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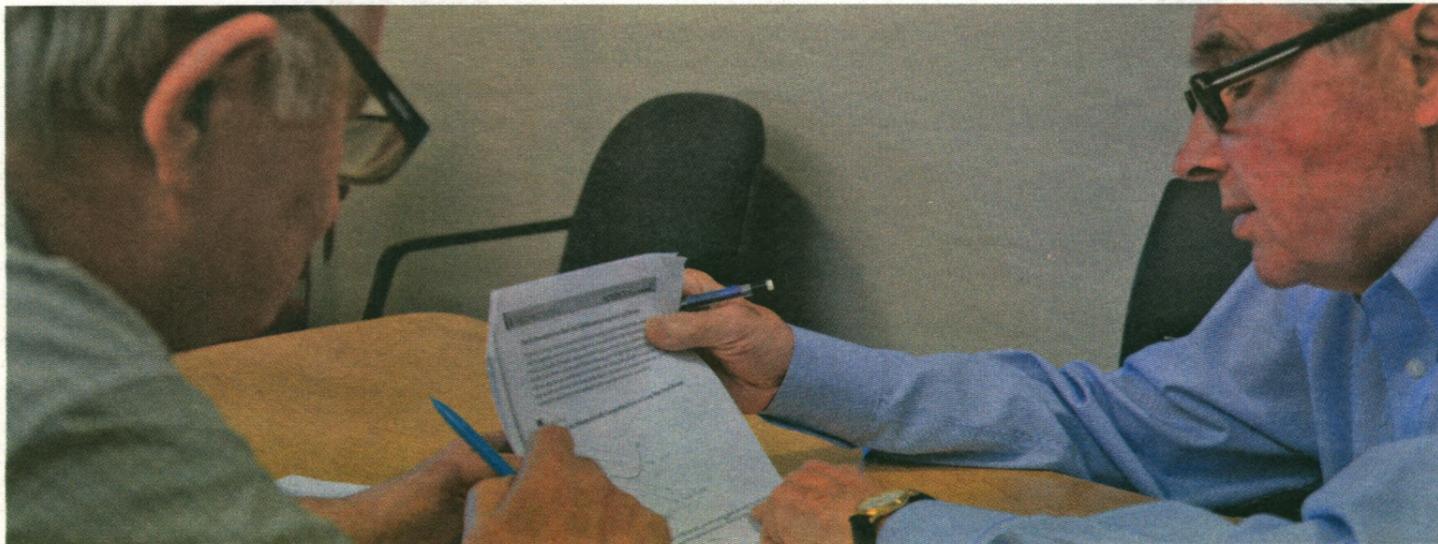
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MONROE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Learning Center to be moved and renovated this summer

Free tutoring and academic help to be available in new area of Building 11



Three of the main Learning Centers will combine to form one large, central Learning Center. The redesign aims to improve access to all-in-one tutoring for students, rather than going to multiple different rooms for different subjects.

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At the start of the Fall 2018 semester, three of the several Learning Centers on the Brighton Campus will combine. These alterations have already been completed at the Downtown Campus.

The three Centers of assistance will be located in rooms right next to each other. "This redesign is an effort to both improve the quality of tutoring in Building 11, and in the Learning Commons, and utilize funding in a responsible manner," said Dr. Medea Rambish, Dean of Academic Foundations.

This Academic Foundations Learning Centers consolidation process affects The Writing Center (Building 11-Room 108), The Academic Foundations Learning Center (Building 11- Room 211), and The Center for Academic Reading (CAR Center Building Nine-Room 231). These Centers will be re-

located in three rooms in the same vicinity as each other located in Building 11 Room 209, 211, and 213.

Martha MacDonald, the senior technical assistant in the Academic Learning Center, said, "(the) plans are to move the PCs and put them on the perimeter of the Learning Center and then have the tutoring take place in the Center of The Learning Center...planning on bringing the Writing Center (Building 11-Room 208) over here (Building 11-Room 211) along with our college-wide tutoring, the student supports tutoring (the CAR Center)."

Currently, studying with a tutor in The Learning Center requires making appointments for each course that you need help in. Unfortunately, a busy college student often don't have enough spare time for making five or six appointments. Making one or two appointments for all-in-one tutoring sounds reasonable, but the problem is that the various Learning Centers are on different floors

and in different buildings. With one central Learning Center, students can receive help with course material from multiple different courses with minimal appointments.

"The function of 11-211 will be learning assistance, so students will be coming in with the intention of getting help with academics from a trained tutor," said Rambish.

The reasoning behind this project is to "both improve the quality of tutoring in building 11 and in the Learning Commons and utilize funding in a responsible manner," said Rambish. After the hard work of the Director of Academic Facilities and Learning Environments, Bob Cunningham and his team, who work on many other projects for both the Brighton and the Downtown campuses, The Learning Center will be "a centralized organization for all tutoring services...with plans to extend learning services down the road," said Rambish.

Phishing Attacks on the Rise at MCC

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Monroe Community College students and faculty may have noticed a series of suspicious looking emails within their MCC email inboxes recently. A hacking practice known as "phishing" occurs when an attacker attempts to gain access to sensitive information on a database, such as a user's MCC login credentials, typically by imitating a legitimate source. Phishing attacks often claim that a user needs to perform some action, such as clicking a link or providing one's username and/or password in order to gain access into a user's account/database.

On Feb. 7, MCC Technology Services detected a phishing scam in which users were sent an email claiming to come from MCC Athletics faculty member Craig Chamberlain, requesting that one click a embedded link and provide their MCC login and password.

This email was followed by a similar email-based phishing scam which was first detected on April 4, which attempted to gain access to a user's MCC login credentials by making a fraudulent claim that security "upgrades" were being performed on the MCC network, urging users to click a link in order to "renew" their account, threatening that the user's school email account would be deactivated within 24 hours, if

they did not perform the requested action.

Both emails were swiftly accompanied by follow up emails from MCC's Technology Services Department, imploring students to take action if they may have provided login credentials to an attacker.

Donna Pogroszewski, Director of Communications and Network Services at the College said that email based phishing attacks are commonly used cyber attacks, as they are relatively straightforward for hackers to construct and use in order to gain access to valuable digital resources. "It's easy (for hackers). There's so many tools to create spamming type of emails... They're after the logins.

If you gave up your credentials, they can start looking for vulnerabilities on the inside, as opposed on the outside, so you then elevate your status as a hacker every step you get," she said.

In protecting against a range of increasingly advanced online attacks, cybersecurity awareness from users is arguably the most effective form of security. "Education is the first line of defense,(but) it's also our weakest link," said Pogroszewski. "If something seems strange, like why would someone be sending this, delete it, or call the person. Your common knowledge - common sense will help you. If it sounds strange, or looks strange, it is," said Pogroszewski.

Helpful Tips for New Students

We get it. Coming to a new school can be difficult. Here's some helpful tips for new students (and even returning students) that we at the Doctrine wish we knew before our first day of classes started.

Plan Routes and Scout Ahead

Planning out routes from classroom to classroom can be confusing in a new school. We've got you covered. There's a map on the backpage of this issue. Scouting ahead can help save valuable time.

Take Advantage of Priority Registration

Returning MCC students can register and reserve spots in classes they need before new students with priority registration. Next priority registration opens in mid-October. Keep a look out and don't miss it!

Capitalize on Student Deals and Discounts

Discounted Regal Cinema movie tickets, deals on RTS bus passes, deals on Adobe, and discounted prices at many different stores. Check out the Campus Center front desk for more info on how to save.

Sign Up for a Parking Pass

Signing up for a parking pass is made quick and easy through your MCC Blackboard account. A student parking pass costs \$75 and will be added on to tuition costs. Don't risk getting a ticket!

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Medical Marijuana:

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first national regulation was the Marihuana Tax Act of 1937; however once the Controlled Substances Act of 1970 was signed into law by President Nixon, everything changed, and the “War on Drugs” helped fill our prisons with low-level pot users, which favored arresting black citizens over white ones with a ratio of nearly 4-to-1.

According to the American Civil Liberties Union, 8.2 million marijuana arrests were made in the first decade of this century, which figures out to one every 37 seconds, 88 percent of which were for possession charges. By 2010, nearly 24 percent of all incarcerated prisoners were serving marijuana-related offenses, and the total spent by the States to enforce marijuana laws reached \$3.6 billion annually.

That has been, in part, due to the disjointed perspective given to law enforcement, and as local Sheriff Todd Baxter said, the problems that the police face today regard the wildly varying degrees of accepted use and possession across the country.

“When we discuss the legalization of medical marijuana, I think we need a consistent statute to enforce,” said Baxter, concerning the differences between medicinal marijuana and other prescription drugs. “This agency will abide

by and enforce the laws that we are entrusted to uphold. Like other drugs, we will . . . protect our community from having access to illegal prescriptions and make the community aware of the dangers associated with recreational use of illegal prescriptions.”

Despite making the rounds on social media, those earlier figures are little more than a footnote on the conversation, as New York State Representative Richard Gottfried, who represents District 75 in the State Assembly, has regularly been unsupported in his fight for medicinal legalization. Gottfried sees this as a significant health concern and since the late 90’s he’s been introducing various decriminalization and medical marijuana bills, which have repeatedly been shot down in the past by a GOP-controlled Senate.

In 2009, regardless of former NY Governor David Paterson’s refusing to take a position either way, Gottfried started another uphill battle that would by 2013 become the Compassionate Care Act, which was designed much akin to California’s medicinal legislation. It progressed all the way to public hearings where local citizen Michael Shanahan from Fairport, 36, along with another home-grower, stepped up to testify not only as a caring citizen, but also a textbook medi-

cal case that could benefit from alternative treatments.

“[The bill] was written to allow home-growers and caregivers to medicate other people,” Shanahan said, “I testified as to the legitimacy and effectiveness of patients and caregivers helping themselves and others through homegrown cannabis. Our support got the bill to advance further, at which point it was entirely rewritten.”

Changes were then made that allowed corporations to buy licenses to grow marijuana, to sell it to a broker, who sells it to a dispensary, and they sell it to the patient, thus paying taxes four times over as it changes hands, around 30-38 percent at each transaction. The changes also increased the enforcement of home-growing criminalization.

“Back when I was growing for just myself, I was able to do so under a blanket of de facto decriminalization, and as long as I never sold anything, I was unimpeachable. If a cop wanted to, they could mess with me, but no legal action would follow through to completion.”

For Shanahan, growing was never about a desire to distribute or abuse, as his medical problems began by breaking his back in the 7th grade, continued with a raised-cage fusion of his L6-S1 lumbar at 22 years-old, and at age 24, he began exhibiting failed back

In a recent turn of events, on April 20, the Senate Minority Leader and New York’s Senior U.S. Senator, Charles Schumer, said he was introducing legislation that would change federal law so marijuana is no longer included on the Drug Enforcement Administration’s list of controlled substances. In a statement, Schumer said, “This legislation would allow the states to continue to function as laboratories of democracy and ultimately decide how they will treat marijuana possession.”

Our country’s relationship with marijuana has changed drastically over time, and most of its history as a medicine in the 19th century and regulated drug in the 1930’s thanks to the Uniform State Narcotic Drug Act is long since forgotten. The

Summer Reveal for Expanded Seneca Park Zoo

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The Seneca Park Zoo renovations are transforming the zoo into a place vastly different than the childhood memories Rochesterians have.

The renovation project at our zoo is called “A Wilder Vision” and it’s meant to provide new habitats for animals belonging to our zoo as well as for the new species being introduced. In this project, the zoo will also be expanding beyond the existing elephant habitat, thus increasing the zoo footprint.

Along with the construction aspect of the project comes the destruction necessary to pave the way for the new buildings. The main building in the front of the zoo will be razed in September of this year. Anyone who has visited the zoo from the 1930s to the present will know it has been home to the orangutans, rhinos, and different species of birds. It was this building that

Larry Sorel, the Seneca Park Zoo director, had aimed to be demolished in his years at the zoo. The exhibits of the 1931 building were designed to put the animals on display for our entertainment, rather than provide a nurturing and respectful environment for the animals to live. Sorel said his reasoning for planning to demolish the main building,

“It’s not the presentation we want to inspire people to take conservation action. It doesn’t represent modern zoos in any way shape or form, and it’s time for it to go.”

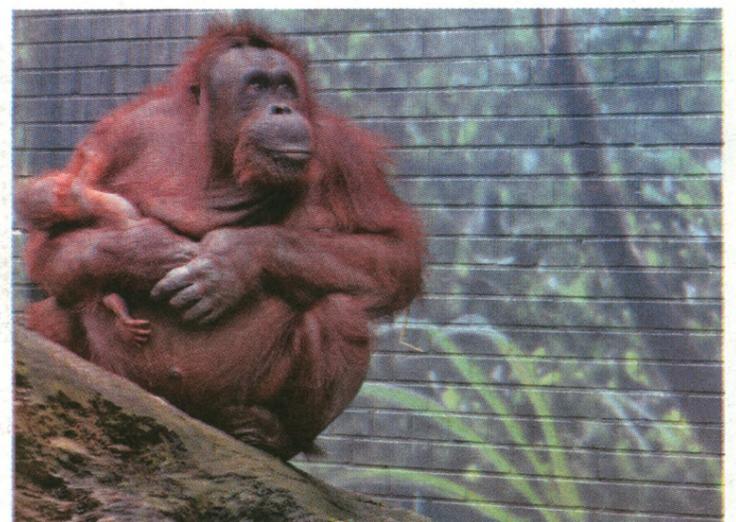
The antiquated building has stained glass windows on the side of entrance doors, which will be preserved for future incorporation into the zoo elsewhere. Additionally, Sorel said they are looking into possibly saving some bricks of the building to memorialize it. It is expected that the zoo will remain open during the demolition in September.

Although it may be sad to see change become reality, these

changes were inevitable and with them comes new species. The snow leopard and red panda exhibit are set to open at the end of May. Before now, red pandas had not been a part of the zoo. Around mid-summer, we should be expecting the exhibit expansion to be revealed as well. This exhibit will feature animals such as zebras, giraffes, elephant shrews, and rhinos.

The zoos expansion may sound unsettling to those who are not keen on walking or traversing the paths through the zoo. In this case, it may be music to the ears to know that a zoo tram is going to be in operation for guest to ride. The tram will travel along the park road that goes down to the duck pond along the perimeter of the zoo. Therefore, it will have a designated position to pick up or drop off guests at the front near the gift shop and at the back where the giraffes will be residing.

For discounted admission, the zoo offers off-season pricing



Seneca Park Zoo’s “Wilder Vision” intends to revamp exhibits and make them more like natural habitats, including the orangutan’s current exhibit.

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from November through March. Another way to receive a discounted admission would be to gather a group of friends with at least 10 people. However, this group must either make a reservation two weeks in advance or buy the tickets online.

Internship opportunities as well as volunteer opportunities are available at the zoo that require a screening process for applicants. Internships are available in almost all departments from internships on education to internships on animal care.

the road to recreational use?

surgery symptoms. "So, I started growing pot in my girlfriend's basement so I had a steady supply of safe medicine so I could deal with the pain without needing opiates."

After this legislation was halted, Shanahan promptly gave up and moved west to take advantage of the success that had been made on the other side of the country, and no one can blame him; New York was not ready yet, and Shanahan had his daily quality-of-life to consider.

Eventually, after many rewrites, the Compassionate Care Act, or a lesser version of its former self, would be allowed to pass, and the New York State Department of Health announced in November 2016 that it had officially filed amendments to the Medical Use of Marijuana regulations, authorizing nurse practitioners to register with the NYSDOH to certify patients for medical use. This has evolved over time and continues to add new ailments to be covered by the program, including PTSD and chronic pain, as recent as last November. Though there are many skeptics of the program and its effects, as of December 8, 2017, there are 38,642 certified patients and 1,358 registered practitioners participating in the program.

Some recent changes to New York's Medical Marijuana Program include authorizing registered organizations to manufac-

ture and dispense medical marijuana, empowering nurse practitioners and physician assistants to certify patients and permitting home delivery. However, when asked if this enticed Shanahan enough to return, he said, "As far as I know [there are] only 5 producers, one of which owned by Goldman Sachs. That means businessmen, not caregivers, are growing the pot. And they use synthetic fertilizers and poisonous pesticides. It's no longer a medicine but instead another poisonous product being sold to us."

The outcry of decriminalization efforts by local growers and caretakers have since taken aim at recreational use in order to get around the legality avoiding "government-regulated" medical marijuana, and the times are changing, as last fall a Gallup poll showed that a record-high 64 percent of Americans favor legalization of recreational marijuana.

An indicator that the perspective on this issue continues to shift is that Governor Andrew Cuomo, who as recently as last year publicly opposed legalizing recreational use, called for NY state to form an advisory panel on the prospect of legalization at his annual budget address in January, less than a week after the NYS Assembly held a hearing on the possibility. Unsurprisingly, this happened to come on the same day that New Jersey's new pro-legalization governor Phil Murphy was sworn into office, as

Murphy said in his inauguration speech that, "a stronger and fairer New Jersey embraces comprehensive criminal justice reform, including a process to legalize marijuana", and with New Jersey state legislature pushing for a law on the books as soon as April, this puts pressure on New York State to do the same.

Local law enforcement has a different opinion on that matter, however, as Baxter said, "We are in the throes of the biggest drug epidemic we have ever witnessed in our lives, yet we are discussing legalizing another substance, marijuana, that past research studies have shown could be a gateway drug to heroin. It is a confusing time for everyone." The greater point Baxter makes is regarding addiction, a newly CDC-labeled disease that humans are susceptible to falling victim to, no matter how chemically addictive the substance may be, just like alcohol or tobacco.

Like many arguments over policy, the opposite has been said by many as well, that since we're now finding that addiction is a bigger problem than it's ever been for this country, maybe the legality and regulation of alcohol and tobacco should be called into question as well, rather than pushing to decriminalize or legalize marijuana in an effort to be fair in regard to regulated substance use.



Public Safety Report

4/9/18

- Building services located racial statement in bathroom

4/10/18

- College property was relocated without authorization
- A student reported an annoyance to Public Safety
- An MVA occurred in parking lot J
- A student's phone was stolen in the library
- A level 1 sex offender is a current student

4/11/18

- Graffiti was found in building 7 stairwell
- A student felt harassed by faculty

4/12/18

- Fourth degree criminal mischief- unlawful possession of a weapon on school grounds- BB Gun found in Canal
- Student found with knife during room search
- Student found with empty bags that did contain marijuana

4/13/18

- A red fire alarm was activated due to smoking

4/16/18

- Public Safety was contacted to remove found contraband from a suite in Canal Hall

4/17/18

- A student reported that she filed an order of protection against her husband
- MVA involving college owned vehicle
- Student reported his flash drive was stolen
- A clogged toilet overflowed causing damage
- Graffiti was found in a men's bathroom in building 1

4/18/18

- A current student is a level 1 sex offender
- An officer found a baggie containing unknown pills in a parking lot

4/19/18

- Marijuana found during traffic stop

4/20/18

- A parking service employee reported a student for foul language and failing to pay parking citations
- Graffiti was reported in men's bathroom in building 5
- A vendor was making inappropriate comments to a student which alarmed and annoyed them
- Officer found contraband while conducting inventory search for lost and found

4/23/18

- Found drugs and a suspended student

4/25/18

- Two Sodexo employees were being disrespectful
- An employee had a verbal confrontation with another employee
- Spray paint markings were found in a bathroom stall in building 8

4/27/18

- Building Services employee reports being "laser pointed"
- Red smoke alarm for smoking marijuana in bathroom
- A student activated a yellow fire alarm while vaping

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Special Dogs on Campus



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Therapy dogs offer comfort and affection

Much like professors specialize in a specific field of expertise, service and therapy dogs are trained to perform various different special tasks. Monroe Community College is home to both sets of dogs.

Kathleen O'Shea and Ann Tippett, professors of English and Philosophy, have worked at MCC for a combined 56 years. In the last year, both O'Shea and Tippett have introduced their therapy dogs, Gretta and Milli, into their classrooms and on campus. Gretta is a five-year-old golden retriever and was the first therapy dog to be introduced to MCC's Brighton Campus. Her introduction was mainly to test how students reacted to having a dog in the classroom and to gauge whether it was beneficial or detrimental to the learning process.

According to a study conducted by the University of Maine, college-aged students that were exposed to a dog while in the learning environment responded positively and reduced anxiety. "Just their presence, studies show that it calms people down and reduces heart rate and stress levels," said Tippett.

Much like a service dog, therapy dogs go through rigorous training. After basic obedience classes, "there's an eight-week class that's specifically devoted to becoming a

therapy dog and a therapy dog handler," said O'Shea.

During those eight weeks, both the dog and the handler are tested in a range of situations. "They have to test with chaos so they have little kids running around, loud noises, people in wheelchairs, and people with food. They can't touch the food or be aggressive at all. They have to be basic-



photo by Kyle O'Gara

ly calm enough to be around a lot of people," said Tippett.

After the extensive training, handlers must wait until the next available exam is proctored in the surrounding area. If the dogs pass the test, they are able to register to become certified with Therapy Dogs International. Both Gretta and Milli are certified through TDI

and are required to recertify yearly.

Recently, the term "emotional support dog" has furthered the misconceptions about the training required to go into therapy and service dogs. "People are almost taking advantage of (us) in the sense that they're bringing dogs on campus and say it's an emotional support dog

but there's no documentation or evidence of training ... they're just bringing their dogs and calling it emotional support. It's very different," said O'Shea. "It undercuts what we're trying to do because we want to do this right ... it's a beautiful thing to watch (students connect with the dogs). It's so rewarding."

Hands off the service dogs

Commonly, and mistakenly, people tend to not know the difference between a service dog and a therapy dog. Often times, people will try to pet or get the attention of a service dog while it is working and not realize it is a working dog. Coincidentally, it is also against the law to do so. James Senden, also a professor of English and Philosophy, has a service dog named Vito. Senden is blind and Vito is his seeing eye dog.

Training for service dogs starts at a very young age, and are often bred specifically to be a service dog. The training starts when the dogs is only three months old. The puppies are then given to "puppy raisers" who mainly do exactly that- raise the puppy. "The purpose of the puppy raiser is basically to socialize the dog so wherever the puppy raiser goes, the dog goes just as wherever I go, Vito goes," said Senden.

After the puppy is about a year old, they are put through an intense six-month training period to prepare for their job. Senden said, "Any time during those six months of intense training, anything, a car backfires and the dog reacts, that's it. Anything can reject that dog ... that's why I trust my life in this dog's paws with all due respect more than half of my sighted friends because they haven't had the training that Vito has."

While both therapy and service dogs go through extensive



photo by Pamela Greene-Brooks

training, it is safe to say they are both trained to do exactly what they are intended to do. Remarkably, all three professors agree that the lines between the two types of dogs are often blurred. The main difference between the two types of dogs is that therapy dogs are emotional support for everyone while service dogs are narrowed down to special support for one person in many different ways- you can pet a therapy dog, but think twice before petting a service dog.



MUSIC REVIEWS

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Albums to Watch For

Light of Mine by KYLE!:

With SuperDuperKyle's vibrant and colorful sound surrounding his singles "iSpy" (feat. Lil Yachty), "To The Moon" and "Playinwitme" (feat. Kehlani), it should be no question that KYLE!'s new album will be a soundtrack to sunny days at the beach as well as being blasted out the speakers of listeners everywhere this summer. KYLE!'s new album drops May 18.



Scorpion by Drake:

Drake is back this summer and by back, we mean he is really back. Drake has returned with three new singles, "Nice For What," "God's Plan," and "Diplomatic Immunity," all of which demonstrate the sound Drake fans grew to love in the emerging years of his career. If these singles are any indication of what the biggest rapper in the world is getting ready to drop, then *Scorpion* is already looking to smash Drake's previously held records. *Scorpion* drops everywhere, June 8.

laborative effort with Cudi titled *Kids See Ghost*. *Kid See Ghost* is slated to release on June 8.

Pray for the Wicked by Panic! At the Disco:

The pop-punk phenomenon returns after their previously praised record, *Death of a Bachelor*. The two singles "(F**k a) Silver Lining" and "Say Amen (Saturday Night)" shows that this new record will be short and cohesive, while still tasteful and filled with endless ballads to dance the night away to. There is no doubt that *Pray for the Wicked* will find itself in the backyard block parties this coming summer. *Pray for the Wicked* is scheduled to be released on June 22.

Kids See Ghost by Kanye West & Kid Cudi:

Kid Cudi is making a huge splash back into the music community. In 2013, Cudi announced he would be leaving West's G.O.O.D. Music label, where he would then release two of his biggest flops before releasing 2016's return to form, *Passion, Pain & Demon Slaying*. Ever since, Cudi has been rumored to be rebuilding his relationship with West and on April 19, West announced his col-

The Importance of Childish Gambino's "This is America."

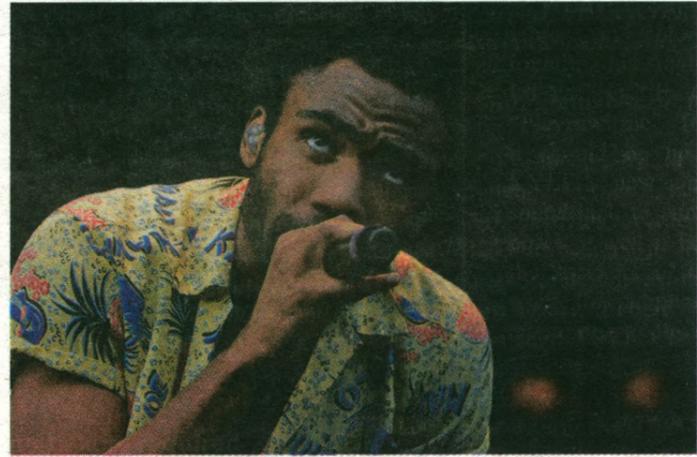


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While hosting Saturday Night Live on May 5, Childish Gambino had premiered a new track titled "This is America," alongside a brand-new music video to accompany it. Despite the song being premiered on SNL, it is the music video that really hits home for the viewer.

"This is America" works as a mirror to America's selfish indulgence of oversaturated pop media. This includes the primary focus on the newest dance fad or the newest sound in hip-hop. Therefore, throughout the whole track you are treated to adlibs from a collection of eight different artists.

The video opens on a solo guitarist playing chords relative to an afro-centric sound until you're led to focus on Gambino's very enticing dance style before he ultimately shoots the previously seen guitarist, whom is now wearing a bag over his head. The bag is meant to represent how America will censor death in the media or cover up the deaths of young black men opposed to giving the victim a face. It is at this point that the video also transitions into the forward trap sound. Gambino purposely has very small lyrical content to accompany this song so you focus more on the background and the visual mes-

sage than his actual singing/rapping.

While Gambino continues to rap his way through this abandoned warehouse, you see more and more people entering the frame, these people are rioters, protesters, and police officers all joining in on the chaos and the destruction of the background image, which is the visual representation of America.

Gambino then enters a new part of the building which is filled with a beautifully toned and fleshed out choir reciting the afro-centric chorus before Gambino once again, guns them all down without a second thought. It is here that once again Gambino is seen at the forefront of a protest torn background.

The overall message incorporates meanings and concepts previously unexplored in mainstream music. Gambino uses his platform to spread a message of the current state of America while simultaneously giving it a catchy and "bumping" sound for people to listen to all summer. What Gambino is doing currently is possibly one of the most influential things an artist of his stature has attempted in the last five years. Gambino's new album currently has no release date.

iNDiE

MCC student Kevin James Booker plans to revolutionize the art and entertainment industry with his new startup, iNDiE. Booker, passionate about transforming the creative industry, is developing a social networking app that recognizes the demand for artistic and professional collaboration and puts creators and producers on an even plane, eliminating the middleman and empowering the artist. He has ambitious goals for his company; "I want to empower the next generation," he says. "I want to change [the industry] 100 percent."

Booker describes his app as "a networking platform for creative individuals and creative professionals." It will serve as a direct link between the artist and the industry. He is a huge believer in the independent mindset, meaning that goals should be attainable for anyone with deter-

mination and not dependent on money and resources. YouTube has played a huge part in enabling the independent mindset, but having a platform for one's art is only a small portion of what iNDiE hopes to offer. Booker's algorithm will connect creators with potential collaborators, whether it be other artists or business professionals. His hope is that artists no longer have to feel helpless when trying to get their work into the world, especially when they have access to little resources. iNDiE would essentially act as the talent scout for major companies, allowing the artist to be their own manager. The goal is that an artist's success and ownership can be retained by them. Booker also believes strongly that no one can accomplish something entirely on their own. That is why his app is "pushing the collaboration process amongst artists."

Not only would his plan benefit creators, it could also give consumers better content. Mega corporations continue to acquire other companies and intellectual property for the sole purpose of profitability, which monopolizes the art and

entertainment industry. As a result, the content we consume becomes increasingly more pluralistic and diluted of raw talent and originality. With Booker's algorithm, the passionate and talented artist can be brought to light. His ultimate goal is to ensure that there is never a shortage of creative content.

Booker currently has a website, which primarily focuses on opinion pieces. He hopes to expand the site's content to include informative pieces, such as equipment reviews and recommendations for services and companies for artist's to utilize. "The app and website will work in tandem with each other," said Booker. The website will serve to educate and inform, with content from the site viewable on the app. Booker said that advertising will only serve to push iNDiE's content, since, like most people, he simply hates ads. The app will have a free and premium paid version. The rate will be scalable depending on the user, meaning that big businesses will pay more than individuals. The expected cost for individual use ranges from \$10 to \$15

per monthly subscription depending on the specific services offered in the premium version. Booker expects the app to be released in nine-to-12 months.



Kevin Booker pictured above, photo courtesy of Kevin Booker

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Summer Festival Watch

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Summer of 2018 in Rochester is filled with all kinds of exciting festivals to explore. Some important things to know before going to any festival is how to dress and what to bring, or not to bring, and how to make your outing comfortable, fun, and safe. You should check the weather before you leave so that you can dress comfortable. Shorts, short sleeve shirt, comfortable walking shoes, a hat, sunglasses, and most important, sunblock. If there is any chance of rain, bring an umbrella. Festival do not allow pets, skateboards or roller-skates.

Fairport Canal Days

Canal Days attracts more than 200,000 attendees each year. This Fairport volunteer-run festival includes live music, arts and crafts vendors, family activities, food, and more. A chicken BBQ will be held on Friday, starting at 4:30 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday will feature more than 200 artisans and various food and craft vendors. Canal Nights (located at Fairport Junction) keeps the Saturday night party going with popular regional bands, food, beer, and wine. A Duck Race (\$5 for one duck, or \$20 for five ducks) will benefit the Fairport Perinton Merchants Association initiatives for beautification and public art in the community.

Fairport Canal Days runs Friday, June 5, through Sunday, June 7, in the

village of Fairport. Events begin Friday night from 4:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., and will continue Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. No Pets. For more information, visit Fairportcanaldays.com or email Info@Fairportcanaldays.com.

50th Annual Corn Hill Art Festival

Produced by The Corn Hill Neighbors Association, the Corn Hill Art Festivals average attendance is 125,000 visitors. Its located on a total of 9 streets within the Historic Corn Hill District. There is FREE admission, and FREE Coach style Shuttle Buses with pick-up and drop-off locations near downtown parking lots. There are over 365 original juried artists and craftspeople, and 4 music stages with 24 total performances. As well as a Fairy House Contest that you can vote on.

To celebrate their 50th Anniversary, visitors will be delighted with their 1969 Revival Parade beginning at 11am on Saturday, featuring floats from that iconic year! The parade will course through the Festival and be accompanied by special choreographed dance and music. You can go in your groovy 1969 outfit and help them celebrate!

Over 365 original artists and craftspeople, selected by a jury, display and sell their work. Cash Prizes of \$8,000 are awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in 8 categories; Glass/Sculpture, Jewelry, Mixed Media, Painting/Drawing/Graphics, Photography, Pottery/Ceramics,

Weaving/Leather/Textile Design, and Woodworking

Xerox Rochester International Jazz Festival

This is the festival's 17th Edition. The nine-day festival returns to Rochester June 22 to June 30 presenting more than 1500 artists from around the world in 300-plus shows at 20 venues.

The 2018 Festival - three series — the Club Pass series with 214 shows, the headliner series of six shows and 94 free shows and events are all held in Rochester's East End Cultural and Entertainment District.



Rochester Lilac Festival pictured above; courtesy of LtPowers

Free shows at the Jazz Fest

Check out 94 Free Shows and Events – no tickets required

City of Rochester Jazz St. Stage Presented by the Community Foundation (45+ shows)	Central Library of Rochester and Monroe County (5 shows)
City of Rochester Stage at Chestnut and East Ave. Presented by Rochester Regional Health (6 shows)	City of Rochester Stage at Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Park (Manhattan Square) Presented by Rochester Regional Health (2 shows)
City of Rochester Stage at Chestnut and East Ave. Presented by Wegmans (2 shows)	Jam Sessions nightly during the festival at Hyatt Regency Rochester Hotel (9 jams)
Rochester Regional Health Big Tent 6 p.m. shows (9 shows)	Jazz Workshops for Youth sponsored by Wegmans (5 workshops)
Avangrid Foundation / RG&E / Barclay Damon Fusion Stage (10 shows)	Bujazz Orchestra + ESM Jazz Ensemble ESM-XRIJF Gerry Niewood Jazz Scholarships Night

Other Rochester Area Festivals

Food Truck Rodeo

Wednesdays, June 26, July 31 & August 28. Rochester's food trucks gather together while local bands play music. Located at Rochester Public Market, 280 N. Union St. cityofrochester.gov/foodtruckrodeo

Big Rib BBQ and Blues Fest

Thu-Sun, July 11-14. Blues music and barbecue from around the world. Located at Highland Park Festival Site, 1440 South Ave. rochesterevents.com

Geneseo Air Show

Fri-Sun, July 12-14. Air show with World War II warbirds and other planes, including a pancake breakfast and chicken or steak dinner. Located at 1914 Historical Aircraft Group Museum, Geneseo. 1941hag.org

Monroe County Fair

Thu-Sun, August 1-4. Farm and agricultural exhibits, competitions, concerts, food, and amusement park rides. Located at Northampton Park, Ogdén.

Rochester Gay Pride Festival

Fri-Sun, July 19-21. Celebrate gay pride with a parade, flag raising, picnic, DJ, music, dancing, sports, and food. Located at Manhattan Square Park, 353 Court St. gayalliance.org

Park Ave Festival

Sat-Sun, August 3-4. Music, food, crafts and shopping down Park Avenue. Located on Park Ave. parkavefest.com.

Avon Rotary Corn Festival

Sat, August 10. The festival includes a corn-eating contest, shopping, food, music, and games to benefit the Avon Rotary Club. Located at Avon.

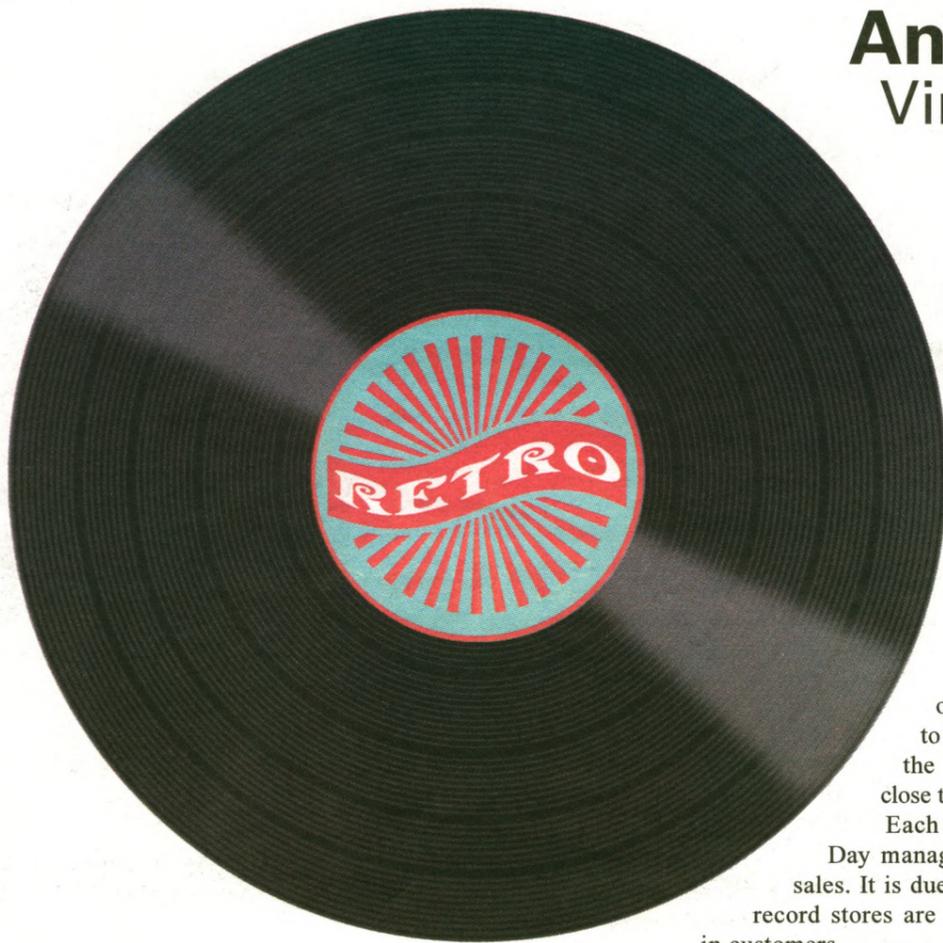
New York State Fair

Thu-Mon, August 22-September 2. Food, music, competitions, amusement park rides, and games. Located at Empire Expo Center, 581 State Fair Blvd., Syracuse. nysfair.org



Anyone have a turntable? Vinyl continues its resurgence

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This year vinyl sales reached an all-time high on Record Store Day. Billboard reported that 773,000 albums were purchased the week of Record Store Day. Billboard says this is 124,000 more albums than the previous year which was also hailed as the 'Best Year for Vinyl.'

The growing sales of vinyl records proves to music collectors that the medium is nowhere close to dying out.

Each year, Record Store Day manages to top its previous sales. It is due in part to the lengths record stores are willing to go to draw in customers.

With the booming business, Record Archive, here in Rochester, is able to bring in better food trucks and

music acts to perform every year. This food and music brings in more and more customers with each year.

With the ending of CD sales and Blu-Ray sales in Target and Best Buy they are still managing to keep the vinyl format in stores. This will be the first time in years where vinyl is a more abundant music format than cassettes or CD's. At this point in time, the only valid contender of vinyl is streaming services such as Apple Music, Spotify and Amazon Prime.

With the growing resurgence of the vinyl scene more and more new comers in the music scene are also starting to release their albums and promote them more on vinyl than any other platform. This was the case with King Gizzard & The Lizard Wizards *Nonagon Infinity*, Black Lips *Satan's Graffiti or God's Art?* and Portugal, the Man's *Woodstock*.

In fact, the top selling record on Record Store Day wasn't even a 'new' release it was rather Bruce Springsteen's *Greatest Hits* followed by David Bowie's *Welcome to the Blackout* and Neil Young's *Tonight's the Night Live at the Roxy*. Other releases also made a splash at Record Store Day, The Voidz released an exclusive B-side single, "Coul as a Ghoul," Wu-Tang Clan released their newest album, *The Saga Continues Instrumentals EP* on a limited edition yellow colored vinyl with only 3,000 available copies worldwide.

Summer Activities: Local Trails and Paths



Mendon Pond Park pictured above;
courtesy of Carolyn Emerick



Erie Canal Trail pictured at left;
courtesy of Kevin Payravi;

Letchworth State Park pictured below;
courtesy of bobistraveling via flickr



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As spring finally blossoms into the consciousness of Rochesterians, locals are anxious to return to their favorite outdoor activities. These fresh excursions include venturing onto paths and trails, which western New York has no shortage of. Although some are open year-round, this is the time of year when all are available for the public to use at their leisure.

One of the closest areas is Mendon Ponds Park, located less than 10 miles from MCC's Brighton campus. Mendon has 30 miles of pristine, quality trails just begging to be hiked or biked upon. These trails are best enjoyed with family or friends who are looking for a casual 20 to 40-minute walk through beautiful woods and waterways. Most trails are easily accessible, with relatively small climbs over hills and knolls. The only thing that could be considered a negative of the Mendon trails are the vistas: since the elevation is low, there aren't that many panoramic views of the surrounding landscape. Nonetheless, the trails at Mendon are very worthwhile for a casual day hike.

Another gorgeous site for trailblazers is Letchworth State Park. Often called the Grand Canyon of the East, Letchworth drew more than 750,000 visitors in 2016, making it one of the most popular state parks in New York.

The main attractions are the collection of waterfalls within the gorge, supplemented by historical architecture. Aside from the falls, the 66 miles of trails that weave in and out of the gorge offer breathtaking vistas and rewarding hikes. Some trails lean towards the difficult side, making Letchworth not as accessible as Mendon, not to mention the hour-long drive from MCC. Still, Letchworth establishes itself as a place every western New Yorker should visit at least once.

Last but certainly not least is the world-famous Erie Canal, which snakes through the Rochester area on its way from Buffalo to Albany. Unlike other trails, the pathways along the canal are mostly paved, and as such offer the best experience for bike riders. On a bike, riders can quickly traverse the tranquil paths and visit many of the towns and villages surrounding Rochester, each with their own distinct flair and charm. A major drawback of this is the walking distance between points of interest; the pathways aren't designed for short, casual walks and any worthwhile hikes would take upwards of a couple hours. That being said, the towns on and around the canal offer some of Rochester's best taste in food, wine, and shops, making the Erie Canal an iconic staple of culture.

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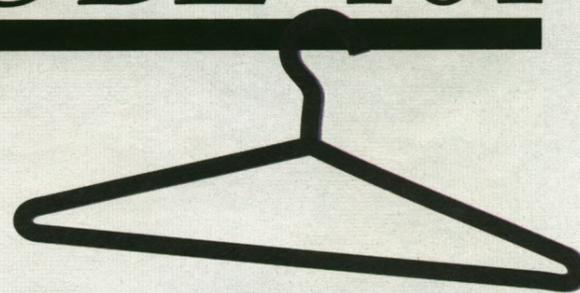
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Start with a basic suit

You might have that interview suit but getting called back for a second interview or even starting a job or internship in a professional setting is going to call for a wardrobe beyond the interview suit. The tips listed here will help to create a professional capsule wardrobe of a few mix and match pieces that extend into weeks of outfits.

Start with a suit in a neutral color like black, navy, or charcoal gray. A more conventional jacket and pants will have greater longevity than a more trendy cut. Choose a tone on tone suit, like the black jacket and pants shown here.

A white shirt is another versatile basic and a scarf or tie adds a pop of color and pattern.



Add a skirt, a sweater set, and another blouse to expand the wardrobe. Choose separates that not only coordinate with the neutral suit but introduce an accent color—pale yellow in this example.

Both the sweater and the jacket can be worn with the skirt and the blouse offering at least 6 more options. The sweater shell worn with instead of the white blouse adds 2 more.

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Add versatile separates



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And a little black dress



You can't go wrong with the versatile black dress. Top it with the jacket or the sweater or place a white collared blouse underneath for a jumper like alternative.

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Don't forget outerwear

A classic tan trench is a wardrobe staple but more lively patterns like this polka dot jazz up the standard silhouette.



few pieces, many options

Men should also start with a neutral suit of matching pieces, this time in navy. Build the basic look with a white shirt and red power tie.

Then expand the look with additional dress shirts in coordinating colors like the light blue and red stripe shown.



Start with a basic suit

Expand the wardrobe further with an additional sport jacket, and a versatile v-neck sweater that can be worn with the dress shirts, a tee shirt or polo shirt.

Both jackets can be worn with the suit pants and khaki pants.



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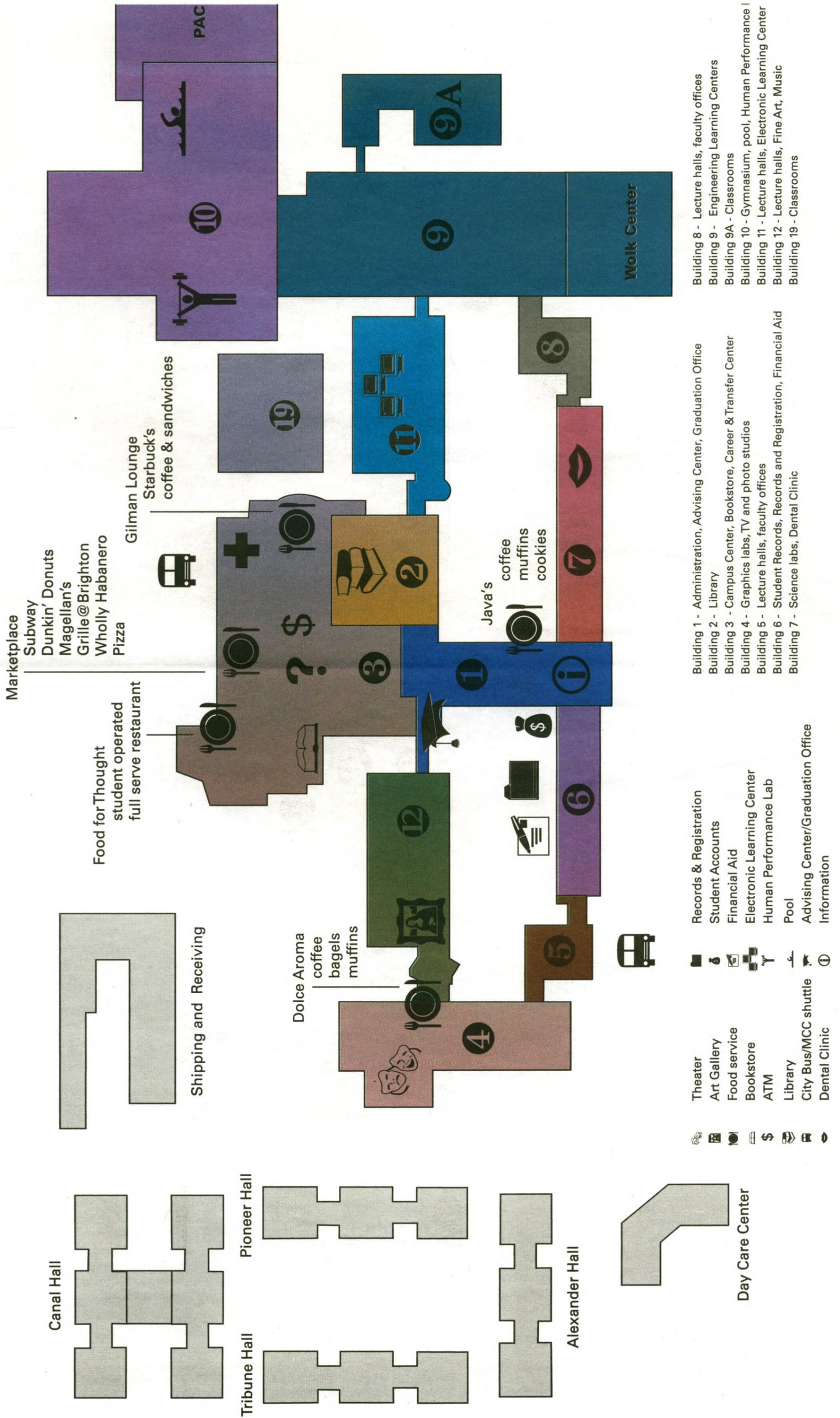


Coordinating polo and tee shirts can be layered under the jackets and sweater and paired with the suit or khaki pants for a more modern professional look as well as dress down Fridays.



The classic tan trench is a wardrobe staple for men as well especially for inclement weather but a slim overcoat is another option for covering coats and more casual options.

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