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WCC switches to Canvas

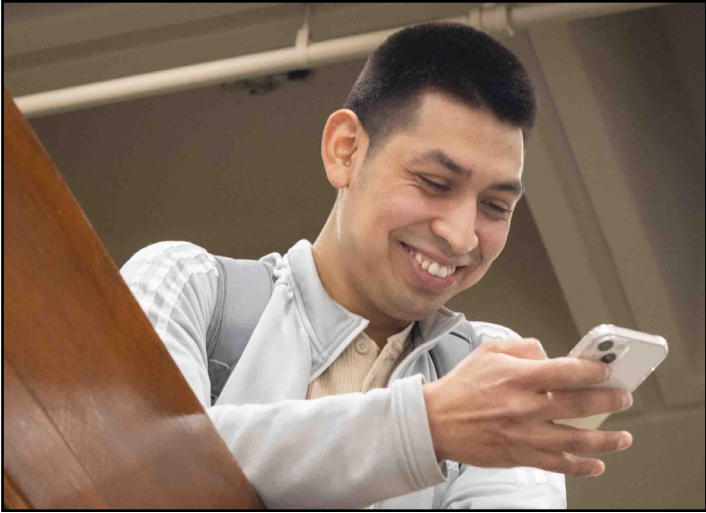
Summer semester students will be among first to see full shift

Alice McGuire  
Deputy Editor

Winter 2025 is set to be the final semester in which WCC will use the learning management system (LMS), Blackboard. Starting in Summer of 2025, the campus will exclusively use Canvas. Winter semester saw 25% of overall courses across all modalities make the switch. Faculty are in the process of archiving existing Blackboard courses.

“A number of years ago, we had looked to identify a new learning management system that would have a greater user experience for both our students, our faculty, and our staff ...About two years ago, we settled on Canvas. Canvas has been the leader—not just in Michigan, but across our country in terms of learning management systems,” Brandon Tucker, vice president of instruction, said.

Carl Weckerle, dean of academic services, added that U-M, EMU, and Wayne State all use Canvas and that mobile friendliness as well as mobile access is a large factor in the learning management system’s



PATRICK SULLIVAN | WASHTENAW VOICE  
Luis Lettmann pulls Canvas up on his phone. Lettmann, who is studying pre-engineering, hadn’t heard about the switch to the new system.

appeal.

In comparison to Canvas’ mobile app, Brandon Tucker said Blackboard’s app has “not been user friendly.”

Weckerle said that WCC ran its first pilot of Canvas last year, with about 20 courses using it over the fall 2024 semester.

Davied Cordero-Caballero, a part time instructor for environmental science, said that he finds the biggest difference between the two to be the user interface, with Canvas being “a lot more upfront

and easily accessible,” though he said there is also a bit of a learning curve, particularly for instructors. On the student side, he believes Canvas has a better system for delivering notifications.

Canvas also has a better system for detecting plagiarism than Blackboard, with the instructor being able to tell, for example, when a student clicks away from the browser while taking a quiz or a test.

“I think students are mostly frustrated about having to use both (Blackboard and

Canvas) during the semester,” said Cordero-Caballero, who explained he had noticed that students who were already juggling learning various software languages seemed to find the transition between the two platforms to be a bit “tricky.”

“But apart from that, I really haven’t heard that many complaints,” Cordero-Caballero said.

For students who might be unfamiliar with Canvas, Weckerle recommends checking out the student training course that is available for them on the platform.

“I think students are going to be able to adapt to Canvas fairly easily,” said Weckerle, who suggested that students log in early and “poke around” if they’re nervous. Weckerle also expressed excitement for Canvas’ calendar feature and said that he thinks students will find it useful to stay on top of their assignments and stay organized.

“I won’t say that I miss blackboard, but it’ll hold a nice, fond memory in my heart,” said Cordero-Caballero.

Tips for students this tax season

Yana McGuire  
Staff Writer

U.S. Tax Day, the deadline for filing your tax return, is April 15, 2025. For some college students who are “adulting” for the first time, preparing and filing returns can seem daunting. However, this process is easier than one may think if you are properly prepared. Let’s take a look at some essential facts that will help make this tax season less stressful.

Starting off right

One of the most common misconceptions students have is that their return check will be a large amount, according to Melissa Beck, tax professional at Liberty Tax & Loans in Jackson, MI.

“It starts with the W-4 Form,” Beck said. “When starting a job, they must fill that out correctly, because that is what drives what will be withheld for their federal, state and city withholdings.”

Your employer can not tell you how to complete this document. It is vital that you review

W-4 guides that explain the form line by line, which can be found online, and/or seek advice from parents, family or an expert.

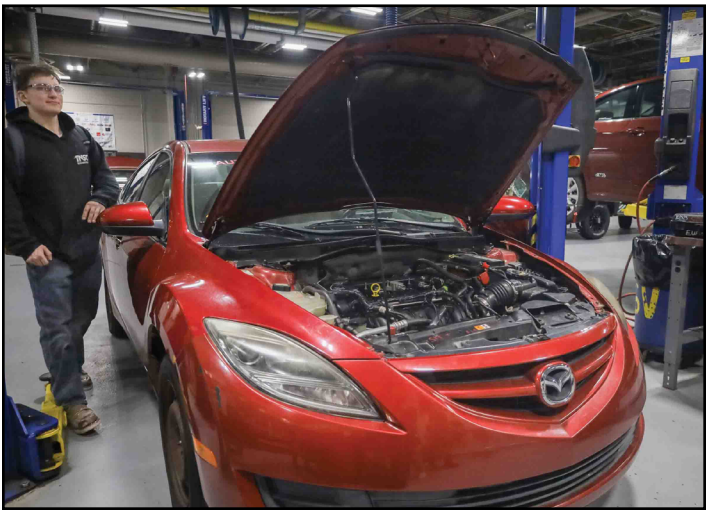
Once you know more about your W-4 form and want to make changes, you can submit a new W-4 Form to your employer that will be put into effect 30 days from the submission date.

Who should file?

All working students are required to file tax returns if they make a certain amount of money, according to the IRS. The amount varies due to your filing status. The 2025 tax year filing threshold for single students aged 64 and under is \$14,600. If the student is married, there are two ways to file and each determines the threshold. Married students who are filing jointly with their spouse must file if their combined gross income is \$29,200. Filing separately, the threshold is \$5 or more.

SEE TAX SEASON, A7

Automotive tariffs expected April



BECK ELANDT | WASHTENAW VOICE  
Transportation tech major Kyle Stauch servicing a vehicle in a WCC service bay. The WCC auto-tech program will still work to train the future of the automotive industry regardless of where cars are produced.

Beck Elandt  
Staff Writer

Tariffs announced in early Feb. have been in effect since March 4, and further actions from the U.S. continue paving the road to change.

As of March 26, President Donald Trump signed an executive order placing a 25% tariff on all foreign auto-related imports, effective April 2.

White House official Will Scharf announced, “we expect that these tariffs will result in over \$100 billion of new annual revenue.” In addition to this, the White House claims this will support domestic manufacturing, bringing more “plants” to the U.S.

The Associated Press stated in an article the next day, that this could “put a financial squeeze on automakers that depend on global supply chains.”

Secretary of Treasury

Scott Bessent has been a recent resource for the White House agenda, reporting to Fox Business News on March 18 about a new wave of tariffs anticipated for April 2.

“Each country will receive a number that we believe represents their tariffs. For some countries, it could be quite low. For some countries it could be quite high,” said Bessent about U.S. trading partners’ potential sabotage against the U.S.

According to Bessent, the White House plans to assess these countries for possible tariff levels, non-tariff barriers, currency manipulation, unfair funding and labor suppression. And, if an agreement is met, there will be no tariff wall. The White House said it aims to promote fairness between other countries, offering an opportunity for negotiable terms like Mexico and Canada.

SEE TARIFFS, A2

WCC alum crafts passion with help from instructors who inspired him

Teresa Quinones  
Contributor

Eric Jiskra vividly remembers sitting in the passenger seat of his mom’s car, just moments before he was about to take his first automotive course at WCC. At the time, he was a WCC student taking general education classes, unsure of what path to take. Over time, Jiskra would go from being a student to working as a part-time automotive instructor at WCC. Before stepping into the world of the automotive industry, he was filled with doubt, unsure if he had what it took.

“We got here and I’m like, ‘I don’t wanna go in there, I don’t have it in me, you know? It’s not gonna work, Mom. There’s no point in this, I’m too old,’” Jiskra said. That day, Jiskra had no idea that just a few years later, he would become known as the “one-man show” and win the Fay Butler award for Best Metal at the 2025 Detroit Autorama.

Before discovering his passion for the automotive industry, Jiskra faced a difficult chapter of his life. At 28, he was looking for a way to re-enter society and find meaning. This fueled his decision to apply to WCC.

“What I was looking for was just to reroute my brain. I guess you could say whatever I was doing in the past obviously wasn’t working, and I needed to find something. I wasn’t sure what it was,” said Jiskra.

While taking general education classes at WCC, Jiskra worked masonry jobs elsewhere to pay for schooling. On one snowy day, during a shift, Jiskra noticed the WCC Au-



COURTNEY PRIELIPP | WASHTENAW VOICE  
During the 2025 Detroit Autorama, Eric Jiskra gave special thanks to his mentors that helped him gain the skills over the years to build Betty White. Jiskra built the warped wonders/hostile restorations and had some help from Kenneth Lewis, a professor of auto services at WCC, who did the mechanical/electrical side.

tobody logo on his employer’s jacket. After a brief conversation, his employer, Gary Sobbry, an instructor in the Automotive Center, encouraged Jiskra to take an automotive course. The following semester, Jiskra enrolled in Sobbry’s automotive paint class, sparking a new interest in the craft.

As his passion in the craft grew, he became a part-time worker at the WCC Automotive Center. Eventually, his passion led him to become an instructor, inspired to be the person he needed when he was younger. Today, he works alongside the instructors who once mentored him, teaching students the same skills he learned at WCC.

With the support of his former instructors and the knowledge he gathered over the last several years, Jiskra took a \$20,000 car—a 1931 Model A coupe, which he named Betty White—into a

competition with multi-million-dollar show cars, ultimately winning. Receiving the Fay Butler Award for Best Metal was a very emotional moment for Jiskra. However, he explains that the most rewarding part of the whole experience was being able to give back to WCC and to the instructors who always supported him.

“It wasn’t just my father being proud of me, but almost like it was all of my autobody fathers being proud of me,” Jiskra said.

Sobbry emphasized the dedication and hard work that he saw Jiskra undergo to build Betty White.

Typically, cars involve many people working on fabrication, welding, bodywork and painting.

However, “Eric acted as a lead on this,” Sobbry said. He took the lead on the entire process, a “one-man show,” as he was named when given the

award.

At the Autorama, many WCC students introduced their parents to Jiskra. He was delighted to talk to his students and their families about Betty White and discuss the details of the two-year project he worked on.

Jiskra learned how to do all his auto body work, the work he did on Betty White, at WCC. He said it was really nice to be able to give to the WCC community through his award.

Looking ahead, Jiskra plans to take his passion to the next level. He hopes to market his artwork, which involves manipulating a bead roller to create 3D designs and using vinyl cutters as stencils. He also wants to continue showcasing Betty White in local car shows, like the Ann Arbor Rolling Sculpture Car Show, this summer.



Tariffs

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From a business angle, leaders from the three largest U.S. automotive companies: Ford, General Motors and Stellantis (formerly Chrysler), came to an agreement with the president on March 5 (one day after the initial one-month postponement) to suspend tariffs for automotive manufacturers until April 1, if they comply with the terms of the USMCA (United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement).

On March 6, President Donald Trump decided to allow all products traded under the USMCA agreement to be exempt from tariffs until April 2, resulting in a much smaller impact on trade and North American business, effectively alleviating the current impact tariffs would have on more economically crucial goods.

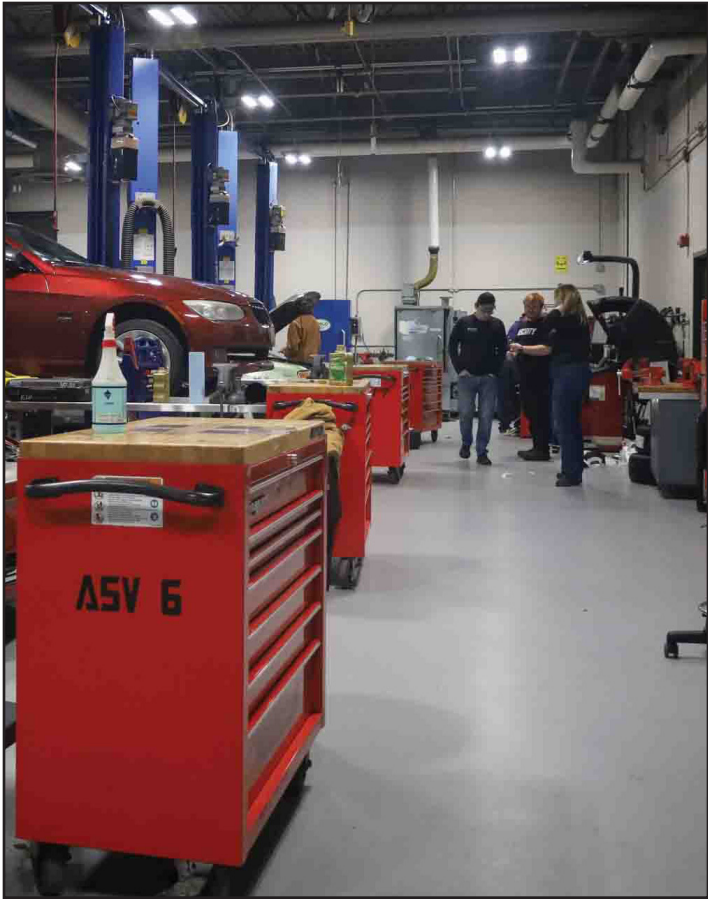
Later, on March 11, after Canada and Mexico levied reciprocal tariffs opposite to the ones set forth by the Trump administration, Ontario threatened to hike electricity imports to select states: Michigan, Minnesota and New York. In response, President Donald Trump threatened to “raise tariffs on Canadian steel and aluminum by an additional 25%,” according to CNBC.

Later that day, both parties backed down from their threats, returning to existing tariffs.

Economics professor Gregg Heidebrink, of WCC reminds us about the structure of tariffs.

“Whoever is importing the good has to pay the tariff,” Heidebrink said. In the case of the U.S., the tariff on Canada means businesses and/or consumers must pay more for anything imported from Canada and, usually, it’s the consumer paying.

Still, businesses could have a hard time staying above



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To avoid costs or tariffs, auto-tech students work on used cars in the OE building service center. This still allows students many learning opportunities. Later when students are technologically certificated, they will be handling the manufacturing of cars.

water amidst waves of economic imbalance.

“Businesses would like to have stability, both for long-term benefit and short-term profit,” Heidebrink said, when asked about how frequent changes of policy would affect an economy.

A clear example of this stems from the auto industry because it’s much cheaper to manufacture car parts in other countries and import the raw product to the U.S., except with high tariffs, it could be more affordable to make cars within the U.S., promoting jobs in the industry.

Regardless of where cars are produced, WCC’s auto-tech program works to train the future of the industry.

Rocky Roberts, Department co-chair of transportation tech, oversees many of

the processes within the auto program. To avoid costs, or tariffs, teaching opportunities are performed on used vehicles and parts are sourced second hand, or from businesses within the U.S.

“We train the hard skills, the technical skills,” Roberts said. After students earn an entry-level technician certificate, local dealerships (Ford, GM and Honda to name a few) become internship pathways, where students can learn hands-on how cars are put together in a safe and controlled environment, potentially leading to a manufacturing position.

Roberts himself is very passionate about creating a high-functioning environment. “There’s lots of opportunity,” he said.

Apply to graduate

Application deadline: Friday, April 25

Commencement Ceremony is MAY 17, 2025

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Washtenaw Community College

Students share strategies for affording Washtenaw County

How cost of living compares for 2-year, 4-year students

### Living at home

Save a lot of money that can be put toward your future.

Shouldn't spend impulsively.

### Living in an apartment

Balancing lifestyle and finances

"It's just affordable"  
-Chris Lively, WCC electrical engineering major

The average cost of rent in Ann Arbor is \$1,650 a month

### Living in dorms

Can cost anywhere from \$11,000 to \$13,000 a year

Limited to appliances

A simpler, more streamlined lifestyle

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Staff Writer

When it comes to creating a lifestyle that works, there are neighborhoods of options, and for those attending college, fi-

nances as well as time can be stretched thin. From housing to food, the Washtenaw community does whatever it takes to meet the basic needs of life.

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slightly above the national average of \$1,559, according to apartments.com. Similarly, groceries are also reported as slightly above average, at around \$693 per month. What something costs, might also be

subject to the individual’s values, and not have to do directly with money.

While having a job, applying for scholarships, and being careful/frugal are all great ways to support your lifestyle,

here are a few real examples of students tackling life:

Apartment life

For those who live more independently, balancing lifestyle and finances becomes increasingly necessary.

WCC Electrical Engineering major Chris Lively uses Costco to help with making meals over a longer time, but sources sustenance from a variety of places, based on his “day-to-day needs.”

Lively likes coffee because it’s cheap, saying how “it can make you social.” When asked about his living situation, Lively says he rents a section of a house in the Ann Arbor area.

“It’s just affordable,” he said, only costing him \$630 a month.

Through working part-time and staying academically on-top, Lively has been able to switch his pathway from computer science to electrical engineering, though some classes he took weren’t accounted for.

Dorm life

To bridge the gap between living with parents and independently, Frances Walewski, a freshman at U-M majoring in public policy, lets her parents support her tuition and dorm costs, and works in the summer to help cover her expenses.

When asked about financial advice, Walewski said, “Save as much as you can. “With U-M students, class, dinner, and home can be closely intertwined, allowing for a sim-

pler, more streamlined lifestyle compared to the commuting demands of community college students.

Another factor to dorm life at U-M is the cooking appliance policy, limiting students to microwaves, according to the Michigan Housing page.

For Walewski, the dining hall provides substantial meals, at the price of \$1,454 for the basic semester plan.

However, according to the Education Data Initiative, dorm costs range from \$11,000 to \$13,000 annually.

At home life

Some WCC students found that living with their family is the best option to support their lifestyle and finances. Cade Westerdale, for example, saves a lot of money from living at home, money he can put towards his future. Westerdale’s favorite way to spend extra money is eating out.

“Usually, me and my friends will get Chipotle and hit the gym,” he said. “I just don’t like cooking, and (eating out) is social.”

Westerdale currently lives with his parents but is planning to rent a room from a friend in the coming months, a viable housing option.

Westerdale, the Vice President of WCC business conglomerate, said to pay attention to your money and, if you can, “you won’t spend impulsively.”





Fashion  
WASHTENAW

Sara Elizabeth Dugger | Contributor



"I picked out my outfit with my twin sister this morning. We had a fashion show until my sister approved of my fit. We're actually matching today. The outfit is mostly thrifted. The hat is my favorite piece, and it came from the little boy's section in the thrift store."

Sara Vink  
Nursing, WTMC, 16

"I decided to layer it up because it's cold. The cardigan is from YesStyle, the shoes are from Target. The waistcoat was a find that I got before my high school graduation. The cardigan is super soft and warm and is definitely my favorite piece."

Sunny Park  
Psychology, 18



Lyric Lane

What is a song that makes you laugh?

Henry Sincic | Contributor

'The HampsterDance Song' by Hampton the Hampster



"It's definitely an old one, but whenever I hear it, it makes me laugh."

Charlie Flynn  
Graphic design, 19

'No More Parties' by Reese Youngn



"It brings up funny memories. There's funny jokes and videos associated with that song."

Mo Shadeed  
General studies, 17

'Rewind' by Wonder Girls



"I just like the lyrics. The whole band has a lot of songs I think are fun and silly."

Ryan McCoubry  
General studies, 15

'MOSHI' by Pegboard Nerds & Tokyo Machine



"It's really upbeat; good to vibe to. I associate it with fun things I used to do with my friends."

Dotun Shiyanbola  
General studies, 16

VOICE BOX

Lily Cole and Inayah Amir Bey | The Washtenaw Voice

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Video edited by Inayah Amir Bey



What's your dream vacation spot, and why?



"Probably Brazil. The weather, beach and people. I've heard good things about Brazil."

Abraham Altaweel  
Business marketing, 21



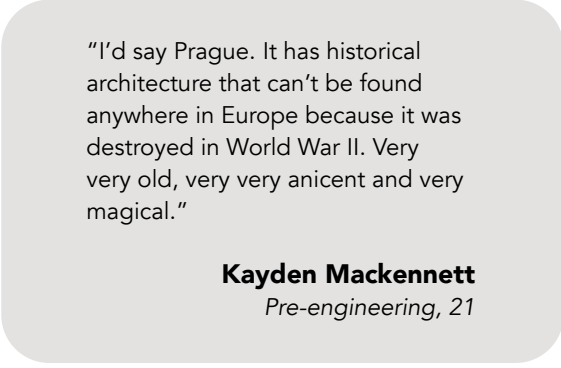
"Paris. It's the birthplace of photography, so it's an extension birthplace of film, and a birthplace of art. There's nothing more beautiful than art."

Monica Lovell  
Digital video production, 50



"I think probably somewhere in France, Paris probably. I know there are generally issues with waste in the streets, but I've always wanted to go there when I was younger. The Eiffel Tower seemed cool."

Noah Bain  
General studies, 16



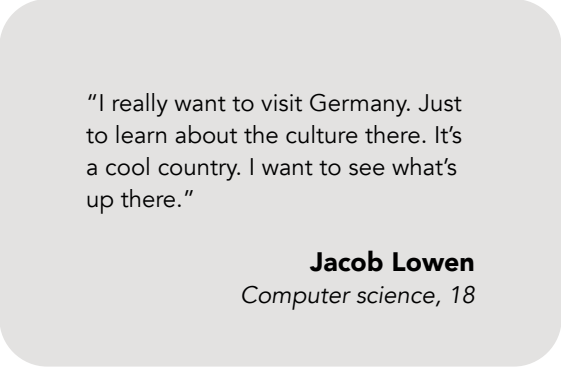
"I'd say Prague. It has historical architecture that can't be found anywhere in Europe because it was destroyed in World War II. Very very old, very very anicent and very magical."

Kayden Mackennett  
Pre-engineering, 21



"A little town house, not really country side, but not in the big city. Maybe next to a little water area, something like that."

Ethan Taylor  
Automotive tech, 19



"I really want to visit Germany. Just to learn about the culture there. It's a cool country. I want to see what's up there."

Jacob Lowen  
Computer science, 18





LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Build dialogue amid uncertainty



LILY COLE  
Editor

Dear readers,

As we navigate a rapidly changing political climate, ignoring the daily uncertainty seems impossible. We find ourselves constantly confronted with the question: What if?

Uncertainty isn't an enemy but an invitation to question, engage and rethink what we know. I've noticed concerns vocalized by the student body, including direct feedback from classmates and readers. I hear these concerns, see them and feel them, too.

The Voice welcomes all these concerns, whether you agree or disagree with an issue. We invite letters to the editor, where you can express thoughts and feelings through the Voice's opinion section. Letters should be a maximum of 200 words with an author's name and emailed to thewashtenawvoice@gmail.com.

At the Voice, we aim to provide truthful reporting to our campus community. It's our job to be accurate, ethical, responsible and courageous. We are committed to providing clarity in the face of complexity, delivering

facts and offering a space where different perspectives can be heard.

It's an uncertain time for everyone. Administrators, staff, faculty and many others have difficult jobs. Many of them are likely under a lot of pressure and working longer hours to try to find a solution and provide support for students, especially at a time when executive orders targeting higher education are coming out daily.

But, in the face of uncertainty, we, the students, look to leaders and institutions for guidance, and the feedback from my peers reflects that we need answers. As editor of the student newspaper, I feel it's my responsibility to give them that voice.

I call on the administration to be more open with students. Students received only one email from WCC President Rose Bellanca's office on Jan. 28. Since then, changes to higher education have been prevalent. Send us emails. Keep us updated.

At the most recent board meeting, trustees reaffirmed the commitment to WCC's mission. However, most students don't attend those meetings. What students need to hear is a reaffirmation of this mission statement directly from the WCC administration.

As we face these times together, I encourage all students to participate in the conversation. Share your stories, concerns and ideas. This is your space, your opportunity to contribute to the narrative of our WCC community.

Sincerely,  
Lily Cole  
Editor, Washtenaw Voice

COLUMN

WTMC helped me grow  
Dual enrollment teaches responsibility, preparation



LEXI STEPHENS  
Contributor

At the beginning of eighth grade, my friends and I were sitting at our normal lunch table when, suddenly, the topic of high school came up.

Everyone was talking about how they put in their applications for schools like Washtenaw Technical Middle College (WTMC), ECA and Skyline. When I got asked which high school I applied to, I told them I haven't applied yet. They all looked at me like I was crazy, and one of them asked me if I was crazy.

The thing was, my mom had no idea that you had to actually apply to high schools. She assumed you just signed up and you got in, and I definitely had no idea you had to apply at all. When I went home that day, I looked into all the high schools around me and applied to every one that I could. However, the one that really stuck out to me was WTMC. I had never heard of a high school where you were able to take college classes as a high schooler.

After that day, I knew that WTMC was meant for me. The only problem was I didn't live in Washtenaw County, and I didn't have any siblings who went there, so I got last pick when it came to applications.



JADA HAUSER | WASHTENAW VOICE

In WTMC, you can graduate with your high school diploma and an associates degree, certificate, or both.

Then, miraculously, in early May, I got an email telling me that I got accepted. I remember being so excited and I immediately told all of my friends that got accepted into WTMC that I'd be attending with them.

Fast forward to now, I am a first-year WTMC student, and I love it here.

I've met so many new friends, I'm on the right track to go to my dream university and the teachers are so supportive.

This school has definitely been a challenge, and I can only imagine that it'll get better, but this school does so

much more than just prepare students for college. It helps improve skills that we can use in the real world such as responsibility, follow through and preparation.

I've only been a student here for two semesters, but I would recommend this school to anyone. I've wanted to be a writer ever since I was little and being at this school helped me become a published writer at The Washtenaw Voice as a freshman in high school.

COLUMN

Bicycles are more than just a form of transportation



BECK ELANDT  
Staff Writer

When you think of summer, you might imagine days at the lake, ice cream dripping down your hand, or long car rides. When I think of summer, I think of bicycles, my knees in the wind and a strong sense of freedom.

Ever since I was a youngster, I remember pedaling faster and faster until I couldn't-taking on sets of stairs and, especially, riding bicycles with friends. I remember racing to elementary and middle school, down sidewalks and shortcuts, trying to get my time as fast as possible.

Despite the thrill, some of my

best childhood memories are with my good friend, Josh, riding bicycles around Chelsea and getting a beverage at the local cafe. Sometimes, we would ride for miles, discovering new places and especially new perspectives, all while catching up and staying out of trouble.

When I started high school, this rhythm continued, but something was different now that I didn't have to pedal as much. I owned a moped, but I still wanted to ride my bicycle, which didn't make sense. The moped was faster, had lights and a throttle, so the excitement was easy. To bring myself closer to the source, I got my first job as a service technician for the local bike shop, Aberdeen Bike.

Being surrounded by people who love bicycles, it became clear to me why these instruments are so special: simplicity.

One of my favorite sayings is still framed on the sales counter at Aberdeen: "You can't buy happiness, but you can buy a bike and that's pretty close."

Kevin Sanchez, owner of the shop, used to break his bikes as a kid, fix them until they broke again and then repeat the process.

To Sanchez, they're machines that "get you out into the world,"



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Beck Elandt taking apart a BMX bike for a tune up back in spring 2019. Elandt rode bikes throughout his childhood and even worked at Aberdeen Bike in Chelsea, MI when he was in high school.

loving bicycles for their "simple elegance." He also likes them from a transportation angle because, on a bicycle, you can really soak up your surroundings, compared to driving a car.

The good vibes that come from cycling closely relate to the benefits of exercise.

According to an article by James Freed of Momentum magazine, "Cycling is a form of aerobic exercise that has been praised for its ability to increase serotonin levels in the body. This makes you feel happier while having the added benefit of increasing your physical health."

Tim Petrie, a physical therapist, regards cycling as a low-impact exercise that is great for recovery and building strength, in his Very Well Health article.

This is to say that cycling can be a rhythmic, healthy, memorable activity; I don't know where I'd be without a bicycle.



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REVIEW

‘Snow White’ isn’t as bad as you’ve heard



HENRY SINCIC  
Contributor

RATING

★★★★★

“Snow White” is not the live-action abomination that you’ve heard it to be. While not perfect by any means, the film shows an admirable dedication to expanding upon the animated original in plot and characterization. This seems especially brave considering the inevitable backlash any remake of this calibre seems destined to receive.

Don’t even get me started on the legions of inflammatory internet drones who seem to exist only for the benefit of decrying every new Disney project as being “too woke.” To those people, and everyone else, I am here to say this: the new “Snow White” isn’t bad at all.

The film has a notable pedigree to uphold. The original “Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs” is an animated classic, a true monument of ingenuity and innovation for 1937. The animation? Sumptuous. The designs? Classic. The music? Immortal. Yet for all of its historical importance, one would have to admit that the film has its faults.



PHOTO FROM DISNEY ENTERPRISES, INC.

2025’s “Snow White” is a live-action reimagining of Walt Disney’s “Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs,” which itself is based on the 1812 fairy tale “Snow White” by the Brothers Grimm.

There’s practically no plot, for one. Sure, Snow White meets a group of fittingly named dwarfs in a magical wood after escaping assassination by her jealous stepmother, the queen. But there’s really nothing elevating it beyond that which could already be found in copious Disney animated shorts, plot-wise. Snow White herself is practically a blank slate, personality-wise, and the film’s rushed climax practically has our heroine “accidentally” get herself out of trouble. There’s definite room for improvement.

Enter the remake, a mere 88 years, and six and a half Disney CEOs later. Many (myself admittedly included) have lambasted Disney’s apparent creative bankruptcy in their incessant need to push out live-action, “uglified” versions of their classic animated films instead of totally new ideas. But there are reasons for these things in the cinema world.

“The movie industry is having a hard time with rising prices after COVID, so they don’t want to take risks,” said Hope Bernard, WCC film instructor. “They don’t want to go out on a limb, because that means that they could possibly lose money.”

The movie might be playing it safe for the sake of earning money, but it has its redeeming elements.

First of all, and to state the obvious, live action mixed with CGI isn’t as appealing as hand-drawn animation. But the filmmakers really went out of their way to create real sets that were visually appealing, and the costume work is truly top notch.

The uncanny valley starts to creep in when the forest animals enter the picture, although there’s fortunately not too many of them. The CGI is only inexcusably bad when the plastic lawn gnomes, I mean, seven dwarfs, get introduced.

The rest of the movie is widely appealing. Snow White has evolved a bit as a character, now having more of an impact in driving the movie along through scenes of conflict.

Her love interest has more screen time and development than the original, which is to say, more than none at all.

The actors all do a pretty good job with their roles, although Gal Gadot seems a bit disinterested as the evil queen.

Additional plot beats and scenes flesh out the movie’s slightly longer runtime, and each song, new and old alike, is catchy and appealing.

The movie still suffers from being slightly shallow, and one would’ve hoped for more development in Snow White’s character after 88 years. But as an enchanting adventure for kids goes, you could certainly think of much worse than this one.

REVIEW

Keke Palmer, SZA shine with electric chemistry in comedy that falls short



YANA MCGUIRE  
Staff Writer

RATING

★★★★★

Welcome to “Run That Back,” your go-to place for analyzing new and old films. Here, we take a closer look at the good, the bad, and the downright ugly aspects of a film to determine whether it is worth the current ticket price or pressing the play-back button for.

Being a fan of the “Friday” comedy franchise that came out during the late 1990s and early 2000s, I was eager to see how “One of Them Days” would modernize the best friends having a bad day trope. It was a pleasant surprise to see the film being reminiscent of the 1990s with perfect soundtrack choices and visuals. However, film writer, Syreeta Singleton, failed to deliver the comedic impact that similar films have had in the



PHOTO FROM SCREEN RANT

“One of Them Days” was released in the U.S. and Canada by Sony Pictures Releasing on Jan. 17, 2025. The film has grossed over \$50 million.

past.

It all starts when Dreux (Keke Palmer) finds out that her best friend, Alyssa’s (SZA) boyfriend, has run off with their rent money. Facing same-day eviction, the girl races against the clock to keep their home and ultimately their lives.

**The Good**

Palmer and SZA’s chemistry is electric! The pair displayed the beauty of true friendship that was believable. It is refreshing to see women care for and support one another in such a genuine way.

Palmer is a veteran in the acting game, which shines through her witty comedic timing. SZA makes her movie debut in this film. Yet, she is

able to keep up with a cast which consists of some of today’s top comedians, like Katt Williams and Tony Baker.

Not to take anything away from SZA’s performance, but the top comedians’ performances are lackluster at best. The jokes just did not hit the way they were intended to. Regardless, Palmer and SZA carried the film and sparked my interest in seeing them in another movie together.

**The Bad**

“One of Them Days” has a couple of exaggerated scenes that leave the film unbalanced. The scenes are meant to be funny. However, with the film being centered around a laid-back comedy style, these scenes felt out of place and unnecessary.

**The Ugly**

Although I personally enjoyed this film, some of the stereotype-style jokes do not help the current state of society.

The Church’s Chicken car scene came across as if the filmmakers were pandering to the United States’ vision of black people. It was definitely a “Soul Plane” moment. If you do not know what I mean, trust me, that is a good thing!

Overall, “One of Them Days” is a good film for a movie night with friends. Perfect for one or two light-hearted laughs and could be the start of a funny conversation with your bestie.

REVIEW

‘Electropop opera’ meets Tolstoy

Itch your theatre bug with ‘Natasha, Pierre & The Great Comet of 1812’



LILY COLE  
Editor

My first musical theatre performance was in 2018 for the show “Hands on a Hardbody.” The show is about 10 contestants competing for a “hardbody” truck in Longview, Texas. The last contestant who has his or her hands on the truck wins it. We had a real Nissan truck roll into our little black box theatre. It was magical.

After that moment, I immersed myself in performing throughout high school. It was something I really wanted to do, and singing is a passion of mine. I had been into theatre before, but doing this show, even as an ensemble performer, pushed my love for musicals, and I began listening to a lot more. One of my favorites is “Natasha, Pierre & The Great Comet of 1812.”

“Natasha, Pierre & The Great Comet of 1812” (or just “The Great Comet”), is a musical that tells the story of a 70-page part of Leo Tolstoy’s novel “War and Peace,” first published in 1869.

The musical was created by Dave Malloy, who wrote the score and lyrics. It was originally directed by Rachel Chavkin. The show is based on Volume II, Part V of the novel and focuses on two main storylines: Natasha’s love affair with Anatole and Pierre’s journey to find meaning in his life.

The show’s synopsis is extensive—too extensive to condense into a little recommendation—but it follows the lives of a ton of characters, ranging from Natasha (she’s young) and Sonya (she’s good) to Anatole (he’s hot) and Dolokhov

(he’s fierce). Listeners get introduced to these characters and more through the first song in the soundtrack, “Prologue.”

“The Great Comet,” which premiered Off-Broadway in 2012, has been produced in various locations, including a Broadway run from 2016 to 2017.

The show received positive reviews for performances by Phillipa Soo, Denée Benton and Josh Groban (he’s been my childhood crush for years), with the production earning 12 Tony Award nominations, including for Best Musical and Best Actor for Groban, and winning two awards for scenic design (Mimi Lien) and lighting design (Bradley King). Some standout songs from the show are “The Opera,” “Charming” and “Dust and Ashes.”

The musical mixes Russian folk and classical music with indie rock and EDM vibes. Malloy, who wrote the score and orchestrated the whole thing, calls it an “electropop opera” because it’s mostly sung-through, with only one line of spoken dialogue between Pierre and Natasha in their scene together.

On stage, most of the actors also play musical instruments, adding to the orchestra’s sound—something that you don’t see often in musical theatre nowadays. Pierre even plays the accordion for a bit and performs big parts of the score on the orchestra’s piano.

“The Great Comet” is a fun listen for anyone who wants to get into musical theatre. It’s vibrant, switching from belts to opera in a range of songs. It’s filled with emotional depth and cultural richness, and its story will make you fall in love or hate the word altogether.

If you’re new to musical theatre or want a new one to itch your theatre bug, “Natasha, Pierre, and The Great Comet of 1812” is just for you.



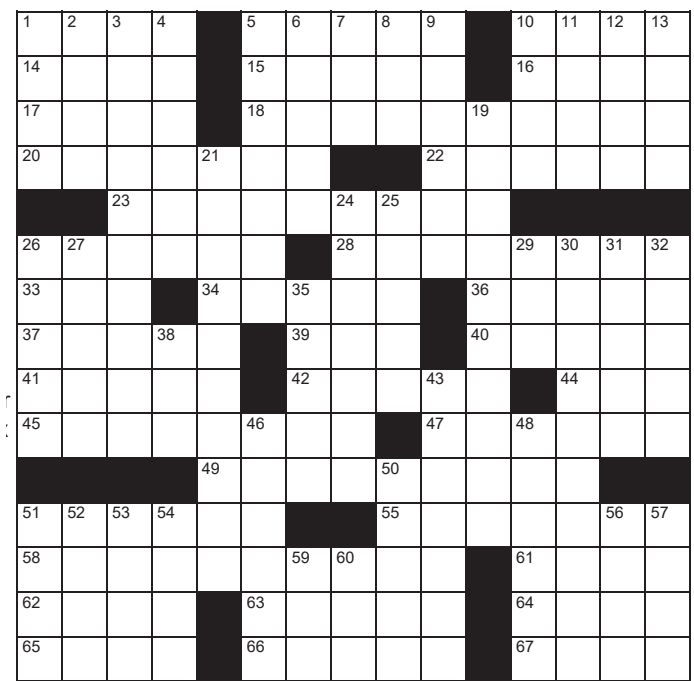
PHOTO FROM PLAYBILL

Denée Benton and Josh Groban debuted the roles of Natasha and Pierre on Broadway in 2016. The two received rave reviews for their performances.





Crossword by Margie E. Burke



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- ACROSS**

1 Flows back

5 Washington's portraitist

10 "Fernando" group

14 Romance novelist Roberts

15 Wall climbers

16 Golfer's need

17 \_\_\_\_-clad

18 Cartoonish portrait

20 Like some humor

22 Still in the outbox

23 Black tie is one

26 Coffeehouse packets

28 Forsaker of the faith

33 Mia in "Pulp Fiction"

34 Coconut meat

36 Mortise's mate

37 Treat poorly

39 Falcons, on scoreboards

40 Flip response?

41 Meat avoider

42 Trash

44 Singer Rawls

45 Constructing, as a building

47 Good-for-nothing

49 Adding to

51 Bassett of "Black Panther"
- 55 Art done with acid

58 Shade of red

61 Smooties berry

62 Indigo dye

63 Finger-pointer

64 "Nail" anagram

65 Runs into

66 Healing plants

67 First Lady of Song
- DOWN**

1 "National Velvet" author Bagnold

2 Snoozefest

3 Railroad track width

4 Justice O'Connor

5 "Guernica" painter

6 Captain America portrayer Chris

7 It can be fresh or hot

8 Waikiki welcome

9 Old Portuguese money

10 Plays a part

11 Down in the dumps

12 Get too much sun

13 Assist illegally

19 Numbing drug

21 Data ranking term
- 24 Hauling charge

25 Milky gems

26 Smooth-tongued

27 Brownish color

29 Three-way joint

30 Having similarity

31 Big fusses

32 Follow as a result

35 King protectors

38 Small pouch

43 Walks unsteadily

46 Sumerian goddess of love

48 Get some air

50 Rapp of "Mean Girls"

51 Miles off

52 Vessel of 1492

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54 Snaky swimmers

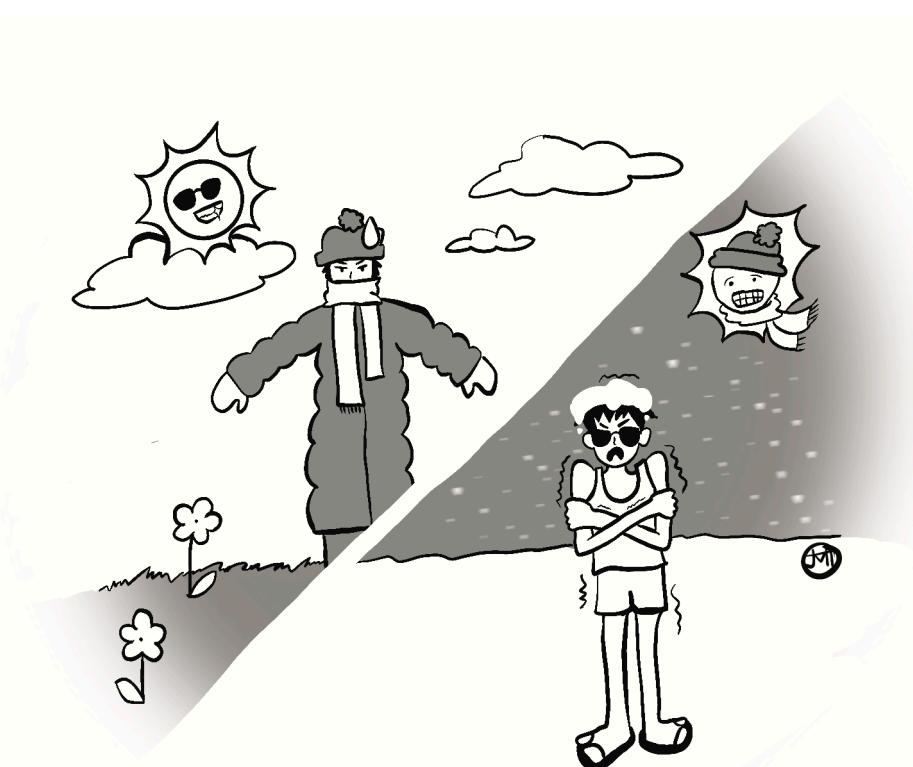
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59 "For Me and My "

60 "If you ask me," in a text

SAME FONT, DIFFERENT DAY BY JADA HAUSER



"When it comes to Michigan weather, there's no winning whatever way you play..."

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(Answer appears elsewhere in this issue)

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BY CLAIRE HALL



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JOB POSTINGS

Below are recent employment want ads which have been posted with WCC Center for Career Success. WCC Students and alumni are invited to read these ads and to apply on Handshake™. For more information or assistance with applications, contact the Center for Career Success, SC 112 at careers@wccnet.edu or 734.677.5155. Follow us on Twitter: @WCC\_Careers | Facebook: @WCC.CenterforCareerSuccess | LinkedIn: WCCCenterforCareerSuccess | Instagram: @wcccenterforcareersuccess

Audit or Tax - Entry Level Staff 2026 at Plan-te Moran.

In this position, you'll instill confidence in organizations large and small by assuring their financial health. We'll give you the flexibility to craft business solutions, not just spreadsheets. Your work will include, but not be limited to: Participating in different phases of the audit and/or tax engagement. Planning, testing, researching, and reporting. Working with compilations, reviews, compliance, financial statements, and benefit plans. Engaging in corporate, partnership, individual, international federal, and state & local taxes.

Meaningful interactions with staff at all levels as well as with our impressive repertoire of clients. Experience working with a wealth of business opportunities throughout a professional services firm. The qualifications : Detail-oriented leader with problem solving, communication, and analytical skills. Bachelor's degree with an emphasis in accounting; or Master's degree in accounting or tax. Academic success (a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0). Completion of the requisite degree and supporting credits to sit for the CPA exam, with the goal of successfully obtaining your CPA license.

Meat Department Associate at Kroger Ann Arbor.

Essential Job Functions: Promote trust and respect among associates. Create an environment that enables customers to feel welcome, important and appreciated by answering questions regarding products sold within the department and throughout the store. Gain and maintain knowledge of products sold within the department and be able to respond to questions and make suggestions about products. Cut meats to customer's requests using proper cutting equipment. Offer product samples to help customers discover new items or products they inquire about. Inform customers of meat specials. Provide customers with fresh/frozen products that they have ordered and the correct portion size (or as close as possible to the amount ordered) to prevent shrink. Recommend meat items to customers to ensure they get the products they want and need. Use all equipment

in meat department such as the refrigerators, freezers, slicers, and ovens according to company guidelines. Prepare food to company standards. Adequately prepare, package, label and inventory ingredients in merchandise. Check product quality to ensure freshness. Review "sell by" dates and take appropriate action.

Dental Assistant at Purpose Dental.

We are looking for a full-time Dental Assistant for our location to join our team of professionals. Applicants for this job are required to have hands-on experience as dental assistants, or formal training in dental assisting. If you are passionate about making a difference in the lives of others and are committed to delivering the highest quality care, we encourage you to apply for this exciting opportunity. Dental assistants assist dentists/hygienists during procedures, clean/sanitize equipment and instruments, and prepare patients for treatment. In addition to performing various office duties related to insurance processing and billing, the Dental Assistant conforms to the Dental Practice Act in a comprehensive, patient-centered oral healthcare clinic.

In Home Caregiver at Comfort Keepers of Livingston County.

Comfort Keepers is looking for a Caregiver to join our team. At Comfort Keepers, we provide uplifting in-home care for seniors and other adults who require a helping hand, a supportive companion, and day-to-day assistance in their homes. As a caregiver, you will have the opportunity to deliver one-on-one care that enhances

quality of life and brings hope and joy to clients and their families. Up to \$17/hour plus weekend premium pay. Flexible schedule to fit your lifestyle. Work near your home. Weekly Pay - Direct Deposit.

Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor at Michigan Rehabilitation Services.

Michigan Rehabilitation Services (MRS) are a statewide network of vocational rehabilitation professionals developing creative, customized solutions that meet the needs of individuals and business. We deliver individualized services that assist potential employees with differing abilities to prepare for, pursue and retain careers. We partner with business in employee development, business consulting and corporate relations. Learn more about MRS at LEO - Michigan Rehabilitation Services. Positions carry out a range of professional rehabilitation counseling services, including vocational guidance, physical restoration, training and placement to persons with disabilities. Informs community resources and general public of vocational rehabilitation services within assigned geographic or program area.

Medical Scribe at Medical Scribing Solutions.

Locally-based medical scribing company seeking highly motivated, service-oriented team members interested in being a part of a clinical team with the goal of getting into medical school, PA school, or other advanced positions in the healthcare field. Who Are We Looking For? : College student or graduate with motivation to attend Physician Assistant School, Medical School, PT School, or other professional

schools in the medical field. Demonstrate proficiency in typing (minimum 50 wpm) and computer use. Ability to maintain confidentiality of patients and employee information. Strong organizational skills and ability to multi-task. Ability to work and participate in a team environment.

Museum Docent at University of Michigan.

Docents help with programs for groups and visitors, birthday parties, events, the museum store, the planetarium and much more. Docents receive extensive paid training in informal education, customer service and basic instruction in several natural history topics, including paleontology, wildlife and ecology. Responsibilities: Greet visitors in Museum. Provide high quality customer service to visitors. Assist at Museum Public Events. Provide educational programming in natural history topics to groups.

Help Desk Specialist at dSpace Inc.

In this role you will be providing IT service and support for all dSPACE Inc users onsite and at remote locations. As a Help desk specialist, you will be required to respond to help desk tickets, calls and emails to provide technical support. Provide basic computer help, providing support for internal tools, troubleshoot hardware and software issues, install and setup new computers, inventory management and basic server administration.

Iron Worker at Ironworkers Local 25. Journeyman Iron Worker (4 year program):

The Journeyman Iron Worker can perform all types of Ironwork, but the vast majority of the work that is performed

by this classification is structural ironwork. This consists of the fabrication, handling, and erection of structural steel columns, beams and other members by welding or bolting. This work is primarily in the industrial and commercial sector on structures such as: towers, bridges, stadiums, high and low rise buildings, steel mills, hospitals, schools, conveyor systems, and other structures.

Entry-Level Engineer at PDX Slots.

As an Entry-Level Engineer at PDX Slots, you will have the opportunity to work on exciting projects and contribute to the development of our gaming platform. You will be responsible for assisting in the design, development, and maintenance of our gaming software using .NET technologies (and others). This role will involve collaborating with cross-functional teams to implement new features, optimize performance, and ensure the scalability of our gaming platform.

Chess Instructor at Chess Wizards.

Chess Wizards is seeking sparkling chess tutors to join our after-school enrichment program. We're looking for special individuals who can cultivate children's love for the game, make chess fun, and strengthen our students' life skills. So, if you're looking for a unique side hustle and think you can be a charming chess tutor, then apply with Chess Wizards... and get paid to teach chess! Why Join Us? Competitive Pay: \$45 - \$75 per hour and a half session. Flexible Hours: Between 1 to 5 one-hour classes per week in the afternoon. Travel Compensation: Provided for trips over 12.5 miles.





Tax season  
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Students who paid qualified educational expenses like tuition will need a 1098-T Form that contains the amounts you paid. This form will also be sent out by mail.

Melissa Townsend, WCC’s manager of student accounting, stated via email that students may complete a 1098-T request form if they have not received or misplaced the original copy.

If you have recently moved, make sure that your address and phone number are correct on all your forms. The most common corrections include adding a missing Social Security number or updating an invalid address, according to Townsend.

Once a correction request has been made, it will take a minimum of three days for the correction to be made.

Form? Check! Now what?

It is to file. You can file returns yourself by using the IRS’s free online site, or you can have a professional do it.

When asked which filing style was better, Beck said, “If you’re able to do it on your own, and you are fairly confident that you know how, I



- **ONCE YOU FILE, IT WILL TAKE UP TO 21 DAYS TO RECIEVE YOUR REFUND CHECK IF ELIGIBLE.**
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All working students are required to file tax returns if they make a certain amount of money, according to the IRS. You can file returns yourself by using the IRS's free online site, or you can have a professional do it.

don’t see a problem with it. But, we see a lot of people that just go in there and put numbers. They don’t understand what the credits mean, or what they should be getting credits back for, so they mess things up. Then they end up getting audited a couple of years later, and they owe money.”

Students may be eligible for the following credits, which may add funds to any return that they may receive. It is important to note that these credits cannot be used at the same

American Opportunity Credit (AOC)

Students enrolled at least half-time at a postsecondary school may receive up to \$1,000 added to their tax refund with this credit. AOC allows the cost of tuition and other qualified educational expenses, up to \$2,500, to be credited. 40% of the credit is refundable. Beck believes this is the best credit for younger students, even if their parents

claim them. This credit may only be used four times in a lifetime.

Lifetime Learning Credit

This credit is perfect for eligible older students, according to Beck. It allows you to earn a credit of \$2,000 for qualifying education expenses. There is no limit to how many classes you have to take and it can be claimed as many times as needed.

QUICK BITES

Snack options at WCC

ANNALENA EISEL  
Contributor

Ever find yourself wondering if the food you’re about to buy is going to be the food for you?

Munching on snacks is good when you have food that will keep you filled for classes and are also affordable and tasty. Here are some options that can help you get through your busy day:

The Spot's muffins

If you want something for brunch and also need to throw what you’re going to eat immediately into your bag, then the baked goods at The Spot

are always reliable for that! All of the muffin flavors are great picks, from blueberry to lemon poppyseed, and they keep you filled for the day.

The Spot's pasta salad

Let’s say you would like something light but also healthy that keeps you energized! The red bell pepper pasta salad comes in a small container packed with flavor. It pairs well with any side dish and is a healthy alternative to the flattened breakfast sandwich you bought three days ago. The pasta salad is a great addition to your meal at WCC and brings the feel of summer here!

**Quick Bites:**  
**Yogurt Covered Blueberries**

- Wash and dry blueberries and set aside
- Spoon out yogurt to cover each berry to your liking
- Use a toothpick or spoon to dip the berries into the yogurt
- Line a baking tray with parchment paper and place the individual or cluster of berries onto the paper and freeze for an hour or until frozen

**Enjoy!**



JADA HAUSER | WASHTENAW VOICE

Yogurt covered blueberries are a quick frozen snack for on the go.

Storytelling event  
builds empathy and  
community



COURTNEY PRIELIPP | WASHTENAW VOICE

Living Stories was hosted at the Bailey Library on March 19. Students walk up to the board to see what stories are available and what type of stories are there. Living Stories event happens every year where students, faculty, staff, and community members share stories of different experiences throughout their life.

JENNA JABBAR  
Contributor

The Bailey Library hosted Living Stories on March 19. This annual event brings people together to share their lived experiences. Members of the WCC community have the opportunity to “check out” someone and hear a bit about their life. At this year’s event, speakers discussed a variety of topics, including their struggles with the law, education and acceptance of one’s identity.

One of the stories that was shared was that of a mother whose daughter is incarcerated. Kijuana Butler explained her struggles and disappointment at the law as well as how it can be unfair at times, especially for women of color.

“Girls are in prisons for small or minor offences,” said Butler. “Misogyny is real, (it) is happening now still.”

Butler hopes that women will speak their minds and never stay silent when a wrong is happening. Moreover, she continues to talk about the issue through her Facebook page, “Diary Of An Inmates’ Mother.”

Beth Marshall, a faculty member at WCC, shared astory about her journey in South Africa, where she hoped to help establish a thriving school. She elaborated on the

matter by explaining her contributions. Her plan was to create an effective education system for South Africans. Slowly, the business took off. Marshall said that they were thrilled that teachers were doing something with students, something which had rarely happened before.

Since the project started in 2003, schools have expanded and more people in South Africa are getting a good education.

Molly Ledermann, the organizer of the event and WCC librarian, said she believes that “it’s also just important, in any format, to listen to peoples’ real stories and listen to their experiences as humans, find ways to connect and build empathy and just kind of realize the biases and the prejudices that we often don’t even realize we have against different stories or types of people.”

Quinn Lowen, a global studies major and attendee, said, “It’s just such a wonderful community, all these different cultures and different experiences. But it is certainly celebrated and all these different kinds of events, and it all comes together.”

If you are interested in sharing your story, you will have a chance next year. The application process starts in January. If you have questions, contact Ledermann at mledermann@wccnet.edu.

CRIME LOG

The following events were reported by WCC Public Safety between March 14 and March 24.

SEX OFFENSE

On March 14, Public Safety received a report of two students, aged 16 and 17, who were engaging in sexual acts within a vehicle on campus. The event was supposedly recorded and distributed by one of the two. Public Safety cannot determine if the video was distributed or not.

Chief of Public Safety, John Leacher, said the report is labeled as a sex offense because the incident has to be documented in the campus records the way it was reported to Public Safety.

LARCENY

On March 14, Public Safety responded to a report of a 30-year-old male who stole food from The Spot in the Student Center. The male stole food and drink. The case has been turned over to the Dean of Students.

MALICIOUS DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY

On March 18, Public Safety received a report about a soap dispenser in the Great Lakes Training Center being damaged. Public Safety cannot confirm who damaged the soap dispenser because there was nothing on the cameras.

LARCENY

On March 24, Public Safety responded to a report of a 15-year-old male student who stole a bag of chips from the book store. No charges were pressed.

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# events

ARTS & CRAFTS

MUSIC & FUN

ON CAMPUS

### WOMEN HOLD UP HALF THE SKY: KEEPERS OF THE SKY

Every day until April 25 | 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Argus Museum | 525 W William St., Ann Arbor

Dr. Shawn Renee Forman captured photographs of women from across 10 countries. This is a free event.

### ASTRONOMICON 8

April 4-6 | 5 p.m.

Ann Arbor Marriott Ypsilanti at Eagle Crest | 1275 South Huron St., Ypsilanti

Metro Detroit's Best Convention is back! There will be celebrity meet and greets, memorabilia and much more.

### FESTIFOOLS

April 4 | 4-5 p.m.

Main Street Ann Arbor

FestiFools is an Ann Arbor art tradition! Come down to do some arts and crafts or just observe the celebration!



PHOTO BY HOLLY BURKHART

A monstrous puppet created by U-M students.

### HASH BASH COMEDY BASH ... HASH

April 3 | 7:15 p.m.

Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase | 212 S Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor

If you're a comedy fan, this event is for you. This comedy event features performances from, Ree Ledbetter, Kevin Johnson, and Patty Rooney. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

### LGBTQ NIGHT: QUEER OPEN MIC

April 3 | 7 p.m.

North Star Lounge | 301 N. Fifth Ave., Ann Arbor

Guests are welcome to bring poems, songs, etc and perform them. Sign-up begins at 6:30 p.m.

### YOGA WITH CATS

April 6, 10, 17, 27 | Times vary

Tiny Lions Lounge and Adoption Center | 5245 Jackson Rd., Suite A1 Ann Arbor

Join Tiny Lions for cat yoga! This event is for ages 12 and up. If you're under 16, you must be accompanied by an adult over the age of 21.



KOUYUZU

Tiny Lions offers yoga with cats. Ironically, the down-ward facing dog is considered the most popular yoga pose.

### UNIVERSITY TRANSFER FAIR

April 9 | 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Student Center

This is a free event for anyone looking to transfer to another university. There will be representatives from over 10 universities

### THERAPAWS: THERAPY DOGS

April 9. | 12-2 p.m.

Bailey Library

Take a break from everything and come cuddle with therapy dogs! Courtesy of Therapaws of Michigan.

### HOMELESS SLEEPING MATS: COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

April 15 | 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Bailey Library

All supplies and instructions will be provided. Hosted by the Student Resource Center and Bailey Library.



VOICE FILE PHOTO

Students weave plastic bags into sleeping mats.



# The Loop

NEWS FOR AND BY STUDENTS

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