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001011002013: A new instructors drive to succeed at Harper

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There are plenty of familiar faces walking through Harper's hallways, as a summer full of festivals comes to an end. However, there are also many new students and teachers at Harper, trying to settle into a new environment on campus. Among the new faces, Adjunct Instructor Theresa Patton joins the ranks, taking on the responsibility of teaching internet marketing, MKT 252, in a world in which we rely on the internet for just about everything we do.

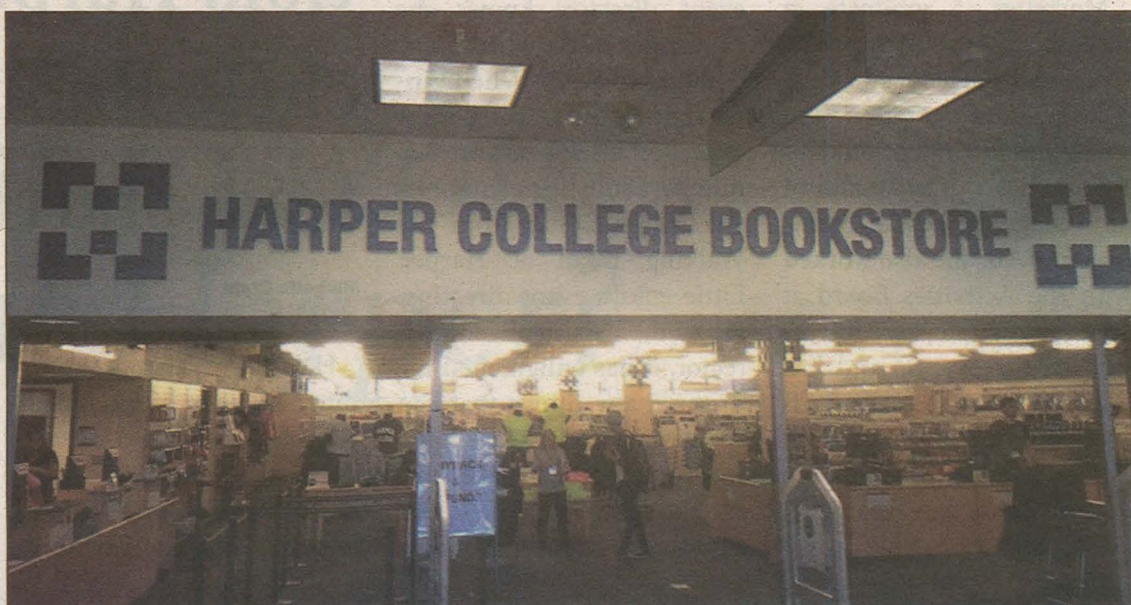
Patton is very excited to be a part of the Harper community, and she hopes that she can teach her students, as well as learn from them as the semester progresses. "I think it's exciting. I like being around students that are learning something new," she said. "I'm also learning in the process, with the students."

Patton had to do her homework before walking through the campus doors. While students prepared by buying textbooks and looking for the trendiest clothing to wear to

class, Patton prepared herself by reviewing the textbooks students find difficult to read, reading the class syllabus, and learning the class structure.

We all have difficulties balancing school work with our personal lives, and schedules can become a bit cluttered—not just for the students. In her first year as an adjunct instructor, Patton acknowledges the demanding schedules of academia. However, she manages to juggle a company that she owns and operates, along with her busy and demanding academic schedule. "It's a lot to manage," she said.

While you're stressing about how you're going to get your twelve page research paper done and go to that concert in the city, all in one weekend, remember that teachers also have to deal with the stresses of trying to manage their personal and professional lives as they settle into a new year. Patton has a solution though: "You have to definitely organize time. Set aside some time between one and the other."



Turning the Page: Harper's Bookstore becomes a part of a new company

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Before the 2013-2014 year started, Harper College made a new but gracious change, switching the ownership of the bookstore.

"The bookstore business is changing rapidly, and will continue to do so at an increasing rate. The future of bookstores is more uncertain than ever, given factors including increased competition, technology, and a myriad of other options, such as open source," says Ronald Ally, Executive Vice President-Finance and Administrative Services.

Ownership is now in the hands of a company named Follett.

"Follett has been in the college bookstore business for 140 years, and currently manages more than 930 college bookstores. Follett has over 350 bookstores at two-year colleges, more than all of their competitors combined. Follett will provide excellent service to students and provide books and materials to students at industry standard markups, which is the same markup we currently use for new and used books, and similar for other items," says Ally.

With this being a big change for Harper College as a whole, there are many questions in need of answers about the effect on students, staff, and even Harper itself. According to Regional Manager of Sales and Operations, Ken Pegram, "Follett's mission is to drive the success of students and our partners with exceptional, full-service campus stores and constantly evolving course material assortment to cater to the individual needs of each campus we serve. It is important to note, however, that despite having a new manage-

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New advisor. New leader. New year for CAB.

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Staff Writer

Leaves are turning bright colors on Harper's campus and clubs and organizations are enjoying a bright new season too. Campus Activities Board (CAB) faces the winds of change as former advisor, Chris George, steps down to introduce a fresh face into the role, Erin Morettes. Morettes has only been at Harper for about a month and she has already dug into the leadership role of advis-

ing a new student leader of CAB, Jamie Mahoney. One of CAB's missions is to enlarge the presence of CAB, as well as provide bigger and better programming for the Harper community to enjoy.

Campus Activities Board is an organization that plans and hosts student led events and speakers at Harper. The president of CAB, Mahoney, delegates members as event directors to plan and coordinate other members to best accommodate perform-

ers and organize entertaining parties and activities. As a new president, Mahoney hopes to lead the efforts in increasing participation in CAB, provide the best programming Harper has to offer, and increase CAB's visibility on Harper's campus. To achieve these goals, Mahoney and CAB plan to, "...recruit, recruit, recruit. Each person who attends a meeting is encouraged to bring at least two friends to the next meeting. ...Most importantly, we will

engage those students who do participate and make it worth their while to be a Campus Activities member," said Mahoney. She sees progress in CAB, noting the great executive board this year. A strong leader herself, Mahoney's full focus and dedication has set a high standard for CAB members this year. Mahoney said, "As CAB president, I want to see this organization grow with dedicated leaders, experienced event directors, and active

community members for next year. I want to delegate and give as much responsibilities and opportunities to our members as possible so they feel just as important to the organization as I do. I really want to make everyone's experience in CAB be the best times and memories here at Harper." With Morettes as a guide, CAB members will develop and strengthen their leadership skills by taking charge of planning, organiz-

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Board: new activities board

ing, and hosting events that CAB sponsors.

Morrettes, a graduate at Eastern Illinois University received a Bachelor's in Recreation Administration and a Master's in College Student Affairs, has a great wealth of knowledge to advise members in CAB. She also worked with the Activities Board at Nebraska Wesleyan University for three years and has the experience to make CAB successful in their mission. The transition from George to Morrettes was seamless, given the incredible work that George put into creating a "strong organizational foundation" Morettes said, over the years. Morrettes said, "Chris and the Office of Student Involvement staff have been completely supportive and encouraging throughout the transition." Morettes admitted, "Working with a Campus Activities Board involves a high level of event planning skills, good time management and student leadership development." Morettes will work one-on-one with members, "To educate them about organizational recruitment techniques and assist in encouraging quality membership growth of the [executive] Board." Morettes' dedication, positive attitude and supportive nature will build members to a higher potential in event planning.

Directing an event can be overwhelming, but it can provide an excellent opportunity for personal growth as

a leader. Jalen Little, former president and experienced event director, knows the challenges faced when coordinating an event. When Vinny from MTV's Jersey Show cancelled his appearance last minute, Little helped to present Lauren Cohan from The Walking Dead at Harper. Little enjoys event directing. He said, "As an Event Director, it has enlightened me to the many things that can go wrong with something, and how you can make simply the best out of it. It was a pleasure to accommodate a lot of the performers we've had on campus." Little plans to work with the Access and Disabilities Services (ADS) department to direct an event bringing a famous star from Breaking bad, in an event titled "Overcoming Adversity - Turning a Disadvantage into an Advantage," being hosted on Tuesday, October 8 in the Performing Arts Center. With the increased membership and leadership in CAB, the event is bound to be a hit!

CAB hopes to inspire and give the tools to members to become more active members in the Harper community. Mahoney said, "We have a great team this year and a new advisor, Erin Morettes, so we are setting our expectations high! I would love to meet all of you sometime!" CAB is open to any student taking six credit hours or more with a 2.5 GPA. If you are interested in CAB, meetings are on Fridays, 12pm-1 p.m. in A-243.

A Change in Position and Direction: Harper faculty member Michèle Robinson takes on a new lead, starting in January 2014.

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Staff Writer

Having to change something in your life is not always easy to do, and it can be either good or bad. But Dean of Business & Social Science Division, Michèle Robinson, believes that this change in her life is only opening up a new beginning, a new door toward what she wants to do with her time at Harper College. Since August 1, 2008, Robinson served Harper College as a Dean for the Business & Social Science Division, reporting directly to the school's provost. Effective January 1, 2014, Robinson will take on a role as a Special Assistant to Harper's president, Dr. Kenneth Ender, for Diversity & Inclusion/Assistant Provost for Curriculum, where she will report directly to the President.

Transferring to a new position can take lots of time and practice for some people, but for Robinson, she knows what she wants to focus on with her remaining time in her current role. "I have the entire fall semester to make the transition from my current position to my new position. I plan to work closely with my faculty and staff to

ensure that they continue to be supported on a day-to-day basis. That has always been my number one priority, and will continue to be so until I move into my new role in January. In addition, I will begin working with the college president to prepare for launching several Diversity and Inclusion initiatives during my first year in this role," says Robinson.

Leaving a position that you have been involved in for so long can be very hard, but one must know that there are new things to come from a change and that staying positive and determined to do something new will only result in something great. "It is bittersweet to leave my role as Dean of the Business & Social Science Division.

Prior to becoming a Dean in 2008, I served for six years as a full time tenured faculty member in this division. Over the past 11 years I have formed working relationships and developed friendships that I will always treasure. The good news is that I am not leaving the college and I look forward to tapping into these relationships as I work to meet the change of my new role focused on

Diversity & Inclusion" said Robinson.

Everyone tends to become a little nervous when being asked to take on a new role, but Robinson feels that her view is different. "During my first year in this new role I will be focused on developing support for our affinity employee groups, developing a Diversity Score Card, serving as the college ombudsman for bias incident reporting, providing leadership for the development of a 'Diverse Teaching Fellow' program and working with the Human Resources office to implement 360 evaluations for our campus leaders," she said.

"This new role will provide me with the opportunity to collaborate with a greater number of colleagues and offices across campus and that is exciting to me. I look forward to contributing to the overall success of our institution, employees and students, as we move forward," she continued. If someone's overall impression of a job is what they are going to get as their result, then Robinson is sure to have great results. That said, best of luck goes out to her.

Bookstore: Harper Bookstore under new management and ownership

ment group, the store will still maintain the identity of the HarperStore and Harper College." One of the many questions being asked is what does it mean to the Harper students? "Harper students will now be able to choose from expanded affordable course material options such as the nation's largest textbook rental program, an ever-expanding range of digital course material options, as well as a broad range of general merchandise, school supplies, electronics, and general books. Students will also find the store will continue to add value to the campus by offer-

ing financial aid, providing in-person customer service, reinvesting in school, and providing local student jobs. Students will also now have an expanded range of product- and service-offering available through our website or the 'Door to More.' Another question being asked is if the bookstore offers different products, and if so, what? "The store will continue to offer products familiar to the campus but will also now participate in many of Follett's value-priced seasonal promotions for clothing and other products like our current \$5 Electronics promo-

tion. The product-offering in the store will continue to expand and evolve over time as the students need change and in response to campus requests. It is our objective to carry everything to support the academic experience at Harper and welcome suggestions from the campus community," states Pegram. How are the prices affected? "Affordability is of concern to Follett and to the Harper College community and, as such, the store is focused on providing a range of affordable options to meet those needs. Course material pricing is primarily determined

by the publisher, but Follett will help students by offering choices like rental, digital, and the largest selection of used books in the industry. In fact, in just the past four years Follett saved students \$1.5 billion on textbooks through our company's popular Rent-A-Text, used, buy-back, and digital offerings. We expect to have similar success with those programs here at Harper," states Pegram. Lastly, how does it impact Harper as a whole? "The campus store continues to evolve to meet expectations, and by partnering with Follett, the store is able to focus

on what they do best: helping students learn and succeed. We're focused on providing the products our customers want. This means enhancing our mobile and online sites, opening the door to new product offerings and, as always, ensuring convenient and timely delivery of materials," states Pegram. Changing ownership of the bookstore can be one thing, but the only thing that matters is that the Harper Bookstore provides the students who attend great service, as always, but an even better experience now with the new change for the 2013-2014 school year.

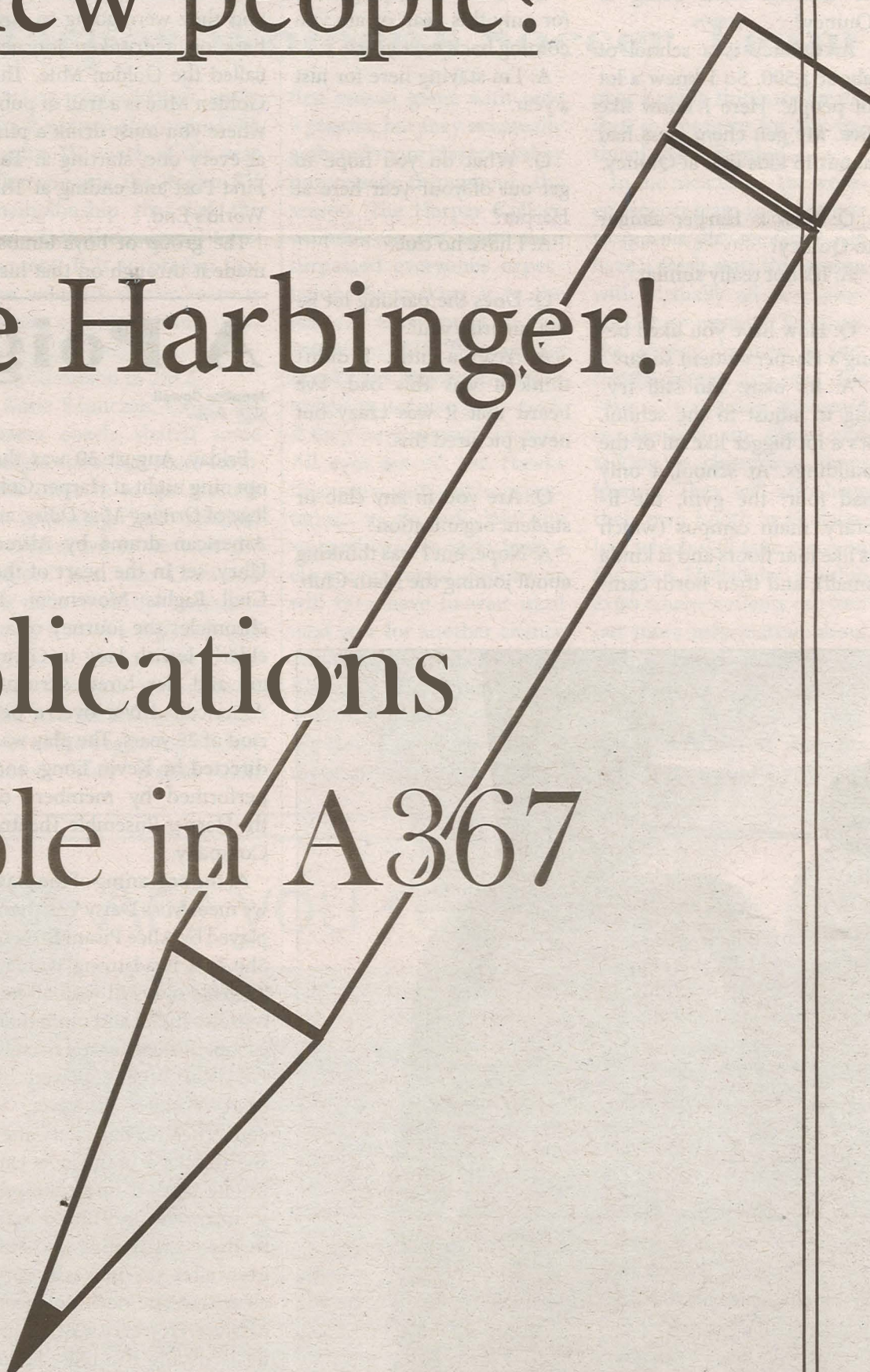
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New student's impression of Harper

Larissa Martinez-Szewczyk
Staff Writer

Brittany Mata, 19, Fremd High School

Q: Why did you come to Harper?

A: I decided to come to Harper because it was hell of a lot cheaper than my school that I would have gone too. I live across the street so it's not that far either.

Q: What school would you have gone to had you not come to Harper?

A: Quincy University.

Q: How has being at Harper differed from being at Quincy?

A: Quincy is a school of about 1,500. So I knew a lot of people. Here I know like five. My gen chem class had about 15 kids in it at Quincy.

Q: How is Harper similar to Quincy?

A: It's not really similar.

Q: How have you liked being a Harper student so far?

A: It's okay. I'm still trying to adjust to the school. It's a lot bigger like all of the buildings. At school, I only had four: the gym, the library, main campus (which is like four floors and is kinda small), and then north cam-

pus, which is two floors plus the basement.

Q: Do you have a favorite class or professor?

A: Not really, but I like my organic chem class with Professor Wachter.

Q: Why do you like your organic chemistry class?

A: I like science.

Q: Do you have a favorite spot to study or hang out on campus?

A: I like to go to the Student Center in Building A and the café in Building Z.

Q: Are you staying here for only this year, or are you coming back next year?

A: I'm staying here for just a year.

Q: What do you hope to get out of your year here at Harper?

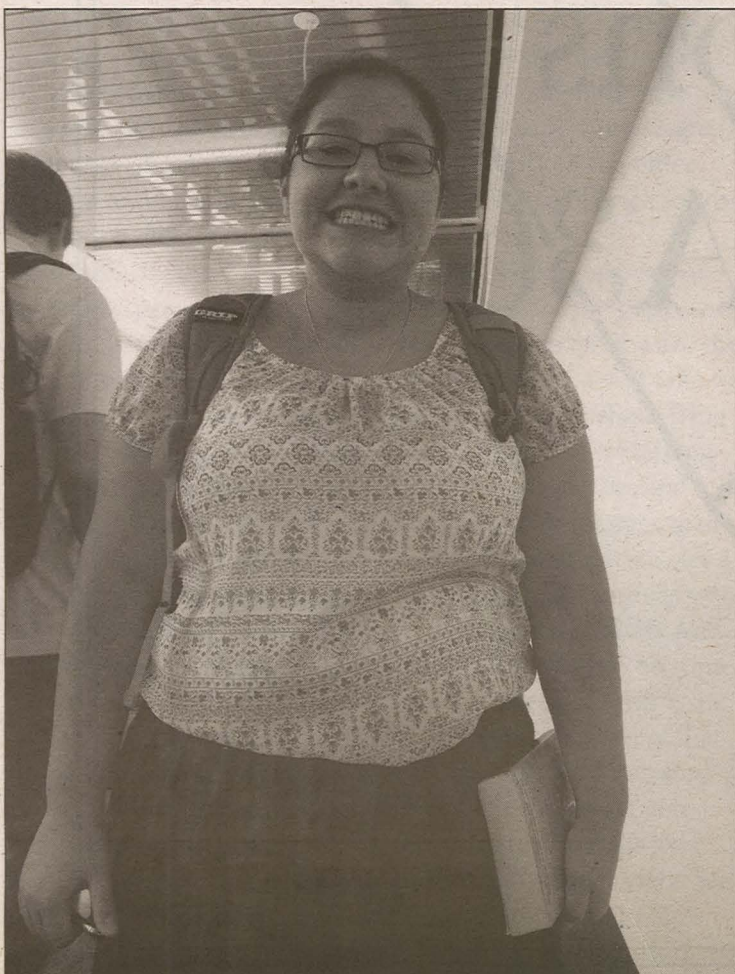
A: I have no clue.

Q: Does the parking lot issue surprise you?

A: Yeah a little. I didn't think it was this bad, I've heard that it was crazy but never pictured this.

Q: Are you in any club or student organization?

A: Nope, but I was thinking about joining the Math Club.



Reliving Old Days, Saving Human Race

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The World's End, directed by Edgar Wright, is a film that can be described as a sci-fi comedy with an apocalyptic hint at the end. The film focuses on five friends: Gary King a.k.a. the leader of the pack (Simon Pegg), Andy Knightley (Nick Frost), Oliver Chamberlain, or "O-Man" as he used to be called (Martin Freeman), Steven Prince (Paddy Considine), and Peter Page (Eddie Marsan). This movie is chock-full of humor that only the British can conceive.

The film started with a flashback narrated by Gary of the old days with the gang. It was the last day of school for them in Newton Haven, and they were going to embark on a drunken journey called the Golden Mile. The Golden Mile is a trail of pubs where you must drink a pint at every one, starting at The First Post and ending at The World's End.

The group of boys almost made it through on that his-

toric night. Twenty years later, he wants to finish it and rounds up the gang for one last hurrah. They arrive at Newton Haven and immediately start on their trek.

Gary is the only one excited for the night of drinking. He is the typical guy who never grew up, and he is still living in his glory days. Whereas, his old friends have grown up and matured over the past twenty years. However, all that is put to the side when they discover that something weird is going on in their old town. People are acting different and don't seem to recognize them.

After a fight in the bathroom with what they thought were teen boys, the gang discovers that they were actually robots. Soon they realize that the entire town has been taken over by these robots, or "blanks", as they call them. Their only hope to make it through the night alive is to reach the last pub, The World's End.

Once there, Gary, Andy, and Steven end up saving the

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world from the Network (Bill Nighy) by convincing it that human beings do not like being told what to do, which is true. Then the world was sent into a post-apocalyptic state.

The fighting scenes in the movie were entertaining, along with everything else in the film. There are a few romantic moments when Steven admits his undying love for Oliver's sister Sam (Rosamund Pike). Besides those few moments the movie is all about drinking, having a good time with the boys, and beating up some robots to save the world. The majority of the group saw the Golden Mile "to the bitter end...or lager end" as Gary states, but they all ended up with relatively happy endings. If you are looking for a good laugh, and have an hour and forty-nine minutes to kill, this is the movie to see. It is the concluding end to the Cornetto trilogy, which includes *Shaun of the Dead* and *Hot Fuzz*, which all include Nick Frost and Simon Pegg and are all directed by Edgar Wright.

A Poignant Journey

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Staff Writer

Friday, August 30 was the opening night at Harper College of *Driving Miss Daisy*, an American drama by Alfred Uhry, set in the heart of the Civil Rights Movement. It chronicles the journey of an elderly Jewish lady in Georgia and her hired African-American driver over a period of 25 years. The play was directed by Kevin Long, and performed by members of the Harper Ensemble Theatre Company.

At the beginning of the play, we meet Miss Daisy Werthan, played by Alice Pisani Brown. She is a headstrong woman 72 years old, still with all her marbles intact and more than capable of caring for herself. Her son Boolie, played by Matt Whalen, however, is concerned for her safety after she wrecks a brand new car. Boolie takes it upon himself to interview and hire a man to drive his mother around, even after she makes it very clear that she does not need a driver. However, since Boolie is paying the bills, Hoke Coleburn, played by Dwight

Brown, shows up, eager to work. The conflict begins almost immediately, as Miss Daisy is indignant that her son would bring someone in to drive her; thus, for the first week or so, she refuses to go anywhere.

She eventually concedes, however, and here begins the main drama of the play. There continues to be conflict, as Hoke chooses to go a different way to the store than Miss Daisy is used to, and does not park in the spot she wants. It is often presented in a humorous manner, though, and through such moments, the audience is drawn into their world.

There are also touching moments, such as when Miss Daisy's place of worship is attacked, presumably by the KKK. Hoke then feels compelled to tell her about his friend's father, who was a victim of an attack by the KKK, as well. There are many more touching moments; in fact, some of the audience members were moved to tears during various scenes.

The actors do a wonderful job conveying the emotion

of the time and drawing the audience in. But in addition to the fluidity of the performance, it should be noted that the set and music in the background create a perfect stage on which the play unfolds.

From antique furniture to period-specific tunes, not only is the set complementary to the performance, but it also adds its own spice and flavor to a scene. There is nothing to distract from the actors' presentation, either.

All-in-all, *Driving Miss Daisy* is a fun, yet thought-provoking play about race and class in the society of the 1960s. It alternates between playful banter and serious concern, and the audience is not left behind during these times. The actors provide a convincing performance that makes what they say and what they do believable, taking the audience right there with them as they laugh and worry. It is no small wonder that this play has become a classic of our time, and it will continue to live on in various interpretations in years to come.

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Women's soccer gains new assistant coach

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Staff Writer

Starting any new job can be exciting, hectic, overwhelming, and even enjoyable at times. Katie Klimczak earnestly enjoyed starting her new job at Harper College last year as the assistant coach of the women's soccer team.

Her first year coaching at Harper was a very successful year for the women's soccer program overall. She felt very fortunate to be a part of that successful year. In Fall 2012, her team not only won the Regional IV championship, but they also went on to place sixth at nationals. "Last year was such an awesome group

of girls who worked hard to get to nationals," Klimczak said about assistant coaching her first team ever at Harper College.

Klimczak works beside head coach Dwayne Cruz, who received the Region IV coach of the year award during that same exuberant season of 2012. Cruz coached Klimczak on his club soccer team, Kickers United F.C., when she was first getting her start at competitive soccer. He coached her from when she was 10 years old up until she graduated from Elk Grove High School in 2007.

Katie then attended University of North Carolina, where she played Division 1

soccer all 4 years. She helped her team win 2 NCAA national championships in 2008 and 2009. After she graduated in 2012, Klimczak came back to Illinois to pursue a career in coaching soccer.

"I came back to Illinois and wanted to continue to be around the sport and make an impact on younger players' soccer lives," Klimczak said. She did exactly that by taking the challenging opportunity to assistant coach at Harper College with Dwayne Cruz at the junior college soccer level. Klimczak said about playing at the junior-varsity level: "I think it's a great idea to be seen at the jr college level, especially

for players that did not get that opportunity in their high school careers." Klimczak, 24, is not that much older than the student athletes who attend Harper College. She can be a mentor to the younger student athletes because she has been through the college soccer process quite recently herself.

She enjoys making a positive impact on her peers and other student athletes who look up to her. "Student athletes have to remember the main reason they are in college is to learn," Klimczak said when asked what advice she would give to young student athletes.

Klimczak also recommends

that student athletes utilize the resources the school provides for them. For example, student athletes have tutors, advisors, and study halls that are available for them whenever they need help. Klimczak described coaching at Harper as a really "fun experience and looks forward to coaching this upcoming season."

Klimczak is also coaching two youth soccer teams that she hopes will grow into very competitive top teams in the state. A long term goal of hers is to coach a high school team at the varsity level and eventually become the head coach of a college level program.

Rough Start for the Harper Women's Soccer Team

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The Harper College women's soccer team has been forced to cancel their first game of the season, against Triton College. The cancellation is due to the fact that they do not have enough players to play a regulation game. The Hawks had hoped to have enough players for their first soccer game, which was intended to take place on Wednesday, September 4. Harper College women's soccer coach Dwayne Cruz welcomes anyone eligible and interested in playing soccer this 2013 season. The Hawks are still looking for more players to join their team. The women's soccer team is hoping to find enough members to play their next scheduled

home game, on Monday, September 9. The Hawks are scheduled to play Moraine Valley Community College at 4:00 p.m. They have not yet canceled the second game in hopes they will find enough players.

As for the current players, the pressure is on for the 2013 women's soccer team. Not only because they are in need of players, but also because they have a lot to live up to. During the fall season of 2012, the Harper College women's soccer team placed sixth out of eight at the national tournament which took place in Dryden, New York. The women's soccer team is currently ranked number eight in the Top Ten National Poll found on the National Junior College

Athletic Association's website. Cruz was also named the Region IV coach of the year after winning the Region IV championship that led the team into the national tournament. It is surprising that the women's soccer team is having trouble finding players after having such a monumental season in 2012.

Katie Klimczak, Cruz's assistant coach, shared some insight about last year's team. "We came in to the playoffs as underdogs and shocked everyone when we won the region." Last year Cruz and his team were the longshots going into the regional and national tournament. The 2012 women's soccer team also had trouble with numbers at the beginning of their season. They played their

first season game with only 9 players, but they eventually gathered more players as they progressed throughout the season. The Harper College women's soccer team then surpassed everyone's expectations by making it to the national tournament in November of 2012. This year the Hawks feel they have the potential to achieve their goals if they have enough players. All eyes are on the Hawks this year with high expectations to do well. Will the women's soccer team have a chance to repeat history or will they have to wait until next year for another chance at success? Assistant Coach Klimczak said, "We have an awesome group of core players this year. If we can get more girls to come out and

play, I really think we have a shot to compete for the national championship."

In the meantime, the women's soccer team will continue to recruit players. They will have a fresh start this season with virtually all new players. They want to be given the chance to have a successful season this year. The team is spreading the word by hanging up flyers and talking to classmates about joining. They will also have their own booth at Hullabaloo, which will take place on the quad. Hullabaloo is a club expo where students can find out more information about their favorite activities on campus. The women's soccer booth will be there on Tuesday, September 10 between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.



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Letter from the Editor

Cheryl Gistenson
 Editor-in-Chief

Hi, my name is Cheryl. I am this year's editor-in-chief. I'm here to make some changes to our paper, and helping me, will be plenty of new and returning staff members. We're creating new additions to *The Harbinger* and bringing a new attitude all together. Some of you may be a little upset to hear this, but there will be one major absence from the paper from now on: no more typos!

No, I'm not trying to bash our prior years' staff, but I am a self-proclaimed grammar and word nerd. It is my, along with the current staffs', personal mission to rid *The Harbinger* of those misfit, misspelled words, perplexing punctuation marks, and grammar gremlins. That's right! You no longer have to worry about spilling water on the newspaper and watching it multiply before your very own eyes or feeding it after midnight. Without all this nonsense, we can now focus on bringing you more and better content, so that you can read the paper with enjoyment, instead of a red pen and highlighter.

The first change we've made affects your entire reading experience. Each issue will have a theme, that all the pieces will address. For instance, the theme for this issue is "What's new?". We've highlighted new Harper students, professors, and club advisors; the newest play on campus, *Driving Miss Daisy*; and various other things that will be going on throughout this new school year.

We are also going to focus more on clubs' news and events. There will be one club featured in each issue. You'll get to know the advisor(s), some of the officers and members, and get

an inside look at what the club is all about.

You're probably wondering though, "How does she know what I really want to read?"

That's where you come in. We've had one or two negative comments about *The Harbinger*. Believe it or not, we're listening and want your advice. You may even get published for it. So please, stop by and tell us how we're doing and what you want to read in future issues. You may have noticed, as you pass our office (A-367) on your way to the student lounge, that we have a receptical to receive your suggestions, comments, and complaints. This will remain a fixture at *The Harbinger*, but we'll also be venturing off into the interwebs of the world soon. We already have Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn accounts, but none of them are active. This has got to change!

Unfortunately, most of these things can't be changed or fixed with the snap of a finger or the shake of an iPhone. It will take time to whip this paper into shape, but I've stocked the office with plenty of licorice for the year.

Now that I've laid out our great plans for the paper this year, I need to emphasize the time and effort it will take to get this accomplished. This year, we are nearly starting from the ground up, and with all of the changes made to the organization, comes a lot of disorganization as we find our groove. There are admittedly going to be some errors throughout this issue of the paper. Just know that we, the staff, are frustrated about this too, but if you stick with us through this process of improvement, we can work together to harbin better information.

A Look Inside Graphics

Matt Sadler
 Staff Writer

I am the new Vice President of the Graphic Arts Design Club at Harper this school year. Back in the fall of 2011, I started as the Street Team Leader of the club. My duties were to hang up posters around campus, help other members with small tasks, and help with current events. In the fall of 2012/spring 2013 I was the Treasurer. My duties for that role were to handle the money coming into the club, handle invoices, handle job tickets, along with helping other members with small tasks and participating in current events. I also helped with a few big projects. This fall 2013 I am starting my new role as the Vice President. My duties are to work on event planning (speakers/field trips), handle workshop preparation (for new and existing members), and help with current events going on, other projects, and the new and existing clients. In addition, I assist the President and other members whenever needed.

Our club—the Graphic Arts Design Club—is right here at Harper College. What we basically do is help new and existing members gain better experience as graphic designers, and we help new and existing clients with projects. Some examples of projects we help them with include posters, flyers, business cards, calendars, logos, etc. For the most part, we help clubs and organizations on campus, and com-

panies/people around the Palatine community. We have an Executive Board. Our Advisor is Kelly Taylor, our President (and founder of the club) is Aaron Wagner, I am the Vice President, Jon Sanfilippo is our Treasurer, Tatsuya Kurihara is our Secretary, Joey Zhang is our File Manager/Project Manager, and Dan Mosias is our Street Team Leader. We have other members, as well, and we are always looking for more members.

Through my positions at the club, I am trying to learn better leadership skills and become a better Samaritan. I will be doing my best to help encourage, support, and guide our club to new heights this year. I will be on my "A" game to help the club in any way possible go forward towards the future with great potential. When I leave the club at some point, I hope to leave behind a great legacy, and I hope new members will take it over and keep it growing and lead it to new dimensions.

Some good things that I bring to the club this year include: extra enthusiasm, extra effort, a strong and creative personality, high quality teamwork with clients and other members, a strong empathy for others, very goal oriented, very multi-task oriented, etc. I will help the club meet deadlines, I will stand up for others' rights, I will help our club's reputation and existence on campus grow, and I feel that we are getting closer to becoming one of the premier clubs here at Harper College.

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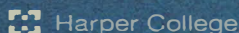
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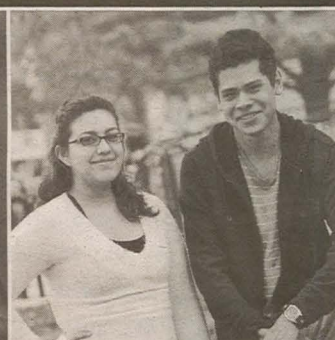
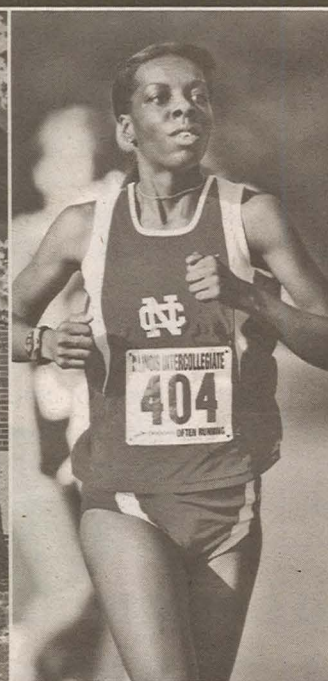
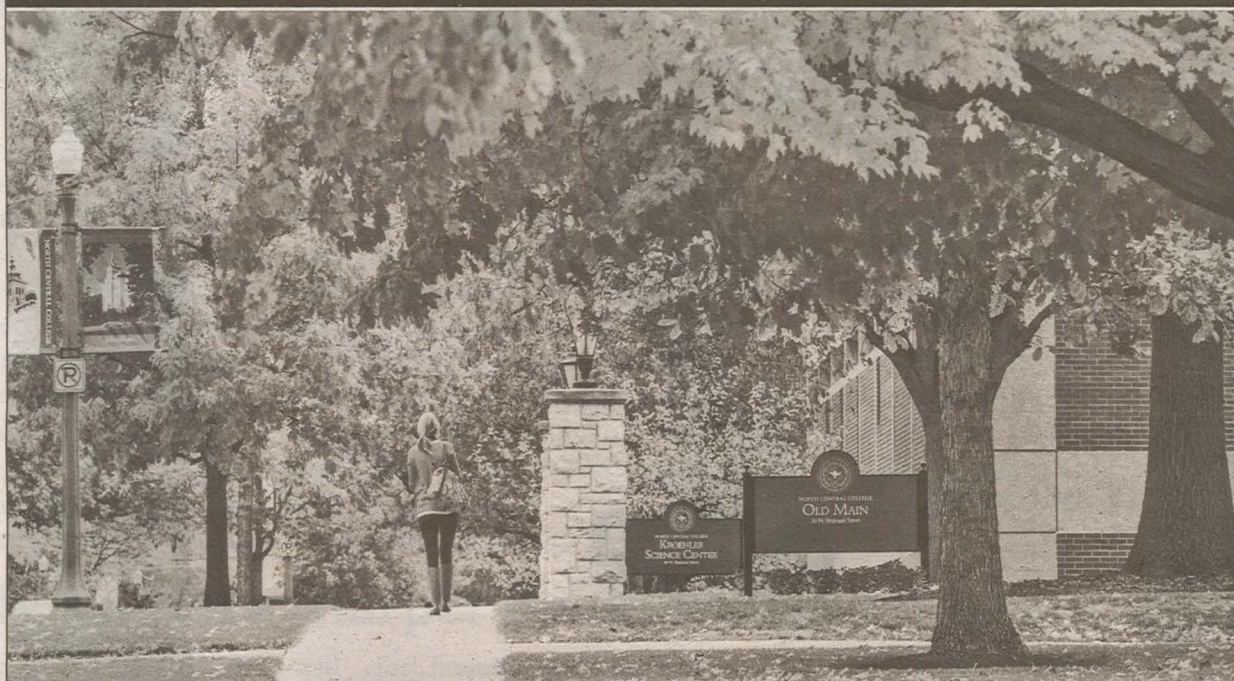
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A major decision the world is facing

By **Juan Cervantes**
Staff Writer

On Aug. 21, Dictator Bashar al-Assad ordered a chemical weapons attack on the citizens of Syria, which was confirmed by the UN, killing an estimated 1400 innocent people with a powerful nerve agent called sarin gas. President Barack Obama responded by pursuing congressional approval to conduct an air strike against the oppressive regime, which was not welcomed by the majority of American citizens.

Almost three weeks later, on Sept.

10, President Obama addressed the nation on the pressing matters on Syria regarding the crimes against humanity, and the laws that were broken when al-Assad decided to murder over a thousand innocent civilians. The president, like the majority of the American people, is hesitant to take us into another war after having spent ten years fighting in Iraq and Afghanistan, but will not tolerate a government that could potentially begin a new type of warfare.

The President's major concern is that we will not send a strong enough message, thus allowing

governments like Syria, and terrorist agencies, to believe that there is no reason to stop chemical attacks.

The potential for an air strike, however, is provoking insubordinate responses via Facebook and many other forms of social media by service members all over the country. These responses go along the lines of, "I will not fight for Al Qaeda," and other similar statements.

"I don't know, I dislike all of those [middle eastern] countries," said a recently deployed soldier in anonymity when asked if the U.S

should get involved with Syria. "I personally believe they should be ruled with an iron fist. Do I think there's a possibility for us to go to war? No, we've been involved in ground wars for the last ten years."

He continued on by talking about the insubordinate soldiers who posted unlawful pictures about the situation on Facebook. "They are a bunch of [cowards]," he said, and recited the soldier's creed, "I stand ready to deploy, engage, and destroy, the enemies of the United States of America in close combat."

The soldier, however, expressed a desire to serve on a second

deployment and said, "I'd volunteer for it. I just got back a month ago and I'd volunteer for it next. We were promised some action for nine months and nothing ever happened." Although, when asked if a second deployment would interfere with his studies he said, "it would [mess] things up for sure."

Colleges such as Harper College house thousands of reservists, active duty soldiers, and veterans, all of which wait on the whim of the commander-in-chief, and they can have their lives turned completely

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NATION

12 killed at Navy Yard shooting

By **Michelle Czaja**
Staff Writer

Another massive attack has brought tears to the families of the 12 victims, ranging in age from 46 to 73, who were killed at a Washington D.C. navy yard. Monday morning, gunman Aaron Alexis, 34, from Fort Worth, Texas, broke into a Navy Yard and began shooting everything and everyone before him. The chaos started shortly after 8 a.m.

Employees described a scene of confusion as they heard gunshots fired through the hallways of the Naval Sea Systems Command headquarters, on the banks of the Anacostia River, a few miles from the White House and about a half-mile from the Capitol.

Alexis was identified as a former naval reservist in Fort Worth. Officials said Alexis was able to drive onto the base using his access as a contractor. He shot an officer and one other person outside Building 197. As Alexis got into the building, he made his way to the floor overlooking the atrium and began shooting at employees eating breakfast below.

Three weapons were found

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Harper's annual Hullabaloo



MATT SADLER

Harper Pre-Med Club recruits possible new members at this year's annual Hullabaloo held Sept. 10 on the quad.

Club and organization expo meet-and-greet

By **Matthew Sadler**
Staff Writer

Hullabaloo is an event for clubs around campus to come together and reach out and introduce themselves to new and existing students. It is a chance for clubs to showcase what they have to offer and to have their voices heard. They have a opportunity to express their strengths, weaknesses, interests, goals, and things they would like to accomplish for this upcoming school year. At the same time, new clubs have the chance to get their foot in the door and start growing.

I interviewed several clubs at the club expo on Tuesday. Four of them that struck my attention the most were: The International

Studies and Programs, Phi Theta Kappa (Honors Society), The Buddhist Interest Group, and The Young Americans for Liberty.

First, we will talk about The International Studies and Programs. Some goals that they are trying to accomplish include: bringing more culture to the campus, having more people learn about them, and trying to increase participation. Their motto is: Awareness, Participation, and Intent.

The first event they have coming up is the Global Gurus Hang-out, located at The Academy For Teaching Excellence on Tuesday, Sept. 17. The second one is the Read Around the World, also located at The Academy For Teaching Excellence, on Friday, Sept. 27. Thirdly, they have the Fall Study

Abroad Open House, located in Room A242 on Monday, Oct. 7. The fourth one is the International Education Week - locations and times TBA - on Monday, Oct. 28. The fifth one is the Faculty Study Abroad Workshop, again located at The Academy For Teaching Excellence, on Friday, Nov. 8. Finally, they will have another Global Gurus Hang-out, once more located at the The Academy For Teaching Excellence, on Wednesday, Nov. 13.

In addition, some Study Abroad opportunities this year include trips to Canterbury, England; Salzburg, Austria; Seville, Spain; Carlow, Ireland; and Xian, China.

Second, we will talk about Phi Theta Kappa (Honors Society). Their goals for this upcoming

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FASHION

The fall season's new hue

By **Leah Nicolini**
Staff Writer

Bold Black is seen on runways of every kind. Dim fashion shows, with lights streaming on prestigious faces, creating a dark, abysmal surrounding; jet black hair falling into a sleek cut; endless, lengthening outfits created from structured, daring cuts and edgy slate black stripes; obsidian hue prints like lightning bolts, crosses, diamonds, triangles, and moustaches. Bold black is being seen everywhere from Harper's hallways to trendy shops to Lifetime Channel's "Project Runway."

"Project Runway" has begun its 12th season and black has been a recurring theme that is getting more attention than any eccentric neon could. "Episode 7: Shoes First" was a prime example of eye-catching black ensembles. This episode contained a challenge for the designers to begin with shoes as an inspiration for their design. Although many of the designers have the same bold color choice, each outfit is very versatile in comparison to the others. Ranging from a shaggy-chic style to a structured minimalist look, different techniques and inspiration were used to make each design bold. Ken Laurence's design is a textured fabric formed

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Syria: Obama addresses issue

upside down at any given moment.

Our soldiers are ready to hit boots on ground, should the occasion call for it, with the exception of a few insubordinate stragglers, so the American population should feel safe that our soldiers feel positive about going abroad. However, we as a nation, and a youthful community, have the power to

speak out against a war that can put hundreds of thousands of good men and women's lives in the line of fire.

War affects every single person, regardless of where in the world it is taking place, and it strikes the younger generation the hardest as they are the most apt to fight in grueling conditions.



Photo taken during a demonstration in Syria.

Shooting: biggest massacre since 9/11/01

on Alexis: an AR-15 assault rifle, a shotgun, and a semiautomatic pistol. It is unknown whether Alexis came in with the guns from the beginning, or if he took them from his victims.

Alexis had worked as a contractor in information technology and had been an employee of The Experts, a subcontractor on an HP Enterprise Services contract.

Alexis had had multiple encounters with the law prior to this Monday's shooting. In 2011, Alexis was discharged after exhibiting a "pattern of misbehavior". In 2010, he was arrested in Fort Worth for discharging a firearm after an upstairs neighbor said he had confronted her in the parking lot about making too much noise, according to a Fort Worth police report, and police in Seattle, where

Alexis once lived, said he was arrested in 2004 for shooting the tires of another man's vehicle.

Because of the lockdown of the Navy Yard, officials said they were unable to determine his current employment status, or if he had been fired from the navy yard. For hours, police believed that there might have been three gunmen and that two of them were on the loose in the city.

However, as the day went by, police concluded that Alexis was the only gunman in the rampage.

Washington D.C. Rep. Eleanor Holmes Norton told reporters the district has not "had a day like this since 9/11." President Obama ordered the flags at all federal and military installations to be flown at half-staff through Friday in honor of the victims.

"We are confronting yet another

mass shooting, and today it happened on a military installation in our nation's capitol," said Obama. Obama said he wanted a "seamless" investigation into the shooting and was standing with the victims and their families affected by what he called a "cowardly act."

"It targeted out military and civilian personnel, men and women who were going to work, doing their job protecting all of us. They are patriots and they know the dangers of serving abroad," Obama said. "But today they faced the unimaginable violence that they won't have expected here at home."

The victims and their families will always be remembered in the hearts of our nation in connection with this unexplained and unwanted attack on September 16, 2013.

Hullabaloo: learn new ways of getting involved around campus

school year include trying to get more people involved and increasing student engagement so they can continue to help the Harper community.

The basic requirements to join this exclusive club are a 3.5 GPA and at least 12 total credit hours earned. The "Honors in Action" and "The College Project" are the two most important things for this club. The "Honors in Action" deals with competition within the Arts and how competition affects artists. "The College Project" deals with "Commit to Complete" and encourages students to complete their Associate's Degree to transfer to a 4-year college. Also, "The College Project" is the GED project; it helps students complete their GED diploma.

Their Main Pillars are Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Fellowship. Like most clubs, the following things are also important: Community, Awareness, and Involvement. They think their club will help develop students professionally.

With "The College Project" specifically, they are advocating for the less-served programs, such as the GED program. They need Harper College's support to become a permanent part of Harper College. Their chapter does NOT choose their topic for the "Honors in Action" project, however. Phi Theta Kappa chooses their topic, it lasts for two years, and Harper's Phi Phi chapter chooses the theme they work on for that topic. Their theme this time is Culture of Competition and their topic is the Arts, so they are working on Competition in the Arts. Phi Theta Kappa meets Mondays 3:30pm-5pm at L-323 and their next meeting is Monday, Sept. 23. Their induction for new members is Tuesday, November 19th at 7pm at J-theater. They are excited to have new members come and make this year a success!

Third, we will talk about The Buddhist Interest Group. Some of their goals for this upcoming year include relieving stress, handling stress better, increasing the

growth of the club, helping develop the overall person, creating more open minds, bringing more peace to individuals, etc. They take a trip to the temple in Woodstock, IL, as they try to help people experience new environments.

People that are interested in this "type of philosophy" do not have to be experts by any means, and they do not need to have a lot of knowledge to join. They will learn about meditation and the benefits to this art, along with more about self-awareness.

They also have Dharma talks, guest speakers, and, of course, meditation on a regular basis. I am sure that one of the benefits to this "type of philosophy" is that it can prolong the life cycle of a person. It seems like it keeps the soul at peace. They meet Mondays from 3:30-4:30 PM in Building A, room A-238.

The last club I will mention is The Young Americans for Liberty. Of all these clubs, this one had the most traffic at the expo. They are trying to recruit as many people as

possible. Among other goals, they are trying to have at least three events on campus this school year. One of their points that stuck with me was, "Only you own your life and the right to act as you see fit, as long as you do not infringe upon the rights of others."

They accomplished some great things last year (their first year). They were named the outstanding club of the year at Harper College and were the national chapter of the year (out of 400 schools; only two were junior colleges.)

They also were given the best officer of the year award and achieved the national activism award (Choose Charity). They helped with the homeless, did a clothing donation, helped bring necessities to the underprivileged adults and children, and threw a Christmas party for the underprivileged children.

Their main objective is looking to train the new leaders of tomorrow. Their mission is "to identify, educate, train, and mobilize youth activists committed to winning

on principle." If you're interested, you can contact Co-Founder and President Scott Lietzow at Scottlietzow@gmail.com.

I spoke to three attendees of the Hullabaloo and asked them what they thought of the club expo. The first one was Erin Banker. She is the Vice President of the Sci-Fi Fantasy Gaming Club. She "feels that the music put everyone in a good mood." The second one was Shayde Fischer. She is not part of a club at the moment. She "thinks they should have rescheduled due to the hot weather." The third one was Megan Stella. She is interested in the Theater and Radio clubs, but she lacks the time due to a conflicting schedule. She stated "be very open to your options; you never know if it will bring success."

Join a club! Get involved. You may meet someone that can give you a job or a career. I advise you: do not wait! Do not take life for granted; it is too short. What can Harper College do for you and your future? Take Harper's advice: "Start, Finish, and Go Forward!"

J.K. Rowling Announces New Harry Potter Spin-Off Movie

By Larissa Martinez-Szewczyk
Staff Writer

Harry Potter fans all over the globe are celebrating! Why? Because Rowling has announced that Warner Bros. will be making a Harry Potter spin-off movie series, the first of which will be *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them*, based off of the small book that Rowling has written with the same title.

It was also announced that she will be writing the screenplay of the film as well, which means no characters or scenes being cut from it like what happened to Teddy, Peeves, and the final words between Dudley and Harry.

From what Warner Bros. and Rowling have said so far is that the film will follow the author of *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them*, Newt Scamander, in the

1920s in New York, seventy years before Harry's time. That means the audience gets to see not only what American wizard society is like, and what it is like with flappers and the Prohibition, but also a world that is pre-Voldemort era.

Will Rowling show what an American wizarding school or their Ministry of Magic is like? Will they have the same laws that fans have come to know almost as well as real life laws? Could the audience get to see a magical Chicago during the Roaring Twenties? The possibilities are endless for what could be in this new film.

Harper student Aubrie Botello is very excited for this new film. She says, "It's been some time since the fans have had anything new since the last book and movie." Though Botello does not know who the main character is going to be in the film, she hopes that the Potter kids

and their friends will have a spot in it.

She has been a fan of Harry Potter since second grade and has read all the books and seen all the movies. "Each book only took me a day to read," Botello says, proudly wearing a Hogwarts shirt.

No one was more excited about the news than actress Evanna Lynch, who played Luna Lovegood in the Potter films. A huge fan before she got the role, Lynch got very excited over the news and took to Twitter.

She asked Rowling and Warner Bros. to let her play old Luna or to let her undergo hours of putting prosthetics on to become a crumple-horned snorkack, which is a magical animal that Luna and her father believed to exist.

All this is great news, but there is more. Along with making the new movie, Warner Bros. announced

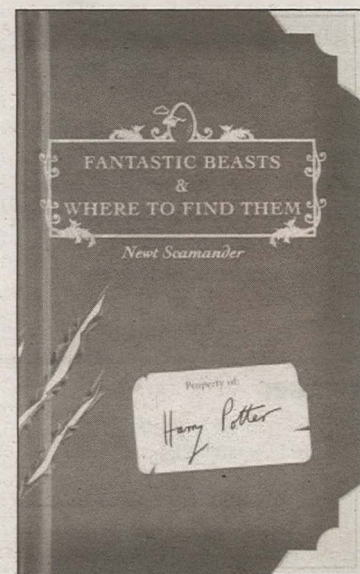
that they are going to include "Fantastic Beasts" into the Wizarding World of Harry Potter theme park in Orlando, which is already being expanded to include Diagon Alley and a Gringotts ride.

The new addition of whatever this new film entails will most likely be built by Diagon Alley, which is in a different area of the park from the Wizarding World. Park goers can travel from Hogsmeade to Diagon Alley by riding the Hogwarts Express.

All Harry Potter fans can enjoy this experience around the spring of 2014. Botello did not know about the expansion, but when she was told about it she replied, "That's awesome! I actually haven't been to it before, but I've always wanted to."

With all this news coming out to the public, the Harry Potter fandom has been revived. The Potter-

heads have risen out of the ashes just like a phoenix. Now they all wait to see when this movie will finally hit the big screen!



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“Riddick” carries big action but little elseLarissa Martinez-Szewczyk
Staff Writer

Directed by David Twohy, “Riddick” is the third installment of the Chronicles of Riddick film series, with “Pitch Black” and “The Chronicles of Riddick” as the film’s predecessors. Vin Diesel plays the starring role of Riddick, who was a king but was betrayed by Necromongers. He is joined by Matt Nable, who plays Boss Johns, and Jordi Mollá, who plays Santana. Both Johns and Santana are looking for Riddick in order to earn the bounty that has been set on him.

The film starts with Riddick left to die on a foreign planet with desert-like conditions and heaps of alien creatures just waiting to sink their fangs into him. He fights a few creatures and gets a pet dog in the midst of it, then notices an area that has water and grass, something he has not seen yet.

He goes there and discovers that it is a bunker for bounty hunters. Once he activates the emergency beacon, it sends Santana and his men flying over to kill him and get their reward. Boss Johns

and his crew later arrive as backup.

Both crews hide the power nodes to each of their ships in case Riddick tries to hijack the planes when they are unaware. But using the dark to his advantage, Riddick takes out some of Santana’s men using traps that he had found in the bunker. He then manages to steal both power nodes out of the cabinet that they were kept in, which had a coded explosive on the front of it.

A storm approaches that causes thousands of Mud Demons, a kind of alien creature with two legs, a scorpion tail, and sharp fangs, to spawn in the puddles made by the water. Thus, the bounty hunters are forced to go with Riddick to retrieve the power nodes so that they can escape the planet alive. The audience then finds out that Boss Johns has a plan of vengeance for Riddick since he believes that he killed his son years prior.

Overall, there is a lot of gore and fight scenes, but the plot is lacking. It is mentioned that Riddick used to be a king, but then he was not

paying attention, to whom is still unknown, and got deserted. The audience never finds out more about the people who betrayed him, nor does he go out for revenge on them. He just gets off the planet. The movie starts off slow, and it is not until about fifteen minutes in that the audience is shown anything besides Riddick fighting off aliens. That said, the fight scenes are entertaining and wonderfully gory. The final battle scene is just beautiful to look at as Riddick fights off Mud Demon after Mud Demon on the edge of a cliff as it rains, and lightning strikes on either side of the outcrop of rock.

If you are in the mood to watch something with gore and action and do not mind being left with questions afterwards, then this is the movie to see. But if you want to see a movie that has a good balance of gore, action, and plot, however, this is not the movie to see. Save your money until it comes out on Redbox where you will not regret spending so much money on a movie.

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American Horror Story: watch out for the creepy new seasonCrystal Rohan
Staff Writer

When American Horror Story: Murder House first aired in October of 2011, I was a bit skeptical to start watching the show. I had never watched a horror television show before and wasn't sure what to expect.

Most of my friends, however, watched the show and loved it. They would tell me how much I needed to watch it every time they saw a new episode. But I honestly thought it was going to be a never ending scary movie and I hate scary movies.

I was completely wrong in every way. This show is just downright creepy and I loved it. The storyline itself keeps you guessing and surprises you with new characters in almost every episode.

The first season starts with the Harmons, a dysfunctional family that moves into a haunted mansion in Los Angeles.

Each episode the family meets a new character who lives in the house, including the housekeeper, Moira O'Hara, in the first episode.

My favorite part about Moira is that men see her as a young woman in a sexy maid's outfit whereas women see Moira as a sweet, old lady just trying to do her job. It's all about perception and temptation.

The show gets creepier as other characters come out of hiding and interact with the family living in the house. The daughter of the Harmon family, Violet, is dealing with depression and finds comfort in a boy, Tate, who is a slave to the house.

Later on in the season we find out all these characters living in the house are dead and have been murdered in this mansion.

Violet is the first one of the family to die in the mansion when she commits suicide. Her parents still see

her throughout the house though, so they don't realize she is dead at first. Creepy! Yet the finale of the first season is the perfect way to end it. It leaves viewers wondering what will happen to the Harmon family next.

After watching the entire first season of American Horror Story on Netflix in two days, I couldn't wait to start season two the very next weekend. I anticipated in my head what would happen next in the mansion, to the family and other characters who lived there.

I came up with scenarios of a new family that moved in or which Harmons became part of the mansion. But when it came time to lie down on the couch for another 48 hours and watch season two, I was blown away by what I was watching.

Season two had nothing to do at all with season one. At first, I was furious to find out I had been daydreaming

about a show all week that wasn't even going to answer any of my lingering questions from the prior season.

Then, about two episodes in, I realized that season two was just as good, or maybe even better, than season one. I started to love the fact that season two had a totally different plot and cast of characters than season one.

Season two returned with most of the cast from season one. It was very interesting to see how the actors played totally different roles. The boy, Tate, who lived in the mansion from season one was now playing a grown man in an insane asylum.

Thus, American Horror Story: Asylum is the name of season two. It takes place in a 1964 insane asylum and tells the story of a news reporter who gets admitted for being a lesbian.

The asylum is run by a church that has negative views about people who are

not like them. They believed this news reporter could be “fixed” with some “treatment.” Throughout the season, there are many interesting things that happen in the asylum.

An exorcism is conducted, and a nun who works there even gets possessed by the devil. Needless to say, season two is jam packed with tons of creepy stories that happen in this insane asylum, run by a power-hungry priest.

I was going through withdrawal when season two ended because there was no season three yet. Season three, American Horror Story: Coven, is now set to premier on October 9 this fall on FX.

It has felt like an eternity since I watched season one and two, a month ago, waiting for season three to come out, but American Horror Story: Coven is definitely the show that I am most looking forward to premiering this fall!

Harper Chief of Police Alsup investigates the impersonation of real-life police work by "NCIS"

Cheryl Gistenson
Editor-in-Chief

This fall, Mark Harmon stars in the eleventh season of the humor-filled, suspense series "NCIS" (Naval Criminal Investigative Service) on CBS, while Harper's Police Chief Michael Alsup proudly boasts 40 years on the beat. He compares his time in law enforcement and the realities of the job to the naval cop show and its entertainment factor.

Not only does he enjoy watching the show, but he has also met Harmon, who plays Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs, a former marine who joined the agency after it investigated a crime that afflicted his family.

Alsup also got his start in law enforcement due to a family connection. His father had been a officer. "I absolutely hated the fact that he was a policeman, and it would have been the last thing I would have done in life," Alsup says.

In 1969, when the government started drafting for Vietnam, his birthday was the first to be pulled. However, Alsup disagreed with America's involvement, and while he would have gone if drafted, he had no plan of voluntarily joining the war. He decided to become a policeman in order to protect and serve in what he thought was a more helpful way.

Alsup wore the blue suit during his earlier years in municipal law enforcement, but today he dresses in office attire. Prior to his current 12 years at Harper, Alsup spent 14 years patrolling College of DuPage. Based on his prior years at COD and on the street, Alsup describes Harper as a relatively crime-free environment.

During the 2012 - 2013 school year, the police department received approximately 300 calls, and nearly 95 percent of the offenses were related to property crime. "It's an anomaly that we have serious crime on campus," says Alsup.

While Alsup and the Harper police department focus

on helping its students become socially responsible citizens, Harmon and his co-stars try to catch murderers, traitors, and spies. Harper's officers' main job is not to incarcerate people. They try to help students get back on the right track. Gibbs and his team are all about stopping the bad guys.

"Every episode on TV is solved in 56 minutes, yet very few of the crimes we investigate can even be solved in 56 hours or 56 days," says Alsup. "In fact, a lot of things go unsolved, but they don't make good television."

There is a lot to police work and the law that would never make it onto NCIS. Part of the show's attraction is the seemingly extraordinary way in which the characters get their suspects. Gunfights and car chases are a regular occurrence on the streets of Washington, D.C.

Alsup also noted that there are plenty of technological differences between the show and real life. He has two certified evidence technicians, but they cannot forensically examine cell phones and computer databases, disassemble a car, and they don't have any fancy equipment like Abigail "Abby" Sciuto's (Pauley Parrette), the tattooed forensic scientist, such as mass spectrometry or hand-held fingerprint scanners. These differences affect the real-life investigations.

Alsup doesn't rely on his gut, as Gibbs does, but instead, he follows procedures. The first thing the Harper police do is take an initial report. "This tells us if there are any plausible leads or not, or any forensic evidence we can use," says Alsup. They need to identify the who, what, where, when, and why, and each case is different.

Harper's police officers are more than qualified to run these investigations. They are required to have had 440 hours of police academy training, and once an officer begins work at Harper, he or she shadows a field training officer for 16 weeks, be-

ing spoon-fed everything he or she should do and how to do it.

Patrol-level officers must have a Bachelor's degree and administrators have earned a Master's degree. "I firmly believe that in order to be useful in this environment, the officer has to have lived the exact same things as the students," Alsup says.

Gibbs falls into this category, as he himself was a gunnery sergeant in the first Gulf war, but his team come from varied backgrounds. While Agents Anthony "Tony" DiNozzo (Michael Weatherly) and Ziva David (Cote de Pablo) come from the mean streets of Baltimore and Israel respectively, Agent Timothy "Tim" McGee (Sean Murray) started in the halls of MIT. All bring their own experiences from prior gigs to their current job, and Alsup does the same.

During his 14 years on the streets, he has been in three gun-fights, held hostage twice, and stabbed once. Alsup calls himself, and his fellow officers, a hired gun. The officers do what 90 percent of the population wants nothing to do with. "It takes a special kind of officer to work here," says Alsup.

Every officer on campus takes the job personally. "I look at Harper College as my home," says Alsup. "It's staff, students, and visitors are my family." Therefore, Alsup feels that, when there is a crime, someone is attacking either his house or his family. Because the campus is an environment of less danger, the officers are able to hang up their gun belts at the end of the day and enjoy their family lives.

Gibbs and his crew seem to be focused on the job even in the middle of the night, and they are always working some sort of angle. Alsup describes real police work as 99 percent boredom and one percent sheer terror. "It's just the way it is. If you were doing the 99 percent boredom, you wouldn't sell very many tv shows."

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New year, new school, new fun

Jennifer Cowell
Copy Editor

I had the opportunity to sit down with one of Harper's fresh faces, Eliza Maldonado. She is 19, and just starting out on her college journey from Wheeling High School.

When I talked to her, Harper's first week was just wrapping up, and she describes that first week as good but weird, since there is much to get adjusted to when coming from high school.

For instance, she talks about how it was different needing to find her own classes, and especially hard parking! I think just about every Harper student can attest to the nightmare of finding a parking spot in the college's crowded lots.

Other things she describes as being different from high school are the classes in general and all the syllabi. It is also different having to understand what is to come next. "It's unexpected," she says.

Maldonado is studying science, most specifically biology. She hopes to use this major to become a pediatrician someday. Once she is done with a year at Harper, she then plans to transfer to the University of Illinois at Chicago, or UIC, where she will continue in biology.

She is eager to get connected at Harper and is interested in the International Students' Club, along with any other clubs that might be related to her major.

For example, anything in research studies. She loves to be active, too, so joining clubs is a natural choice.

"The environment here is very lively," she says of Harper. There are a lot of people, because, as she points out, it is a fairly large school for a community college.

But, since she loves making new friends, she's ready to get into the swing of things and enjoy her college experience Harper!

South Park premier, criticism and review

Hanan Aquil
Office Manager

South Park's humor, satire, and sarcasm have entertained watchers of Comedy Central since 1997.

Matt Stone and Trey Park created South Park as a film class project using cutout animation, which has turned into a successful sixteen season show and counting.

Many find South Park hilarious in its satirical commentary, whereas others find the show not as brilliant.

Alex Vincent, president of Harper's Film Club, is an avid watcher of South Park and finds the show funny, topical, and an impressive production, given the time in which each episode is created.

Within one week of the news reporting about corrupt Catholic priests, "South Park" aired "Hot Red Catholic Love," referencing the issue. Vincent remarks, "When you watch a new 'South Park' episode when it airs, it just makes sense. Most episodes in 'South Park', to some degree, mention what's topical and current."

Others don't find "South Park" that amusing.

24 year old Sean Pedersen feels that the show is not as funny as it used to be. Another Harper student, Lara Sladek, states, "We're more mature than that." "South Park" has a lot of black and vulgar humor, which can make the show seem immature and silly. But Pedersen admits that the episodes aren't entirely ridiculous and says, "It seemed like they were so harsh and made fun of too many people but in the end, they make up for it with a wholesome message."

Vincent states that "South Park" remains a medium through which Matt Stone and Trey Parker explain how they feel about the news.

Whether people find the show entertaining and topical, or dirty and uninteresting, "South Park" still continues to make satirical episodes that remain relevant to topics of today.

"South Park" is expected to air its seventeenth season September 25, on Comedy Central.

Film Club: Behind the Scenes

Hanan Aquil
Office Manager

Created in 2009, President Alex Vincent and Vice President Andrew Allen are running film club while advisor Kent Hemmer, Harper College English Professor, supports the group.

Film club is where students can gather to appreciate and create film and videos. Vincent and Allen try to "broaden student's horizons on film" and introduce students to films they would not otherwise see themselves.

Allen discusses the process of production, the use of multiple cameras and multiple cuts in a shot, and multiple shots in a scene.

He emphasizes that, "As a club, we want to cover the making part... we want to use the knowledge we gain from watching and use it for the production of our videos and make it as close to an actual production."

Film club posts their vid-

eos on Vine and Vimeo. Vincent's goals for film club are to make at least one thirty-second to two minute video a month and to make several shorter Vine videos a week.

He states, "Film club will be making a lot of vines as creative as possible... to make us comfortable with the camera." Film club is a great place to learn about film, and Allen emphasizes that you don't have to be good at watching or making film to join.

He states, "We would like to use this club as a learning experience... even if Alex and I am the president and vice president of the club, we are still learning new information on watching, discussing, or making film." If this article didn't convince you to join, come see the club for yourself on Wednesdays at 4:30pm to 5:30pm in L-221 and learn to appreciate and make good film. Also come check out their videos on Vimeo named "FilmClub HarperCollege."

Fashion: new color to hit runways

into a sassy, short dress that includes a peplum waistline. The manipulation of the textured black fabric was used very well in this challenge, giving the dress a fitted, rhythmic form. Peplum blouses and dresses can be found at many trendy retailers. Justin LeBlanc's design shaped into a sleek one-piece jumpsuit, with a leather shawl. The sharp, clean edges on the cuts of his design are eye-catching, so the simple fabric will stand out. Alexandria von Bromssen's dress is very shaggy-chic from the overall style the outfit portrays. The thigh-high gladiator sandals look like those of a warrior and the dress, made in inspiration of them, definitely reflects that. In addition, the black

dress has a bouncy drape and a tightened waistline. Bold black will be seen in the upcoming fall and winter trends, and this year's Harper College Student Fashion Show is no exception. The theme for the show will be bold, based on styles being seen on television, in stores, on the runway and in everyday fashion, and there will surely be some bold black statements made. This hue can be made to dress up or down as needed and can fit any occasion accordingly. Woodfield's H&M recently embellished on this thought of universal black attire. In their punkesque line, a lot of black is incorporated and became the theme for their front window display. This window display

draws attention with its clean simplicity as their most apparent virtue. A Harper College fashion design student is well aware of this easily manipulated color and tells me how black is dominating her closet. Kathleen Suarez, 25, showed off her bold black practically and simply. With the sudden changes in weather, she incorporated layers and fall accessories. Kathleen's simple black tee was embellished with a cardigan that had a bold lining of fabric imitating the appearance of leather. In addition, her cable knit, baggy black hat and lace-up charcoal boots made her fashion statement appealing without taking away from her day-to-day, casual attire.

Vegetable Pasta Stroganoff

John Filler
Dining Services

Ingredients

- 1 lb. sliced button mushrooms
- 1 lb. baby portabella mushrooms, sliced
- 6 oz. diced red onion
- 3 tbsp. chopped garlic
- 1 tbsp. dried oregano
- 2 whole bay leaves
- 3 tbsp. olive oil
- 6 oz. red wine
- 1 qt. heavy cream
- 1/2 tsp. kosher salt
- 1/4 tsp. cracked black pepper
- 3 lb. cooked pasta, about
- 1 lb. uncooked pasta

Preparation

- Step 1.** Slice mushrooms and onions. In medium sauce pot, on medium high heat, sauté mushrooms and onions for 2-3 minutes, stirring frequently.
- Step 2.** Add garlic, oregano and bay leaves. Saute one more minute. Deglaze pan with red wine. Let the red wine reduce by half the

- amount, about two minutes.
- Step 3.** Slowly add in the heavy cream. Bring sauce to a simmer and add in salt and pepper. Taste after three minutes of simmering and add more salt and pepper to taste, if needed. Let this reduce until the sauce rolls slowly off a spoon.
- Step 4.** Cook pasta following directions on package. Mix pasta and sauce and serve.



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- Understand how to set goals and reach them
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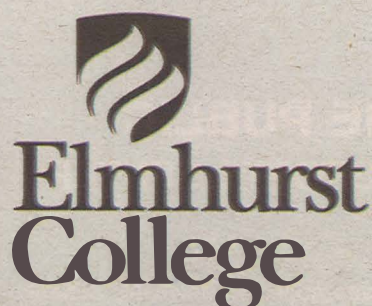
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Jacob Scott

At Elmhurst it's easy to get involved at a high level. I was news editor for the newspaper, I have an internship, and I'm a fellow with the Interfaith Youth Core. Regular people can make a real difference here.



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The Women's Soccer Team Defeats Milwaukee Tech with only Eight Players

Crystal Rohan
Staff Writer

OAK CREEK, Wisconsin—The ferocious sun was beating down on the eight players of the Harper women's soccer team as they warmed up for their first game of the season Wednesday afternoon, on September 11. The players of the women's soccer team had a long wait and worked hard to finally get to this moment.

They were forced to cancel their first two scheduled games because they did not have enough players. Despite the rough start, excitement filled the air as they stepped onto the field for the kickoff of the game.

The humidity that day would be a challenge for the Hawks and the women of Milwaukee Area Technical College. Jill Zelek, who usual-

ly plays a field position, started as goalie for the Hawks in the first half. "I've never actually played goalie. I've always been a field player," Zelek explains.

The Milwaukee Tech Stormers started the game with a full field of 11 players, but no substitutes. Each team struggled with the heat in the first half of the game. The Hawks even gave up the first goal, putting the Stormers in the lead. Despite the setback, the Hawks seemed to keep up the pressure on the Stormers in the first half. The Hawks had many shots on goal but struggled to finish the ball at first.

Zelek, sophomore, was then taken out of the net after 15 minutes and was pushed up as their one forward. The Hawks continued to keep the

ball on their offensive half of the field. With two minutes left in the first half, Zelek scored to tie the game. When the whistle blew to indicate halftime, both teams walked off the field exhausted. Coach Dwayne Cruz gathered his players and began his half-time speech. "I told them to just knock the ball around because the first half was very sloppy," Cruz explains. "I told them to go hard the first 10 minutes of the second half."

The Hawks did exactly that, by dominating the game in the second half. Nicolette Kruczek, freshman, started strong by scoring the first goal in the second half. The Hawks now had a 2-1 lead over the Milwaukee Stormers. The Hawks found a rhythm after that first goal of the second half. They started

to play simpler passes to each other and finish most of their opportunities. Zelek scored a second goal, followed by two more goals from Kruczek.

Outside midfielders Steph Hurwitz, sophomore, and Vanessa Salazar, freshman, also each scored a goal. "I knew we'd win the game if they did what I told them, but if they didn't listen I didn't know what was going to happen," says Cruz.

Jess Cosentino, sophomore, dominated in the Hawk's defensive end, only letting two goals get by in the second half. The Hawks played more strongly in every position in the second half, giving them a win for the game. The final score was 7-3, which gave the Hawks a perfect start to their delayed season.

Cruz talks about the disci-

pline of the Hawks and how it was evident in the second half. "They really listened to me in the second half. That resulted in saving our energy and tiring out the other team.

They made less mental mistakes and played good soccer." The Hawks have now officially started their season with an incredible win, even though they are down 3 players and having no substitutes for their first game. The women's soccer team has recruited more girls this week to play in their upcoming games.

They are scheduled to play two games in Minnesota Saturday, September 14 and Sunday September 15. After those, come support the Harper women's soccer team as they play at home versus College of DuPage on Wednesday, September 18.

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Harper's Connection to Chicago Bears' Season Opener Win

Michelle Czaja
Staff Writer

The 2013-2014 National Football League season has begun! Fans of all teams rage over the exciting first games of the season. Players show what they are made of, play after play, and coaches guide their team to victory. The American Football Conference (AFC) and National Football Conference (NFC) come off with eight teams winning and eight teams losing their first games of the season. While some teams walked off the field smiling because of their amazing victories, other teams left the field hoping to do better every following game.

The Chicago Bears did it once again, winning their first game against the Cincinnati Bengals 24-21. In the fourth quarter, Quarterback Jay Cutler had to make the biggest decision of the game with new Head Coach Marc Trestman—whether or not to continue and see if they could make another first down. Fourth and inches, Cutler hands off the ball and

the Bears made it a first down. First and ten, Cutler throws the ball toward the end-zone, making a touchdown. It was “The blitz pick up that won the game,” states Lester A. Wiltfong Jr. in an article for the *Windy City Gridiron*.

Football is a very challenging sport and requires so much work and practice. The one really big thing that has grown annually is the rate of concussions and injuries in an ordinary game of football. In hopes of improving fewer injuries, former Head Coach, Bear, and current Palatine Mayor Jim Schwantz coaches the “Northwest Flag Football League” (NWFFL) in Palatine, Illinois, along with the Director Matt May.

Both Schwantz and May have teamed up to offer NWFFL, the premier football development camp for boys in Chicago's Northwest suburbs. NWFFL believes that flag football is the best place to learn the game before you put the pads on. Learn strategy, special teams, and positions while building a strong foundation in the fundamen-

tals of the game.

Their goal is to have every player—regardless of size, talent, athleticism, or ability—learn the proper fundamentals of football and improve their athleticism so they are prepared to participate safely in tackle football upon entering the seventh grade.

NWFFL understands the importance of developing better football players and athletes, and as a result, 25 percent of all practices are committed to plyometrics (a system of exercise in which the muscles are repeatedly stretched and suddenly contracted) with a professional trainer.

The team consists of 90 third-through-sixth grade boys taking part in the first year of the league. “Obviously I owe a lot to football, and I know there's a huge void of kids who aren't ready to play tackle game yet but really want to be involved in football. Here we're limiting the number of hits. We're giving them a chance to play football and when they're ready, if they're ever ready, they can

go on to tackle football and we'll be excited and happy for them,” said Schwantz.

The NWFFL rents the practice field from Harper, practicing every Tuesday and Thursday night. Using the field for practices and for games, Harper is proud to say that they are part of the team, as they offer and let them use Harper's field and equipment to make their games better.

The team will be having their championship game on Sept. 28, where everyone at Harper and the community is welcome to come and be a part of in the Harper Stadium. Harper College is glad that they could help a team which has just began in the community and hopes to keep it that way for years to come.

After speaking with the Director of Athletics and Fitness Douglas Spiwak, he expressed that Harper loves to share their facilities with the community because it brings people from around the area to Harper, and the experience that people become a part of on the campus raises the enrollment. Spiwak noted that

this was a test year for the NWFFL and that they have done various checks for damages on the field and that everything looks good. There will be an evaluation done at the end of the season.

“I feel that the organization is great because they are teaching the boys football skills, where they learn that skills are important along with preventing concussions. Even though the kids might not end up playing tackle football, it still gets the kids involved,” said Spiwak. Harper helps the team by lining the field for them and working directly with Dana Tenenbaum, the Events Operations Supervisor of Wellness and Sports, where contracts and needs are met.

Harper is very happy with the NWFFL being here. Adding to that, Spiwak mentioned that part of the plan in reconstruction here at the college involves the remodeling of Building M: Wellness and Sports, and showcasing events and activities like this will help solidify that decision.

Fantasy Football and “The League” Television Show

Matthew Sadler
Staff Writer

Fantasy Football is a fictitious game played by friends/classmates/others. It starts by doing a draft, like any draft in real sports. The draft order is selected by chance. You select all your players one at a time in a “timed” draft. You can also do an “auto” draft where all your players are chosen by the computer.

There is a quarterback, running backs, receivers, a tight end, a kicker, and a defense (or something very similar depending on the settings the league creates before the draft). You play one team at a time each week, usually for twelve or thirteen weeks (leaving the last three or four for playoffs).

This is called “head-to-head.” You can also do “rotisserie” which adds up all the points per week for the whole season, and whoever has the most points wins the league. There are other variations as well, but the most popular is

“head-to-head.” In my opinion, it is the best way to play.

“The League” is a comedy television show that exemplifies Fantasy Football to the fullest. It was first aired Oct. 29, 2009, and is set in Winnetka, Illinois. It is a very funny comedy about a Fantasy Football League they all play in every year.

The plot basically goes through the daily lives of these characters/members. The main characters are Pete, Kevin, Rodney, Andre, Taco, and Jenny (wife of Kevin). If you are interested in learning more about the characters in the show, tune in Wednesdays 10:30 p.m. on FXX.

I interviewed three people about Fantasy Football and/or “The League” and asked the questions:

- 1) Do you like Fantasy Football and/or “The League?”
- 2) What do you like/dislike about it?
- 3) If you could change one thing about Fantasy Football and/or “The League” what

would it be?

4) Who is your favorite player/team?

5) Who is your favorite character in the show?

Nicole Cihock was the first person I interviewed. She likes the game and the show, but what she dislikes about the game is when the internet connection gets screwy and automatically drafts someone that is not good.

What she likes about the show is that it is hilarious and overdramatic. She would not change much about the show, except that it is on when she is working or at school. Her favorite player is Aaron Rodgers. She met him with her cousin and says that he is very level-headed. She says he is humble when interviewed.

Jon Sanfilippo was the second person I interviewed. He has been playing this game for about 10 years now. He says that the main entertainment aspect of it is the opportunity to beat your friends. It can create some friendly

football rivalries, and you can cheer on your favorite NFL teams/players. He enjoys watching the show because it highlights how team rivalries arise amongst fantasy teams.

Often times these rivalries are created through football smack-talk, friendly prank-oriented bets, and the way your team competes every week. “The League” captures the antics with being involved in a fantasy football league so well that they push the limits of the college-frat-boy humor.

He also says, however, that sometimes the show overdoes some of the humor and takes the pranks or writing to places beyond where he thinks a show should go.

His favorite team is the Chicago Bears, and his favorite player is Charles “P-nut” Tillman. He is known for causing fumbles, which has become known as a “peanut punch.” He goes on to say that there is always one or two players in the game that are “laughing stocks” to the other players.

Jon also agrees that Taco is funny, and not an important player in their show.

Griselle Quinones was the third person I interviewed. This year is her 1st year playing the game. She likes it so far, and says she also likes the show. She likes the competitiveness of the game.

One thing she would change about the game would be the process of drafting, since she wishes it was more consistent. She says people can have an unfair advantage in the draft process. Her favorite team is the Cleveland Browns, and she says she is looking forward to watching Trent Richardson play. Her favorite character is Pete because he starts small fights, while at the same time he knows what he is doing.

This is a game that is fun; this is a show that is great for watching with the guys. Enjoy the Fantasy Football season, and enjoy the show “The League.” Watch the next episode Sept. 25.

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Letter from the Editor: Growing up on TV

Cheryl Gistenson
Editor-in-Chief

Is it just me, or do the teens of today seem older than the teens of yesteryear? I don't mean maturity level, in fact, that aspect of age probably has the opposite problem. We don't need to grow up as quickly as we used to, but we want to grow up faster than before.

There's a middle school down the street from my house that has grades six through eight, but you'd never know it watching the kids outside.

Driving past the school one afternoon, I saw a group of girls walking down the side of the road. They were in hoochie-mama-shorts, barely past the butt cheek, shirts that showed cleavage that two out of three of them hadn't developed yet, and each of the girls had approximately three tons of makeup

on. This wasn't the worst part of it though. All of them were smoking!

I know there are multiple factors that brought these young, impressionable girls to such a tragic state of existence: family circumstances, peer pressure, etc. However, I'd like to focus my disgust towards the media.

Like I said, young kids didn't dress or act like this 30 and 40 years ago.

Take a look at the television show "The Wonder Years" and compare—well, everything.

Kevin Arnold (Fred Savage) and his two friends Paul Pheiffer (Josh Saviano) and Gwendolyn "Winnie" Cooper (Danica McKellar) played outside after school. If Winnie wore shorts, she had knee-high socks on and the shorts reached to the top of her knee. If Kevin wanted

to play with his friends, he would just run across the street, ring the bell, and see if they were at home.

Today, kids sit around texting each other and playing Facebook's popular game app Candy Crush Saga. If Kevin isn't at home, he has surely "checked in" with his location, thoughts, and whatever meal he's eating, on Facebook or FourSquare.

Many assume media is the mirror of culture's state at any given time, but I think it's the other way around.

Kids see their favorite celebrity playing a character who smokes, and they idolize this image. Kids tend to mimic the actions of the "cool" character.

Part of this problem is that the characters of today's media are all portrayed by older actors.

On the show "Hannah Montana," Miley Cyrus's

16-year-old brother, Jackson Stewart, was played by the 32-year-old actor, Jason Earles.

Now, take this, and add the ever-quickenning pace of today's society, and you wind up with 13-year-olds acting like 20-year-olds.

The moral of the story is not to shelter our young from society and smash all of our televisions. Instead, engage in a conversation with these youngsters and ask them why they feel they need to portray themselves in such a manner. Make sure they understand that television, movies, and celebrity media are not realistic. Basically, make sure they are thinking for themselves and understand why they do the things they do. Because, remember, the frontal lobe controls common sense, and it isn't fully developed until a person's early 20s.

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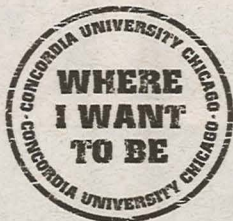
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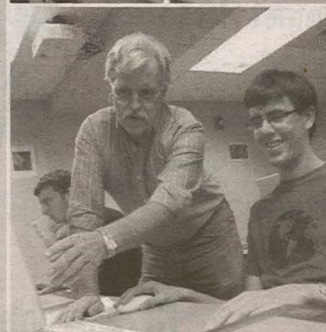
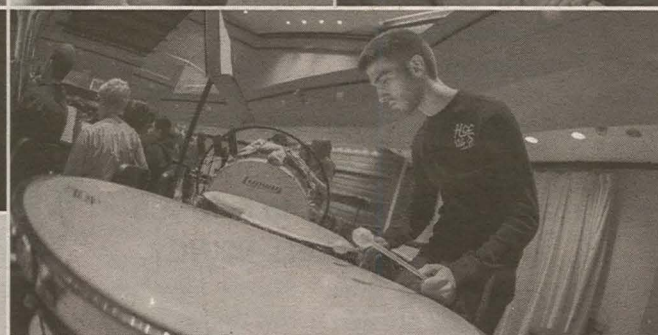
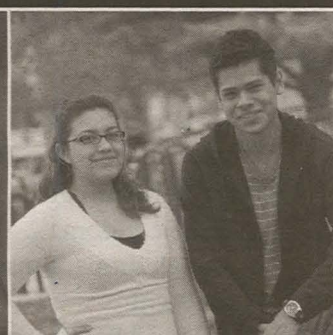
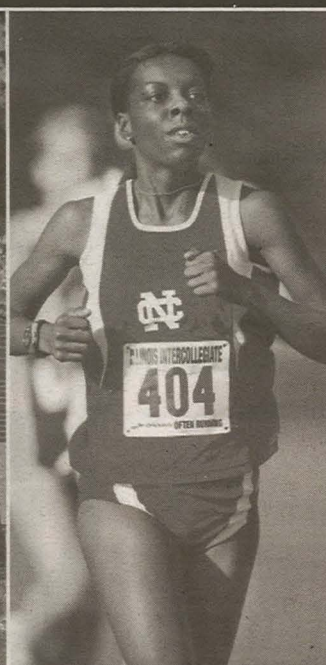


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Government Shuts Down

By Michelle Czaia & Hanan Aquil
News Editor & Office Manager

America faces the biggest ordeal yet, as the government shuts down. People all around the world are puzzled as the government shut down on Tuesday morning, Oct. 1.

Republicans and Democrats could not agree on a spending plan for the fiscal year that started Tuesday as they wrangled over Obamacare. "Congress has only

one key duty in the Constitution, to pass spending bills that fund the government. If it does not, most functions of government, from funding agencies to paying out small business loans and processing passport requests grind to a halt. Some services like Social Security, air traffic control and active military pay, will continue to be funded, as the Congress still gets paid," according to CNN.

Obamacare was put into effect

four years ago, yet Republicans are trying to revoke the law. According to CNN, "The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, the actual name of the law, requires all Americans to have health insurance." For the first year, citizens will be taxed \$95. For every consecutive year, the tax will continue to increase.

Americans question whether the government shutdown is necessary. Philosophy professor Matt Wion thinks the government

shutdown over Obamacare is unnecessary. Wion states, "The purpose of Obamacare is to expand coverage and lower cost for consumers and the country. It does expand coverage but it is debatable as to whether it lowers cost."

Harper students are not affected greatly by the shutdown. Social services such as passports are closed, however, unless you are a federal employee, students receive their paycheck.

40-billion-dollar cut on food stamps

By Juan Cervantes
Staff Writer

The House of Representatives approved reforms on Sept. 9, allowing a 40 billion dollar food stamp cut over the next 10 years. The food stamp reform will start in July 2014, and will effectively deny an estimated 3.8 million Americans from obtaining nutritional aid.

217 to 210 representatives allowed the decision justifying the food stamp cut, saying that it will help encourage Americans to get jobs. They also made the argument that Americans are only abusing government nutritional aid.

Certain local business owners feel the same way. One owner, who wished to remain anonymous, states, "A lot of times what people do with food stamps is, they take the food stamps, and they sell the food stamps. They sell the cards that are not really stamps any more.

So, then they take the money that they take for food stamps, and use them to buy something else. There should be criteria for being on a government program, a socioeconomic status, establishing a real need, like a woman with children who can't support herself."

The bill would require food

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State funding decreases for Harper

By Crystal Rohan
Sports Editor

Governor Pat Quinn recently announced a \$35.9 million state-funded renovation at the College of Lake County's Lake Shore Campus, and while Harper College has also been undergoing some new renovations this fall, its state funding seems to be decreasing each year.

The decrease in funds forces Harper to increase tuition for students. The college receives an estimated \$6.6 million in 2014.

This does not really compare to College of Lake County's \$35.9 million.

Tuition at Harper College has been increased the last three years. This year there was a \$2 increase per credit hour.

A \$35.9 million state-funded renovation would definitely help with the financial stress the college and its students are feeling this year.

"The tuition increase has definitely had an impact on me financially," said Student Jill Zelek. While the state funds increase for a school like College of Lake County, they are decreasing for schools like Harper College, Oakton Community College, and College of Dupage.

The decrease in state funding is deepening the financial burden for some students at Harper College, like Zelek.

She continued to explain how her parents struggled paying for her tuition last year. This year she had to use all of her work money to pay for her tuition.

Since state funds are decreasing at Harper College, the school has been forced to raise its tuition in order to do any kind of

renovations. Although the tuition may have been raised at Harper College, it is definitely not being wasted.

Students seem to agree when asked about the recent construction going on at Harper: "Construction is always a pain, but I feel like Harper College is putting the money to a good cause," said Student Tim Mednick.

He went on to say that Harper College needs the renovations, and by completing them, it is opening itself up to a lot of new students.

Mednick thinks the new renovations will help the school increase its number of students, as well as improving academically.

Currently at Harper College, there are some big construction projects under way. The two big projects most students are talking about are the parking garage being built and the expansion of building D.

The parking garage is supposed to help with the already hectic parking situation. The hope is that the parking garage will help shift traffic and create better access into the parking lot.

Despite the renovations benefitting the students of Harper College, some students still think it is unfair for the state to decrease funding.

When asked how she felt about the \$35.9 million state funded renovations at College of Lake County, Zelek said, "They are both community colleges that are struggling. Giving money to one over the other isn't fair."

This is an issue that Harper College has been struggling with for years. It has been making small tuition increases each year to avoid a dramatic increase in tuition.

Harper College is dealing with the state funds decreasing dilemma as best it can without jeopardizing the quality of education it intends to provide.



Harper students race to climb the rock wall outside of the Performing Arts Center on Wednesday, Sept. 25. See story, page 9.

Devastating floods in Colorado

By Nicole Wagner
Staff Writer

Picture sitting at your window watching the rain start to come down in easy strides, completely unaware of the natural disaster soon to befall not only your home, but also your family and friends. Now picture this tragedy not only consuming your county, but ravaging multiple ones.

Murky, contaminated water filled the streets from overflowing Colorado creeks, creating landslides and causing roadways to split, leaving little previous

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Jamestown, Colorado, Sept. 15, 2013—The small mountain town of 300 has been cut off because of the Boulder County flood. FEMA Urban Search & Rescue (US&R) teams deployed to the state to help in Search and Rescue operations.

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Flooding: what people are facing daily in Colorado

resemblance of their original form. In addition to displacing communities, the destruction affected businesses, farms, roads, bridges and homes. 19,000 homes have been damaged and destroyed, and the water took eight lives in its fury.

The main flooding and downpour began Sept. 11 and continued for three days. This massive amount of flooding not only impacted Boulder county, but it also impacted 14 other counties in Colorado.

Kallie Barnes, of Jamestown, Colorado, had the misfortune of being caught up in devastation. Her home town impacted by the flooding. Barnes watched her neighbors' homes being swept away by the crashing waters.

"It was really hard to watch it all unfold next to the person next to me. I'll never forget the menacing sound of huge boulders being scraped along down our once very peaceful creek and the smell of the earth so strong..." said Barnes.

Her thoughts remained with everyone who experienced combined terror, along with the continued rainfall.

Barnes was mainly impacted by the sheer destruction and upheaval of her entire life, losing her home and her job. Snow has already begun to fall in Jamestown, Colorado, which doesn't look too promising for communities working on cleanup sites.

"Jamestown is just beginning to rebuild. It's going to take a while. Currently, I'm just working on trying to bring normalcy back into my life. I can't foresee what the next change in events will be. It's just best to deal with the moment you are in," said Barnes.

There are currently waves of community businesses and government organizations combining

their efforts to help victims. On Sept. 13, President Barack Obama, declared a state-of-emergency for Boulder, Larimer, and El Paso counties.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) have deployed four rescue teams to the area. However, rescue teams are currently at a standstill in preparation for the government shutdown.

FEMA has assured that as soon as the government shutdown threat is cleared up, they will work hard on rebuilding roadways.

The nightmare adds more difficulties for immigrant victims who are left without flood insurance and legal citizenship. Residents without citizenship will not have access to the federal government's help. Many displaced immigrant families have been relying on friends and relatives for housing.

Volunteer organizations, such as the American Red Cross, churches, and the Salvation Army, have donated food, clothing, and other supplies to victims. Harper students and its community can help flood victims through visiting the Help Colorado Now Website, <http://www.helpcoloradonow.net/>. It brings together government agencies and non-profit organizations so they may better assist communities affected by disasters.

Another avenue of helping flood victims includes donating to the Foothills United Way, which has established the 'Foothills Flood Relief Fund' to be able to respond to the effects of these storms. Organizers expect to use this fund for immediate relief as well as long-term recovery in Boulder and Broomfield counties. The fund is accessible online at <http://www.unitedwayfoothills.org/>.

Food Stamps: the downfall for many

stamp recipients to pass income requirements, and to successfully pass a drug test.

However, this step seems counteractive, as most of the people that receive food aid are generally single parents, children, disabled persons, or people that don't make enough money at the end of the month to make ends meet.

The bill could also hinder people who are currently trying to sustain a family as a single parent and attempting to take on the challenge of going back to school to improve their situation.

Not many people are aware that

food stamp cuts are happening. However, it is definitely something about which to be concerned.

One Harper student, Jordan Mann, disagrees with the cuts and policy changes: "Give them less opportunity to get food that they need that they can't afford, so it leaves more people without food." Mann believes, "There are people who are taking advantage of food stamps," however, she feels, "There are plenty of people who actually need the food stamps as well." Mann feels that requiring a drug test will offend people.

Jose Montes, another Harper student, mentioned he wasn't

personally on food stamps, however, his sister is. He feels that she will not be affected by the governments decision to cut aid because "she makes enough money to support her daughter, but she doesn't make that much money." Montes feels the program can be easily abused by people who don't need it, by simply falsely filling out application forms.

Regardless of the controversy that comes with the new reform, the decisions of our politicians have a direct effect on the livelihood of those who cannot adequately support him or herself or a family.

The Syrian Conflict

By Jeffrey Nejdli
Staff Writer

In the latest news there have been little to no major developments in the Syria conflict, but that does not mean that the issue is not still at hand. If you have not heard of the conflict or if you missed something, here are some facts to know.

Syria is a Middle Eastern country south of Turkey and neighboring Israel to the north. The country has been under President Bashar al-Assad since mid-2000. He is now accused of using sarin gas, a form of chemical warfare, against his own people. These attacks have killed an estimated 1,400 Syrians.

The Syrians have been engaged in their own Civil War. The war spawns from the idea that the minority has the power in the government and is oppressing the majority. Like in Christianity there are different branches of the religion: Lutherans, Baptists, and Catholics, in the Islamic tree there are Sunnis, Shiites and the Alawites. The Shiites believe that Muhammad designated his successor, 'Ali ibn Abi Talib, husband of the Prophet's daughter Fatimah. The Sunnis believe that Muhammad did not designate a successor, but the true successor is Abu Bakr, father of the Prophet's favoured wife, 'Aishah, elected by people of Medina. The Alawites are in similar beliefs to the

Shiites that Muhammad designated a successor, just that he assigned a different person.

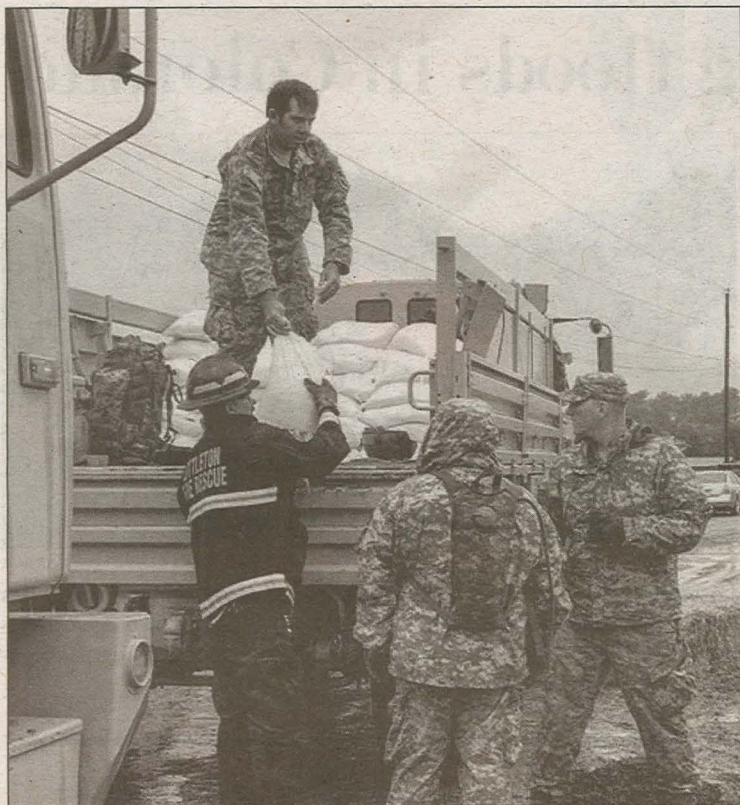
Bashar's father, Hafez al-Assad, was president of Syria from 1971 till his death in mid-2000. He was an Alawite, but his platform for equality and stability was what won over the people and the people looked past his branch of religion. He would provide the stability and security for his people if they gave him obedience. The scene in Syria has become this: the Alawites have the parliament protecting their rights and

any other minority like Christians and Shiites, while the Sunnis are being oppressed because of their beliefs in Islam and their belief in a dominated Sunni-state of Syria. Now that Bashar-al-Assad has the presidential power he has abused his powers and gone against the wish of the people for an equal Syria. There was hope, since as a Alawite he married a Sunni and allowed more free protests. But he was too comfortable with the power that he obtained. The Muslim Brotherhood is a party of Sunni Muslims that have been dedicated to put Sunnis in power of Syria and have made attempts to assassinate the Assads. They are the ones that are leading the rebel army against the Assad regime who are oppressing them.

When America had received word that the Syrian government had used

sarin gas on Syrians, a huge red flag was raised immediately. For weeks they wanted to not only prove Syria had chemical weapons in possession, but also force Syria to rid of those weapons, even if military force was necessary. Syria denied their use and possession of the weapons. After weeks of talk, Vladimir Putin, President of Russia, stepped in as a Syrian ally and did everything that America had asked of Syria: stand accountable of the use of the chemical weapons and to give them up. Syria complied easily and peacefully with Russia. The latest news is that United Nations inspectors have been sent back to Syria to investigate the potentially remaining weapons.

On September 27, the United Nations agreed to eliminate the chemical weapons of Syria. The timetable is to eliminate over 1,000 tons of chemical weapons from Syria by mid-2014. "A red light for one form of weapons does not mean a green light for others," the U.N. chief said. "This is not a license to kill with conventional weapons" (Associated Press). This issue will not go under the radar for a while. The Islamic and Syrian immigrants' communities will always have their own side to the issue. As for America, we should try to only aide when very necessary or when called upon.



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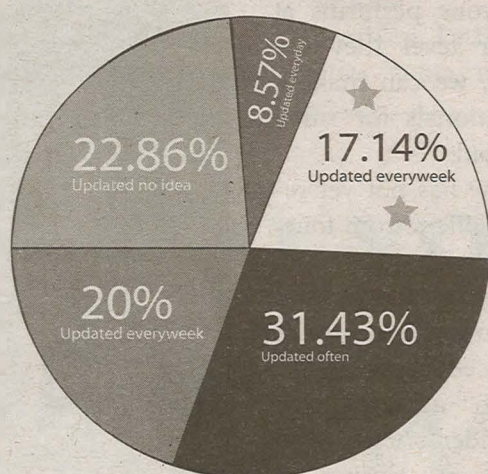
On Sept. 15, Soldiers and Airmen from the Colorado National Guard, along with members of civilian emergency response agencies, distribute sandbags to overly saturated areas of Jefferson County, Colorado.



Harper students' opinions on the Syria Issue

By Crystal Rohan
Sports Editor

Do you keep yourself updated on the events going on in Syria?



Do you think Syria will cooperate and hand over all of their chemical weapons?

11.43% of students think Syria will cooperate.

58.57% of students do not think Syria will cooperate.

30.00% of students do not have an opinion.

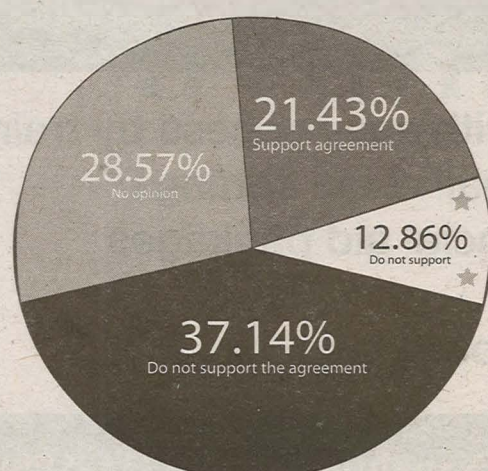
Would you support a congressional resolution authorizing the use of military force in Syria does not cooperate in eliminating its chemical weapons?

34.29% of students would support military action.

48.57% of students would not support military action.

17.14% of students do not have an opinion.

Do you support the diplomatic agreement between Russia and the U.S. to get rid of Syria's chemical weapons?



Do you think the U.S. can trust Russia to disarm Syria of its chemical weapons?

11.43% of students think the U.S. can trust Russia.

20.00% of students think the U.S. can not trust Russia, but we have no other choice.

11.43% of students think the U.S. can not trust Russia.

48.57% of students have no opinion.

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Schaumburg's Annual Citizens' Police Academy

By Michelle Czaja
News Editor

It is that time of year again. Schaumburg is hosting its annual Citizens' Police Academy (CPA). The fall session of the Academy started Oct. 2 and runs through Dec. 11.

The CPA has proven to be a very popular program within our Community Policing efforts.

Residents and business community members will be afforded the opportunity to meet and interact on a personal level with many members of the Schaumburg Police Department.

People who apply and become involved will be exposed to many facets of law enforcement, through class topics that are both interesting and informative.

The experience is not limited to classroom lecture alone.

Each individual will be given the opportunity to participate in a patrol ride-along and firearms training, practice mock traffic stops, and conduct room searches.

Each CPA session runs for 10 weeks, with classes held on Wednesday evening from 6:30pm to 9pm.

The Citizens' Police Academy Alumni Association of Schaumburg (CPAAAS) is an independent, non-profit corporation that is governed by a Board of Directors.

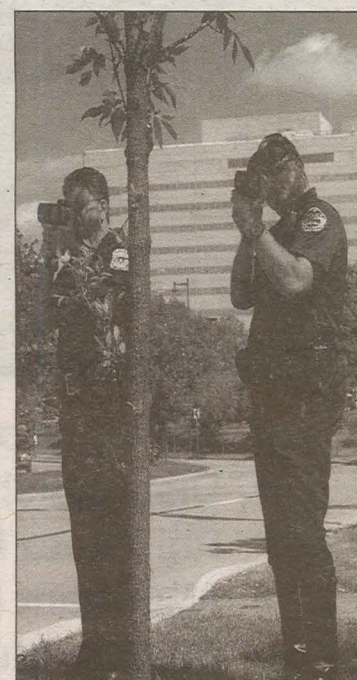
The association was formed in 1999 by graduates of the Village of Schaumburg Citizens Police Academy.

The purpose of the CPAAAS is to assist and support the Village of Schaumburg and the Schaumburg Police Department in its overall mission.

The association promotes awareness through volunteerism.

It also develops and coordinates meaningful and constructive projects for the community.

The association promotes the civic development of its members through educational presentations on law enforcement issues, community concerns, and the enhancement of quality of life.



Schaumburg Police officers record the speed of several vehicles.

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Athlete of the Week: Kelly Spychala

Bill Smith
Sports Communications Assistant

PALATINE, Ill.—Sophomore volleyball player Kelly Spychala (Des Plaines, Ill./Elk Grove) had an outstanding week this past week with 141 digs in six matches and is currently the leading digger in the nation in digs with 459.

Harper coach Bob Vilsoet said Spychala, the team's libero, is also the vocal leader and backbone of the Harper defense.

For these reasons she has been named the second Harper College Athlete of the Week for the 2013-14 school year.

Spychala came to Harper College in the fall of 2012 after her sister Katie played volleyball for the Hawks in 2008 and 2009 and was a key part of the team that made it to nationals in 2009 as well

as an Academic All-American.

This past week, the 5-foot-6 libero has elevated her play to new heights for the Hawks, who are ranked No. 7 in the most recent national poll.

Last Thursday against No. 1 Madison College, she tallied 22 digs. Against tough competition over the weekend, Spychala had 22 digs against D2 Black Hawk, 20 digs against D1 John A. Logan, 18 digs against D2 Lincoln Land and 31 digs against Marshalltown.

Finally, she recorded 25 digs in a victory over No. 5 Rock Valley, the defending national champion in D3.

"Kelly has an innate desire to play the best she possibly can on every point she plays," said Vilsoet. "She never takes a point off. If she doesn't make a play or dig,

she comes back and figures out where she should have been on that play so that point doesn't happen again against her."

Spychala's 459 digs are 87 more than the next closest NJCAA Div. III player, Tara Wogomon of Rock Valley.

Her 5.28 digs/set rank 12th in the nation. As a freshman, she totaled 338 digs in 101 sets (3.35 digs/set).

With about half of the season still remaining, Spychala could break the Harper record for digs in a year (811) and threaten the career record (1298).

According to Vilsoet, Spychala is not only all over the court on defense but an exemplary teammate who genuinely wants the team to win and is providing constant encouragement to her teammates who step in to fill her position at a given time.

"You can tell by her attitude that it doesn't matter to her who does what on the team – her one and only passion is to win that point, the game, and then the match," Vilsoet said.

With about half of the season left, Spychala feels the Hawks are improving and still have their best volleyball ahead of them.

"If everyone performs at the higher level they are capable of, we can make a run to nationals for sure," Spychala said.

While she has not yet received any offers from four-year schools, she said she'd love to play at the next level while pursuing her degree in elementary education.

She also acknowledged that her older sister's good experience at Harper is something she is now experiencing for herself.

The Hawks will continue to play good teams in the coming weeks, giving Spychala plenty of opportunities to impress four-year schools looking to recruit an agile and consistent defender, strong serve receive passer and most importantly a team leader with a strong will to win.



Sophomore Kelly Spychala #3



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Wrestling has made a huge comeback as an official Olympic event

Christian Ocampo
Staff Writer

It has come to people's attention that the International Olympic Committee made the decision to drop wrestling from the 2020 Olympics. Wrestlers from all over the world have reacted negatively to the news since its announcement in February of 2013.

The International Olympic Committee's decision has already taken effect on all levels of the sport of wrestling: kids, high school, and college-level teams have felt the shockwaves. However, this is only the beginning.

Harper's wrestling team is not immune to the effects of the International Olympic Committee's decision. USA Wrestling, the official governing body, sponsors the lower levels of wrestling, financial funding, tournament scheduling and various

preparations that are needed to keep the sport alive and well on a daily basis.

USA Wrestling is attempting to get the International Olympic Committee to reinstate wrestling into the Olympics. This fall there was a final vote to save wrestling. If the votes don't go through, the loss of wrestling would trickle down to the lower levels, causing funding cuts.

That being said, Harper's wrestling team depends on USA Wrestling, which also governs college wrestling divisions. These divisions include: NCAA, NAIA, and NJCAA.

The National Federation of State School Associations (NFHS) represents the high school wrestling division, which is also important to the development of any wrestler.

On Sept. 7, 2013, the International Olympic Committee voted wrestling back

into the Olympics among the 25 core sports. Wrestling won with a vote of 49, beating baseball/softball with a vote of 24, and Squash with 22 votes.

In addition to wrestling being reinstated, new rules have been added to Olympic wrestling. One such rule is three minute matches with two periods and a ten minute overtime.

Wrestling has also now adopted some of MMA's (Mixed Martial Arts) superficiality, by having wrestlers enter with music.

They are also adding lighting and visual effects in order to make the sport more entertaining. Red mats will be replaced by blue colored mats, due to red being unappealing in front of TV cameras.

This was revealed by Nenad Lalovic, President of FILA, a popular sports equipment company. There

are also talks of the traditional Olympic singlets being replaced by fighting shorts with tight-fitting microfiber shirts, like Greco-Roman wrestlers. There is a chance that they will compete shirtless, as well.

Aside from the professional level of wrestling, Harper's wrestling team is glad to hear that the sport they love will remain in the Olympics. Wrestlers at Harper and other colleges hope to earn a spot on the American wrestling team for the 2016 and 2020 Olympics.

One former Harper wrestler is currently training in Michigan's Olympic training center. Chris Gonzalez, a former All-American of Harper College, took eighth place in 2012.

Gonzalez has created a website to fund his Olympic training at <http://www.gofundme.com/18nzyo>. Any supporter of Gonzalez can

donate any sum of money towards his competition expenses.

Unfortunately, most Olympic wrestlers train while they are financially unstable. Former UFC fighter Brock Lesnar stated in his autobiography that he did not want to train for the 2000 Sydney Olympics because he could not earn any revenue by just training.

At that time, he completed his wrestling career at Minnesota University with heavy loans that needed to be paid. Olympic wrestling will be different from now on.

The new rules and settings of Olympic wrestling are very important for the future of wrestling in general. Now that wrestling is an official Olympic sport again, it will inspire wrestlers to strive in bringing home a gold medal as they represent their home country at the 2016 Olympics.

Baseball team hopes to make it to the College World Series next season

Nick Sadowski
Staff Writer

Baseball doesn't officially start until five months from now, but the Harper baseball team is already geared up and ready to go.

Last season saw the Hawks come one win away from the College World Series, losing to Waubesa Community College.

The Hawks were off to a dismal 4-12 start last year but fought back to earn a spot in the Regional Final. Their final record ended at 20-22, while going 5-7 in conference play.

Last season was expressed as a good year in the view of Head Coach Clifford Brown. He stated, "I thought it was a good year as far as how the guys turned everything around. You start off 4 and 12, and then you're one game away from the World Series, so you kind of did something all right."

They didn't achieve their goal of making it to the World Series in Texas, but Coach Brown has emphasized how that will be the major goal this upcoming season.

The team is looking to exceed the performances of the last four years, as they made the Regional Finals twice in the last four years. They are looking forward to next spring, when they will have the chance to achieve their championship goal.

This year, the team is heavy with freshmen, along with some returning sophomore players. There are around 30 freshmen, but Coach Brown doesn't seem to think that will cause the team to be at a disadvantage.

"The way I look at it, once you play a game or two, then you're not a freshman anymore," said Brown.

The sophomores are expected to be the leaders and perform as well as, or exceed, last year's performances.

Some returning players include Third Baseman Kurt Becker and Shortstop Theo Yfantis. They were some of last season's top performers.

The team has been meshing for about a month, and already works well together.

Their work ethic has also been very strong this pre-season. Coach Brown feels comfortable with all of the

players this season and is ready to start.

The team has already started exhibition games and will continue throughout the fall, in preparation for next year. The next game will be against Morton College, at 5 p.m. on Oct. 11, in Cicero, Ill.

The regular season begins with a home game at 3 p.m. on March 14, 2014, against Aurora University.

If they fail to make it to Texas, it won't mean the season wasn't a success. In Coach Brown's view, he is happy enough if his players have a good experience at Harper, both athletically and academically.

The Harper team will also be hosting the Alumni Baseball Game, a game for former Harper baseball players. The event is set to be hosted at the Harper baseball field at 11 a.m. on Oct. 13.

There will be batting practice before the game, along with a cookout during and after the game. If you know any alumni who might be interested, have them contact Coach Clifford Brown.

Harper men top JC, sixth overall at DuPage

Bill Smith
Sports Communications Assistant

WARRENVILLE, Ill.—The Harper College men's cross country team had a strong showing at the College of DuPage Invitational on Friday. The Hawks were the top junior college of 10 teams and finished sixth overall of 25 teams at the meet.

The talented freshman duo of Juan Barajas (Hoffman Estates, Ill./Schaumburg) and Zach Stella (Palatine, Ill./Palatine) once again led the Hawks. Barajas took 33rd overall out of 202 runners in the 8K race, finishing in a time of 26:58.9, and Stella captured 39th place in 27:09.7.

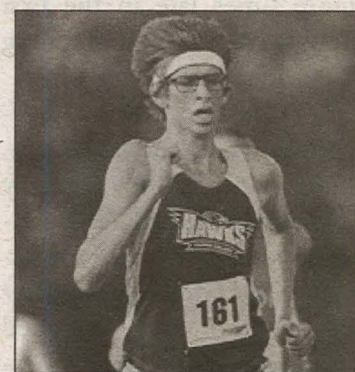
Sophomores Nick Modlin (Wheeling, Ill./Wheeling) and Jhoan Lino (León, Guanajuato/Streamwood) weren't far behind, as Modlin took 52nd place in 27:48.6 and Lino took 58th place in 27:49.6. Freshman Sebastian Ramirez (Lima, Peru/Palatine) rounded out the

top five for the Hawks with a season-best time of 28:09.4, good for 60th place.

Harper scored 35 points among the junior colleges to outpace College of Lake County (64 points). The Hawks finished with 215 points in the overall competition.

North Central College won the overall meet with 21 points, followed by UIC (47 points) and UW-Milwaukee (80 points).

The Hawks will continue to train in preparation for the Benedictine Invitational on Oct. 11.



Zach Stella was Harper's second finisher, taking 39th place in a time of 27:09.7.

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Men's Soccer Beaten by Triton

Bill Smith
Sports Communications Assistant

PALATINE, Ill.—The Harper College men's soccer team lost 6-0 to Triton College on Wednesday.

The Hawks fell to 1-6 overall and 1-5 in conference play, and the Trojans improved to 6-1-1 and 4-0 in N4C play.

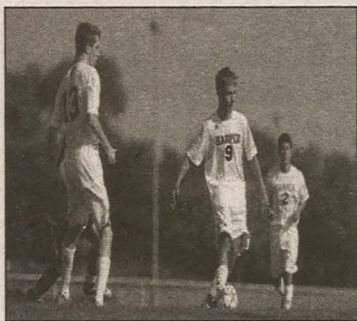
The Trojans scored in the ninth minute and then three more times late in the first half to take a commanding 4-0 lead at halftime.

For Harper, Kevin Engebretsen (Elk Grove Village, Ill./Conant), Ryan Murphy (Schaumburg, Ill./Schaumburg) and Benjamin Castellanos (Elk Grove Village, Ill./Elk Grove) each recorded shots on goal. Daniel Gescheidle (Long Grove, Ill./Stevenson) started in goal and made three saves.

The Trojans next play on Wednesday, Oct. 2 at home against Madison Area Technical College. The WolfPack topped the Hawks 3-2 back on Sept. 6.

North Central College won the overall meet with 21 points, followed by UIC (47 points) and UW-Milwaukee (80 points).

The Hawks will continue to train in preparation for the Benedictine Invitational on Oct. 11.



Kevin Engebretsen (#9) recorded a shot on goal in the loss. (Jim Cummins)

Harper Women Sixth Among JCs at DuPage

Bill Smith
Sports Communications Assistant

WARRENVILLE, Ill.—The Harper College women's cross country team had six runners compete at the College of DuPage Invitational over the weekend.

The Hawks place sixth of 11 junior colleges 17th of 25 teams overall at the meet.

Marisa Andreuccetti (Elk Grove Village, Ill./Conant) led the Hawks with an 83rd place finish out of 167 runners, completing the 5K race in 23:11.7.

Stephanie Chaires (Palatine, Ill./Christian Liberty)

ran her first race of the season and placed 111th with a time of 24:30.2, while newcomer Mary Piltaver (/Conant) was Harper's third runner to finish with a time of 24:53.2, good for 117th place overall.

Gabby Beaupre (Elk Grove Village, Ill./Elk Grove) contributed to the team total with a 135th place finish in a time of 26:33.4, and Gabrielle Brosnan (Mount Prospect, Ill./Christian Liberty) rounded out the scoring with a 150th place finish in 28:47.7.

Cindia Salgado (Wheeling, Ill./Wheeling) crossed the finish line in 30:37.2 for the Hawks.

Of the junior college teams to compete, College of DuPage was the top overall finisher with a seventh place showing (236 points).

Harper took sixth of the 11 junior colleges with a team total of 127 points while finishing with 434 points in the overall competition.

The University of Illinois-Chicago was the overall winner of the meet with 36 points, followed by UW-Milwaukee (38 points) and UW-Green Bay (131 points).

The Hawks will continue to train in preparation for the Benedictine Invitational on Oct. 11.



JIM CUMMINS

The Hawks placed sixth of 11 junior college teams at the meet.

Harper Beats Triton, Loses to Moraine Valley

Bill Smith
Sports Communications Assistant

PALATINE, Ill.—The Harper College volleyball team earned a straight sets victory over conference opponent Triton College (25-15, 25-11, 25-16) on Thursday night before falling in four sets to Div. II Moraine Valley Community College (25-21, 22-25, 23-25, 16-25).

In the first match against Triton, Veronica Dabrowski (Mount Prospect, Ill./Rolling Meadows) powered the team to victory with a team-high 12 kills. She nearly completed a double-double with nine digs and also added five service aces.

Rebekah Hischke (Algonquin, Ill./Dundee Crown) (11 kills) and Alyse Kolner (Crystal Lake, Ill./Marion Central) (10 kills) both notched double digit totals in kills for Harper (14-15, 5-3 N4C) in the winning effort. Setter Valerie Bazemore (Houston, Tex./Keller) led the team with 29 assists.

Against Moraine Valley, the Hawks played consistently with the lead and continued to earn sideouts until they pulled away at the end to win

25-21. The second set was also very close, with five ties along the way. Harper missed a crucial serve when the score was tied at 22-22, and Moraine Valley went on to win the game.

In the third set, the Hawks had a 19-15 advantage after an incredible dig by libero Kelly Spychala (Des Plaines, Ill./Elk Grove).

Harper later had a 23-19 edge but the Cyclones won the last six points of the game to take a 2-1 advantage in the match.

"They played brilliantly those last six points in a row," said Harper head coach Bob Vilsoet. "I suspect they became a better team as a result of that comeback, which was the point of playing a match like this against quality opponents."

Harper could not bounce back in the fourth set, missing serves and falling victim to a hard-hitting, well-coached Moraine Valley team.

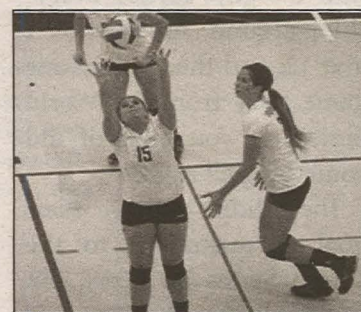
"Both teams played well in this match. Somebody had to win," Vilsoet said. "We are a much better team at this point during the season than we started out. Even in the

loss, our defense was spectacular and I was still very proud of how we played."

Three Hawks – Melina Villalber (Chicago, Ill./Taft) (12 kills, 12 digs), Alex Messner (Hoffman Estates, Ill./Fremd) (10 kills, 13 digs) and Lindsey Murphy (Lake in the Hills, Ill./Crystal Lake South) (14 digs, 33 assists) – recorded double-doubles in defeat.

Spychala led the team with 20 digs, followed closely by Morgan Peterson (Roselle, Ill./Conant) with 18 digs.

The team's next match is Tuesday night at home against Joliet at 6:00 PM. It is Harper's last home weeknight match, and the Hawks will recognize their sophomores for their contributions to the program on Sophomore Night.



Lindsey Murphy (15) recorded a double-double with 14 digs and 33 assists against Moraine Valley. (Jim Cummins)

Sports Calender

October						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6	7	8	9 WSOC at DuPage 4:00 PM	10 WVB at DuPage at Central Athletic Center 6:00 PM	11 WSOC at Elgin Community College 3:30 PM WXC at Benedictine Invite 4:00 PM MXC at Benedictine Invite 4:00 PM	12 WVB vs Lincoln Land Invitational in Springfield, Ill. 5:00 PM/8:00 AM
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
13	14	15 WVB at Milwaukee (at Alverno College) 7:00 PM	16	17 WVB at Madison 6:00 PM	18 WXC at Bradley Classic 3:00 PM MXC at Bradley Classic 3:00 PM	19

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How much of what we read is banned?

Larissa Martinez-Szewczyk
Staff Writer

Jim Edstrom, professor of Library Services and History, lectured about banned books on Sept. 26, in the Wojcik Conference Center in honor of it being Banned Books Week.

Banned Books Week is celebrated Sept. 22–28, according to the American Library Association (ALA). It raises attention to the issue of censorship.

The difference between a banned book and a challenged book is that a banned book is a book that has been taken out of circulation in a particular area. If a book has been challenged, it means that an attempt has been made to ban a particular book. Many books are challenged, but end up not being banned.

The majority of the reasons that a book is challenged is to protect children from certain information or ideas that are thought to be unfit for them. There are three main reasons for challenging a book, according to the ALA: “sexually explicit,” “offensive language,” and “unsuited to any age group.”

In 2010, the hit book series “The Hunger Games,” by Suzanne Collins, was challenged. One of the reasons was because it was “sexually

explicit.”

J.D. Salinger’s “The Catcher in the Rye” has been challenged and banned for “offensive language” because the main character, Holden Caulfield, swears frequently throughout the book. “To Kill a Mockingbird,” by Harper Lee, has been challenged and banned for being “unsuited to age group,” which is typically freshman and sophomores in high school, mostly because of the language throughout the book.

Not even children’s books are immune to this form of censorship. For instance, the much-beloved Winnie the Pooh has been banned in some parts of the US because the talking animals in the book are considered an insult to God.

It is also banned in other countries, such as Turkey, because of the character Piglet, who is considered offensive to the Muslim community there.

On ALA’s website, there is a list called “the ‘Top 100 Banned/Challenged Books: 2000–2009’.” The first book on that list is the “Harry Potter” series, by J.K. Rowling, which is not surprising.

It has been banned and challenged because it deals with the “occult,” which is what most books that have magic in them are labeled.

Even good old “The Wizard of Oz” has been slapped with that label.

One of the most surprising books on this list is “Fahrenheit 451,” by Ray Bradbury, which comes in at No. 69. It has been banned in some places for being offensive to religion because it is mentioned that a Bible was being burned.

Ironically, Bradbury used that scene to show how bad things had gotten in the future America, and not in offense. Almost, if not every, book that is taught in high schools around the country today is on the list and has several bans and challenges under its belt.

After seeing how censorship in the form of banned books can limit a person’s choice of reading, is it really fair for people to force others to not read something because they find it offensive?

In many cases, the person who sets out to challenge a book has not even read it. They have reacted solely on the information and reactions they have heard from others. People need to have consideration for their fellow readers and respect that others may have different views or preferences when it comes to books. Why hinder another by one’s own personal choice?

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When a Congresswoman needed a hero, Daniel Hernandez answered the call

By Melissa Edwards
Staff Writer

On Monday, Sept. 23, 2013 Daniel Hernandez gave a lecture sponsored by Harper’s Office of Student Involvement in the J-Theatre and talked about his life and overcoming adversity.

Hernandez grew up in Tucson, Arizona, learned the English language when he was eight, and was first in his family to graduate college. He is a strong advocate for gun control and education issues in the United States.

From a young age, Hernandez always knew what he wanted to do: “I want to help people.”

In high school, he took courses towards becoming a nursing assistant and phlebotomist. Then, he took an interest in politics. Her-

nandez joined Hillary Rodham Clinton’s presidential campaign. When her bid for President was unsuccessful, he vowed to never enter the political arena again.

That lasted two days. He attended one of Congresswoman Gabby Giffords’ Congress on Your Corner events, gatherings that she held to remain connected to her community and to identify problems important to her constituents.

Hernandez liked her message, so he began working as an intern for Giffords during the evenings.

On Jan. 8, 2011, Hernandez’s life changed forever. At 10:10 that morning, a man opened fire at an Arizona Safeway hosting Congress on Your Corner, injuring 13 and killing six.

Hernandez is credited with

saving Giffords’ life with his quick reaction and use of the training he received while in high school.

There are two key points Hernandez wants everyone to understand education is a lifelong process and say yes to every opportunity that comes your way.

“It would have been easy to, once I decided I didn’t want to go into health care, to just stop and kind of let all that training go to waste,” said Hernandez. “But a few years later, the training that I had received as a high school student ... ended up being the most important thing because it helped me when I was trying to treat Congresswoman Giffords and when I was treating others.

“It’s never too late to learn new skills. It’s never too late

to learn new things. And to say yes to every opportunity if you can physically do it. Because you never know what will be useful down the line and you never know what connections can change your life and the lives of others.” said Hernandez.

From his ordinary beginnings, unremarkable childhood, and humble surroundings, Hernandez turned himself into someone remarkable. He didn’t set out with aspirations of fame nor fortune, yet his inner drive enabled him to take action when it mattered most.

He did not set out on January 8, 2011, to become the reluctant hero that he has become, yet his story should be an inspiration to us all. Everyday people can accomplish extraordinary things if

they simply try.

Wanting to change the world isn’t necessary, only the desire and willingness to try when the time arrives.

Read more about Daniel’s journey through life in “They Call Me a Hero: A Memoir of My Youth,” published by Simon & Schuster.



Daniel Hernandez speaks to the Harper community about his past experience in the J-Theater Sept. 23.

Racing Film Takes Audience through the “Rush” of Racing

By Larissa Martinez-Szewczyk
Staff Writer

A deadly, adrenaline-pumping race with fast cars, sex, and Chris Hemsworth, what else could you ask for in a film? *Rush* definitely delivers.

The film, directed by Ron Howard, tells the true tale of the rivalry between drivers James Hunt (Hemsworth) and Niki Lauda (Daniel Brühl) during the 1967 Formula 1 season.

Hunt is seen as a bad boy by the fans and audience. He sleeps around, does drugs, and gets wasted regularly. The Brit is determined to win the championship title, but his Austrian

rival Lauda gets in the way. Lauda is a reserved, calculating racer and knows how to make a car lighter and faster better than almost anybody else.

Both men desperately want the title of being champion and fight tooth and nail to get it. The way that each driver is portrayed makes the audience root for them both at the same time. There are some

moments where one is more favorable than the other, but the audience still wants to see each succeed.

Both Hunt and Lauda come from families that are not particularly fond of their career choice. In a way, both men are opposite sides of the same coin.

The excitement of every race is almost palpable. Each driver is risking his life every time he sets foot in his car. They could make it out alive, crash and get injured, or die. They know the risk involved, yet because they love the sport and what they are doing they take that risk anyway. If they are going to die, at least they'll have died doing something that they love to do.

One of the most heart-wrenching moments is when Lauda gets in a terrible accident, and his car catches on fire. He is trapped in the car for nearly a minute in a fire that is 800 degrees. He winds up severely burned and stays in a hospital, watching Hunt win race after race. He slowly catches up to Lauda's score

prior to the accident.

He is so fixed on Hunt that he watches Hunt race as he gets his lungs vacuumed. If you're squeemish, cover your eyes for this scene. You see the entire instrument going down his throat then coming back up.

Later Lauda's wife comes into his room after hearing his sounds of pain, only to see him trying to fit his helmet over his badly burned face. She tells him to stop, but he is so determined to get back to his dream that he puts himself through the physical agony.

His desperation to get back out there and go back to the one thing that he is good at even if it causes him pain is inspiring yet tragic.

The film ends with actual footage of the real Hunt and Lauda, which shows that the casting of Hemsworth and Brühl was nearly perfect. As the real footage plays, movie Lauda revealed that when Hunt died at age 44, he was genuinely sad over the passing of his rival.

Rating: 9/10

Rock Wall: Student Involvement is bringing more fun to Harper with rock walls and mechanical bulls

By Griselle Quinones
Office Manager

On Wednesday, Sept. 25, Campus Recreation sponsored a rock climbing event in a campaign to bring more extracurricular, fun activities to Harper students. The event was free of cost to Harper College students, staff, and faculty.

The climbing wall was approximately 30 feet tall and accommodated five climbers at a time. There were three levels of difficulty: lanes one and five were easy; lanes three and four were difficult; and lane two was of medium difficulty.

The difficult lanes had fewer stepping stones and one had a flow of water going down to create an obstacle. Lane two was timed to see how fast the person could reach the top and ring the bell. The timed lane had a replica of a tree with branches sticking out between stepping stones to create another obstacle.

The best part of the event was that the fastest time received a \$50 gift card to the bookstore. Books can be expensive, so it was a great way to grab the attention of Harper students. Although, it seemed that students were more excited to climb the distance and race with one another than they were concerned about winning the prize.

First, students waited in line in anticipation to climb the wall and race. Students had a harness placed on them before they were able to climb. The average time to climb up the wall was between 20-30 seconds. Professors, faculty, and students came to climb the wall, but one student prevailed to have the fastest time.

Harper student Francisco

Chico climbed the wall in 14.2 seconds after three attempts. "It reminded me of elementary school when I used to rock climb. I was always the fastest one on the team," said Francisco.

Students kept trying to beat the fastest time, but it just was not possible. Many students attempted multiple times to see if changing tactics would improve their times. One student tried at least seven times before giving up. The second fastest time was 16 seconds.

Harper student Amaryllis Rivera stated that the event had a huge turnout. "It has been busy throughout the day. The students of special needs came as a class to try out the climbing wall," said Amaryllis.

The students with intellectual disabilities are from the Career Skills Institute. Amaryllis signed students in and timed them if they wanted to compete.

Erin Morettes, the adviser of Campus Activities Board (CAB), said, "This is the first time we're trying to get the campus more involved with fun events such as the rock climbing wall." Through the Campus Recreation initiative, Harper has several more events planned for the year, such as three-point shootout, a mechanical bull ride, a chess tournament, and many more.

The organization is looking for more events to sponsor and hopes that students will bring suggestions to its office. "So far we have many suggestions and several students signed up for the upcoming events," said Amaryllis. The rock climbing wall was very successful and the future holds many more enjoyable activities from Student Involvement

Reinventing Middle Eastern fashion

By Elizabeth Lynch
Staff Writer

Islam is essentially the backbone of traditional Middle Eastern attire and is shown through modern clothing by serving as inspiration behind designs. While these elements are still quite prominent in Middle Eastern culture, there is another side to fashion in the Middle East.

Still in its infancy, many high-end, haute couture designers have been emerging from the region. Designers are slowly reforming the reputation of Middle Eastern fashion through intricate techniques, contemporary styles, and fresh perspectives, all reflected by the new generation of modern Middle Eastern culture.

In 2005, Dubai, which is located in the United Arab Emirates, started their own fashion week featuring contemporary Middle Eastern designers. The yearly show has been a success and is now sponsored by major compa-

nies, such as Nikon and MAC Cosmetics.

The show allows novice designers to gain direct press and customer exposure. The fuse of Indian beading, Egyptian prints, and traditionally long dresses modeled in front of desert-dune backgrounds make for an innovative blend of eastern tradition infused with western trends.

While Dubai fashion week is perfect for Middle Eastern designers new to the industry, renowned designers get the privilege of showcasing at one of the top four fashion weeks held in New York, London, Milan, and Paris.

Only the crème de la crème of designers from across the globe get the honor of having their garments modeled during these semi-annual events. Rami Al Ali, a Syrian designer who had recently been added to the Paris Couture Fashion Week line-up, has made quite the splash in the global fashion market.

Despite lack of exposure in

Syria, he launched his brand in 2000 with large success. He has designed for multiple events, including the 2006 Olympics Games. His current A-List clients include Natasha Bedingfield and Ivana Trump (Donald Trump's former wife).

Alongside Al Ali, another Middle Eastern designer has become the king of modern haute couture. Elie Saab, a grand couturier from Lebanon, is arguably the most recognizable Middle Eastern designer in the global market.

Like Al Ali, Saab frequently incorporates intricate beading, sheer laces, and innovative laser-cut fabrics into his collections. Saab usually takes on a more European aesthetic in his work.

The reputation of the Middle Eastern fashion industry is evolving at a rapid pace. Through new designers, Middle Eastern dress is becoming more and more prevalent while still coexisting with tradition.

Campus Activities Board to host 'Breaking Bad' star R.J. Mitte at Harper

Hanan Aquil
Office Manager

R.J. Mitte, from the Emmy-winning AMC show "Breaking Bad," plans to come to Harper with Jalen Little and Sarah Alhayek directing the event. The R.J. Mitte event is part of the "Becoming Aware" series of events that bring awareness and advocacy on certain issues as well as Disability Awareness month in October.

R.J. Mitte plans to talk about his life with cerebral palsy, a physical disability limiting a person's motor function, to inspire others to overcome personal struggles and turn a disadvantage into an advantage.

Students who don't watch Breaking Bad must wonder, "What's so special about R.J. Mitte coming to Harper?" This event is special because

R.J. Mitte relates to students at Harper. Alhayek remarks, "I feel like R.J. is a pretty special event because he has made so much of his life with the struggles given. He's twenty-one, not too much older or younger than most of us here at Harper and look at where he is!"

"He's a star on the hit show Breaking Bad. Yet he is more down to earth than half the people you walk by in the hallways. He has been through hard times; his life isn't what anyone would consider normal. He teaches you to be grateful and look at the positive side of life."

Alhayek can especially relate to R.J. Mitte as she has struggled with a medical condition that caused her to wear a body brace. Despite the odds, she was able to participate in sports and dance.

To her and people like her, this event is a testament that anyone can overcome a disadvantage and achieve success.

Students should not simply come to see R.J. Mitte because of his fame, but because of his inspiring message. Alhayek notes, "Many of us are at that point in life where our dreams and goals are pushing us forward towards success. We shouldn't allow the struggles or disadvantages stop us from reaching our dreams."

Students will come and hear R.J. Mitte speak and gain a new perspective on overcoming adversity and people with disabilities. Little states, "My plans are to make sure that everyone has a positive experience with this event and that they leave knowing some piece of information

that they weren't aware of before they came."

The event is expected to be huge and make a difference in the Harper community. Little states, "I'm very excited to not only be the event director for this but more so excited for people to hear R.J.'s story and to be inspired by it so they can go out and make a difference!"

Little and Alhayek are working with their committee to set up promotion tables, in-class presentations, mailings, posters, and informational flyers. With their efforts, the Harper community will be more aware of the event. Students can see large posters at Buildings A, L, J, and Z, among other buildings.

The Access and Disability Department (ADS) is thankful to CAB for hosting R.J.

Mitte. Debra Reuter of the ADS department explains, "We have worked collaboratively in the past with Student Activities to help represent disability issues during Disability Awareness Month in October. We do not have a budget for speakers to represent Disability out of the ADS Office and are grateful for the support and interest to raise awareness about disability as another form of diversity from the Student Activities Board."

This CAB-sponsored event is premiering at Harper on Tuesday, October 8th at 7pm at the Performing Arts Center. Tickets are free to Harper students, \$3 to other students and \$5 for general admission and can be picked up at the J-box office. People have been reserving tickets early and it is expected to sell out.

Syrian music, the sounds that shaped Arabic culture

By Melissa Edwards
Staff Writer

Syria has long been one of the centers for cultural and artistic innovation in Arabic music, especially in the classical genre, for centuries.

The sound is uniquely Syrian. It is not even remotely close to anything you would hear on mainstream American broadcasts—in fact, it is so different that most Americans wouldn't even be able to identify the origin.

When most think of Syria currently, they think of a war-torn area with people struggling to survive. Not a country where many people are using music and art as a creative outlet.

"Syrian artists are expressing their desire and courage for freedom through peaceful artistic mediums."

Technically speaking, most Syrian music has an obvious beat and is easy to follow. Stringed instruments take a prominent role and the Syrian language provides a very melodic sound, even if you are not fluent in Arabic.

One might not be able to translate the words, but listen for a little while. You will soon catch yourself bobbing your head to the beat or tapping your toes. This music is powerful and has the effect of making you want to get up and move to the melody.

Syria has produced several Arab stars, such as George Wasouf and Shahd Barmad.. Wasouf has released over 30 albums. He became famous after appearing on the Lebanese show "Studio El" when he was 19 years old. Barmad was runner up in a TV com-

petition show named "Super Star 3," the Arabic version of Pop Idol. If you dig even deeper, you can find heavy metal Syrian artists.

"Tanjaret daghet" in Arabic translates to "pressure cooker" and is the name of a three-piece rock band. It has been a struggle for them while trying to release and play their music, and like most popular Syrian artists, they have fled the country.

"In Syria, we don't have rights as musicians," said lead guitarist and vocalist Tarek Ziad Khuluki. "You need permission to perform and everything they don't like, they make illegal."

Once heavier music started getting more of a following in Syria, the Syrian government started punishing anyone who looked like they could

enjoy the music. Having long hair or wearing black t-shirts was enough to get you called a 'Satanist' and you might find yourself thrown in jail.

Techno music fans have been accused of being drug addicts, and although that's a common stereotype, unless you are in possession of drugs in other countries, no one can do anything. In Syria, you can get arrested. Even without drugs.

Eslam Jawaad, a Syrian-Lebanese rapper, has started rapping about current events in Syria.

"So, take note, I am against this system/ I want the fall of the conspiracy, I want security in the country/ I want reform, that's for sure; in a beneficial way, not chaotic/ So put your hand in mine; we'll walk together, we'll build to-

gether/ If destruction is the poison, then reforms are the remedy."

In times of conflict, people often turn to music as a source of relief and expression. While nobody can say how current events will evolve within Syria, continued musical expression is a certainty.



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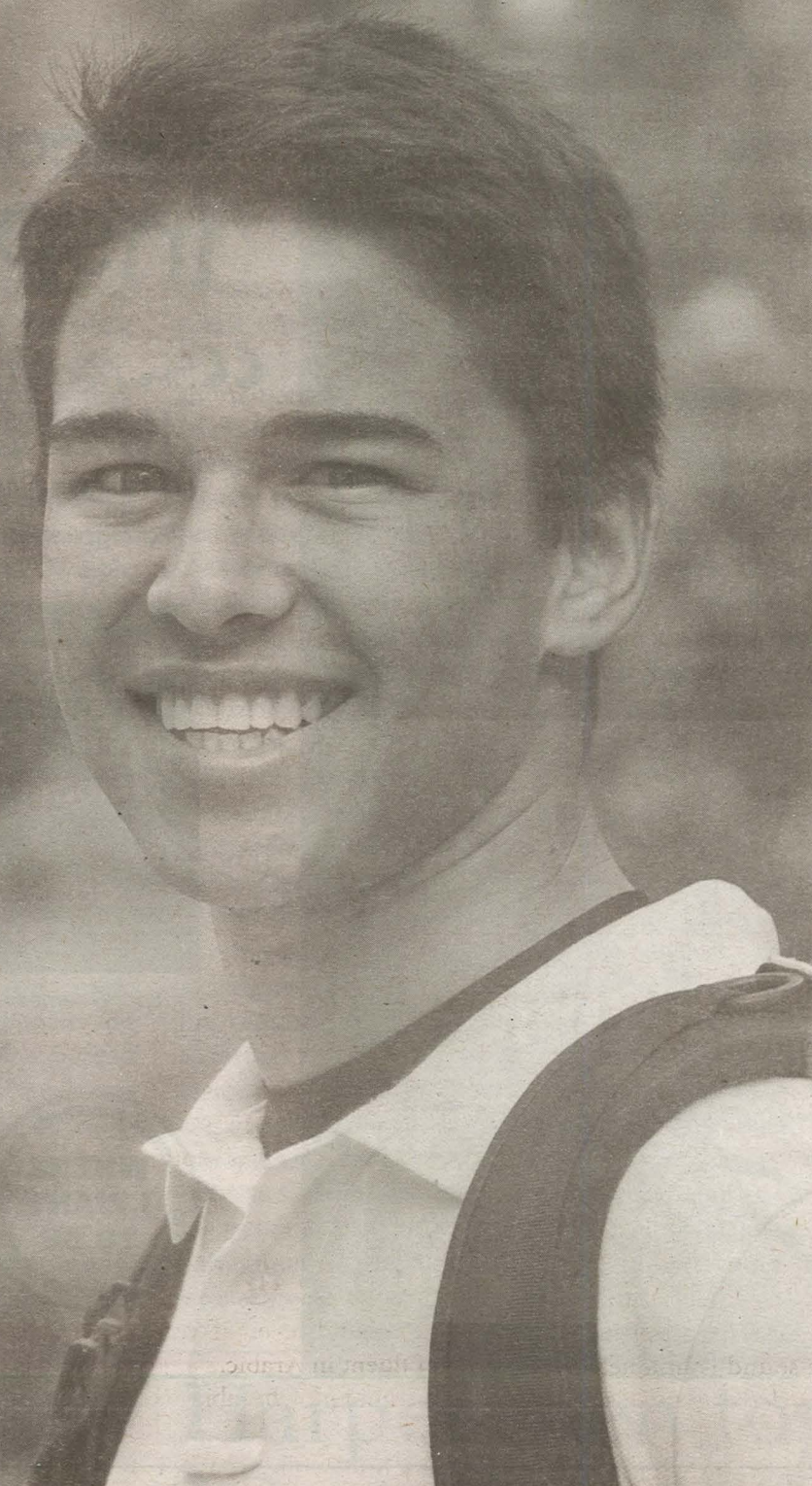
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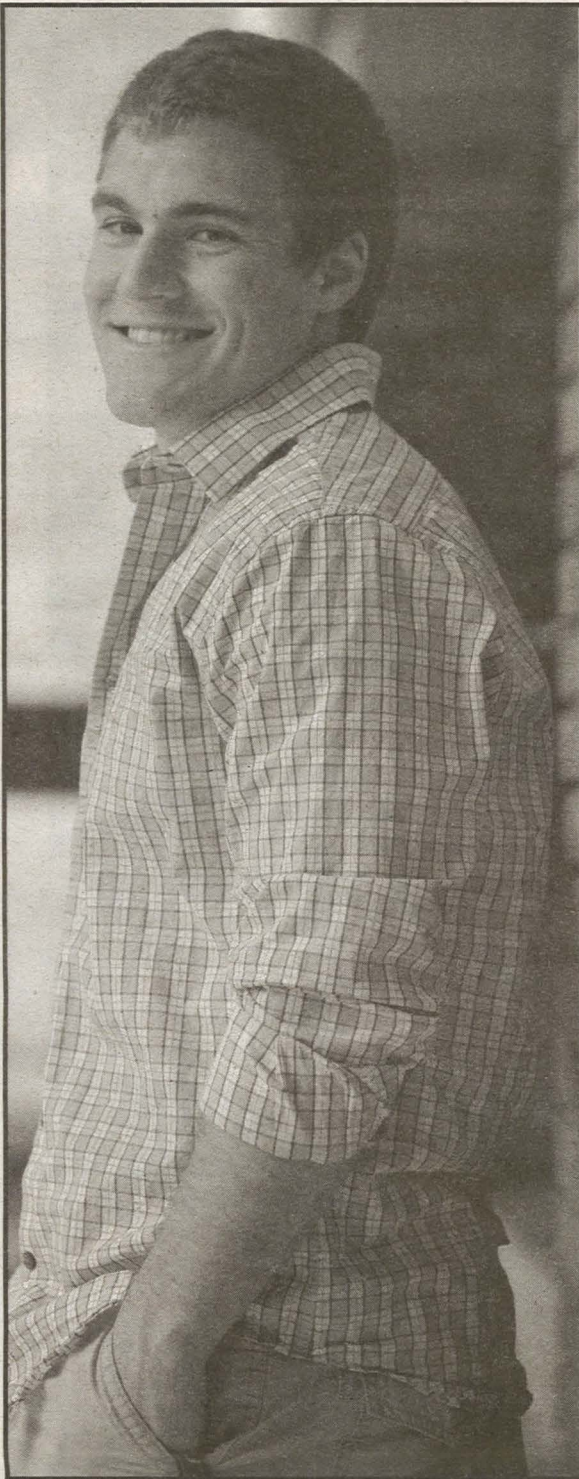
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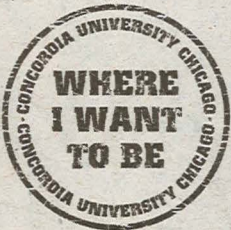
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13 American Shotokan Karate Association Tournament All Day Wellness and Sports Center, Gym HSO presents A 2013 Latino Music Festival Concert with Special Guest: Guitarist Steve Vazquez 8:00 PM Performing Arts Center	14	15 Leadership Chat with Steve Pemberton, Business Leader/Child Advocate/Author 7:00 PM J Theatre Guitar Solos Concert 7:30 PM Drama Lab Theatre UPS 9:00am-1:00pm 2 Floor, Building A	16 Acing the Interview: An Experiential Workshop Harper Professional Center, Room 122	17 Film: Rory O'Shea Was Here 7:00 PM J Theatre	18 Student Leadership Seminar: "Understanding Others" 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Building A, Room A238	19

Campus Activities Board to host 'Breaking Bad' star R.J. Mitte at Harper

Hanan Aquil
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Adviser: Alice Roberts of the linguistics department

President: Gabriela Valcheva

When: Thursdays, 3:30-4:30p.m.

Where: F-312

International club serves as a place for students learning English as a second language to practice among their peers and make new friends. Their meeting time is coined "the Conversation Café" because you can interact with and talk in a multitude of languages. President Gabriela "gabby" Valcheva leads the club with conversation activities and events that bring students together from all over the world.

Food and drinks are provided at meetings, and students participate in games that help them practice English. Meetings end with a raffle for a ten-dollar gift card to Starbucks.

Students truly enjoy and benefit from joining the club. Gabby says, "I can also tell you how many of the students cannot wait for Thursday because they love to be able to communicate with others like themselves and feel comfortable in that place because they do not get looked up in a different way. My biggest thing in my speech for president was to unite and become one big international family, which we have"

Vice president Patricia Lopez enjoys being involved

too. To Patricia, "International club is not only where people from all over the country come to learn English but it's an opportunity for them to meet new and amazing people from all over the world."

Also, it's an amazing way to learn things from different cultures! I see the club as a bag of skittles or M&Ms... every individual is unique in their own way!"

Students play games from a variety of countries and take field trips to museums, downtown Chicago, and Springfield, to get a taste of our government and history. Patricia loves that the games and field trips are not only fun but also educational for international students.

Being a part of the club is rewarding to members. For Jennifer Garcia, International Club has helped her to find her passion in life. "it, "If it weren't for international club I wouldn't have realize what I wanted to focus on for my career," says Jennifer.

"At first I was studying to be a Nurse but because of international club I ended up changing my major to International Studies because I love learning about new culture and want to travel to many places."

Gabby also feels rewarded by International Club. An immigrant from Bulgaria, she has wanted to be an ESL teacher since elementary school. Gabby says, "I work with ESL students and

thanks to International Club I realized how real my love and passion is by being with ESL students and how much I want to become a teacher. There is no better feeling than to help someone who has been like me before."

Members do not have to be immigrants to benefit from International Club. Jennifer Cowell, an American student, enjoys learning from international students.

Cowell states, "I get to go to a place every Thursday and meet people from all over the world. I can talk to people from Poland, Ukraine, Syria, Mexico, Japan, Korea, China, Mongolia, Iran, Romania..." International club provides a great amount of diversity for students.

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10 perfect songs to listen to in the fall

By Kevin Tiongson
Staff Writer

The season of fall is simply lovely, so why should we starve ourselves from listening to equally lovely music? Here are my 10 top tracks that are perfect for the fall season, in no particular order.

First on the list is “New Slang” by The Shins, an American-indie band based out of Portland, Oregon. Formed in 1996, the band released their debut album, “Oh, Inverted World,” in 2001.

This album spawned some of the most recognized songs by The Shins, including “New Slang”. This song is perfect for that night drive or a quiet afternoon alone.

Next is Paul Simon’s “Papa Hobo”. We all know Paul Simon as “that guy in Simon and Garfunkel”, but let’s not overlook his extensive solo career. There’s something about this song that will make your soul dance to the sweep of the tune. “Papa Hobo” was released back in ’72, on his self-titled album. This song is just the one to listen to on misty mornings.

Third on the list is The

Weepies’ “World Spins Madly On”. The Weepies are a husband and wife duo from Cambridge, Massachusetts. “World Spins Madly On” was released on their second record, “Say I Am You.” Since its release, the song has been in three movie soundtracks.

“You’re a Wolf”, by Sea Wolf is my next pick. The band is from Los Angeles, California, founded in 2001. “You’re a Wolf” came out on “Get to the River” before it ran “Too Low” back in 2007. “You’re a Wolf” is yet another song perfect for those night drives.

Another great one is “Learning to Fly” by Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers. Tom Petty is up there among the ranks of the greatest songwriters ever. This is proven by his beautiful songs. To add to this, he was also in the short-lived band The Traveling Wilburys with Bob Dylan, George Harrison, Jeff Lynne, and Roy Orbison--all incredible artists! “Learning to Fly” came out on “Into the Great Wide Open” in 1991, and since then, has become one of the band’s biggest hits.

Sixth on the list is “Aurora” by Foo Fighters. “Aurora”

was released on the Foo Fighters’ third album, “There Is Nothing Left To Lose,” back in ‘99. Dave Grohl, the band’s founder, has stated that “it might be his favorite album that they’ve ever done.”

“Aurora” is also one of my favorites, and it is a favorite of the band and the other fans, as well. Grohl says that the song is a “nostalgic look back at Seattle and the life I once had.”

The next song needs no introduction: “A Hard Rain’s A-Gonna Fall” by Bob Dylan. “A Hard Rain’s Gonna Fall” was written in 1963 and released on his second album, “The Freewheelin’ Bob Dylan.” The song is often associated as a protest song, though Dylan has never revealed the actual inspiration for the song. It is simply a beautiful song that everyone should know.

Eight on list is “Tender” by Blur, yet another classic. Blur was one half of the driving forces of Britpop in the 90s, along with Oasis. “Tender” came out on Blur’s sixth album, “13”, in ‘99. It was inspired by Singer Damon Albarn’s breakup with his long-term girlfriend

and the book “Tender is the Night” by F. Scott Fitzgerald. “Tender” remains one of the fan-favorites, and it is the song most universally associated with Blur. It is perfect for anything and anywhere, whether that is mornings, in the car, or at night. Personally, I listen to it all the time.

Near the end of our list is “Time Spent in Los Angeles” by Dawes. Dawes is an American band fronted by Simon Dawes. He has a very 1970s, Jackson Browne vibe to it, very Americana. The song reminds you of a song you once heard somewhere, yet still remains original. This really is a perfect song for fun, long drives.

Our final song on the Soundtrack through Fall is “Stephanie Says” by The Velvet Underground. “Stephanie Says” came out in 1985 on the band’s compilation album, simply titled “VU.”

The song was written in 1968, but was not released until 1985. Singer Lou Reed drew the inspiration for the song from the band’s manager, Steve Sesnick. It was used in the movie The Royal Tenenbaums and has been referenced in books, music, and movies.

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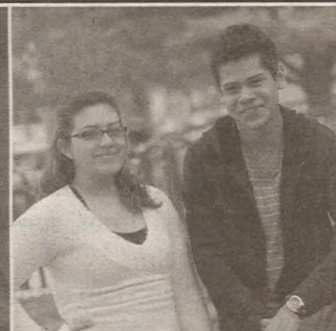
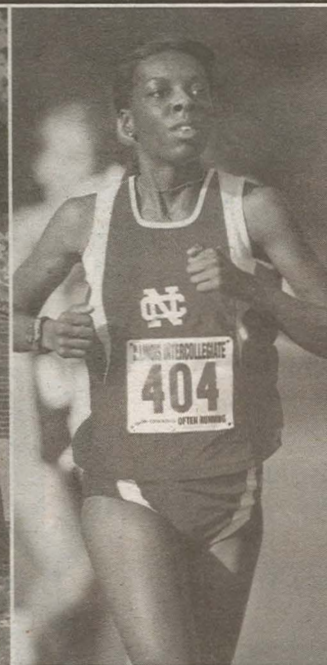
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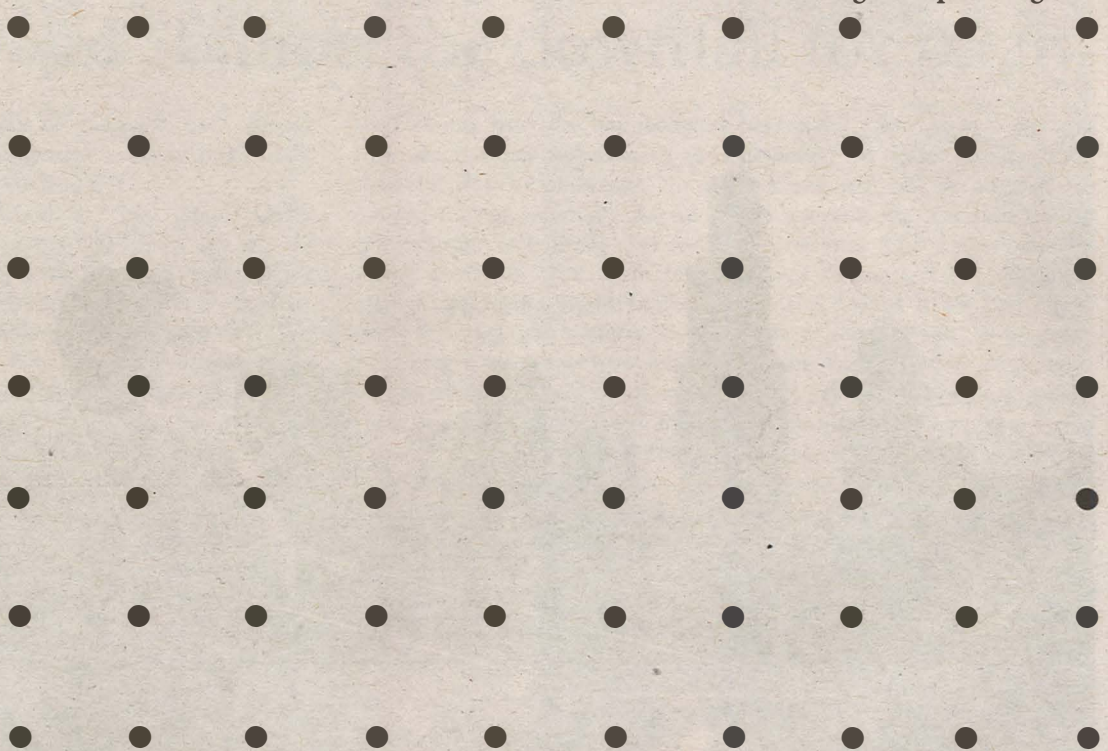
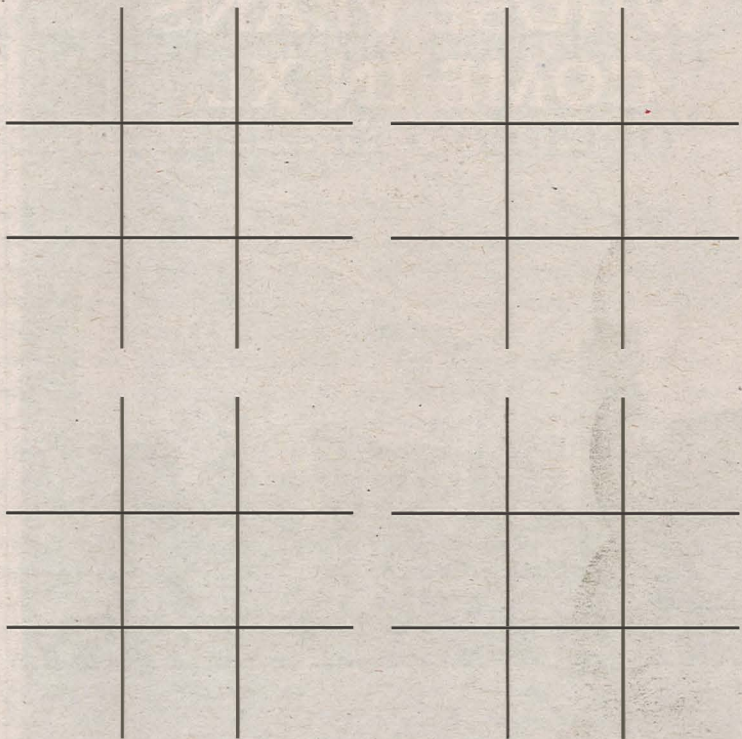
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Fans call an easy win for the Chicago Bears

By Michelle CzaJa
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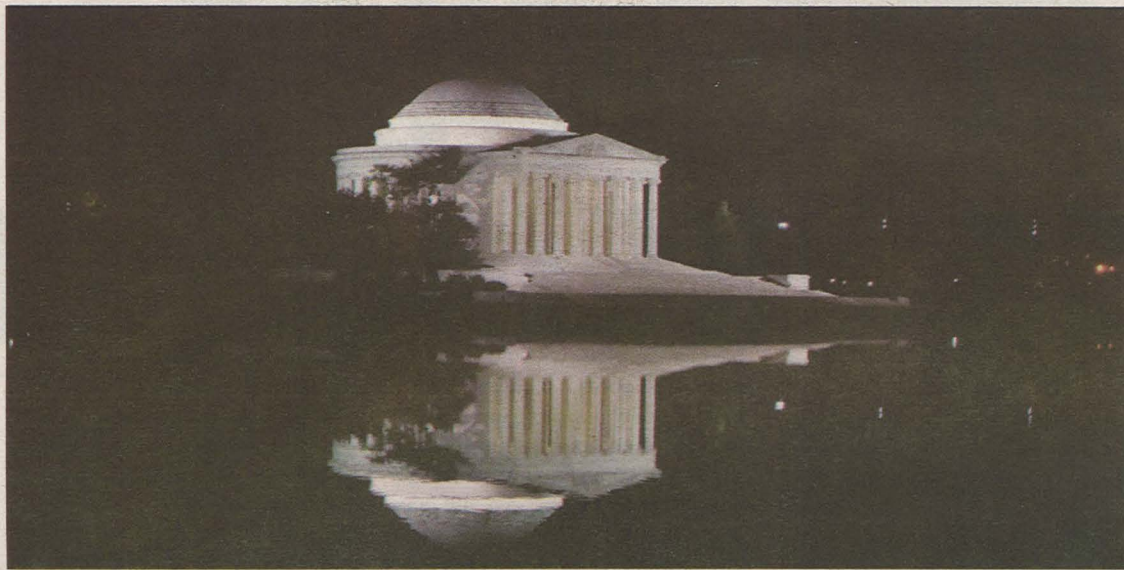
Starting off the season with a 3-0 record in the NFC North division, the Bears fall short of continuing their winning streak when they lost games against the Detroit Lions and New Orleans Saints. The end result of these games was very close, as both the offensive and defensive line fought to defeat their opponents late in the fourth quarter.

Having lost both games by just eight points, the Bears stressed how much they still need to work during the week of practice to come out on Sunday with a win. With a remainder of 11 games left in the season, the Bears still have high hopes to make it to the Super Bowl. First-year Head Coach, Marc Trestman, believes in his team and hopes to make it to the Super Bowl just as much as his players do.

Both the offensive and defensive line could use some improvement protecting Jay Cutler during the game, but more importantly, they need to work on scoring points and making great plays every drive of the game. In terms of completing more passes and running the ball down the field, the Bears offensive

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The American Government: the latest shutdown update



PIERO PALOMINO

My reading of history convinces me that most bad government results from too much government. —Thomas Jefferson

By Piero Palomino
Staff Writer

Back in 1995, the federal government decided to go "offline", because of the conflict between the two parties, Republicans and Democrats, over funding of Medicare, the environment, the education, and public health on the following year's budget. Bill Clinton, president at that time, wanted to enact this funding proposal. The Republican Party did not agree with the proposal for the following year, (1996) so they decided to stop working until a consensus was reached.

For this shutdown, the total money spent was 1.4 billion dollars (or 2.1 billion dollars in today's money value), the total days of closure were 26 and the number of furlough federal employees was

approximately 790K.

While the representatives were still receiving their own checks, no check was given to any furloughed employee.

All this money is protected under the 27th Amendment of the Constitution. This Amendment was submitted in 1789 and adopted in 1992 (200 years later). In addition to this, there is no law capable to decrease or stop representative's money from being taken.

The current, ongoing Government shutdown is going to cost more money for the country and it is going to be harder to recover from it. We have a weakened economy with a high unemployment and underemployment rate to spend 2.1 billion dollars per week.

Leaving 900K furlough federal employees without their checks

also affects the economy, meaning late payments or even no payments. Though the Congress approved the proposition to pay all the money to their furloughed employees, which is a remarkable action to support those workers, it is also money given with no action in return.

Many federal programs are affected too, such as the National Institutes of Health (NIH) programs that support people with cancer, leukemia and many other diseases, as well as providing vaccine treatments for new patients and research.

There are a myriad of national effects as well. In Arkansas, 85K meals for children might end and 2K new babies might not receive formula. A Head Start program

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Grand Theft Auto V breaks records

By Nicholas Sadowski
Staff Writer

At the cost of \$265 million, Rockstar's newest video game, Grand Theft Auto V, is the second highest piece of entertainment to be produced. Rockstar apparently wasn't worried about the cost, because the video game developer made the money back on just pre-orders alone.

These are monumental numbers, and bigger ones were still to follow. After the first 24 hours, Take-Two Interactive, the games' distributor, released a statement saying that they had raked in a groundbreaking \$800 million. They followed up two days later with another statement saying that the game had grossed over \$1 billion.

"We believe this marks the fastest that any entertainment property, including video games and feature films, has reached this significant milestone," stated Take-Two Interactive CEO Strauss Zelnick. That three-day span does indeed mark the fastest race to \$1 billion.

To put these historic numbers into perspective, the fastest movie to reach the billion-dollar mark, "The Avengers," took 19 days. The previous record held was that of Activision's Call of Duty: Black Ops 2 with 15 days.

"GTA V" crushes both of those titles with a combined total of 28 days.

In the weeks before the release, analysts were predicting GTA V to reach \$1 billion in sales by the end of its first month. Little did they know, the game would turn out to be one of the most anticipated of all time.

This title and its predecessors have made this series into one of the highest grossing franchises in history. All of its immense popularity comes with the expense of heavy criticism. The franchise

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Harper receives \$1.1 million grant for Career Training

By Melissa Edwards
Staff Writer

Congresswoman Tammy Duckworth recently announced a grant worth about \$8.5 million that will be awarded to four different colleges in the state of Illinois. The money will be awarded to Lewis and Clark Community College in Godfrey, John Wood Community College in Quincy, Northwestern University in Evanston and our very own William Rainey Harper College in Palatine.

The grant is part of the Trade

Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training Program, which promotes skills development in areas such as manufacturing, transportation, and healthcare. The money being provided to Harper is part of a total \$8.5 million allocation for community colleges across Illinois to help address workforce needs along the Mississippi River.

"Building a well-educated workforce is critical to achieving President Obama's priority of grow-

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Harper's annual job fair

By Piero Palomino
Staff Writer

Harper's annual job fair, on Oct. 4, was open to Harper students, workers, and the general public.

Building M hosted the fair with more than 40 companies and various positions available. There were more full-time positions being offered than part-time positions. Companies' representatives discussed job opportunities, educational and skill requirements, and salary ranges.

The job opportunities offered included management positions, supervisors, assistants, indoor sales, teachers, caregivers, drivers, entry level positions, and many more.

Harper College has been helping the community for more than 10 years by establishing relationships with several leading companies in different sectors. The col-

lege hopes that by hosting the job fair, it is making available a wide range of selections to potential job seekers.

Companies such as Rivers Casino, American Chartered Bank, Renaissance Hotel, Hegele Logistics, Netcost Claim Services, Property specialists, Fieldwork Chicago-Schaumburg, Lutheran home, FedEx freight, Mariano's, Potbelly, Walgreens, and Six Flags are just a short list of the present companies.

Six Flags offered jobs and internships in areas like retail and restaurant management, aquatics, park services, safety supervisor, marketing, and security. This company has 24 million guests per year and claims to offer a great working environment to gain experience.

Today, with an unemployment rate of eight percent, job fairs like the one held at Harper are not only helpful, but also necessary.



Staff member from Six Flags, at the Harper College Job Fair Oct. 4

Harper Grant: one in four schools that receives grant

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ing the economy from the middle class out," said acting Secretary of Labor Seth D. Harris. "Funding additional grantees will allow thousands more workers around the country to acquire world-class skills in top occupations." Harper will receive funding in the amount of \$1.1.. These funds will be used in support of the Career Training Program.

The Career Training Program assists students with vocational training and helps them obtain real-world work experience. Participants take part in internships, apprenticeships, and on-the-job training to better prepare for their future career. The National Association of Manufacturers estimates as many as 600,000 jobs nationwide are not filled because companies can't find workers who have the skills they need. These grants are issued to help bridge the nation's "skill gaps" and they will help enable participating students to take part in field training for a career.

"I am proud of Harper College's work to develop the skills of its talented students and I know they will put this grant to good use,"

said Congresswoman Duckworth. The Career Training Program provides assistance across a broad spectrum of potential career fields. Students may elect a focus on Supply Chain Management, Business and Management, Computer Training, Event Planning, Health Care, Real-Estate, Truck Driving, or Veterinary Assistant. Other areas of focus are also available upon consultation with Harper's Career Training Program staff.

To address differing goals and desires of students, one may take classes toward obtaining a degree in the program of his or her choice or elect to work towards obtaining a certificate. The knowledge, skills, and experience obtained through the Career Training Program are not limited to the selected program of study. These programs enable students to learn skills applicable across many jobs in differing fields.

To learn more about Harper's Career Training Program, visit http://goforward.harpercollege.edu/ce/information/info_sessions.php to RSVP for an information session. To speak with someone in person, visit the Wojcik Conference Center Lobby, Building W.

Government: shutdown continues

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Others still, say that it is not fair to pay taxes.

Should citizens pay taxes while representatives are not working for them?

This shutdown does not mean that citizens and legal aliens are going to stop paying taxes because they have no Amendment or law that can protect them from the non-working representatives.

Even with all the information from several economists, it is still hard to understand how the nation employees keep earning money? There is no company in the world where employees receive their checks for doing nothing. This would cause the company to go into bankruptcy.

Depending on the length of the government shutdown, 900k furloughed federal employees will not be able to afford bills, food, transportation and many other basic needs expenses.

It is likely that the people who were receiving medical treatment will not be able to receive it in the meantime.

for children was completely shut down in Connecticut. In Georgia, 9K employees from the CDC stopped their research and jobs.

The national and state parks have all been shut, including Glacier and Yellowstone parks in Montana. In Nebraska, the commodity supplemental food program is not distributing food, and in Texas, tech students won't see financial aid. Wisconsin's hunger task force said it would lose 217K pounds of food if the shutdown lasts into mid-October.

The security of the country is also affected because FBI agents will not receive their checks while the shutdown lasts and the intelligence service will not inform promptly about security issues because of the lack of employees. It is still uncertain if the military service is going to continue their operations overseas. No bill has been passed yet.

Tourism is also affected because more than three-hundred national parks and museums are already closed and no money is

not being refunded. Tourists will not likely come back. Salem Mass, the favorite spot for the Halloween season, is going to lose \$30 million because of the shutdown, and currently, portable bathrooms have been installed for tourists who are already in the city.

Tourists in Washington D.C. are still in their hotels waiting for the shutdown to end because no museum or state park is open. Tourists all over the country are complaining about this situation and waiting for president Obama and the Congress to solve this dilemma.

Some representatives say that having two parties makes the situation more difficult to find solutions to disputes like this one.

Some say Obama is the one who is pushing the government to increase the debt ceiling to fund Obamacare, while others government workers say that there is no control over the budget. They feel that raising the debt ceiling will make other presidents (or the current one) to ask for more money next year.

GTA V: big deal for gamers

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has been blamed for the breakout of violence by glamorizing drugs, sex, and gangs to name a few.

Ned Luke, who is the voice actor for Michael De Santa, stated, "Anyone who has any conception at all about the games and hasn't played them should go play the games before they open their mouths."

He also stated why he believes these violent games have heavy adoration. "GTA V allows you to tap into everything that you can't do in real life. In real life, you don't get to go out and rampage and do all these bad things," Luke stated.

Even though the game franchise has been the scapegoat for widespread violence, the numbers achieved show how the game's popularity is impervious by those claims.

Grand Theft Auto V obliterated countless sales records and is still racing past them. Analysts now have predicted that sales won't be stopping and expect it to continue growing past \$2 billion.



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Innovative food production operation takes root in Chicagoland area

By Bill Waltrich
Staff Writer

What was once an old meat-packing facility near the Union Stock Yards of Chicago is now being transformed into a new and innovative hub for sustainable, eco-friendly food production.

"The Plant," located at 1400 W. 46th Street, Chicago, Ill, within the economically deprived "Back of the Yards" neighborhood, is being transformed "into a net-zero energy vertical farm and food business operation." (Plant Website)

The 93,500-square-foot meat-packing facility is now comprised of 7 tenants, including a beer brewery, fermented tea brewery, two bakeries, and aquaponics farm that will produce both fresh organic vegetables and tilapia. The Plant is also in the process of constructing a commercial kitchen, though they currently have room for more businesses to move in.

The most interesting and innovative aspect of The Plant's operations is that all the entities within this facility operate symbiotically.

The wastes from each business help to feed the whole operation, in what is described as a "closed-loop system".

The Plant will be powered by a new anaerobic digester (converts organic waste into power).

According to The Plant website, "Funded in part by \$1.5 million in grant money from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, The Plant will install an anaerobic digester and a combined heat and power system to operate completely off the grid. By 2015, the completely enclosed, odorless anaerobic digester will consume 27 tons of food waste a day (~10,000 tons annually), including all of the waste produced in the facility and by neighboring food manufacturers. The digester will capture all of the methane from that waste, and the methane will be burned in a combined heat and power system to produce 400 kW of electricity, plus all the process heat needed for an onsite craft beer brewery. Excess heat will be used in an absorption chiller to regulate the

building's temperature."

EISENMANN Corporation is responsible for the design, construction, and installation of the anaerobic digester.

The emerging field of aquaponics also lends greatly to the design and efficiency of this "closed-loop" system. Making up one third of the whole operation, it is integral to the structures functionality. Thus, it deserves special attention.

Nelson and Pade, Inc., arguably one of the most reputable names in commercial aquaponics systems throughout the Midwest, describes the process like this,

"Aquaponics is the combination of aquaculture (fish farming) and hydroponics (soilless plant culture). In aquaponics, the nutrient-rich water that results from raising fish provides a source of natural fertilizer for the growing plants. As the plants consume the nutrients, they help to purify the water that the fish live in. A natural microbial process keeps both the fish and plants healthy. This creates a sustainable ecosystem where both plants and fish can thrive."

In other words, this farming technique mimics the parameters of a natural ecosystem. In doing so, fertilizer, pesticide, and water usage is greatly reduced.

"Further, the system can be based indoors, making it a year-round growing option that can be placed close to the site of consumption" (Plant Website).

Green and Gills, LLC, along with SkyyGreens Aquaponics, is currently responsible for these systems within The Plant.

Rebecca Nelson and John Pade, of Nelson and Pade, Inc., have been acting as Green and Gill's aquaponics consultants throughout the whole process.

The Plant's interconnected operational design paves the way for sustainable and environmentally friendly food production to take root in the Chicago region. It offers a blueprint for eco-friendly agricultural design.

In addition to the environmental benefits of The Plant, the operation also claims that 125 jobs will be created.

Being able to locally produce

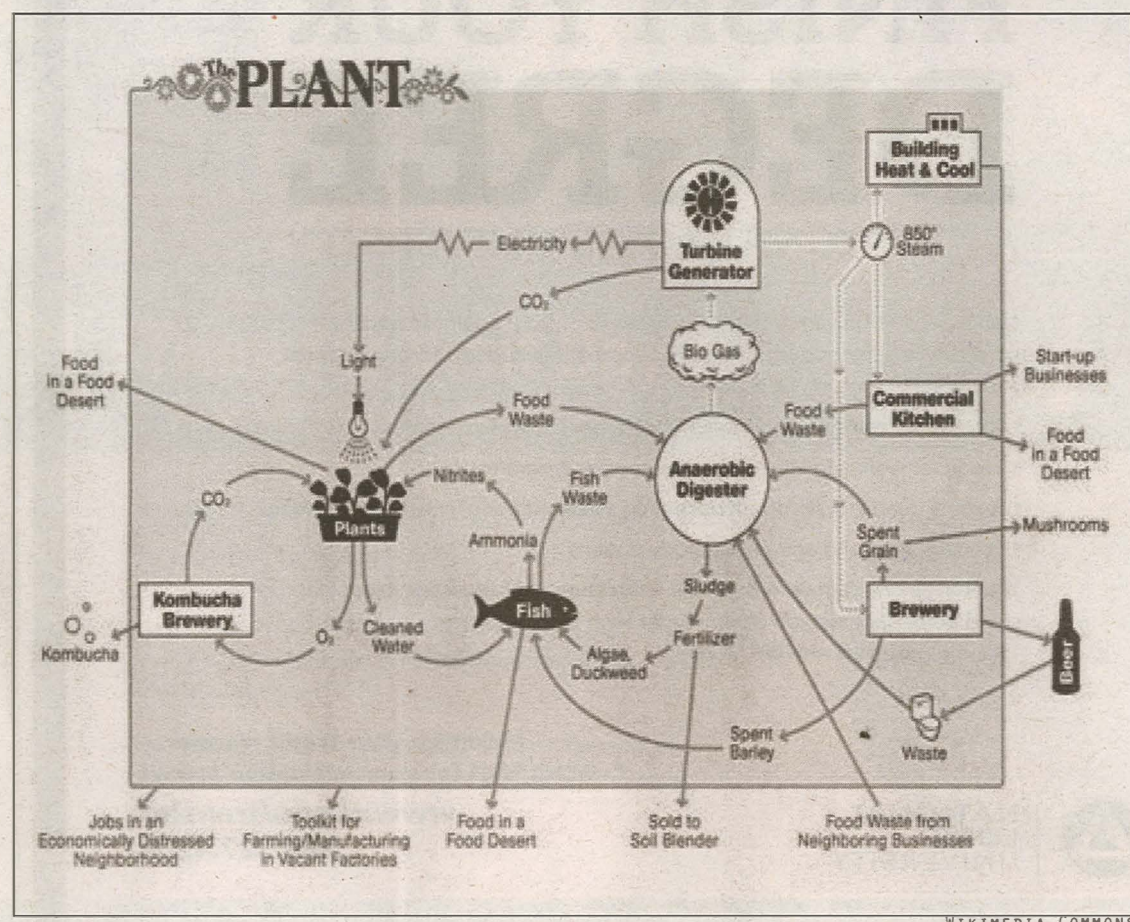
and distribute high quality, organic produce, fish, and other food supplies, while at the same time drastically mitigating the environmental footprint of these operations (compared to conventional means), opens up a new field in the increasingly pertinent study of "Green Technology"

The potential for this system spans much further than the urban setting. Imagine if most your food products could one day be produced just minutes away from you, as opposed to hundreds or even thousands of miles away. And in a way that substantially reduces environmental degradation!

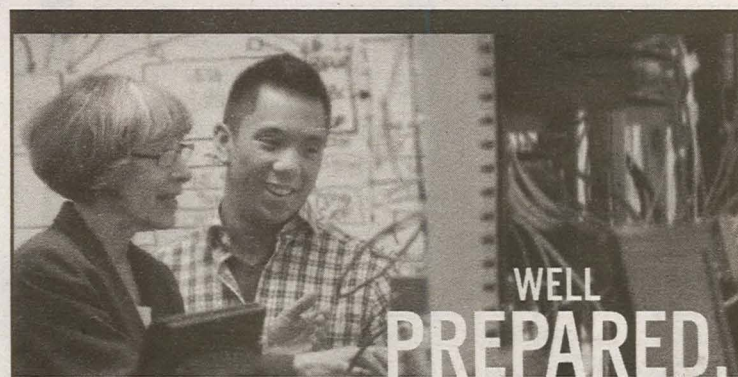
Locally produced dynamic food operations, such as "The Plant," could be the future of sustainable food production in all areas of our country, and also the world.

For more information, check out <http://plantchicago.com/>. There are volunteer opportunities for anyone that is interested.

A wealth of information concerning aquaponics can also be found at the Nelson and Pade website, <http://aquaponics.com/>.



A visual representation of the system and the parts explained in detail.



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Blackhawks look to win back-to-back Stanley Cups

By Nick Sadowski
Staff Writer

Last season, the Chicago Blackhawks accomplished something that no other team has done, when they won their second Stanley Cup in the salary-cap-era.

Their goal for this season is to become the first team to win back-to-back Stanley Cups in the salary cap era. The last team to win back-to-back championships was the Detroit Red Wings, from 1996-1998.

The new season for the Hawks has started and the hunt has begun.

On opening night, the Blackhawks raised their fifth Stanley Cup banner during a ceremony before the game.

For anyone there, it was truly a magnificent sight to see.

The season's first game followed the ceremony and was just as exciting as the ceremony.

The Blackhawks opened the season with a 6-4 win against the Washington Capitals.

The team is looking forward to this year's playoffs and even looking to take home the cup once again.

The players know they will have to work together as a team for them to accomplish this historic feat.

The Blackhawks, along with the entire NHL, will go through the first season of the new NHL realignment.

Some say the Hawks will benefit from the changes, while others aren't so sure.

Now that Detroit is realigned in the East, there won't be six games between the rival teams.

The rivalry between the Hawks and the Red Wings may take a huge hit. It also might even get more intense because now the two teams could possibly meet in the Stanley Cup Finals.

The Hawks are the only Original Six team in the West. People think that the team got cheated by being put with the lower end teams.

That might play to the Hawk's advantage though.

A team as good as the Blackhawks won't have a problem zipping through the season schedule and making the playoffs if everything goes right.

When it comes to the fans perspective, they seem to have very

high hopes.

Harper student Przemyslaw Koczur hopes that the Hawks will make the playoffs. He said, "I would expect them to at least make it to the playoffs".

So many fans will view this season as a bust if the team doesn't make it very far into the postseason. You can't win them all, but as good as this team is, why not?

Every season comes with new players. The core players have the same expectations every year.

It's the new, young players who create the most conversation.

With the NHL recruiting young players these past years, it's hard to not put them into conversations, especially the Blackhawks' first-and-second-year players.

The Hawks' farm system is arguably the best in the league.

The past years have seen players like Andrew Shaw, Viktor Stalberg, and other players that shine right out of the draft.

Koczur said, "I'm looking at Brandon Saad. I think he's an up and coming player."

Whether he is or not, there are plenty of new players on the team ready to repeat Blackhawks history.

Harper women take 16th at Benedictine Invitational

By Bill Smith
Sports Communications Assistant

Warrenville, Ill. – The Harper women's cross country team had six runners compete at the Benedictine University Eagle Invitational on Friday, Oct. 11 and took 16th place with a team score of 442 points.

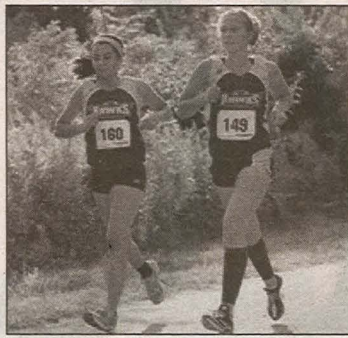
Stephanie Chaires (Palatine, Ill./ Christian Liberty) led the Hawks with a 97th place finish, completing the 6K race in 27:17.

Mary Piltaver (Conant) finished

in 128th place with a time of 28:47 while Marisa Andreuccetti (Elk Grove Village, Ill./ Conant) was close behind with a 130th place finish in 28:54.

Newcomer Lori Delfin (Wheeling) was Harper's third finisher with a 149th place finish in 31:20.

Gabby Beaupre (Elk Grove Village, Ill./ Elk Grove) took 150th with a time of 31:59 to round out the scoring while Cindia Salgado (Wheeling, Ill./ Wheeling) took 154th in a time of 32:43.



JIM CUMMINS

The Hawks took 16th at the Benedictine University Eagle Invitational.

Hawks tie for fifth at Benedictine Invitational

By Bill Smith
Sports Communications Assistant

Warrenville, Ill. – The Harper men's cross country team tied for fifth out of 17 teams at the Benedictine University Eagle Invitational on Friday, Oct. 11. The Hawks scored 176 points to tie with Wilmington College, and they were the top junior college at the meet.

A trio of freshman – Juan Barajas (Hoffman Estates, Ill./ Schaumburg), Zach Stella (Palatine, Ill./ Palatine) and Brennan Albus (Hoffman Estates) – led the charge for Harper on the 8K course at the St. James Farm Forest Preserve. Barajas took 26th place, finishing in 26:41 while Stella captured 45th place with a time of 27:13. Albus was not far behind, finish-

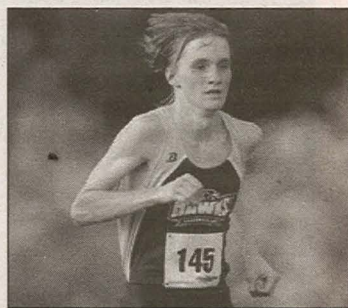
ing in 48th place with a time of 27:24.

Sophomores Nick Modlin (Wheeling, Ill./ Wheeling) and Jhoan Lino rounded out the scoring with 58th and 60th place finishes. Modlin crossed the finish line in 27:41, and Lino was close behind with a time of 27:44.

Other Harper finishers included Sebastian Ramirez (Lima, Peru/ Palatine) in 79th place, Vince Greco (Elk Grove Village, Ill./ Elk Grove) in 96th place, Andrew Guibord (Crystal Lake, Ill./ Prairie Ridge) in 110th place, John Majerus (Elk Grove Village, Ill./ Elk Grove) in 111th place, Jordy Arriaga (Wheeling, Ill./ Wheeling) in 132th place, Connor Williams (Wauconda) in 135th place, Livan Turyamusiima (Modern Secondary School) in 148th place

and Daniel Lim (Schaumburg, Ill./ Streamwood) in 176th place.

North Central College won the meet with 39 points, placing five runners in the top 11 positions. Wheaton College took second place with 46 points, and Saint Joseph's College rounded out the top three with 86 points.



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Harper's Brennan Albus ran his best race of the season.

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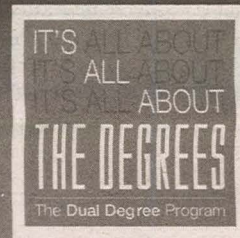


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Hawks suffer 4-2 defeat at College of DuPage

By Bill Smith
Sports Communications Assistant

Glen Ellyn, Ill. – The Harper College women's soccer team fought back from a 2-0 deficit to tie the game, but College of DuPage scored two second half goals to beat the Hawks 4-2 on Oct. 9.

In a rematch of the Region IV championship where the Hawks emerged victorious 2-1 over COD last October to advance to nationals, the Chaparrals got on the board first in the 13th minute as Emily Plourde found Angela Toritto, who beat Harper goalkeeper Mikayla Nagle to make it a 1-0 lead.

Two minutes later, Plourde found Bianca Rivera for a goal to give COD a 2-0 advantage.

Despite the early deficit, the

Hawks clawed their way back into the game. In the 41st minute, Harper's Jessica Cosentino (Bartlett, Ill./ Bartlett) scored on a penalty kick to cut the deficit to 2-1 at halftime.

Just 10 minutes into the second half, Cosentino found midfielder Lacey Richards (Hobart, Ind./ Merrillville), who beat Chaparrals' goalkeeper Christina Siddu to tie the game at 2-2.

COD went ahead 3-2 on a goal in the 67th minute by Katie Rubright on Plourde's third assist of the game. Heather Muno beat Nagle in the 74th minute to give the Chaparrals a two-goal lead.

Siddu earned the win in goal, stopping three shots. Nagle received the loss, making six saves in the game. The Hawks were outshot 10-5 on the day.

Sports Calendar

SPORTS KEY:

WVB: Women's Volleyball MBB: Men's Basketball
WXC: Women's Cross Country MXC: Men's Cross Country
WSOC: Women's Soccer MSOC: Men's Soccer
*To be determined: for more information, visit Harper athletics website.

October						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
20	21	22	23	24 WVB McHenry County College 6:00 p.m.	25	26 MBB at Rock Valley Jamboree-Exhibition TBD* WVB Kankakee Trimatch 10:00 a.m. MSOC TBD 12:00 p.m. WSOC vs District Championship TBD
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30 MSOC vs TBD in TBD 2:00 p.m. WVB vs Region IV Quarterfinals in TBD 6:00 p.m.	31	1	2 WVB vs Region IV Semifinals in Rockford, Ill. TBD WVB vs Region IV Championship in Rockford, Ill. TBD WXC at Region IV Championship

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Preparing people to lead extraordinary lives

“Breaking Bad” star R.J. Mitte speaks at Harper about overcoming adversity

By Hanan Aquil
Office Manager

A crowd of people swarmed to the plush red seats of the Performing Arts Center (P.A.C.) at 7 p.m. on Tuesday Oct. 8 to hear the acclaimed actor of AMC’s “Breaking Bad”, R.J. Mitte, talk about turning a perceived bad thing into an opportunity.

Suspense rose in the room as people waited for Mitte, to reveal himself and talk about his life. Mitte greeted the audience with a charming smile, beautiful brown hair, and humble words.

Event Directors Sarah Alhayek and Jalen Little coordinated the talk, a Question and Answer portion, and pictures and signatures afterwards. Little was impressed with Mitte and felt the talk resonated with a lot of the audience.

He received a large round of applause both before and after the event. Harper student Nicholas Modlin was impressed with the actor’s sincerity, connecting with the audience and his own feelings. Modlin’s younger brother was impressed that Mitte talked about how people tend to judge others based on appearances, but never think to see the potential in people.

Many audience members, including Darreck Ryan and Katie Bruli, hoped that the talk could have lasted longer and that Mitte had been able to answer more questions. However, both were pleased with the event and excited to meet Mitte.

The talk lasted about an hour. He started off by talking about his childhood and early acting career. Mitte has had small roles in shows, including “Hannah Montana”. He grew into a celebrity when he accepted the role of Walter White Jr.

Like White Jr., Mitte has cerebral palsy (CP), a physical disability that affects motor control in the body. He described the condition as “having a giant Charlie horse in your body 24/7”.

In addition to acting, Mitte works with groups that advocate for anti-bullying and disability rights such as Diversity and I AM PWD (Inclusion in the Arts and Media of Performers With Disabilities).

Mitte inspired the audience with his story of resilience and perseverance. “I am a living example you can achieve what you want,” he said.

Students find it challenging to achieve goals when dealing with

a tremendous amount of stress and fear of the challenges. Mitte advised, “You need to start fighting. Anxiety and fear are the main weaknesses of being a human”

As a person with CP growing up, Mitte experienced bullying, and he acknowledged that people with disabilities are targets for bullies.

He addressed the damaging effects of bullying on a person’s self-worth, stating, “Those little chips become cracks. Eventually you’ll shatter.”

It is important for people to stand up against bullying. Mitte advocated, “Make a difference, make a claim, make a fight, and make you present.”

Media, such as television, have made a difference in raising awareness on issues like bullying and inequality with disabilities. Mitte stated, “TV. is a major platform to have your voice heard.”

With media advocating for disability rights, people with disabilities have more opportunities in society. “In a world where equality is an important thing, equality is what you rely on.”

He also acknowledged how another form of media, social media, can have very damaging affects. Mitte stated, “We have so much so-

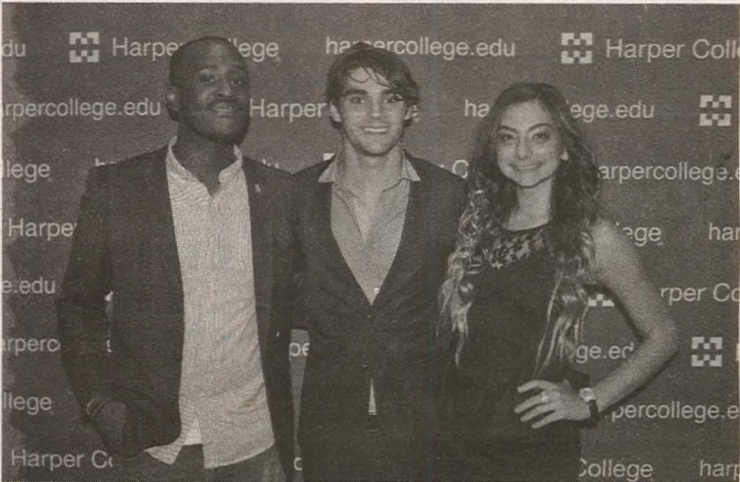
cial media that’s actually fighting other people... Social media is an amazing tool but it’s an amazing weapon.”

Throughout his life, Mitte has had a very supportive network of friends and family and accredits them with much of his success: “True friends want to elevate you to a new direction- to challenge you.”

Mitte’s talk was motivational and encouraged students and community members to work hard

and look deeper inside the self to achieve great success. Mitte challenged Harper students, “Seize the moment ... You will define what this world [will become.]”

To end his speech, Mitte stirred the audience’s ambitions possibly speaking directly to any listeners with disabilities themselves, and leaving the able-bodied ones with no excuses. He explained, “Being different just gives you an advantage over normal people. All you normal people- you got nothing.”



Jalen Little, R.J. Mitte, and Sarah Alhayek taking a photo after R.J. Mitte speaks about overcoming adversity at Harper Tuesday night on Oct. 8

Events Calendar

October						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
20 Xtreme Spirit Illinois Showdown Championship 10 a.m. Wellness and Sports Center, Gym Gritty Pretty Art Exhibition Space Banned Books Student Art Contest Library	21 Lifestyle Options (Employer) 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Building A, Floor 2 Gritty Pretty Art Exhibition Space Banned Books Student Art Contest Library	22 Medieval Times (Employer) 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Building A, Floor 2 Gritty Pretty Art Exhibition Space Banned Books Student Art Contest Library	23 National Novel Writing Month: Find Characters and Hatch a Plot 3 p.m. Library Classroom Ann Taylor 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Building A, Floor 2 Bust-A-Move for Awareness Building M, Gym 12-1 p.m.	24 Music Student Performances 12:30 p.m. P-205	25 Gritty Pretty Art Exhibition Space Banned Books Student Art Contest Library LinkedIn: Profile Perfect 9-10 a.m. Harper Professional Center	26 ChiTown Challenge All Day Wellness and Sports Center, Gym Make a Difference Day 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Little City Foundation Gritty Pretty Art Exhibition Space
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27 Illinois Shotokan Kick for Cures 12-1 p.m. Wellness and Sports Center Gritty Pretty Art Exhibition Space Banned Books Student Art Contest Library	28 Gritty Pretty Art Exhibition Space Banned Books Student Art Contest Library	29 Find Characters and Hatch a Plot 11 a.m. Library Classroom Andy Clausen, Poet and Author 7-8 p.m. Drama Lab Theatre Gritty Pretty Art Exhibition Space	30 Germanfest! 12-1 p.m. Building A, Floor 2 Gritty Pretty Art Exhibition Space Banned Books Student Art Contest Library	31 Gritty Pretty Art Exhibition Space Banned Books Student Art Contest Library	1 National Novel Writing Month (NanNoWriMo) Kick-Off Celebration 1:30-2:30 p.m. Library Classroom Gritty Pretty Art Exhibition Space	2 Gritty Pretty Art Exhibition Space Deaf Nation Expo 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wellness and Sports Center, Gym

Hospitality Service Club hosts pumpkin carving contest

By Hanan Aquil
Office Manager

The month of October is full of fall fun, and in celebration of Halloween, Harper's Hospitality Service Club is hosting a Pumpkin Carving Contest.

It will be held in the student center lounge in building A from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Students can sign up at the Student Involvement Office A-336.

Harper understands that October would not be complete without the costumes, candy, and of course, the jack-o-lantern on the front stoop.

Leaves turn different shades of gold and red and the air smells of cinnamon and spice, and carving pumpkins adds to these delicious fall aromas.

The Pumpkin Carving Contest is exciting and free to students who sign up. Hospitality Club will provide

vide pre-hallowed pumpkins and tools.

Students can bring stencils, if they choose, to carve their design. Student carved pumpkins will be showcased in Avante. Hospitality Club will accept the first fifty students who sign up for the contest.

In addition to pumpkin carving, the Hospitality Club is also hosting cookie decorating and a bake sale. Sugar cookies and frosting are provided for students who want to decorate their own cookies.

The bake sale will include good ol' fashion treats like brownies, cookies, cupcakes and savory items (for those without a sweet tooth).

Hospitality Club hopes to get students more involved on campus and gain recognition as a club.

As member Eva Ivanova states, "We're hoping to get art students involved, people passionate about

food involved... it's a way to get people involved and be interested in club and student activities."

Student Adeline Lord is happy to be participating in the pumpkin carving contests and Hospitality Club. She states, "[It's] something to do in my free time and be more involved in school."

Katheryn Forssander, member of the Hospitality Club, recognizes this as an opportunity to meet people and have fun.

As fun as the Pumpkin Carving Contest will be, the Hospitality Club hopes for a successful bake sale. Katheryn Forssander states, "We're trying to raise funds and promote Hospitality Club. We revived this year, and we want to bring it back strong."

The club provides a great opportunity for students to practice in Hospitality Management. Harper offers an Associate Degree in

Hospitality Management with an emphasis on Restaurant or Hotel Management.

Students can also earn certificates in the Culinary Arts and Pastry Arts. As Forssander states, "For people in the Hospitality program—this is a way to get out there and get experience."

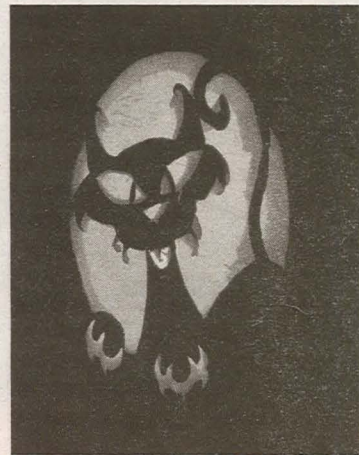
The Hospitality Club is associated with the International Food Service Executive Association, IFSEA, which provides food service certification, education, networking, mentorships, and community service opportunities.

According to the Hospitality Club's purpose statement, "IFSEA reaches beyond the culinary and restaurant professions...Our services broaden the skills and relationships needed for becoming an executive within the food service and hospitality fields."

The Pumpkin Carving Contest

is a great way to enjoy your time with friends and see who can carve the best pumpkin.

Students have nothing to lose and tons to gain – free pumpkin carving, free cookie decorating, and baked treats are all provided by the Hospitality Club.



WIKIMEDIA COMMONS

Garland Martin Taylor visits Harper to talk about his show, "Gritty Pretty," and share his inspiration

By Michelle Mabry
Staff Writer



Garland Martin Taylor

In 2001, Garland Martin Taylor's first semester of school was charged on a credit card. He needed foundry materials to work with, and free scrap from the nearby manufacturing industry became his medium, and now his artwork is shown throughout the country.

"Gritty Pretty", Taylor's current gallery at Harper, describes his process and his pieces perfectly.

During his talk on Thursday Oct 10 2013, Taylor described how sculptures grew from metal throw-aways such as discarded, unsorted buckets of metal slugs and punchings covered with oil, after being sifted and cleaned through a system he developed using oil dry and

a cement mixer.

With these scraps, he applied his love of history and an accidental discovery of art through Henry Jackson Lewis, an ex-slave whose work appeared in a weekly, 19th century, black newspaper, The Freeman.

The paper became the inspiration to teach himself and others about the past.

Taylor's varied, colorful works reveal this inspiration piece by piece.

"I'm a bad painter, and that's how I found sculpture. Sculpture

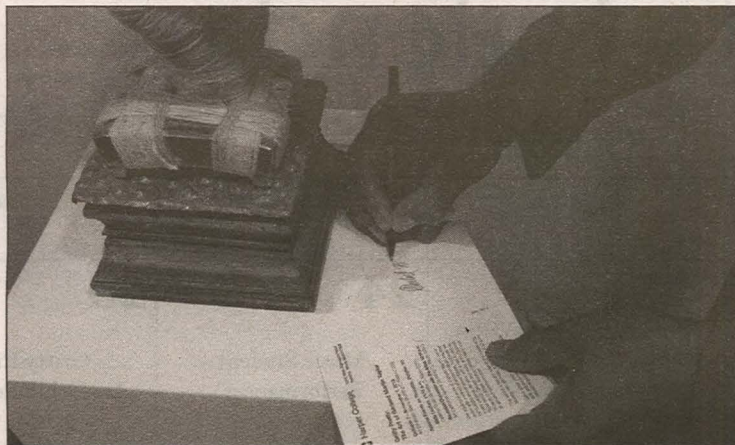
allowed me to walk around. It has to work from all those angles. I don't give up," said Taylor.

Using a brush on a canvas didn't work. He explained that painting was restricting, and he felt "claustrophobic" on canvas.

It's easy to see, when experiencing his work, that Taylor paints with sculpture and branches "out of his comfort zone with a variety of materials, including wood, fabric, hair, paper currency, and porcelain. Some of his pieces use acrylic-cocktails to make a form.

His involvement with the general public and academic institutions, (most recently, Yale's Summer Institute) and the elegant constructs he presents as sculptures seem to be just the tip of Taylor's offerings for knowledge through an endless learning process into himself.

His show runs through Nov. 7 in Harper's Gallery (Building C, Room C-200) and should not be missed. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



MICHELLE MABRY

Garland Martin Taylor signing his autograph for a student in the Harper Gallery after his presentation on Thursday, Oct. 10.



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Garland Martin Taylor's sculpture in Harper's Gallery, "Song of the Renaissance Brown Thrasher," after his talk on Thursday, Oct. 10.



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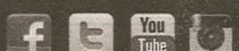
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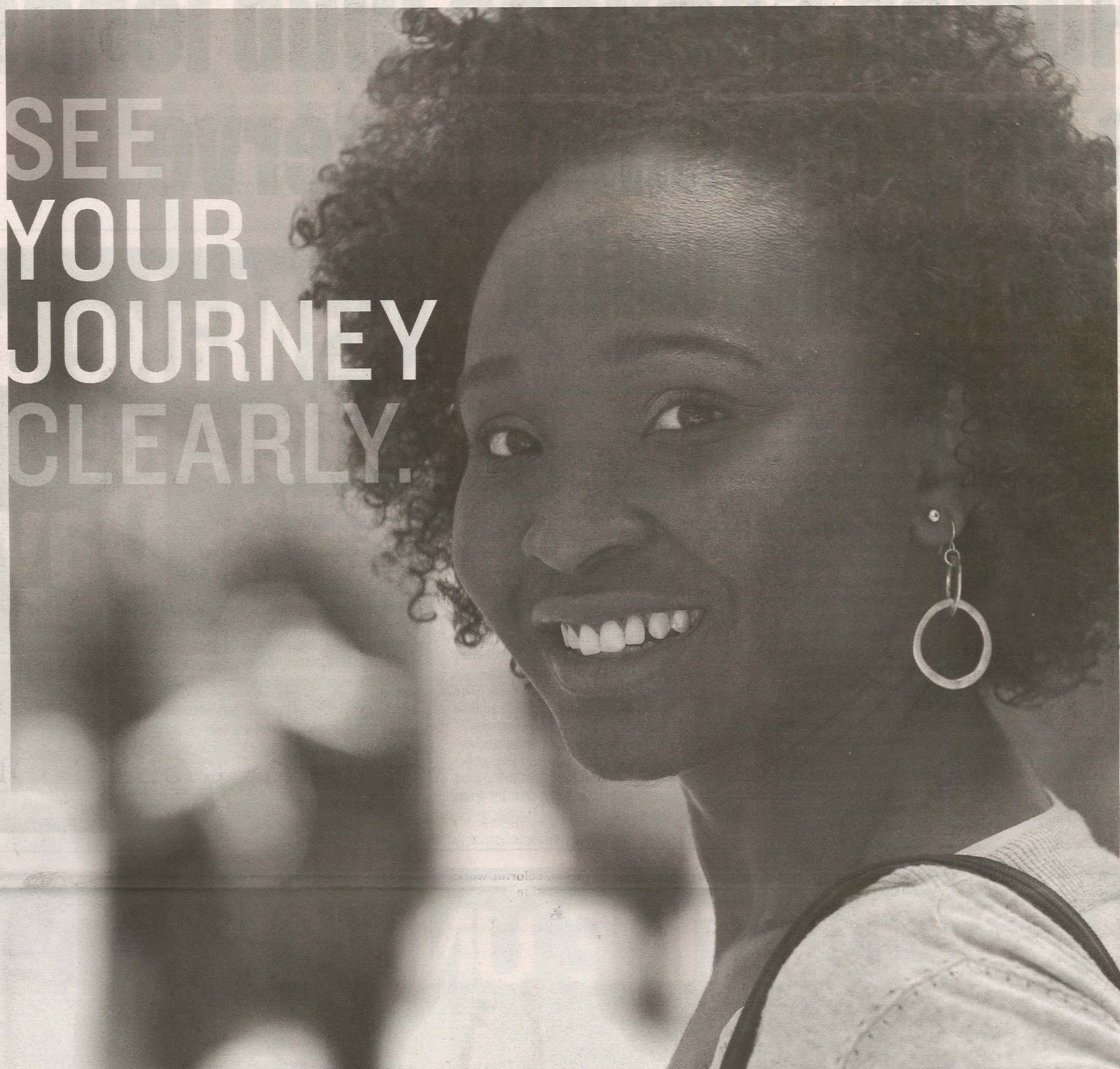
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Human Services Club lends a helping hand to serve the community

By Hanan Aquil
Office Manager

Advisers: Valerie Walker and Colleen Tomanek

President: Kameron Hill

Meeting Times: Every other Tuesday from 6 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.

Location: D-226

When anyone needs a hand at Harper, the Human Services Club is ready to help. Focused on the service of people and the community at large, the Human Services Club members strive to make a positive impact on Harper students and their community.

President Kameron Hill defines the mission of the club stating, "We are students who are interested in Human Services and Human Rights. We enrich the professional and personal lives of all Harper Students through education, service opportunities, and commu-

nity involvement. We love giving back to our community and helping out those in need."

Currently, the Club is hosting a clothing drive, through which donations are collected for needy families for the winter. Clothes in high demand include gently-used coats, packaged socks, and underwear.

Vice President Neil Hemmer also lists clothing items such as kids snow pants, jackets, socks, t-shirts, and blankets.

Students can drop donations on Oct. 21, Oct. 31, Nov. 4, Nov. 14, Nov. 18, and Nov. 21 from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. in the boxes scattered throughout Building A or drop them off at D-191 or D-142 at any time.

Also, the Human Services Club will be participating in National Make a Difference Day on Oct. 25 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

National Make a Difference Day is an annual community service day celebrated nationwide, and


this is Harper's first time participating.

Students will volunteer at the Little City Foundation, which helps children and adults with mental disabilities, to beautify the outside and inside of the campus.

Being a member of the Human Services Club is rewarding, Kameron states, "I think people should join because this group helps you grow as an individual. We are all about empowering others to do better in life and help out wherever they can. I personally have gained a great group of friends; I also have gained a lot of great networking resources for when I start looking for a job as well."

As Mahatma Gandhi said, "The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others."

To participate in community service and grow as a person, come to the Human Service Club's next meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 29 from 6 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.



Make a Difference Day

Saturday, October 26
9 AM – 4 PM

Spend the day at the Little City Foundation working on a cleaning/beautification project. Weather permitting it will be an outdoor campus cleanup, or indoor beautification projects. Tasks might include picking up trash on the grounds, cleaning inside or light maintenance work.

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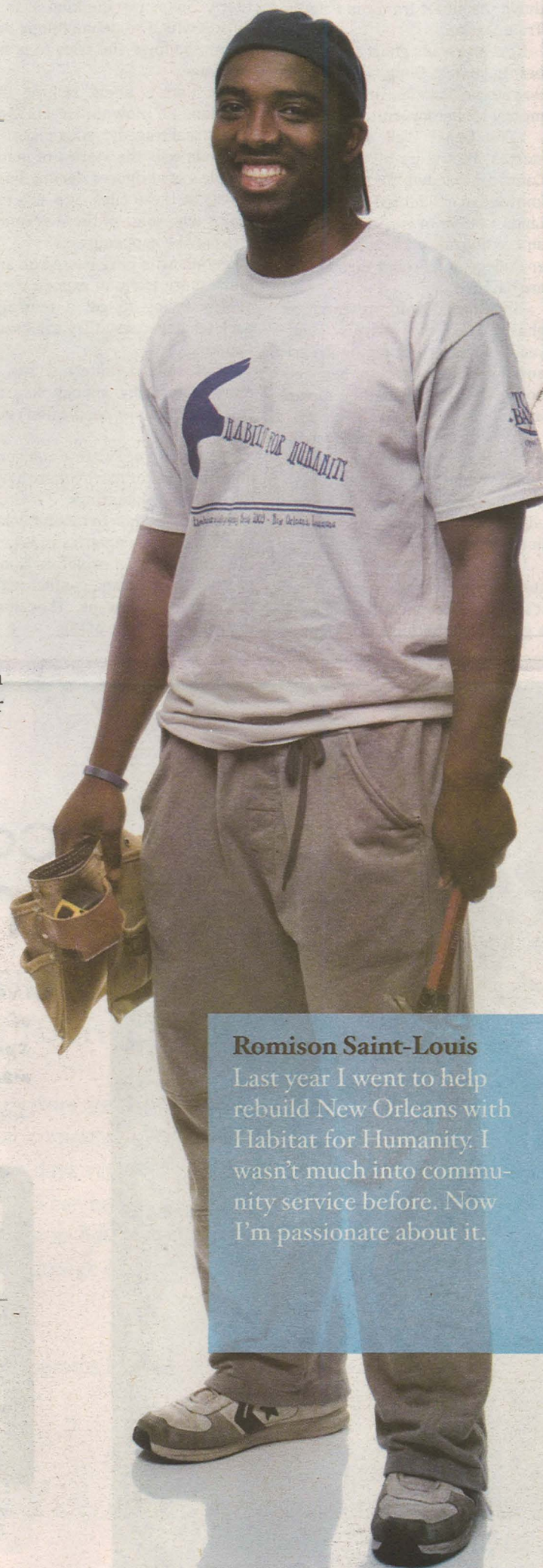
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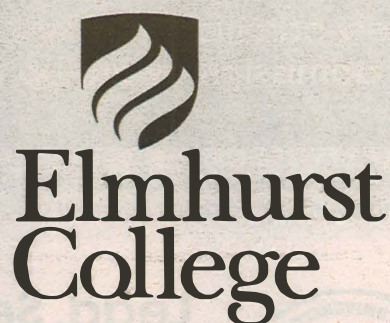
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Last year I went to help rebuild New Orleans with Habitat for Humanity. I wasn't much into community service before. Now I'm passionate about it.



Haunted houses will scare off anyone

gained some national attention from various websites and TV stations too. This one is a great choice for the whole family. Find more information at <http://thefearhauntedhouse.com>.

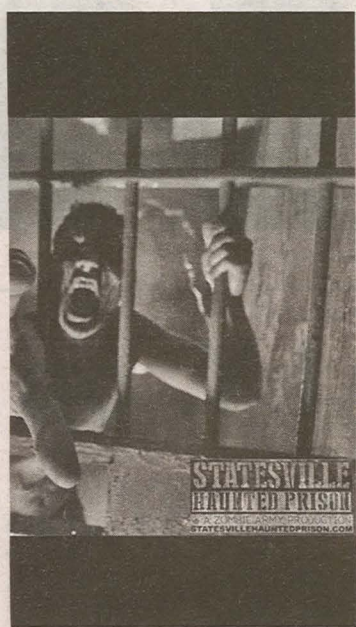
For even more screams, head over to Eleventh Hour Haunted House in Melrose Park, Ill. The reviews are frightening. They have moved from Elk Grove to a new 30,000-square-foot building in Melrose Park. Included with purchase of a ticket to the haunted house comes free admission into the Hollywood Boulevard or Hollywood Palms Theater.

In addition to those, you will also get a complimentary coupon for the Melrose Park Grand Prix.

For prices, scheduling, and more information please visit <http://eleventhhour.info>.

If these aren't enough, head over to Fear City Haunted House in Morton Grove, Ill. Fear City's decorations and special effects are what make this one remarkable. Beyond the special effects that

make this pop, Chicago Tribune's Chris McNamara was quoted, "It's a mom and pop little shop of horrors. Whether you're going for a scare or not, it'll be a good time."



WIKIMEDIA COMMONS

Rocking with The Ellevens

By Matthew Sadler
Staff Writer

The Ellevens, based out of DeKalb, Ill., performed in a benefit concert hosted by the Hard Rock Café in Chicago on Oct. 11. They were followed up by Michael Riser and Catalano. The whole show was electrifying.

The Ellevens consists of seven members: Daven Masulis (Lead Vocalist/Guitar), Daniel Orlovski (Bassist), Aaron Dingess (Rhythm Guitar), Joe Dzwonnik (Drums), David Fairchild (Mandolin/Keyboard), Echo Kaelin (Background Vocalist), and Ryan Kaplan (Trumpet). Their catalog spans a variety of genres including blues, rock, and indie. In order to come up with a set list, the group discusses ideas and messages they want to portray through the sequence of songs. Then, the group practices going through the set to see if the groove feels right.

Their set list for the benefit show included covers of Black Keys "Lonely Boy" to Smashing Pumpkins "1979". They also performed original songs: "The Wanted", "While In The Dark", "Trees", "Hometown", "Let You Out", and an encore of "Who Do You Think You Are".

Each band member brings a

different personality to the stage. This allows them to feed off the emotions of one another, bringing out the most natural talent of each guy.

Kaelin and Dzwonnik came up with the name, which stems from a couple of references. Kaelin explained that the letter "l" is a powerful letter; and that two "l's" is even more powerful. There are seven members in the band, and, like the group AM/PM, they decided to pay homage to a certain convenience store. They hope that the name brings them a better presence and a better identity (like a brand or logo).

The band received the opportunity to play at The Hard Rock Café from Michael Riser, who referred them, and also played that night. According to Masulis, "This place gives bands good exposure. There is good history here."

The Ellevens have high expectations for 2014. They hope to record more songs, make improvements, and increase the marketing of the band. Of course, they also plan to play more in the Chicagoland area.

Masulis hung out for a quick conversation after the show. He explained that he and his bandmates are passionate about their music. "We were glad to see so many fans at the show. Some people came

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from far away. We love to give a good show and make the audience think the show went well," said Masulis.

He is the founder of The Ellevens, graduating from Harper College with an Associate's Degree in Arts, and plans to complete his Bachelor's Degree in Business/Marketing at Northern Illinois University this fall.

They are all excited for their future. Their next show, based on a Halloween Smash is Friday, Oct. 25., at The Otto's in DeKalb, Ill., at 10 p.m.

Many of the audience members were personal friends and co-workers of the band. They came from Elgin, DeKalb, and other neighboring cities to show their support. Tom Seymour, from Cary, Ill., was in charge of filming the show as he's done for the month that he's known them.



IATSUYA KURIHARA

Fans cheer on the band at the Hard Rock Cafe on Oct. 11.

Looking deeper into Second Chance for Prometheus

By Michelle Czaja
News Editor

"Without music, life would be a mistake," said Friedrich Nietzsche. The world seems to agree. Different varieties of music top the charts weekly and fans are always excited to hear the latest single or next album to come out.

New bands are always forming with all types of people from all around the world, but one band in particular is made up of students from Harper.

Second Chance for Prometheus is a progressive metal band from the Chicagoland area. The band was inspired by the story of Prometheus, who is credited with enabling the progress and civilization of humanity.

The band's hope is to motivate its listeners to look inside themselves and change for the better.

The band's songs tell stories and offer solutions to help others think more critically about their everyday lives. Second Chance for Prometheus promotes self-reflection, improvement, and the elimination of fears and vices.

The band was founded in 2007, and consists of five members: Eric Ramos (Guitar/Lead Vocals), Frankie Orozco (Bass/Vocals), Eric Mueller (Drums/Vocals), Felipe Rodela (Guitar/Vocals), and Sam Mickey (Guitar/Programming).

Orozco has high hopes for himself, along with the band, as more music

is being written and the band is in the process of releasing an album by 2014.

It will consist of at least 12 tracks. The band also hopes to go on tour in the summer of 2014.

"It's really tough. I mean, we're all trying to do really good in school. We took a break from school for a year to write a lot of our music, and all of our families were telling us to go back to school or else we wouldn't have a place to stay," said Orozco. "Our main priority right now is school, but we make time to do music."

Orozco is one of the songwriters, writing most of the lyrics. "If I have an hour or two to sit down and not do anything, I just listen to instrumental music and pull up a quote that I really like and generate what I want to say," he said. "I just look at the quote and I come up with a song."

It usually only takes Orozco one or two hours to write a whole song. It is just a rough sketch at first, but afterwards, the entire band comes together and edits and improves the song.

Second Chance For Prometheus has showcased its music at a variety of events and venues, noting Penny Road Pub as the most well-known thus far.

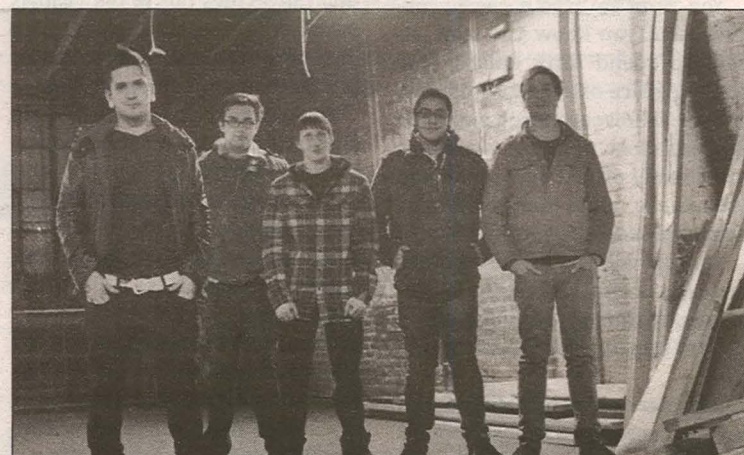
The band loves to be out in public, representing and expressing who they really are. When they are together, the guys feel a sort of "brotherly love," since they share interest in the same things and work towards similar goals.

Even though they wish to always be positive, the band occasionally has disagreements. "There are always disagreements in bands. We're all really cool, we hear each other out, we never really argue or yell at each other. It's usually for the better. Everybody is really good at what they do and if each of us show it, we can get better," said Orozco.

The band would love to gain more followers and supporters by writing more music and becoming more public as they make their dreams come to life.

They look forward to gaining more followers on their social networking sites, so they can get out there and become a band all their own. "With our music, we want people to think more, not just to think it's catchy. We make really catchy stuff, but when we make it catchy we want it to have a message that's really clear to people. We are all about exploring yourself, trying to think about good things, bring it out in yourself so you can create positive things for other people," said Orozco.

"If I were to give advice to other bands, definitely have an idea of where the band is going to go, make a lot of goals, and to definitely be really strict with each other. Bands should be more strict so that they can get somewhere, and progress can happen a lot faster. If you let people do whatever they want, there will always be a challenge; therefore, you need to set a standard."



KARA FRANCO

Second Chance for Prometheus poses for one of their photoshoots.

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Des Plaines offers a taste of Italy

By Michelle Czaja
News Editor

Recently, my family, neighbors, and I decided to go out to dinner. We chose to go some place new, Giacomo's Ristorante Italiano, which was featured on WGN9's Chicago's Best, aired on September 8, 2013.

Giacomo's Ristorante Italiano is an Italian restaurant, located at 740 North Wolf Road in Des Plaines, Illinois. Sicilian-born Chef Giacomo Zito, his wife, Anna Maria, who is the hostess, and their daughter Amanda have owned Giacomo's since 1998.

They describe their restaurant as "casually-elegant". There intimate dining room has an old-world, yet modern feel and is completely handicapped accessible. They also offer outside dining.

Giacomo has always had a passion to open his own business. He loves what he does: cooking and talking to people. Working holidays makes him proud because his door is open for others to spend the holiday with him.

"Giacomo has a passionate lifestyle for cooking. Running the business himself along with cooking. The food is truly amazing. He is just an amazing person," said Anna Maria. The service is outstanding. Having made a reservation at 8pm, we waited all of 10 minutes to be seated.

The chef himself is known for his lasagna. However, Giacomo's features a wide selection of food. You'll find everything from soups, salads, pastas, seafood, vegetarian dishes, meats, and desserts.

"If you want Authentic Southern Italian food, to feel warm and welcome and have great service, my restaurant is the place to be!" said Giacomo.

I chose to go with a light Chicken Caesar Salad, topped with grilled chicken. This light and simple meal has convinced me to add Giacomo's to my top favorite restaurants list.

The food was delicious and fresh. It looked like a piece of artwork on the dish. When you receive your meal it is evident that a lot of hard-work and time was put

into preparing it. Although it was my first time eating at Giacomo's, I felt like I was at home, and very welcomed. The servers were very attentive and polite, checking up on our table's satisfaction throughout the night. The environment felt very warming, as if I was at a little Ristorante in Italy.

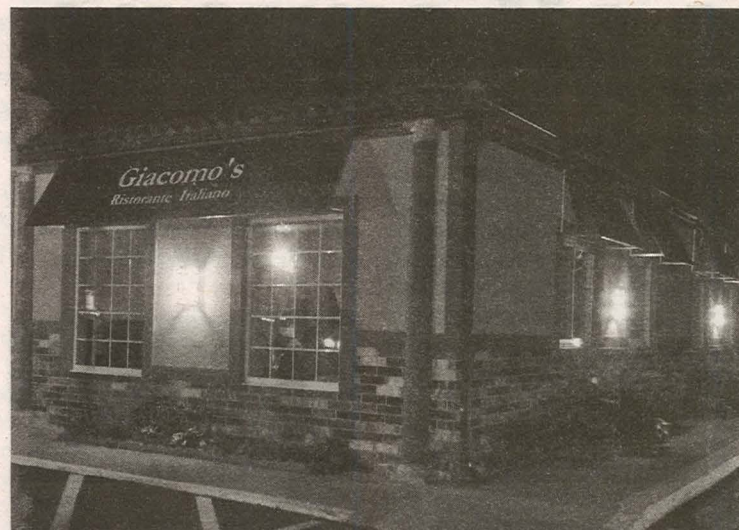
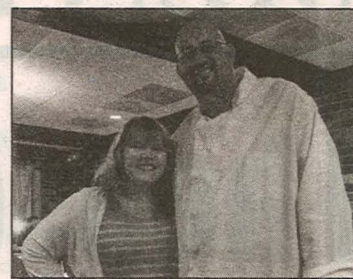
As we ate, the chef himself appeared from the kitchen and visited with all of his customers. Giacomo personally asked us how we were doing and if the food was good.

"People that visit my restaurant are truly coming to my home. Everyone that visits, I treat like family even though we aren't related. Greeting and meeting people that visit my own restaurant makes me proud and feel great about what I love to do," said Giacomo. His actions and dedication to his work are refreshing and added to the dining experience.

Giacomo and his family are very respectful people. With more and more people coming in and out of the restaurant, customers had

nothing but great things to say.

The quality of food and service at Giacomo's deserves to be recognized, so visit the restaurant in Des Plaines, Illinois. It is definitely worth the drive no matter where you live. And, as promised to Giacomo, the next time I visit, I will order something other than the Chicken Caesar Salad.



MICHELLE CZAJA

Halloween costume D.I.Y. on the Fly

By Elizabeth Lynch
Staff writer

Imagine it's the day before a Halloween party, and you're scouring multiple Halloween shops, searching for a last-second Halloween costume.

You want to have a clever costume, but you know you can't afford to spend forty dollars (the average price of a quality costume from a Halloween store), and to be honest, most of those costumes are already picked over and made with cheap fabric that nearly falls apart the second you try it on.

So, how will you throw together an easy, thrifty, last-second Halloween costume? Do it yourself!

Here's an idea for Women's Costume.

Love her or hate her, Miley Cyrus is considered 2013's most popular Halloween costume of 2013. The only costume shop that sells her "Twerkin' Teddy Bear" leotard is Spirit Halloween.

Excluding all the outrageous accessories, the leotard by itself is \$39.99. If you want to go the more minimal route with a "Twerkin' Teddy Bear" t-shirt, you would still have to fork over \$24.99.

You may not realize it, but you could simply make the costume yourself for no more than half those prices. Depending on how far you want to take your costume, you could even create it for free.

The best part is that you do not have to be a master seamstress to make one! As long as you know how to use scissors and an iron, you can create your own.

First, start with a piece of clothing you want for your base garment. You can use an actual leotard (grey and silver look most authentic) or you can simply use a sweatshirt, t-shirt, or tank top you already own. Remember, the goal is to simply give off the impression of the costume you want to emulate.

Next, draw out the teddy bear design using Google Images for reference. Cut out each part of the bear from computer paper (ad-

justing the size as needed), lightly labeling in pencil which piece is which color. You will use this as a pattern. Afterward, cut each shape out of felt.

Felt is sold by the yard or in squares. Or, if you're really on a budget, you can get away with cutting the shapes out of old t-shirts or fabric of the same colors. The next part may sound a little tricky, but the actual process is simple.

You will appliqué your felt or old fabric to your base with a paper-backed fusible web.

Simply draw out each shape on the smooth, paper side in the reverse (otherwise your shapes will come out backwards) and cut out each shape.

Then, with the wrong side of the felt or fabric facing up, lay the fusible web over the shape and use a dry heat from an iron to adhere the fusible web to your felt or fabric.

Peel off the paper part like you would with a sticker, then place the shape on your base garment the way you want it to appear when worn. Use a dry heat to adhere the shape to your base clothing and TA-DA!

You have made yourself one twerk-tastic Halloween costume! The process is effortless, but another easy alternative is simply using fabric glue to adhere the shapes to your base garment.

All supplies mentioned can be affordably found at a local fabric and craft store, such as Jo-Ann Fabrics.

Best Friends' Costumes leave you with almost endless options.

You're not limited to using the above appliqué technique for a Miley Cyrus costume. You can also use it to create adorable, complimentary costumes for you and your best friend!

My personal favorite is going as Tweety and Twitter bird. For these costumes one person dresses in a monochromatic yellow outfit, the other blue. You can appliqué a cute Tweety bird face or #twitterbird.

Even making your own bird wings is simple. Just purchase an inexpensive pair of butterfly wings

(or use wire hangers and old tights to mold your own) and completely cover it in feathers.

Other cute and easy best friends' ideas you can use appliqué with include Pepsi and Coke, Thing One and Thing Two, and two halves of a best friends' heart.

Even if you choose to not use the appliqué technique, you could easily thrift for other funny and outrageous costumes such as Honey Boo Boo and Mama June.

Simply buy a pink tutu and plastic tiara for Honey Boo Boo and sweatpants and stuffing for June. For "The Real Housewives", all you need is fake fur and costume jewelry. "The Hunger Games" characters are easy to do too. You just need utility jackets or windbreakers and black clothing.

You can have a lot of fun with men's Costumes too! If you're really crunched for time but still want a creative look, you can throw together a costume with just six pieces or less and look as though you planned the costume for months.

The "Breaking Bad" series finale aired recently. What better way to pay tribute than to dress up as Mr. Walter White himself?

All you will need is a yellow disposable coverall (used for paint-

ing), thin-rimmed glasses, blue rubber gloves, a bald cap, a false goatee, and (if you're feeling especially ambitious) a pretend gas mask, which can be found at many Halloween stores for around ten dollars.

To save extra money, you could instead wear a plaid flannel shirt and khakis you already own in place of Walter's laboratory look.

Couple's Costumes are the most fun costumes to plan out. I recommend researching the phrase "couple's costumes" on Youtube, Tumblr, and Pinterest for inspiration. The easiest and cheapest to imitate are characters from children's cartoons.

For example, you can both dress up as Blue (blue dress with appliqué dots) and Steve (striped shirt, khakis) from "Blue's Clues". Or you can go as Lilo (Hawaiian shirt and grass skirt) and Stitch (blue hoodie with appliqué).

I also love the concept of going as one of the couples from "Duck Dynasty". It's totally fun and the only pieces needed would be a bandanna or baseball cap, camouflage, and the obvious scruffy beard.

Many of these costumes are clever and include minimal costs

and effort.

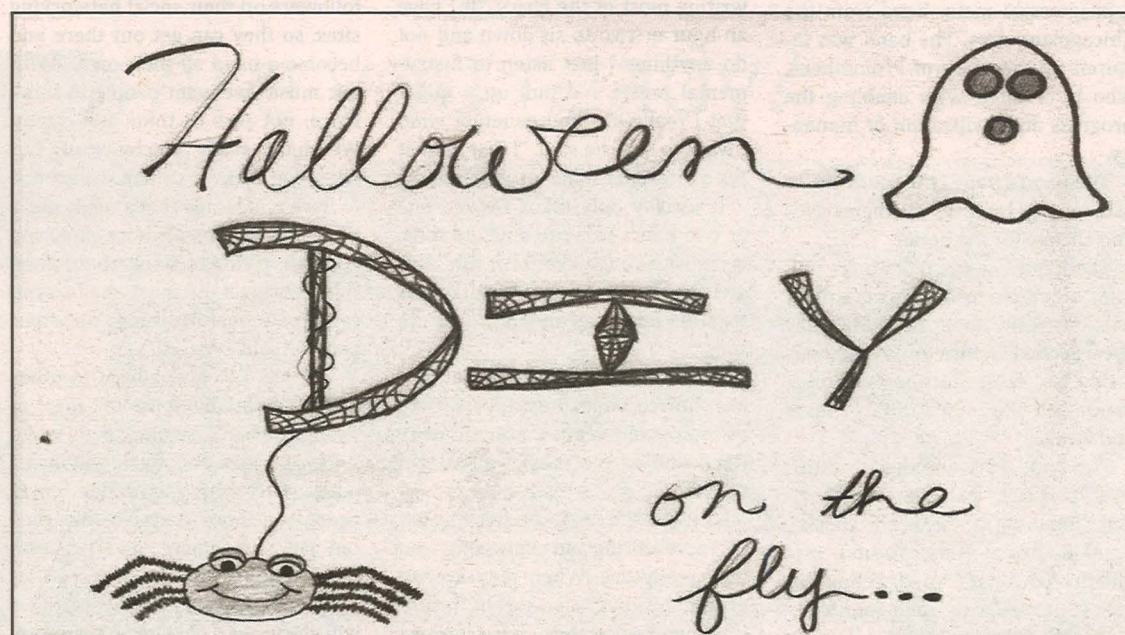
Great stores to shop at for supplies and inspiration include Goodwill, Salvation Army, home improvement stores, the Dollar Tree, and Jo-Ann Fabrics.

You should also consider putting emphasis on your hair and makeup. It's inexpensive and can really take your costume that extra mile.

Finally, if you are going the route of purchasing a costume from a Halloween costume shop, ask about the store's return policy. Many tend to be final sale. When possible, try the costume on in person before buying. The last thing you would want is to be stuck with an ill-fitting costume!

There are so many creative ways to create your own Halloween costume with minimal time and effort. This year, try thinking outside the box and create your own innovative look. Don't feel forced to completely mimic the look of one individual character.

Put your own spin on your look to give off the personality of the character you want to portray. When you receive many compliments during that Halloween party, you'll be proud you took the time and effort to DIY your own costume!



ELIZABETH LYNCH

“Machete Kills” is so ridiculous it’s great

By Larissa Martinez-Szewczyk
Staff Writer

“Machete Kills”, Robert Rodriguez’s latest “over the top” film, is so chock-full of ridiculousness, it’s amazing. The actors play their roles brilliantly in a way that leaves the audience laughing for the whole hour and forty-seven minutes.

The cast of this movie is excellent. Danny Trejo plays the role of the main character, Machete. Sofia Vergara plays Desdemona, a woman who runs a brothel.

Michelle Rodriguez plays Luz, one of Machete’s friends. Mel Gibson plays Voz, the man who tries to bring about the destruction of the world and Lady Gaga plays La CAMELEÓN, a skilled killer who can literally change her face.

Antonio Banderas plays one of La CAMELEÓN’s transformations. Last, but definitely not least, Charlie Sheen plays none other than the President of the United States.

The basic plot of the movie is the President tells Machete that he needs to track down a guy named Mendez (Demian Bichir) in Mexico and kill him because he has a mis-

sile aimed at Washington.

Things get complicated when Machete realizes that the multiple-personalities Mendez has linked the missile to his heart, meaning that if he dies the missile will be launched. There’s an interesting twist when Machete and Mendez find out a \$10 million hit is placed on them and brings with it many interesting hit”men”.

The film is all tongue in cheek. The fact that Charlie Sheen is the President implies that this movie is not to be taken seriously.

The techniques that Machete uses to kill his enemies are just ridiculous. He kills one guy by sticking his hand into his victim’s stomach wound and pulling out the guy’s intestines. Machete then throws the innerds into the moving rotors of a helicopter, meaning the guy gets chopped up.

At the beginning of the film, Machete grabs a foe by his neck and sticks his machete into a power box, electrocuting the guy in the process. Afterwhich, Machete just walks off as if nothing ever happened.

The self concious references emphasize the camp nature of the movie. Alexa Vega, who plays

the character Killjoy, and wears leather-studded chaps, is known for her role as Carmen in the “Spy Kids” movies. Banderas, also a star in “Spy Kids”, is one of the transformations that La CAMELEÓN makes.

His character is complete with a fake mustache, which he rips off to the enjoyment of any “Spy Kids” fan, since his character in that movie kept having his moustache ripped off.

All the prostitutes pull double duty as hit men. Desdemona is one who is out to kill Machete.

She normally has a group of her prostitutes with her, especially when she is chasing after Machete. Interestingly enough, they all are proficient with guns.

Luz, Machete’s one eyed pal, is a badass. Like the majority of the female characters, she kicks ass in limited clothing.

She ends up completely blind after Miss San Antonio (Amber Heard) shoots her in her good eye.

She somehow manages to live through it, and just after the shooting, she and Miss San Antonio are fighting each other.

Luz surprisingly holds her own in the fight, even though her opponent has a knife. The fight climaxes

when the pageant queen throws her crown at Luz, but Luz catches it and throws it back, the tip of it puncturing Miss San Antonio’s heart.

Voz, the villain, plays out the camp, as well. He seems almost crazy because he says he can see the future, though he plans to bring about the end of the world himself. He calls himself a “Star Wars” fan just as he gets into a replica of a speeder that was on Tatooine, except the replica had wheels instead of hovered, which was funny. He also designed many futuristic guns, including a molecule gun.

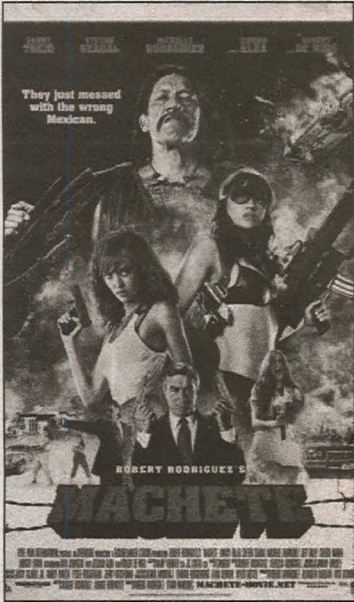
His Star Wars fan level is topped when he finds Luz stumbling around after she defeated Miss San Antonio and has her frozen in carbonite, just like Hans Solo in “Star Wars”.

As the camera looks at Luz’s frozen form, the audience sees that she was giving Voz the finger.

The film is so unrealistic but funny at the same time that it makes you ask, “Seriously?” The gore along with the great cast makes the movie amazing, possibly because it is completely ludicrous. Like Rodriguez’s other films, this may be the most ridiculous movie

out there, but it is a great time.

The movie is definitely going to have a sequel, most likely called “Machete Kills Again...in Space,” since it begins and ends with a somewhat dated-looking movie trailer with that name. Machete is seen fighting Voz with lightsaber-looking machetes, which is another product of Voz’s love for “Star Wars”.



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Pico de Gallo Guacamole

By John Filler
Dining Services

Ingredients Preparation

2 lbs Diced fresh tomatoes

6 oz Diced red onion

3 oz Diced fresh jalepeno

3 oz Chopped cilantro

1 ea Juice from 1 lime

1 tbsp Kosher salt

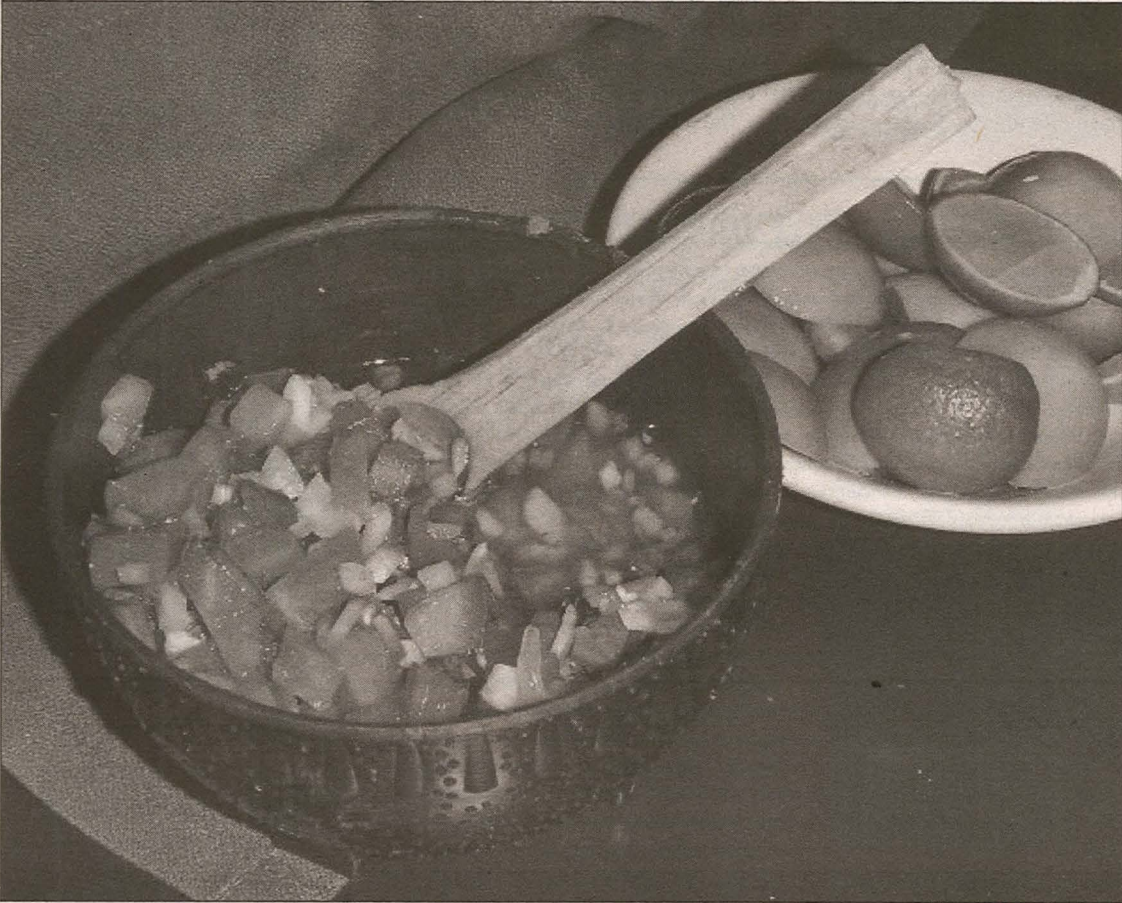
Step 1. Dice tomato into ¼ “ dice.

Step 2. Chop onion and jalapeno into 1/8” dice or mince.

Step 3. Finely chop cilantro and add all ingredients into a mixing bowls.

Step 4. Squeeze lime juice on ingredients, add salt and mix thoroughly.

Step 5. Refrigerate for up to 3 days.



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Ingredients

7 ea Avocado

1 ea Juice from limes

1 oz Chopped fresh cilantro

2.5 oz Pico de Gallo

1 small Diced fresh jalapeno

Pinch Kosher salt

and twist each side until the avocado pulls apart.

Step 2. Using a spoon scrape out the avocado from the skin. Pull out the pit and throw away. Repeat with all avocados.

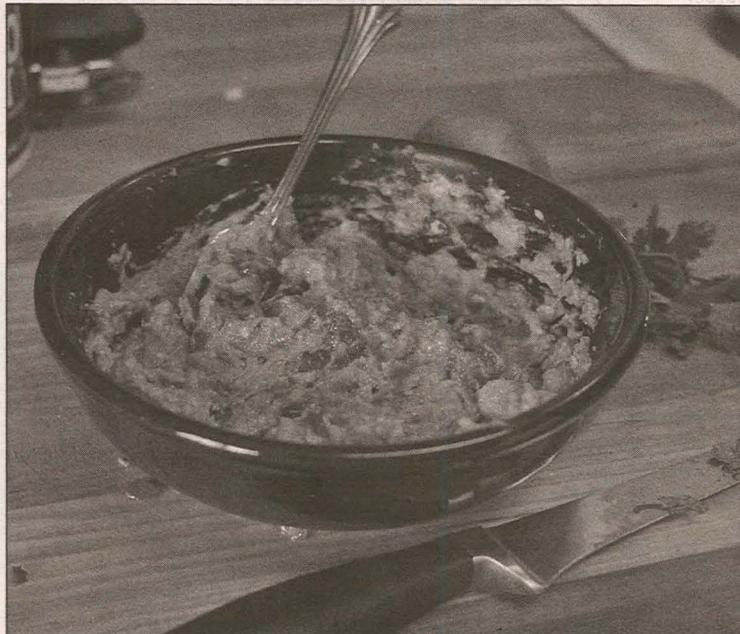
Step 3. Place avocado in a large mixing bowl. Chop the cilantro and dice the jalapeno. Add to the avocado.

Preparation

Step 1. Carefully using a knife, cut into avocado until the pit is hit. Slice around the pit until you reach where the cut started. Pick the avocado up in both hands

Step 4. Add the pico de gallo and salt. Mix thoroughly and refrigerate up to 3 days.

Step 5. If holding longer than 1 night, place 2-3 pits in the mix. This will help keep the avocado from turning brown.

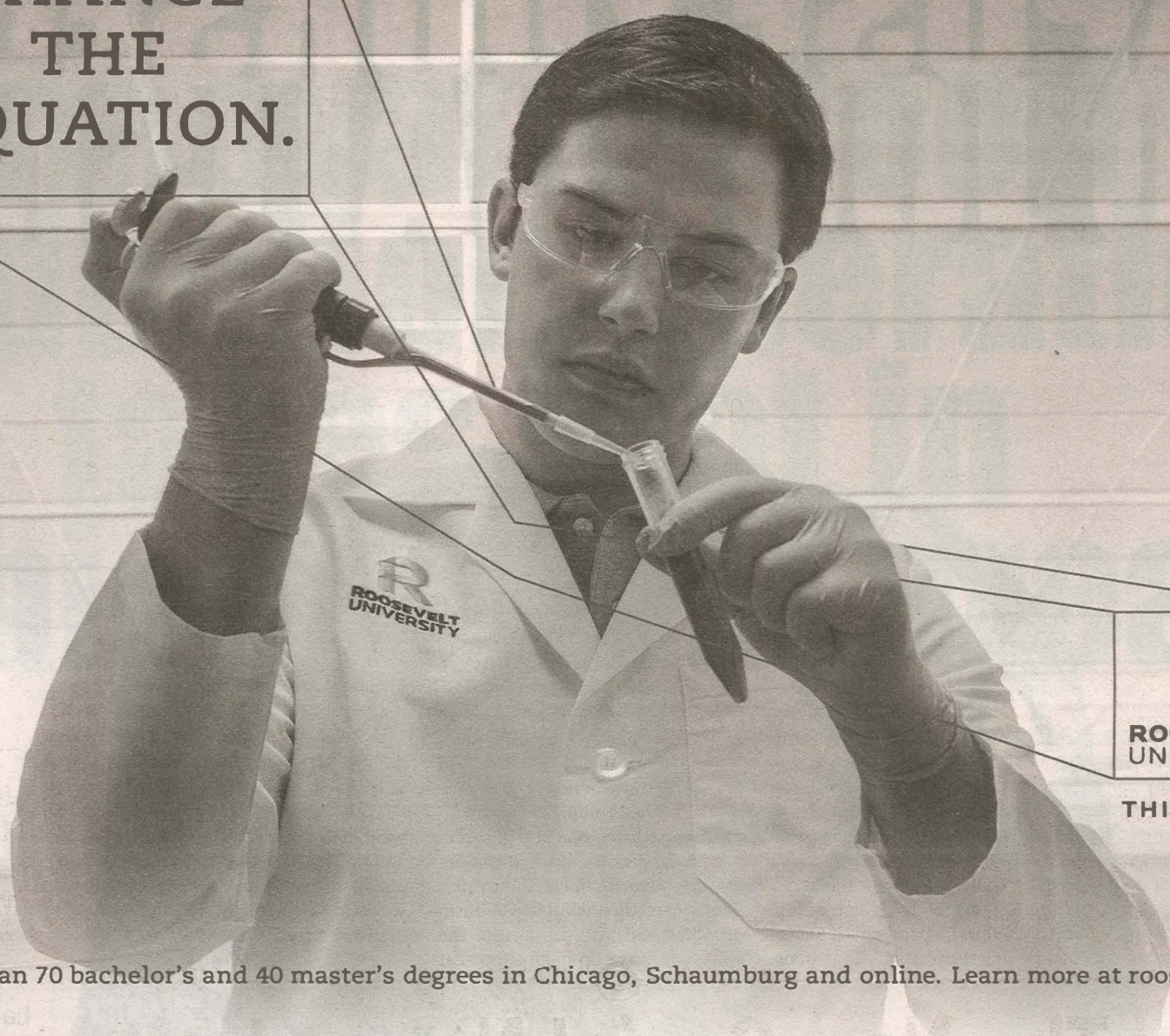


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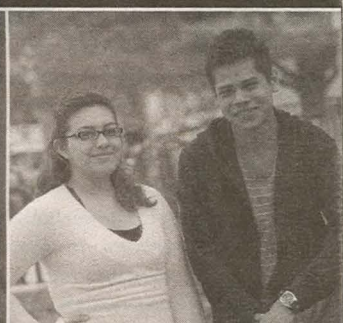
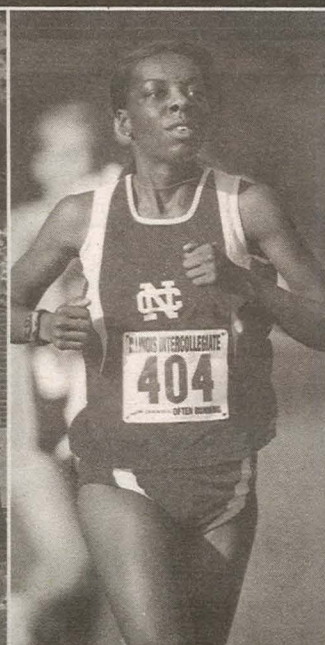
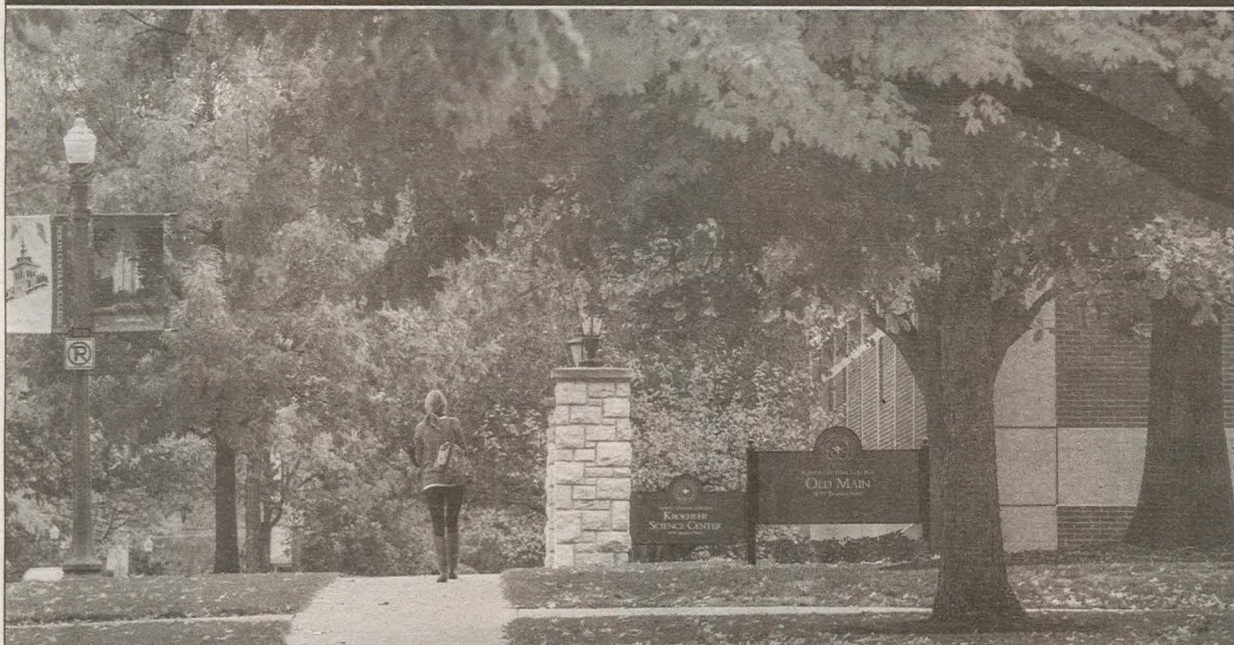
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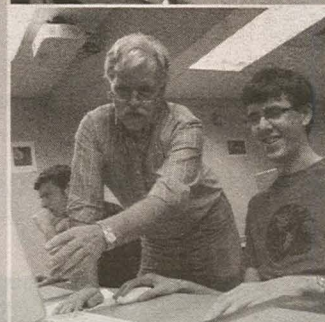
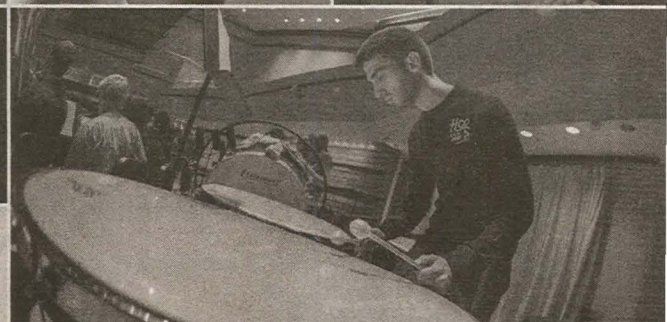


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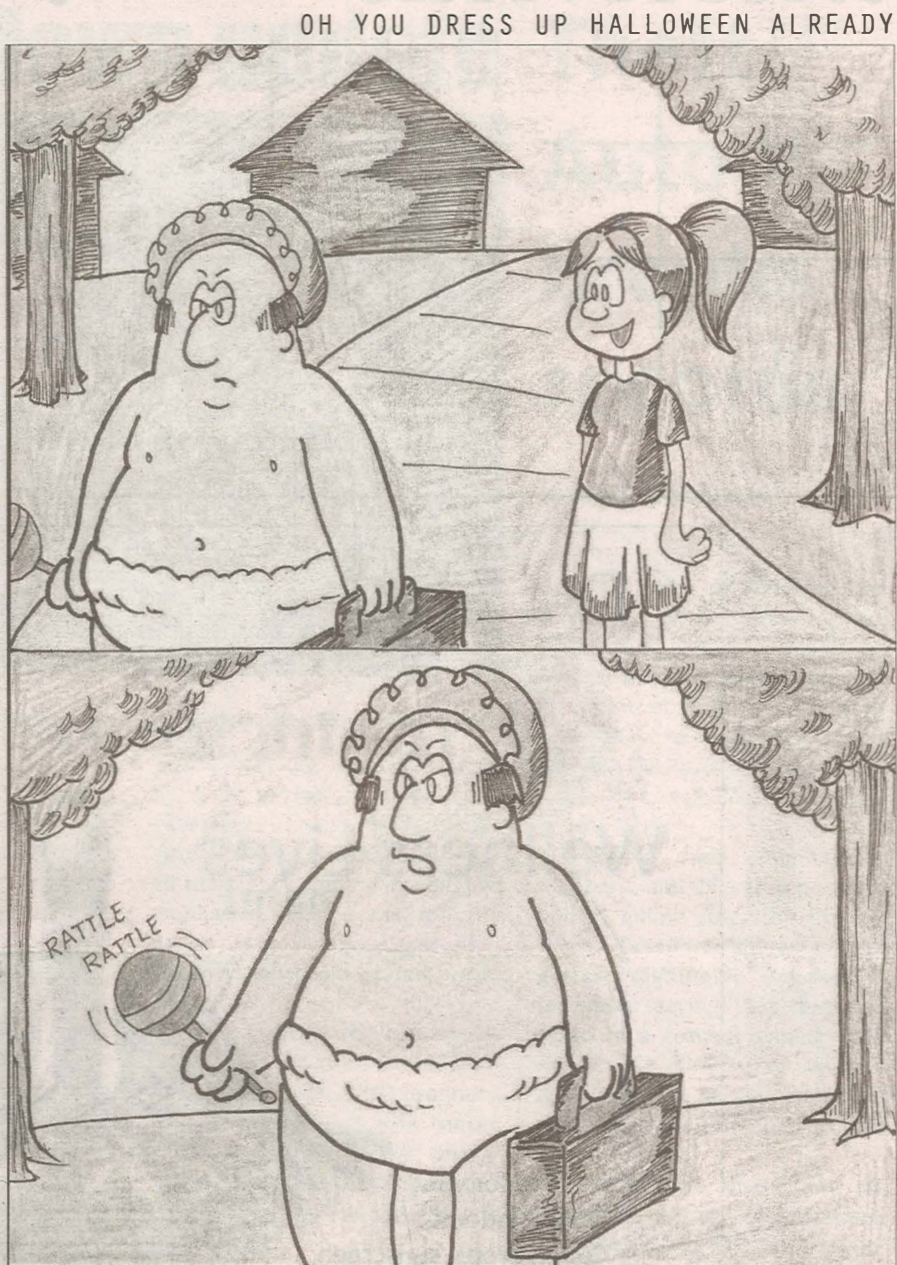
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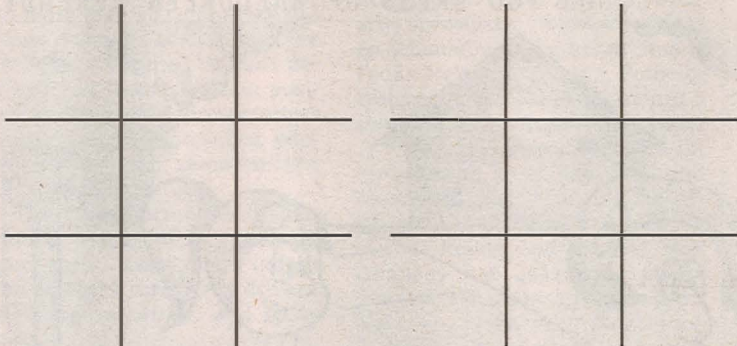
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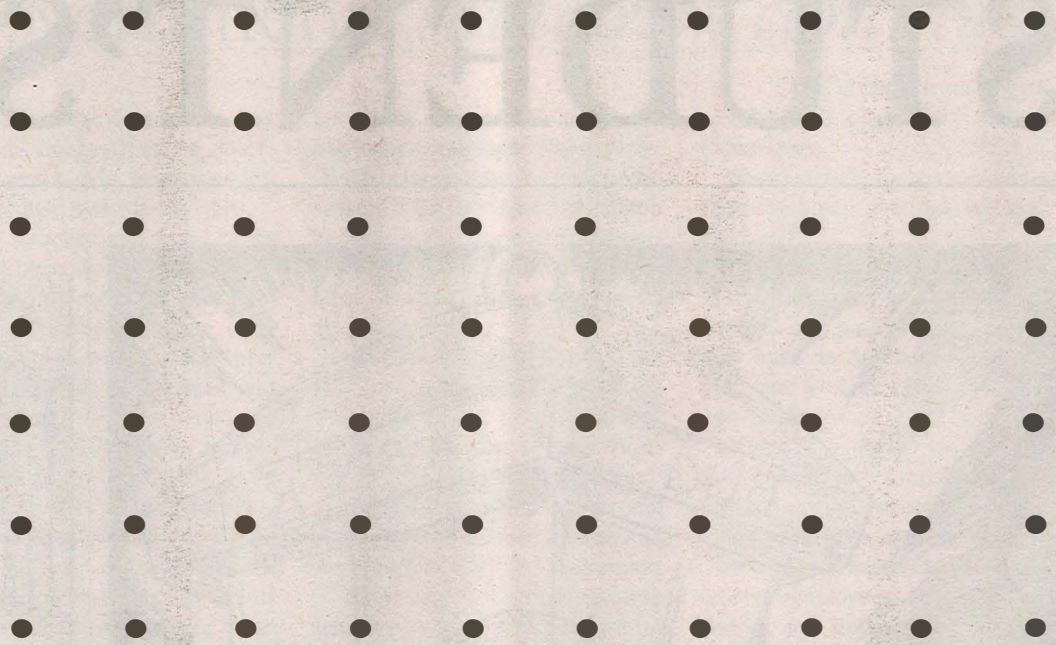
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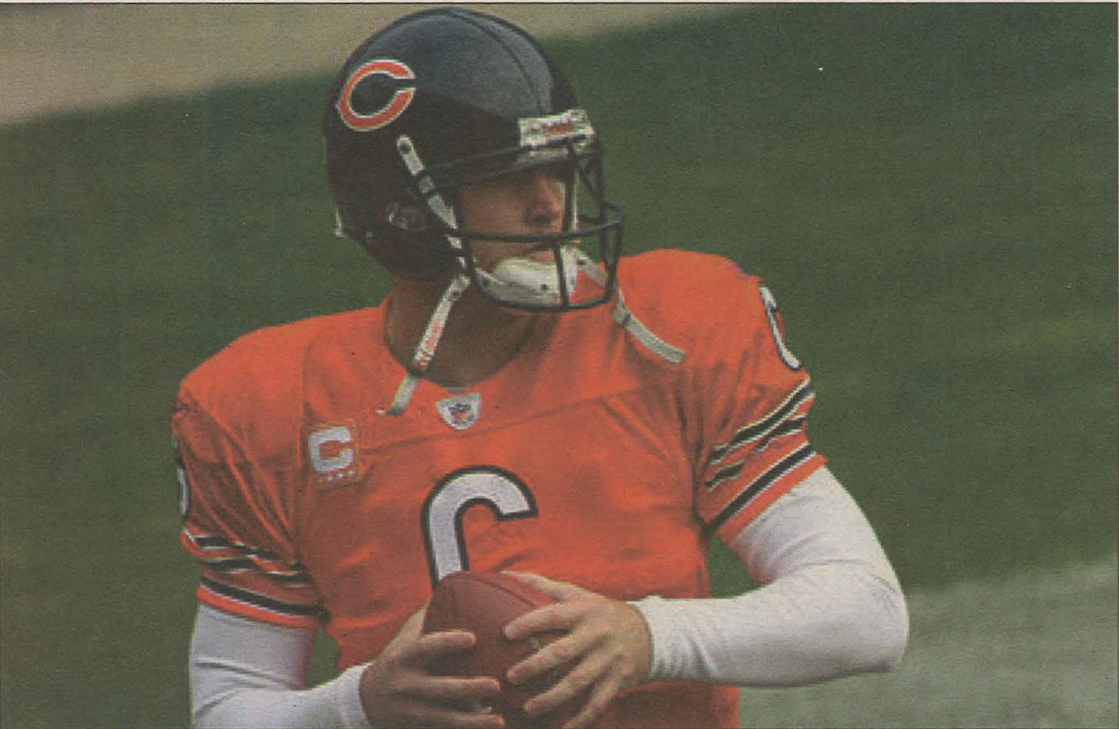
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Chicago Bears lose starting Quarterback Jay Cutler during Washington Redskins game, Oct. 20.

Bears Lose the Game, the Quarterback, and Other Key Players

By Michelle Czaja
Managing Editor

Coming in with a 4-2 record after playing the New York Giants, winning by just six points, the Bears had hoped to leave with a 5-2 record after playing the Washington Redskins (1-4) on Oct. 20. In preparation for the game against the Redskins, the Bears had believed they had it in them to take on a win, but they just couldn't bring it home.

The Bears began the game, punting to the Redskins, who started at their own 20-yard-line. Two minutes in, the Redskins dropped the ball and lost a total of 17 yards in the first quarter. The

Redskins kicked a field goal to put three points on the board early in the first quarter.

In their first drive of the game, the Bears barely made their way down the field, forcing them to punt.

On their third drive, Redskins' Quarterback Robert Griffin III threw an interception pass to Bears cornerback Charles Tillman, giving the Bears a 1st and Goal start continuing their drive. Running back Matt Forte scored the first touchdown of the game for the Bears, bringing the score to 10 to 3. The Bears' 10 points were scored in just 61 seconds.

The Redskins started the second quarter, moving the ball down

field to score their first touchdown of the game, bringing the score to 10 to 10. The Redskins recovered a failed pass to Jeffery, from the Bears' 21-yard-line, and scored another touchdown.

With about 10 minutes left in the second quarter, Redskins' Chris Baker sacked Cutler during an attempt to pass, forcing him to leave the game with a groin injury and a questionable return for the season. John McCown, the Bears third-string-quarterback took over for the rest of the game.

Devin Hester scored an 81-yard touchdown tying the score at 17 to 17 as the second quarter wound

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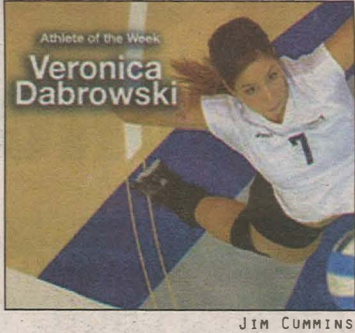
Dabrowski Domlnating for Second Year

By Bill Smith
Sports Communications Assistant

Harper sophomore volleyball player Veronica Dabrowski (Mount Prospect, Ill./Rolling Meadows) possesses all the attributes of a volleyball player. She's tall, strong, mobile, coordinated, skilled, experienced, coachable, smart and possesses a great vertical jump.

As Dabrowski is playing the final stretch of her Harper volleyball career, she continues to show off her repertoire of skills while being an exemplary teammate. Dabrowski is at or near the top of several NJCAA statistical reasons and has been named the sixth Harper College Athlete of the Week for the 2013-14 school year.

A natural outside hitter, Dabrowski has played middle hitter for much of the year because



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NATION

Drone Ecology

Drones-Future of Ecological Research

By Bill Waltrich
Staff Writer

Even before the first reported U.S. drone strikes in Pakistan, there has been a plethora of research and advancement in the field of unmanned air vehicles.

Besides the overly publicized ability for these machines to take lives and spy on terrorist and criminal suspects, these new devices are also being utilized for ecological conservation efforts around the world.

Widely referred to as "UAV's" (Unmanned Air Vehicles), or drones, these machines are now being used to serve as a fundamental and low-cost tool to study Earth's biological systems.

From studying Orangutan populations in Sumatra and invasive aquatic plants in Florida, to anti-poaching efforts in Nepal and Snow Leopard conservation in Mongolia, these micro to large-sized machines hold much promise for researchers.

According to H. Franklin Percival, an Associate Professor at the University of Florida who is heavily involved in unmanned aerial systems research, "Relatively cheap and portable, the drones fill a gap between satellite and manned aircraft imagery and on-the-ground observations...the potential uses are almost unlimited."

The idea was even featured in Scientific American's 10 "World Changing Ideas" of 2012. "ConservationDrones.org", led in part by the Assistant Professor of Applied Ecology and Conservation at ETH Zürich, Lian Pin Koh, is currently leading a campaign to apply this new technology to the study and conservation of Snow Leopards in Mongolia.

"In this project we seek to demonstrate the feasibility of using low-cost UAVs for explorations of remote and hard-to-reach snow leopard habitats. Specifically, we will mount a two-week long expedition to snow leopard habitats near Dalanzadgad, Mongolia with a fleet of three UAVs equipped with high resolution photographic cameras, high definition video cameras and thermal imaging cameras.

We will conduct daily aerial transect surveys of snow leopard habitats including thermal imag-

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CAMPUS

Harper Clubs Struggle to Promote Events Across Campus

Invisible Children Draws A Small Crowd

By Nicole Wagner
Staff Writer

Harper clubs host events throughout the year to present important issues to students, yet many of these events do not receive the attention they deserve.

Harper's Phi Theta Kappa chapter hosted a screening of an Invisible Children documentary on Thursday, Oct. 24, and out of the thousands of students enrolled at Harper, only one student came.

The chapter promoted the event by passing out flyers, showing a short promotional video in their classes, and setting up a promotional table. They promoted only a week prior to the event, which may have contributed to the event's low attendance.

Members of the Phi Phi chapter worked together with the organization, which provides a promotional packet for hosts to use. However,

Phi Phi President Jamie Ma-

honey stated that chapter members waited nearly a month before receiving the Invisible Children promotional pack.

Events' low attendance may also be due to a lack of interest in its topic, or, in the case of Invisible Children, student's may not be able to stomach the topic.

People may find it difficult to disengage themselves from their own lives and reflect upon the horror, bloodshed, and violence.

The organization raises aware-

ness of the 26-year-long war between the Lords Resistance Army and the African people.

The group showed "Tony," a documentary that tells the story of a Ugandan boy, the main inspiration for the organization and the friendship he developed with the founders.

Invisible Children provides tools and safe-havens for the child refugees throughout Africa who have been abducted and forced to serve as soldiers and to other survivors.

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Drone Ecology: Looking Into the Future

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ing transects an hour before sunrise aimed at counting ungulate prey species; video transects in the late morning to visually locate prey species; and photographic (mapping) transects in the early afternoon for the purpose of mapping habitat and major vegetation types.

The acquired photographs will be processed to produce geo-rectified photo-mosaics of habitats and three-dimensional digital surface models." (ConservationDrones.org)

These technologies are becoming more prominent in ecological research as time passes and new advancements in electronics, sensors, materials science, and batteries occur.

The Harvard Microrobotics Lab is currently developing "Micro Unmanned Aerial Vehicles". Once written about in Michael Crichton's science fiction novel "Micro", these 0.1-0.5 meter flying robots are now being developed to fly autonomously in large groups. Sound scary? It does not have to be.

Imagine, having the ability to monitor different species' migration patterns, eating habits, methods of growth, social hierarchy, energy systems, etc. from across the world.... aided by swarms of UAVs equipped with live high definition video/audio feeds, and sensory equipment performing functions such as soil, air, and water analyses... Along with complex computer programs capable of mapping patterns in behavior, or creating mathematical models that represent the ever changing ecology of our many biological systems.

Perhaps, students from Harper's Society of Engineers and the Environmental Club can one day unite to make this a reality at Harper, to develop and build an unmanned aerial vehicle capable of assisting in ecological research.

This is a relatively low-cost project that could bring together students and professors from many backgrounds. Those interested in biology, robotics, computer technology, chemistry, geography, flight dynamics,

etc., could all contribute to this.

With all new technology, however, comes great responsibility.

While these machines have the ability to help us accomplish great feats, when in the

wrong hands, they can be used to destroy and cause misery.



Captain Prabhat Thapa ready to launch the Caipy.

The Future Awaits New and Existing Students at Harper College

By Nicole Wagner & Matt Sadler
Staff Writers

Now is the time for high school juniors and seniors to take a look at their futures more closely. Students should always be looking at all their options.

Harper College is becoming more popular and it is continuing to be on more lists for students in the surrounding areas of Chicago as a choice for college.

Harper College is one of the premier community colleges in the United States as it continues to grow.

With the government making it harder to pay back and receive loans, the economy being such a disaster, the national debt being so high, the affordable cost at Harper, the great quality of education at Harper, and other reasons have made this college a more widespread option for students.

There was a Fall Open House for new and existing students here at Harper College.

It took place Oct. 17 in the Wojcik Conference Center. There were various presentations held, as well as tours of the campus.

Some of the various topics that were discussed pertained to how to gain guaranteed admission to the University of Illinois Urbana Champagne's College of Engineering through the Engineering Pathways program.

There were Distinguished Fac-

ulty Speakers for this event. They included Dr. Kenya Ayers, Dr. Shante Bishop from the Department of Academic Success, Dr. Monica Edwards from the Business and Social Sciences Division, Dr. Bhasker Moorthy from the Math and Sciences Division, and Dr. Helmut Publ from the Business and Social Sciences Division.

There were tables set up in the Dining Hall and W101 for Academic, Career, and Student Support Services Information.

The tables included were for the Business and Social Sciences Division, Career and Technical Programs Division, Health Careers Division, Liberal Arts Division, Math and Sciences Division, and Student Support Services (W101).

Harper College serves as a very viable opportunity for students like Lucas and Emily Rock, who are brother and sister from Conant High School.

Lucas attended the event as a senior mainly focusing his college exploration on Harper College.

Lucas stated, "My main goals and ambitions for attending this event were focused upon learning as much as possible about Harper and my future goal is to become self employed."

Emily also came to this event to learn more information about Harper and to improve herself as much as possible.

As a sophomore, she has

more time to explore all her options. She said she is interested in Photography.

High school student, John Babcock, attended the event as well. He is primarily interested in Harper's two-year program and transferring to a four-year school to further his education.

He likes Harper because of the affordability in tuition and because the staff here provides opportunities for a good education.

Babcock's top college choices are Northern Illinois University, Illinois State University, University of Illinois Champagne, and Eastern Illinois University.

Babcock is looking at all his options and he hopes that this event can provide a plan for a smooth transition from High School to College.

High school senior Jacob Quirk attended the Fall Open House event to look around and help him figure out what he wants to do with his life.

His mom is a faculty member at the college, so he knows the benefits of attending Harper College quite well.

Quirk also believes that Harper possess great potential in their quality programs and education.

He is also looking at The University of America in Bulgaria.

Overall, Harper College remains a great option for students of all personalities, learning styles, intelligence levels, interests, disabilities.


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Harper Coach Competes at 2013 Chicago Marathon

By Bill Smith
Sports Communications Assistant

Harper assistant cross country coach Eric Wallor competed in his first Chicago Marathon in 2008 with very limited training.

This year, Wallor ran in his fifth Chicago Marathon and ninth overall, placing 71st out of 38,873 finishers with a time of 2:28:44.

In that first marathon in 2008, Wallor ran a 2:42 time but had bigger aspirations for his running career.

"I really wanted to devote all of my training to bringing that time down," he said.

A former Harper All-American and standout runner at the University of Illinois, Wallor trained with the current Harper cross country team during the months and weeks leading up to the race and went on long runs of 15-20 miles on the weekend.

He also bounced ideas off Harper head cross country coach Jim Macnider, who is an experienced marathoner himself and owns a PR (personal record) of 2:19:44.

Leading up to the race, Wallor wasn't dealing with any injuries and described it as "the best I've ever felt".

He set his race goal as 2:24 (5:30 mile pace), which would have been a PR from his previous best time of 2:26:48.

On race day this past Sunday,

Wallor was spot-on through the first half, running a consistent 5:30 pace and settling in with a pack of runners who had the same aspirations.

However, he started dealing with some stomach issues but was really hoping it would go away.

By mile 14, the pain was too much, and he needed to make a rest stop.

The stop cost him about a minute but more importantly, he lost the pack he was running with.

While Wallor wasn't totally satisfied with the end result of 2:28:44, he isn't giving up his dream of qualifying for the USA Olympic Marathon Trials in 2016.

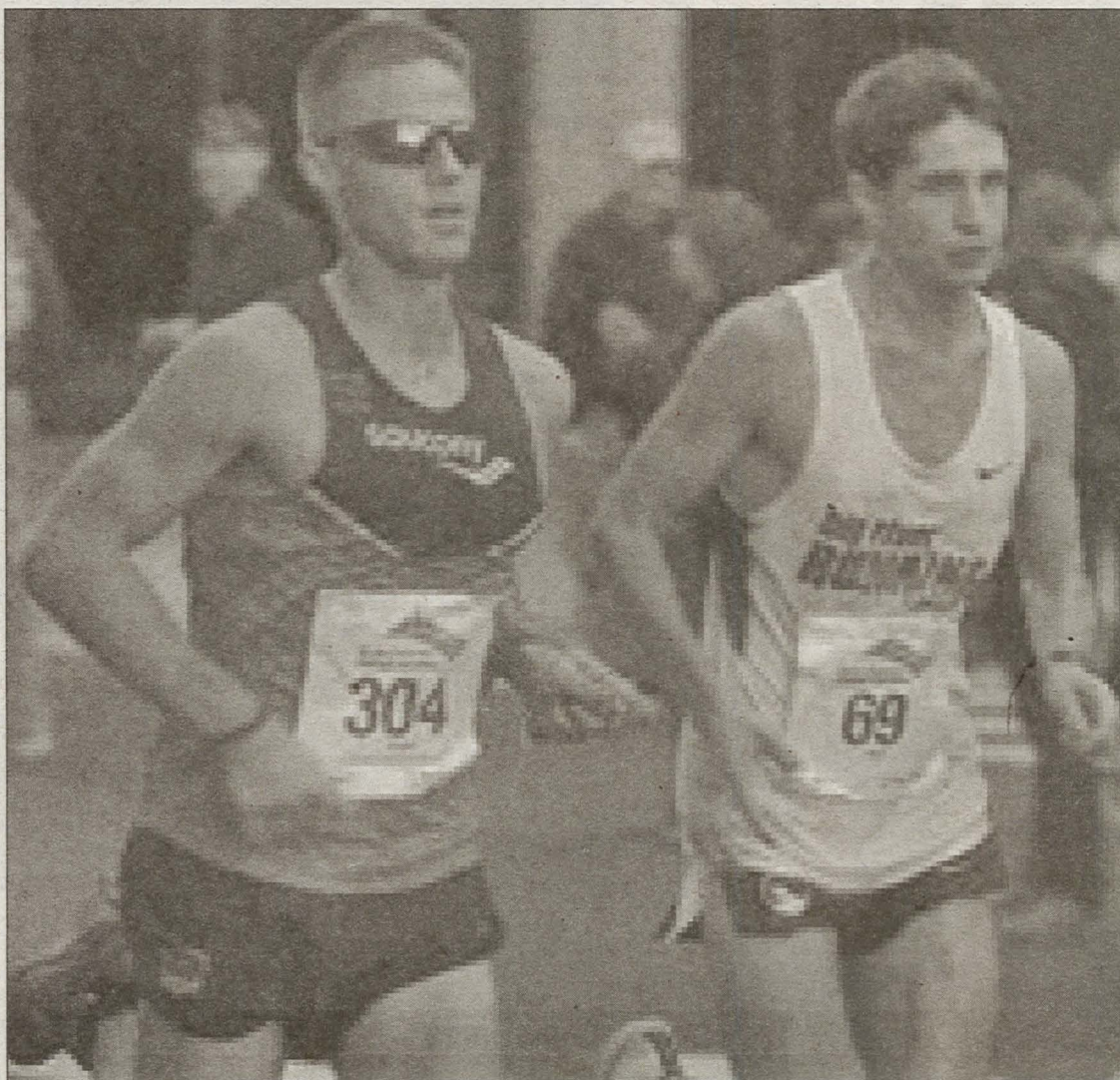
The standard to qualify now is 2:18, but Wallor is optimistic he can get there.

"I feel like I'm in better shape than when I was running competitively in college," he said. "I was in really good shape then, but I'm above that level."

I was hoping to do better, but it just didn't work out. Going into 2014, I feel really good about dropping some more time."

Wallor offered some parting advice to those who may want to try running longer races.

"Find a plan, be consistent and stay with what you've done. Even the slightest thing can affect you. Do what you've been doing in the long runs up to that point."



Eric Wallor competes in the 2013 Chicago Marathon.

JESSICA RIFIS

Chicago Marlins Win Lombard Baseball Championship Game

By Matthew Sadler
Staff Writer

On Sunday, Oct. 20 the Lombard Fall League hosted its annual adult men's baseball league championship game. The Chicago Marlins were officially crowned champions after their 10-9 victory against Busch League. It turned out to be a great game and one for the record books.

This is the Marlins' second straight appearance in the championship, losing 5-4 last year to the Cubs. The core group of players were back this year with some new faces to help them return to the championship game.

More than thirty fans filled the seats Sunday at Lombard's Madison Meadow Park to witness the Marlins beating Busch League in a very exciting dual that went back and forth for seven innings.

The bats were swinging early and often as the Marlins posted a team record eighteen hits for the game. Leading the charge were Greg Salecker (3-3, two runs, two runs batted in, and a double), and John Canale (3-4, one run, and one run batted in). Other Marlins contributing in a big way offensively were Sonny Caringella (2-3, one run, and one run batted in), Tim Greaney (2-3, two runs,

and one run batted in), and Greg La Montagna (2-3, and one run).

While Busch League took the early 1-0 lead in the first inning, the Marlins struck back right away scoring three runs in the bottom of the second inning on an RBI scoring ground ball by Matthew Sadler and two runs by Eric Russell and Greaney off of wild pitches.

Busch League added three runs in the third inning, only to be answered again by the Marlins in the bottom half of the inning with RBI singles by Adrian Cho, Salecker, and Caringella. They added three more runs in the fifth and sixth innings. Salecker scored Heath Berg in the fifth off a double; Greaney and Brian Killian both had RBI singles in the sixth.

Defensively, the Marlins were almost flawless. They only recorded one error in the game. A great running catch by Sadler in right field, and much needed pop-out catches by Salecker at first base and Joe Maggio at catcher kept them in front of Busch League. Then the game got a little interesting.

Marlin pitcher Dave Geuder, cruising along until the top of the seventh, struggled to close the game. With the score 9-4 in favor of the Marlins, Busch League

scored five runs off of six hits to tie the game without recording an out. Frustrated and refusing to come out, Geuder went back to work tired, sweaty, and giving all he had left. He struck out the next batter, and then he caused the next two hitters to pop-out.

The game was now tied 9-9. Unfazed, going into the bottom half of the inning, Geuder started off by legging out an infield hit to the shortstop. The Marlins' bench

was going nuts. La Montagna came in to pinch run for Geuder because of his good wheels. He advanced to second base on a routine ground ball to the shortstop put in play by leadoff hitter Berg. The shortstop chose to go for the safe out and threw to first base rather than going for the force out at second base. What was he thinking? Now the game winning run was in scoring position. All eyes were now on the

next hitter Canale.

La Montagna was taking a good lead at second. The pitch was thrown and Canale ripped a single to right field. La Montagna went all the way around scoring the winning run. The Marlins were now Fall League Champions for the first time. It was an all-around well played game by both teams.

- Inspired by Sonny Caringella



Chicago Marlins gather after winning The Lombard Championship at Madison Meadow Park on Sunday, Oct. 20

MATTHEW SADLER

Hawks Come Up Short Against Triton

By Bill Smith
Sports Communications Assistant

Despite a valiant effort by the Harper College men's soccer team to knock off top-seeded Triton College, the Hawks' season ended with a 2-0 defeat in the Region IV Semifinals on Oct. 26, Wednesday afternoon at the Schwaben Athletic Club.

On a cold and blustery afternoon, the Hawks (3-9) struggled to maintain possession of the ball in the game's first 15 minutes but played sound defense to keep the game scoreless.

Harper finally applied pressure to the Trojan defense and nearly got on the board first. Aldo Figueroa (Wheeling, Ill./Buffalo Grove) sent a beautiful cross to the center of the box for a streaking Luis Vargas (Palatine, Ill./Palatine) but could not connect as the ball rolled past.

The Trojans (11-1-1) struck first in the 18th minute on a turnover in the Harper zone. Midfielder Ruben Chavez capitalized on the mistake, drilling a shot into the lower left corner of the net, beating Hawks goalkeeper Sean Cox (Schaumburg, Ill./Conant) for a 1-0 lead.

Triton carried over the momentum with crisp passing, keeping the ball away from the Hawks for much of the rest of the half. In the 38th minute, Triton's Gustavo Sandoval sent a ball into the penalty area, and Pierre Day headed it past Cox to give the Trojans a 2-0 edge heading into halftime.

The Hawks cleaned up their passing in the second half and had some scoring chances to show for it. Harper put four shots on goal in the second half, including two by midfielder Ryan Murphy (Schaumburg, Ill./Schaumburg). Kevin Engebretsen (Elk Grove Vil-

lage, Ill./Conant) also had a prime chance but was shut down.

The Trojans outshot the Hawks 14-5 in the game. In his final game for Harper, sophomore goalkeeper Sean Cox (Schaumburg, Ill./Conant) made 13 saves in a losing effort.

Triton moved on to the Region IV Championship on Saturday, Oct. 26 to take on second-seeded Joliet, who beat Madison 1-0 on Wednesday, Oct. 26 to advance to the title game. Joliet beat Triton on Saturday's game with a score of 2-0 to take the Region IV Championship Title.



JIM CUMMINS

Harper's season ended with a 2-0 defeat against Triton.

Harper Women Compete at Bradley Classic

By Bill Smith
Sports Communications Assistant

The Harper women's cross country team had five runners compete at the Bradley Classic on Friday, Oct. 18.

The Hawks finished in 13th place with 316 points.

After battling injury for the first part of the season, Stephanie Chaires (Palatine, Ill./Christian Liberty) finished as Harper's top runner for the second straight meet, crossing the finish line in 25:53 for a 63rd place finish in the 6K race.

Mary Piltaver (/Conant) took 91st place overall with a time of 27:42. Lori Delfin (/Wheeling)

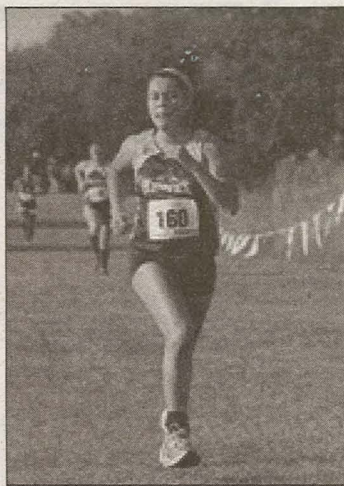
was Harper's third runner to finish, clocking a time of 28:53 to finish in 106th place.

Gabby Beaupre (Elk Grove Village, Ill./Elk Grove) took 119th place with a time of 30:11 while Cindia Salgado (Wheeling, Ill./Wheeling) finished in 122nd place with a time of 30:54.

The University of Missouri was the overall meet champion with 15 points, followed by Bradley University (43 points) and Drake University (88 points).

On Saturday, Nov. 2 the Hawks traveled to Joliet for the Region IV Championship.

The team is currently ranked No. 8 in the NJCAA National Poll.



JIM CUMMINS

The Hawks took 13th place at the Bradley Classic.

Harper Men Place Second at Bradley Classic

By Bill Smith
Sports Communications Assistant

The Harper men's cross country team put together another strong showing, placing second out of 13 teams at the Bradley Classic on Friday, Oct. 18. The Hawks scored 51 points in the meet, finishing behind only meet champion IUPUI (27 points).

Greenville College (58 points) was a close third place, followed by College of DuPage in fourth place (133 points).

Juan Barajas (Hoffman Estates, Ill./Schaumburg) once again led the Hawks with a 10th place finish in 26:40. Fellow freshman Zach Stella (Palatine, Ill./Palatine) was close behind, running a season-best time of 26:43 to take 13th place overall. Brennan Albuck (/Hoffman Estates) was Harper's third runner to finish, coming in at a season-best 27:00 and a 20th

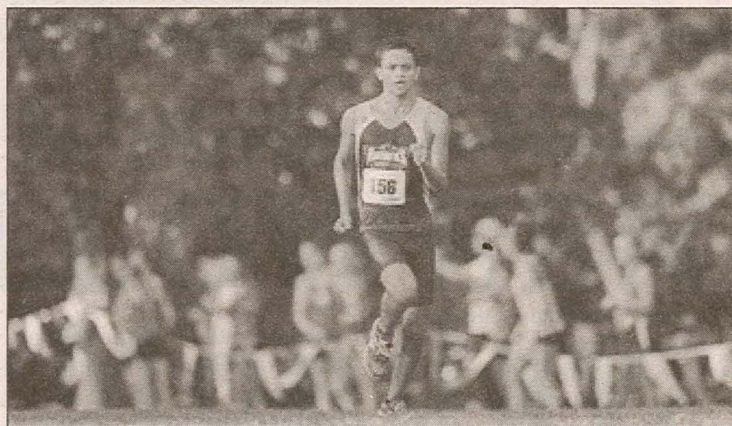
place finish.

Sophomores Nick Modlin (Wheeling, Ill./Wheeling) and Jhoan Lino (León, Guanajuato/Streamwood) rounded out the top five for Harper, as Modlin took 26th place in 27:37 while Lino finished in 34th place in 27:53.

"I thought the men ran very

well," said Harper head coach Jim Macnider. "We are continuing to improve with three weeks to go until nationals."

On Saturday, Nov. 2 the Hawks traveled to Joliet for the Region IV Championship. The team is currently ranked No. 1 in the NJCAA National Poll.



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The Hawks captured second place at the Bradley Classic.

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COD Beats Harper for Region IV Crown

By Bill Smith
Sports Communications Assistant

The Harper College women's soccer team had no answers for College of DuPage in the Region IV title game on Oct. 19, falling 6-0 to end their season.

The Hawks' attack was smothered throughout the game, and they were only able to get off one shot on goal (Stephanie Hurwitz (Rolling Meadows, Ill./Fremd)).

COD's Angela Toritto scored in the 17th minute on an assist from Heather Muno to give the Chaparrals a 1-0 edge. She scored again in the 35th minute on a feed from Muno and Emily Plourde to give COD a 2-0 lead heading into half-

time.

The Chaparrals got second half goals from Plourde, Muno, Yaricza Flores and Alana Alfeche. Christina Siddu was the victor in goal.

Harper goalkeeper Katie Kushner (/Barrington) made 13 saves in a losing effort for the Hawks.



JIM CUMMINS

The Hawks fell in the Region IV title game to COD.

Chicago Bears: *The Loss of Jay Cutler*

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down. However, the Redskins scored their third touchdown of the game with 27 seconds left on the clock, Putting them ahead of the Bears, 24 to 17 going into halftime.

The Bears tried to come back more energized for the second half of the game, but they suffered some mishaps. After McCown failed to turn gained yards into a touchdown, Robbie Gould came in with a missed field goal, his first of the season. As the third quarter progressed, the Redskins continued to lead 24 to 17.

Forte ran a 50-yard touchdown, for his second of the game, once again tying the teams. After this score, Linebacker Lance Briggs left the game with a shoulder injury and a probable return.

The Redskins scored their fourth touchdown with a little over three minutes remaining in the third quarter. Down seven points, the Bears received the ball. As a pass was completed to Jeffrey, a penalty against the Redskins gave the Bears 15 more yards in their drive.

The score remained 31 to 24 as the fourth quarter began. From the Redskins 16-yard-line, Forte connected with the ball to score his third touchdown of the game.

With less than 13 minutes remaining, the Redskins started at their own 20-yard-line and took the ball downfield for their fourth touchdown. The Bears answered back with a field goal, bringing the score to 38 to 34.

As if things hadn't been going badly enough for the Bears already, they lost Cornerback

Charles Tillman to a knee injury with a probable return in the last minutes of the game.

The clock dipped under five minutes and the Bears started with a 1st and Goal, attempting to score another touchdown. Martellus Bennett received the touchdown pass, bringing the game to 41 to 38 and the clock to 3:57.

Just under the two-minute-warning, the Redskins found themselves with a first and Goal at the three-yard-line. They scored their fifth touchdown, regaining the lead.

The Bears failed to score anymore points in the last seconds of the game. The final score of 41-45, brings the Bears' record to 4-3.

The upcoming bye-week gives the injured players some time to recover before playing their rivals, the Green Bay Packers, in their first Monday night game of the season, Nov. 4 at Lambeau Field. McCown has an important game ahead of him that will determine the tone of his season with the Bears.



CNA Plaza (Chicago, Illinois, USA) showing "Go Bears" lighted window display during a Chicago Bears Sunday Night Football game.

Dabrowski: *Continuing What She Does Best*

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the Hawks had a need at the position.

"Clearly, she is playing not only for herself, but for the team's success," said Harper head coach Bob Vilsoet.

"She puts the team's goals above her own goals and has elevated our team to be able to defeat other very strong teams such as D1 Kaskaskia and D1 John A. Logan."

She has improved majorly in her two years 'with the Hawks, becoming a well-rounded player with her hard-hitting, smart tipping and blocking and two lethal types of serves – a booming jump serve with topspin and a jump-float that can hit all spots on the opponents' court.

Vilsoet's confidence in her is apparent, as she leads the nation in matches played (46) and sets (151), sitting out only seven sets this year.

She is third in the nation in total kills (427) and total attacks (1138) and is also fourth in the NJCAA with 94.5 blocks.

Her hitting efficiency, which was 21.5 percent in 2012, is at 24.3 percent in 2013.

Finally, Dabrowski ranks second in the NJCAA with 584.5 points, a stat that combines kills, blocks and aces.

While her stats have been off the charts in the 2013 season, Dabrowski brings more to her team than what a box score shows.

"She is friends with everyone on the team. She makes everyone around her feel at ease," Vilsoet said.

"She laughs with the rest of the team, keeping us all in a good frame of mind. She is part of a team dynamic that is just outstanding."

Dabrowski thinks her team has come a long way from its 12-14 start to the season. Since that point, the Hawks have gone 15-6 and are ranked No. 5 in the nation.

"We struggled with consistency early on. However, we are a lot more consistent now, and it's exciting to see the improvement," she said.

The team that will likely stand in the way on the Hawks' path to nationals is No. 1 Madison College.

The WolfPack is 28-3 and has won 15 matches in a row.

The Hawks have come up short in all three matches against Madison this season.

Vilsoet believes if Dabrowski plays well, Harper has a strong chance of finally knocking off Madison.

Dabrowski will get her Associate in Science degree in May and most likely move on to the University of Illinois in the fall of 2014.

She has strong family ties to U of I, as her older brother and sister both graduated from there.

She plans to major in kinesiology and would someday like to work in health care.

Dabrowski is exploring the fields of physical therapy and sports medicine to see what she'd like to focus on.

As for her volleyball career, Vilsoet believes Dabrowski could play at many four-year schools and offered his insight on U of I.

"If she makes the U of I team, that would be a dream fulfilled. But if she plays club volleyball there, that will satisfy her, too," Vilsoet said.

While Dabrowski isn't actively pursuing other four-year schools as possible destinations to continue her volleyball career, she said she wouldn't rule it out if the opportunity seemed promising.

"It sounds very appealing, and I would definitely consider it and think it's an option," she said.

When she leaves Harper, Vilsoet knows Dabrowski and her fellow sophomores will be tough to replace.

"Veronica is part of the best sophomore leadership we've had here to date," he said. "When the sophomores graduate, there will be a major hole in our team to fill with new players."

Sports Schedule

November

Day / Sport:	Opponent / Event	Time:	Home / Away:	City:
4 Monday				
Men's Basketball	Judson University	7:00 p.m.	Home	Palatine, Ill.
5 Tuesday				
Women's Basketball	Elgin Community College	5:00 p.m.	Home	Elgin, Ill.
6 Wednesday				
7 Thursday				
Women's Basketball	College of Lake County	5:00 p.m.	Away	Grayslake, Ill.
Men's Basketball	College of Lake County	7:00 p.m.	Away	Grayslake, Ill.
8 Friday				
9 Saturday				
Women's Cross Country	NJCAA Championships	TBA*	Away	Northfield, Mass.
Men's Cross Country	NJCAA Championships	TBA*	Away	Northfield, Mass.
Wrestling	Loras Open	9:30 a.m.	Away	Dubuque, Iowa
Men's Basketball	Kishwaukee College	3:00 p.m.	Away	Malta, Ill.
10 Sunday				
11 Monday				
12 Tuesday				
Women's Basketball	Illinois Central College	5:00 p.m.	Home	Palatine, Ill.
Men's Basketball BB	Illinois Central College	7:00 p.m.	Home	Palatine, Ill.
13 Wednesday				
14 Thursday				
Women's Basketball	Moraine Valley Community College	5:00 p.m.	Home	Palatine, Ill.
Men's Basketball	Moraine Valley Community	7:00 p.m.	Home	Palatine, Ill.
15 Friday				
Women's Volleyball	NJCAA National Championship	TBD*	Away	Rochester, Minn.
16 Saturday				
Women's Volleyball	NJCAA National Championship	TBD*	Away	Rochester, Minn.
Wrestling	Dan Gable Open	9:00 a.m.		Oshkosh, Wis.
Women's Basketball	Trinity International University	1:00 p.m.	Away	Deerfield, Ill.

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CLUB'S CORNER

CAB Creates Future Leaders Of The World

By Hanan Aquil
Office Manager

Adviser: Erin Morrettes
President: Jamie Mahoney
When: Fridays, 12 – 1 p.m.
Where: A-243

Campus Activities Board, CAB, teaches Harper students the skills for event planning and holding other leadership roles. Students organize fun, engaging events that bring a variety of speakers, entertainers, and even musicians to the campus.

Under Jamie Mahoney's leadership, a growing number of students come to the meetings to support and promote events, which has recently increased CAB's success.

So far this Fall, CAB has brought Daniel Hernandez and R.J. Mitte to Harper. Students can still look forward to events such as the Halloween Costume Bash and the Mark Sterner event.

Student involvement in the club has steadily increased. This is no surprise, since Members who refer other students to CAB get "CAB swag" (a water bottle and a sweatshirt).

It's not just the free stuff that brings students to CAB. The group gives students leadership experience in many ways. One role a student can hold is Event Director, which charges the student with overseeing the organization of an event. This includes everything from planning and executing promotions, to serving as a host to the guest speaker.

Many students have joined CAB to meet new people and have fun, such as Hashaa Otyontalgo, who believes that fellow members are very spirited. Other members, like Harper student Alec Montoya, join to be involved on campus. Montoya states, "I wanted to be in the center of the action at Harper."

CAB meetings provide a time for members to volunteer for various supporting roles, such as promoting or ushering events. The group also has the opportunity to brainstorm with each other during meetings. Montoya states, "The best part of CAB is the brainstorming sessions ... We get to hear so many great ideas from our members."

Students can get very creative with promotions. For example, students will be walking the campus in orange prison jumpsuits and will pass out wristbands promoting safe driving for the Mark Sterner, drunk driving awareness event.

Dramaturg: Where History is Key

By Jennifer Cowell
Copy Editor

For spectators who enjoy watching historical shows, movies, and dramas, the thought of who has fact checked the historical points rarely crosses their mind. They enjoy the presentation of the historical truths without even thinking about how accurate it is or the amount of effort needed to make it accurate.

Someone needs to think about it, and that person, at least in the world of theatre, is the dramaturg. While not the only thing they can be responsible for, the dramaturg has the position of historical advisor for a play.

At Harper College, one of the historical advisors is Professor Richard Middleton-Kaplan. He teaches English and Humanities and is an expert on Jewish history and the Holocaust in particular.

He explains his position as dramaturg as someone who "provides information [to the cast] that might not be readily available to somebody who's seeing a play, but that gives the actors and the cast and crew a sense of the events going on at the time and how they impact the action. The dramaturg answers their questions about what would have been believed and thought of at the time, how

people acted, how they would have treated other people in different social classes that they encounter in the course of the play."

As a result of his expertise in Jewish history, he was asked by Theatre Director Kevin Long to be the historical coordinator on several plays with Jewish themes. This included "The Diary of Anne Frank" and "Driving Miss Daisy."

He talks about his involvement with "Anne Frank," "I helped to make [the characters'] Judaism specific, to make sure that the Hebrew words were pronounced properly, to talk about how religious objects would be handled, and how a prayer shawl is taken on and off..."

His involvement with "Driving Miss Daisy" was a little more subtle, such as advising about major events of the time, but it was just as important to prepare the cast to have the right mindset in order to play their characters effectively.

How much the dramaturg is involved with the play depends on the director. It also depends on what information they need to bring to the table and what the director wants to accomplish with their play.

Middleton-Kaplan has worked frequently with Kevin Long, who is very attentive to detail. Thus, Middleton-Kaplan is able to bring articles and information dealing very

specifically with events of the time period of the play, along with more detailed information about how Jewish people lived in that time.

Another play he worked on with Long is "Parade," which is part of a trilogy of plays by Alfred Uhry, who also wrote "Driving Miss Daisy." "Parade" is a play about the true story of the lynching of a Jewish factory manager in Atlanta, and is also, interestingly, a musical.

Middleton-Kaplan's involvement with this play added to the cast's knowledge about the racial circumstances surrounding a Jewish manager in the South and how a lynching was much more than just a random act by an out-of-control mob rather, it was directed at a person for a reason, and meant to send a message.

Middleton-Kaplan is not the historical advisor for the upcoming play, "The Heiress." Instead, Professor Kurt Hemmer, also an English professor, advised for "The Heiress," because it is more in Hemmer's expertise, American literature.

He was also interested in helping with this play because of its association with the actor Montgomery Clift, who starred in the movie of the same name. The movie was based on a 1880 novel, "Washington Square," by Henry James.

Harper Library Gives Writers A Boost in NaNoWriMo

By Larissa Martinez-Szewczyk
Staff Writer

The month of November is National Novel Writing Month, NaNoWriMo for short, which is a challenge for writers around the world to write a novel of at least 50,000 words in a month. The Harper Library is helping the "wrimos" at Harper by hosting write-ins held in the library classroom F231 during the month on Friday Nov. 8 at 9 a.m.-12 p.m., Tuesday Nov. 19 at 12 p.m.-1:30 p.m., Wednesday Nov. 20 at 3 p.m.-4:30 p.m., and Monday Nov. 25 at 12 p.m.-1:30 p.m. Writers are welcome to come write in the library at any time, snacks will be provided and giveaways will take place. Writers are also welcome to bring their own laptop if they would like.

This will be the second year that the library has hosted NaNoWriMo events though last year they only had four people show up regularly. "We are marketing more on the NaNoWriMo website, and getting the word out via the Harpervision and Marquee on campus so we hope to have a good number of people show up," Amy Kammerman, a library employee, stated. They hope that people will at least show up for the kickoff party on Nov. 1. Kammerman has participated in NaNoWriMo for four years but has not yet reached the goal of 50,000 words, which is a very daunting task to anyone regardless of whether they are a writer or not. If one wants to write in solitude, she recommends coming

in to write on Fridays since there is practically no one there and it is nice and quiet. However being around people that are striving towards the same daunting goal as oneself, can be a big motivator especially in this speed run challenge.

Throughout the month, on the NaNoWriMo website, www.nanowrimo.org, famous authors such as James Patterson will give wrimos pep talks to keep going even though they may be out of steam. There are also forums where one can find anything and everything they would ever need to know during the month. One of these forums might just give one that perfect tip to getting back in the game fully inspired and ready to go. One can also add friends to check on their progress and to give them encouraging words as they struggle to, which they most likely will since almost no one can go through the month without struggling at least a little bit.

"The library is the primary sponsor of the One Book One Harper initiative and while we encourage the community to read a book, we also thought NaNoWriMo would be a great way to encourage the community to write as well," said Kammerman. What better way to get started on that novel that has been mulling around in the back of one's brain than with a friendly challenge that brings you together with not just people from one's community but with people from around the world? The possibilities are truly endless when it comes

to writing. Why not give it a try this November and stop by the library for some companionship of others who are racing for that same goal?



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Events Schedule				
November				
Day:	Event:	Time:	Topic Area:	Location:
4 Monday	Knockout Basketball Tournament	11 a.m.	Intramural	Building M, Gym
5 Tuesday				
	Indoor Soccer League	11 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Sports	Building M, Gym
	Indoor Soccer League (continues)	12:15 - 1:15 p.m.	Sports	Buildiing M, Gym
6 Wednesday				
	Volenteer Fair	10 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Community	Avante, Concourse
	Mark Sterner - DUI: A Powerful Lesson	7 p.m.	Authors/Lectures	J Theatre
7 Thursday				
	Knockout Basketball Tournament	11 a.m.	Intramural	Building M, Gym
	FREE Thursday Concert Series: Harper Music Student Performances		Entertainment/Music	Performing Arts Center
8 Friday				
	NaNoWRiMo Write-In		Authors/Lectures	Library Classroom
11 Monday				
12 Tuesday				
	Indoor Soccer League	11 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Sports	Building M, Gym
	Indoor Soccer League (continues)	12:15 - 1:15 p.m.	Sports	Building M, Gym
13 Wednesday				
14 Thursday				
	Stas Venglevski, accordionist/bayanist	12:30 a.m.	Concerts	Performing Arts Center
	Harriet Washington, Author: Medical Apartheid	7 p.m.	Authors/Lecture	J Theatre
	A Night of Oral Interpretation with Harper's Speech and Debate Team	7 p.m.		
15 Friday				
	Student Leadership Seminar: "Leading Self"	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.	Leadership Challenge	Building A, Room A238
	Harper Enisemble Theatre Company presents: THE HEIR-ESS	8 p.m.	Theater	Performing Arts Center
	Make a Difference Day	10 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Community	Little City Foundation
	Harper Ensemble Theatre Company presents: THE HEIR-ESS	8 p.m.	Theater	Performing Arts Center

For more infomation at www.harperhawks.net/calendar.aspx

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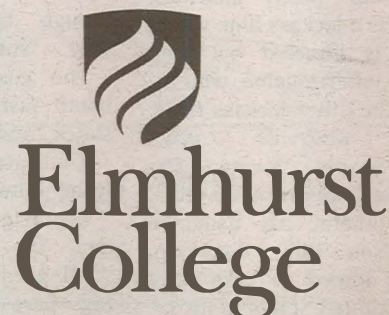
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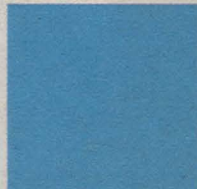
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Military Fashion Invades The Civilian Wardrobe

By Elizabeth Lynch
Staff Writer

Veteran's day is quickly approaching, which means the weather outside is slowly transitioning from fall to winter.

Taking a nod from the upcoming holiday, wearing military-inspired clothing is a great way for you to bundle up and stay comfortable around campus without feeling weighed down by heavy clothing.

The military trend has been relevant for the past few years and continues to be incorporated in designer fall 2014 fashion collections, such as Burberry and Alexander McQueen.

Of course, you do not have to spend large amounts of money on designer-label clothing to emulate the trend. Many affordable retailers now offer clothing that embrace the same trend.

In fact, even if you chose to invest in just one military-styled piece for the upcoming cold weather, you can layer it with clothing you already own and achieve a look that is far more creative and multi-dimensional.

The most practical piece you should invest in is a quality, military-styled coat or jacket. They now come in a variety of

widely-available options such as pea coats, trench coats, bomber jackets, and utility jackets.

If bought with durable fabrics, you will have a piece that will last many seasons.

Try buying the above in a neutral or subtle color. Solid black, navy, olive, tan, chocolate, grey, or cream are great, staple colors that will be in vogue far longer than trendier colors or prints.

Footwear is another great way to experiment with a new trend and is easy to incorporate into your current wardrobe.

Combat boots made their comeback last fall and still remain quite relevant in this year's fashion scene.

Combat boots are now made to fit a variety of styles. You can find combat boots that lean more toward a 90's grunge aesthetic, ones that take on a more feminine approach with floral print and lace, or you can go classic and find a simple, timeless pair.

These boots are designed for heavy use and are very durable, even if you chose to buy them in vegan leather.

If you want to start embracing the military trend but do not want to make a big statement or investment, there are many great accessory options available.

Consider wearing a pair

of aviator sunglasses (which are now on clearance due to the change in season).

Hats are another great way to affordably experiment with the trend. Military-inspired hats are available at thrift stores across the suburbs and in the city at bargain prices. Army supply stores are another excellent option for an authentic look.

Also try purchasing small, military-style details and add them to your current garments (such as large, metallic buttons).

This will give off the impression of a military-inspired look without spending a lot of money.

On the other hand, if you desire to make a dramatic change in your current fall/winter attire, take a break from mundane jeggings and buy a pair of navy-inspired bell-bottoms.

They have a quirky, 70's flair and look especially bold with a high waistband.

The amounts of ways to use the military trend in your current wardrobe are endless.

This trend allows you be stylish and comfortable at the same time. Without spending large quantities of money, you can purchase a variety of pieces that will last many years and outlive many trendier garments.



ELIZABETH LYNCH

“Bad Grandpa” Gives Audience Big Laughs

By Larissa Martinez-Szewczyk
Staff Writer

“Bad Grandpa” is a good movie if one is bored and wants to see something funny.

There are not as many funny moments as some would have hoped, but it is still pretty hilarious.

The film is a Jackass film, which means it is directed by none other than Jeff Tremaine, who directed all the other Jackass films.

Johnny Knoxville plays the 86-year-old Irving Zisman, whose wife recently died.

At the funeral, his daughter and grandson, Billy, show up, and he is forced to take Billy across the United States to his father in Raleigh, North Carolina.

On the way there, nonsense happens to unsuspecting people.

The people's reactions to the antics are priceless. Some people take pictures of Irving doing crazy stuff with Billy while others just stand there and laugh.

The ones who are getting talked to by Irving usually have weirded out expressions because he usually hits on women, and the ones

who talk to Billy are either made his new dad since he does not like the one he has or he tells them that they look like a stripper and even give them a stage name.

One of the funniest moments is when they are at a diner and they start having a fart contest.

They quickly run out though after Irving accidentally “shirts” on the wall.

The customers around their booth just stare at the wall in shock and shake their heads.

The best part of the movie is when Irving enters Billy into a pageant.

He disguises him as a girl, and the competition begins.

All goes well until the dancing part of the competition.

Billy starts off in a sailor costume in a fake boat dancing to “My Bonnie Lies over the Ocean.”

Then suddenly the music changes to “Cherry Pie” by Warrant, and Billy rips off his sailor costume, revealing a stripper looking outfit.

The boat falls down, which leaves the pole there.

He starts dancing very provocatively as the audience and judges watch with wide eyes.

Irving comes up on stage and starts to make it rain with singles over his grandson. Their cover is blown when Irving goes to throw water over Billy and accidentally knocks off his wig. They realize what has happened and run out of the building as everyone just stares at the stage in shock still.

Billy ends up staying with his grandpa instead of going with his druggie of a father, which gives the movie a little “aww” moment instead of the constant laughs.

They end up fishing together which is what Billy wanted to do ever since he dragged across the country with his grandpa.

Stay til the end of the film because during the credits they show the real people's reactions to being told that they are being filmed for a movie.

They all freak out and laugh as anyone would if they found out that all this shenanigans was not real and was faked for a movie.

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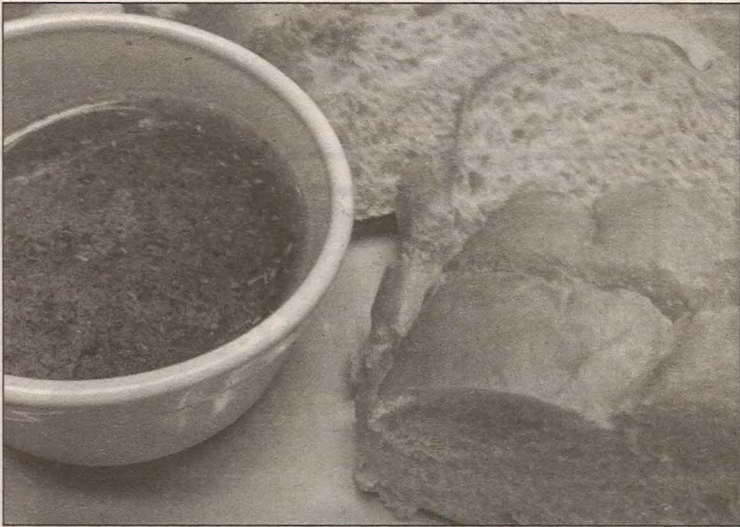
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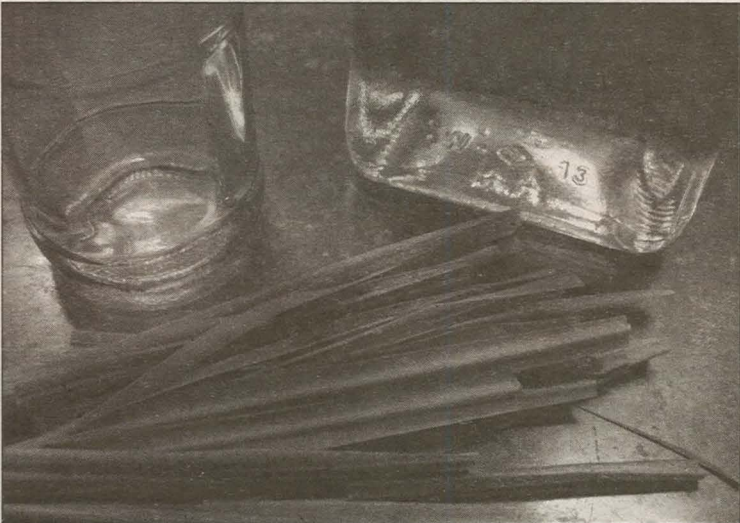
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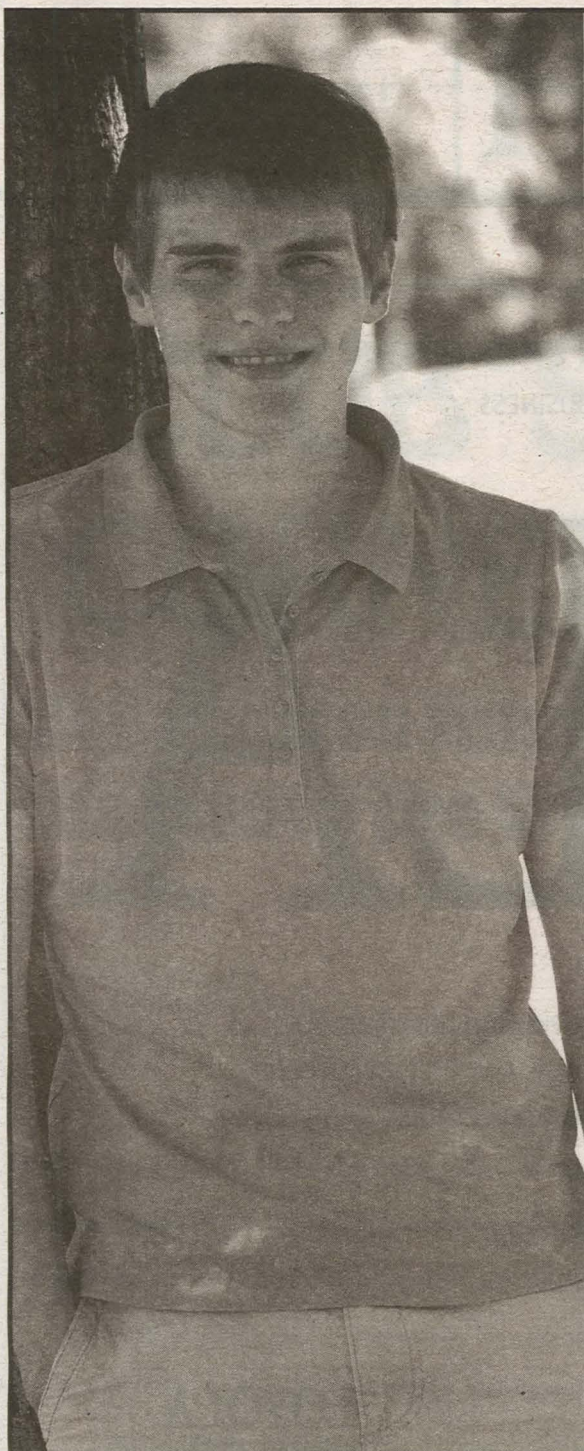
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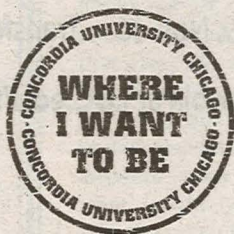
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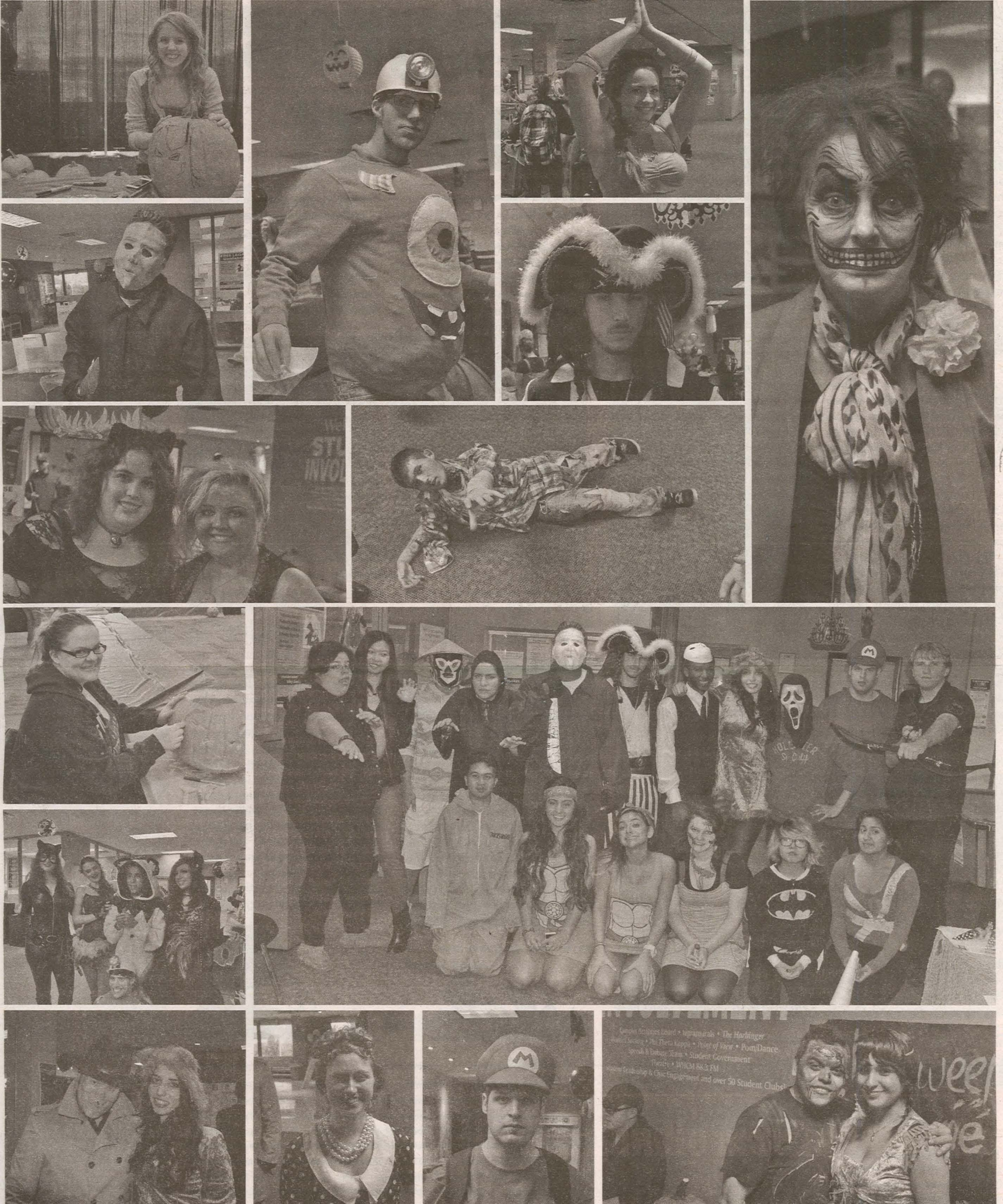
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Apple’s iOS 7 Bites The Dust

By Jeffrey Nejd
Staff Writer

As the temperatures fall in Chicago, so do the number of rumors and keynotes involving Apple, but they are still recovering from the damage of iOS 7. Apple capped off their keynote season with three events this year.

The first keynote was the introduction to the new iPhone 5C and the upgrade to 5S. With iTunes updates with the new feature of iTunes Radio.

The new iPhone 5C was the first time Apple introduced a secondary iPhone.

The plastic cased, cheaper, and colorful iPhone was priced at \$99.99, and then dropped by \$20 by Wal-Mart and Best Buy.

The 5S is the new iPhone of the ‘S’ series. But this S was a really good upgrade.

The upgrade to the A7 chip and the M7 processor, the processors, those help made the new iPhone 5S the first 64-bit smartphone.

That means the device has faster capabilities and can run big apps like a desktop computer would.

A total of 9 million iPhones were sold in the first weekend (of 5C and 5S). iOS 7 was first introduced during the summer and finally was released to the public in the Fall.

It was a disaster. There were many reports of iOS 7 not downloading correctly. It kept kicking back the user to iOS 6 giving them a message “iOS 7 cannot download at this time”.

This was a huge hassle for many users. The system was criticized for taking a lot of concepts from the Android system; the control center, the new window multitasking, and a better lock screen.

CNN reported that there have been people claiming that they have had migraines.

iTunes unveiled the iTunes Radio. I think that the new iTunes Radio will work out better than predicted. It’s been said that, in the internet radio market, Apple is late. iHeartradio, Pandora, and Spotify are some of the front-running companies in the internet radio market.

This is like when Microsoft thought that the Zune would be more popular than the iPod.

The Zune came out almost five years after the iPod. When I want to use Pandora, I have to; open a browser, go to the website, and log in. In iTunes radio; open iTunes and go to the radio tab in music.

In a lot of the other providers, when you hear a song you like, you have the option to buy the song on iTunes. When iTunes Radio is open, you’re already on iTunes and there is no need to open iTunes then it’s already there.

It’ll work out, iTunes Radio gives the user a better experience to discover music.

The new iPads were pretty disappointing. The iPad Air also received the new A7 Chip and M7 Processor, like the iPhone 5S.

It was also disappointing to see that the smart covers got NO upgrade what-so-ever. It was anticipated that the covers would be “smarter” like the covers for the Microsoft Surface, but, they’re still the same. Though, it is impressive that the iPad Air (the mainstream iPad) weighs only one pound.

One of the last mainstream Apple devices that finally received the Retina Display. The OS X had its huge update.

Going from OS X 9, to OS X 10. OS X 10 has been developed to be more in-synched and has more user friendly features.

The Finder window has been easier to use with better organization, a notification bar, and more iOS integrated. The new update is FREE! It was disappointing to see no updates to the iPod family. No 1TB iPod Classic. But this anticipates a big update for 2014.

Looking ahead to the future products of Apple, the rumored iWatch, an iTV, and a huge upgrade for the iPhone 6. They say that Apple is falling apart and losing its creative side that it had originally.

But instead this time Apple can’t re-hire Steve Jobs. They’re going to have to figure out how to get that creative side back before the 2016 or else Apple might fall too far to come back.

Progress Report

By Cheryl Gistenson
Editor-in-Chief

Well, it’s about that time again. Midterms are upon us, a time when we stop and evaluate our progress for the semester.

Many of us are cramming for all our tests and essays, and in some cases, catching up on work we’ve let fall by the wayside.

I’m the type of person who does this evaluating all the time. You could say I over-analyze, and many of my friends do indeed say that about me.

In regards to the paper, I think about what we’ve done, what we can do, and what we shouldn’t do, every day.

I feel a little overzealous in my declaration to clean up the paper.

It’s not that I feel we can’t do it, and by no means do I take back my word.

However, I have realized that I underestimated the weight of the endeavor this year’s staff has taken on.

The Harbinger staff created a strong foundation early this year, and from this, we will continue to improve.

It’s clear that we’re all learning through our work, and with each issue comes new goals, milestones, and obstacles.

Technology has connected the world, and it also connects everyone on the paper; it is how we survive.

The staff uses Google Drive to share stories and pictures, and we can easily communicate via email and phone.

Technology seems to have a mind of its own though, and I think it is deranged. I suspect that it’s secretly trying to cause our demise.

Technical glitches have caused major production problems with the last three editions.

And while the layout crew, and various supporting staff members, have spent a few nights in the office well past our deadline in order to get the paper finished, I can proudly say that everyone handled these problems admirably.

We evaluated the situation, and restructured our process to remove them from the equation.

I have seen my fellow students grow as we resolved each problem.

Members are learning time-management and managerial skills, gaining experience in journalism and with various computer programs, and we’re forming friendships.

This has helped us through the stresses that come with meeting paper deadlines while juggling life and school.

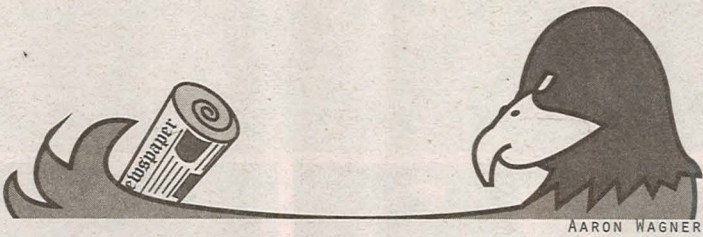
A few members have left the staff, but new ones join us weekly.

We’re learning the AP style guide, which spells out the formatting and technical rules for journalistic writing. It’s things like this that I thought wouldn’t take as much time to improve.

We’re definitely working on it, and with hopefully less problems, we’ll have time to focus more on these sort of things.

We have a great group of spirited students, and they make the atmosphere light during hard times.

The “Staffingers” of the paper would like to thank you for reading and to continue to read. We also really appreciate the suggestions that have been given to us.



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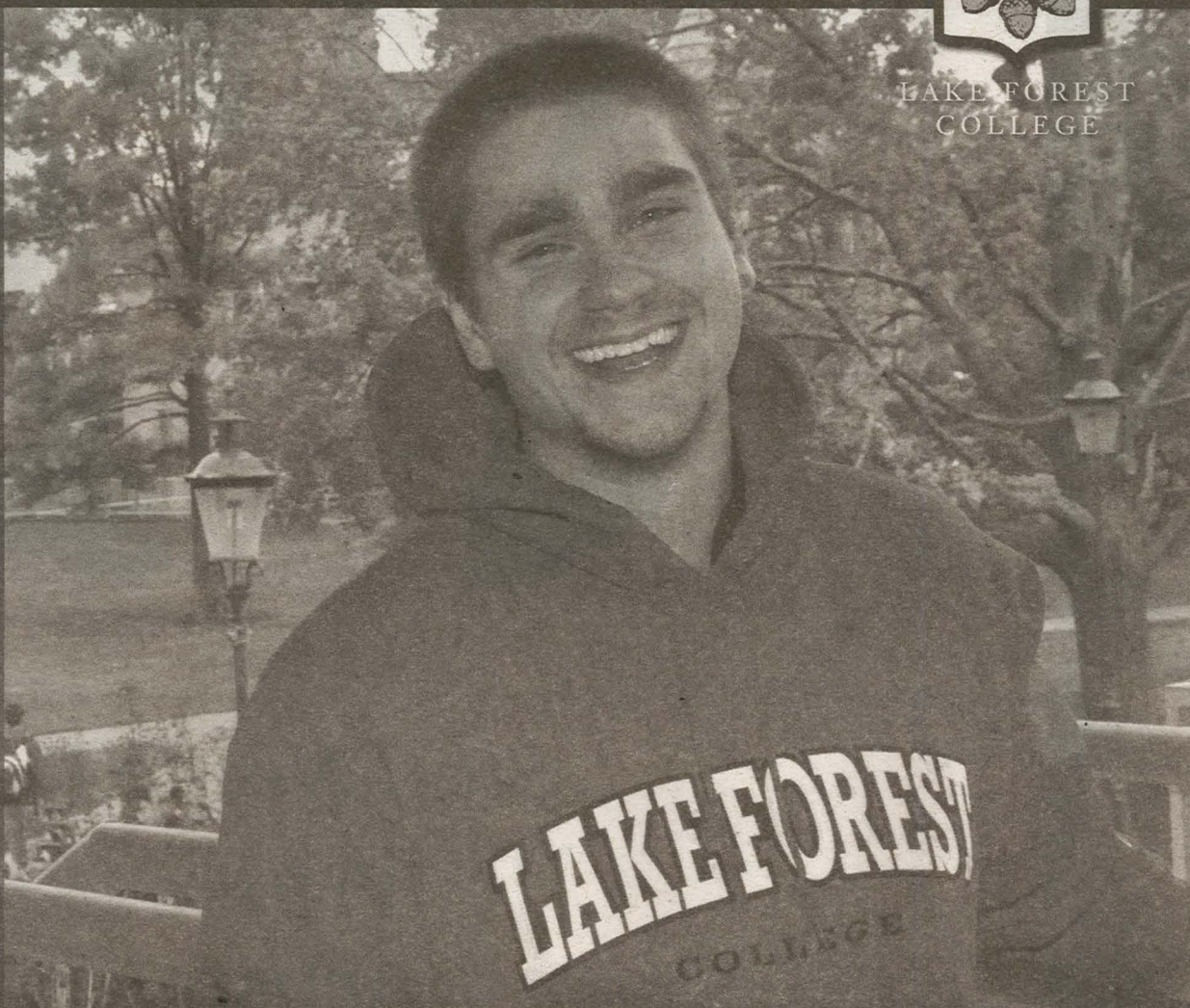
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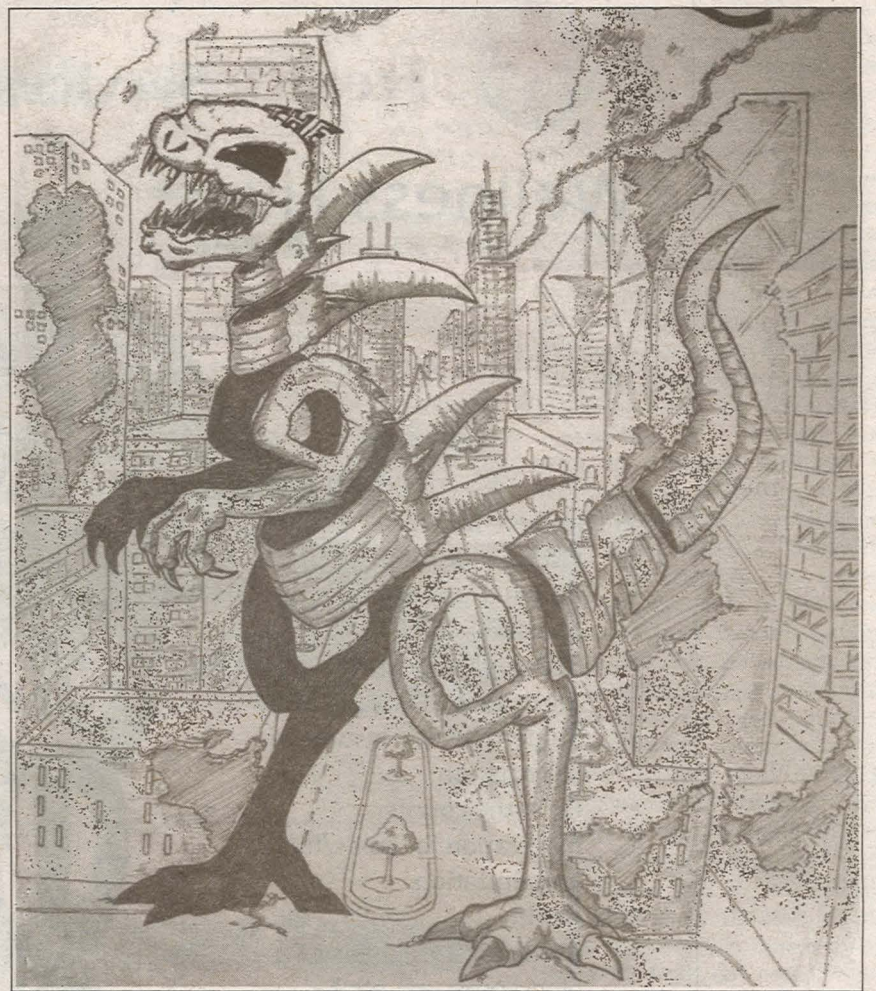
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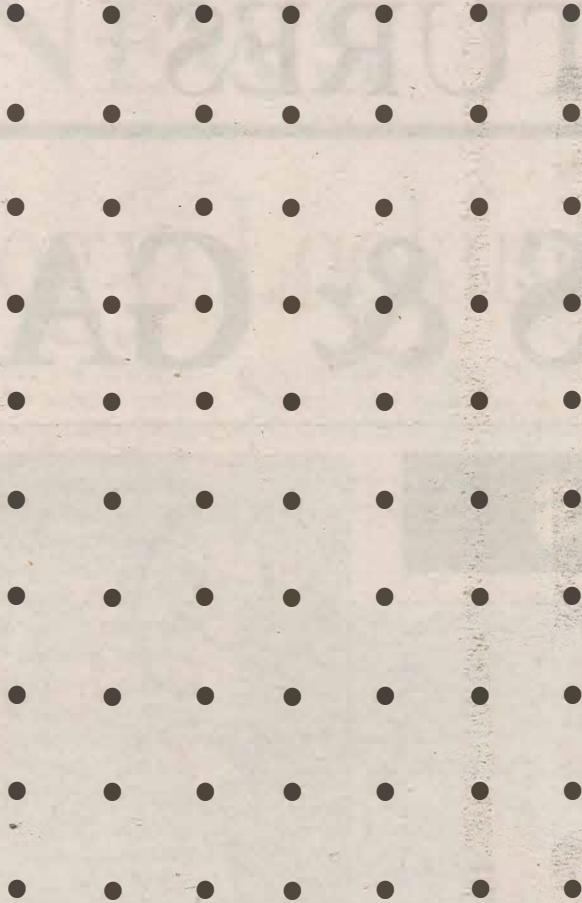
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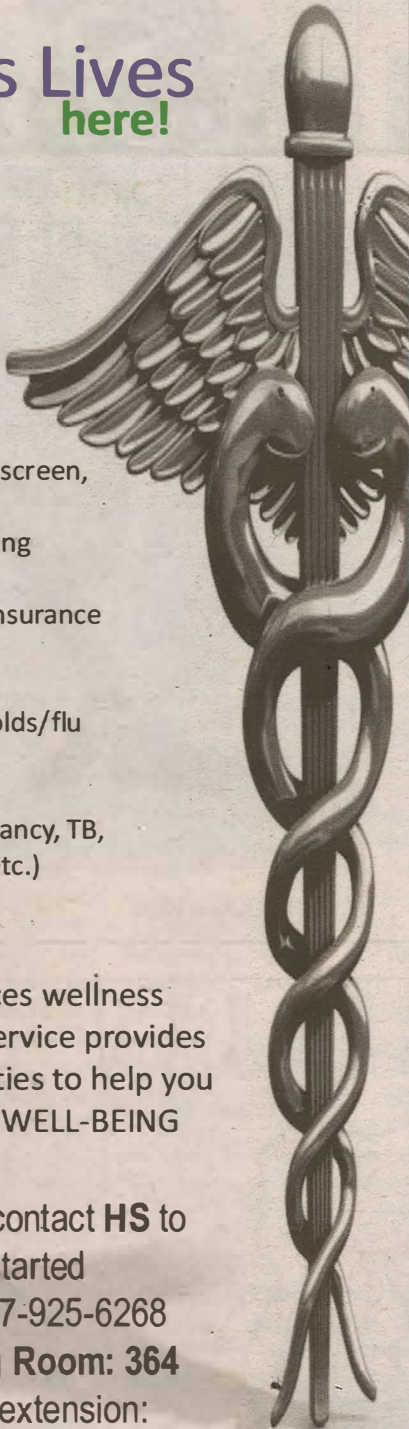
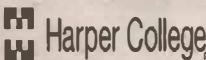
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CMA Awards: Country Music's Biggest Night

By Crystal Rohan
Copy/Sports Editor

It was a big night for country music stars on Wednesday, Nov. 6, as the 47th annual Country Music Association Awards welcomed country stars to Nashville. Carrie Underwood and Brad Paisley returned to co-host the glamorous night for the sixth time.

The night opened with a powerful performance from Entertainer of the Year Nominee Luke Bryan and Florida Georgia Line singing a medley of "That's My Kind of Night" and "Cruise". Florida Georgia Line was nominated for four awards while Bryan was nominated for three. Bryan took home the Entertainer of the Year award while Florida Georgia Line won the Single of the Year award.

Taylor Swift also had a successful CMA night. George Strait, Rascal Flatts, Tim McGraw, and Faith Hill went on stage to present Swift the Pinnacle Award. This award is presented to artists who take country music to a worldwide audience.

There was a video shown in honor of Swift showing other artists like Justin Timberlake, Julia Roberts, Mick Jagger, and Ethel Kennedy speaking admiringly about her. Garth Brooks

is the only previous winner who received this award in 2005. Swift also performed her hit song "Red" with Alison Krauss and Vince Gill.

Kacey Musgraves performed "Follow Your Arrow" and received an award for New Artist of the Year. Miranda Lambert and Keith Urban performed a duet of their song "We Were Us" for the first time. The pair received a standing ovation for their performance. Lambert received the Best Female Vocalist of the Year award, while her husband Blake Shelton won the Best Male Vocalist of the Year award.

22-year-old country singer Hunter Hayes sang "Everybody's Got Somebody But Me" with singer Jason Mraz. Hayes strummed his guitar as he stopped in the middle of his song to sing the nominees for the next category.

Tim McGraw honored Nashville by performing his single "Southern Girl". Nashville honored McGraw with an award for Music Video of the Year and Musical Event of the Year for his hit song "Highway Don't Care" featuring Taylor Swift and Keith Urban.

The queen of country herself Underwood took a break from hosting to perform. She gave a

stunning performance singing her hit songs "Good Girl", "Blown Away", and "See You Again".

All eyes were on Underwood as she was nominated for three awards including Album of the Year, Female Vocalist of the Year, and Music Video of the Year. Underwood is used to being in the spotlight when it comes to country music. She turned heads with her multiple wardrobe changes, looking more beautiful every time she came out on stage. Underwood won over the hearts of America with her fun-loving attitude and jokes about Obamacare and twerking. There can never be too many Miley Cyrus jokes.



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Bomb Threat Called "Juvenile" by Police

By Crystal Rohan
Copy/Sports Editor

On Monday, Nov. 11 at approximately 2:47 p.m., a bomb threat was reported in building M. The building was immediately evacuated and secured while an investigation was conducted. Police activated the alarms and locked all the doors so students and faculty could not enter the building.

A search of building M was conducted at about 3:15 p.m. by members of the Harper College Police Department and the Cook County Sheriff's Police Department. They concluded their search at 4:00 p.m., in which they found no bomb.

Doug Spiwak, director of athletics and fitness, was in the building when the threat was announced. He was not afraid when the alarms went off, and he and the rest of the students and staff left the building in an orderly fashion. Spiwak stated, "We train for occasions like this and everything went as planned."

Police officers on the scene stated that there was a note that was left in building M. For safety pur-

poses, they are not allowed to give details about what the note said or how the note was found. One officer said, "It was a very juvenile written note, I can tell you that."

Police officers take all bomb threats very seriously, even the unsophisticated ones. The same police officer stated, "The fact that we have been investigating other things and because of the times we are living in right now, we can't just let anything go."

At 4:05 p.m., police issued an all clear after they found no evidence of a bomb. Students and faculty were able to go back in the building to retrieve their belongings. Classes and activities that were going on in building M were all cancelled for the rest of Monday night.

Police officers stayed by building M to alert any students who did not know about the bomb threat and to let them know all classes and activities had been cancelled. Updates of the bomb threat were being displayed on Harper's website. Students signed up with the Harper College text alert system received a text notifying them of the threat.

SPORTS

Blackhawks Avoid Stanley Cup Hangover

By Nick Sadowski
Staff Writer

The world of sports has its fair share of curses, from the Madden video game franchise curse to the Sports Illustrated magazine jinx. Another well known curse is the Stanley Cup Hangover, and the Blackhawks are currently defying this curse.

Hockey teams that win the Stanley Cup usually take a step down in dominance the year following their championship. It looks like the curse has had no effect on the defending Stanley Cup Champions. Their record is currently one of the top in the league, at 10-2-4.

By the numbers, their scoring has been ruthless once again. While their defense is average, it is on the verge of becoming tops in the league. One of the Hawks' up-and-coming players this season is Brandon Pirri.

"He's been fine," said Head Coach Joel Quenneville. "Whether you're thinking that his minutes are high-end minutes, eventually you earn more minutes on your overall play." Pirri has been showing great jumps on both the offensive and defensive side.

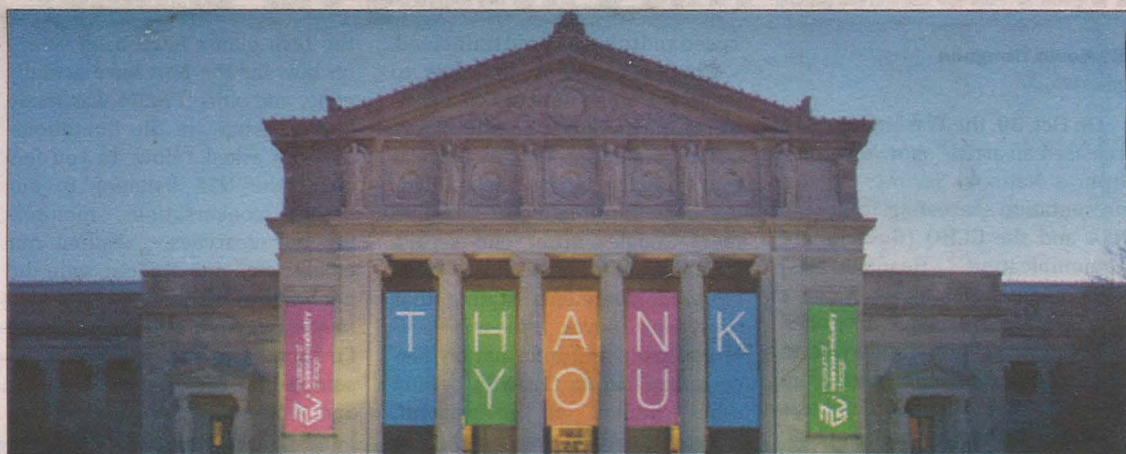
Coach Quenneville likes what he is seeing from Pirri and expects his play to continue to improve. "The opportunity with him is he's growing in that area. We're look-

ing to see how he plays without the puck in our end, how he's playing down low. We're looking for progress there. I think we're seeing a little bit of it. I think his ice time will probably be more enhanced as we get more comfortable with him," said Quenneville.

The Hawks' core has been playing like themselves this season. Going into the game against the Dallas Stars, Jonathan Toews and Patrick Kane are the team's points leaders with Kane leading all goal scorers with 9. Kane also has shown a hot streak by scoring 5 goals in 7 games leading up to the Dallas game. Marian Hossa has improved his game having scored 6 goals this season after a slow start.

During the game against Winnipeg, the Hawks pulled off a rare treat. Toews, Kane, and Sharp each scored a goal in the same game. This is only the 12th time this has happened since all three joined the team.

Through all this success, the Hawks have had some competition. They are currently tied with the Colorado Avalanche for first in the Central Division. Both teams will be looking to fight it out as much as possible this season as the two teams are in the same division for the first time in NHL history. It will be a battle all season long for the Hawks while they try to ensure their dominance again.



Museum of Science and Industry hosts MSI: Walt Disney Exhibit. See full story, page 12.

Fashion Club and Studio V Put Style Into November

By Elizabeth Lynch
Staff Writer

This is an exciting week for the fashion scene at Harper College, with two major events that shouldn't be missed.

The first event is a resale run by the Fashion Club on Nov. 20 and 21 in building A near Violet's Coffee Café.

Fashion club will be selling a variety of gently-used clothing items at affordably low prices.

During the month of November, most students are finding themselves low on cash, especially when it comes to purchasing new

clothes for the cold winter season.

The resale event is the perfect opportunity to not only find inexpensive clothing that is in good condition, but to also support fellow students.

The majority of proceeds will go to fashion club, which will fund future fun and exciting fashion events on campus.

The other event also falls on Nov. 20 starting at 5:00 p.m. Studio V, a student-run boutique on campus, will be hosting a festive holiday party.

Held in building V, the holiday party serves as a great opportunity

to see the works of many talented and creative students. Delicious refreshments will also be provided.

Shopping at Studio V is a great way to show support for Harper clubs and local artisans.

There are many handcrafted items that are one-of-a-kind. There is a quality selection of fashion pieces, photography, paintings, exquisite bridal gowns, jewelry, and many other unique items.

Additionally, many of the products for sale make excellent holiday gifts.

Check out pictures that pertain to this article on page, 11.

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ISAT Scores Drop In Illinois: Schools Prepare For New Curriculum

By Michelle Czaja
Managing Editor

As students across the state prepare for the Illinois Standard Achievement Tests to the best of their abilities, an astonishing fact has come up. Illinois test scores, like these, have been decreasing over the years. The test scores that in years past determined whether a school was making adequate yearly progress under the No Child Left Behind Act, were frequently much higher for elementary students taking the ISAT than the high school student taking the Prairie State Achievement Examination.

All districts will be shifting their curriculum over the next year or two, as this coming March is the last round for the current tests.

Beginning in 2015, all students will take the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) test, aligned with the Common Core standards being implemented by the Il-

linois State Board of Education.

Statewide, there are 2,054,155 students enrolled in Illinois public schools. They are 50.6 percent caucasian, 24.1 percent Hispanic and 17.6 percent African American. 49.9 percent are low-income while 9.5 percent speak English as a second language.

The high-school dropout rate statewide is 2.4 percent while the four-year graduation rate is 83.2 percent. The average class has approximately 21 students while the average ACT score is 20.3.

The changes "created an even higher and difficult challenge for many students, in that they were going to be asked questions on content they may or may not have had the opportunity to learn," said Charlene Cobb, assistant superintendent of teaching and learning at East Main School District 63. "And then the bar was raised," she stated.

Officials at school districts in Des Plaines, Park Ridge and Niles said they already started transitioning

their curriculum and instruction methods to match common core standards. "In four years, we will have four different tests," said Jan Rashid, assistant superintendent of instructional services at Des Plaines School District 62. "So I think districts understand the long-term goal here."

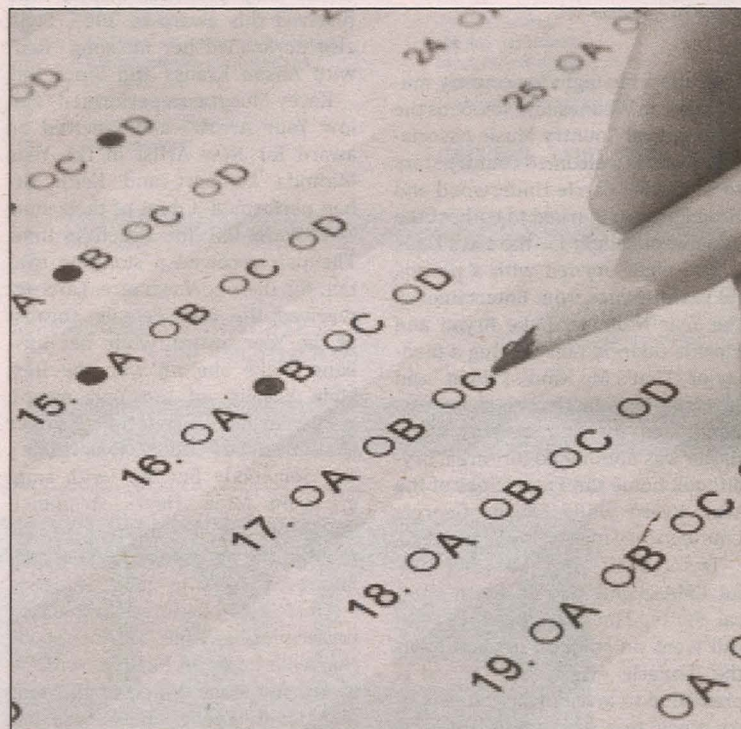
We want students to have rigorous learning experiences, and we want students to be high school, college and career-ready."

The low-income student population at a District 62 school, in Des Plaines, jumped from 26.4 percent in 2012 to 54.3 percent this year.

The increase brings a different set of challenges for educators. Challenges above and beyond meeting the expectations of the common core state standards and the ISAT.

"The economic reality is it makes learning more difficult for students, and there are additional stresses placed on the families," Cobb said.

"We have to determine ways to support the students and the families, so this does not become an impediment"



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NSA Scandal: Who's Reading Our Emails?

By Kevin Tlongson
Staff Writer

On Oct. 30, the Washington Post released an article showing a slide from a National Security Agency presentation revealing that the NSA and the GCHQ (Government Communication Headquarters) have been snooping in Yahoo's and Google's private networks.

The article shows a slide where in the NSA intercepts data from Google's and Yahoo's database.

These include emails, chats, video calls, search histories, and more. They have access to the emails of hundreds of millions of people who use Google and Yahoo.

Google works with numerous data centers in different countries strategically placed to enhance the

speed and to balance out traffic load.

This means that data has to travel from one network to another, inside Google's private cloud.

The slide shows an illustration showing where the individual data from individual people meet Google's front end server.

Google and Yahoo have both released statements stating that they have never and will never release the information users entrusted to the NSA or any other branch of government.

Both the NSA and GCHQ have not said a lot about the revelation.

Since Edward Snowden's leaking of information that the Government has been spying on us and his revelation of PRISM (a government code name for a data-collection effort), all citizens and

the tech giants have been weary on how far the NSA have actually gone, and since PRISM was made known, what are the limitations.

When asked, "How do you feel about the NSA listening to our private conversations, monitoring our searches, reading our emails, etc," one student, who did not want to be named, responded to the question saying, "Honestly I'm not surprised and I just assumed that they read our emails and monitored our stuff anyway, but I still think what they're doing is wrong... is it even legal?"

The full story behind the hacking is still unknown, as the NSA denies that they made the slide.

They have also denied actually having accessed Google's and Yahoo's servers.

New 'Gate-to-Gate' Policy Announcement For Airlines

By Jeffrey Nejd
Staff Writer

In today's device-dependent world, flyers will be happy to hear that some airlines are loosening restrictions on the use of electronic devices during flight. Delta and JetBlue are two of the first to allow passengers to use their electronic devices from the departure gate to the arrival gate.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announced the new policy on Thursday, Oct. 31. The new policy is designed for people to be able to use their tablets, iPads, e-readers, laptops, and cell phones (in airplane mode) during all phases of their flight.

There has been research done in the last few years, with the boom of portable technology, that focuses on how portable electronics can be used during flight

and not interfere with any of the electronics or sensors on the plane.

In a CNN report, James Kirchoff demonstrated that laptops and cell phones (he tested a current iPhone 5C.) gave off electronic waves that failed to meet the limit. These kind of electronic devices would be likely to interfere with any of the airplanes electronics or sensors.

But the e-reader did not pass the threshold and would be okay for flight. Kirchoff says, "It has never been reported that a single cell phone or portable electronic device has taken down a plane single-handedly." He also explained that smoke alarms and their sensors could be disrupted from cell phones or portable electronic devices.

There wouldn't be any major problems, but the pilots would have to be more aware in case of a situation where the sensors were interfered with.

There have been a number of pilots that still protest against the new FAA policy. They say that it shouldn't be up to the passenger to decide when it is okay to use their device freely.

"I was 'yelled at' when I flew just this past May," Trevor Davies, a first-year Harper student, said. "I was using my cell phone, but it was more being told to turn off my iPod (Classic). I complied but I think that it was unnecessary to have my iPod be turned off. It has no wireless connection."

Though an iPod (classic) might not have the frequencies of wireless devices, FAA has reported that they have interfered with a few sensors involving the heating and cooling.

Delta and JetBlue have been pushing paperwork before the announcement of the idea of 'gate to gate' usage. The whole policy might not be seen until the holiday season when the travel is the busiest.

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Emergency Response Time For Hurricane Sandy Sparks Interest

By Nicole Wagner
Staff Writer

Reflecting back after a year from the treacherous disaster of Hurricane Sandy, it is hard to visualize the tremendous amount of progress organized through volunteer activity, government support and other community organizations.

Community efforts still persevere in order to grant peace of mind to residents of the main states that were hit, like New Jersey and New York. It is amazing to see these community efforts making an impact by maintaining a sense of commitment and dedication in the rebuilding process. A great amount of effort has already gone into implementing relief efforts, but there is still much more to delve into.

When analyzing federal response teams' initial relief efforts, plans could have been enacted in a more efficient and effective direction. However, that is how change occurs. We learn from mistakes and discuss how to improve the organization as a whole.

Harper College fire technology

student Alex Nagatkin had mixed feelings of Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) efforts in assisting communities impacted by hurricane Sandy. Nagatkin stated, "FEMA's efforts were poorly executed at first due to late government intervention, but their manner of response time depends on the type of natural disaster. Each event that occurs results in a different process of response."

Nagatkin continued to discuss his emergency management field classes at Harper. One of the assignments in the class includes analyzing real life situations and how to respond to such an event. Nagatkin highly recommended the fire technology program.

With increasing amounts of flood damage impacting communities in the Chicagoland area, officials are beginning to turn to community colleges to offer programs preparing students for the field. "There's a need to have more people involved in this career than ever before," said Sam Giordano who runs the Emergency and Disaster Management program at Harper.

There is expected to be a significant increase in emergency and disaster jobs. It is estimated to jump 23% in the next twenty years according to the 2012-13 U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Giordano's credentials hold an impressive background with 35 years as a firefighter in the south suburbs. Giordano mentioned how the ratio of natural disasters devastating our country exceeds that of previous years, "We're having more disasters than ever before, with a higher degree of severity."

When speaking to Harper College's Chief of Police and emergency management coordinator, Michael Alsup stated, "The best tactic in dealing with a situation such as hurricane Sandy is evaluating it from a holistic approach through implementing the chain of command that will respond to the emergency in the most efficient and effective way as possible. We are constantly planning and modifying our current emergency defense mechanisms and response team coordination."

Alsup seemed confident in Harper's crisis emergency control that is implemented and that many students hardly even know of. He said, "There is a great deal of procedures and implementations followed through a rigorous schedule to a natural disaster protocol if a natural disaster were to occur. It's not perfect by any means, but it serves as the best so far in the state of Illinois."

Currently, there is not much

need for further volunteer support towards Hurricane Sandy victims and affected areas with most of the assistance occurring from federal support and other organizations such as American Red Cross.

Harper students, however, can help through visiting the website sandy.adcouncil.org which provides various links to resources that accept donations and other amenities for assisting disaster communities.



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Harper Students Receiving Snap Benefits Face Financial, Nutritional Battle

By Justin Provo
Staff Writer

Due to the inability of Congress to create a new five-year Farm Bill, ensuring that farmers have adequate price floors and remain profitable, federal budget cuts have led to a decrease in the benefits awarded by the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program, formerly known as food stamps. These cuts were projected to affect 47 million Americans nationwide as of Nov. 8, including some students who receive SNAP benefits at Harper College. On top of academic responsibilities, some students face the challenge of raising a family or supporting themselves with a lower income, relying on government aid for such necessities as food. Although this issue concerns many students, out of 100 Harper students surveyed, not one was aware of the reduction to SNAP benefits.

Many questions arise with these cuts in nutritional aid, especially questions about nutritional options. Typically, cheaper products found in a supermarket are processed foods that contain high levels of sodium and saturated fats – neither of which are encouraged for a healthy diet. According to the Centers for Disease Control website, “high sodium consumption raises blood pressure and high blood pressure is a major risk factor for heart disease and stroke.” Bobby Summers, professor of political science, discussed the possible ramifications of these cuts and how he believes they will affect students receiving SNAP benefits. “If the choice comes down to whether [students] pay for tuition and books or feed their families – they’re going to make the choice to feed their families, anyone would make that choice,” Summers said. Students receiving SNAP benefits are either a member of or the supporting figure of

a family in a financial struggle. These students are trying to make a better future for themselves and their families. “I think that cutting food benefits for the neediest group, affects these recipients on more than one level,” said Summers. “But also that politicians take the situation rather lightly when they see that it only cuts 20 or 30 dollars per month, per family. “What politicians don’t realize is that while they might be cutting billions from the federal budget, every dollar counts when you don’t have many dollars to work with.” Another factor to consider is how these reductions in benefits will affect the economy as a whole. Price floors allow producers, in this case farmers, a guaranteed price for the product to be sold and therefore a guaranteed income based on sales. Some would argue that it would behoove the government to please the workers who grow the country’s crops rather than help the poor. But what is the most suitable

utilitarian decision to make? Harper economics professor Getachew Begashaw helps to explain the difficulties of the decision to cut benefits. “Fundamentally, if a price floor is implemented, the income of farmers would not be devastated, but the consumers would be hurt. For beneficiaries, SNAP is considered a form of income and with a reduction of income comes the reduction of money circulated in the consumer markets.” This means that money originally used for SNAP recipients to pay household bills is now diverted to paying for food. “Every college student at any public institution that is receiving financial aid is considered a welfare recipient for accepting money that was subsidized by the federal government to give to public schools,” Summers said. “It’s tough to target students who receive SNAP benefits in order to help them because they are typically subject to the stigma that welfare beneficiaries

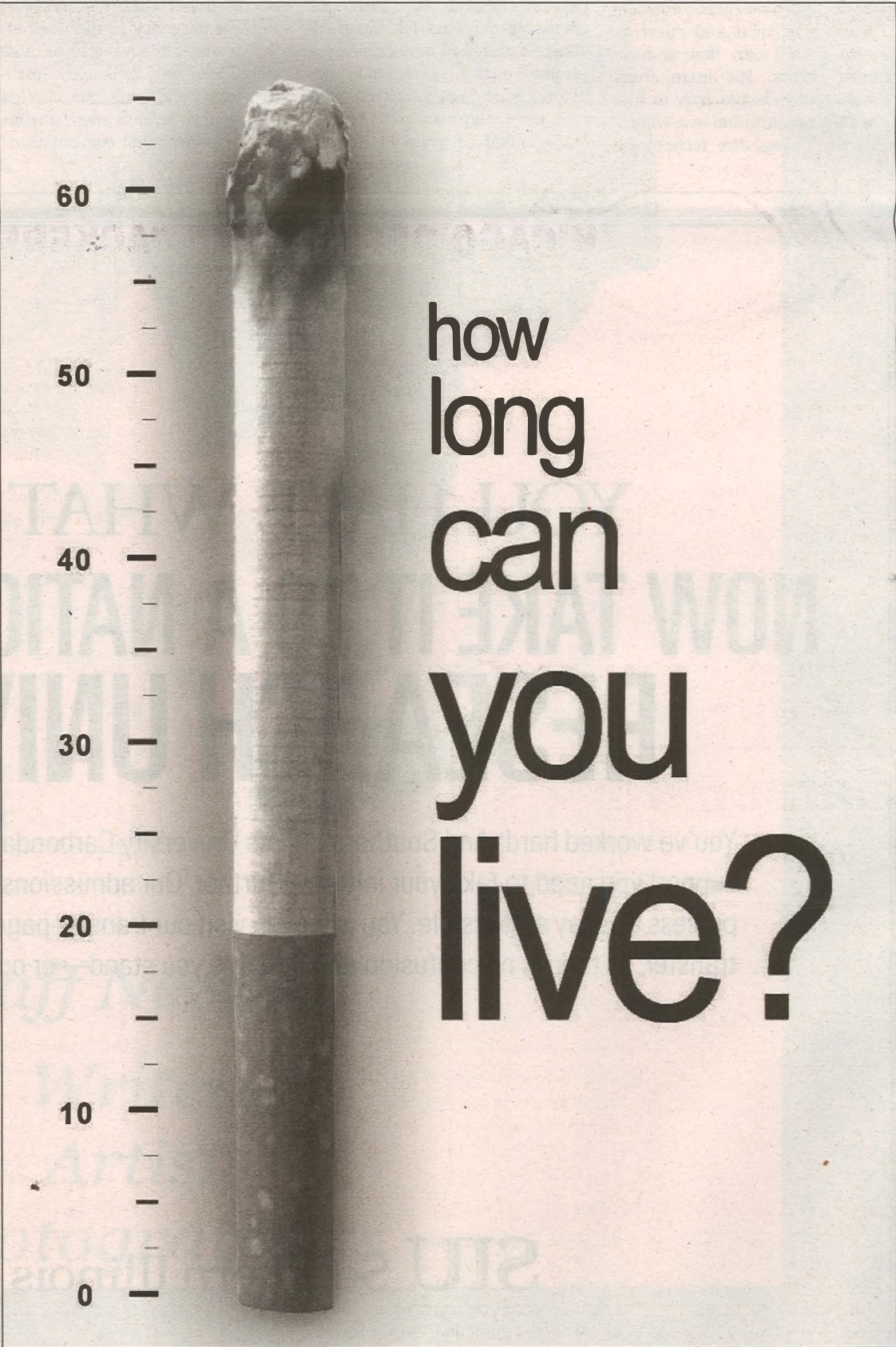
are lazy people, and they don’t want to be ostracized or labeled,” Summers said. School District 54 opened a food pantry at Mead Junior High School in 2011 to serve the community at need. School District 54 opened another food pantry this year at Keller Junior High School due to the overwhelming demand for assistance in the affluent suburbs of Elk Grove Village and Schaumburg. Palatine Township also sponsors a food pantry at the Palatine Township Center. “One particular way that Harper students can help is to take money or donations to a local food pantry. But I think to really get students to understand the dilemma that these hard-working people face is to volunteer at a food pantry,” Summers said. Summers said there is a huge uprising in the number of people visiting food pantries adding, “I was amazed to see that my own neighborhood food pantry had a line around the building waiting to get in.”

Tobacco Sales Are Raised to 21 In NYC

By Melissa Edwards
News Editor

A common debate in America is the appropriate legal age for tobacco sales. Eighteen years of age has been the common consensus, however the City of New York seems to disagree. The New York Times states, “The legal age for buying tobacco, including cigarettes, electronic cigarettes, cigars and cigarillos will rise to 21 from 18. The age change under a bill adopted by the City Council and which Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg has said he would sign. The new minimum age will take effect six months after signing and Mayor Bloomberg has 30 days to sign the bill into law.” In a statement made by Mayor Bloomberg on Wednesday, Oct. 30, he said, “By increasing the smoking age to 21, we will help prevent another generation from the ill health and shorter life expectancy that comes with smoking.” The New York City Council voted 35 to 10 to modify its law, making it the biggest city in the United States in which it is illegal for persons under 21 to buy tobacco products. Neighboring states and counties have raised their tobacco sales age limit to 19, including New Jersey in 2005. Needham, Massachusetts raised their sales age to 21 in 2005. “By raising the legal smoking age to 21, our city is sending a powerful signal to the tobacco industry, and its allies, that hooking our kids on nicotine will no longer be a viable business model,” city councilman James Gennaro, who cosponsored the bill, said in a press release. Several studies have conclusively proven that people who smoke at a young age are more likely to develop an ongoing smoking habit. The younger someone becomes addicted, the harder it is to attempt to quit. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention are blunt about the health risks of smoking. The CDC states, “Smoking causes death. The adverse health effects from cigarette smoking account for more than 440,000 deaths, or

nearly one of every five deaths, each year in the United States. More deaths are caused each year by tobacco use than by human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), illegal drug use, alcohol use, motor vehicle injuries, suicides, and murders combined.” The increases in Health risks from smoking are indisputably significant as well. Per the CDC, Compared with nonsmokers, smoking is estimated to increase the risk of coronary heart disease by 2 to 4 times, stroke by 2 to 4 times, men developing lung cancer by 23 times, women developing lung cancer by 13 times, and dying from chronic obstructive lung diseases (such as chronic bronchitis and emphysema) by 12 to 13 times. The CDC states the health benefits if nobody smoked tobacco, “If nobody smoked, one of every three cancer deaths in the United States would not happen. Smoking causes an estimated 90% of all lung cancer deaths in men and 80% of all lung cancer deaths in women. An estimated 90% of all deaths from chronic obstructive lung disease are caused by smoking.” Will passing this law really make any meaningful difference? It is an indisputable fact that underage teenagers can obtain alcohol for a party without much effort or risk. Will the sales of tobacco products in New York City be any different? Would the same adults who buy alcohol for teenagers suddenly refuse to buy cigarettes for them? “If I couldn’t get cigarettes before I could just go buy a pack, I just bummed one off of a friend,” stated a student who wished to remain anonymous. “This law isn’t going to change that,” he said about the new law. Many Cook County smokers drive outside to neighboring counties to obtain their cigarettes. This is not because of age restrictions, but due to significant taxation differences. This new bill may make obtaining cigarettes a bit more difficult for people under the age of 21 in New York City, but will it truly make a meaningful difference?



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Athlete Of The Week: Jhoan Lino

By Bill Smith

Sports Communications Assistant

Throughout much of his high school running career, Jhoan Lino (León, Guanajuato/Streamwood) battled tendonitis in his left leg near his knee.

Since coming to Harper in the fall of 2012, he has battled plantar fasciitis but is still making a big impact for both the men's cross country and track and field teams. The sophomore is once again an integral part of the Hawks' cross country team this year again as they approach nationals, and he has been named the seventh Harper College Athlete of the Week for the 2013-14 school year.

Even while Lino was at Streamwood High School, he knew he wanted to compete at the collegiate level. According to him, Harper has given him that perfect opportunity to run while staying close to home.

Last year, Lino was the fifth runner for the national champion Hawks, placing 27th at the national meet.

This past spring he excelled on the track, taking fourth at nationals in the 1500m and run-

ning on the national championship-winning 4x800m squad.

This fall, he is filling the same role as the fifth man for a deep and talented squad.

"Everyone works hard, and it really pushes me," Lino said. "We all push each other and don't leave a guy behind."

According to head cross country coach Jim Macinder, Lino is an extremely talented and dedicated athlete.

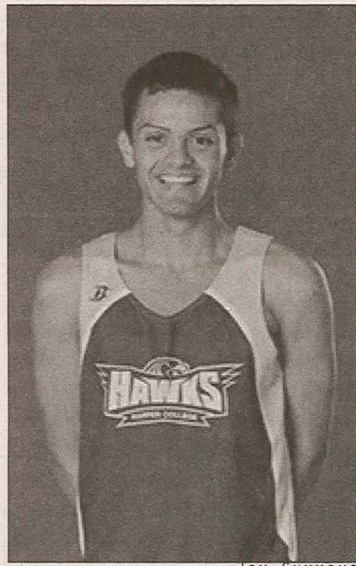
"He's one of the finest athletes I've come across. He's one of those leaders by action, in the mold of (teammate Nick) Modlin," he said. "If he turned around and ran the race of his life at nationals and was our No. 1 guy, it wouldn't surprise me."

Lino thinks his team has a great shot to win a third consecutive national championship in just over a week in Northfield, Mass. He feels tough practices combined with several meets with four-year schools have made the team stronger.

Academically, Lino has already earned two N4C Academic All-Conference distinctions for maintaining a GPA above 3.0.

After getting his Associate in Arts degree in May of 2014, he said he'd love to compete at a four-year school while potentially going into the medical field.

"I've always wanted to go to North Central College. I'd love to compete after Harper," he said. "I hope whichever school I decide to go to, it will be an amazing experience just like Harper."



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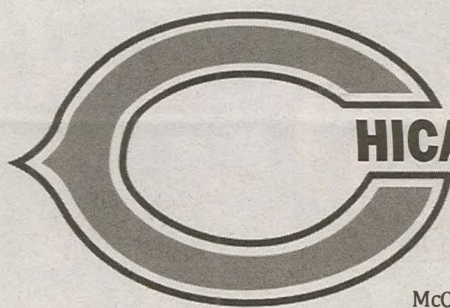
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CHICAGO DEFEATS THE PACKERS

By Michelle Czaja

Managing Editor

The Chicago Bears battled the Green Bay Packers at Lambeau Field in Wisconsin on Monday, Nov. 4.

The Bears delivered a much needed win against the former Super Bowl Champions, winning 27-20.

This helped the Bears move up in the NFC North Division and ended their six-game losing streak against the Packers.

The Chicago Bears played their first game of the season without

starting quarterback, Jay Cutler.

In place of Cutler, Josh McCown prepared to take the offense down the field and gain points on the board.

The loss of Cutler had a huge impact on both the offensive and defensive end.

McCown was said to be a great player in place of Cutler, as Head Coach Marc Trestman highlighted before the game began.

As points increased, Green Bay's starting quarterback Aaron Rodgers left the rest of the game with a shoulder injury.

Green Bay lost a key player, but they continued to pressure the Bear's defense.

"The game was intense. Sweat began to drip down the sides of my face as the fourth quarter came to a close. I was so nervous toward the end, but screamed when the defense didn't let the Packers come down the field to score. All I could say was we did it," said Bears fan Brittany Donovan.

Fans became heated as the Bears led the Packers 24-20 with just under ten minutes left on the clock in the fourth quarter.

"The game was insane. I couldn't believe the ending. Yes, the Packers lost, but I still have faith in my team," said Packers fan Sean Pedersen.

Harper Women Sixth Overall at Region IV Championship

By Bill Smith

Sports Communications Assistant

The Harper College women's cross country team conquered Joliet in the Region IV Championship on Saturday, Nov. 2 to take top honors among Div. III schools. Including the Div. I teams that had enough runners to earn a team score, the Hawks placed sixth out of nine teams.

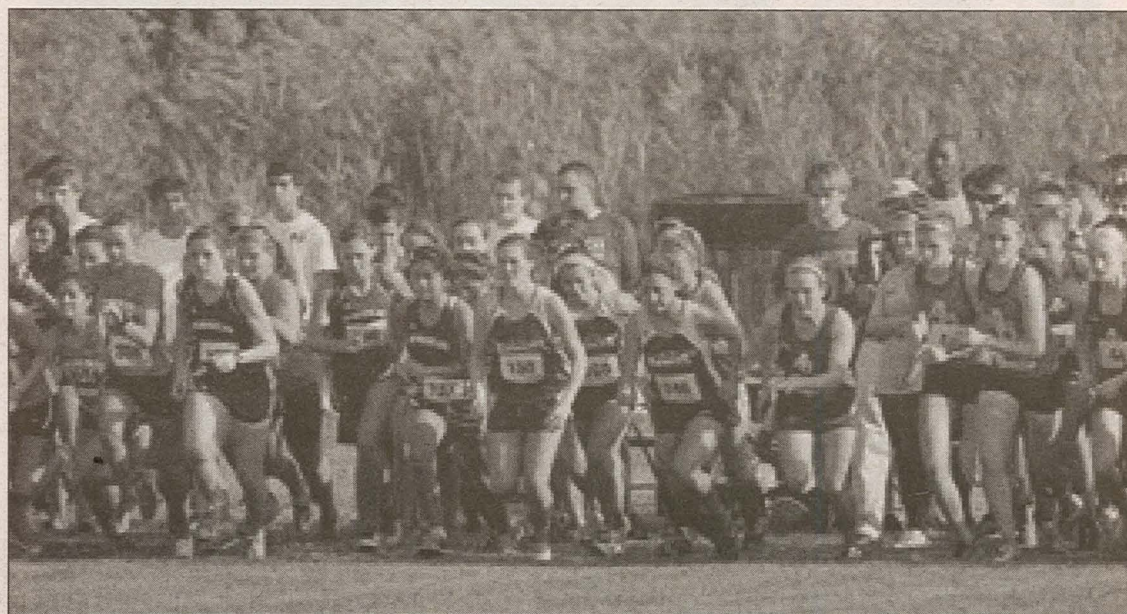
In the Div. III results, the Hawks scored 23 points to beat Joliet, who scored 33 points. Counting the nine teams, the Hawks scored 133 points. College of DuPage was the overall meet winner (44 points), followed by Waubesa Community College (51 points) and College of Lake County (97 points).

Stephanie Chaires (Palatine, Ill./Christian Liberty) was Harper's

first finisher, completing the 5K course in 21:30 for a 16th place finish out of 62 total runners. Mary Piltaver (/Conant) came across the finish line in 22:38 as the Hawks' second runner.

She was followed closely by Marisa Andreuccetti (Elk Grove Village, Ill./Conant), who took 24th with a time of 22:41. Lori Delfin (/Wheeling) came in next with a time of 23:14, good for 34th place. Gabby Beaupre (Elk Grove Village, Ill./Elk Grove) rounded out the top five with a time of 25:23, good for 42nd place. Cindia Salgado (Wheeling, Ill./Wheeling) took 44th place in a time of 26:56.

The fifth-ranked Hawks left Saturday, Nov. 9 for the NJCAA Championships in Northfield, Mass. where they ended up placing 6th place out of 12 teams.



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The Hawks took sixth overall out of nine teams at the Region IV Championship.

Boston Red Sox Celebrate and Honor Marathon Victims At World Series Championship Parade

By Crystal Rohan
Staff Writer

After a tragic start to the year, the city of Boston gathered at Fenway Park on Saturday, Nov. 2 to celebrate the Red Sox's third World Series championship in 10 years. The parade continued down Boylston Street where the players made an emotional stop at the finish line of the Boston Marathon.

Jonny Gomes, outfielder, and Jarrod Saltalamacchia, catcher, placed the World Series trophy on the finish line and held Red Sox jerseys with the words "BOSTON STRONG" while "God Bless America" played in the background.

On April 15, 2013 two bombs exploded during the Boston Marathon. The explosion killed three people and injured hundreds more, leaving the city of Boston in shock and terror. Second Baseman Dustin Pedroia said in an interview, "We played for the whole city, what the city went through." By winning the World Series, the Red Sox became part of the healing process for the people of Bos-

ton.

The Red Sox were coming back from a rough season having lost a total of 93 games in 2012. They made a dramatic turnaround by winning the World Series at Fenway Park for the first time in 95 years. Winning on their home field made the night more special for fans and players.

The Red Sox ended the series 4-2 against the St. Louis Cardinals. They became World Series champions after beating the Cardinals in game six with a score of 6-1.

Shane Victorino got Boston started with a three-run double in the bottom of the third. Jacoby Ellsbury, David Ortiz, and Gomes scored the three runs, giving Boston a 3-0 lead. The Red Sox added three more runs in the fourth inning, giving Boston a comfortable 6-0 lead. Stephen Drew was first up to bat in the bottom of the fourth and drilled a home run into the Red Sox bullpen against Cardinal's pitcher Michael Wacha.

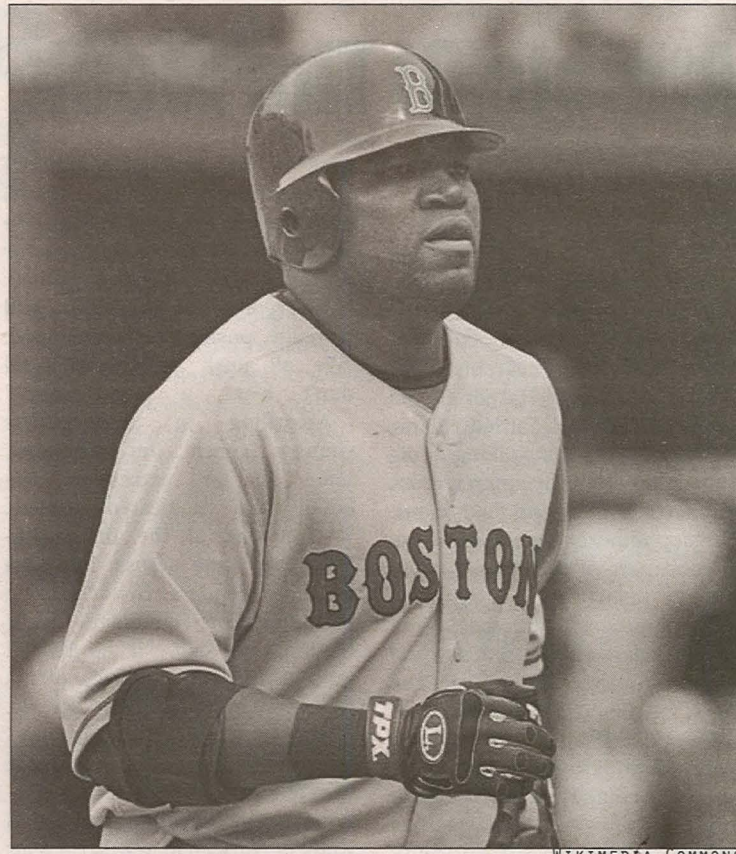
Later in the fourth inning, Mike Napoli hit a single to the right, allowing Ellsbury to score another run. Victorino then hit a single to

the left with Ortiz running in from third to score another run.

Pitcher John Lackey allowed only one run and nine hits over 6 $\frac{2}{3}$ innings. The veteran right-hander gave something special to Red Sox fans, a World Series Title. Lackey was out the entire 2012 season as he recovered from surgery on his elbow. Lackey stepped up when Boston needed him and made a tremendous impact in the Red Sox's 2013 season.

Koji Uehara finished pitching the game for the Red Sox. The crowd roared after Uehara struck out Matt Carpenter for the final out. He celebrated with catcher David Ross while the rest of the Red Sox team rushed onto the field.

Ortiz was named the World Series MVP after beating the Cardinals in game 6. Ortiz hit 11 for 16 making that a .688 batting average for the series. Everytime Ortiz went up to bat the crowd would cheer, "MVP! MVP! MVP!" It was no surprise to players or fans that Ortiz would be named this year's MVP.



David Ortiz here of The 2013 World Series Champions Boston Red Sox.

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Harper Men Soar to First at Region IV Championship

By Bill Smith
Sports Communications Assistant

The top-ranked Harper College men's cross country team took first of two teams at the Region IV Championships on Saturday, Nov. 2.

The Hawks also captured top team honors out of the nine teams who had enough runners to earn a team score.

Harper scored a perfect 15 points in the Div. III scoring, placing seven runners before Joliet's first runner crossed the finish line.

The Wolves totaled 50 points. Including all nine teams, the Hawks earned top team honors by a wide margin, scoring 35 points

to outpace nearest competitors College of DuPage (76 points) and Morton College (84 points).

Juan Barajas (Hoffman Estates, Ill./Schaumburg) once again led the Hawks, taking third place overall in the 8K race in a time of 26:25.

Brennan Albuck (/Hoffman Estates) ran an outstanding race with PR time of 26:29 to take fourth place overall while Zach Stella (Palatine, Ill./Palatine) placed fifth with a time of 26:51.

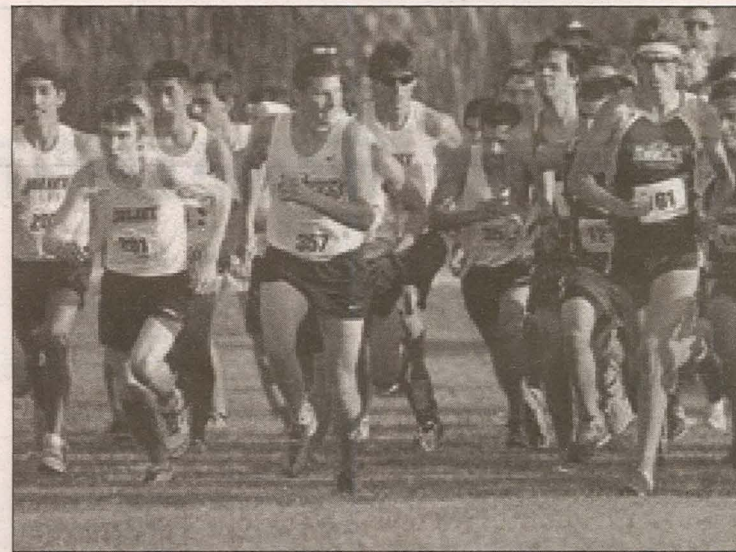
Sophomores Jhoan Lino (León, Guanajuato/Streamwood) and Nick Modlin (Wheeling, Ill./Wheeling) rounded out the scoring for the Hawks, as Lino finished in 27:48 to take 10th place and Modlin in 27:54 to take 11th

place.

Freshmen runners Sebastian Ramirez (Lima, Peru/Palatine) and Andrew Guibord (Crystal Lake, Ill./Prairie Ridge) also had strong showings for Harper. Ramirez came in with a time of 28:17 while Guibord finished in 28:26. John Majerus (Elk Grove Village, Ill./Elk Grove) also finished the race in 28:26.

The Hawks left Saturday, Nov. 9 for the NJCAA Championships in Northfield, Mass. on a mission to capture their consecutive national title.

Their mission was a success when they grabbed the 1st place spot out of 17 teams.



The top-ranked Hawks won the Region IV meet on Saturday

JIM CUMMINS

Hawks Ready to Tip Off 2013-14 Season

By Bill Smith
Sports Communications Assistant

With seven returners and a solid group of newcomers, the Harper basketball program was looking to get started on the right foot as they open their season Thursday night, Nov. 7 at College of Lake County. Head coach Tony Amarino's squad went 13-17 last year, but he and his players are confident that won't be the norm for the Hawks.

"We have the potential to go really far," said sophomore guard Tyler Gaedele (Arlington Heights, Ill./Rolling Meadows), who averaged 12.0 PPG and knocked down a team-high 84 3-pointers last year. "With the group of returners and new guys coming in, our team goal is to definitely win conference and go to nationals."

Gaedele, forward Michael Rose (Rolling Meadows, Ill./Rolling Meadows) (12.0 PPG, 6.1 RPG as

freshman) and guard/forward Charles Wright (Cheyenne, Wyo./Cheyenne East) (8.5 PPG as freshman) are the top returners scorers for the Hawks while forward Eric Porter (Arlington Heights, Ill./Lake Zurich) and center Stefan Vucicevic (Arlington Heights, Ill./Hersey) return for their second seasons. Harper also gets a boost to its frontcourt with 6-foot-9 center Will Botefuhr (Arlington Heights, Ill./Prospect), who missed last season with an injury. Keven Zelaya (/Elk Grove) also returns for his sophomore season after playing for the Hawks in the 2010-11 season.

The Hawks are deep at the guard position with sharpshooter Luke Potnick (/Buffalo Grove), Kevin Sexton (/Prospect), Kyle White (/De La Salle), Kamaron Hill (/Wheeling) and Michael Boyd (/Lake Zurich) all ready to contribute.

Bradley Reibel (/Prospect) and

Kevin Walsh (/St. Viator) provide versatility for Harper while forward Dexter Henley (/Thornton Township) provides more size in the frontcourt.

"I'm excited about our group. I think our players can really play the game," Amarino said. "We have the potential to be a really good basketball team. I'm looking forward to us meshing more as a team."

The Hawks finished fifth in the N4C last year with a 6-8 mark. While Joliet (13-1) and Triton (12-2) were atop the conference in the 2012-13 season, Gaedele and his teammates will prepare hard for every game.

"I see every team as big competition. You don't know who they have, who they brought in or who they're returning," he said.

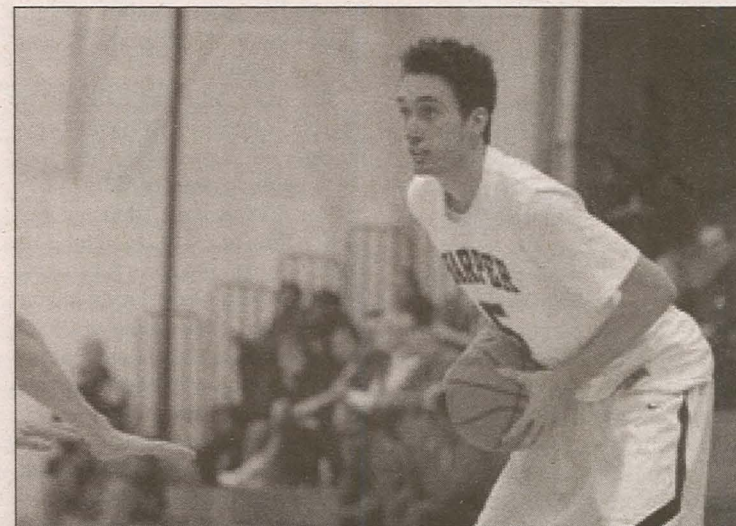
In the first five weeks of the season, the Hawks play eleven non-conference games and the Highland Tournament (Dec. 13-

14). The conference slate tips off with a road duel at Joliet on Jan. 8.

"Our conference will be strong again, but we shouldn't overlook our non conference schedule," Amarino said. "South Suburban is very good, Illinois Central is solid

and we'll play three solid teams at the Highland Tournament."

The Hawks had a close first game losing by one point in overtime. College of Lake County beat the Hawks with a close score of 67-66.



The Hawks begin their season tonight at College of Lake County.

JIM CUMMINS

Bulls Try To Shake Off Rough Start

By Nick Sadowski
Staff Writer

The Chicago Bulls are off to a lethargic start this season, but that isn't necessarily criteria for fans to panic just yet. The whole basketball world was expecting Derrick Rose and the Bulls to roar into the regular season and prove that they are true championship contenders.

What they didn't realize is that this particular Bulls team has never been on the court together. This team has shown more rust than an outdoor basketball hoop.

In the years since Rose joined Chicago, most of the other players have come and gone. This team has yet to keep a full starting roster for more than one season. Every year they have to create new chemistry rather than maintain it.

This season is definitely no exception, with Rose finding himself with a whole new bench. Rose has to try to regain the chemistry he had with the other players before them.

The Bulls have been struggling tremendously on both sides of the court, ranking 27th in offensive points per game and 14th in defensive points allowed.

These numbers are unlike anything seen in the Tom Thibodeau era. Coach Thibodeau expressed the struggles by saying, "We've got to work and we've got to work together. That's the big thing: we've got to work together. That's how you build chemistry. That's how you learn to play off each other. That's how you learn to cover for

each other."

After missing a year and a half, Rose has struggled to get the team going as he struggles to get himself going. He is shooting a lowly 31 percent from the field while turning the ball over at a whopping 5.3 turnovers per game.

Rose has also been turning the ball over at a very high rate, particularly due to the double teams he has been facing. Rose knows he is capable of breaking the double team code.

"It's not a problem for me. I've been getting double teamed for a couple of years now," Rose stated.

"I just got to make the game simple: When it comes to a double team, make the easy play and let my teammates work on the back side, the offensive side. But for me, I have to make the easiest play possible. But I'm over thinking it sometimes and that's leading to turnovers."

Other than Rose, the whole team has been lacking in intensity. As a team, the Bulls are shooting 25 percent from the three point line.

They desperately need to improve in that area if they want any chance at winning against the better teams.

Even though the Bulls are struggling, they are doing so at the perfect time.

At three weeks in, they will have the rest of the season to fix the numerous problems.

Hopefully they will put their woes behind them and focus on getting ready for the playoffs in the spring.

Hawks Nearly Knock Off No. 1 Madison In Region IV Final

By Bill Smith
Sports Communications Assistant

The fifth-ranked Harper College volleyball team knocked off defending national champs Rock Valley (25-22, 22-25, 25-23, 25-20) in the Region IV Semifinals on Nov. 2, Saturday morning to set up a title match with No. 1 Madison. The Hawks took the WolfPack to a fifth set, and the match was tied at 10-10 before Harper lost 15-12. The scores of the match were 25-18, 15-25, 25-23, 20-25 and 12-15.

Harper's season ends with a 31-21 record. Three Harper players – outside hitter Alex Messner (Hoffman Estates, Ill./Fremd), libero Kelly Spychala (Des Plaines, Ill./Elk Grove) and middle hitter Veronica Dabrowski (Mount Prospect, Ill./Rolling Meadows) – made the NJCAA Div. III Region IV All-Tournament team for their efforts.

Harper battled Rock Valley in the Region IV Semifinals. Messner had a season-high 17 kills to go with 17 digs in the four-set victory over the defending national champs Golden Eagles on their home court. She also showed her versatility with four big blocks. Setter Lindsey Murphy (Lake in the Hills, Ill./Crystal Lake South) added to her nation-leading assist total with 35 assists and added 10 digs to record another double-double.

In the service game, Murphy was a perfect 25-for-25 with three aces while Dabrowski was 17-for-19 with three aces of her own. Defensively, Spychala was all over the court with 27 digs while fresh-

man Morgan Peterson (Roselle, Ill./Conant) contributed 16 digs.

"We played very well against the defending national champions and deserved the chance to play against the No. 1 team in the nation," said Harper head coach Bob Vilsoet.

The victory was the Hawks' third consecutive win over the Golden Eagles after losing the home opener to them in four sets back on Aug. 27.

Harper then faced the No. 1 ranked Madison in the Region IV Finals. With a spot to the NJCAA National Championship on the line, both teams played their hearts out in an excellent five-set match.

The Hawks took the first set 25-18, but the WolfPack rebounded with a 25-15 win in the second set.

Harper claimed the third set with a 25-23 victory to take a 2-1 advantage in the match and inch closer to a bid to nationals. Madison once

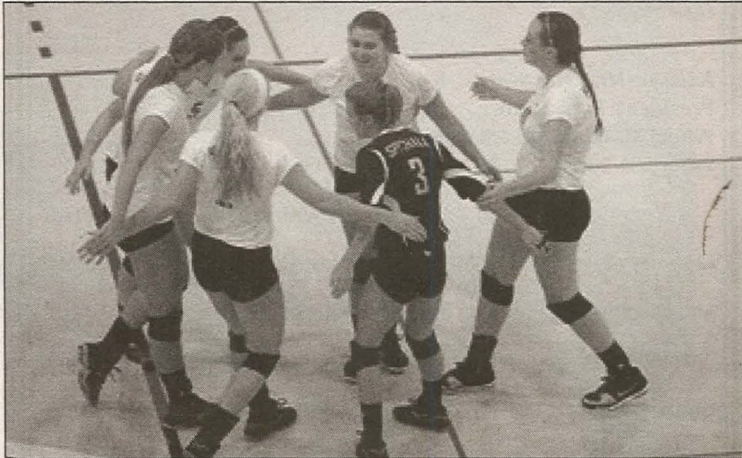
again showed its resilience, bouncing back with a 25-20 win to set up the deciding fifth set.

In that fifth set, the WolfPack (31-3) found a way to beat the Hawks and win their 18th straight match.

"Both teams deserved to win this match. We were at 10-10 in game five, and we were playing well. Either team could have won this match," Vilsoet said.

Messner once again led the Hawks with 14 kills coupled with 22 digs. Melina Villaber (Chicago, Ill./Taft) played a strong match, putting down 14 kills while tallying 16 digs. Murphy once again provided a steady presence in the setting game, handing out 36 assists while adding 22 digs.

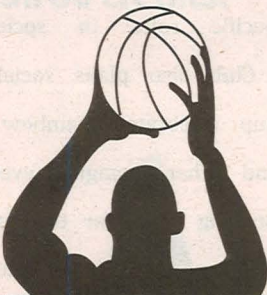
On the defensive end, Dabrowski had four blocks while Spychala recorded a season-high 38 digs.



The Hawks beat defending national champ Rock Valley before falling in a five-set thriller to No. 1 Madison



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Sports Schedule				
November				
Day / Sport:	Opponent / Event	Time:	Home / Away:	City:
18 Monday				
19 Tuesday				
Women's Basketball	Morton College	5:00 p.m.	Away	Palatine, Ill.
Men's Basketball	Morton College	7:00 p.m.	Away	
20 Wednesday				
21 Thursday				
Women's Basketball	McHenry County College	5:00 p.m.	Away	Grayslake, Ill.
Men's Basketball	McHenry County College	7:00 p.m.	Away	Grayslake, Ill.
22 Friday				
23 Saturday				
Wrestling	Coe College Invite	9:30 a.m.	Away	Northfield, Mass.
Men's Basketball	South Suburban College	2:00 p.m.	Away	Northfield, Mass.
24 Sunday				
25 Monday				
26 Tuesday				
Women's Basketball	Elgin Community College	5:00 p.m.	Home	Elgin Ill.

Score Board for Nov. 9-12			
Sport	Datetime	Opponent	Result
Men's Basketball	11.12.13	Illinois Central College	L 78-93
Women's Basketball	11.12.13	Illinois Central College	L 36-94

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CLUB'S CORNER

Pride Club Advocates for the LGBTQ Community

By Hanan Aquil
Office Manager

Adviser: Monica Edwards, Kris Hines
President: Patrick Nora
When: Mondays, 12 – 1 p.m.
Where: D-132

Harper College encourages diversity within its campus and Pride Club serves as a place for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered, and Questioning students as well as allies to come together.

Pride Club is working to create a more respectful and safe campus for the LGBTQ community. Vice President Krista Demma states that Pride Club is working on having a zero-tolerance policy and gender neutral bathrooms for transgender students.

Meetings are enriched with healthy discussions on issues such as the gender binary (men and women having specific roles in society) and gender equality.

Pride Club also plans social events. This past October, the group celebrated Rainbow week with educational forums and other engaging events throughout the campus. There are big plans for the spring semester as well. Pride Club is planning to have Harper's very first Drag Show.

Pride Club empowers LGBTQ students to educate and inform the Harper Community. Josh Back, a first-year Harper and pride club student, states, "We educate Harper by doing panels on what it's like for being gay. It's nice to know we live in a community that's relatively accepting. Everyone has different stories for coming out and their experiences; at Harper it's been overall positive."

Pride Club has had to battle discrimination on campus. Last spring, anti-gay flyers were spread throughout campus. Many LGBTQ members and their allies spoke in educational panels to bring awareness to students on campus. They also initiated a conversation with administration, including Harper's President, Dr. Kenneth Ender to address and resolve the situation.

Demmastates, "We strive to make a safe place for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, questioning, and allies. We also educate people about our community and dispel many stereotypes about the community."

Members are empowered to be confident individuals who advocate for gay rights. As President Patrick Nora states, "Harper Pride has forever changed me into a stronger individual. My eyes were opened to the power an individual's voice. We all have the capacity for change but a lot of us are too scared to speak up, I learned to overcome it. I feel so honored to help people within our communities and I owe it all to my Pride family."

Mark Sterner: DUI A Powerful Lesson

By Michelle Czaja
Managing Editor

Mark Sterner visited Harper on Wednesday evening, Nov. 6, to discuss his tragic story. He shared his story about the night he killed his three best friends while driving drunk.

Sterner was 21 when he made a tragic decision to drink and drive. It was Spring Break, which meant it was time to go out, celebrate and have some fun while in college. Sterner and his four friends, Aaron, Pete, Jim, and Darren all celebrated as normal college kids would and experienced what they thought were the "best nights of their lives."

They chose to go to Florida for spring break and spent a total of six nights at one of his friend's family's home.

Drinking every night, going to bars, and dancing their nights away was something they chose to do and each night someone different drove. The last night however, when Sterner decided to drive home, all five were involved in a major car accident and three were pronounced dead on the scene.

Aaron (22), Pete (22), and Jim (23), all died the night of the accident. Sterner expressed that it was the shortest distance they had driven out of all days and it was that night he was convicted for 3 second degree felonies DUI manslaughter. Sterner was sentenced to 45 years in prison, but only served three years.

Sterner travels across the world to share his story with college students, expressing that he isn't out to preach, but only to inform and share his story. "I do this so you don't have to live my life. To save your parents from a phone call like mine," said Sterner. Having shared his story to over two million college students, he feels that what he is doing is all he can do at this point in his life.

Sterner is the youngest child in his family, but also the very first person to ever be in prison in his entire family. Sterner's mother received a phone call at 3 a.m. from a nurse saying to make it out to Florida as fast as she could because her son was in critical condition and that they couldn't guarantee he would live. Checking up every 30 minutes, at 6:30 a.m., the nurse shared that Sterner had stopped breathing, that his vitals were going down, and that he was now on life support.

After finally arriving, Sterner's family waited patiently for him to wake up. The day Sterner woke up he expressed that he looked to his side and saw his brother sitting down next to him with his head down.

Sterner was very confused because the last thing he remembered was being with his friends. The news was finally shared with Sterner and he was told that three of his friends were dead. Sterner expressed that the only thing he was thinking about at that point in time was that he wished he was dead.

"I was only 21. Old people die. You don't die when you're having fun," said Sterner. With a blood alcohol level of .17, Sterner was pronounced the least drunk as his

friends were well over .2. Sterner explained that Aaron, Pete, and Jim all died instantly, but the worst part was that Sterner and his friend Pete were two of the five that flew a total of 40 yards and ended up on the other side of the road. Darren (21), however, survived the accident with very little marks and scratches.

"I'm the reason my three best friends are dead. I'd trade my life in a heartbeat to bring my friends back for ten minutes to say goodbye to their parents. Life's all about choices. My friends made a bad choice, and trusted me. Less than two miles down the road we got into an accident. That was it, that was the night my life changed forever," said Sterner.

By sharing his story with college students, he feels that he can raise awareness. He doesn't want college kids, like us, to have to live a life like he is living now. Sterner shared his story with regret, wishing every day of his life he could still have

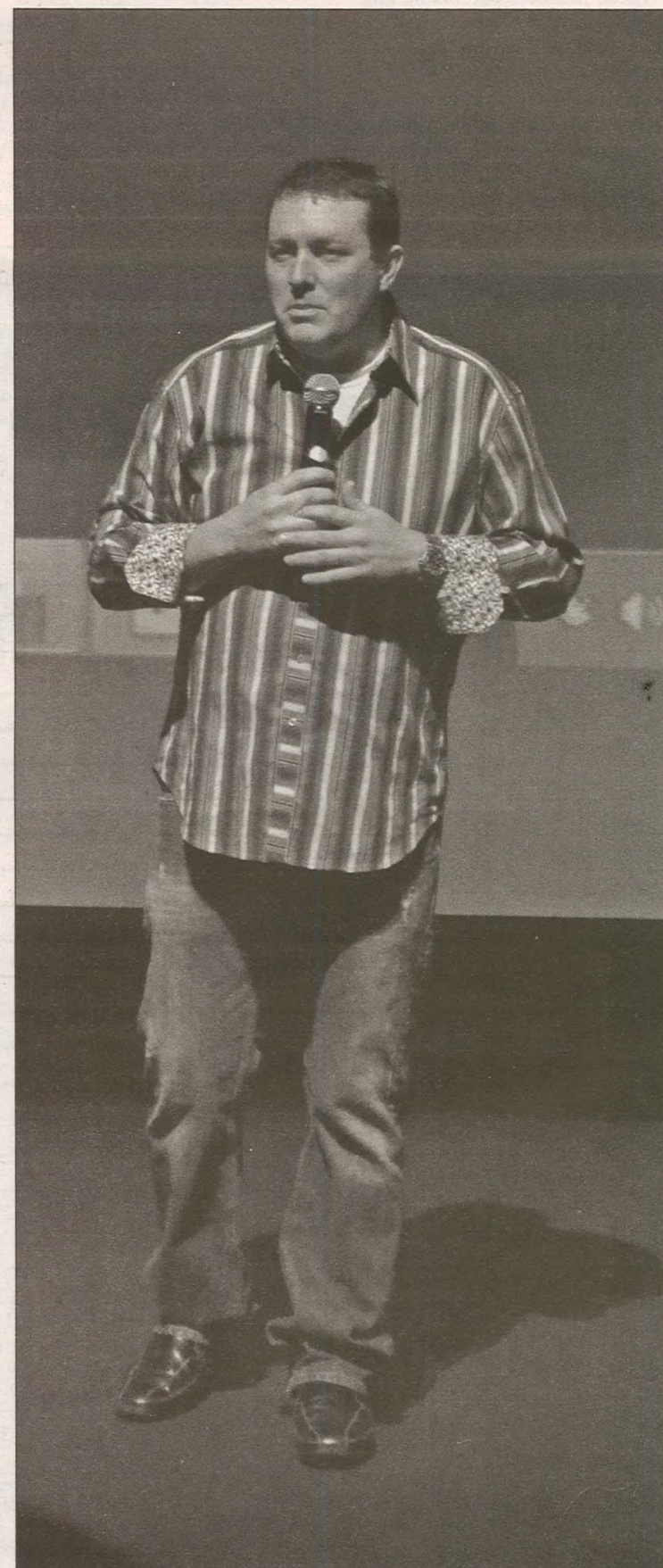
his three best friends by his side.

Sterner stated, "Time heals all wounds." Time does heal all wounds, most of the time. But for the night that Sterner was part of, the wounds keep growing and time is now the past.

A night like Sterner's is something the rest of the world needs to know about. If presentations like these can save lives, more presentations like Sterner's should be offered.

"Presentations like Sterner's should be presented to high school students as well, to spread more awareness among high schoolers who already participate in drinking and driving.

"Sterner's story was so powerful, and I will take into consideration everything he has shared with me. I will pass it on to the people I care about and make sure that others around me know exactly what can happen in a blink of an eye," said Sophomore High School Student, Michael Czaja.



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Pumpkin Carving Contest Puts Harper In Halloween Spirit

By Hanan Aquil
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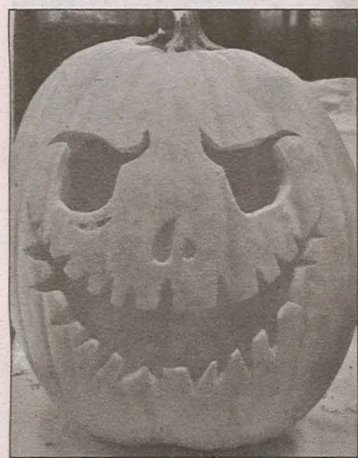
Building A was a buzz with Halloween spirit on Tuesday, Oct. 29 as students carved pumpkins. With the help of Campus Recreation, the Hospitality Club hosted a Pumpkin Carving Contest with Cookie Decorating. There was also a Bake Sale offering goodies such as cinnamon spiced nuts and pastries. A small patch of hollowed pump-

kins were set on the stage in the student center lounge ready for those who had preregistered for the event. Given an hour to carve, contestants had the choice to bring their own tools or use the carving tools offered by the hosts. They could also choose to carve free-hand or with a stencil. The majority of students carved their pumpkin with stencils. A total of 56 Jack-o-lanterns were carved, and the pumpkins were

showcased around the student involvement office in building A. The top five pumpkins were all carved free hand. Among the winners were the face of Jack, from "The Nightmare Before Christmas" and Sonic the Hedgehog. Jamie Mahoney, a student employee of Student Involvement, helped with the contest. She observed that the morning was slow, but it picked up by noon. "We've seen a lot of clever pump-

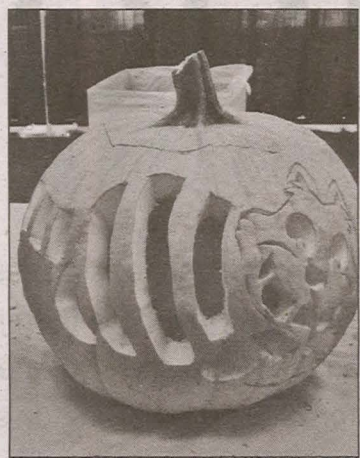
kins... This got people in the mood for Halloween, leading to the Costume Bash," said Mahoney. Contestant Amaris Pozniak stated, "The pumpkin Carving Contest was a cool idea to bring people together." Carvers and spectators alike could stop in at the cookie station to decorate sugar cookies provided by the Hospitality club. This drew quite a few students too. Various colors of icing were available to

make designs. The cookies were not displayed around campus, but instead, students ate them just as quickly as they decorated them. First-year PHE student, Robert Douglas, also liked the event, stating, "[It's] something to do on campus. It would be nice to have it every year."



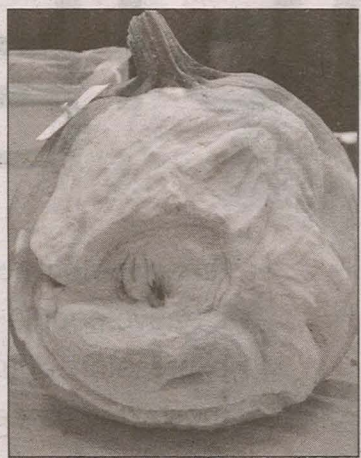
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First Place Winner:
Emily Schulte



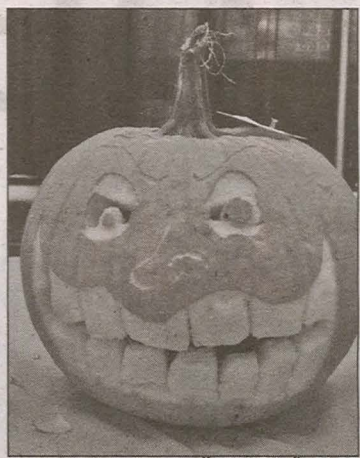
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Second Place Winner:
Katerina Josckish



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Third Place Winner:
Amelia Corcilus



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Fourth Place Winner:
Josh Brown



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Fifth Place Winner:
Daesy Ruiz

PREMIERING THIS MONTH:



Events Schedule

November

Day:	Event:	Time:	Topic Area:	Location:
18 Monday				
19 Tuesday				
	Nietzsche's Debt to Aristotle with Dr. Daw-Nay Evans, Jr.	11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.	Authors/Lectures	Building A, Room A242
	NaNoWRiMo Write-In	12 - 1:30 p.m	Authors/Lectures	Library Classroom
20 Wednesday				
	Meet the Artists Holiday Ceramics Show and Sale	9 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Ceramics Sale	Avante, Concourse
	NaNoWRiMo Write-In	12 - 1:30 p.m	Authors/Lectures	Library Classroom
21 Thursday				
	Meet the Artists Holiday Ceramics Show and Sale	9 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Ceramics Sale	Avante, Concourse
22 Friday				
	Harper Ensemble Theatre Company: THE HEIRESS	8:00 p.m.	Theatre	Performing Arts Center
23 Saturday				
	Harper Ensemble Theatre Company: THE HEIRESS	8:00 p.m.	Theatre	Performing Arts Center
24 Sunday				
	Coffee with the Director: A Special Pre-Show Event: THE HEIRESS	2:00 p.m.	Theatre	Performing Arts Center
25 Monday				
26 Tuesday				
	Guitar Ensemble Concert	7:30 p.m.	Concerts	Performing Arts Center
	Harper Ensemble Theatre Company presents: THE HEIRESS	8 p.m.	Theater	Performing Arts Center

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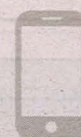
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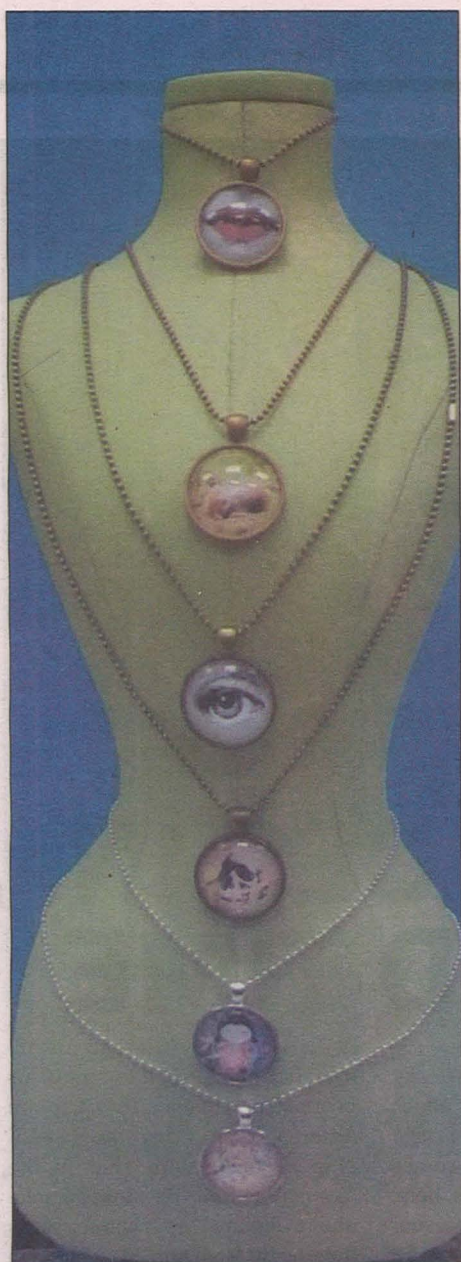
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"THOR" THRILLS AUDIENCES IN AN ACTION PACKED GOOD TIME

By Larissa Martinez-Szewczyk
Art & Entertainment Editor

"Thor: The Dark World" is a thrill ride of action that gives the audience a few laughs here and there. If someone is deciding what movie to watch this weekend, see "Thor." No one will regret it.

Thor is, of course, played by the one and only Chris Hemsworth. His on-screen brother Loki is played by Tom Hiddleston. The villain Malekith is played by Christopher Eccleston, who is most well known for playing the ninth doctor in the Doctor Who series. Natalie Portman is also resuming her role as Jane Foster.

In this new thrill ride, the Dark Elf Malekith and a group of his fellow Dark Elves seek out the aid of the Aether, a terrible weapon that can be used to cause devastating amounts of destruction. They need this weapon to destroy the Nine Realms during the Convergence, a time in which all the

Realms are aligned.

Malekith awakens when Jane becomes a host for the Aether unintentionally. He sends his lieutenant, Algrim, as a Kursed to Asgard where Jane was brought by Thor. Malekith and his men attack Asgard to get to Jane.

When Odin's wife Frigga tricks them into thinking that Jane is with them, she is killed before Thor can reach them. Thor has no choice but to enlist the help of his imprisoned and sometimes neurotic brother Loki in order to save the people of Asgard.

Loki helped Thor escape Asgard with Jane to Svartalfheim, Malekith's home world. Loki tricks him into taking the Aether out of Jane, so Thor tries to destroy it. He is unsuccessful while Malekith escapes, leaving Loki mortally wounded.

Thor must now go to Earth to stop Malekith from destroying all Nine Realms and sending the

world back into darkness. Thor obviously wins and all is right with the world once again...or so the audience thinks. At the end, Thor tells Odin that he cannot rule Asgard, but he can protect it. Odin smiles as Thor leaves, he changes into a smirking Loki.

The action of the movie was amazing. The fight scene at the beginning is reminiscent of the final battle scene in "The Lord of the Rings: Return of the King" because it has so many people fighting that it goes on as far as the eye can see. The final battle between Thor and Malekith is pretty badass. The audience gets to see how huge Malekith is made by the Aether when Thor throws Jane's instruments at him. They are as tall as Jane is and she has trouble holding them all. With Thor, they look about the size of spears, but when they impale Malekith they look like little spears. Jane uses the instruments to teleport sections of him away to

defeat him.

Loki has been seen as a sneaky guy with a sort of bravado about him. When he learns that Frigga died, he loses it. When Thor comes to visit him to ask for his help, Loki appears fine and his usual self. When Thor tells him that he can't fool him, that image of Loki is gone.

The real Loki is then shown sitting against the wall with his hair disheveled and only wearing part of his usual garb. His room is a complete mess with scuffmarks across the wall. Loki was truly upset about Frigga's death even though she was not his real mother. His care for her is the reason he joins Thor, to avenge her death. Deep down Loki has a heart somewhere.

Chris Evans aka Captain America makes a cameo role in the film.

As Loki changes Thor and his image after being freed to annoy his brother, he changes into Captain America referencing the friendship he made with Thor in the "Avengers" film. He makes a joke about feeling the righteousness flowing through him. Stan Lee also makes a cameo role in the film as a patient in a mental hospital.

Make sure to stay for the credits. In mid-credits, there is a scene with a man called the Collector. Volstagg and Sif visit him to have him watch over the Aether for safekeeping. After they leave he remarks, "One down, five to go." Like all Marvel movies, this one has an extra scene after the credits. It shows Thor and Jane kissing, and a frost monster that was accidentally transported during the Convergence running around the streets of London.



Walt Disney at Museum of Science and Industry

By Melissa Edwards
News Editor

Walt Disney is a household name associated with many different things. Movies, television shows, and theme parks are often the main focus, but who can forget the little mouse that made Mr. Disney famous? Treasures of the Walt Disney Archives, presented by D23: The Official Disney Fan Club, are ready for exploration at The Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago. This exhibit offers a glimpse into the creative and innovative mind of Chicago native Walt Disney and the entertainment empire he created.

The exhibit begins with a movie about how the Disney brand came into existence. Exploring deeper, the exhibit shares the story of Walt Disney's life and showcases news clippings, stories, and many rare

artifacts that are not normally available for public viewing. Walt Disney's desk is on display accompanied by original character sketches, clay models, and awards. Character outfits from movies like "Pirates of the Caribbean," "Mary Poppins," and "The Princess Diaries" add additional flair.

The experience is very interactive with screens displaying interviews, behind the scenes footage, and clips from Disney movies. Visitors can record their own sound effects, learn more about the world of animation, and listen to Disney classics throughout the exhibit.

Tricky questions posted on the walls throughout the area will put even a hardcore fan's Disney knowledge to the test. Of additional interest is an area detailing the creation of Disneyland. An in depth sketch of the park, props, and drawings are

all on display.

The exhibit ends with the Animation Academy, where visitors can learn to draw a Disney character. The instructor provides step by step instruction for drawing classic Disney characters, including everyone's favorite Mouse!

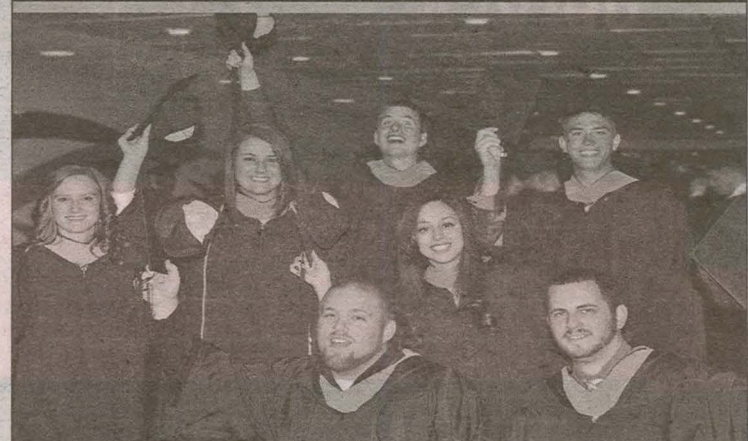
This is a must see for any Disney fan, young or old. From sculptures and stories taken from Disney classics, to artifacts from recent movies like "High School Musical" and "Teen Beach Movie," there is something here for everyone to treasure.

The exhibit requires an additional admission ticket that can be purchased as part of an Explorer Ticket package. Museum members can purchase exhibit tickets for \$4.50 per guest. The exhibit is open daily from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. except Thanksgiving and Christmas and runs through May 4, 2014.

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- 1) Stir sugar, water and cinnamon together in a medium sauce pan.
- 2) Bring mixture to a boil and add cranberries.
- 3) Cook the cranberries about 10 minutes or until they begin to pop.
- 4) Take off the heat and pour into a glass bowl.
- 5) Refrigerate, stirring every 5-10 minutes, until completely chilled.

Ingredients:

- 1 $\frac{2}{3}$ cup of White Sugar
- $\frac{2}{3}$ cup of water
- 1 tsp of ground cinnamon
- 1 (12 ounce) pkg of fresh cranberries; rinse before use

Sweet Potato Bake

Method:

- 1) Preheat oven to 375f.
- 2) Wash and peel the sweet potatoes. Cut into 1"x1" chunks.
- 3) Place in a 9"x13" casserole dish. Spray the dish with cooking spray or grease the dish with a little of the butter.
- 4) In small sauce pan, melt the butter on medium heat. Once melted stir in the brown sugar until dissolved.
- 5) Pour the sugar mix over the sweet potatoes.
- 6) Add marshmallows to top of potatoes and place in oven for 40 minutes or until potatoes are soft.

Ingredients:

- 2 lbs of sweet potatoes
- 1 cup of brown sugar
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- 2 cups of mini-marshmallows



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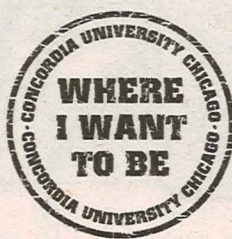
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Ubisoft Does it Again With “Assasins Creed IV: Black Flag”

By Larissa Martinez-Szewczyk
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Developer Ubisoft has outdone itself in this new era of the “Assassin’s Creed” series. “Assassin’s Creed IV: Black Flag” is an amazing game in storyline and game play. Anyone who is a fan of the series will love this addition to it.

Not only is the whole landscape beautiful and one of the most realistic out there, but the actual sheer size of the map itself is also impressive. It stretches from the tip of Florida in the north, Haiti in the east, the Yucatan Peninsula, and Mexico in the west. This is the biggest map of the series to date. Each location has tons of things to do from collecting sea shanties that one’s crew can sing while sail-

ing the sea to animals native to the land that one can kill and skin for upgrades to Edward’s person.

Killing and skinning animals now has a purpose in the game because they can be used for upgrades for Edward such as a more advanced pistol holder or a new outfit. There is so much extra content besides the main missions that finishing the main storyline alone will give one only around 53 percent completion.

The storyline of the game is exciting and keeps the player interested in finishing it. Edward Kenway, grandfather to Connor who was the main character in Assassin’s Creed III and father to Haytham who was also in that game, takes off from England to earn a living for himself and his wife

Caroline. Before he leaves, they separate.

Edward becomes a pirate and kills an Assassin by the name of Duncan Walpole. He goes to Havana and impersonates Walpole to get the reward that the late Walpole was going to receive for delivering a map and strange cube to Torres, the governor of Havana.

Edward’s cover is blown, so he ends up in a ship heading for a prison. He manages to take over the ship with the help of the other prisoners taking the ship as his own. Jackdaw is the name he gives the ship.

He discovers that the group of men he talked to when he was disguised as Walpole were Templars. The Assassin had turned on his own to help the Templars. For

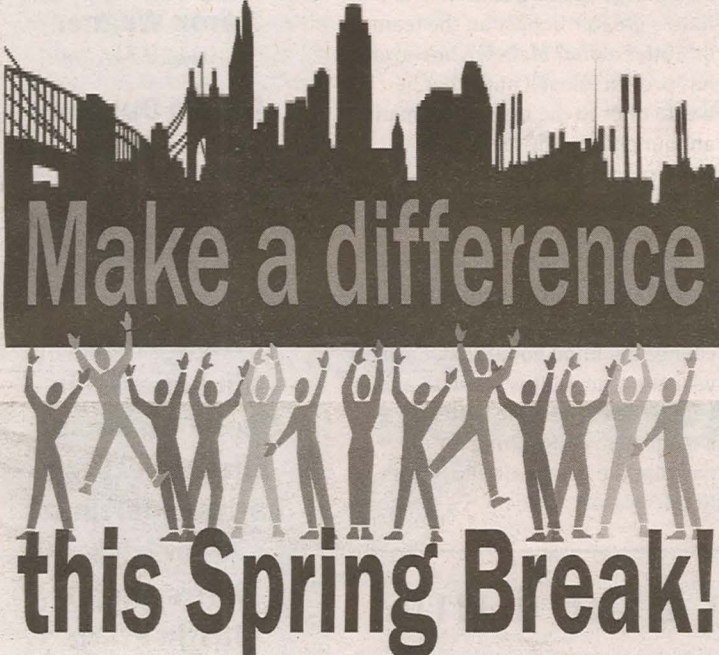
a good portion of the game, Edward is busy hunting down a man known as the Sage. Edward helped this man capture Torres when he was disguised. The Sage was wanted by both Templars and Assassins because he knew the location of the Observatory.

This is a place made by an ancient and powerful race that housed an instrument that allows the user to see through the eyes of whomever they want using just one drop of blood from that person. The Templars want it to help their Order take over the world for their purposes of order and power. The Assassins want it to keep it away from the Templars and save humanity’s freedom.

Along the way, Edward finds the Templars and kills them. When

he finally finds the Sage, he leads Edward to the Observatory. Later on, he goes after the Sage when he betrays Edward and takes the instrument of the Observatory for himself. After achieving all he set out to do, Edward is able to somewhat relax.

His daughter, the one he did not know existed, sailed down to live with him since Caroline had passed away a few years earlier. The game ends with a scene in a theater, which shows up at the very beginning of Assassin’s Creed III, with a much older Edward, his daughter Jenny, and his young son Haytham. There is no scene during the rest of the credits. So feel free to skip it because the credits for this series are always very long.



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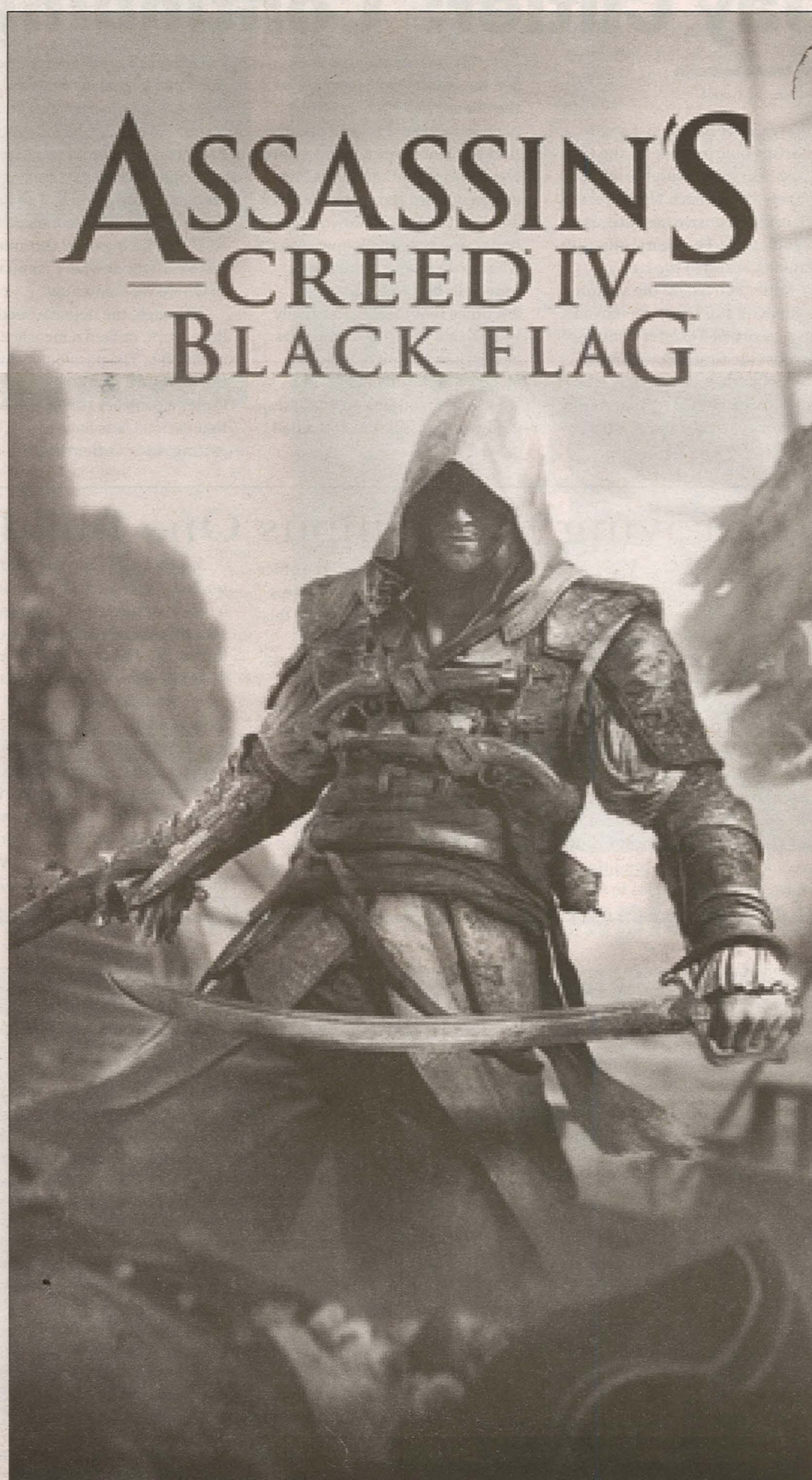
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How Can Harper Beat The Blue Months?

By Cheryl Gistenson
Editor-in-Chief

Is it just me, or does anyone else get burned out after mid-terms? That little halfway mark is a nice time for a breather, but for me, it becomes this deep, extended exhale. I don't think I know how to pace myself. I'll work diligently, consistently and without end during the first half of the semester, but that only lasts so long.

I think part of this is the pressure of American society to be

super-productive. Why can't we be like most of Europe and close shop for a two-hour lunch, or have siesta? I'm sure it's also the change in weather. (I may have to run this paper from a remote location.) I don't know if I can handle another Chicago winter. My pinky fell off in parking lot five on my way into campus. (Aren't you impressed with my nine-fingered typing skills?)

Have you noticed a mood change in yourself or those around you? The weather change

may be my perfect excuse for this laziness that's taken over. It's blanketed my daily schedule like the snow outside.

I feel like the Grinch though. As a little kid, I loved snow. Now, as an adult with "real-world responsibilities," the snow only complicates things. Maybe if I could spend the day sledding and building snow-creatures, I'd be in a better mood. How do I melt my cold, snowy blues? I keep saying that I'm going to move South, where it won't get below 55 de-

grees. However, I can't really just drop everything here and go.

Harbinger readers, I'm looking for your help! Send us your remedies. If you have a ritual, trick, or tradition to keep up spirits during the blue months, let us know. In the next edition, we'll have a compilation of your ideas. Stop by the office at A-367 to drop suggestions in the box, or if there's anyone in the office, stop in to talk with us. You can also send an email to harperharbinger@gmail.com.

Jay Cutler: Continuing or Not?

By Michelle Czaja
Managing Editor

Jay Cutler has been a great starting quarterback for the Chicago Bears, and with the addition of new Head Coach Marc Trestman, the offensive has increased significantly. The Bears' offensive ranking is 2nd in the NFL.

Cutler started off the season with a 3-0 start, then he moved to a record of 5-3 after winning against the Green Bay Packers. The win against Green Bay wasn't all because of the fact that Aaron Rodgers was out after the first quarter.

I truly believe that the reason the Bears won is because of the offense and their amazing plays. However, it is also because Backup Quarterback Josh McCown was in place for Cutler. McCown is a great third string quarterback and that is a fact. McCown is great under pressure and knows exactly what to do in tough situations, especially on the field. There are times that I feel Cutler really wasn't able to prove that he was better than McCown. Seriously, McCown steps on field for one game and maintains great passes, yards, and possession of the ball as well.

Cutler is a great quarterback, don't get me wrong. He is great at what he does, but is he as great as McCown? Does he have as much potential? The addition of Trestman has boosted the team as a whole in various ways. The Bears' offense is ranked second in the NFL, that's a big deal! Our offense last year was nowhere compared to where we stand now.

Although, the defense needs a little work, ranked a measly 29th in the NFL. The possibility that the Bears are planning on offering Cutler a contract stirs questions that various fans have to ask. Is getting rid of Cutler the best idea

for Chicago at this point? Will it have a greater impact on the team or Cutler alone? McCown however, has proven himself and what he has to offer to the team. Trestman announced that he feels there is more potential with McCown. He sees it being a positive difference if the Bears sign away Cutler.

The Chicago Bears have veen--and always will be--my favorite team, and nothing will ever change my mind about that. Each year the team builds strength and confidence to become better as a team. I am still waiting for the day that the Bears win the Super Bowl.

Improving the Campus One Building at a Time

To the Editor,

Hello! I am a long-time user of the Harper College athletic facilities, but I do not know whom to reach out to regarding my feedback and possible suggestions/solutions to Building M.

The shower facilities are not quite up to par with the level of that of the rest of the campus. The showers often don't have hot water and the shower heads are not in acceptable conditions. I have tried to bring this to the

attention of the staff and the office in Building M, but nothing seems to be getting done to improve this situation.

The following are some suggestions to improve the facility:

1. Replace the boiler for warm water with a more reliable model in building M, so that there is always enough warm water for showers.
2. Replace all shower heads in building M. Most of the existing heads are old and clogged up with limestones and barely sprinkle.
3. Replace the hot and cold water faucets for each shower with a type that has a built-in timer to shut off automatically to minimize the waste of hot or cold water.

I have seen on several occasions, students who leave the faucets open on many showers leaving the cold water to flow out. Perhaps the student was looking for a faucet that works when the hot or cold water was not available, and then left the shower area because of the lack of water. When the water was turned back on, no

one was there to close the faucets. A built-in timer type faucet will prevent this.

Also, during the winter months, I think the shower area is a little too cold after the shower. The thermostat can perhaps be adjusted to be a bit warmer.

This would make the experience a bit more pleasant. I love to swim at Harper several times a week and would love to have those visits even more pleasant.

Thanks for reading,
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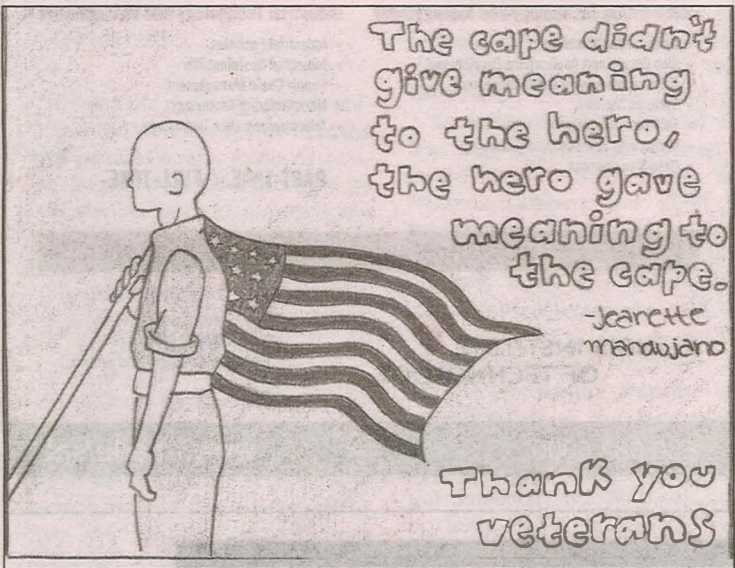
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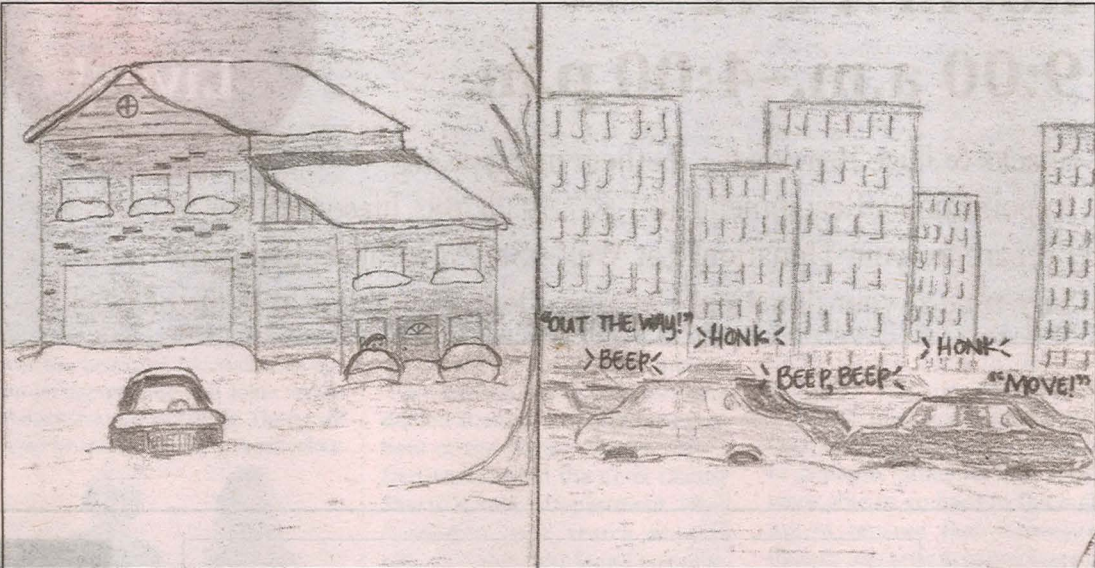
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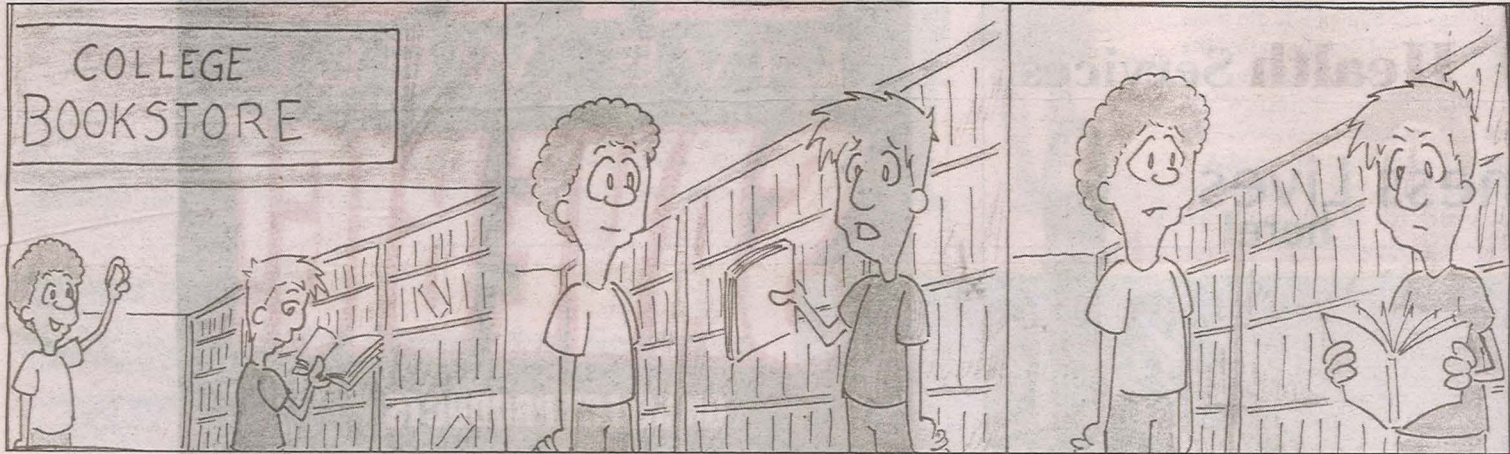
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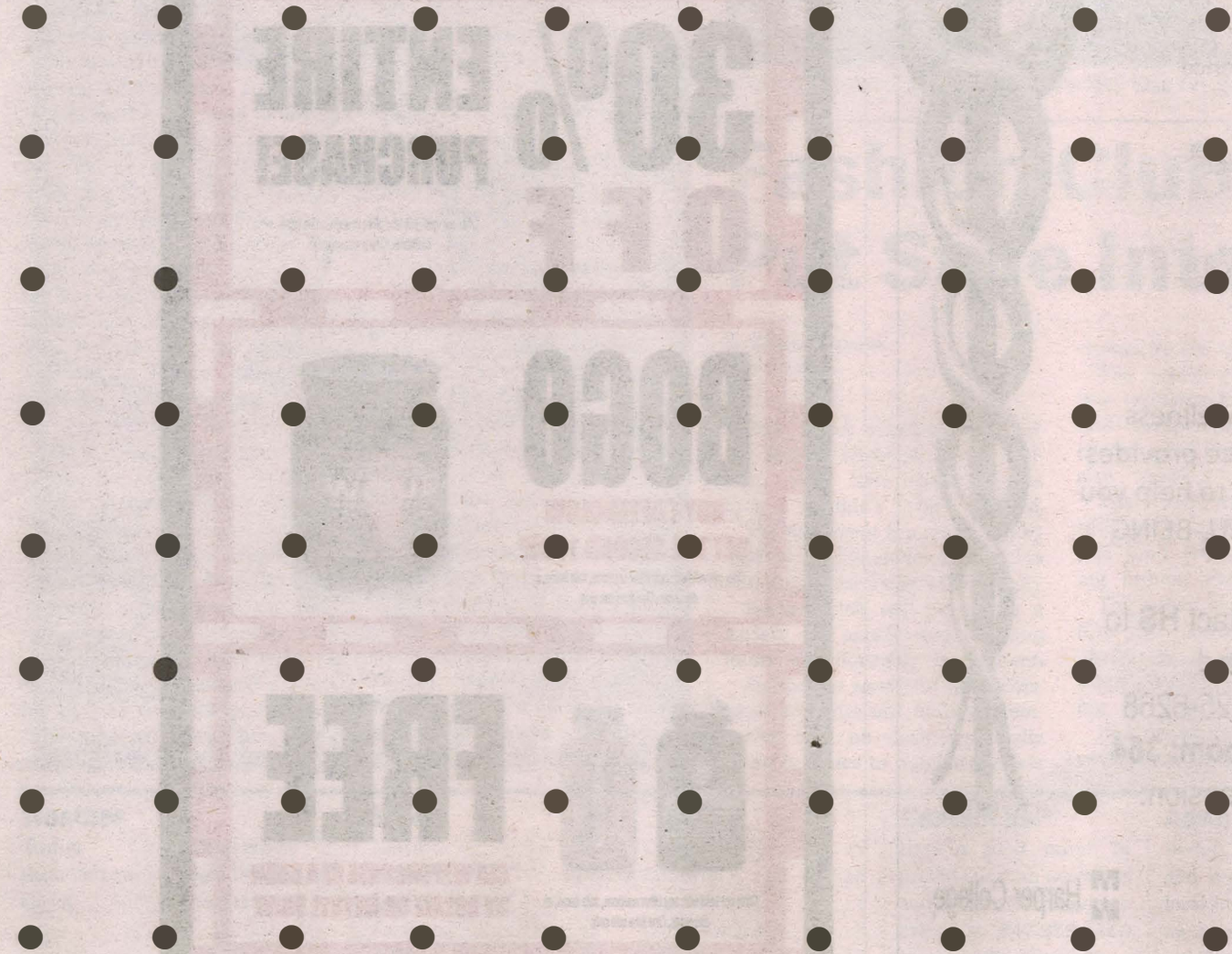
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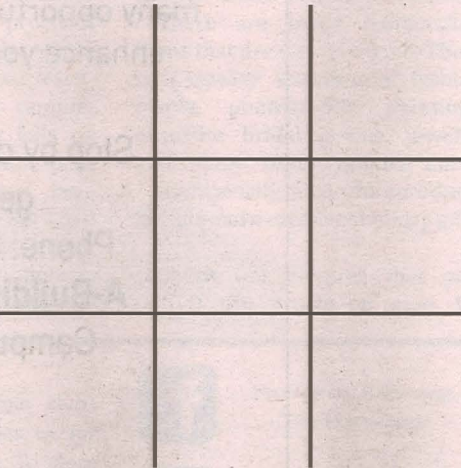
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