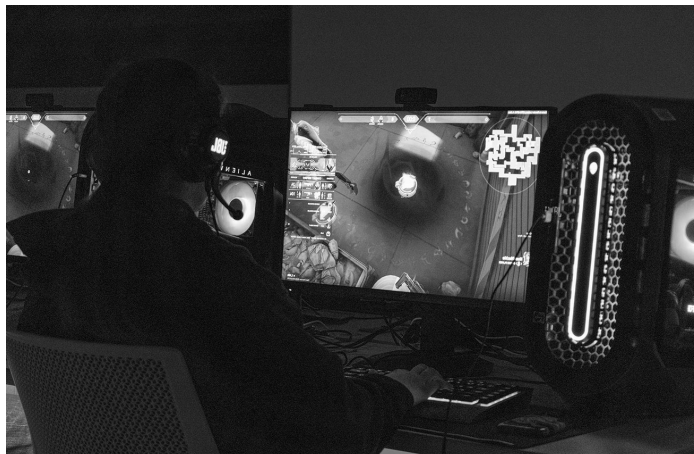
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Super Smash Bro’s battle in a new space.



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Students break in the new esports center.



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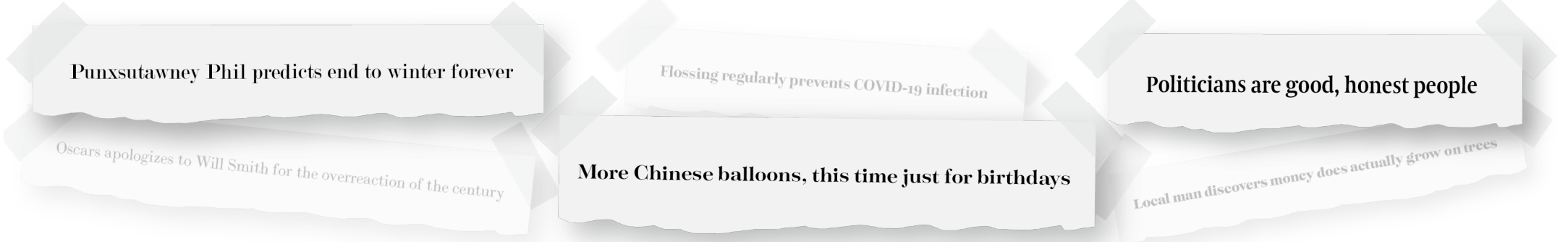
Student plays Valorant in the new esports center.

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Headlines I’d like to see this year



By JACOB KUIPER
Staff Writer

New year, new dreams. There is a lot of negative news out there and not a lot of hope. I thought I'd take a second to step back and offer some optimism and comedic relief with some headlines I'd like to see this year.

Punxsutawney Phil predicts end to winter forever

Punxsutawney Phil, the prophetic groundhog of Gobbler's Knob and Groundhog Day, made an unfortunate prediction for the North this year: six more weeks of winter. After a considerably mild start to winter here in Michigan, it has gotten bitterly cold in early February; six more weeks of this is unwelcome news to Michiganders.

Fortunately, Phil isn't actu-

ally that good at his job. While his "Inner Circle" boasts that he has 100% predictive accuracy, in reality "Phil has gotten it right 40% of the time over the last 10 years," according to the National Centers for Environmental Information. So hopefully the Seer of Seers, Sage of Sages, Prognosticator of Prognosticators, and Weather Prophet Extraordinary will be wrong again this year.

Personally, one more week of winter is too much for me. Next year, I want Phil to predict an end to winter all together and enjoy his well earned retirement.

More Chinese balloons, this time just for birthdays

From Jan. 28 to Feb. 4 of this year, a large, white balloon of Chinese origin crossed North America, igniting America's fascination, fear, and political bickering alike. The problem became so serious that Secretary of State Antony Blinken canceled a planned trip to Beijing, and the U.S. military shot the balloon down off the coast of South Carolina.

With U.S.-China relations at an all time low, this event

opened the wound even further. "Clearly this was an attempt by China to gather information, to defeat our command and control of our sensitive missile defense and nuclear weapon sites," said chairman of the House Intelligence Committee Mike Turner (R-Ohio) during an interview on NBC. China responded similarly hostile with Vice Foreign Minister Xie Feng lodging a formal complaint with the U.S. Embassy saying that this was a "U.S. attack on a Chinese civilian unmanned airship by military force."

Rogue Chinese spy balloons were not on my 2023 bingo card. The next time I see balloons, Beijing, Biden, and Blinken in the same sentence, I just hope we're talking about a birthday party.

Politicians are good, honest people

"All politicians are professional liars," a famous quote by Jessica Pearson of the TV show "Suits", perhaps best sums up America's views towards those who govern.

Perhaps no politician ever has exemplified this quote like newly elected New York Rep-

resentative George Santos. The laundry list of lies he has told seems to increase every day, including lying about how and when his mother died, claiming that he was Jewish and that his grandparents died in the Holocaust, lying about where he went to college and what degree he holds, lying about his work experience, and more. Despite all this, he will probably be allowed to finish his term.

This is just one aspect of Americans' growing discontent with the government. According to Pew Research, 64% of Americans found it "somewhat" or "very hard" to understand what is true when listening to politicians talk. Similarly, Pew also found that a near historic low of just 20% of Americans trust the government to do what is right "just about always" or "most of the time."

Needless-to-say, Americans are somewhat unhappy with the way our government functions. A little bit of renewed trust would go a long way to cure much of what ails our society today.



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Voice Box: What’s the best or worst date you’ve ever been on?

By Grace Crandall & Willow Symonds | Staff Writers



"My best date was the date I asked my wife to marry me."

Josiah Carr, Pre-Engineering Transfer



"I went to my ex-boyfriend's house — obviously ex-boyfriend. He put his arm around me and leaned over to kiss me, and I hid behind the couch because I didn't want to kiss him. I spent the rest of the date awkwardly eating pizza with a fork because his mom gave us knives and forks for pizza."

Johanna Walder, Nursing



"First one that comes to mind is: I have an ex who wanted to take me out on a two-year anniversary. He set aside a few hundred bucks for it, then lost it and expected me to pay for it. I broke up with him later."

Spencer Li, Biochemistry



"We were on our way to the movies and my car broke down on the highway. My friend's dad passed by us and texted if that was me, and then he picked us up. We ran out of time [for the movie]."

Drew Maguire, Kinesiology



"We were in middle school, and this boy asked me to the movies. His dad drove us, and he sat in the front seat and I was in the back, and it was awkward. Then we arrived to the movie theater, and his whole family was there."

Joie Karas, WTCM Math & Science



"My best date was going to New York and then to a nice restaurant. I don't think I have a worst date."

Shack Reese, Business



"So I went out with this guy – big car dude. I got out of the car and shut the door. He said, 'Don't slam my car door like that.' I laughed like, 'Haha, he's not serious.' But then he was like, 'I'm serious, don't ever do that again.' I deleted his number as soon as I got home. The best date was with my fiancé. We met on Tinder and went to a Mexican restaurant."

Allison Wright, Nursing



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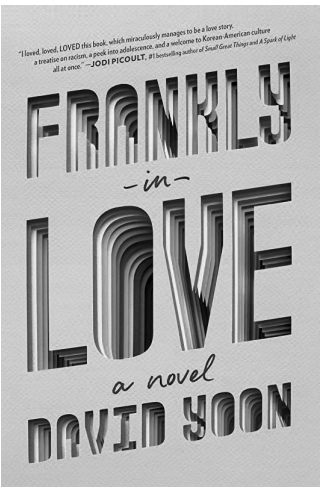
Romantic reads for Valentine’s Day

By Willow Symonds
Staff Writer

Frankly in Love by David Yoon (2019)

Genre: Young Adult Romance

High school senior Frank Li has never been to Korea, but his parents’ past overseas greatly affects his life in Southern California. Because his parents expect him to end up with a nice Korean girl, he keeps his relationship with Brit Means a secret. A family friend’s daughter, Joy Song, has a similar problem – her parents would never



Frankly in Love by David Yoon (2019)

Diversify Your Bookshelf introduces readers to books written from marginalized perspectives, including racial minorities, LGBTQ+ people, disabled individuals, and more.

approve of her current boyfriend, who’s Chinese and a wrestler, unlike Joy’s scholarly self. Frank and Joy hatch a fake-dating plan to hide their actual relationships... But what if their pretending ends up feeling too real? “Frankly in Love” explores not just romantic love but also celebrates familial and platonic love.

The Kiss Quotient By Helen Hoang (2018)

Genre: Romance

As a 30-year-old econometrician with Asperger’s Syndrome, Stella Lane doesn’t have much experience in the romance department. This didn’t bother her until recently, as now she feels her single status disappoints her parents, especially since she’s their only child. After a couple of dates with coworkers turn sour, she opts for a less traditional route: hiring a professional, Michael Phan, who

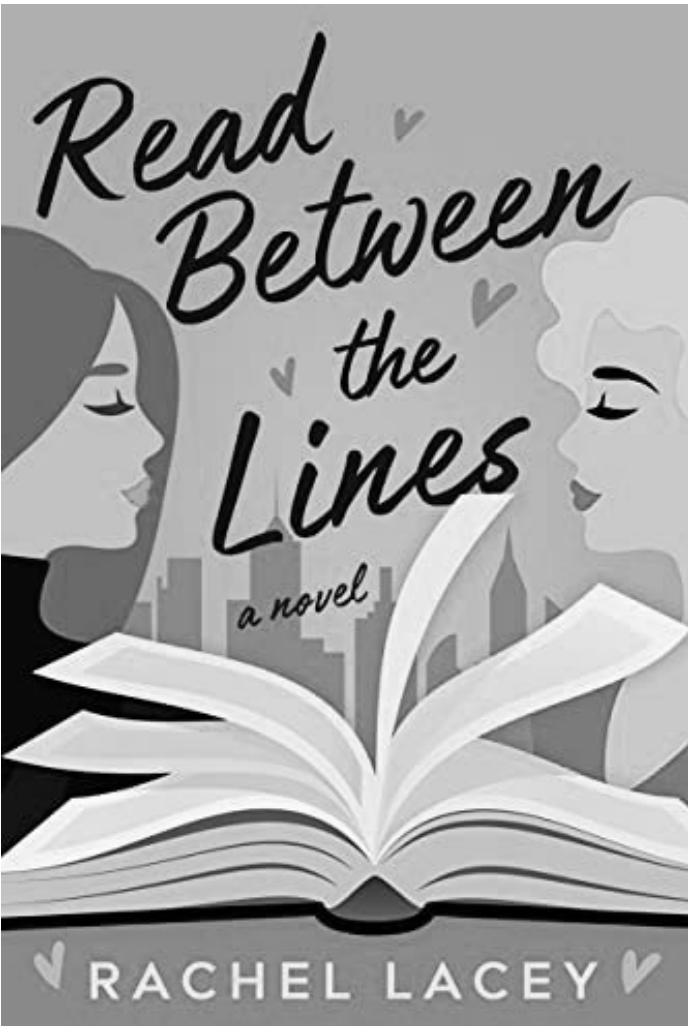
reminds Stella of her favorite K-drama star. She arranges for Michael to teach her how relationships work, aiming to keep the plan formal and educational only. Each time they meet, however, the two of them find comfort in a bond they’d never thought was possible for themselves. Every character of “The Kiss Quotient” is memorable in their own way, but the protagonists are especially likable and have a romance worth rooting for.



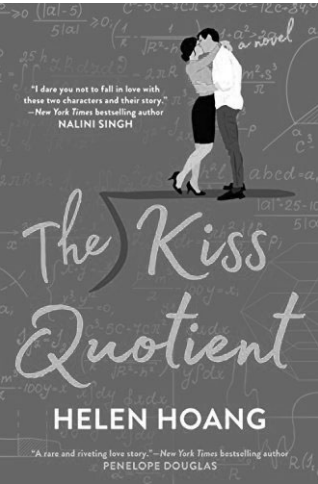
Read Between the Lines by Rachel Lacey (2021)

Genre: LGBTQ+ Romance

Rosie Taft takes after her late mother: her love of books, her life in Manhattan, and now her job running the independent bookstore. After her mom’s passing, a property development business terminates Rosie’s lease on Between the Pages, leaving her finding comfort in her dog’s companionship, the world of romance novels, and a flirty online relationship with lesbian romance author Brie. ‘Brie’ is a pseudonym for Jane Breslin, a #girlboss who doesn’t have much of a love life outside of her family’s property development business. Not knowing that Rosie Taft is the online fan she’s been messaging, the two agree to meet up... and realize this won’t go as planned. “Read Between the Lines” is the modern book version of 1998’s “You’ve Got Mail,” with the love interests complimenting each other’s differences while the dramatic irony keeps the momentum rolling.



Read Between the Lines by Rachel Lacey (2021)

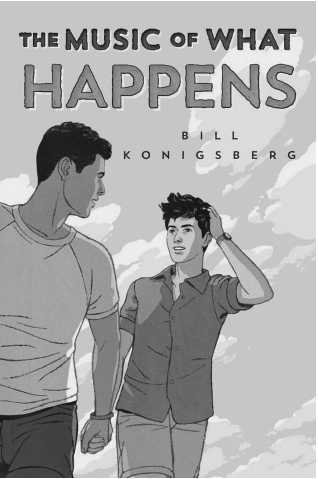


The Kiss Quotient By Helen Hoang (2018)

The Music of What Happens by Bill Konigsberg (2019)

Genre: Young Adult LGBTQ+ Romance

High school athlete Max doesn’t expect his job at a rickety old food van to impact his life much, but he does meet the owner’s son, Jordan, a quiet kid around his age. Unbeknownst to both of them, the other is hiding a secret from each other – and from everyone else. Jordan’s mom bought the food truck on a whim and is spiraling out of control, while Max is trying to keep memories of a terrible night away from his thoughts. The two of them have grown up in Meza, Arizona without noticing the other, but now they’re spending their summer handing out sketchy food in 114 degree heat. Maybe the other’s company makes it slightly more tolerable. Readers can spend Valentine’s Day enjoying both the humor and heart in “The Music of What Happens,” a YA novel adults will appreciate, too.



The Music of What Happens by Bill Konigsberg (2019)

New shows to watch this month

By Robin Wyllie-Scholz
Deputy Editor

FOR SOMETHING SUSPENSEFUL... “The Last of Us”

Based on the popular video game of the same name, this post-apocalyptic adventure has been a smash hit. In the world of “The Last of Us”, the cordyceps fungus has mutated and can now inhabit people, who become zombie-like creatures known as “the infected”. Gruff smuggler Joel is tasked with getting Ellie, a girl who is somehow immune to cordyceps infection, to a group of rebels who hope to use her to develop a cure. “The Last of Us” is streaming on HBO Max.

Feeling overwhelmed with all of the new movies and shows that have come out recently? Check out these recommendations!

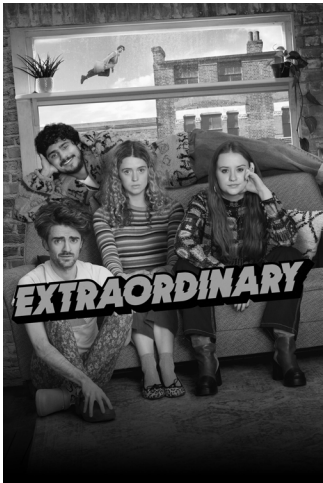
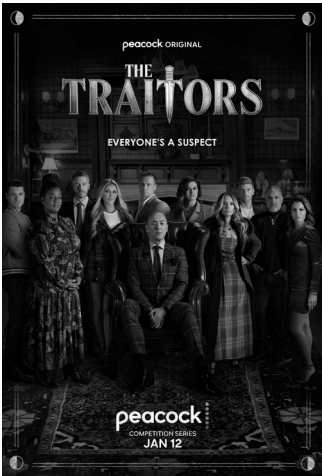


FOR SOMETHING DRAMATIC... “The Traitors”

Scottish actor Alan Cumming goes all out hosting this reality show full of big personalities and betrayal. Based on a Dutch show called “De Verraders”, this show features both well-known reality stars and non-celebrities playing what is essentially a giant game of mafia. Find out if the \$250,000 prize goes to the “faithful” or the titular “traitors” on Peacock.

FOR SOMETHING INTRIGUING... “Poker Face”

From Rian Johnson, writer/director of “Knives Out” and “Glass Onion”, comes a new mystery-of-the-week starring Natasha Lyonne. Charlie, played by Lyonne, has a knack for knowing when someone is lying to her. When her best friend is killed, this ability leads Charlie to discover that things are not what they seem. “Poker Face” is streaming on Peacock.



FOR SOMETHING UNIQUE... “Extraordinary”

In a world where everyone gets a superpower at age 18, powerless 20-something Jen feels left behind. Along with her best friend Carrie, who can channel the dead, Carrie’s jobless boyfriend Kash, and a stray cat who may not be exactly what he seems, Jen sets out on a journey to discover her power. Despite its absurdities, “Extraordinary” is at its heart a story of feeling different and finding yourself. The show is streaming on Hulu.

Wisdom Of The Week

‘I came here tonight because when you realize you want to spend the rest of your life with somebody, you want the rest of your life to start as soon as possible.’

- “When Harry Met Sally”

‘You have bewitched me, body and soul, and I love... I love... I love you.’

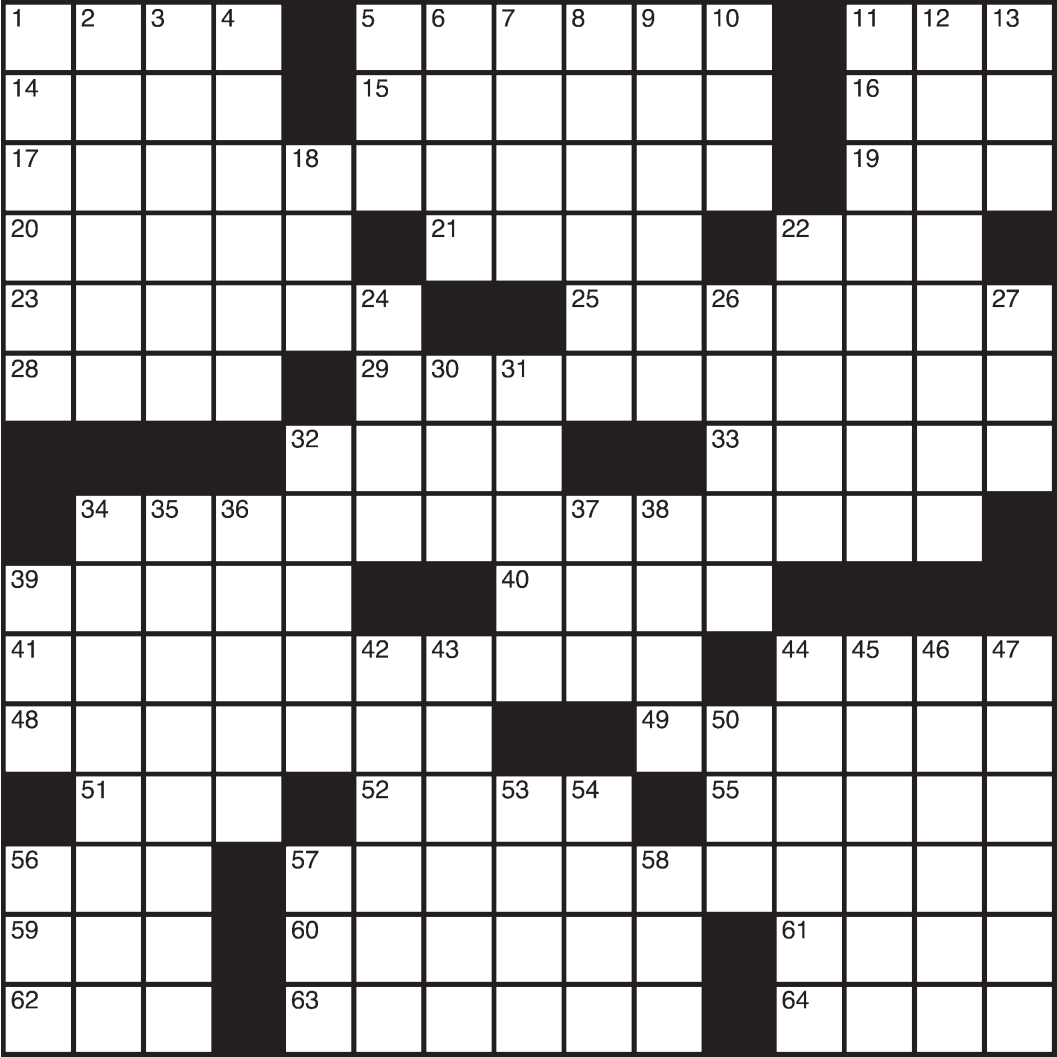
- “Pride and Prejudice”

‘I thought our story was epic, you know, you and me. Spanning years and continents. Lives ruined, bloodshed. Epic.’

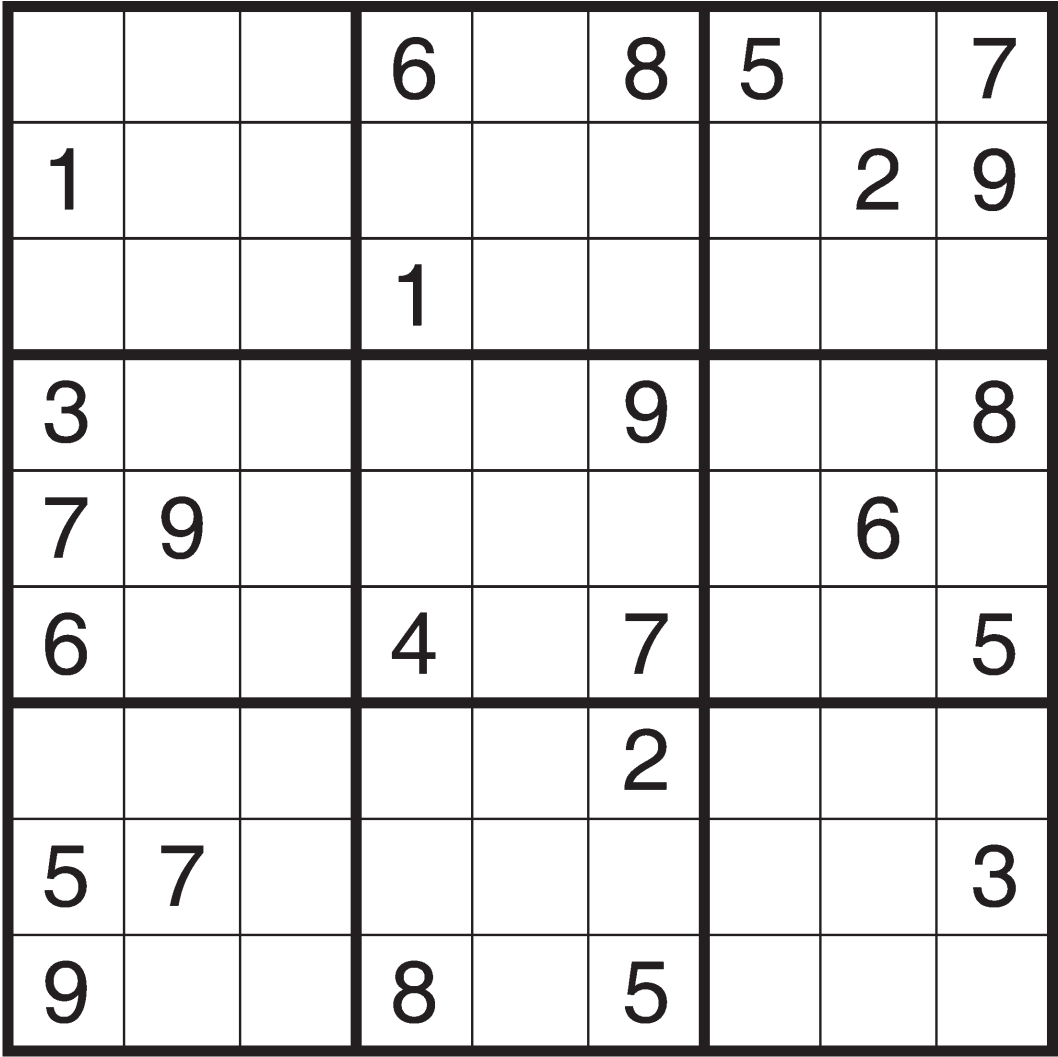
- “Veronica Mars”

‘So, even though you have broken my heart yet again, I wanted to say, in another life, I would have really liked just doing laundry and taxes with you.’

- “Everything Everywhere All at Once”



Solutions to puzzles on washtenawvoice.com



- ACROSS
- 1 Hullabaloo

5 Regional spinoff starring LL Cool J

11 Detergent brand

14 Take a turn

15 Led Zeppelin drummer John

16 Sheepish sort

17 *Sailing-inspired sportswear brand based in Montana?

19 LG rival

20 Dazzled

21 Ballet move

22 ___-Magnon

23 Marks with a sale price,

say

25 Magnificent

28 Long hoops shot

29 *Luxury watchmaker based in Washington?

32 Actress Edelstein

33 T. rex and others

34 *Athleisure company based in Hawaii?

39 Dwarf planet in the asteroid belt

40 Rolled up unannounced?

41 *High-fashion label based in Colorado?

44 Threads

48 L'Oréal rival

49 Synagogue instrument

51 Some NPR stations

52 Reid of "American Pie"

55 Blood line

56 Draft pick

57 Good news for investors, as seen literally in the answers to the starred clues

59 Sling liquor, maybe

60 Golden state

61 Swedish soprano Jenny

62 Choose

63 Past, present, and future

64 Provocative
- DOWN
- 1 Concert souvenir

2 Top remover

3 Grow wider

4 Words inside an arrow

5 Sports org. with 30 franchises

6 Clever stroke

7 Like a global corp.

8 Branch of Islam

9 Don, as a corset

10 Revealing Reddit session, for short

11 "The Incredible Hulk" star

12 "You've gotta be kidding!"

13 Emmy-winning Arthur

18 Abbr. in blood types

22 Adjuster's case

24 Terrarium foundation

26 ___ one's time

27 Some CGI creations

30 Joe Burrow's alma mater: Abbr.

31 Resort city on the Black Sea

32 Runner-up

34 Skateboarding leap

35 Fir ball

36 St. Kitts neighbor

37 Scanned bars, briefly

38 Levi's alternative

39 Atlanta-based health agcy.

42 Make the rounds?

43 Apply carelessly

44 Website that regularly features doodles

45 Ready to run, perhaps

46 G, PG, or R

47 Sling liquor, maybe

50 Country singer Ketchum

53 Material flaws

54 End in ___

56 Earlier

57 Share

58 Small cells



BREWSTER ROCKIT
By Tim Rickard

CLASSIFIEDS

WCC students and employees can place classified ads in The Washtenaw Voice for free.

LOCAL BUSINESS OWNERS Looking for help? As a service to our students, you may place "help wanted" ads in The Washtenaw Voice for free.

THE DEADLINE in 5 p.m. the Tuesday before publication.

SEND ADS to wcc.voice.advertising@gmail.com

Center for Career Success

SC 112
734-677-5155
careers@wccnet.edu

These are among recent employment ad posted with WCC Center for Career Success.

Students may contact the Center for Career Success to find out how to apply for the openings.

To view more information, visit Career Connect at wccnet.edu/careerconnect

Springboard Literacy Tutor (Virtual).

Administer literacy assessments on all students before the start of the program and after it ends to measure learning progress and program efficacy. Create a positive, achievement-oriented, and structured learning environment that motivates and supports students. Deliver targeted, 1:1 literacy instruction to a class of approximately 3-12 scholars twice a week for at least 30 minutes per student/family. Conduct team huddles to build relationships with parents/caretakers, yourself, and the scholar. Facilitate weekly family workshops to equip families with reading tips to use at home.

Social Media Intern.

The Social Media Intern is an

important part of the organization's digital marketing team. The intern helps the Social Media Manager (Board member: Secretary) to identify, conceptualize, design and execute campaigns to boost engagement, educate and inform your audience about upcoming events, services, and organizations programs. The Social Media Intern will help create content calendars, develop and distribute text and video-based content, monitor social media channels and support promotional and marketing efforts. The ideal Social Media Intern will have an in-depth knowledge of various social media platforms: Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and YouTube. They should also be comfortable creating and managing multiple social media accounts and developing content to inform, educate and engage the brand's audience to increase awareness, boost traffic and achieve marketing goals.

Summer Intern - Strategy & Global Portfolio Planning Intern.

Engage with internal clients to develop a deep understanding of the customer needs/desires, the societal/technology trends, and the marketplace forces crafting the future of mobility, to build exciting and innovative vehicles/services, and effectively market them around the globe.

Medical Receptionist.

Responsible for greeting pa-

tients, relaying incoming telephone calls to the appropriate person, and performing assigned medical administrative responsibilities by performing the following duties.

Summer Camp Kitchen Team Leader.

A Kitchen Leader has experience and passion for cooking with whole foods, making meals from scratch for campers and groups ranging in size from 30-175 people. They understand nutrition and are able to prepare meals that are allergen free and provide meals for any dietary need.

Accounts Payable / Receivable Specialist.

As an AP/AR Specialist this position is responsible for facilitating the accounts payable process. This includes coding and entering invoices, issuing weekly payments and following up on invoice/payment issues with subcontractors/suppliers. This position processes payments electronically and administers Christman's Comdata Payment program; an electronic payment program offered specifically to Christman vendors.

IT Internship (Helpdesk) (Summer 2023).

Williams International has an exciting internship opportunity in our IT department (helpdesk). The Intern should have a fundamental understanding of the following disciplines: Fundamentals of Help Desk

Administration, PC and desktop hardware (scanners, printers, phones, etc.), PC Operating Systems Windows 7, 8 and 10, Working knowledge of Microsoft Office Products and Installation, Customer Service skills dealing with end users on a daily basis.

Radiology Tech FT/ PT Trinity Health Ann Arbor Hospital.

Reviews requests for procedures, using reason(s) for the procedures, department protocols, physician recommendations and personal judgment to determine region(s) to be examined and diagnostic images to be obtained. Prepares patients for diagnostic procedures by explaining the procedure, transferring and positioning patients, attaching or arranging immobilization and support devices, instructing and reassuring patients, using care, courtesy and tact. Assists the Radiologist in performance of routine radiographs, adjusts, manipulates and controls a variety of imaging equipment, and accessories used in performing diagnostic procedures.

Head Coach and Program Coordinator Youth Soccer.

Soccer Shots is an engaging children's soccer program for children ages 2-8 with a focus on character development. Our caring team positively impacts children's lives on and off the field through best-in-

class coaching, curriculum and communication. This position is located in Oakland County, MI and is considered Metro Detroit NW Territory.

Greenfield Village Historic Presenter. Think you have got what it takes to bring the past to life? Does the idea of engaging guests from all over the world excite you? Do you believe you can inspire people with the stories of America's past so they will go make the history of tomorrow? Not everyone can do this - we are looking for those who can.

Home Health Aids and CNA.

At Serenity Home Care we provide uplifting in-home care for seniors and older adults who require a helping hand, a supportive companion, and day-to-day assistance in their homes. We are proud to offer you the opportunity to pursue your passion at your own level, on a flexible schedule, and with the recognition and benefits, you need.

Android Developer.

Experience working in agile/scrum methodology. Collaborated with cross-functional teams to define, design and ship new features. Experience with participating in code reviews. Can demonstrate knowledge of software design patterns and conventions. Experience developing unit tests and UI tests. Experience in security of data on devices and in transit.

Veterinary Sales Associate.

The Veterinary Sales Associate is a key support member of the Sales & Marketing team of Xoran Technologies; a fast-growing medical device manufacturing company located in Ann Arbor, Michigan. The primary responsibility of this position is to act as the liaison between the Marketing and Sales teams by interfacing with sales managers to develop leads with potential customers. This position reports to the National Sales Director, Veterinary and is an exempt, full-time position located in our Ann Arbor, MI office.

Wildlife Rehabilitation Intern.

Feed and tend to injured and orphaned songbirds of all ages and species. Maintain accurate health records and documentation of daily weights, medications, injuries, and more in our online database. Learn how to properly set up, clean, and maintain injured/orphaned bird enclosures and outdoor flight cages. Provide species specific diets and enrichment to over 80 bird species. Work closely with staff, fellow interns, volunteers, and the public. Develop an understanding of avian anatomy, symptoms of illness, and learn how to perform thorough exams on birds ranging in size from a Ruby-throated Hummingbird to an American Crow.

WCC art exhibit features works by local students

BY GRACE CRANDALL
Staff Writer

Mushroom forests and cardboard grapefruit. Aliens and elderly dogs. These are just a few of the creations on display in the Morris Lawrence building’s art gallery.

From now until Friday, Feb. 24, the gallery is hosting the Michigan Art Education Association (MAEA) Region 3 Art Show, which features the art of local students grades K-12. There are over 100 pieces on exhibit, featuring both 2-D and 3-D art.

The exhibit features works made with paint and oil pastels, pen and graphite pencil. Among the self-portraits and painted bowls of fruit lie creations of glazed donuts and clay cups. Each piece features a statement from the artist, explaining the journey and inspiration behind their work.

Broken into 18 regions, students from all over the state of Michigan can submit their artwork to be featured in local shows, as well as enter a state competition. Students must submit their work through a MAEA member.

Region 3 comprises students from Jackson, Washtenaw, Lenawee, and Monroe counties. The art on display was judged in late January, and the results will be announced at a reception Feb. 24. From there, the selected pieces will be taken to Lansing for the state competition in March.

State winners will have their pieces displayed at the University of Michigan gallery this spring. Various award categories include Top 100 and Top 18. Likewise, the Department of Education selects some pieces to display in its department building for the year.

This is WCC’s first time partnering with the MAEA to display local students’ creations. The MAEA reached out to WCC in 2022 to see if the college would be interested in displaying the show, after hearing about the new art gallery.

“We reached out about the space, and the eagerness and helpfulness of WCC made us ultimately call the space home this year,” said Krickett Chamberlain, liaison for the Region 3 Art Show. Chamberlain’s role places her in charge of finding the location of the annual show, as well as encouraging teachers to join the MAEA.

Prior to this exhibit, there have been two shows featured in the new art gallery, displaying art from WCC students and staff.

“It was a natural fit for the third exhibit to have a community focus,” said Sarah Gaynier, art gallery director at WCC.

“WCC is honored to have been chosen for this year’s event.”

Founded in 1949, the MAEA began with the intent of connecting art educators to provide better tools for teaching and learning. Since then it has become one of the largest state art organizations in the country,

providing resources and exposure for teachers and students alike. One of these resources is the annual Region Art Show, which allows their works to be viewed by a greater amount of the community.

“The art show is a chance for both student artists and MAEA to highlight the amazing work happening in our area,” said Gaynier. “It also provides... community building opportunity by engaging in new and insightful artwork. WCC is excited to play a small part in their art journey.”

The exhibit is free and open to the public. The gallery is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, and on weekends during special events.



The art exhibit is visible from the hallways of the Morris Lawrence Building.



Sculpture by Jacob Hunter, an 11th grade student at Adrian High School.



Georgia Neely and Walaa Mahmoud admire artwork in the gallery.

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The exhibit features artwork by local students K-12.



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The gallery is located in ML 102.



Georgia Neely and Walaa Mahmoud admire artwork in the gallery.

Get yourself talking.
Talk to your partner.
Talk to your health care provider.



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events

AT WCC

IN THE COMMUNITY

THERAPAWS AT BAILEY LIBRARY

Feb. 15 from noon-1:30 p.m.

Bailey Library

Need some puppy love? Therapaws of Michigan volunteers and their dogs will be in the Bailey Library to visit every month.

DARWIN: BOOKS, BEETLES, AND BOTANY

Feb. 15 from 6-8 p.m.

ML 101

Attend a seminar with biology professor David Wooten about the life and legacy of Charles Darwin. The talk will include a display of rare books that were important to Darwin.

IMPROV NIGHT

Feb. 23 from 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Garret's

Go up on stage and be a part of improv night. You can go on stage alone or with a group of friends.

Sign up at tinyurl.com/yb96cewy

BLACK HISTORY MONTH BELOVED COMMUNITY GATHERING

Feb. 23 from 4-6 p.m.

Community Room

Join Student Activities, the Bailey Library, and the Office of Diversity and Inclusion for food, games, and prizes and to celebrate Black History Month.



VALENTINE'S GIFTS: CUSTOM COASTERS

Feb. 14 from 7-7:30 p.m.

AADL Downtown Secret Lab

Adults and teens invited to design a custom coaster set and cut them out on a laser cutter.

FIX-IT-FRIDAY: MAKER WORKS

Feb. 17 from 4-6 p.m.

3765 Plaza Dr.

All invited to bring anything that needs fixing: chairs, sweaters, radios, or anything. Repairs are not guaranteed. Masks required.

DEPTHS OF WIKIPEDIA

Feb. 19 from 2-3 p.m.

AADL Downtown

Local writer Annie Rauwerda, creator of the popular Instagram feed @depthsofwikipedia, discusses the silliest and most ridiculous Wikipedia pages.

"2023 HUMANITIES AFROFUTURES"

Feb. 23 at 5 p.m.

Rackham Amphitheatre

Panel discussion on "Black Feminist Futures" with Duke University feminist studies professor Jennifer Nash, University of Texas English professor Samantha Pinto, and U-M African American literature professor Aida Levy-Hussen.



60TH ANN ARBOR FILM FESTIVAL TOUR

Feb. 20 at 6:30 p.m.

AADL Downtown

Screening of eight award-winning experimental short films from the 2022 Ann Arbor Film Festival.

UNDERSTANDING ALZHEIMER'S AND DEMENTIA

Feb. 24 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Pittsfield Township Community Center

Talk by an Alzheimer's Association representative about the difference between Alzheimer's and dementia, Alzheimer's stages and risk factors, current research, and available treatments.

ANNUAL ADULTS SKATE TOO EXHIBITION

Feb. 26 from 1:15-3:05 p.m.

Ann Arbor Ice Cube

Local skaters show off their skills in pairs and solo interpretive skating.

LEGO LETTERPRESS

Feb. 28 from 5:30-7 p.m.

AADL Downtown

Kids ages 8 and up have the chance to make a small design out of LEGOs and then make a print of it using the library's letterpress presses.



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