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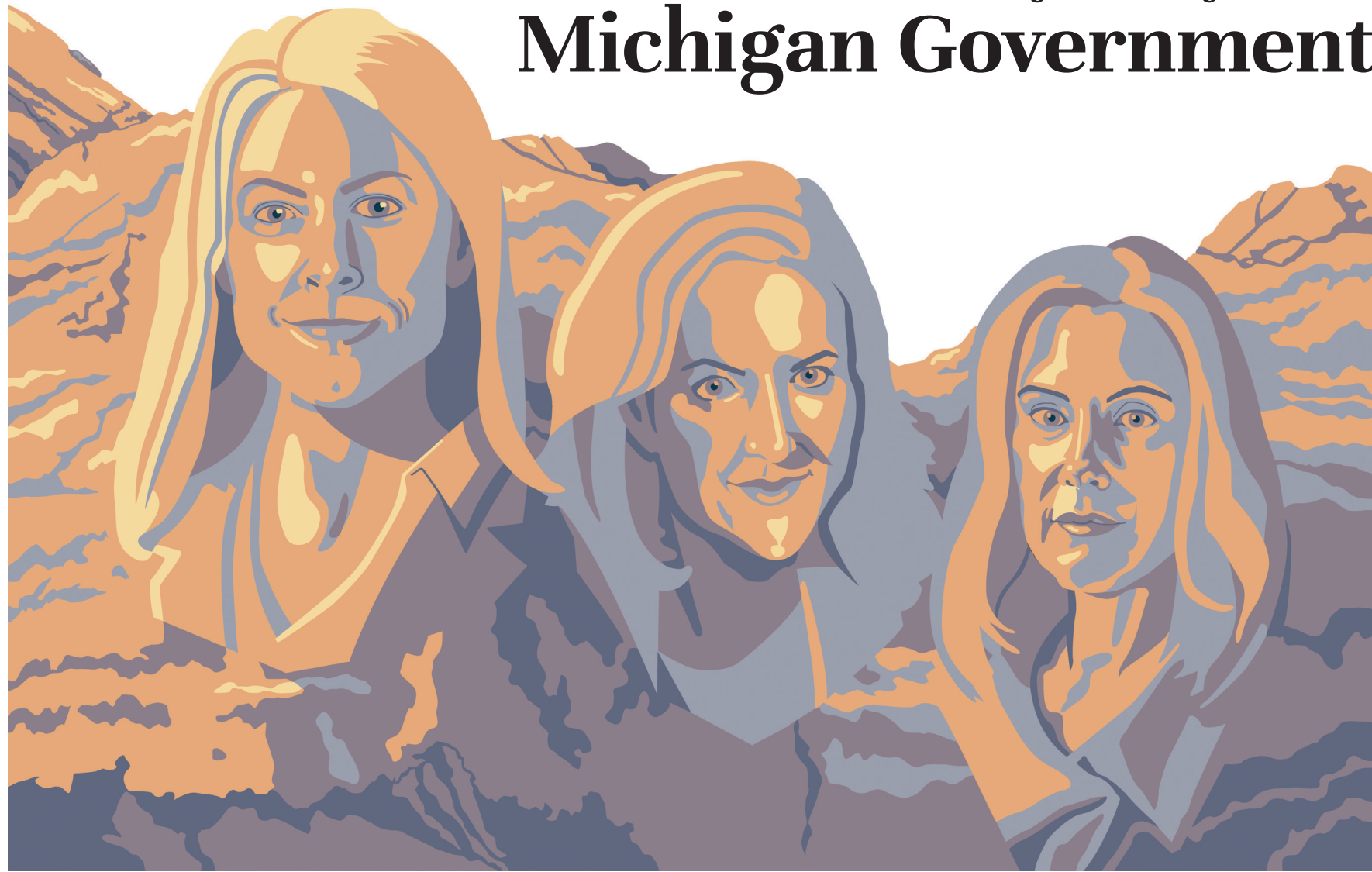


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Nessel, Benson and Whitmer make political history

CATHERINE ENGSTROM-HADLEY
Staff Writer

For the first time in state history, Michigan will have a female governor, secretary of state and attorney general, held by Gretchen Whitmer, Jocelyn Benson and Dana Nessel respectively.

“We want our government to reflect the population, we want a wide array of representatives,” said Kristen Hernandez of EMILY’s list, a political action committee that aims to help elect pro-choice Democratic female candidates to office.

The landscape of government is shifting,

and many people expect this trend to continue.

“We are seeing people from unconventional backgrounds decide to run, from teachers to doctors who decide to run politically,” said Hernandez.

Women won political races all over the country this year, but the road is a hard one, according to Hernandez.

“Women face lots of institutional hurdles,” said Hernandez. “Media coverage, even the recent coverage of Elizabeth Warren asking if she is likeable enough to run, the institutional sexism and racism are a hurdle.”

In her inauguration speech in Lansing this

January, Nessel spoke about her desire to have a government that worked for the people.

“I want a government that really cares about the people, a government that cares equally about all people,” Nessel said.

Nessel is widely known for her work in 2013 getting a Michigan judge to strike down the marriage equality ban a year before the U.S. Supreme Court weighed in. Nessel is also the first openly LGBTQ+ person to be voted into office in Michigan.

Governor Whitmer won against former attorney general Bill Schuette, taking 52 percent of the vote.

SEE MICHIGAN, A3

Fencing installed to parking structure

LILLY KUJAWSKI
Editor

Installation of fencing to the top floor of the campus parking structure is complete and all levels are open.

Fencing installation was prompted by a suicide attempt that occurred from the structure on Oct. 22 by a former student, according to Linda Blakey, vice president of student and academic services.

Fencing is used as a means of “suicide deterrence”. Most of the parking structures in downtown Ann Arbor now have fencing in place, Jada Halhbrock, manager of parking facilities for the Ann Arbor Downtown Development Authority, said in a previous interview.

Blakey and members of WCC’s Public Safety and Facilities Management teams made the decision to install the fencing after considering all options for the structure.

“We were looking at ways to just shut down the fourth floor, but we got quite a few comments that it was really impacting the parking,” Blakey said.



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Chain-link fencing on campus structure.

SEE FENCING, A2

Students encouraged to organize their own clubs Register now before Feb. 3 deadline

MATTHEW BARTOW
Contributor

Looking to join a WCC club but can’t find one that suits your interests? Create your own! The College offers students the necessary resources and support to start their own organization on campus.

To create a club, first complete the club registration form that can be accessed through Campus Connect. Then, find three other officers for the club, each of whom must be currently enrolled in at least three credit hours and have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0. Finally, find an advisor for the club who is a part or full-time faculty member.

Mattea Pejic, president of the Pre-Law Club and the founder and president of the WCC UNICEF Campus Initiative, said that starting a club is a fairly simple process.

“Joining a club is very easy

and cheap,” Pejic said. “Plus, it is a lot of fun!”

The Student Development and Activities Office had over 15 registered clubs for the fall semester of 2018. Examples of these clubs include: Table-top Role Playing Club, Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society and Student Economics Club, to name a few.

The Student Development and Activities Office provides several benefits for each registered club. As long as each club provides their meeting times, they will supply each club with a room. Each club is also granted \$200 to spend on food and materials. Students that are hesitant about participating in clubs for financial reasons can apply for waivers to reduce start-up fees.

Veronica Boissoneau, coordinator of student organizations and the adviser for the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society at Washtenaw Community College, believes that the variety of clubs offered at



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The English as a Second Language Club meets for lunch to introduce new members. It is one of many campus organizations that students can join.

WCC offers students a chance to learn more about their interests.

“Joining a club or creating your own club will help you find your lane, or your niche, on campus,” Boissoneau said.

“I highly recommend that students take advantage of the clubs and activities that we offer.”

Not only is joining (or starting) a club a great way to learn more about yourself,

it is also a great way to make friends outside of class. Boissoneau believes participating in a club when she was a student here truly changed her college experience.

“Coming from Arizona,

being the new kid on the block, I don’t think I would have done as well at WCC had I not gotten involved in the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society,” Boissoneau said. “I regret not joining the society sooner.”

The deadline to register a club for the winter semester is Feb. 3.

Club Registration Requirements

- Three Officers minimum
- Officers must have at least 3 credit hours
- Officers must have cumulative GPA of 2.0
- Must find a club advisor

Club registration form can be found on Campus Connect



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Fencing

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The fencing was the safest and most time-efficient course of action, Blakey said.

“This was the only option that we could have in place by the start of the winter term,” Blakey said. Installation began in late November and was finished in early January.

The college is examining the possibility of adding fencing to lower levels as well, said Blakey.

“We’re reviewing additional options, but right now, we’re just focused on that fourth floor,” said Blakey. “Long term, we might do some additional things. Things that are more aesthetically pleasing, but those are going to take longer and cost more.”

The cost of the fencing and installation was \$25,000, which came from the Facilities Management campus-maintenance budget, according to Blakey.

Stickers containing personal counseling information and other crisis-intervention resources, including the Suicide Prevention Lifeline, are posted in the structure. These stickers were in place, both in the structure and throughout campus, prior to the October incident, according to Kari Mapes, an LPC triage specialist from the Counseling Department.

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Posting signs like this is another effort from parking structure authorities to discourage suicide attempts, though there is a lack of evidence of the actual effectiveness of such signs, according to a report from the International Parking Institute.

Parking structures located on college and university campuses are at a higher risk for suicide attempts, because of the increased amount of stress that already at-risk populations tend to experience, said the IPI.

More than half of U.S. college students have considered suicide, according to data from the American Psychological Association, as cited by the IPI report.

Personal counseling is available from licensed, professional counselors on campus for students who may be dealing with issues such as depression, anxiety, stress, grief, low self-esteem and other mental health challenges, Blakey said in a previous interview.

Personal counseling services offered on campus follow a short-term, “solution-focused” model that generally includes four to eight counseling sessions, according to the personal counseling scope outlined on the WCC website.

Student who desire long-term services, specialized treatment or more intensive care will be given a referral to a mental health provider, according to the site.

Students and faculty may also fill out a report of concern if they notice harmful behavior from someone else, Blakey said. The form can be found on the Counseling and Career Planning page of the WCC website.

Students can schedule an appointment with a counselor by calling 734-677-5102 or visiting the Counseling Department on the second floor of the Student Center.

The former student, then 23, was discharged from the hospital, Blakey said. Additional information is not available.

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline:
800-273-TALK (8255)

Washtenaw County Community Mental Health 24-hour hotline:
734-544-3050

UM Health System Psychiatric Emergency Services hotline:
734-936-5900

Texts can also be sent the Crisis text line:
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NEWS BRIEFS

Former firearms rangemaster and college settle lawsuit

The college and former WCC Firearms Rangemaster Mark Baker have reached a settlement to Baker’s suit, which alleges he had been dismissed from his position due to ageism by the college.

A spokesperson for the college, as well as the firm representing Baker, confirmed a settlement was reached but denied to give details.

According to his complaint, Baker had been employed since 1990, and was dismissed in May 2018. He claimed the college illegally discriminated against him based on age, causing severe injuries including: loss of compensation, benefits, future earnings, and emotional distress. Baker was 64 years old when the lawsuit was filed.

Before the reaching the settlement, Baker demanded in the lawsuit that he be readmitted to his former position along with additional relief.

WCC Advanced Transportation Center at Detroit International Auto Show

The college will be sending representatives to the show to demonstrate some of the latest tech for auto enthusiasts.

An innovative “mobile hacking workbench” will be on-display at the event, which provides cybersecurity professionals (and students) a sophisticated and ethical tool for inspecting information security and find hidden vulnerabilities.

The auto show is open to the public starting Jan. 14 and concludes on Jan. 17.

New recycling stations on-campus

On Jan 4, the college announced it has installed 90 new recycling stations across campus, which according the the college’s website, is an effort to make “recycling efforts even more easy, accessible, and effective.”

Each station is actually composed of three separate and standardized containers: green for bottles, cans and containers; blue for mixed paper and card; and black for any non-recyclable material destined for the landfill.

Nicholas Ketchum | Deputy Editor

SECURITY & NOTES

Vandalism:

Graffiti was found at the bridge outside the second floor of the Student Center. Language had no pattern of vulgarity. The incident was reported on Dec. 17.

Stalking:

A student reported a stalker to campus security on Dec. 17. A similar incident involving the same individuals also occurred last November, when the student and the suspect conversed at the LA building. The student felt uncomfortable and left, but the suspect kept following her. A description of the suspect was given after the incident. The suspect was not seen again until the following month, and is believed to be someone from off-campus. Currently, there are no leads.

Update:

A former student caught stealing from the campus book store will not be allowed back on campus. The book store decided not to press charges on the former student. The case is closed.

Reminder

Campus safety and security asks faculty, staff, and students to report any suspicious activity or incidents that occur on campus. Campus safety and security is open 24 hours, seven days a week. Call 734-973-3411 to make a report.

Danny Villalbos | Writer



Michigan

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“Whitmer ran on issues that will continue to matter, like job creation and infrastructure,” said Hernandez. “These aren’t one and done issues, these are continuing problems that need work.”

One recurring issue that Whitmer pushed while running was her “Fix the Damn

Roads” campaign, pledging to upgrade the bridges, roads and water systems. According to the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, over 41 percent of Michigan roads are in poor condition. Once a roadway is considered to be in poor condition it needs to be completely replaced, said the Council.

Jocelyn Benson ran for secretary of state with a “30-minute guarantee” campaign, which pledged to minimize wait times at Secretary

of State branches. Her campaign stressed the importance of protecting safe and fair elections. Benson is a CEO of the Ross Initiative in Sports for Equality, a nonprofit organization that provides leadership training and public awareness campaigns to help fight racism and advocate for change.

“I am ready to make us a national leader in fair and accessible elections,” Benson said during her inauguration speech.



Gretchen Whitmer

GRETCHEN WHITMER FOR GOVERNOR CAMPAIGN



Dana Nessel

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Jocelyn Benson

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Department Spotlight: Orchard Radio

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Students at Washtenaw Community College have opportunity to become a radio DJ on campus. Orchard Radio, the 24/7 online radio station, provides students with the equipment and training for students to host their own radio show. Any currently registered student can be trained easily, no prior radio experience necessary.

Orchard Radio features hit music, news, sports news, entertainment news and the various planned school events.

“We provide a little bit of everything,” said Dena Blair, the lead faculty for the Broadcast Arts program at the WCC.

Training to become a DJ won’t take too much time either, according to Blair.

“Training typically takes around thirty to forty minutes; and in that time students will have a grasp and be able to run an hour-long show,” Blair said.

Despite the show only lasting an hour, DJing is more than an easy sit-down job.

“It seems like a short amount of time, but when

you’re working it feels like a very long time,” said Blair. “Not only do you have to make sure that the music is playing and the levels are correct, but you have to take your breaks and constantly think two-steps ahead.”

Orchard Radio has no commercials and is free for anyone with an internet connection.

Students interested in DJing can contact Orchard Radio through email, or go on their website to send a message and get a meeting and training set up right away.



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Located in TI 233, the Orchard Radio lounge gives students a chance to learn how to be a radio DJ.



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The radio station airs 24/7 and song requests can be made by calling 734-477-8922



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“Workers thank rush hour for less time spent in office”

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“Citizens spy on tech companies”

Headlines we’d like to see in 2019

By: Lilly Kujawski and Nicholas Ketchum

“The fruitfly movement gains fearful strength”

“Police enforce proper lane usage”

“Traffic provides new therapy, say area drivers”

“Screen advertising outlawed in all 50 states”

“Scientists recommend working fewer hours to combat climate change”

“All is working out well for people, planet”

“Workers say ‘let the robots do it’; walk away in existential disgust”

“Newspapers write themselves; writers still employed”

After months of reporting the news as-is, we thought it’d be fun to dream up some of the news that we wish we could report, but likely won’t. Here are some of the headlines—and stories—that we feel would shake the status-quo. Although the following is intended as tongue-in-cheek, perhaps you’ll find a shred of honest sentiment here as well.

‘We’re alive and well,’ says source

GLOBAL

Things are going well for people and the planet, according to a survey from Official Surveyors.

“Everyone is generally very happy and healthy and nothing terrible is going on in the world,” said a representative from The Research Facility.

According to projections of future trends, we can expect good things to keep happening. Experts are unsure

what prompted the sudden rise in positive occurrences, but urge citizens to enjoy it.

“We’re alive and well,” said Human Person, a local community member. “My family is doing great, the community is thriving, the planet is prospering. Everything is just fine here.”

Fake news eradicated

WASHINGTON

After recent passing of the “End Fake News Act”, the presence of false and poorly written journalism has decreased by nearly 97 percent, according to a report from Fact Checkers United.

“It’s great to pick up a newspaper and trust that the information is accurate and know it was published for the good of the people,” said Source One, an avid news reader.

The remaining 3 percent of supposed “fake news” has been identified as Buzzfeed Quizzes and The Onion articles, which will remain in circulation due to a special

clause in the bill that attributes comedic, satirical and entertainment-based value to such articles.

The “End Fake News Act” was first introduced to Congress in May of 2017, according to Official Reports.

“It took a lot of hard work, but I’m proud to say we, as a country, have preserved journalistic integrity while upholding our constitutional right to free press,” said Source Two, a member of the Committee For Good Journalism.

Ann Arbor NIMBYs lose

ANN ARBOR, MI.

The local zoning board finally relented and disbanded after an angry mass of displaced residents assembled, surrounding the building before the board’s regularly scheduled public meeting.

At one point the demonstrators were heard to chant “build it and we will go,” in a clever inversion of a similar and well-known phrase.

After disbanding, one zoning board member com-

mented they were “pleased to have found a resolution to the matter.”

Nestle dissolves; water, profits go to Flint

FLINT, MI.

Former water bottling company Nestle has donated all previously mined water, its entire revenue and the corporation itself to the people of Flint.

“You know, I still don’t think water should be considered a human right, I mean that’s a bit extreme, right?” said Corporate Stooge, a representative from Nestle. “But, you know, we don’t want people to die and stuff, and it is basically terrible and unethical to steal drinking water from people and sell it back to them in plastic that is destroying the earth.”

Nestle’s estimated net worth in the high billions could provide essential medical care for Flint residents who are suffering from the effects of lead poisoning.

“We’re gonna get all the

best medical treatments out there for these kids, that’s top of the list,” said Human Person, a Flint resident. “And then, we’re going to buy out the government and ensure nothing like this ever happens again.”

Watchdog groups track and spy on social media tycoons

NEW YORK

In a move that turns the tables on social media magnets, several watchdog groups have joined to launch a new real-time system that tracks and spies major personalities within the social media world, including Mark Zuckerberg of Facebook, Steve Huffman of Reddit, Sundar Pichai of Google, and Jeff Zucker of CNN. (CNN is not normally considered “social media”, but Jeff Zucker might like it to be.)

Apparently, social media companies responded with a series of targeted news releases, which according to

unofficial reports were customized by AI to reach groups of “sensitive” demographics matching key indicators derived from “user engagement metrics.”

Trump, “bored” with politics, opens taco truck

WASHINGTON

Formerly President Donald Trump has resigned as of today, claiming he has become “bored” with politics.

As for his next move? Trump declared in a public address he is planning to move to a small Texas city where he will open a taco truck.

“Really, they are really great. With the chicken and the little diced onion and the tortilla, has to be homemade, you know. Really great. Don’t know why I never tried them before,” Trump said, in reference to tacos, which he spent the sum of the 30-minute address describing. “I blame crooked Hillary and the angry dems for their leftist seize of tacos.”



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Pitch@WCC to award cash to entrepreneurs

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Economists like to use the saying “there’s no such thing as a free lunch,” which refers to the idea that everything has a cost—that nobody gets something for nothing.

However, Pitch@WCC counteracts the conventional wisdom by nearly doing just that: Winning entrants receive cash prizes to help them start, build, and grow their business—similar to the popular television show “Shark Tank.”

Now in its fourth year, the annual event is hosted by the Entrepreneurial Center. Participants will have several opportunities to improve their pitching skills along the way via workshops and one-on-one sessions with advisors from the Center.

Kristin Gapske, Entrepreneurship Center Director, said businesses will pitch in three categories: Start, Build, and Grow.

“‘Start’ is for people who just have an idea; not at all started. ‘Build’ means. . . suddenly you’re in business, and you’re trying to grow at that point. . . ‘Grow’ means that someone is already in a growing business and is looking to step it up,” said Gapske.

In each category, two cash prize winners will be chosen: a runner-up and first-place. The amount varies, depend-



Tess Adams pitches “Destiny House”, a non-profit organization promoting foster care kids at the 2016 WCC Pitch Contest.

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ing on the category and placement. The largest amount is awarded in the “Grow” category at \$1500 for first place.

Additionally, the audience will vote for one participant to receive the “Audience Choice Award” cash prize of \$500, regardless of that participant’s performance in the judged portion.

Conceivably, a business might win the \$1500 first-place prize in the “Grow” category, as well as the \$500 Audience Choice Award, for a total of \$2000 in winnings—if they’re very lucky, or exceptional.

Participants are ranked by a panel of five judges, who decide winners and runner-ups.

Although this year’s judges haven’t been selected yet, in previous years judges have included WCC faculty and local businesspeople. Judges base scoring from a rubric, which is provided by the Center.

“Because we’re giving cash prizes, we want people to really learn throughout the process. We require that every-

one, a) applies, and b) comes to the planning session, where they’ll learn which markers to hit,” said Gapske.

During pitch practice, contestants will be able to get feedback from advisors; providing an opportunity to refine or further develop the pitch.

“[The process] is relatively

light. Students are often burdened with family and jobs and businesses, so we try to not make it too tough. They’ll have to hit two [required] workshops, do a bit of homework, attend one other workshop, come to a pitch practice, and then come to the final pitch,” Gapske added.

Past winners have included apparel retailers, an emotional relief “rage room” promoter, a producer of “credit card shavers”, and a customized tutoring service, among many others.

Claire Abraham is a coordinator at the Center who has also assisted with previous years’ pitch events. She said they’ve seen a wide variety of concepts at past events.

“Ideas are across the board. We’ve had a couple with a technology focus,” said Abraham.

She remembers one particularly interesting concept from last year’s event.

“One team had an idea they called a ‘rage room’ where people can go and break stuff—for stress relief; they were in the ‘start’ category,” she said.

This year, Pitch@WCC will be held on May 9 at 6 p.m. in the Morris Lawrence Building. Applications for submission are due by Feb. 15 at midnight. You can find applications at tinyurl.com/pitch2019application.

Changing lives one word at a time



A student reads in The Bailey Library on WCC campus.

CATHERINE ENGSTROM-HADLEY
Staff Writer

According to the National Adult Literacy Survey, an estimated one in six adults in Washtenaw County do not have the skills to keep a job, read a map or prescription bottles, or fill out a job application. For over 50 years, Washtenaw Literacy, a local organization, has fought to help citizens learn and improve on basic skills.

The organization offers free tutoring for basic reading, writing, math and English as a second language.

Washtenaw Literacy was founded by group of professors from the University of Michigan, who later partnered with the Ypsilanti Public library. The group offers

free tutoring for anyone who needs it.

Unemployment for low-skilled adults is higher than any other group, at 7.7 percent in 2017, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The consequences for adult illiteracy are felt throughout the entire community, said Amy Goodman, executive director of Washtenaw Literacy.

“Literacy impacts everything, as well as economic well-being,” said Goodman. “89 percent of the people we see are below the poverty line. Illiteracy is a root cause of poverty for people.”

“Laws like the third grade reading law will help the future generations to avoid a higher rate of illiteracy,” said Goodman.

The third grade reading law requires students who test a year or more behind grade level on the state’s annual reading test to repeat third grade and is due to start by 2020 statewide.

Tutors are always needed for Washtenaw Literacy. Volunteers can work with drop ins or commit to working directly with one person repeatedly. They offer an hour long “ABC’s of Washtenaw Literacy” informational class for potential volunteers.

If you know someone who is interested in receiving services from Washtenaw Literacy, you can direct them to call 734-337-3338 or come in-person to the Willow Run Community Opportunity Center 1301 S. Harris Rd., Ypsilanti.

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An aerial glimpse into WCC history

Nicholas Ketchum | Deputy Editor

In 1956, the area between Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti was not much—but not for much longer.

After the two world wars, Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti growth quickly accelerated, partly due to a fast-growing economy, a baby boom, and federally-subsidized suburban development encouraged by widespread automobile ownership, to name only a few reasons.

We can get a glimpse into how this region has grown, especially around the area of the current-day WCC campus. How? Aerial survey photos are one way.

The United States Geological Survey's (USGS) "Earth Explorer" at earthexplorer.usgs.gov offers an interactive map that allows users to view historical aerial imagery, which has been donated (and without the usual restrictions or copyrights) to the USGS.

Full-size image downloads are available for many dates and areas after creating a free account on the usgs.gov website.

Here are some of the historical photos from the USGS of campus and the surround area that document the region's growth.

1956 - An orchard at peace.

- WCC grounds are some sort of orchard, which crosses East Huron River Drive and reaches on to the south bank of the Huron River.
- High-tension power lines still travel through

the orchard exactly where they do today, where the larger trees in the small wood have been cut at a diagonal to Clark Rd.

- The modern Saint Joseph Mercy hospital campus has yet to be moved to the location across the street.
- U.S. 23 had yet to be built.

1973 - A fresh WCC campus suddenly appears.

- Suddenly there's a college campus! The Arts and Science as well as the Technical and Industrial buildings are in-place, along with parking and some miscellaneous structures. Much of the orchard remains to the east.
- The plot that currently is the site of the Fitness Center is being cleared of the orchard.
- Unlike today, an access road had been cut clean along the west side of campus.

1983 - The campus advances further into the orchard.

- The Student Center and Occupational Education buildings have been built.
- The current-day Fitness Center site appears to contain at least a baseball field.
- Barely visible is an up-and-running Saint Joseph Mercy hospital.
- Very little of the original orchard remains. Just a Y-shaped area of orchard stands at the east boundary.
- Campus remains relatively unchanged from 1983.

1993 - No more orchard.

- The Morris Lawrence building is built.
- More parking is poured, especially for Morris Lawrence.
- More orchard is removed—seems the last remaining patch of orchard is at the site of the current parking structure.
- The Art and Sciences building addition is under construction.
- More parking has been added in the northwest.
- A water retention pond has been dug behind the Morris Lawrence building.

2005 - A thick, tall, and burly woodland overlooks campus.

- The Business Education building has been constructed.
- The Gunder Myran building has been constructed.
- The Fitness Center still is yet to be built.
- A water retention pond has been dug next to Parking Lot #6 on the west side of campus, with the parking lot boundaries altered to accommodate the new pond.

2018 - Campus buildings leap across the street.

- The Fitness Center has popped into existence across Huron River Drive.
- The west access road has been removed to make way for a trail.
- A new access road is cut along the southeast portion of campus, leading to the Morris Lawrence Building.



1956



1973



1983



1993



2005



2018

WCC video students win best film

Students produce film within 48 hours.

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Contributor

The Bat Boiz, a team of about 15 people mostly consisting of current and former WCC students, won best film in the Detroit 48 Hour Film Project, as well as best director, best writing, best cinematography, best lighting and best villain.

As the name “48 Hour Film Project” implies, the entire video had to be shot, edited and submitted all in 48 hours of daylight. Each team could only scout locations, choose music and make the credits in advance, according to Jennifer Gentner, city producer for the project. Teams were also required to include three specific elements: a main character named either Phil or Phillipa Carter who is an insurance broker, a paperback book used as a prop and the dialogue: “Are you sure you want that?”

The Bat Boiz’s victory was a rare feat, according to Gentner.

“For them to win in their first year competing is basically unheard of,” Gentner said. “It never happens.”

Each group was assigned a subgenre, per Gentner. Some of the subgenres were supernatural, slasher, psychological thriller and cursed object.

Griffin Bergers, who was part of the main crew for the film, said that the group was assigned the supernatural subgenre.

“Our film, ‘Housekeeper,’ is about an insurance broker going out to a home to make an estimate on getting security



Sam Grima and Connor Carlson, center, are shown working on set with other members of Bat Boiz, the winning team of the Detroit 48 Hour Film Project.

cameras installed,” Bergers relayed in an email interview. “When the homeowner has to leave mid-job, the home gives our insurance broker an unwanted welcome.”

Colton Fromhart, the director of the film, said that while it was a challenge, the team had fun in the process.

“Producing a film in 48 hours is pretty stressful, because you have to go through drafting out a story, to shooting the story, then editing all the footage into something that hopefully looks good, sounds good, and makes sense,” Fromhart said in an email exchange. “In the 48 hours you’d be very lucky to get about 8 hours of sleep. Having a team where we all

know everyone’s strengths, it helps keep us on track and it makes for a great time.”

The Bat Boiz will have their film advance to Filmapalooza, a four-day film festival where all the first-place winning films from around the world will compete against each other. The festival will take place in Orlando, Florida. The festival will feature 150 films, according to Gentner. The top 15 films as selected by judges at Filmapalooza will be shown at the Cannes Film Festival in France.

Alexis Saunders was a production assistant and part of the main crew for the film.

“I’m so blessed to be able to say that our film not only received first locally but is

now in the running for an international competition,” said Alexis Saunders, the production assistant and crew member for the film in an email interview. “This is a big deal for college students since most students haven’t had work in any type of festival. Even if we don’t win anything at Filmapalooza, I think I say a lot that we’ve made it this far.”

“Housekeeper” is the short film produced in 2018 by “Bat Boiz” that was entered in the Detroit 48 Hour Film Project. The film can be viewed on the 48 Hour Film Project website.



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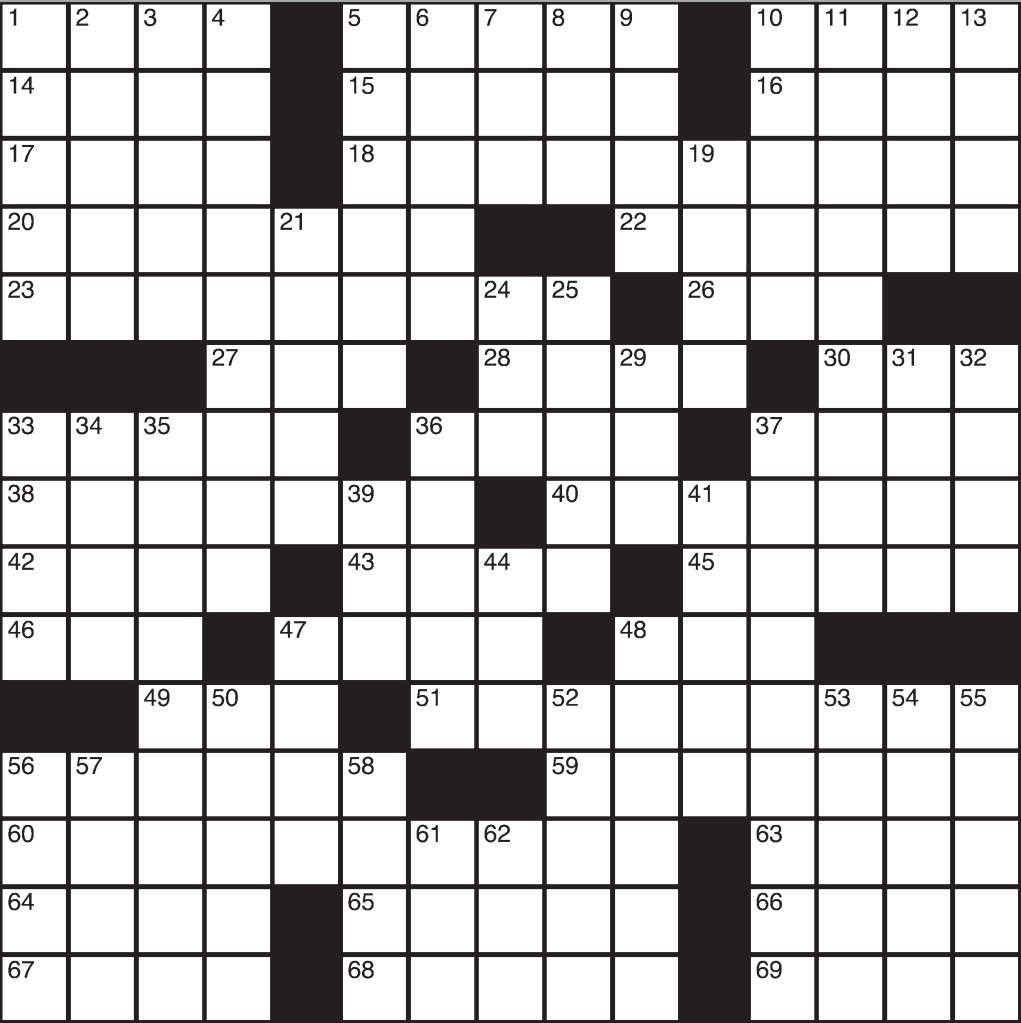
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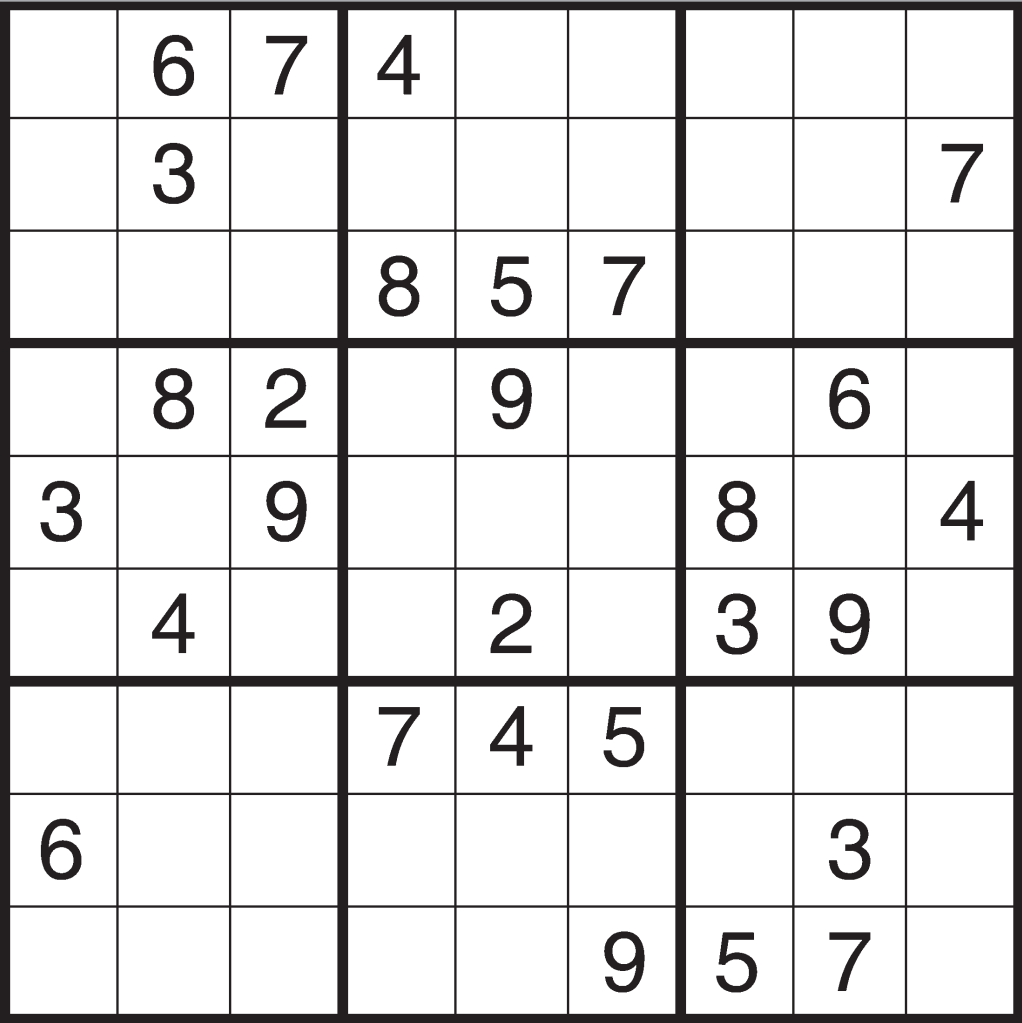
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- Across**

1 Parks who wouldn't give up her bus seat

5 Jewel box item

10 Colored eye part

14 Cartel acronym

15 Prizefight venue

16 Brit's "Later!"

17 Version to debug

18 Recall ability

20 Blew like Etna

22 Black as night, e.g.

23 Well-groomed guy

26 __ XING: crosswalk sign

27 Noteworthy period

28 Removes, as a cork
- 30 Nowhere close

33 Places to swim

36 Geek's cousin

37 Fodder storage site

38 Hauls with effort

40 Japanese warrior

42 "Right back __!": "Me, too!"

43 Flashy promotion

45 Turn topsy-turvy

46 Water-testing digit

47 " __ With the Wind"

48 Map app path: Abbr.

49 Cantina condiment

51 One making a living in government, briefly
- 56 Small piano

59 Motivate

60 Knockout drink, in old gangster movies

63 Puma rival

64 Australian gem

65 So last year

66 Cafeteria staffer

67 Heredity carrier

68 "Some __ time": "Not now"

69 RR stops: Abbr.
- Down**

1 Dressed like a judge

2 Mozart work
- 3 Arrange in advance

4 Like singing sans instruments

5 GoPro product

6 "Judge __": Stallone film

7 Sleep acronym

8 Lennon's love

9 Red planet

10 "Who's there?" reply

11 In quick succession

12 Emphatic type: Abbr.

13 Fit to be tried

19 Puppy's barks

21 Succinct

24 Orangutan, e.g.

25 Swedes' neighbors
- 29 Kissing at the mall, for short

31 Actor Cumming

32 __ rage: bodybuilder's concern

33 H.S. junior's exam

34 Numerical prefix with -pus

35 Self-affirming retort

36 "Bye Bye Bye" band

37 Large political spending gps.

39 Rice noodle soup

41 Trumpet mufflers

44 Veggie in a pod

47 Sheer joy

48 Jeremy of "The Avengers"
- 50 Often-twisted joint

52 Washer cycle

53 Whirl on one foot

54 Hunter constellation

55 Plumbers' problems

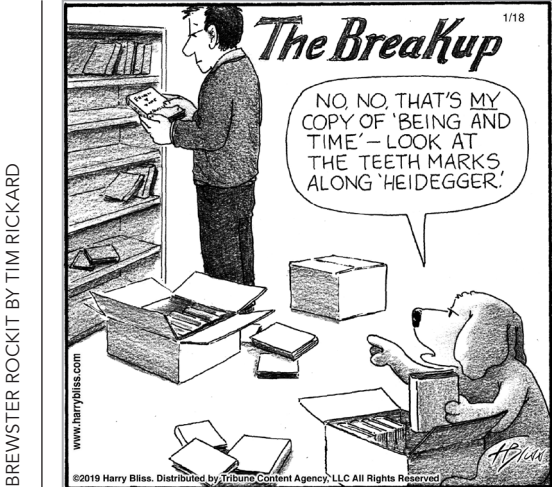
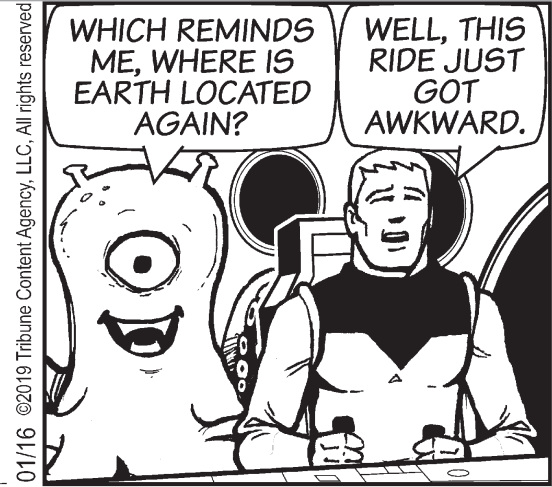
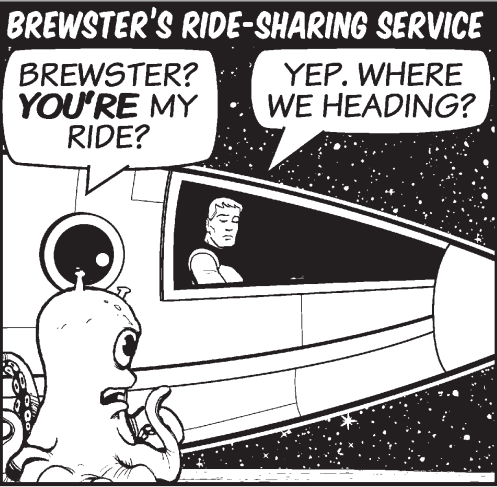
56 Air quality concern

57 Frosty's corncob accessory

58 Autocorrect target

61 Budgetary excess

62 "Give or take" suffix ... that can be added to the end of 18-, 23-, 51- and 60-Across to form a sort of set



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Below is a sample of recent employment want ads which have been posted with WCC Career Services. Students are invited to apply on the Career Connection job portal. For optimal application results, schedule an appointment today with a career advisor.

Student Account Assistant

University of Michigan Shared Services Center.

Answer inquiries and requests received by phone and e-mail from students, parents or University departments concerning student account activity. Review and analyze student accounts for accuracy and initiate corrections, as required. Review current term error list for Graduate Student Assistant Tuition Waivers and process corrections when necessary. Review accounts to be collected and

update on-line collection list to create system-generated dunning notices. Review accounts and determine whether to send to Student Loan Collections for further collection efforts or initiate account write-off.

Auto Body Technician

Dick Scott Automotive Group.

Examine damaged vehicles and estimate repair costs. Remove upholstery, accessories, electrical and hydraulic window-and-seat-operating equipment, and trim to gain access to vehicle body and fenders. Position dolly block against surface of dented area and beat opposite surface to remove dents, using hammer. Fill depressions with body filler, using putty knife.

Honey Creek Community School.

After School Teachers provide a safe, nurturing, fun, and educational environment from 3-6pm after school for students in grades K-8. Responsibilities include supervision, activity planning, snack preparation and clean up, prevention and mediation of conflicts, and communicating with parents. Previous experience teaching Defense Against the Dark Arts or other magical subjects not required, but a desire to lead fun, cre-

ative, and awesome activities a must!

Outreach Assistant I

NAP – City of Ann Arbor.

Assist Natural Area Preservation (NAP) Volunteer and Outreach Coordinator with all aspects of coordinating and promoting NAP's volunteer program. This may include, but is not limited to, actively recruiting, training, and directing volunteers; coordinating and leading volunteer workdays; working with park stewards, eagle scout candidates, and community service volunteers; writing and distributing press releases and informational articles for NAP; giving public presentations about NAP; and taking part in our controlled burn program.

Yellowstone National Park Summer 2019 Positions

Yellowstone National Park Lodges.

We have numerous openings available for the 2019 season. Ideally, you will be available to work April-October. We are also looking for employees that can work shorter time frames in late April or early May – August or October. If living, working, and exploring in Yellowstone sounds intriguing and exciting to you.

Technical Writer – Intern

WZC Networking, LLC.

WZC Networking, LLC is a wireless engineering firm located in Novi. Our Technical writer is backlogged and requires an internal to assist with technical documentation. The intern must be experienced in Word, PowerPoint, software similar to PhotoShop, dropping in photos and other documents into a standard template layout.

Clinical Lab Technician

Manpower, Inc. of SE Michigan.

This is a long-term, dayshift opportunity paying \$16.00 per hour. Job responsibility will include clinical physiology bench testing such as collecting breath samples, removing ph catheter from patients, obtaining clinical patient history prior to procedures and assisting with venipuncture and IV insertion. Strong customer service and communication skills are required.

Seasonal Event Bartender

Zingerman's.

Do you have experience bartending or serving. Are you looking for an exciting job during the summer/fall months? Do you want to be a part of high-end weddings and other events? Do you

have a passion for providing excellent customer service? Do you have a flexible schedule and can work as late as 2am?

LMS Administrator

Southfield – Great Expressions Dental Centers.

Manage day-to-day LMS functionality: setting up courses, running usage reports, following up on outstanding learning assignments, etc. Manage LMS reporting requests: run quarterly and annual LMS usage reports, maintain and update learning dashboard and metrics, and build ad hoc reports as needed. Troubleshoot LMS issues and resolve as needed. Manage roles, securities, and permissions associated with LMS access.

Software Developer/Full Stack Developer

Perisense.

Perisense is looking for a highly motivated and self driven person capable of working in very agile but supportive startup environment. She/He will be working on IoT device management and data analytics. Deploying and managing a fleet of remote industrial IoT devices, building cloud infrastructure, and developing data pipe-

lines, analysis, and visualization tools. Required: Python, Linux/Unix, SQL. Nice to Have: AWS, Numpy/Scipy/ Pandas, Web Development

Robotic Technicians

Hatch Stamping Company.

Insure all safety, failsafe, and ergonomic features are functional. Mechanical/ electrical set up and adjustments of equipment prior to production. Must be able to read mechanical blueprints. CAD experience a plus. Must be proficient in operation of standard shop tools (i.e. saws, drill presses, MIG welding). Perform machine repair including Mechanical/ electrical trouble shooting on assembly equipment: robots, grommet insertion, resistance welding, orbital peening, and mig welding.

Resident Support Aide

Linden Square Assisted Living Center.

Will be assigned to provide service to a particular resident/ group of residents and will assure that all aspects of the residents' Personal Service Plan are implemented. Must assure the resident is treated with dignity and respect, assuring that each resident remains optimally independent.

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events

ARTS & CULTURE LOCAL CAMPUS

FREE SCREENING OF SELMA

In honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day, the Michigan Theater will show a free screening of the famed movie Selma, which follows the King's dangerous 1965 campaign for voting rights in the face of violent opposition. No tickets necessary; the film will be shown in the Main Auditorium.

The Michigan Theater | 603 E. Liberty St., Ann Arbor

Jan. 21, 7-9:08 p.m.

A2 HOMELESS SHELTER BENEFIT CONCERT

Rock out to live music of all genres and support the homeless community of Ann Arbor. This benefit concert will feature performances from Michigan musicians including Nadim Azzam, Oren Levin, Tru Klassick, MYNA, and Shai-Li. This event is 18 and up. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased via blindpigmusic.com. All proceeds will be donated to the Shelter Association of Washtenaw County.

The Blind Pig | 208 S. First St., Ann Arbor

Jan. 31, doors at 9 p.m.

FAMILIES BELONG TOGETHER FUNDRAISER

Enjoy a night of free pizza (while supplies last), local art and music for a cause. Proceeds support immigration rights for an Ann Arbor family. The event will include a silent auction featuring art from a variety of local creatives, a raffle, the opportunity to purchase zines, prints, and other art pieces, and music from Day Oshee Maatin and Nandi. All ages welcome, cost is a \$5 or more cover donation.

PizzaPlex | 4458 W. Vernor Hwy., Detroit

Jan. 18, 10 p.m.-1 a.m.



LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

WOMEN'S MARCH IN DETROIT

On Jan. 19 women and allies across the country will rally for the Women's March. In light of recent controversy, the organizers of the Women's March in Detroit intend to center marginalized voices and push for intersectional activism. Workshops will be offered in the lower level of the museum before and after the rally, which will take place by the Sculpture in Plaza outside.

Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History | 315 E. Warren Ave., Detroit

Jan. 19, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

MLK COMMEMORATIVE MARCH

Inspired by the march Martin Luther King, Jr. led from Selma to Montgomery in 1965, this local march will take place on Eastern Michigan University campus, beginning in the MLK Garden and concluding at the Student Center. Marchers should meet at Welch Hall, or may join in along any point of the route. Details and exact route can be found via emich.edu/mlk.

MLK Garden, located between Boone Hall and Welch Hall

Jan. 17, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

AUTO SHOW IN DETROIT

The annual North American International Auto Show in Detroit will span over a week and will feature the latest vehicle technology. with something for every auto enthusiast. The event will also include an exhibit from the WCC Advanced Transportation Center. Standard tickets are \$14 and can be found on naia.com, along with more information about the show.

Cobo Center | 1 Washington Blvd., Detroit

Jan, 19-27, times vary, check website



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WINTER WELCOME DAY

Snag freebies and goodies while you check out tables from various campus departments and organizations! Don't forget to stop by the Washtenaw Voice table.

Student Center, first floor

Jan. 23, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

MLK CELEBRATION

This campus event honoring Martin Luther King, Jr. will follow a theme of "Stay ready, stay woke". The celebration will include music from the WCC gospel choir, remarks from Clarence Jennings, Jr., Dean of Student Access, Success, Equity and Inclusion and keynote remarks from Pastor Waddles. Visit room 106 in the Student Center to sign a banner and share your own MLK-inspired dreams to be displayed in the Student Center. You may also email your dreams to Rachel Barsch at rbarsch@wccnet.edu

Student Center, second floor

Jan. 17, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

COLLEGIATE RECOVERY PROGRAM KICK-OFF MEETING

New to campus, the Collegiate Recovery Program is designed to help students in recovery transition into the college community and reach academic success while maintaining sobriety. The program offers encouragement, resources, support groups, events and student service access. Contact the Counseling and Career Planning department for more information.

Crane Liberal Arts and Science Building, room 334

Jan. 30, 12-1 p.m.



WCC'S STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Welcome Back

Register today for later starting Winter sessions: February 5, February 19, March 14 and April 2!

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