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Progressive athletic center opens at MCC

Construction is complete on state of the art athletic facility to benefit students, faculty and staff.

AMY CRAWFORD

ASST. LIFESTYLES EDITOR

MCC is proud to give to all students, faculty and staff a new state of the art athletic facility, the PAC Center. The new 56,000 square foot athletic facility, costing \$12 million, was made possible by the state's \$6 million grant and by the Foundation member's generous donations.

Alumna Pamela A. Chesonis and her husband Arunas Chesonis, CEO of PAETEC Communication, stepped forward with a challenge in Jan. 2007 that helped boost fund raising efforts making the PAC Center possible. They pledged that they would match up to \$1.5 million raised by other community members.

The Chesonis family took a big step in aiding the growth of MCC's Athletic Department.

Arunas explained, "For a lot of reasons, we've just been very excited to be a part of this program." Arunas named the center the PAC giving thanks to his wife Pamela A. Chesonis, a former graduate of MCC, for being the driving force to his success.

With the PAC Center's new synthetic turf, multi-purpose field, jogging track, weight training rooms, meeting rooms and offices, the previous problem of over crowding will no longer be an issue. The new facility is here to aid all MCC students, faculty, and staff in continued health. Nelson Cupello, the men's soccer coach, was named the new director of the PAC Center and looks forward to all it has to offer.

The PAC Center will allow MCC to be even more connected to the community. Maggie Brooks, pleased with the con-

tinued growth at MCC feels that, "MCC is what helps define Monroe County's reputation for excellence." MCC continues to strengthen the connection between the college and the community by extending the use of its new facility to community partners who could use it to host events and programs.

The PAC Center is about academics, growth, community, wellness and opportunity. MCC's new state of the art athletic facility is about, and for, the students. When former MCC President R. Thomas Flynn said, "The PAC, this building is going to be a major influence in educational experience of the students at MCC," he said it with such pride as he was realizing a vision he had for MCC students was finally coming true.

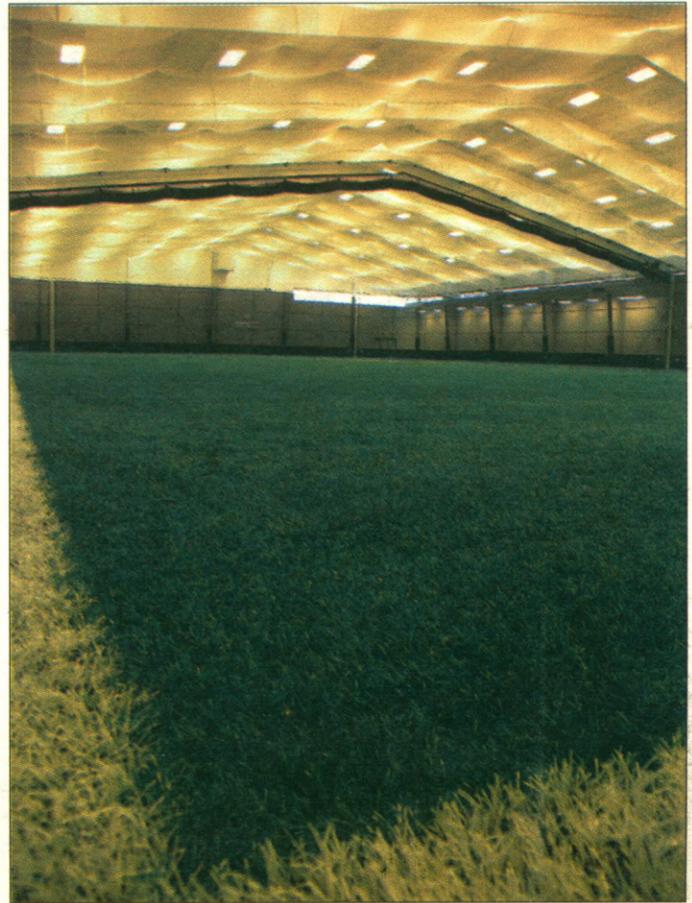


photo by Amy Crawford

Young voters should take this election seriously

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MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS

Two months ago April Hardin hadn't given much thought to the presidential election.

She was preparing for her first semester of college - picking classes, preparing for dorm life, saving money. Politics didn't factor into her world. She'd heard of Barack Obama, but she didn't know much about him or John

McCain.

She just didn't feel connected to the campaign at all. Until one day while flipping channels she heard two words: financial aid.

It was Michelle Obama on television talking about financial relief for college students. Financial aid is very important to April, a freshman at Missouri Western State University.

Before then, she didn't realize that the president had much

to do with that. She wasn't even registered to vote.

"I wasn't even interested in the election," says April, 18. "Now I know whoever gets elected will have a major impact over the next four years of my life at school."

She was worried that it was too late for her to exercise her right to vote. She called her sister, frantic. But the deadline to register for voting remains ahead: Oct. 8 in Missouri and Oct. 20 in Kansas.

Two weeks ago, while walking back to her room from the cafeteria, April saw a voter registration drive and signed up.

"I want to be included," she says about the upcoming Election Day. "And I want to know what's going on."

Even though it was Michelle Obama who caught her attention, that doesn't mean she's sold on Barack Obama. She says she's now trying to learn more about the issues and the people involved.

"I realize I need to listen to both sides and get to know

more about both candidates," she says.

"Education and financial aid are important to me. I have to make sure I know why I am voting for the person I choose, and who they are before I make a choice."

Joe Sims didn't care about politics either. There wasn't a big reason. He says it just didn't appeal to him. Then he turned 18 in August and gained the power to vote. He started paying attention.

His classmates started learning more, too. He says it's not something they sit around talking about, but there's an undertone.

"You can feel it, we're thinking about it," says Joe, a senior at Olathe Northwest High School.

Education, the war, economic turnaround and better health care are some of the things on Joe's mind. He thinks that the war was unjustified and that America went to Iraq without a plan.

He has been tuning in to the speeches and making himself

familiar with the candidates to see who caters to the changes he wants to see. He says it's more involved than he realized.

"I'm learning a lot," says Joe, who is leaning toward Obama. "There are a lot more issues at hand and they go further in-depth than I thought they could. I just thought it was as simple as do you want to be Republican or Democrat, red or blue, nothing else."

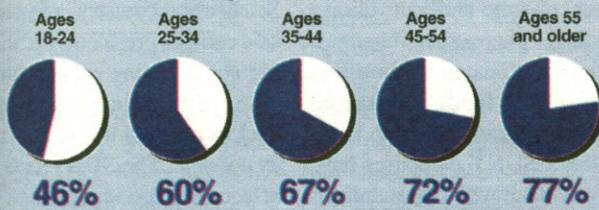
Now that he sees what goes into the campaign, Joe says, learning more about the candidates has made him feel like his vote is going to really count toward something big.

"I have never really anticipated an election before," he says. "I'm really excited. It's always been the same old stuff, year after year, and there's going to be a change."

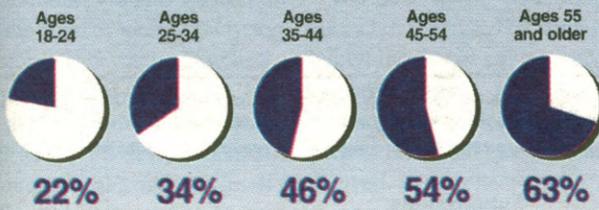
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Cameras installed to curb violence

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Mayor Robert Duffy announced in June that the city would be installing 50 surveillance cameras throughout Rochester.

Since June little boxes with flashing blue lights have been popping up at different intersections around the city.

The cameras, which cost around \$23,000 each, can rotate, zoom, and even be programmed to recognize specific license plates of police interest. They have been placed in different locations around the city with their focus on high crime areas.

Molly Clifford, Director of Rochester's Neighborhood Service Center, believes the cameras are making an impact; "The cameras have been working well in clearing corners where there was a lot of drug activity." There have reportedly been 30 arrests made with help from surveillance, mostly drug-related.

"The response to the cameras has been overwhelmingly positive," stated Clifford, "Most of the calls we get are from people asking to get one on corners near their homes."

Surveillance cameras have become a common sight in many



photo submitted by MCC Public Safety

Each camera within MCC can be viewed from the Public Safety Office. The cameras allow for a safer, more secure campus.

places, including MCC. Director of Public Safety Lee Struble agrees that cameras are part of any comprehensive crime prevention program. The Brighton campus has been using security cameras for over 15 years.

"Cameras are used in a variety of ways within Public Safety. They are used to follow-up on incidents that have already occurred and are also used to monitor busy areas during the day..." stated Struble. "Cameras are very useful in the Bookstore and in the residence halls."

Some city residents have reported that activity has moved

from the main streets into the surrounding areas. At MCC graffiti can usually be found in bathrooms or other places that cameras aren't present.

"Cameras do serve as a deterrent, so in essence vandalism and problematic behavior may shift to areas that do not have cameras," continued Struble, "We are very fortunate to have the cameras that we do have on campus and are always looking to find additional applications to help us provide a campus that is as safe and secure as possible."

MCC hosts "Friends" exhibit, hopes to deter students from drinking and driving

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On Nov. 11, 2000, three college students in a Jeep pulled over to pick up a group of girls who were walking home in the pouring rain. Less than a minute later, the driver lost control, and the Jeep crashed into an oak tree along a winding road on the Colgate University campus. Of the six passengers, four were killed. They were Kevin King, and life long friends Katie Almeter, Emily Collins, and

Rachel Nargiso.

The "Friends" exhibit was created to turn this terrible tragedy into a powerful learning experience, with the goal of deterring young people from drinking and driving. The exhibit includes photographs, interviews with family members and friends, police and court records, personal belongings, audio and video recordings, and other artifacts. These items are used to document the events leading up to the accident and its devastating aftermath, to paint an intimate portrait of these promising

young people, and to convey the incalculable loss caused by their untimely deaths.

The exhibit will be open weekdays from Oct. 15 through Nov. 24, 9 a.m. until 7 p.m., in the Gilman Lounge. The exhibit is free and open to the public.

The Friends exhibit was created by The Louis Henry Morgan Institute of SUNY IT, the New York State STOP DWI Foundation, and Union College. More details can be found at the Friends Web site: people.sunyit.edu/~lhmi/Friends/.

News Briefs

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Priority registration begins Oct. 20

Priority registration begins on Oct. 20 for students with 12 or more credits. Currently enrolled students with fewer than 12 credits may register beginning on Oct. 29. New and transfer students may begin registration on Nov. 10. Be sure to register early to get the best selection of classes.

Disney College Program comes to Campus

Recruiters for Disney's College Program will be on campus for an informational session for the spring 2009 semester.

Sessions will be held on the Brighton campus on Oct. 22, from 12 - 1 p.m., and Oct. 23, 6 - 7 p.m. in Monroe B. The program allows students to experience a paid internship, take classes for credit, and be a part of the Disney community and receive select employee incentives.

Mock Election results are in!

More than 650 students participated in the Mock Election on Oct. 7 and 8. Barack Obama received 507 votes, followed by John McCain at 155 votes.

Approximately 750 people were registered to vote through the Mock Election process.

Oct. 7 SGA Meeting Update

Preliminary talks are scheduled with RTS to improve service to and from MCC. SGA approved the resolution to charter the Anthropological Society. Over 100 voter registration cards were collected on the first day of the Rock the Vote Mock Election. Some questions were raised about the current smoking policy, and the possibility of shelters and more effective butt trays.

MCC presidential search update

Dr. Robert E. Parilla, a senior consultant of Academic Search, was recently hired to assist in the search for the next president of MCC.

Dr. Parilla comes to MCC with 20 years' experience as a college president. He also has administrative and faculty experience.

SUNY funds cut in state wide reductions

KENNETH HUGGINS
STAFF WRITER

SUNY campuses may have to endure \$70 million in funding cuts out of the \$96.3 million in cuts made last month by the New York State Governor and Legislature.

SUNY presidents said due to the cuts, they will have to reduce admission, leave faculty positions open, offer fewer and larger classes and cut library funding, plus other changes. Officials estimated a 40 million dollar cut in funds, but had no clue it was going to go up to 70 million. SUNY campuses have already dealt with two rounds of state funding deductions already this fiscal year.

In April, the state reduced SUNY funding by 38.8 million dollars. After that, the schools had another 11.2 million in state funds subtracted from them. Governor David Paterson approved the 96.3 million dollar cut last month totaling 210 million dollars cut in funding in a year's span.

Cornelius Murphy, president of the College of Environmental Science and Forestry in Syracuse said campus presidents are thinking about raising college tuition each year, trying to negotiate back as much of the 96.3 million as possible. The SUNY cuts can affect the economy upstate that has already been beaten for the last 20 years, says Murphy.

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Ethanol may be the fuel of the future

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Ethanol maybe the fuel of the future but it has some consequences and concerns. Ethanol may be the way the US can relieve itself of foreign oil. Currently there are 178 bio-fuel production facilities in the US.

Ethanol is actually grain alcohol, the ingredient in alcoholic beverages. It is a renewable source of energy that is made by fermenting carbohydrates, similar to brewing beer. It is a colorless, odorless liquid.

Currently, the US is using a mixture of ethanol and gasoline called E85. Most of this kind of fuel is found in the Midwest, where E85 fueling sites were first established.

Using ethanol can reduce carbon dioxide emissions by up to 29 percent. As ethanol is made from renewable plant stock, the CO2 released during fuel combustion is recycled by the plants and converted to oxygen, in the process called photosynthesis. It also reduces carbon monoxide emissions by as much as 30

percent. Ethanol is a biodegradable fuel, and when broken down becomes surface water, ground water and soil. It is very environmentally friendly and will not continue to harm the environment.

With every good thing there are always some consequences. While people are putting corn crops in their fuel tanks instead of on their dinner plates, ethanol is making food prices skyrocket. The grain it takes to fill an SUV could feed a person for a year. Not only does the use of ethanol decrease the available amount of food, but using land to grow the basis of the fuel destroys forests, wetlands and grasslands that store a lot of carbon. In Indonesia forests have been burned and bulldozed to grow palm oil trees for bio-diesel fuel, putting Indonesia among the world's top carbon emitters, as deforestation accounts for 20 percent of all current carbon emissions.

Scientists have also concluded, when you take deforestation



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in account, corn ethanol and soy bio-diesel produce about twice the emission of gasoline. It also takes money from the taxpayers; last year the US produced 7 billion gallons of bio-fuel that cost us at least \$8 billion in subsidies.

So the next time you fill up, think about what bio-fuel can do for the environment. Weigh out your options and think it through. Is ethanol really our answer?

Innovative Smart car may be the small vehicle of tomorrow



image courtesy of MCT Campus

The toylike Smart car is a fraction of the size of standard vehicles, seating only two.

AMY CRAWFORD
STAFF WRITER

The new innovative Smart car created by Swatch Watch Company and Mercedes-Benz is the newest of small vehicles in the USA.

The Smart ForTwo was born from the mind of Nicholas Hayek, inventor of Swatch Watches' idea of an "Ultra Urban" car. He took the idea to Mercedes-Benz and in 1994, full development of the concept began and the Smart car debuted at Frankfurt Motor Show in 1997. Due to its fantastic response in print and media coverage, they began production in 1998 in Hambach, France. The same year Smart became 100 percent owned subsidiary of Daumler-Benz AG.

The Smart comes in three styles; the Pure Coupe, Passion Coupe, and the Passion Cabriolet with a price tag ranging from \$11,590 to \$16,590. Sold in 36

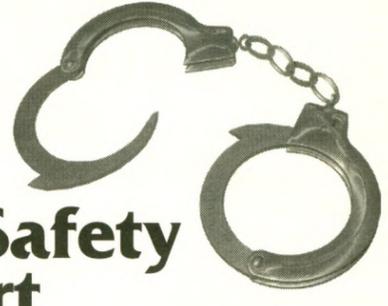
countries and 72 dealerships in the USA, the small 8.8 foot long by 5.1 foot wide Smart car is getting 33 city or 44 highway miles per gallon and can be custom ordered online and delivered to the dealership closest to the buyer.

In safety testing done by the Insurance Institute For Highway Safety, the Smart car was given a good rating for frontal crash protection and side impact protection. Head and seat restraints received an excellent rating for rear crash protection. The Smart was the smallest vehicle ever tested by the Insurance Institute but they felt that the results were impressive. Adrian Lund, President of Insurance Institute still feels that, "Out on the road, small light weight vehicles don't protect their occupants as well as larger and heavier ones." The Smart car, however, prides itself on its Tridon safety cell made out of steel, half of which is

high-strength material, especially in high stress areas and stands by the ultimate safety of their new urban car.

The Smart car, with its toylike look, could be the talk of the town for reasons other than its unique look, bright colors or the fact that you can fit two in one standard parking space. It could be that the Smart car is almost always in the blind spot of other drivers, due to its extremely small build and for holding up drivers while building up speed, especially when merging onto highways. The Smart's slow acceleration is a result of its small 3-cylinder, 1-liter, 71 HP gasoline powered engine.

The new, innovative Smart car, now owned by Mercedes-Benz, is the newest of small vehicles in the US. Here to stay? Is it trend for a while, collectors item tomorrow? Only time will tell.



Public Safety Report

09/21/08

Violation of MCC Policy: Code of Conduct

Three resident students were interviewed by R/O concerning smoking marijuana in the woods.

09/21/08

Petit Larceny

A resident student reports that his vehicle was broken into in Lot R.

09/22/08

Mental Hygiene Investigation

A resident student was mental hygiened due to overdosing on pills.

09/29/08

Motor Vehicle Accident

A white buick collided with a red ford in Lot M causing damage, then left the scene. Witness observed accident and left a note.

10/04/08

Petit Larceny

A resident student reported an Xbox 360 stolen from 53-311W. Persons unknown replaced victim's Xbox with one that was not operational in which the serial number had been scratched off.

10/08/08

Damage to Property: Damage to Property College

A window was broken out of the common living area of Canal West 301.

Dental Hygiene students, faculty raise awareness for oral care needs

MARIE CRAMER
SUBMITTED STORY

47 MCC Dental Hygiene students and faculty joined 110 other walkers at St. John Fisher college to bring awareness to Oral Care needs. Half of the proceeds went to the Pluta Cancer Center for oral, throat and neck cancer patients while the other half was distributed to the Empire Project for Oral Health. In total, almost \$2,000 was raised.

October is National Dental Hygiene Month, and in observance, dental hygienists across New York State are stepping up to educate and deliver oral health care to those in need.

Seventh District, our local dental hygienists' component, along with other local components throughout New York State, sponsored a statewide walk to promote "Healthy Smiles in 2010" on Sept. 28, 2008 at St. John Fisher College in Rochester. We are happy to say that we had 110 workers.

Even though research has

made it clear that oral health is a significant component of total health, access to oral health care remains a critical issue in the US due to disparities in the health care system and affects millions of Americans. In 35-44 year old adults, about 45 percent have lost one or more teeth due to tooth decay or gum disease. About 18 percent of persons 65 years and older have lost all their teeth. Life threatening cancers of the mouth and throat are detected in five New Yorkers every day.

If you would like more information on the severe access problem, feel free to visit the NYS Oral Coalition Web site nysohc.org.



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Free tutoring available at both Brighton and Damon Campuses

KENNETH HUGGINS
STAFF WRITER

There is an extensive tutoring program at MCC, and it is all FREE! If you are interested in using your time wisely or you want to work on that high GPA, go talk to Patricia Kennedy in room 11-261A. Kennedy is the Director of Academic Support Services and she would like to see you in her office.

This program has been around for about ten years and has expanded over that period of time. Expanded in to The Interdisciplinary Learning Center in room 11-211, the Writing Center in room 11-208 and another Writing Center at the Damon City Campus and a Transitional Learning Center also located at the Damon City Campus.

"We have 120 hourly employees for student support," said Kennedy. These employees include other college students, from RIT, Nazareth and U of R, with a GPA of 3.5 or better to become a tutor. Also, graduates from all kinds of colleges come and tutor. People from the community and even retirees from MCC come and help students. "This all happens due to the fact

MCC works together as a community," Kennedy explained.

This program has all different types of tutoring. You can walk in and set up an appointment and have either an hour session or an half an hour session. Or, you can just walk right in and have a half an hour session without an appointment. There are small study groups and big study groups. There are even off campus tutorials, where MCC hires a tutor and you set up a time, a place and the tutor will meet you there. The program offers over 273 courses to be tutored in. Not just that but they offer tutoring for a specific occupation, which means MCC will hire people from the workforce involved in the same occupation and they will give you a lecture and tips on that certain subject.

Also, they have board certified employees that have passed their board exam come in and help you with yours. Last year alone they did over 12,000 tutorials and this year they would like to do more.

It seems too good to be true and it's all free! To get started all you have to do is be enrolled, you don't even have to be a full-time student, and fill out



photo by Kenneth Huggins

Tutoring is available on both campuses, for many different subjects. The Electronic Learning Center provides computers for students to complete work, and individual learning centers keep staff on hand to tutor students in the subject of their choice.

a request of learning form and submit it to the Learning Center. If you do sign up this fall it is good until Aug. 2009 then you have to re-apply. Students should use it because they are ultimately paying for it through State (Perkins Four) funding, Government funding and tapping out of the MCC college operation budget.

"Most of the people that come in for tutoring are very bright," Patricia explained. There are those who need help and those who come in for a little confidence builder. "We are seeing wonderful results when people are using this resource," Kennedy says. Kennedy loves her job and the staff she works with. "This is a team for commit-

ted people not just myself," says Kennedy, "We are very grateful to the students and the faculty. The Dean Carol Adams, Vice President Dr. Janet Glocker and all the Vice Presidents and just everyone involved!"

Chinese students make MCC home as part of SUNY China 150 program

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GUEST WRITER

MCC welcomes three of 150 students enrolled in SUNY's China 150 program. This program allows 150 Chinese students to finish an education that was disrupted by the Wenchuan earthquake in Sichuan province. Furthermore, these students are free from any financial obligations as far as tuition, books, and travel costs are concerned, as these are funded by SUNY and Chinese authorities. According to levinstitute.org as of Aug. 15, all 150 students arrived to 22 SUNY schools with the expectation of completing the current academic year.

These students were selected from four of China's national universities by SUNY Academic leaders and Beijing's Ministry of Education on the basis of academic performance and the proficiency of the English language. The purpose behind this gesture is to mold these students into productive leaders in the rebuilding of the devastated Sichuan province. The three students that MCC has taken in should be applauded for their courage, which allowed them to travel such a great distance, leaving behind family and friends to work toward rebuilding a place they call home.

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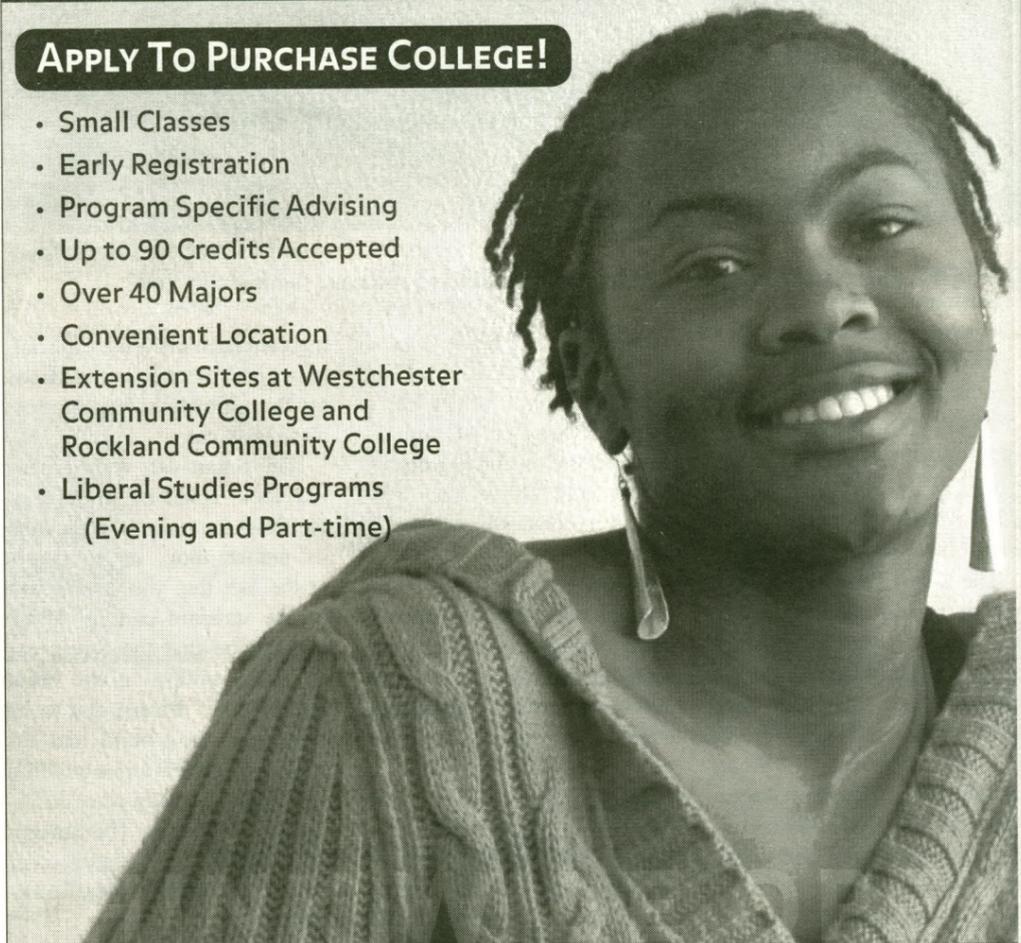


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Electoral College at Work

You may think you're voting for your favorite candidate for president on Nov. 4, but you aren't. Instead, you are voting for electors who will make the official presidential choice in December.

2008 road to the presidency

- The political parties in each state pick a slate of people who support the party's respective candidates.
- On Nov. 4, instead of choosing a president, voters select electors. A vote for a presidential candidate is actually a vote for the electors picked by that candidate's party, though the electors are not listed on the ballot.
- After the election, the names of the electoral groups and how many votes they received are listed on seven documents called Certificates of Ascertainment. The governor signs and seals the certificates.
- One of the certificates and two copies are sent by registered mail to the National Archives and Records Administration in Washington, D.C., to be recorded and checked for accuracy.
- The other six original certificates are provided to the electors.
- On Dec. 15, the electors supporting the candidate who won their state's popular vote meet and vote for president and vice president. The U.S. Constitution requires electors to vote for at least one person, president or vice president, who is not from that elector's home state. The idea is to keep the electors from choosing a president and vice president originating from the same state.

How it started

The Constitutional Convention of 1787 considered the election of presidents by direct popular vote but feared that without sufficient information from outside of the voters' home areas, people would naturally vote for a "favorite son" from their region. At worst, no one would receive a popular majority. At best, the president would be chosen by the largest, most populous states.

The convention also rejected a proposal that Congress elect the chief executive.

To solve the problem, the convention agreed on a method of indirect popular election, which became the Electoral College.

With the exception of an amendment to accommodate emerging political parties in 1804, the workings of the Electoral College remain the same as first written.

Electoral quirks

In most elections, the candidate who wins the highest number of a state's popular votes receives all the state's electoral votes.

In some elections, Electoral College members from the same state have voted for different candidates. Electors are not bound by the Constitution to vote in accordance with the popular vote. Since 1804, Electoral College members in various states have split their votes between candidates 34 times.

The 2000 election

The 2000 presidential election was one of the tightest races in U.S. history. Vice President Al Gore won the popular vote over George W. Bush, but a controversy developed over the electoral votes. Official totals showed Bush winning Florida's 25 votes, but Democrats disputed the accuracy of the state's balloting. Gore called for a recount, but the Supreme Court ruled against him. The Florida win gave Bush 271 electoral votes over Gore's 266, and Bush declared victory — 36 days after Election Day.

State electoral votes

Each state receives a number of electoral votes equal to its number of representatives in the U.S. House of Representatives plus its two senators. The District of Columbia has three electoral votes.

Hawaii 4	Alaska 3
Wash. 11	Ore. 7
Calif. 55	Idaho 4
Nev. 5	Mont. 3
Utah 5	Wyo. 3
Ariz. 10	N.D. 3
N.M. 5	Colo. 9
Kan. 6	S.D. 3
Okla. 7	Neb. 5
Texas 34	Iowa 7
Ark. 6	Mo. 11
La. 9	Ill. 21
Miss. 6	Ind. 11
Tenn. 11	Mich. 17
Ala. 9	Ky. 8
Ga. 15	Ohio 20
S.C. 8	W.Va. 5
N.C. 15	Pa. 21
Fla. 27	N.J. 15
D.C. 3	Vt. 3
	N.H. 4
	Mass. 12
	Del. 3
	Md. 10
	Conn. 7
	R.I. 4
	Maine 4

Growth trends favor South and West

A state's number of electors can change each decade according to its population as determined by the U.S. Census. Florida started out with three electors in 1848 and now has 27 because of population growth. New York had its highest number of electors with 47 in 1932. The state has lost electors since 1952.

State	'52	'04
Calif.	32	55
Fla.	10	27
Texas	24	34
N.Y.	45	31
Penn.	32	21
Ill.	27	21

- The state sends two packets to its secretary of state. One of these is kept as a security measure, and the other is made available for public viewing.
- One goes by registered mail to the president of the U.S. Senate, in this case Vice President Dick Cheney. If the Senate president doesn't receive the packet by Jan. 6, he can request a copy from the secretary of state or the federal district judge covering that district.
- On Jan. 6, the electoral votes from all 50 states and the District of Columbia are counted before a joint session of Congress with the vice president acting as the presiding officer.
- If no candidate receives the needed 270 votes or more, the U.S. House of Representatives chooses from the three highest electoral vote getters with all representatives from each state combining to cast one vote.
- The candidate receiving a majority of votes (at least 270 out of 538) wins the presidency. And since the vice-presidential candidates are voted for on separate electoral ballots, they need at least 270 votes to take office.
- If no vice-presidential candidate receives at least 270 votes, the U.S. Senate chooses from the top two candidates with senators voting as individuals.

Economic struggle prompts a look into basic math skills

EDWARD RICHARDS
GUEST WRITER

Locally, the economy is having a really difficult time with itself. It's depressed. It needs therapy, treatment and a prescription for success. Nationwide, the rippling effect is taking its toll on the largest and most well-known American businesses. Including those in Rochester.

Just last week, 1,700 jobs have been lost. This is in addition to the 65,000 jobs previously lost. You can directly blame that on K, X and B&L. Why do people refer to them as the Big Three? For some reason, people still think like it is 1989. H-E-L-L-O. It will soon be 2009, the companies that made Rochester have left Rochester. Most left for greener pastures, some have become victim to foreign competition, digital technology or whatever.

Like a dead body, they are not coming back. Can you blame 'em? You cannot hold a supermarket's feet to the fire for leaving a depressed economy and expanding elsewhere can you? When you sell great food, it either sits or sells, an important thing to remember in the grocery business.

It is sad to see the fleecing of America right before our eyes. This is a really hurtful piece of American history. Good guys will take the blame and bad guys will never get caught. Through the windfall, we will see a new era in accountability. Those responsible will be held

accountable. Whether Democrat or Republican, corporate criminals will be forced to answer.

What we need is an independent forensic investigation into the unscrupulous marketers, mortgage lenders, quasi executives who are responsible for this massive financial meltdown. That is the reason why colleges are filled with young people. There is no other option.

For some odd reason, executives at major Fortune 500 companies think they can blame politics to get away with laundering investor money. What is happening right before our eyes is a travesty in American history. The economy is bleeding and crying.

Under federal directives, we are told it will not affect the Federal Aid to students, tuition assistance and aid for part time study. As if students are not already having a hard enough time with this economy, dealing with how to pay for college ought not to be a project in and of itself. Costs are soaring. It's the difference of buying your prescription or paying rent. Buying books or eating. Paying for gas or riding a bicycle. If you have the blues there is help. You are not alone. Whether it be some sort of drug addiction, sexual dysfunction, mental illness, behavioral problem, social anxiety, internet addiction, physical handicap, all are problems we face. The effective college student must be able to manage their time, energy and resources into good study habits.

This means being of clear mental judgement and effective time management. If you feel the need to talk, seek counseling immediately. You will be thankful. You will be a better, smarter student, but an overall more productive person. And that is what we need to overcome all the negativity on the local economy.

If the sluggish economy hasn't threatened you yet, take heed. The majority of Americans are unable to add, simplify and do simple math like balance a checkbook. This is of concern to the future generation of America, but to the business community that will come to rely on them.

We are talking about simple math problems like how much

money it would cost to fill up a gas tank to go X amount of miles and how much your energy bill will cost next month on a balance based budget. This is serious. If math literacy is not improved, America will continue to see drop in exports, heavier reliance on foreign oil and more costly means of doing business, like outsource engineering to Japan, human resources to India and hard labor to China.

Questions were raised according to American values. We work for the American dollar. We were raised by the American dollar. It is really bad because that same American dollar is so undervalued in today's economy and is losing its position and being disrespected in the global

marketplace.

With ever changing demographics and rise of competing currency such as the Euro and British pound, it is no wonder companies large and small are taking a second look at foreign markets to do business. For your own sake, pick up math skills, get back in the game, get good with numbers. Your checkbook will thank you. If you are scared of math, it's understandable. But, you must overcome that fear.

No matter what the subject, focus, focus, focus. The best thing to do is to talk about it, work on it, improve on it. There are people who can help. You think you are the only one who can't get it? Everyone has problems. You'd be inhuman if you didn't.



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

A mad dog that can't even bark

While standing in the rain, smoking a cigarette, something occurred to me: In New York, if any person puts their dog outside in the rain, or cold, or snow without proper shelter for it, animal control will take the dog, fine the owner heavily, charge them with abuse, and maybe even arrest them. However, every day we, the smokers of MCC are treated in the very same way, as a matter of policy, and only because we choose to consume a legal substance.

Whether or not the non-smokers on campus like this fact, it is not now, and has never, been illegal to smoke outdoors in this state. Yet even in the open air, student and faculty smokers are now being treated like second-class citizens, forced to make a pilgrimage to the parking lot each time we need a nic fix.

The meeting points surrounding the resolution of

MCC's new "Smoke Free" boundary, which were released by the President's office, do nothing more than recycle, reword and repeat the opinion that it is unfair for non-smokers to have to walk through a "gauntlet" of smokers before entering a building. But I ask, if it's fair to make the smokers walk out to the parking lot for a cigarette, rain or shine, then why is it less fair to ask the people who have a problem with the smoke to simply use another door? I didn't realize that being a smoker meant that I would have to start sitting in the proverbial "back of the bus." But at least I'm in good company.

In response to my question, the Public Safety office was more than happy to talk ad nauseam about the drastic reduction in complaints they've received about air quality. So I asked the Assistant Director Leah Santirocco if I

could file a formal complaint, raise an objection, or even start a dialogue in any official sense about the new Smoke Free rules, and I was shocked when she said no. But that was nothing compared to her frighteningly fascist follow up of, "This is policy now, why would we allow students to complain about policies?"

So, without any other avenues for me to go through, please consider this complaint number one; a personal challenge to President Tyree, and any of the other bureaucrats who are supposed to represent the interests of MCC's students (smoking and non-smoking alike). Justify this blatant bias in your new policy. Treat us as if our opinions matter, treat us like people. Don't leave the smokers of MCC out in the cold.

- Brian Guthrie

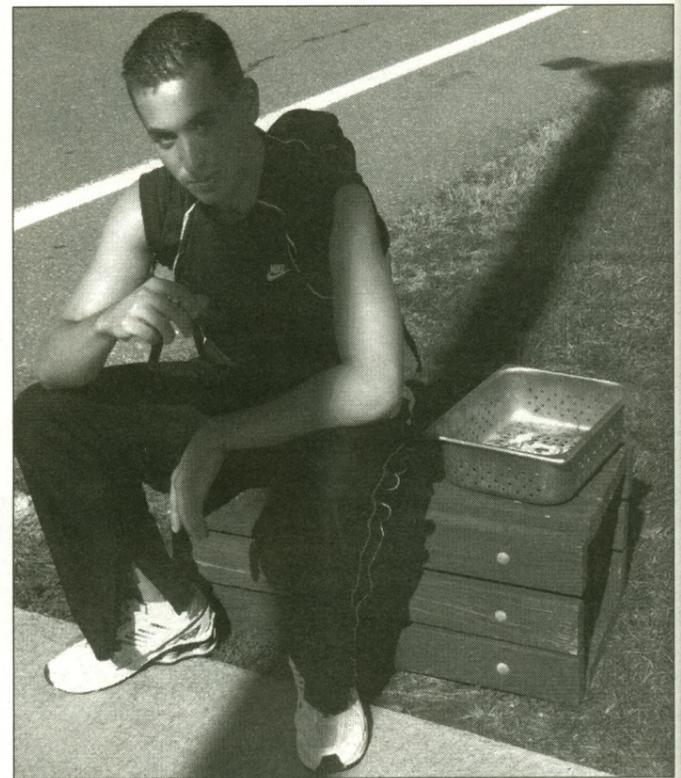


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The smokers lament:

If you're going to make us sit by the parking lots, at least give us something to sit on.

Performance enhancing drugs for all athletes Inform me, local candidates

JUSTIN WILLOUGHBY
ASST. OPINION EDITOR

Baseball is boring, which is why I don't follow it. I can't really imagine a point in my life where I'll have an entire afternoon/evening to waste watching a game that ends 1-0.

It's not just baseball, so don't think that it is being singled out. Every sport has boring games/matches/meets, yet professional athletes get paid absurd amounts of money. Last year, Terrell Owens (Dallas Cowboys) was paid \$8 million, and David Ortiz (Boston Red Sox) received a salary of \$13 million for the 2008 season.

I'm not denouncing the whole professional sports system, I just think they need to spice things up. I think that all pro athletes

should have to take steroids, because they should earn their money. Plus, we have the technology. We can make them better than before. Better, stronger, faster (yes, that's a "Six Million Dollar Man" reference).

So what do I want? I want baseball and hockey games to have final scores like football games (31-26). I want football games to have final scores like basketball games (101-98). I want basketball games to have final scores like presidential election results (164,000,000-220,000,001). The games should be so fast-paced and action-packed that only Brazilian soccer announcers should be able to keep up while commentating. Athletes that want to enhance their performance shouldn't be treated like criminals, but rather

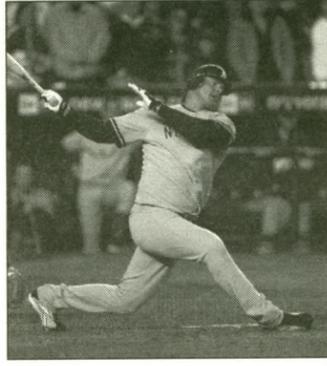


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The performance of all athletes could be dramatically different with the use of performance enhancing drugs.

er like people that are dedicated to entertaining their fans who spend hard-earned money to watch a game.

JUSTIN WILLOUGHBY
ASST. OPINION EDITOR

Over the past few months, we Americans have been inundated with every last detail imaginable about the two presidential candidates. Both campaigns have spared no expense making sure we know that Barack Obama is for responsible governmental spending, and John McCain is so forward thinking that he wants to drill for oil in places that no one had ever thought of before.

That's all fine and dandy. I know more than enough about the issues to say that I voted for Obama/Biden for reasons other than that Sarah Palin scares me. However, there is more than one decision to make on election day as there are State Assembly, State Senate, US House, etc., seats up for grab. The problem is

that I have little to no idea who any of these people are that may soon be representing me.

I know the names and political affiliations of most of the candidates, but I don't know what any of them stand for - except for more jobs. After hours of research (seeing local campaign commercials during prime time TV) only one thing is clear - every candidate is for bringing jobs to Rochester. Who doesn't want more jobs? What about the other important issues, though? What if a candidate is for jobs AND for killing kittens? I like kittens. They're fuzzy. What if a candidate is for making English the official language - of Argentina? That's ridiculous.

So for now I'm just going to assume that every candidate is crazy until they tell me otherwise.

Looking over and overlooking

JUSTIN WILLOUGHBY
ASST. OPINION EDITOR

In an effort to combat crime in our fair city, a multitude of cameras have been placed in areas that have obviously been deemed "high crime" and for this I applaud the individuals responsible. After installing that fancy gun-shot-triangulating-satellite-HD-radar-telegraph-whatever equipment, it was only a matter of time before the desire to live in George Orwell's nightmare made the city step up to using video surveillance. So why stop there? I don't live within direct view of any of those cameras. I felt safe before, but strangely enough since there are now cameras down the street - but not here - I feel unsafe. Do those people pay more in taxes? If I pay what they pay, can I have a camera on my house too? How

about a compromise? I'll install the camera if you, the city, agree to monitor it.

Come to think of it, that may not be enough. You see, sometimes when I've stayed up late watching FOX News Channel and they're talking about how terrorists, communists, and Buddhists are coming to get me in the night, I feel it'd be nice to have the police watching the inside of my house too. Plus there would be no way an illegal activity could go on in my house, as hippies and beatniks would be too paranoid to come within a 100 foot radius. Let's just ignore privacy all together and put cameras everywhere we can get them. Together we can run out of things to hide, ensuring safety and security for our grandchildren (who probably won't appreciate it anyway).

We salute you, MCC

- 1) **Rolling backpacks:** It may be the only way you'll ever have a stalker.
- 2) **Know it all's:** You know, the person in class that argues with the teacher and uses nonsense as the base of the argument.
- 3) **Conspiracy theorists:** You blame most things on aliens and the rest on President Bush.
- 4) **Those who refuse to use the right door:** It's clearly marked, yet you're defiant.
- 5) **Unclean bathrooms:** How and why is there urine on seats in the ladies room?
- 6) **Human obstacle course:** You sit on booth sides of hallway with your legs straight out during heavy traffic times.
- 7) **Smokers:** We find you sitting on the railing just above the "No Smoking" sign below the "Critical Air Intake" sign.

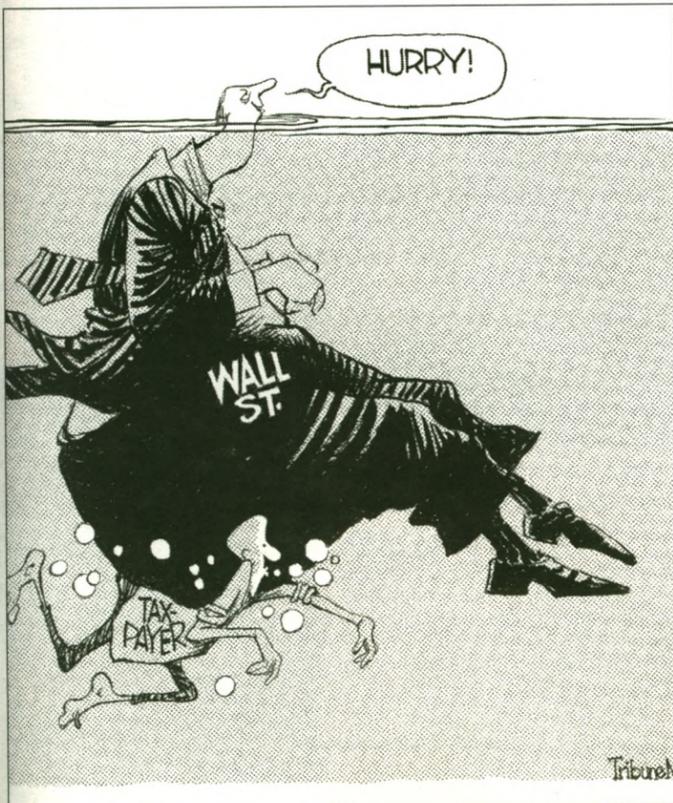


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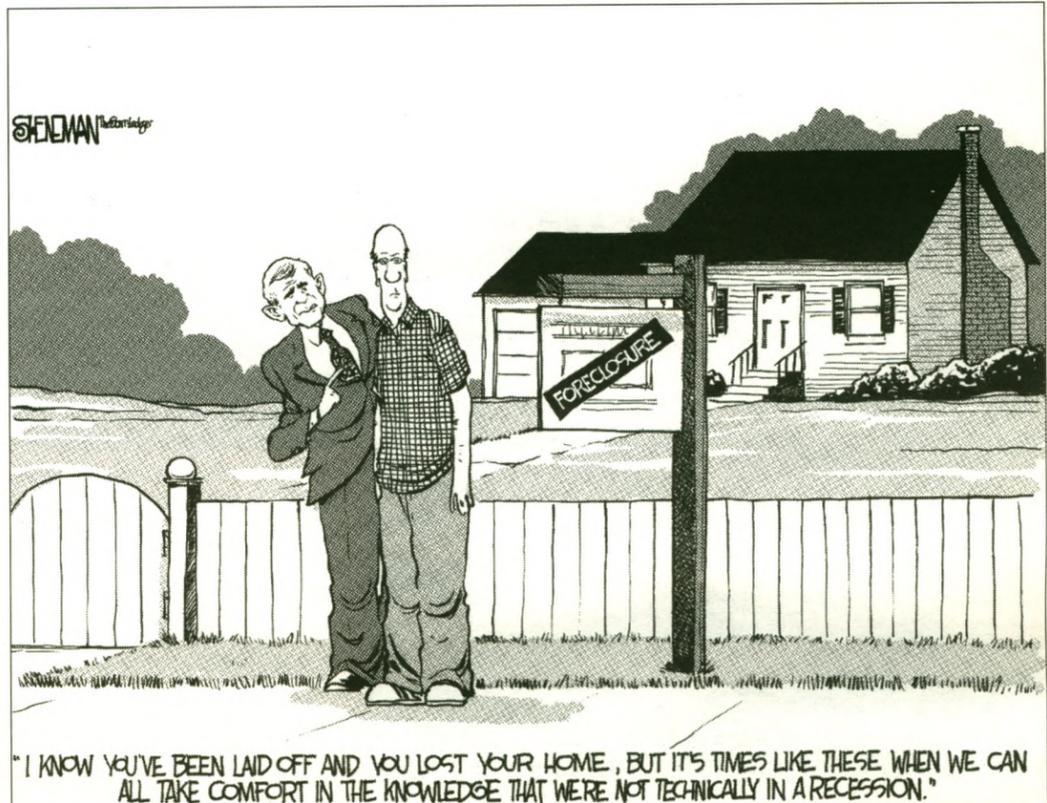


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THE PAULY SHORE EXPERIENCE

COLLABORATED BY

ALISSA SHIELDS
JUSTIN WILLOUGHBY

Justin- Was there ever a point in your life where you wanted to do something besides comedy?

Pauly- Didn't you watch my set? I grew up at "The Comedy Store".

Justin- Since you were born into comedy did you ever want to rebel against your parents and get into law?

Pauly- No. It's in my blood. I gotta get up and perform. It's like Michael Jordan. He still goes and plays basketball on the weekend. He doesn't have

a choice. I don't have a choice – it's what I do.

Justin- How do you think your set went?

Pauly- It was good. I had to follow the rules in my contract. I couldn't really swear or tell some jokes that I wanted to. The old Pauly would have said f*** it. If you want to see my funnier stuff I'll be at The Improv next month.

Justin- I think it went pretty well. The audience clapped, so it could have been way worse. Are you familiar with the hip-hop group Jurassic Five at all?

Pauly- mmm...no.

Justin- Well the Rochester audi-

ence booed them off stage a few years ago, so if that is any scale for comparison of how well your set went.

Alissa- You mentioned that you went to SoHo earlier. How did you like hanging out in Rochester?

Pauly- It was cool.

Alissa- Do you get mobbed when you go out in public?

Steve (opening act)- I've been out with him and it gets crazy. I love it when people are like, "Hey, that guy looks like Pauly Shore. Hey! That is Pauly Shore!"

Pauly- I like it when people don't know who I am. I recently went to Africa for my new movie "Adopted," and I showed up at Oprah's (Winfrey) school and said "I'm Pauly. I'm here for the kids." They had no idea who I was. I think the best comedy comes when people are unsuspecting. I'm a pretty laid back guy, but the people I hang around with are crazy.

Justin- So a lot of people who went through the autograph line took pictures of you next to your autograph. How many of those people do you think are going to try to sell your autograph on eBay?

Pauly- I dunno.

Justin- Have you ever just been bored and wanted to make a little bit of extra money, and sold your autograph on eBay?

Pauly- No.

Steve- Wow. That's a really good idea.

Pauly- Yeah.

Alissa- How long have you two (Pauly and Steve) known each other?

Pauly- We've been on tour

together for around 8 years.

Alissa- I'm sure you have some crazy stories, can you tell us one?

Pauly- Steve, tell her about Paul.

Steve- This one time we were on tour and things got crazy on the bus. I mean this bus driver had driven the likes of Lynrd Skynrd and Motley Crue, but even the bus driver couldn't believe how insane it got. I'm sleeping in the back and one of the comics on the bus with us started to get out of control and wouldn't let anyone near him. Pauly had this huge bodyguard at the time who was trying to calm this guy down and they guy kept hissing at him and flipping out. We were doing like 65 MPH on the highway and I hear the bus driver yelling and the guy is hanging out the door while we were going down the highway. He starts to slow it down but we got down to like 25 MPH and the guy (comic) just jumped off the bus in the middle of the highway. I was expecting him to roll a bunch of times but I swear to God he lands on one foot, makes a face at me, and then starts running.

Pauly- It was crazy, he ran off into the Georgia woods for three hours.

Steve- The driver wouldn't let him back on the bus.

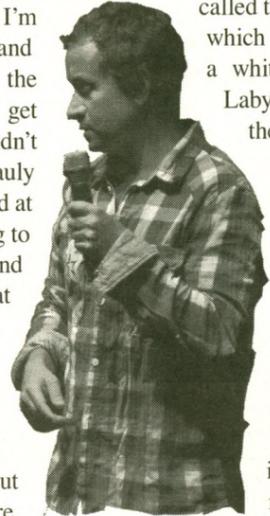
Pauly- That was nuts. We had to leave him at the motel at the next stop.

Pauly Shore revealed

JUSTIN WILLOUGHBY
ASST. OPINION EDITOR

Alissa and I stood off to the side, waiting for CASA members to compete for who got to have their face most uncomfortably close to the man once known as "The Weasel". Next thing we knew, we were being escorted by security to something called the "green room," which surprisingly was a white room with a Labyrinth painted on the floor, mirrors along one side and three oddly placed chairs, one of which held Pauly Shore. A few MCC staffers lined one wall and in the corner hid the opening act who was raiding the snack table and feverishly texting.

Questioning began. Perhaps it was the Labyrinth that was giving him vertigo but more probable was the hang-over that we're certain he was nursing. Within minutes he had gone from sitting upright to leaning, to inclining and reclining then finally to a position that made Alissa and I brace ourselves in the event we had to catch him. Before long, he cut the interview short, we took a few pictures, and then announced he was starving (no doubt from the munchies).



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MCC Students take Pro Wrestling seriously

KENNETH HUGGINS
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When entering a Next Era Wrestling show, you may realize that you have seen these people before. This may be true due to the fact that one of our very own MCC students is a superstar at Next Era Wrestling. His name, Tyger Smith, an amazing pro wrestler who won his match at

Ascension 4 even when he was against what looked like unbeatable odds.

For all of you that don't know what Next Era Wrestling or N.E.W. is, let us be enlightened. N.E.W. is a pro wrestling program straight out of Rochester, NY. Started about 4 years ago and it has blossomed into an attraction that cannot be missed. With 35 amazing wrestler char-

acters and an incredible staff, N.E.W. is the new thing to do on the weekend. With shows happening about every month, either in Brighton at the Sports Zone in Rochester or at the Armory, N.E.W. is holding strong with over 300 people in attendance.

Tyger Smith, a now MCC student that is a part of the MCC radio station, is a regular beast. With a win by a disqualification to Northeastern Champ H.C. LOC, the MCC spectators were on their feet. Although when LOC would not lay off our local hero Tyger, Chance Taylor came out to give his buddy a hand.

Then N.E.W. Champion Kriptic ran out to even the odds and suddenly we had ourselves a tag team match. LOC has wrestled for WWE and ECW, mind you, so it was he and Kriptic against our very own Tyger and Chance Taylor. The match was so hardcore that Tyger was wres-

ling outside of the ring and by the end, Tyger and Chance were the victors. Way to go Tyger!

Tag team champs, Brian and Eric Emanon of the Spot Monkey Inc., say, "It's all about the wrestling!" At Ascension 4 Brian and Eric held their title over the tag team Blast from the Past, Freddie Midnight and Terry Kadillac with an amazing show of agility and acrobatics.

"Tell my nose that's been broken 3 times over that wrestling is a sham," says Eric while talking about the worst injury he's ever had. "There are just too many to name," Brian says. "It may not pay the bills, but when you know that you're wrestling on the weekend it's all worth it, we do what we love."

Talking with people at Ascension 4 you get the feel that you're among family. A lot of these wrestlers are family men. Men with kids and jobs and they

love what they do and I can see why.

Next time you want to do something different, go to a N.E.W. show. You can visit their web site at nexterawrestling.com for more information on wrestlers and upcoming shows. If you go make sure you remember to cheer Tyger on.

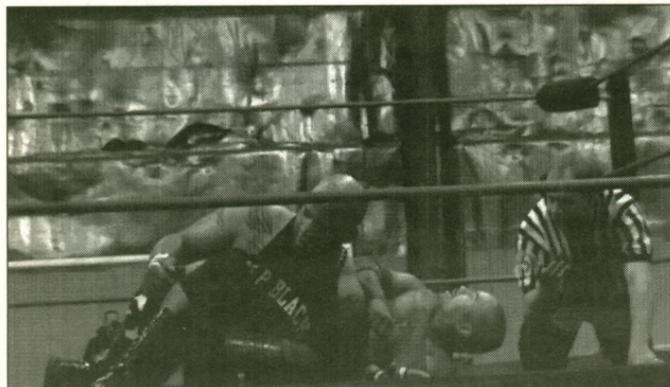


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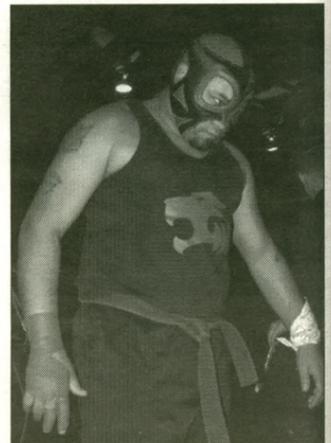


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Freshman weight gain isn't par for course

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It's difficult to think of a way to add pounds faster than living the stereotypical college lifestyle.

Juggling coursework, jobs and a social life leaves little time for exercising or even regular meals. Late-night study sessions are often fueled by the nearest 24-hour greasy spoon. Getting too little sleep can also trick the body into craving more food.

On top of all that, many freshmen are taking in many more calories from alcohol than they have in the past.

That's the bad news. The good news is that not every entering freshman puts on weight, and there are some easy things students can do to avoid packing on pounds.

The first thing to do is to forget the phrase "Freshman 15." A 2006 study by Rutgers University nutritionists tracked the weight of 67 students in their first year. Most students did gain weight, but more than one-fourth of students actually lost weight. Those who did gain weight put on an average of seven pounds, not 15.

But gaining seven pounds doesn't require all that much extra food. The Rutgers study said that taking in just 112 extra calories each day, roughly equivalent to a cup of Cheerios, would do it.

Jackie Ehlert-Mercer, a reg-

istered dietitian who runs nutrition programs for students at the University of British Columbia and teaches a course in nutrition at Ramapo College, said that freshmen who gain weight their first semester and don't lose it in the second semester are more likely to keep gaining weight throughout college. If the pattern continues, adulthood obesity and related health problems such as heart disease and diabetes may follow.

"An overweight adolescent ... is probably going to become an obese adult if they don't mediate their weight during college," Ehlert-Mercer said. "The stresses they face such as getting married or getting a full-time job tend to increase. They don't tend to diminish."

Scott Fisher, director of the Fairleigh Dickinson University Health and Fitness Center, recommends that students plan their days to ensure that they eat regularly and healthfully. Skipping meals to lose weight usually backfires, he said.

"You should really go no longer than four or five hours without eating something," Fisher said. "If you go for too long a period of time without eating, your blood sugar level drops. When your blood sugar level drops, your body essentially sends you signals that it wants a very quick source of energy, which are the typical sugary foods, and some concentrated calories, which are fatty foods."



photo by Amy Crawford

Some students who gained weight said they were able to lose it again by reassessing their food and exercise choices.

Ramya Pallavajhala, 22, a senior at Fairleigh Dickinson University, lost most of the weight she gained the first semester of freshman year by cutting out cheese and cooking healthy, vegetable-rich Indian dishes. She also walks between her Hackensack home and the Teaneck campus and squeezes in the occasional gym workout when her schedule permits.

"Once you gain the weight, it's very tough to regain your shape," Pallavajhala said. "But it's easy to prevent it."

Going easy on the alcohol can also make a big difference.

Daniel Hoffman, a co-author of the Rutgers study, said that the body metabolizes alcohol before either carbohydrates or fat. That

means the body has less opportunity to burn off carbohydrates and fats from food.

The sheer number of calories in alcoholic drinks is enough to make most people gain weight, especially if they are consuming the same amount of food and non-alcoholic beverages. A single shot of 80-proof vodka contains 97 calories, and a typical light beer contains about 99, according to thecaloriecounter.com. Combine hard liquor with mixers (110 calories for an 8-ounce glass of orange juice) or down a few beers during a drinking game, and the calories add up quickly.

"A lot of students don't realize that the number of calories per gram in alcohol is closer to fat than to carbohydrates," Hoffman said. "If you look at binge drinking ... you're looking at a lot of calories."

Eating is only one side of the weight-gain equation. Working out can help burn off the occasional late-night pizza or home-sickness-induced pint of ice cream.

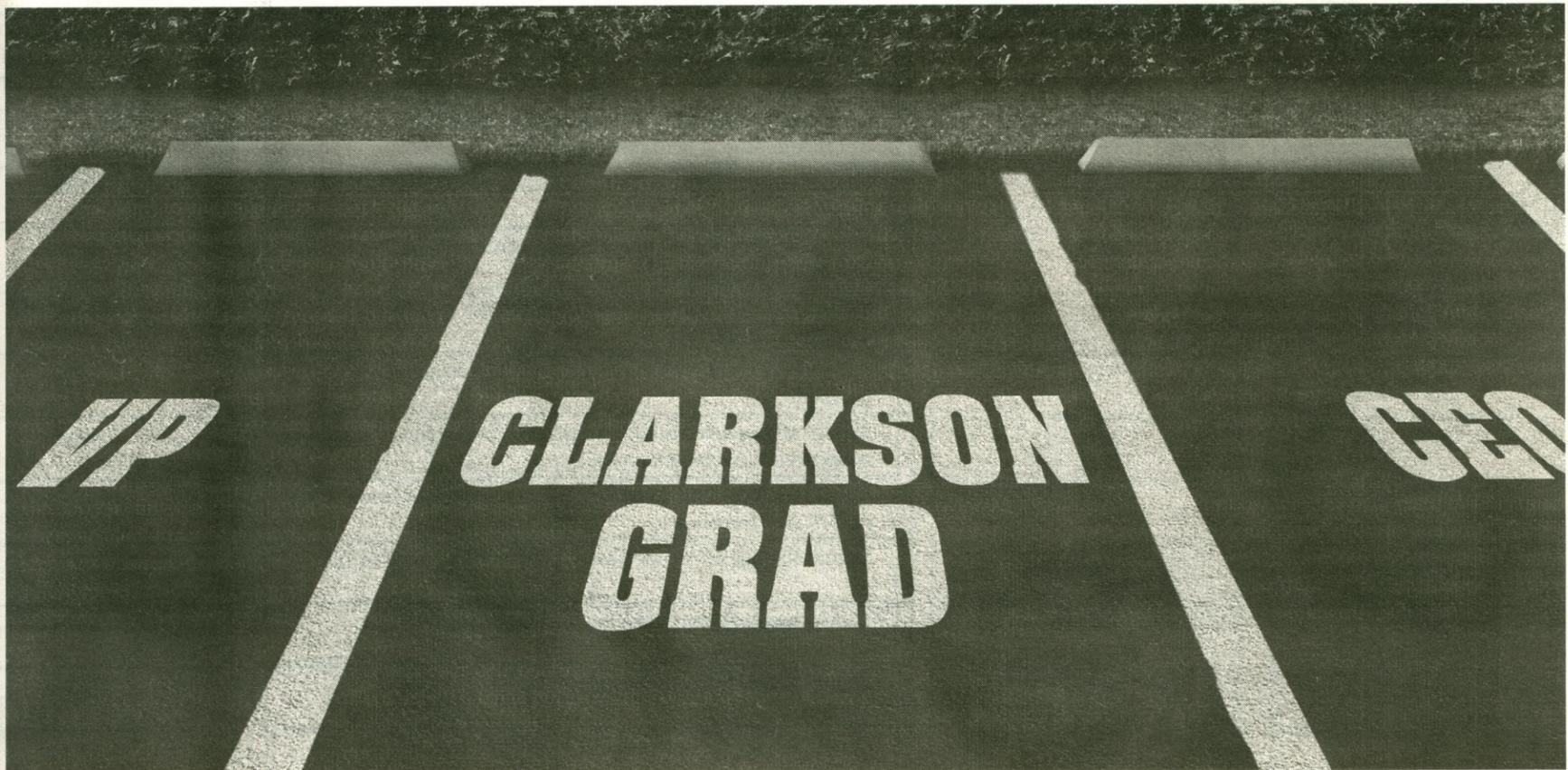
Fisher recommended at least half an hour of cardiovascular exercise most days a week, and augmenting that with strength training a few times a week.

Relaxing a little isn't a bad idea, either. Researchers at the University of Chicago found that college students who slept for four hours a night produced more of a hormone called ghrelin, which causes feelings of hunger, and less of leptin, which makes people feel full, than peers who had been allowed to sleep for as much as 10 hours.

Though most freshmen will err on the side of eating too much and exercising too little, some students respond to stress by becoming too restrictive with their diets. Students who have experienced disordered eating patterns before college face the highest risk of developing serious eating disorders in college, Ehlert-Mercer said.

Students who find themselves thinking obsessively about food, purging after eating or exercising compulsively in order to lose weight should see a counselor or doctor.

Most college health centers either employ or can refer students to a nutritionist or psychologist to treat eating disorders.



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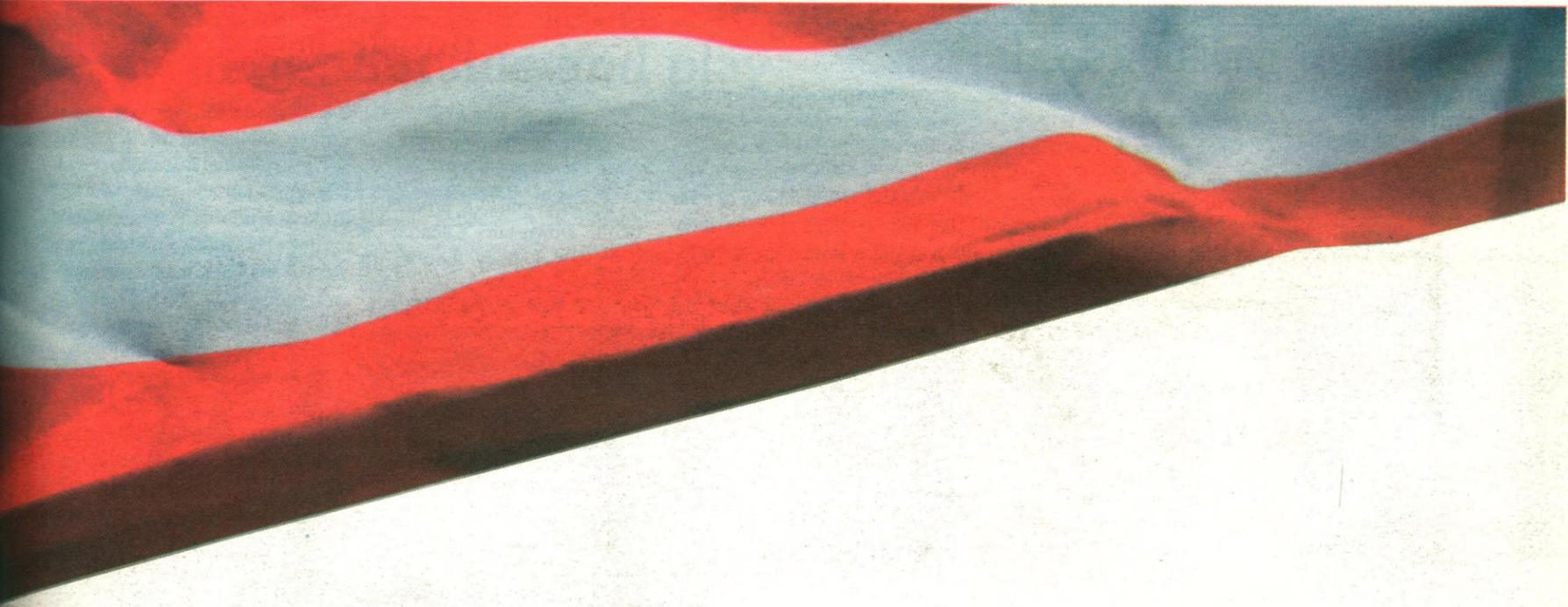
Candidate Positions: A Side By Side Comparison

Who would make the best US Presidential candidate? ProCon.org has researched the US Presidential candidates and their views on 70 issues. Positions are categorized as Pro (Yes), Con (No), Not Clearly Pro or Con (NC), or None Found (?). Candidates who have changed positions are listed as their most recent position.

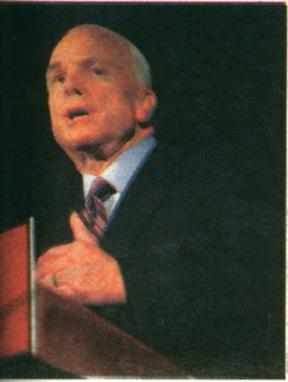


Should abortion remain a legal option in America?
Should the death penalty remain a legal option in America?
Has the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) had an overall benefit for the US?
Should the federal government bail out failing US private corporations like it did with Bear Stearns or Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac at taxpayer expense?
Should sex education in our schools be based on abstinence only?
Should drilling for oil in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWAR) be allowed?
Should the US permit more offshore drilling to increase domestic energy supplies?
Are more federal regulations on guns and ammunition needed?
Should all Americans have a right to government or employer subsidized basic health care?
Should the US build a physical barrier, such as a fence, along the US-Mexico border?
Should the US set a timetable for troop withdrawal in Iraq?
Should medical marijuana be a medical option?
Should Social Security be privatized?
Should the federal government fund embryonic stem cell research?
Should the US continue to support an embargo against Cuba?
Should the private ethanol industry be subsidized by the federal government?
Should the federal government mandate an increase in fuel efficiency standards for automobiles?
Should the election campaigns of candidates for public office be publicly financed?

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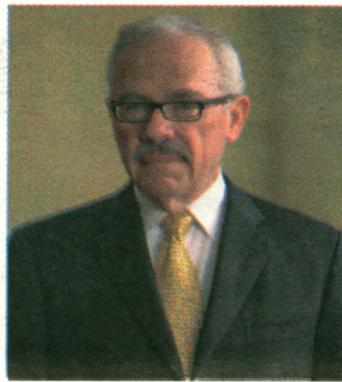
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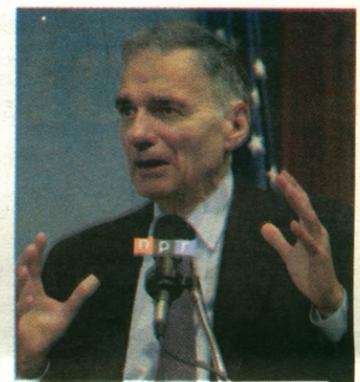
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MOVIE REVIEW

Eagle Eye

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As a fan of Shia Labeouf, I had no problem watching the overused plotline of machine outsmarting human. Yet this

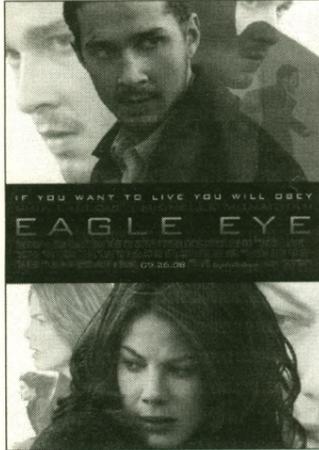


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one kept me guessing until the very end.

Once again, Labeouf proves that he has what it takes to be on the A-List. In "Eagle Eye," he portrays an unmotivated, Stanford drop-out, Jerry Shaw, who, after a freak accident, meets up with single parent, Rachel Holloman delivered by Michelle Monaghan. Together she and Labeouf make an unlikely yet perfect duo.

Good old Billy Bob Thornton acts the part of your average angry government official whose name we never bother to remember because he is there for one reason only: to keep the good guys running. Yet his character is convincing enough and he delivers the part perfectly.

Unlike his last film "Disturbia," Director D.J. Caruso

manages to make the action non-stop. He even manages to throw a bit of humor in this drama thriller.

Though the stunts were a little unbelievable, such as Jerry surviving a drop from a building, they were almost worthy of the Bourne Series. And just when you think the action has slowed down, it starts right back up again at full speed.

If you are a fan of government conspiracy, man versus machine, or are simply in need of a Shia Labeouf fix while waiting for "Transformers" this summer, then "Eagle Eye" is the film for you.



RESTAURANT REVIEW

KCT Noodle

CHAMPAGNE BROWN
PHOTO EDITOR

Have you been to a good Chinese restaurant lately? No, I'm not talking about a buffet, where you serve yourself, I'm talking about a nice dine-in restaurant where they serve you for a change. If your answer is no, then maybe you need to head down to KCT Noodle - informally known as Bubble Tea, and experience it for a change.

When I first walked into Bubble Tea, the first thing that impressed me right off the bat was its atmosphere. They have

set up their restaurant in a way that will make you feel right at home. Once I sat down, the waitress came right over, took my order and brought it out in a very timely manner. The food was fresh out of the oven, and I could tell because it was still scalding hot. I noticed that what I ordered tasted completely different from what I had been receiving from local chinese buffets. The food was crispier, and had whole lot more flavor.

Not only does KCT Noodle have great food, they have awesome beverages as well. They have a drink called the Bubble

Tea, which is basically a milkshake which comes in many different flavors with tiny tapioca balls at the bottom.



CORN MAZE REVIEW

Zarpentine Farm

ELIZABETH REDDEN
EDITOR IN CHIEF

No corn maze is complete without a twist. The corn maze at Zarpentine Farm in Hilton provides a twist, turns, trivia and more.

More than just a corn maze, the theme of "I Love NY" is apparent in the design and trivia throughout the maze. Prior to entering the maze, adventurers can choose to take on the colored popsicle sticks challenge, collect all ten different colors

for a prize at the end, and earn the recognition of conquering the maze..

If you have an adventurous side, the game is more than satisfying. Filled with New York trivia, each clue sends maze-goers to different attractions featured throughout the maze. But beware; a wrong answer can lead to a dead end, far off the correct path. Completing the quest results in nearly six miles of maze wandering, taking nearly two hours to complete, backtracking included.

But don't let the maze fool you - if you aren't content with completing it during daylight, bring a flashlight and bottle of water, and don't forget your map!

For those looking to enjoy a stimulating maze experience without the trivia, venturing without a map will take you through each of the attractions seen in the trivia game. Don't be tempted to use a map if you chose to take this route unless you are looking to set a record time for completion of the maze.

Keep your cell phone handy if you aren't a trivia buff - your lifelines can keep you from wandering in circles.

Other attractions at Zarpentine farms include a kiddie corn maze, wagon rides, farmers market, pumpkin patch, and a corn cob launcher, providing something for everyone.



photo by Elizabeth Redden



THEATRE REVIEW

Boomermania

CHRIS DEBACK
ONLINE MANAGER

Boomermania, a production of the Downstairs Cabaret, is a musical journey through the 50s, 60s and 70s with a great twist. They use good parodies of old classics like "Bugle Boy" of Company B. Barber Ann and many others to give us a humorous look into what life was like for the Baby Boomers. With nonstop laughs this musical is

a must see for everyone and is more than worth the \$29 price. The actors and actress do a really great job and make you feel like you're back in 50s, 60s, and 70s. This musical journey gets 5 pot-smoking hippies out of 5.



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BOOK REVIEW

Running With Scissors

MADASYN CZEBINIAK
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

The 2002 novel, "Running with Scissors," by American writer Augusten Burroughs, is a disturbing, yet hilarious memoir of his bizarre childhood through teenage life.

The novel opens with his parents separating: his mother having an over initiative obsession with poetry, and his father being a compulsive alcoholic. Shortly after their divorce, Augusten's mother, Deirdre, begins seeing a psychiatrist regularly. The psychiatrist, Dr. Finch, turns out to be even more screwed up than his patients. His office is named

the 'Masturbatorium', and he always finds quirky, awkward ways to help treat his patients of their ailments.

Towards the middle of the story, things get hectic when Augusten is 'adopted' by Dr. Finch and is forced to live with him and his crazy family; his wife eats dog food, the youngest urinates all over the house, and the giant hole in the kitchen ceiling is considered a decoration. Augusten manages to become close friends with one of the Finch daughters, Natalie, and the two of them are partners in crime throughout the memoir.

The memoir takes you through things that you never dreamed of, such as questions of sexuality, medication, perversion, pedophilia, and mentions of bowels. If you are looking for a laugh, and an entertaining, messed-up story that will rack your brain, this is the one for you.

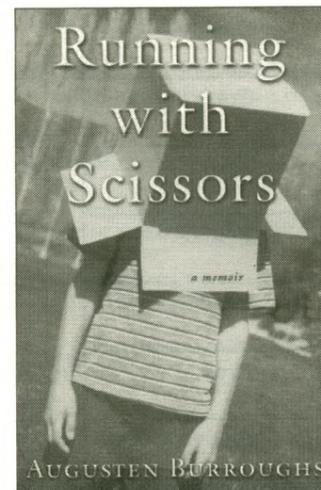


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Interested in joining the Monroe Doctrine?

Stop by a staff meeting on Wednesday at 12:00 in 3-134!

Geochaching - the technological way to get outside and play

JACOB TIERNEY
 ASSOCIATE WRITER

After nearly an hour of searching the woods near MCC, just when I was ready to accept defeat, I found it. Opening the well-hidden box, I revealed the prize I had tried so hard to find: Happy Meal toys.

Geocaching is an active game that requires players to get up from the computer and into the real world. Two things are required in order to play. The first is a handheld Global Positioning System (GPS); these vary in price depending on the quality. The second is a free account on geocaching.com. Once an account is created, players can enter their address, zip code, or other criteria to find the coordinates for hidden boxes, called geocaches, in their area.

These coordinates can be entered into the GPS; then it is time to leave the house and get outside. Using the GPS along with information found online, players can begin their search for the more than 661,000 geocaches hidden worldwide. This is not always as straightforward as it sounds. Sometimes puzzles must be solved, trees must be climbed, and caves must be explored to find the cache.

They can be hidden anywhere from parks to city streets. The boxes can be in any size or shape, although metal ammunition containers are often used. Players bring a pen to sign the logbook found inside each box,

and a small trinket to trade for a prize of their choice. The prizes found inside are usually laughably worthless, but it is the thrill of the hunt that makes Geocaching worthwhile.



image courtesy of MCT Campus

Official Geocache boxes are labeled with bright stickers, and can be hidden almost anywhere. Boxes generally contain simple trinkets for finders to trade their own trinkets with.

The career center is open to those looking to transfer

NATHAN VON BUSKIRK
 NEWS EDITOR

Time is running out for MCC students looking to move one to four-year schools for the fall 2009 semester, and the Career Center is looking to help. The normal application deadline for next fall's semester is next February or March.

The Career Center's transfer program can help you plan your move so it is as smooth as possible. Before going to the Career Center for an appointment, stop in to talk to an advisor during walk-in hours.

They'll get you started on the right path by giving you a ton of resources and suggesting things to look for in a school. It's also recommended that you look in to schools that have programs

related to your major on top of schools with your focus.

The Career Center will tell you what you should research about schools of interest. That will include everything from grants and scholarships to how well your credits from MCC will transfer.

After that it is time to set up an appointment with a transfer advisor and request information packets from different schools.

If you're looking to transfer it is critical that you know what you're looking for and there is no better place to start than the MCC Career Center.

The Career Center has open hours for transfer walk-ins posted by their door. They have open hours each day for at least two hours.

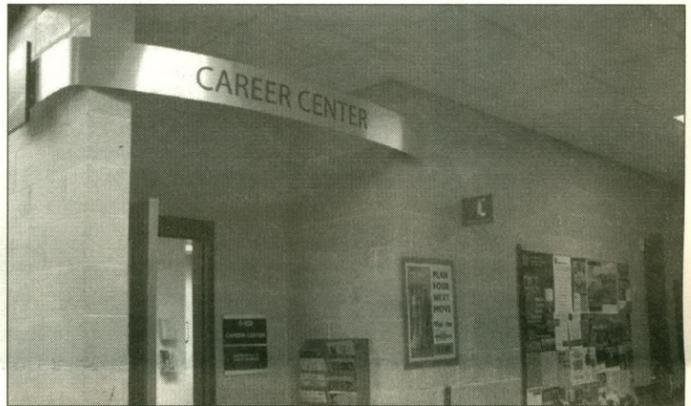


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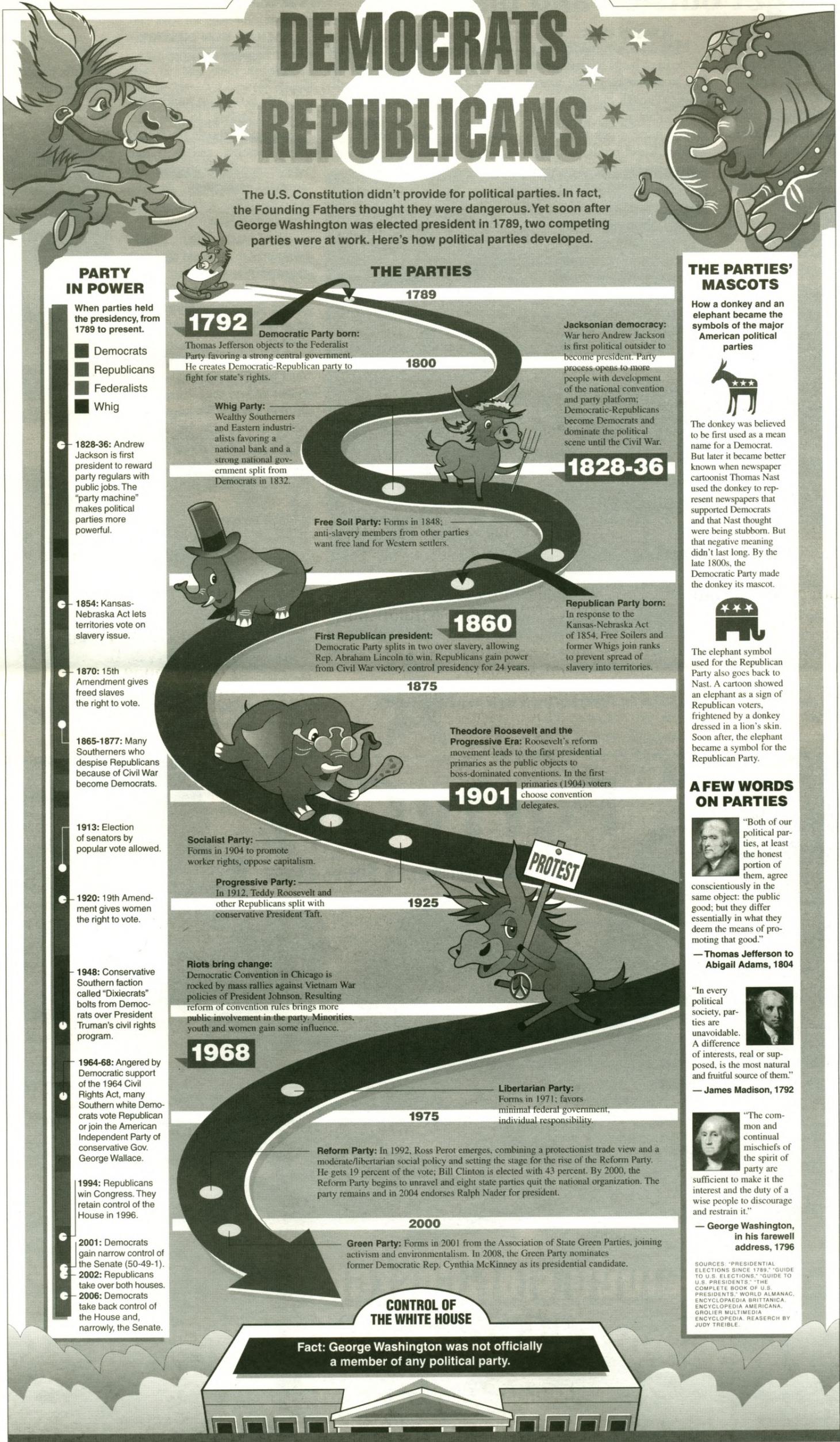
Any One Costume Purchase \$25 or more

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A TALE OF TWO PARTIES:

**DEMOCRATS
REPUBLICANS**

The U.S. Constitution didn't provide for political parties. In fact, the Founding Fathers thought they were dangerous. Yet soon after George Washington was elected president in 1789, two competing parties were at work. Here's how political parties developed.



PARTY IN POWER

When parties held the presidency, from 1789 to present.

- Democrats
- Republicans
- Federalists
- Whig

1828-36: Andrew Jackson is first president to reward party regulars with public jobs. The "party machine" makes political parties more powerful.

1854: Kansas-Nebraska Act lets territories vote on slavery issue.

1870: 15th Amendment gives freed slaves the right to vote.

1865-1877: Many Southerners who despise Republicans because of Civil War become Democrats.

1913: Election of senators by popular vote allowed.

1920: 19th Amendment gives women the right to vote.

1948: Conservative Southern faction called "Dixiecrats" bolts from Democrats over President Truman's civil rights program.

1964-68: Angered by Democratic support of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, many Southern white Democrats vote Republican or join the American Independent Party of conservative Gov. George Wallace.

1994: Republicans win Congress. They retain control of the House in 1996.

2001: Democrats gain narrow control of the Senate (50-49-1).

2002: Republicans take over both houses.

2006: Democrats take back control of the House and, narrowly, the Senate.

THE PARTIES

1792

Democratic Party born: Thomas Jefferson objects to the Federalist Party favoring a strong central government. He creates Democratic-Republican party to fight for state's rights.

Whig Party:

Wealthy Southerners and Eastern industrialists favoring a national bank and a strong national government split from Democrats in 1832.

Free Soil Party: Forms in 1848; anti-slavery members from other parties want free land for Western settlers.

1860

First Republican president: Democratic Party splits in two over slavery, allowing Rep. Abraham Lincoln to win. Republicans gain power from Civil War victory, control presidency for 24 years.

1901

Theodore Roosevelt and the Progressive Era: Roosevelt's reform movement leads to the first presidential primaries as the public objects to boss-dominated conventions. In the first primaries (1904) voters choose convention delegates.

1925

Socialist Party: Forms in 1904 to promote worker rights, oppose capitalism.

Progressive Party: In 1912, Teddy Roosevelt and other Republicans split with conservative President Taft.

1968

Riots bring change: Democratic Convention in Chicago is rocked by mass rallies against Vietnam War policies of President Johnson. Resulting reform of convention rules brings more public involvement in the party. Minorities, youth and women gain some influence.

1975

Libertarian Party: Forms in 1971; favors minimal federal government, individual responsibility.

2000

Reform Party: In 1992, Ross Perot emerges, combining a protectionist trade view and a moderate/libertarian social policy and setting the stage for the rise of the Reform Party. He gets 19 percent of the vote; Bill Clinton is elected with 43 percent. By 2000, the Reform Party begins to unravel and eight state parties quit the national organization. The party remains and in 2004 endorses Ralph Nader for president.

Green Party: Forms in 2001 from the Association of State Green Parties, joining activism and environmentalism. In 2008, the Green Party nominates former Democratic Rep. Cynthia McKinney as its presidential candidate.

CONTROL OF THE WHITE HOUSE

Fact: George Washington was not officially a member of any political party.

THE PARTIES' MASCOTS

How a donkey and an elephant became the symbols of the major American political parties

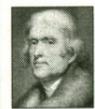


The donkey was believed to be first used as a mean name for a Democrat. But later it became better known when newspaper cartoonist Thomas Nast used the donkey to represent newspapers that supported Democrats and that Nast thought were being stubborn. But that negative meaning didn't last long. By the late 1800s, the Democratic Party made the donkey its mascot.



The elephant symbol used for the Republican Party also goes back to Nast. A cartoon showed an elephant as a sign of Republican voters, frightened by a donkey dressed in a lion's skin. Soon after, the elephant became a symbol for the Republican Party.

A FEW WORDS ON PARTIES



"Both of our political parties, at least the honest portion of them, agree conscientiously in the same object: the public good; but they differ essentially in what they deem the means of promoting that good."

— Thomas Jefferson to Abigail Adams, 1804



"In every political society, parties are unavoidable. A difference of interests, real or supposed, is the most natural and fruitful source of them."

— James Madison, 1792



"The common and continual mischiefs of the spirit of party are sufficient to make it the interest and the duty of a wise people to discourage and restrain it."

— George Washington, in his farewell address, 1796

SOURCES: "PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS SINCE 1789," "GUIDE TO U.S. ELECTIONS," "GUIDE TO U.S. PRESIDENTS," "THE COMPLETE BOOK OF U.S. PRESIDENTS," "WORLD ALMANAC," "ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANNICA," "ENCYCLOPEDIA AMERICANA," "GROLIER MULTIMEDIA," "ENCYCLOPEDIA RESEARCH BY JUDY TREIBLE."

CALENDAR

10.20.08 - 11.02.08

OF EVENTS

CONCERTS

Giant Panda Guerilla Dub Squad
Water Street Music Hall
Oct. 25, 2008
9:00 p.m.
Admission \$12

Halloween Party with the
Skycoasters
Pelicans Nest Restaurant
Oct. 25, 2008
9:30 p.m. – 1:30 a.m.

Stephen Kellogg and the Sixers
Water Street Music Hall
Oct. 31, 2008
8:00 p.m.
Admission \$16

Underoath, Saosin,
The Devil Wears Prada, and
Person L
Water Street Music Hall
Oct. 28, 2008
7:00 p.m.

HALLOWEEN

Amazing Maize Maze Fall Days
Long Acre Farms, Macedon
Friday, Saturday, Sunday
During the month of October

Nightmare Manor
Southtown Plaza
Thursday, Friday, Saturday,
Sunday during the month
Of October

Fright Fest
Darien Lake
Thursday, Friday, Saturday,
Sunday during the month
Of October

Haunted Hayrides
Thursday, Friday, Saturday,
Sunday during the month
Of October
3329 Eddy Road
Off Route 21, Williamson

Ghosts of Mt. Hope
Ghost Walk
Meet at the corner of
Mount Hope and
Reservoir Avenues
Oct. 17, 2008

ON CAMPUS

Rock the Vote: Four visiting
Supreme Court Judges
Oct. 20, 2008
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.
Monroe A

Annual McMurray Lecture:
Speaker Bruce Jacobs
Building 5-300
Oct. 20, 2008
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Mask Making for Masquerade Ball
Terrace Lounge
Oct. 22, 2008
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Phi Theta Kappa Sustainability Day
Campus Center Atrium
Oct. 22, 2008
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Global Union Foreign Film Festival
Monroe A & B
Oct. 28, 2008
6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Cabbages and Kings Lecture on
Witches
Forum
Oct. 28, 2008
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Global Union Film Festival
Monroe A & B
Oct. 30, 2008
6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Masquerade Ball
Campus Center Atrium
Oct. 30, 2008
8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
Tickets are free but limited
Come dressed formally or in
Costume

Bookstore Halloween Costume
Contest
Atrium
Oct. 31, 2008
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Peter Jemison
Mercer Gallery Exhibition
Through Nov. 7, 2008



Sports Schedule

Oct. 21, 2008

Hockey
U of R JV
3:30 p.m.

Oct. 24, 2008

Men's Basketball
SUNY Oswego

Oct. 29, 2008

Hockey
Maksymum
3:30 p.m.

Nov. 1, 2008

Men's Basketball
Rockland CC
Kickoff Classic
5:00 p.m.

Nov. 2, 2008

Men's Basketball
TBA
Kickoff Classic

Women's soccer wins over Alfred State

KAITLYN METZGER
GUEST WRITER

On Oct. 9 the women's soccer team took on Division III Alfred State. In the first half the score remained at 0-0 with an even match up between the two teams as they battled to score.

The lack of goals didn't keep the fans of the Tribune's quiet though, throughout the whole

game the fans cheered our ladies on as the temperature dropped.

In the second half things looked up for the Tribunes with a goal by Casey Reinhardt in the seventy fifth minute of the game. The final score of the game was 1-0, and the team's record at the time of press is an excellent 11-2-1.



photo by Kaitlyn Metzger

PAC Center for all students

DOMENICO FARGNOLI
GUEST WRITER

On Oct. 7, 2008, I had the opportunity to meet MCC Athletic Director Bruce "Murph" Shapiro. I simply asked him one important question "What does the PAC Center do for you and I, the non-athletic student?"

Mr. Shapiro stated that the PAC Center is open to all students. He foresees the entire student body taking full advantage of the 12 million dollar center, stating the importance of the exercise everyone needs. He can see residential students using the facilities on weekends, especially during the colder weather. He urges the entire student body to use the PAC Center for intramural sports. It is not just for athletes.

Director Shapiro also spoke about the importance of earning a degree from MCC, proudly pointing out the new Nursing Center and what it will mean to the community. He's a boastful parent of having three of his children graduate from MCC. He states that, "You can take your Degree from MCC, to any four year university in the nation," as he speaks proudly of how this campus has grown throughout its 40 years. It prides itself on academic standing as one of the top community colleges in this nation, along with its top rated athletic department, awarded three years in a row.

After the initial interview, Mr. Shapiro took me on a private tour of the PAC Center. Our first stop was the Training Center, where he stated, "It rivals any weight room in the

N.F.L." It is stocked with all brand new equipment.

Next up was the Sports Medicine Training Room, fully equipped with hot and cold whirlpools, an ice bath, and several training tables, along with a vibrating machine that loosens one muscle's before an event.

The team locker rooms have large lockers, and are set in the school colors. The men's showers are community showers. The women's showers are individual stalls as are all the toilets. Both rooms are handicap accessible with the school colors visible in the floor tiles.

The board room has the best view in the house, as it overlooks the stadium and surrounding fields. It is equipped with a large flat screen television, small refrigerator, and a elongated table with large chairs. In the back of the room the there are lounge chairs and a coffee table for people to watch the games through the windows.

Last but not least is the Field House. It is a huge facility that will enable several teams to practice at the same time. It is equipped with a field turf surface, a two lane rubberized jogging/walking track, nets for batting cages, and plenty of storage. The outdoor sport teams will no longer have to practice on the gym floor.

What this means to you? A place to go not only to lift weights, but play a game of catch, baseball, football, even frisbee, if you heart desires. You can have pick up games, run, or even walk, on the track. Have concerts, rallies, or special events. The possibilities are endless.

Personal Trainer

How hard are you working?

A simple test helps you judge whether you are exercising gently, moderately or strenuously – your ability to speak clearly.

Mild exertion
You can speak easily – or even sing – while exercising

Moderate exertion
You can speak clearly or carry on a conversation

Heavy exertion
You are breathing too hard to converse or recite some words out loud

Finding the right words

Test works best if you use the same words each time:

- Your parents' and grandparents' full names
- A children's poem
- A well-known speech*

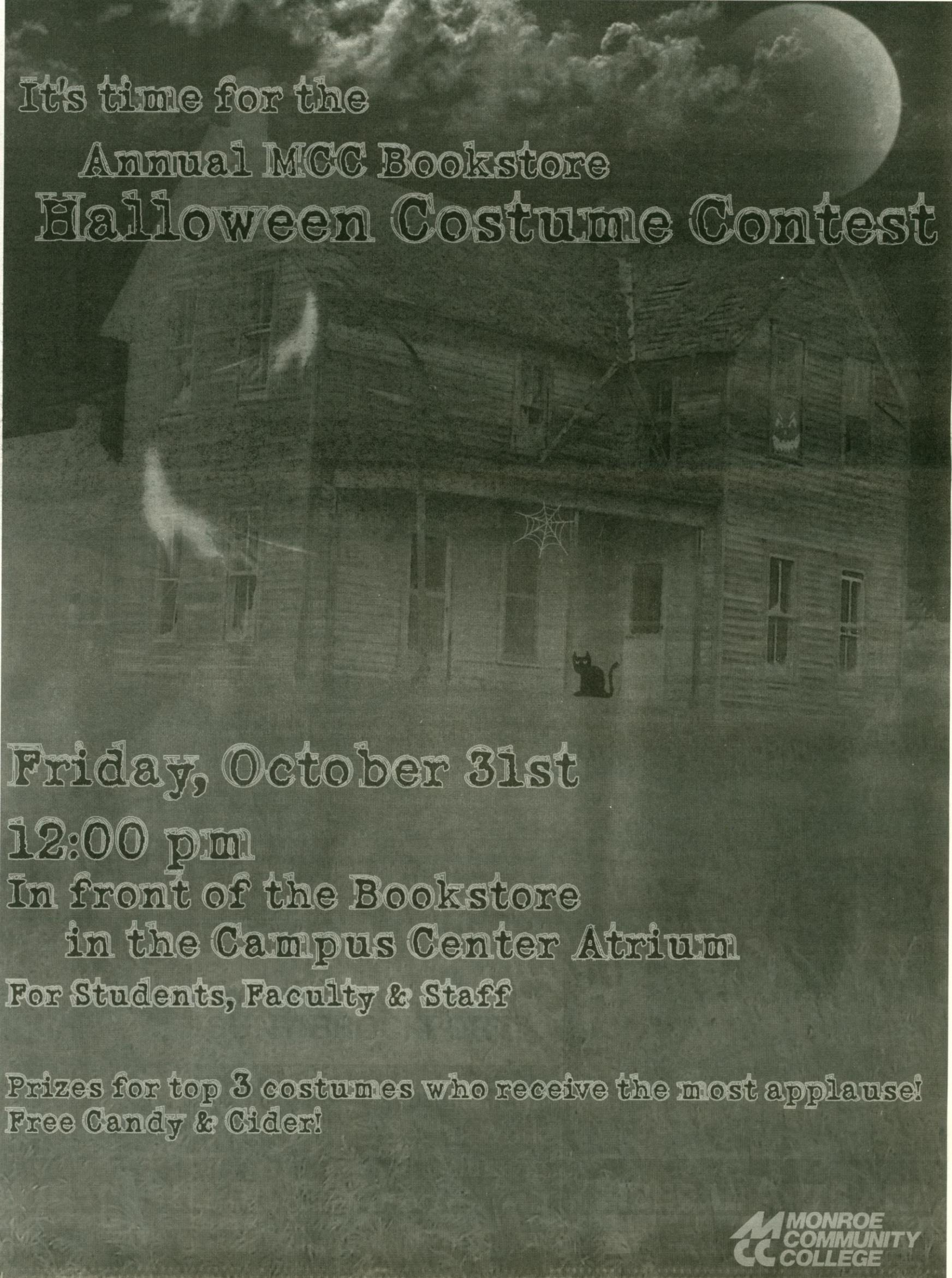
Alas, poor Yorick! I knew him, Horatio: a fellow of infinite jest ...

*For example, the numbers from 1 to 50, the U.S. Pledge of Allegiance, the words to "God Save the Queen," the 23rd Psalm or Hamlet's "To be or not to be" speech

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Looking for more original sports?

Stop by a Monroe Doctrine staff meeting on Wednesday at 12:00 in 3-134 and bring sports stories to the rest of the college community!



It's time for the Annual MCC Bookstore Halloween Costume Contest

Friday, October 31st

12:00 pm

In front of the Bookstore

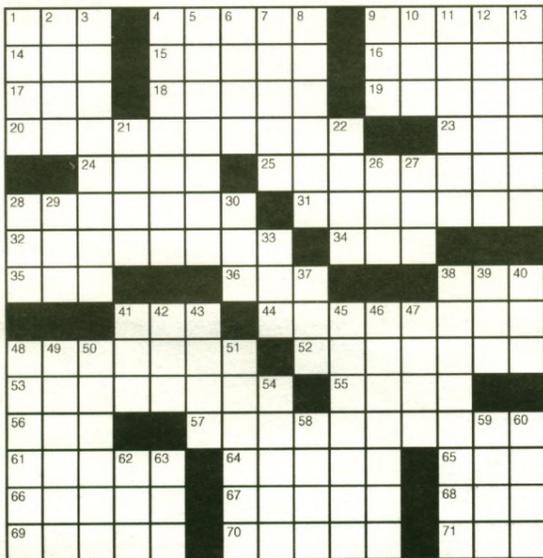
in the Campus Center Atrium

For Students, Faculty & Staff

Prizes for top 3 costumes who receive the most applause!
Free Candy & Cider!

Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Freon or neon
 - 4 Ponselle and Parks
 - 9 Hooded reptile
 - 14 Before, to a poet
 - 15 Corpulent
 - 16 Zodiac sign
 - 17 Madre's sister
 - 18 Japanese port
 - 19 Bothersome ones
 - 20 Counter person
 - 23 Writer Grafton
 - 24 Comic Johnson
 - 25 Inhabitants
 - 28 Indulgent
 - 31 Formal arguments
 - 32 Frozen dessert
 - 34 HRE part
 - 35 Coifs
 - 36 Cranberry patch
 - 38 Quantity of gum
 - 41 "My Gal"
 - 44 Possible pathogens
 - 48 Got hold of
 - 52 Straw hats
 - 53 Inspects
 - 55 Takes off
 - 56 \$
 - 57 AC generator
 - 61 Rand McNally book
 - 64 Fortune cards
 - 65 Stretch the truth
 - 66 Sister's daughter
 - 67 Remark to the audience
 - 68 South African golfer Ernie
 - 69 Spiral pin
 - 70 Nearly perpendicular
 - 71 Mach topper
- DOWN**
- 1 Acquires
 - 2 Opera song
 - 3 Ocean corridors
 - 4 Henhouse male
 - 5 Indecent
 - 6 Navy commando
 - 7 Inquired
 - 8 Scorched
 - 9 Baseball hat
 - 10 Bauxite or galena
 - 11 Jacqueline of "Bullitt"
 - 12 Make piano corrections
 - 13 Set taxes on
 - 21 Writer Ambler
 - 22 Leg joint
 - 26 Big Blue
 - 27 Nuke
 - 28 Upper limit
 - 29 "The Name of the Rose" novelist
 - 30 Diner's bill
 - 33 Rabble
 - 37 Chew the fat
 - 38 Grapples
 - 39 Part of AFB
 - 40 German article
 - 41 Full amount
 - 42 "Exodus" hero
 - 43 Olin or Horne
 - 45 Impair steadily
 - 46 Provoker
 - 47 Sicilian volcano
 - 48 Family cars
 - 49 Strikingly strange
 - 50 One of two on the phone
 - 51 River ends, often
 - 54 Cache of cash
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 - 62 Top shot
 - 63 Stitch



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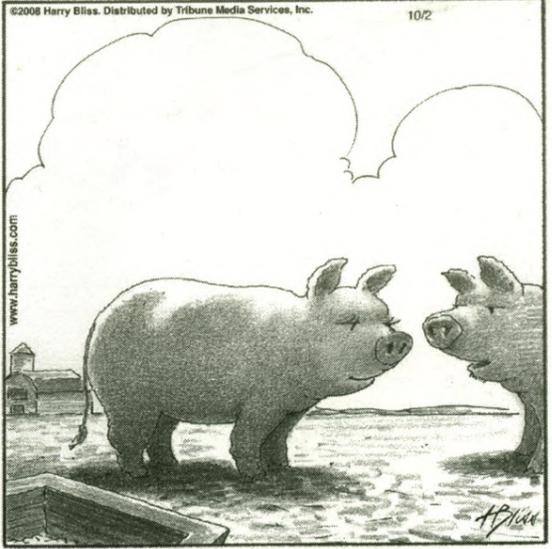
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"Mom, can you and Dad lend me nine hundred thousand dollars?"



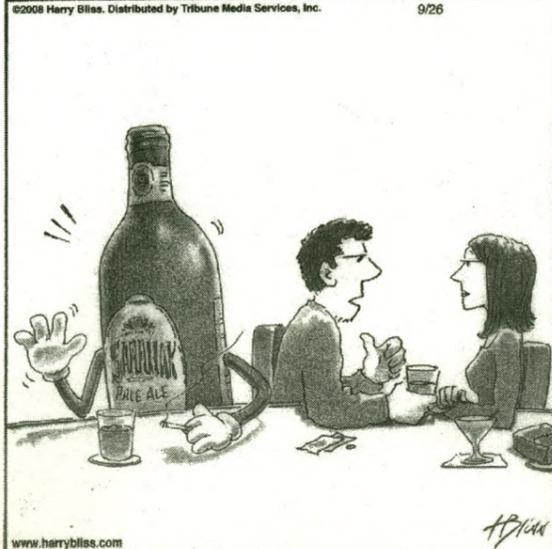
"From way up here they look like really stupid ants."



"Honey, trust me - you're beautiful without the lipstick."



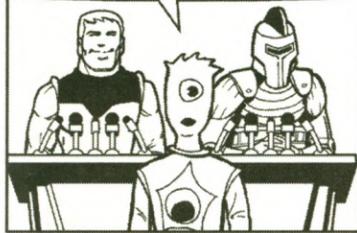
"We'll always have Facebook."



"Try to ignore it - it's just the beer talking."

THE GALACTIC PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE...

AND NOW, WE'LL TAKE A QUESTION FROM ONE OF OUR PANELISTS.



YES, CAPTAIN ROCKIT, WHY ARE YOU SUCH A COMPLETE DOOFUS?



HEY! THAT'S JUST MY OPPONENT IN A WIG!



WE WILL TAKE CALLS FROM VIEWERS WHO HAVE QUESTIONS FOR THE CANDIDATES.

OUR FIRST CALLER IS CLIFF CLEWLESS FROM THE R.U. SIRIUS. GO AHEAD, SIR.



YEAH, THIS QUESTION IS FOR CAPTAIN ROCKIT: WHERE DID YOU PUT THE REMOTE CONTROL?



DIRK RAIDER, REBUTTAL?



WELL, THAT ENDS THE DEBATE. NOW, WE'LL HAVE CLOSING STATEMENTS FROM THE TWO CANDIDATES.



DIRK RAIDER? I WILL DESTROY YOU ALL! BWA-HA-HA-HA!



CAPTAIN ROCKIT? ARE THERE GOING TO BE ANY REFRESHMENTS AFTERWARD?



YOUR STATION'S IN A FINANCIAL CRISIS! HAVE YOU HEARD OF THE DOMINO EFFECT?



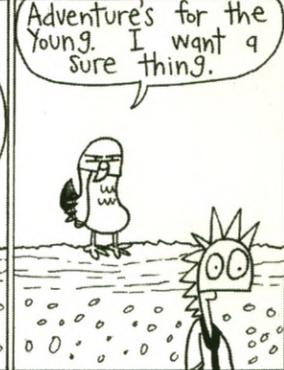
IT'S LIKE THIS: WHEN THE FINANCES OF AN INSTITUTION LIKE THE R.U. SIRIUS GO BAD...



YES, GO ON. ... YOU'LL ALL BE EMPLOYED DELIVERING PIZZA.



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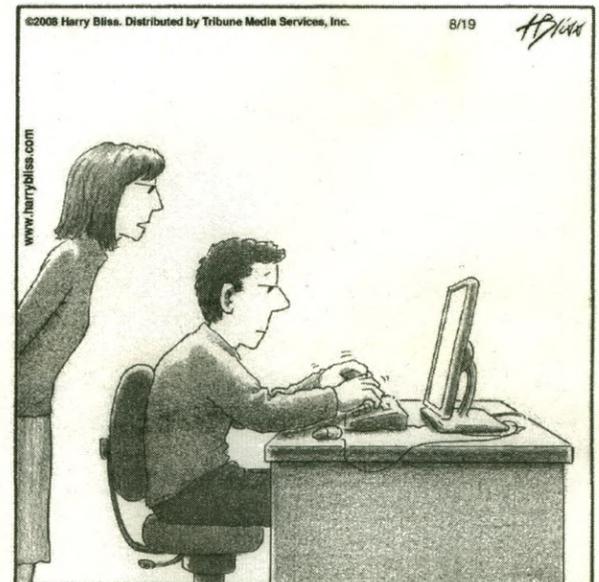
"Call me a McCain supporter one more time and I'm telling on you!"



"First call the Coast Guard — then you can reprimand me for not picking up the dry cleaning."



"Relax, boy. They wouldn't have named the technique after us if it didn't come naturally."



"It's, 'She's driving me crazy and I'm not sure whom to turn to.'"



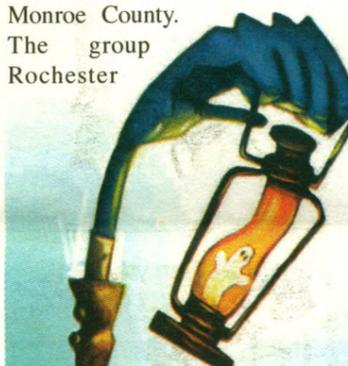
HALLOWEEN

A night of fiendish fun

Rochester hauntings say we are not alone

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For those seeking something truly scary this Halloween, check out the many supernatural happenings in Monroe County. The group Rochester



Paranormal and others in search of beings from beyond the grave have been to many areas in Western NY, and according to them we are not alone. Web sites such as supernaturalparanormal.com, documents this search, but it is up to you to decide whether the grainy photographs featured are truly spirits, or something more down-to-earth. In the meantime, here is a list of some haunted Rochester locations.

- Frontier Field: The home of the Red Wings is supposedly haunted by many spirits, in fact ESPN Sportscenter even featured it on Halloween, 2005.
- Gates-Chili High School: Some claim that a teenager who died in a drunk driving accident haunts the grounds, searching for his girlfriend, who was pregnant when he met his untimely demise.

- Geva Theater: Some claim that a lady in white wanders the theater after dark, and other ghostly sights have been seen.
- Aquinas Institute: Years ago, a student who had been given the lead role in a play died on the show's opening night. Some say she has been seen haunting the costume room in the attic, the room known as "heaven"

Do mask sales pick the president?



The candidate whose Halloween mask sells best has won the election, so say some in the costume business.

Election year	mask sales	Won election
1980	60% Reagan	✓
	40% Carter	■
1984	68% Reagan	✓
	32% Mondale	■
1988	62% Bush	✓
	38% Dukakis	■
1992	41% Clinton	✓
	39% Bush	■
1996	56% Clinton	✓
	40% Dole	■
2000	57% Bush	✓
	43% Gore	■
2004	65% Bush	✓
	35% Kerry	■
2008*	67% Obama	■
	33% McCain	■

*As of Oct. 6, 2008
Source: Spirit Halloween, CNN, prnewswire.com, Newscom © 2008 MCT

Mt. Hope Cemetery offers Luminary Tour

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The Luminary Tour is the culminating event in a series of tours sponsored annually by the Friends of Mount Hope Cemetery. The candlelit tour features some of the more prominent peoples and locales of our famous cemetery. This year's tour, taking place on Sunday, Oct. 26 and Tuesday, Oct. 28, marks a first in a cooperative effort between the Friends of Mount Hope and Monroe Community College. In conjunction with the tour, the Anthropological Society of MCC (ASMCC) is hosting "Bones of Our Ancestors," an event which takes place in the North Atrium (Building 12, Floor 1 by the Art Gallery) at 5:00 on Oct. 28, and features speakers from the Friends of Mount Hope. Following the speakers, those in attendance will proceed to the cemetery, where the \$4.00 entrance fee to the tour would be waived. Carrie Tonkinson, Vice president of the

ASMCC, said, "We're hoping to create a greater appreciation of Rochester's unique history and greater cooperation between MCC and the community."

Mount Hope Cemetery is a world renowned Victorian cemetery and is one of the first of its kind in the United States. Originally an old Iroquois trail, the cemetery evolved to become a burial ground for very prestigious individuals of nineteenth century Americana. Names like Susan B. Anthony, Frederick Douglass, and Hiram Sibley are but a few of the legendary figures entombed in the necropolis. In addition to its famous inhabitants, the rolling hills and innovative architecture can leave few with any doubt as to why the cemetery has its reputation.

"Mount hope offers a unique experience of a living, outdoor museum featuring nineteenth century life," stated Dennis Carr, Vice President of the Friends of Mount Hope. With the Luminary Tour occurring only once a year, this is an invaluable opportunity for students and faculty to engage in our extraordinary landmark on a deeper level; thus leaving all with a greater appreciation for Rochester's cultural heritage.

