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2012 Alumni of Year recipients announced

Press Release

West Virginia University Institute of Technology is pleased to announce the 2012 Alumni of the Year: Dr. Scott Glenn, '99, from the College of Business, Humanities and Social Sciences and Gene Morgan, '91, from the Leonard C. Nelson College of Engineering and Sciences.

Glenn, a native of Pottstown, Pa., received his Regents Bachelor of Arts degree from WVU Tech in 1999. He also holds a master's degree in business administration and a doctorate degree in education. During his years at Tech, Glenn was a member of the Golden Bears football team and holds the university record as WVU Tech's All-Time Leading Rusher. He was inducted into the WVU Tech Hall of Fame in 2009. He has also served in the United States Marine Corps. His professional career has included coach, counselor and author. His most recent book entitled "The Triangle Plan: A Guide to a Successful Life Derived from Personal Experience" was published in 2011 with proceeds being donated to WVU Tech Athletics.

A native of West Virginia, Morgan is a 1991 graduate of Tech with a degree in mechanical engineering. Upon graduation he joined the Westinghouse Electric's Power Generator Service Division as a field service engineer. During his more than 10-year career in field service engineering he has worked in 30 states and 11 countries. He has been the co-recipient of two US Patents, both of which were developed as service solutions to address consumer needs. He is now the director of field service marketing at Siemens En-



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A word from your SGA President...

Robin Davis
Guest Writer



Hello Golden Bears. I hope you are continuing to enjoy your fall semester here at Tech and are looking forward to Thanksgiving break as much as I am. The past few weeks have been busy for all of us on campus; Campus Cup, Homecoming, the start of basketball season and of course our men's soccer team's excellent season that finished with them taking runner-up in the USCAA National Championship. We are very proud of you men, and congratulations!

We often hear the phrase "Great things are happening at Tech" and the past few weeks have been no exception. Our men's soccer team went to a national tournament, both our women's and men's basketball teams started their seasons with wins, we had a successful homecoming with new additions that will continue to grow, and there is no doubt more excellence to come from this great body of students.

With all the excitement of Homecoming and a snow day, we as students cannot forget that around the corner, along with Thanksgiving break, is the dreaded finals week. I encourage you to spend a few minutes each day studying. I can tell you from experience that procrastination will show through when you sit down to take the test. After all, William James once wrote,

"It is our attitude at the beginning of a difficult task which, more than anything else, will affect its successful outcome."

Your SGA has been hard at work during all the craziness that has been the fall semester. The Student Government Association has allocated over \$4500 in mini-grant proposals for campus organizations. We also assisted your Student Activities Board when needed during Campus Cup, which we all hope will continue as a tradition here on campus. New leaders have come forward in SGA. Ashley Clark has gladly accepted the position of Treasurer, Amy Haddix is serving as Elections Chairperson and Casey Orndorff is serving at your President Pro Tempore. The Student Government Association always loves to hear from new students so if you are interested in having a voice at Tech, I encourage you to come to an SGA meeting.

GO GOLDEN BEARS!!!!



Monty's Weekly Agenda

Thursday November 1st

Hip Hop 4 Fitness Class 5:30- 9:30 WVU Tech center

Friday November 2nd

BINGO @ Bear's Den 11:30 a.m.- 1 p.m.

Halloween Party @ Tech Center 8 p.m.

LAN Party @ Ballroom- All Day

Saturday November 3rd

LAN Party @ Ballroom- All Day

Sunday November 4th

Intramural Ultimate Frisbee @ Martin Field 6-8 p.m.

Monday November 5th

Zumba @ Ballroom 5- 7 p.m.

Tai Chi @ Ballroom 7:30- 9 p.m.

Tuesday November 6th

Election Day- No School

Wednesday November 7th

Dean of Students drop-in hours 2-4 p.m.

TJ Hill- Magician @ Ballroom 6-9:30 p.m.

Thursday November 8th

Student Forum @ Engineering Auditorium 12-2 p.m.

Hip Hop 4 Fitness Class 5:30- 9:30 WVU Tech center

Friday November 9th

BINGO @ Bear's Den 11:30 a.m.- 1 p.m.

WVU Tech SGA

Press Release

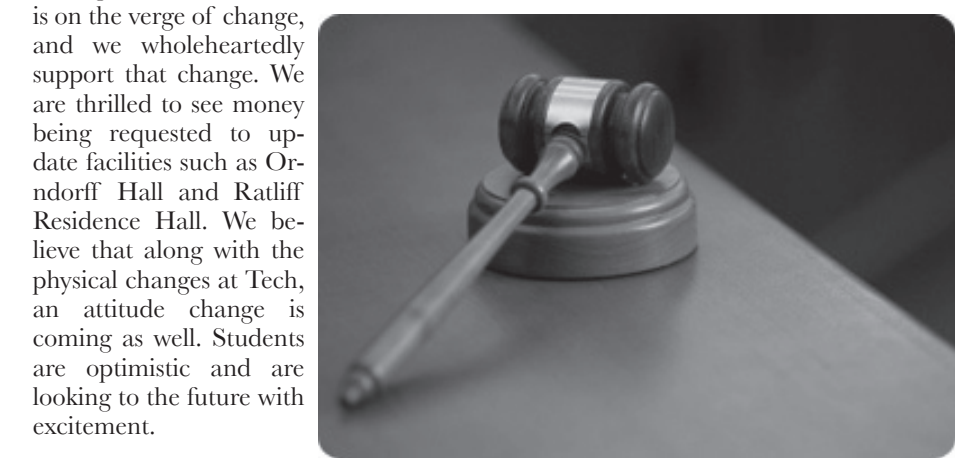
On Tuesday, October 9, 2012, the West Virginia University Institute of Technology Student Government Association unanimously voted to support the WVU Tech Revitalization Committee's work and expressed their support of the WVU Tech administration's leadership during this process. SGA prepared the following statement offering students' view of the Revitalization efforts:

There has been quite a lot of publicity lately surrounding the work of the WVU Tech Revitalization Committee. However, the WVU Tech Student Government Association has noticed that there has been no mention of the views of those perhaps most directly affected by the work of the committee - WVU Tech students. Faculty, alumni, and even residents of the city of Montgomery have been mentioned with respect to their views on the plan, but those who actually attend WVU Tech have not. Students definitely want support from their alumni and the community surrounding us. We would be nothing without them. However, right now, this is our time. Robin Davis, president of the WVU Tech Student Government Association, says, "We as students are the heart and soul of Tech. The attitude at Tech, events, and experience all stems from our students."

Every student at Tech knows about the Tech Revitalization Plan, and it is a common topic of discussion among said students. We all know Tech

The wonderful thing about time is that it constantly changes, giving us opportunities for improvement and growth. While Tech may have had certain outlooks, purposes, and goals in previous years, they will always change with the times. Tech currently has the opportunity to re-create itself into something bigger and better. Students are looking forward into helping mold Tech into something bigger and better, if given the opportunity. Davis supports more student involvement, saying, "We as students are the future, future alumni, future recruiters, and future Tech supporters. If we can get these students involved in all the changes and give them a stake in the future of Tech, they will feel Tech is a part of them for the years to come. When they come back for homecomings and other Tech events, they can say 'I helped develop that.'" Davis goes on to say, "I fully support the changes set forth by the Revitalization Committee but it is only a start. Tech is heading in the right direction but this isn't an overnight change. If we can all find a way to work together, we will all see the benefits. As Tech grows and succeeds, the students, the community and everyone in the Tech family will grow and succeed."

The WVU Tech SGA is committed to working together with faculty, staff and all others who believe in the promise of WVU Tech. We appreciate the dedication and leadership of Chairman Hendrickson, Chancellor Hill and CEO Long and look forward to working with them to provide our strong voice in helping shape the future of WVU Tech.



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Tech ASCE student chapter to sponsor the 48th Annual ASCE Fall Technical Conference

Press Release


Montgomery, W.Va. – The WVU Tech American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) student chapter will be sponsoring the 48th Annual ASCE Fall Technical Conference on Thursday, November 15, 2012, on the Montgomery Campus. The conference will feature practicing engineers, engineering students and faculty from a variety of engineering disciplines. Topics will cover several disciplines such as: structural, transportation, hydraulic and environmental engineering. Conference participants are

eligible for five professional development hours, based on the final discretion of the WV State Board of Registration. “We’re really enthusiastic about the diversity of topics and the expertise for this year’s conference,” explained Ian Webster, civil engineering major and president of the WVU Tech ASCE student chapter. Cost to attend the conference is \$175 for non-ASCE members, \$125 for ASCE members, and \$20 for faculty and students. For the conference schedule and registration information, please email ASCEFallConf@mail.wvu.edu.



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Greek Column

The Greek guys: what have the fraternities been up to?

Daniel Eisenberg
C.D./Section Editor/Staff Writer



There are three fraternities on campus, and even though you may not hear from them very often, or possibly do not even know they exist, they are always involved in activities pertaining to the school, entertainment, or to the bettering of themselves or the community. The three fraternities are Phi Kappa Tau, Delta Chi and Sigma Pi. Phi Kappa Tau is the fraternity located in between the fire department and Benny’s restaurant. As well as participating in community service at YMCA Camp Horseshoe, earning almost 100 hours, this fraternity also held a live cover of the famous Epic Rap Battles of History as performed by NicePeter and EpicLloyd on Youtube. This featured a rap battle between Steve Jobs and Bill Gates with a guest appearance from Hal 9000. This took place in the Tech Ballroom on October the 2nd and had a good size audience that appeared in the rapidly rising Youtube hit featured on the page MisterNatMan, who is run by a Phi Tau alumnus, Natanel Eisenberg, my older brother. Delta Chi also participates in community service. They have earned almost 75 hours of community service so far just this semester and also participated in the Conquer Chiari walk where the brothers donated 140 dollars as well as joined in on the walk. Treasurer Robin Davis says, “We have been active on campus with teams participating on

all current intramurals as well being officers in both WVU Tech and Bridgemont CTC student government associations (SGA).” Sigma Pi, the last of the three fraternities at Tech, has been spending the semester planning events. Most of their events take place in the spring semester, so they have been spending time this semester recruiting and planning events so that in the spring they can tackle a number of activities successfully. Some of the projects that they are planning are their ACE project which is the Tech Biggest Loser competition, the organ donor sign ups, along with numerous other activities, such as bake sales. Even though you do not always see it, the fraternities on campus are always up to something in an attempt to provide service to the world and bring happiness and help to others. Activities are always in the works, always being planned. If activities such as these sound appealing to you, or if you are wanting an organization to be a part of that gives back to the community and simply has fun in all activities that they perform, look up the Greeks and talk to them about joining and becoming a part of the bond of brotherhood.



Lady Greeks

Lindsay McDowall
Staff Writer



For those who do not know, on Tech’s campus we have two active sororities. There is a local sorority, Delta Kappa Theta, and a national sorority, Alpha Sigma Tau. Both sororities have active, intelligent women in their organizations. So far this semester, they have both been active on and off campus. This semester, Delta Kappa Theta will welcome four women into their sisterhood. Last month, they went on a retreat and enjoyed being with one another and getting to know their new soon-to-be sisters better. Their new members are also collecting can tabs for a local hospital for donation. They also recently held a movie night for the sisters and enjoyed spending quality time together, something that gets extremely difficult with everyone’s busy schedules! Look out for their upcoming Breast Cancer “Boobie” Dance this semester! On November 10, Alpha Sigma Tau will welcome four women into the bonds of sisterhood. On that same day, they will also celebrate their local Founder’s Day, marking 22 years on Tech’s campus. Also, on November 4, they will celebrate 113 years as a National Sorority. This summer, four of the sisters attended the National Convention held in Indianapolis, IN. They attended various

seminars on academic improvement, recruitment and the like in order to learn how to better their chapter back here at Tech. On September 22, the sisters of Alpha Sigma Tau volunteered and participated at the Conquer Chiari walk along with Delta Chi Fraternity. Their advisor Lori Shaffer, a former faculty member of Tech, has a daughter named Keegan who was diagnosed with chiari as a toddler. Chiari is a brain malformation and currently has no cure. The walk raised over \$11,000 for chiari awareness. On October 20, they participated in one of their favorite activities – a Habitat for Humanity build in Charleston, WV. They hung drywall and completed other odd tasks to help finish the house. Habitat for Humanity is also their National Service Project. Keep an eye out for their Talent Show on November 8 with Phi Kappa Tau Fraternity and an upcoming Karaoke Night! Both sororities participated in the homecoming activities – the spirit board competition, the spirit float competition and the Mr. & Ms. Golden Bear competition. Whitney Fauver, senior nursing student, represented Delta Kappa Theta and Carla Woods, junior criminal justice student, represented Alpha Sigma Tau. Alpha Sigma Tau also competed in this year’s Campus Cup. Both sororities will attend the upcoming Greek Formal where they will get to enjoy a fun evening not only with each other, but with the fraternities as well. Both groups of women are doing well overall. If you would like to learn more about either organization, just ask a woman wearing their letters!





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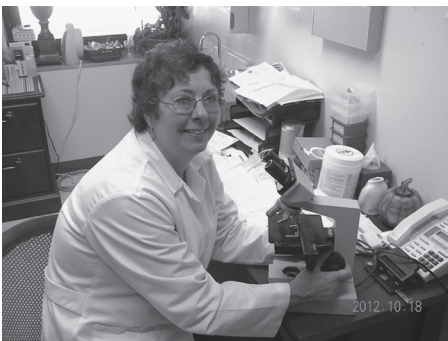


Tech's Student Health Clinic

Kassie Shope
Staff Writer



Ever been sick and had no idea where to go? Well the next time you are sick, check out the WVU Tech Student Health Clinic. The student health clinic is located on the second floor of Montgomery General Hospital in suite 200. The clinic has several good sized rooms, which are painted blue and gold and decorated with extreme school spirit. It contains a waiting room with a small TV, so no more boring waits for patients. There are two exam rooms, so they can see more than one patient at a time. Perhaps the most important room in the student health clinic is the back room where the shots, medicines and all other materials needed to serve the patients are kept. As far as the facilities, the student health clinic is of good sized and an extremely clean environment. The clinic has been open for twelve years; however, it has only been in its current location for the last five years. I talked with Peggy Fink, the supervisor of the student health clinic and Tech nursing instructor, who is always excited to get the word out about the clinic. She was ecstatic to talk to me in the hopes of promoting the clinic and getting more patients. Peggy expressed to me that one of the



preconceived notions that students have about the clinic is that they must have insurance in order to be seen, which is not true. Anyone can be treated at the clinic whether they have insurance or not, the only things that would cost money would be x-rays, lab tests or prescriptions. However, Peggy stated that she always does her best to make all treatments affordable for students. There are many different services offered at the health clinic. One of the most popular services that students take advantage of is family planning. Family planning allows the clinic to give condoms, birth control, pregnancy tests and STD tests all for free. The clinic also offers free contraception as a part of the family planning program. As flu season approaches it is always great to protect yourself from this nasty sickness before it affects you. The clinic will begin giving out flu shots as the flu season nears, so head on over and get yours, it is free! If you have a minor sickness such as a cold or strep throat, do not feel like you cannot be treated because you can. The staff at the clinic has the ability to test you for strep throat on the spot and let you know what treatment course to take. With that being said, there is never an illness that is too big or too little that our student health clinic cannot handle.



WVU Tech's Student Health Clinic Information

LOCATION:
Suite 200
Montgomery General Hospital
401 6th Avenue
Montgomery, WV 25136

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BEFORE HURRICANE SANDY

Another perfect storm?

Ashley Quinn
Section Editor/Staff Writer



Hurricane Sandy is not predicted to strike the Eastern Seaboard until Sunday and yet the storm is already wreaking havoc. CNN reporters Ben Brumfield and Mariano Castillo laid out in their article, “Northeast in crosshairs of “superstorm” Sandy,” that four states including Washington D.C have already declared states of emergency. Early estimates from CNN Weather put the damages from the impending storm topping \$3.2 billion dollars, and that does not include flood damages. Also, airlines are already urging their customers to change flights to and from the East coast free of charge. Louis Uccellini, from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, predicts, “this storm will be studied for years to come.”

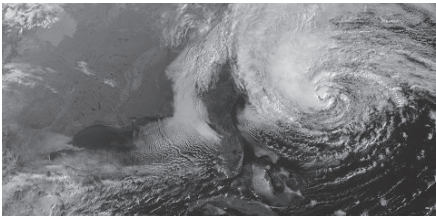
Hurricane Sandy has all the makings for a perfect storm. The timing could not be more inconvenient. CNN meteorologist, Rob Marciano, states, “When you have trees with leaves on them still, this kind of wind and rain on top of that, you’re talking about trees that are going to come down, power lines are going to be out and the coastal flooding situation is going to be huge.” So much for the lovely warm weather we have all been enjoying. Sandy’s storm system is predicted to merge with a strong cold front that is coming in from the west, which makes the system extremely dangerous. On top of that, Sandy has formed in an uneven distribution. CNN’s Weather Unit reports that this will likely cause a concentration of higher winds in the north and eastern sections of the storm spreading out an estimated 700 miles causing widespread power outages.

And if that were not enough, the storm is large enough that it will move very slowly according to James Franklin of the National Hurricane Center. Franklin states that this will mean, “a long-lasting event with two to three days of impacts.” The final piece de resistance is that Hurricane Sandy is expected to make landfall during a full moon. This is the time when tides are at their peak and the added rain and wind

will make surges along the Atlantic coast that much more damaging. All of these things combine, according to the CNN Weather Unit, to mean record-breaking rainfall for some isolated areas. The worst in 500 years. Delaware, Maryland and Virginia are predicted to receive up to and possibly exceeding a foot of rain. And heavy snowfall is predicted to blanket the majority of Appalachia.

Approximately four months after the storm that left most of the East coast without power for weeks, people are preparing for another disaster. Brumfield and Castillo report that Pennsylvania, New York, Maryland and Virginia have declared states of emergencies as well as Washington D.C. Delaware is issuing a mandatory evacuation of the coastline if Hurricane Sandy stays on course. David Valazquez, executive at PEPCO a power company in Washington D.C., says that they are already issuing orders for more workers. Almost 3000 men and women are being brought in to combat the estimated outages and damages. Frank Ricciotti, public works director in New Jersey, says volunteers are, “piling up as much sand as possible along the beachfront.” Similar actions are taking place all along the Atlantic coast. In Norfolk, Virginia the U.S. Navy is sending ships out to sea to avoid damages from the coming storm.

Hurricane Sandy is being compared to Hurricane Grace in 1991 that “produced a tempest” over the north east in late October. One major difference between the two storms is that Hurricane Sandy is expected to make landfall, Grace never did. Governments and weather associations alike are urging people to think smart and stay safe as Halloween and early elections swiftly approach.



Modern day Romeo and Juliet

Ashley Quinn
Section Editor/Staff Writer



Everyone knows the story of the two star-crossed lovers made famous by William Shakespeare. Doomed from the beginning of their relationship, Romeo and Juliet came from opposing families who could not bear the thought of an intermingling the two bloodlines. With heavy hearts, the young lovers did what they had to do to be together in the end even though it meant their deaths. Devender and Lalita of India found themselves in an eerily similar situation when they decided that they would do whatever it took to be together.

Dating back to 1200 BCE India has followed what is known as the caste system. Susan Bayly, author of “Caste, Society, and Politics in India from the Eighteenth Century to the Modern Age,” describes the castes as being a social hierarchy system. The people of India are split into four basic “varnas” depending upon their social status; priests and the educated, rulers and warriors, traders and laborers. There are also those that lie outside the caste system according to Bayly and those are known as “the untouchables”. These people hold jobs that are considered to be unclean (garbage removal, janitorial, etc).

While India has changed much since the beginning of the caste system, such as laws being enacted to deter discrimination against the untouchables, there are aspects that remain the same. One such aspect is that those from different castes do not marry. This is the unfortunate situation that Devender and Lalita found themselves fighting against. Ashley Fantz, staff writer, first covered the story of the young couple in an article for CNN. The couple met while going to school together. Fantz states that Devender had noticed Lalita immediately ;“she was so pretty,” he remembered. For the longest time Devender just waited, too scared to tell Lalita of his feelings for her.

However, Fantz explains, Devender soon saw an opportunity. He approached one of Lalita’s brothers, who also attended the same school, and begged for him to pass along his phone number. Devender waited and waited. “I was tortured,” he told Fantz,

“I didn’t have her number. I wanted to tell her, ‘Lalita, I love you.’” Broken hearted Devender one day received a phone call and to his extreme pleasure it turned out to be Lalita, and that was the beginning of their tumultuous relationship.

Fantz reports how the couple would talk in secret on the phone and during classes, and their love grew. Soon Devender got the courage to tell Lalita that he could not live without her. He asked if she would marry him and she said yes. Arranged marriages are more common than not in India, with the parents of the couple agreeing upon a union between their children. Fantz states that Lalita knew their decision would not be an easy one. Devender is from a lower class than Lalita and she knew they would never accept her wanting to be with someone outside their caste. She was right. “You will spoil your name!” her parents shouted at her, Fantz explains, upon hearing the news. Lalita’s father went so far as to threaten to kill them both.

The couple decided to accept their fate, “because we don’t have any other way,” explained Lalita. These two young people, just beginning their lives, were willing to give everything up just to be together. As chance would have it though, the couple heard of a group of activists who had dedicated their time and effort to helping people who found themselves in the same position as Lalita and Devender.

Sanjoy Sachdev, another India native, chose to marry outside of his caste and from his difficult situation created India’s Love Commandos in 2010. The group, with more than 11,000 volunteers, helps couples coping with disapproving families with food, shelter and protection. Fantz documents that Lalita and Devender reached out to Sachdev for help and through the efforts of India’s Love Commandos they are now happily married and comfortable in a secret location. “We have far too many problems in India to worry about someone choosing to love another,” stated founder Sanjoy Sachdev, “every couple that approaches us is under so much pressure, so much stigma, where they feel they may be killed any minute.”

And while there are still many obstacles ahead for Lalita and Devender, Fantz reports that they are happy and have no regrets. Lalita gave this final statement to Fantz, “We are both fine...if society thinks otherwise, let them.”



AFTER HURRICANE SANDY

Surviving the storm

Ashley Quinn
Section Editor/Staff Writer



It has been a tough week for many residents all along the Atlantic coast. Millions of people across twenty four states were and still are affected by “Superstorm” Sandy. Power outages, flooding and snowstorms are just a few of the problems plaguing residents of the eastern seaboard. Hurricane Sandy destroyed many things in its’ path and yet the storm did not destroy the hope and spirit of the affected; people are coming together despite the grueling road to recovery.

Michael Rubinkam, associated press writer for Florida Today, reports that power was finally restored to lower Manhattan in New York City to the symphony of cries of relief. For the past five days the residents of lower Manhattan have been without power amid dropping temperatures and rising fuel shortages. This has been a trying time for many

New Yorkers who are used to the hustle and bustle of a city that never sleeps. Rubinkam states that Mayor Bloomberg urged people, especially the elderly, to move to shelters that had power to avoid the dangers of the cold. For those unable to do so, over 25,000 blankets have been distributed across the city. Mayor Bloomberg is quoted as saying, “We’re New Yorkers, and we’re going to get through it, but I don’t want anyone to think we’re out of the woods.”

The National Guard has also been hard at work, describes Rubinkam. A refueling station had been set up in Brooklyn to distribute free gasoline to aid victims of the storm. As it is wont to do during difficult situations, pandemonium surrounded the station.

Chris Damon, a New York native, waited at the site for more than three hours and circled the block more than five times to obtain fuel. “It’s chaos,” Damon stated.

People were lined up in cars and on foot with any containers they could find, Rubinkam states. The containers ranged from empty bleach bottles to five-gallon water jugs. And it’s not just the New York boroughs that are suffering a shortage of fuel. Rubinkam proclaimed that New Jersey Governor, Chris Christie has imposed a rationing of gasoline that is reminiscent of major gas shortages in the 1970s.

However, efforts and progress are being made to aid those in need. There are many ways in which people can contribute to help victims of Hurricane Sandy. According to CNN correspondent, Julie Hays, one of the biggest ways that people can help is to donate blood. The American Red Cross had to cancel approximately 300 blood drives, reports Hays, due to the storm and following power outages and is running low on reserves in the New York and New Jersey areas. Hays says that another way that people can help is by donating food to both the American Red

Cross and the Salvation Army. Without power, many people lost food supplies that they currently have no way of replacing; the Salvation Army is working on distributing emergency meals to those who have been evacuated and or displaced. Along with the Salvation Army and the American Red Cross the list of organizations involved in the rescue, clean-up, and rebuilding efforts include: World Vision, Save the Children, Feeding America, the American Humane Society and Team Rubicon. Hays says that donating to any of these organizations is just one way that people can help in the recovery process following “Superstorm” Sandy and that any and all help is more than appreciated by all those affected by the storm.



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Kassie Shope
Staff Writer



professor of each section is a teacher of the matching department, which is helpful when students need advice on questions relating to their majors.

For our course work we mainly read the chapters out of the book, complete simple in class activities and do online modules. Each online module has a different subject, such as studying and memorizing, listening, career paths, as well as several others. Each module subject contains a pre-quiz, two or three activities and a post quiz. The pre-quiz is used as a marker to see what a student may already know about the subject, the activities are utilized as practice and the post quiz is to see what the student has learned. These modules usually contain ten to twenty questions each and have various time limits. The online modules are very helpful to me personally because I have absorbed many helpful tips that I use in my daily life as a college student.

Overall, WVUe 191 is a class in which I have already learned a lot of important information. I have learned many helpful tips in freshman seminar such as different methods of note taking, how to effectively study for an exam and how to manage my time in an efficient and easy way. I am glad that this class is required of freshman here at Tech because it really makes the high school to college transition much easier than if I were just on my own.

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Fall 2012					
Engineering Lab - Room 107					
Lab opens Monday, August 27, 2012					
Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00					
9:00		Chengmin Yang			
10:00	J.T. Hird	Sue Barton	J.T. Hird	Sue Barton	
11:00		Bing Yang		Bing Yang	
12:00					
1:00	Deb Chun	Ranjith Munasinghe	Deb Chun		
2:00	Fred Cavalier	Ranjith Munasinghe	Fred Cavalier		
3:00	Chengmin Yang				

GOLDEN BEAR SPORTS BRIEFS

MEN’S SOCCER

The men’s soccer team continues to state their dominance by winning time and time again. With a record of 16-1-1, the Bears will be heading to the Conference championships with a number 2 seed. On Oct. 21, a van was taken to Coonskin park and a potluck cookout was served to all those who attended. It was a great turnout, with a lot of students, and the team thanked them by winning the game with a score of 12-1.



Ridge Ramsey

WOMEN’S SOCCER

The women’s soccer team has not had the season that they hoped for at the beginning of the semester. After the schedule of games came to a close, the final record was 3-14. The team is not bad by any means and ended up losing most of the games but only one or two goals. The girls are good at what they do, but just simply couldn’t tie together the knots. The final game of the season, however, was a special one for the final score was 1-0 at the end of the game in Tech’s favor.



Sydney Schaeffer

MEN’S CROSS COUNTRY

The men’s cross country team traveled to Wilmington, Ohio on Oct. 12 and competed against 380 student athletes from schools spreading the lands of four different states which included Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky and West Virginia. Zach White broke the school record for the 8 k race with a time of 28 minutes and 57.65 seconds. The Bears will travel to the national competition in New York on the November 8 and 9.



Casey Orndorff

VOLLEYBALL

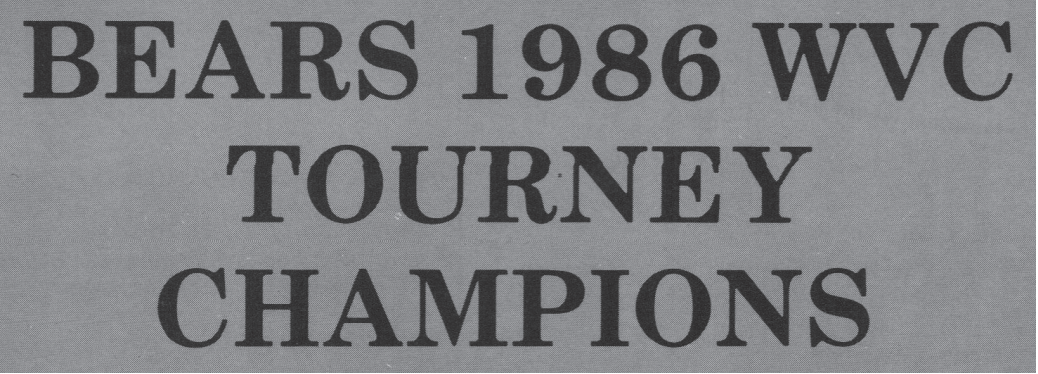
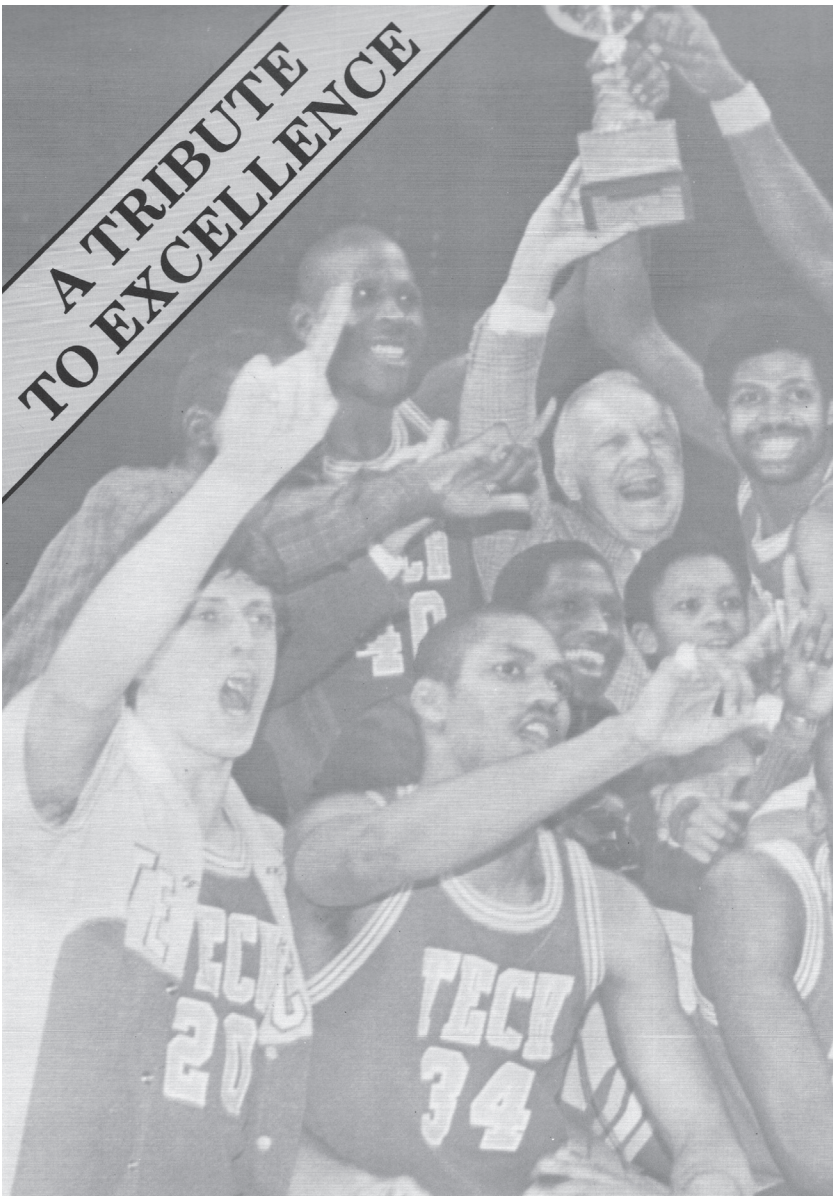
The Lady Golden Bear volleyball team has been playing hard and improving every day. With a current record of 6-21, the team picked up wins recently against WVU: Parkersburg and the Virginia University of Lynchburg. With the season reaching its end soon, the girls hope to pick up more W’s before next season. The USCAA tournament is currently scheduled for Nov. 2-4 and the Lady Bears hope to come back victorious.



Hayley Pauley



GOLDEN BEAR THROWBACKS



PRE-SEASON TEAM PICTURE:

Standing: Marc Rucker, John Rucker, Rodney Williams, Okey Heath, Cedric Mosley, Ron Beatty, Jeremiah Jasper. Sitting: Jeff Maynor, John Davis, Dan Felt, Arthur Culbreath, Norm Snagg, Greg Saunders, Darryl Houston.



Recruitment news

Joe Sherfey
Staff Writer



This week I interviewed West Virginia Tech Soccer, Basketball and Softball coaches. Each coach I interviewed is looking for great players to achieve a great season. If you believe you can help the team, keep reading, you might just learn how to catch their eye.

Tech's soccer team is a very ambitious team which they have shown us by how successful their season has been so far. Unfortunately, there will be players graduating and they need new players to fill in their old positions. So the soccer team searches for players through a website called Skyward; it is used to track performances of players in school and on the field. It tells them everything they need to know and helps to narrow down their top picks. They also attend soccer games around this area, but do not travel to other places. Coach Cortell said that he does not believe in using the school's money to travel so they can recruit. He did say that he has connections overseas though and that is very helpful. All in all, the soccer team is looking for people who are excellent students as well as skillful players who would like to go to West Virginia Tech.

The women's basketball team at Tech nationally recruits and is looking to achieve their goals, like winning a championship, with



excellent players. As most sports at Tech, they believe that academics are very important and are looking for great students as well.

As far as the general area for recruiting, they attend high school games around West Virginia. They also watch game footage and attend recruiting events throughout the year. So if you are looking to join the women's basketball team at Tech, attend the recruiting events and get in contact with one of the coaches. They are looking for a great season this year and hope that it will inspire players to attend Tech and join the team.

The softball team is looking for great students and players as well as "STEM" students. They are looking for players who are in the engineering field. They use companies such as USA Preps and Triple Crown Sports to look for recruits and attend many planned events. The softball team is very avid in finding recruits and usually starts quite early. They usually attend many high school games and clinics so they can get information on the player and see them in action. Also, they narrow down their search depending on the positions needed as well as the degree they will be pursuing in college. Again the team is looking for "STEM" students but they also are looking for players who will be dedicated to the team. So if you are looking to be on the team, get in contact with them now.

Fall 2012 Pool Hours

(Pool will be closed for all home athletic events and holidays.)

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8:00 - 10:00 p.m.

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1:00 - 3:00 p.m - Free Faculty and Staff Swim

Friday
8:00 - 10:00 p.m. - Free Community Swim
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Saturday
Noon - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday
1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

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Golden Bear Outlook: Men’s Basketball

Daniel Eisenberg
C.D./Section Editor/Staff Writer



As most of you already know, the WVU Tech basketball team does not fool around when it comes to putting up W’s on the board. Last year, led by senior Donald Robinson, the Golden Bears finished the season with the best record in the conference making them the conference champions. Unfortunately, due to a switching of conferences, the team was not able to compete in the post season, but rings were still purchased for the team and a banner now hangs in the gymnasium to recognize the team’s success.

With such a great season last winter, great expectations are existent for this season. Head coach Bob Williams had a lot to say in regards to the new, young team. “We lost seven seniors from last year,” he says. “They were the magnificent seven and they had a great year, a special. Fortunately though we have a few guys that are back that have some experience. Our point guard David Rawlinson had a great year last year and we think he will have another special year. Senior Terrale Clark also had a lot of playing time last year and it’s his turn now as a senior to have a good season. Brandon Burgraff, arguably the best 3-point shooter in the conference is back as a junior, and Jaren Marino is back with experience, as well as David Ward.”

Due to NAIA ineligibility, two of the team’s starters are not yet clear to play. Because of this, Coach Williams started four guards on the court during the homecoming game. “Junior transfer student Floyd Campbell is starting at the 5,

and we’re moving Terrale Clark, who is actually a 3 man, to the 4. We will be undersized and playing 4 guards but it’s what we have to do until the other two kids get cleared,” said Williams.

Coach Williams goes on to say, “We are fairly athletic, we’re quick. I think we will be able to push the ball well and shoot the ball. Our key will be our rebounds and our defense. We have a lot of new young kids that don’t have as much experience, but it should work out fine. We have a really good group. They have good character and are very coachable and their attitudes have been great so far. They are working really hard and are fun to be around. They really want to win.”

The season tip off was against Salem University, a team with an unheard of 11 seniors, in the Baisi Center on Saturday, Oct. 27. The game started a bit slow without many points scored and a few calls by the refs that were “questionable.” After a few minutes, however, the chemistry came together and points began to rack up. Going into halftime, the score was 47-25 in Techs favor. After the halftime show and the crowning of Mr. and Mrs. Golden Bear, the golden soldiers came back to the court and began to rack up more points. Senior David Rawlinson led his team with 31 minutes of playing time and 24 points. Terrale Clark and freshman Eddie Gordan each put up 16 point, and Floyd Campbell had 10. At the end of the game, the Golden Bears marched out victorious with a win of 93-74 over the Salem Tigers.

Golden Bear Outlook: Women’s Basketball

Lindsay McDowall
Staff Writer



The entire gym is silent. There is electricity buzzing through the air, and everyone can feel it running through their body. There has never been a crowd like this before. There is blue and gold filling the stands, and they are all there to watch this team take over this court and prove to everyone just exactly how hard they have worked for this; for this moment in the spotlight; for this crowd cheering for this team; for this weekend centered around this team. The gym holds its breath as the referee throws the ball in the air, and then this team starts blazing its trail towards victory.

This year, we kicked off homecoming with the women’s basketball team taking on Ohio Midwestern. This game was the start of what the team hopes to be an excellent season. The Lady Golden Bears ended last year’s season with a 7-23-0 record, but it does not seem to have affected their attitude for this year’s season. This year’s team is made up of three freshmen, two sophomores, two juniors and three seniors.

Freshman Cheyanna Lusk made her big debut this past homecoming weekend and wowed everyone with her prowess on the court and her ability to rev up the team spirit. She says, “[I am excited for this season] because I think we’re going to be better than the previous seasons... and we’re going to show people what we’re all about.”

Senior Amy Gardner agrees, saying, “I think that we will do really well this season. We have good additions and we have more team chemistry than previous years. This year we will play as a team and get things done on the court. I have a really good feeling about it.”

The head coach, Jenna Everhart,

says, “I am excited for this season. The team has worked extremely hard on and off the court to prepare for the 2012-13 year. Our new additions, Tracee Mitchel (Wabash Valley College), Cheyanna Lusk (Westside HS), LaKisha Adkins (Huntington HS), [and] LaShea Edmonds (Valley HS) will add depth and skill to our strong group of returners.”

I have the privilege of being the resident assistant for the first floor of Ratliff Residence Hall, where six the team members live. On the morning of their opening game, the hall was almost silent, which is unusual for this vivacious group of women. Usually they are laughing and hollering to one another, but that morning they were all in a bit more of a serious mood – probably due to nervousness.

Our Lady Golden Bears had no reason to be nervous, however. They played exceptionally well, taking over the court and beating the Ohio Midwestern Lady Rams 84-57. Amy Gardner, senior, finished the game with 20 points; Tracee Mitchel, junior, finished with four blocks; Courtney Sturdivant, senior, finished with 19 points.

Being a senior, Amy Gardner no doubt had a bittersweet feeling about her last first game on the Golden Bear court. She says, “I am sad that this is my last season but I know not to take any day for granted. Every practice and game is closer to my last so I’m going to do my best for my team and my coaches. I’m very excited about it as well because I know it’s my year to do big things.”

There is no doubt in anyone’s mind that this year’s Lady Golden Bears are preparing for big things, and they will no doubt achieve them. This is a wonderful, vivacious group of women that Tech has to be proud of. Here is to a good season for our Lady Golden Bears!

How do you feel about Homecoming revolving around basketball instead of football?

“I don’t really care; I don’t really get into sports.”
– Nikki McCarthy, Freshman

“I think it’s unique, and since we don’t have a football team we SHOULD use basketball because every school deserves a homecoming.”
– Tori Bragg, Freshman

“I would much rather have football.”
– Tyler Whirtley, Freshmen

“Homecoming is a football thing.”
– Rob Leibel

“Honestly I just thought it was weird.”
– Patric Devereaux, Sophomore

“I think it’ll go really well.”
– Jenn Lyons, Sophomore

“It’ll be good! The weather won’t be an issue since it’ll be indoors and students get more involved at basketball games.”
– Carla Woods, Junior

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Mr. & Mrs. Golden Bear



Name: Jordan Brooksher
Hometown: Altadena CA
Escort: Monika Becker
Sponsoring Organization: WVUIT Student Soccer Club
Major: Business Management
Class Status: Senior

Q: What does being Mrs./Mr. Golden Bear mean to you?
Monika: I see it as the ‘cherry on top of my American Dream’. It means proudly representing the institution that has been my home for four years.

Jordan: Mr. Golden Bear is someone who is recognized as a positive influence or character on Tech’s campus. I am honored that anyone took the time to remember me and casted their vote for me.

Q: What extracurricular activities are you involved in?
Monika: I play on the women’s soccer team, I am a RA in Ratliff, and I am a member of ISO (International Student Organization).

Jordan: I am currently apart of Tech’s men’s soccer team, SAB, RA staff, and an evolving society for recognizing artists on Tech’s campus.

Q: What do you like to do in your spare time?
Monika: Sleep.

Jordan: In my spare time I Skype my loving girl girlfriend, have fun with my friends on campus, read, and plot ways to make Tech more enjoyable.

Q: What was your favorite part of homecoming 2012?
Monika: I missed all the events due to soccer, but I loved designing the homecoming posters and T-shirts.

Jordan: favorite part of homecoming was seeing the excellent showing of students

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Hometown: Kissing, Germany
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Sponsoring Organization: WVUIT Student Soccer Club
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Class Status: Senior

in the Campus Cup. Showing up to events is 80% of the hard work needed to have fun; once you’re there it is easy.

Q: How did you feel about homecoming revolving around basketball this year?
Monika: I think it’s a great idea. People really enjoy watching their games, so connecting the two makes it even better.

Jordan: I loved having basketball as the focal point of Tech’s homecoming. The men and women’s teams have worked very hard, which showed on the court, and I loved watching them give their all like they do every game.

Q: What makes you proud to be a Golden Bear?
Monika: Tech is a great institution, and I am proud of saying I am an involved student.

Jordan: The eclectic and brilliant minds that are here at Tech give me joy and inspiration to excel no matter where I find myself.

Q: Is there anything you would like to express to the students & faculty at Tech?
Monika: Hooheoooo ;)

Jordan: I want to thank everyone who has shown me or any other member of Tech love because we all play an integral part of the Tech community. I hope everyone keeps working to make themselves and the world around them better because as my dear friend LS Wang told me, “your attitude makes where you are what it is.”

Homecoming Court 2012



Whitney Fauver & her escort Gary Koech III



Carla Woods & her escort Daniel Eisenberg



Robin Davis & his escort Lindsay McDowall



Bryan Slater & Amber Toney

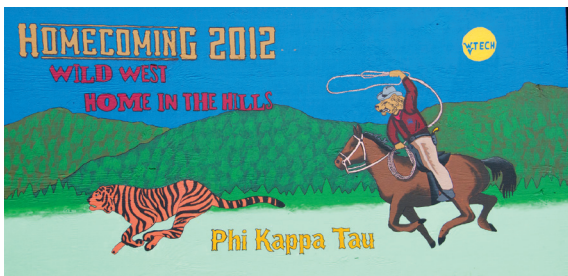


Stephanie Nickell & her escort Neal Edwards



Justin Knight & his escort Allie Regling

Spirit Board
Winners



1st Place - Phi Kappa Tau Fraternity



2nd Place - Delta Kappa Theta Sorority



3rd Place - Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority

Parade Float
Winners



1st Place - Phi Kappa Tau Fraternity



2nd Place - Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority



3rd Place - SHRM



4th Annual Otis K. Rice Lecture

Lindsay McDowall
Staff Writer



On October 25, 2012 the history department and the College of Business and Humanities presented the fourth annual Otis K. Rice Lecture. Funded by the West Virginia Humanities Council, the City of Montgomery, and the Montgomery Historical Committee, the Otis K. Rice lecture series is presented at homecoming each year in honor of noted West Virginia historian Otis K. Rice, who served here at Tech from 1957-1987. He served as a professor, chair of the history department, and the dean of the School of Human Studies. Among his works is the popular ‘The Hatfields and the McCoys.’ In 2003, he became the state’s first Historian Laureate. Previous lectures in the series have been “With Dust in His Throat: Miner-writer B. L. Coombes (1893-1974) and the history of Coal Mining in South Wales” presented by Dr. William Jones, University of Cardiff, Wales, UK; “Behind the Scenes of American History” presented by Dr. Ken Hechler, professor, combat historian, and WV politician; and “With Blood and Ink: How Veterans Shaped the Course of Civil War Literature” presented by Dr. Craig A. Warren, Penn State Erie, professor.

This year’s lecture was titled “Regional Roses: Appalachian Women in World War II” and was presented by Dr. Pamela Edwards, a history professor at Shepherd University. Dr. Edwards’ presentation focused on how the Rosies of World War II help the war effort in not only industry and manufacturing, but as military members and volunteers as well. The area she studied, Appalachia, included parts of the states of Kentucky, Virginia, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Mississippi, Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, South Carolina, North Carolina, Maryland, and Delaware, as

well as the full state of West Virginia.

Most Rosies of this area served in the military and also as nurses. Those who chose to serve in industry and manufacturing almost always had to migrate to industrial cities like Detroit to find work. They had to go through extensive training in order to be able to weld and rivet; West Virginia was one of the first states to offer such training to its women. These women worked on a variety of projects; some worked on bomber aircraft, some worked on naval vessels, some worked on bombs, and some even worked on the atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in Japan in 1945. There was an incredible amount of diversity, not only in the jobs themselves, but in the women. There were Mexican, American, and African-American women in all sectors of the workforce.

However, as much as these women are given credit today for their work, back then they didn’t receive nearly as much credit. After the end of the war when the men returned home, all those women lost the jobs that they had and couldn’t get them back. As technology had advanced throughout the war, these women had learned how to use it and were skilled with it, unlike the men who had been gone. Women were also paid less than men. Even though economically it was smarter to keep the women workers rather than rehire the men, businesses didn’t do this; instead, they rehired the men and spent the extra money to train them in the new technology and the women were sent back home to the housework. While some of the Rosies looked for more work, most just went back to their original lives.

It could be said that these Rosies were one of the reasons that the Allied powers won the war. They shaped not only their own history, but the history of Appalachia as well.

Homecoming from front page

ergy, Inc. in Orlando, Fla. Morgan currently serves on the WVU Tech Mechanical Engineering Industry Advisory Board.

Since 1949, it has been an institutional tradition to honor the Tech Alumni of the Year during Homecoming Weekend. To be selected for this honor, alumni must have achieved recognition in their chosen profession, have strong service commitment, and have given time, talent, and

treasure to Tech by serving as a role model of loyalty and service for all alumni. On Friday, October 26, 2012, Glenn and Morgan will be recognized as the newest members of this distinguished group at the Alumni of the Year banquet in the Tech Center Ballroom. To purchase tickets to the banquet call the Office of Alumni Relations at 304.442.3131.



Tailgating Recap

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Because of the change of sports that the homecoming weekend was centered around, the tailgate, one of the most popular and most loved events at homecoming, had to also be changed so that it would fit the occasion.

The basketball game took place at the Baisi gymnasium, so the tailgate tent was set up on the lawn in front of the building. There was a full variety of



delicious food available to be eaten including fried chicken, corn on the cob, apple pie, macaroni and cheese and other such foods. The man in charge, David Templeton, had some words to say about the event. “We didn’t have quite the turnout that we hoped for. A few of the sports teams were out of town, so they couldn’t make it, and the weather probably caused people to stay inside, but the people that did make it had a good time and had fun.”



Homecoming Dance Recap

Lindsay McDowall
Staff Writer



On Saturday, October 27 – the last day of homecoming – the Student Activities Board held a black light/glow stick dance. There were black lights hung up all over the ballroom and free glow sticks were given out. Highlighters could be used to write on yourself or others

(they would show up in the black light). Although attendance wasn’t as good as the SAB hoped due to other parties across campus, it was still a blast! It was a chance to shake off the stress from homecoming and just relax and dance! About 25-30 students attended, along with some of the WVUT staff that was hard at work all throughout homecoming. In all, it was tons of fun. Good job SAB!

Live music at the Tech Mall

Andrea Joseph
Section Editor/Staff Writer



Anybody take the time to visit the Tech Mall on Friday October 26 at noon? If so, you got to hear the amazing music performed by Orion Freeman. Accompanied by his handy guitar, he presented music that had reggae yet smooth feel and gathered many people around to enjoy the ambience.

He performed many songs, and performed all with ease and perfection. Freeman’s music could be heard from many Tech buildings away, which attracted more and more students after every song. Along with the great deal of people enjoying every aspect of Freeman’s music, a few Tech students which were Tyler Fabian, Edson Borja and Craig Mitchell happily gave out compliments, hugs and whatever you needed to make your Friday more delightful.



Orion Freeman is definitely a talented and brilliant musician. Anytime you can make it out to live music at Tech Mall, it is definitely the type of event that should not be missed.

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1st annual Campus Cup

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The first annual campus cup opened on Monday October 22 in the Tech ballroom with the event of corn-hole. Eight teams showed up and were included in the bracket and competed for the first round of points that were given out. The teams competing were Phi Kappa Tau, Delta Chi, The Recycled Teenagers, The Teddy Grahams, Alpha Sigma Tau, Frankie's Angels, The Alchemists and Tech Soccer. After the bracket died down in the corn-hole tournament, Phi Kappa Tau took first place with the Recycled Teenagers coming in second and Delta Chi in third.

The second day's event was the relay race. This took place at Martin Field and consisted of a dizzy bat race, three-legged race, saltine whistle race, clothes change race, water balloon toss and a 100 yard dash. This event had some snags, but for the first time ever being tried, things went as smoothly as they could have. After the event was finished, The Teddy Grahams came out on top with a time of 3 minutes and 11 seconds, followed by The Alchemists and Phi Kappa Tau.

The quiz bowl was the event for the third day of battle. This consisted of several "high school" questions in quiz form. The teams battled it out one on one and the team with the highest points at the end of the quiz would be the winner. After all the questions were read and all the teams gave it their best shot, Tech Soccer came out with the most amount of points with The Teddy Grahams coming in second and The Alchemists in third.

On the fourth day of the Campus Cup tournament, the pool and foosball

competition went into full effect. The foosball tournament, due to long games and only having one table, was a single elimination tournament and ended with Phi Kappa Tau taking first, The Alchemists taking second and Tech Soccer splitting third place with Alpha Sigma Tau. The pool tournament was a double elimination tournament because the games were quicker and there were two tables that were able to be used. After the bracket was worked and got to an end, The Recycled Teenagers came in first followed by Phi Kappa Tau and the Teddy Grahams.

The swimming Olympics took place at the Tech Natatorium on Friday night after the Alumni Banquet. The events for the night were a spoon dive, small splash contest, belly smack contest, and a frozen t-shirt race. These events were very exciting to watch and the room was packed with people cheering and the overall attitude was merry and spirited.

The Campus Cup was a success for the most part. There were a few technicalities that will have to be changed for future years, but overall considering the inexperience of the event, it was a successful event that brought out many students and a lot of laughs and smiles were made. The winning team for the tournament was The Alchemists followed by Tech Soccer in second and Phi Kappa Tau in third.



State of Tech Address

Lindsay McDowall
Staff Writer



Every year at homecoming, Tech delivers a State of Tech Address. This year, it was delivered by CEO Carolyn Long. State legislators and administrators from WVU were in attendance.

The State of Tech Address is an update on the state of Tech; what's gone on in the past year and what's upcoming in the next year. CEO Long updated students, faculty, and other honored guests on where Tech stands in the Tech Revitalization. Improvements are going to be made to the roof and air conditioning of Orndorff Hall as well as updates to Ratliff Residence Hall. Some of the academic programs are going through updates, as well as some being brought back, such as secondary education for sciences and math.

When she started her position, CEO Long laid out a plan for Tech based on the three R's: Recruit, Retain, Rebuild. Tech is still on that plan. Tech is working towards better recruitment styles and has expanded their recruitment to at least three new states across the country. The goal is to have at least 1,600 students in the next three to five years. Tech wants to retain not only students, but programs as well. They do not wish to see any programs lost due to a lack of services or support. Rebuilding refers not only to buildings, but to Tech as a whole as well.

CEO Long also took time to mention many of the successes that students and student organizations have had over the past year. Our forensics team competed for the first time during homecoming week and we are awaiting the results. The American Society of

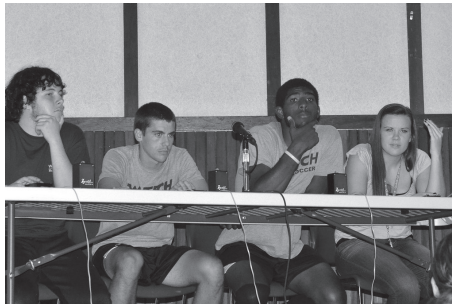


Civil Engineers competed over the summer in a regional competition at Virginia Tech. They competed against schools such as Virginia Tech, WVU, and the University of Virginia... and they stomped them. CEO Long mentioned students who attended a leadership conference in May, including SGA President Robin Davis and SGA Vice President Nathan Plymale.

The focus of Tech needs to be on its students. This is something that CEO Long pushed during her address. Her focus has always and will continue to be on the success of the students at Tech. CEO Long as well as Dean Carpinelli and Associate Dean Cotner-Klingler has done an excellent job for the students at Tech, and they will surely continue to do so.

To end the State of Tech Address, CEO Long played all the submissions from this year's homecoming video contest. There were 12 minutes of video, and all the video highlighted positive aspects of Tech. Entries came from individuals and organizations alike, including Phi Kappa Tau Fraternity and the American Institute of Chemical Engineers. After the video, CEO Long recognized the students that attended the address.

"What more can be said?" CEO Long asked. "Our future is in great hands. We must work together to ensure the continued growth and success of our beloved institution."



You might be a Golden Bear if...

- You've eaten twice your weight in queso dip at El Jalisco.
- You know Emmitt, Neo, Frank, Shawn and BB.
- A train goes by and your don't hear it.
- You've dropped a math class.
- You have one or more stolen road signs in your possession.
- You get drunk on porches.
- You get excited by newly paved roads.
- Seeing Co-Ed gone makes you sad.
- You have a severe hatred for stairs.
- You've seen a Live Epic Rap Battle of History.
- You know the lunch ladies by first name.
- You've made a 3AM McDonald's run.
- The local high schools use the football field more than you do.
- You've participated in Campus Cup, Greek Week or Intramurals.
- You've swung off the rope swing at Gauley, Alloy or Boomer.
- You have a collection of free Tech swag.
- You know Mr. and Mrs. Golden Bear.
- Finding a parking spot is a daily adventure for you.
- You know the Campus Police by name.
- You know who Sedale Threatt is.
- You're thankful the Tech Pool is fixed!
- When the elevator in Engineering is down and you have class on the 5th or 6th floor, you skip because you're not climbing all those stairs.
- You think the football field should be turned into a soccer field.
- You miss Dr. Luce but not his attendance policies.
- Chicken tenders at the Bear's Den unleashes your inner hoarder.
- You can walk across the train tracks in heels but not paved cross-walk.
- You know Ratliff is too hot and Maclin is too cold.
- You ever star gazed at the treehouse.
- There's a special place in your heart for Benny's cheese fries.
- You've ever spent time at 610 or 612
- You can name all the Greek organizations.
- You've ever "picked up Montgomery."
- You've ever driven the Tech Van.
- Followed the bear prints.
- You've ever had a calzone from Frank's.
- You've been on the roof of Engineering.
- You know what number step from the Jesus Steps has an 'E' on it.
- You have to sprint from Engineering to Cobe every other hour.
- You've ever gotten a golden bear tattoo.
- You know where migit world is.
- You've helped Doc Kihn with a play.



GRIN AND BEAR IT!

16 & PREGNANT?

WHAT ABOUT 22 & SUCCESSFUL?



Andrea Joseph
Section Editor/Staff Writer



Over the past few years, the media all over the country has highlighted teenage pregnancy. Media companies have highlighted teenage pregnancy with television shows such as the famous 16 & Pregnant, Teen Mom and the newer show on TLC called High School Moms. Teenagers all over the world are getting promoted for having children young, and if they can handle the stress and management of time then more power to them! Nevertheless, what about the other majority of our young adult population? 16 and Pregnant moms can be highlighted with their rewards, but what about the adults in their 20's who are currently in school, or graduate school and are doing things according to plan? It is time for us to highlight those people; the young adults who know where they want life to take them and have everything planned out precisely.

Young adults all over the world are going through life according to plan.



Most young adults graduate high school and roll on into college to start the next chapter of their life, with marriage and children far after high school and college. A greater number of young adults become more ambitious after starting college and strive to go farther in life. New statistics for 2012 have been released for college students and many of the statistics are more than striving and impressive. According to The College Solution website, 92 percent of college students are earning degrees from universities, colleges and community colleges. It is amazing that our younger generations strive farther when they start their educational career. Also, 23 percent of full-time undergrad students that are 24 years of age and younger are balancing a job working 20 hours or more. This shows the responsibility of young adults everywhere not only to get a degree, but potentially support themselves through the duration of their college education. With teen pregnancy, according to DoSomething.org, only one-third of teen women earn their high school degree and only 1.5 percent of women earn their diplomas by the age of 30. Teen pregnancy is not bad, and trying to down the women that struggle with teenage pregnancy is not the point of this report. Many of the shows that the media is promoting shows how teenage women can take on that responsibility, but now it



is our responsibility and honor to highlight the men and women in their 20s that go to WVU Tech and everywhere around the country that are doing things well without putting themselves in a parental position.

We wanted to talk to a successful student at our school to show the student body how he gets through his educational career with poise, faith and effortlessness. Our own Jordan Hill is more than a perfect example to show us a young adult that has his life together. Jordan Hill is an Industrial Relations & Human Resources major here at WVU Tech and is in his senior year. Nevertheless, school is not the only thing he balances; he is also running for the House of Delegates in his home county of Nicholas County. With Jordan being a devote Christian, we asked him how he has gotten through the stress and pressure of college with his faith, "My faith has played a huge role in my life. God has kept me focused throughout my college

years. In life he has taken me through many trials, including heart surgery at the age of 19. He has helped me to set a Godly example for my little brothers and has sent me great friends that keep me focused on Him." Discussing how this article relates to pregnancy and education, we asked Jordan his views and future plans for marriage and children. "I hope to one day get married and have kids. Whenever God's will, he'll send me the right person. As for how many kids, it doesn't really matter to me. I was raised with 6 siblings, so a big or small family is fine." Jordan has no problem taking life step by step and getting his life finished according to plan.

Teen pregnancy is something to be proud of considering you are responsible enough to take on the position of a parent and have the dignity to take care of another life. Nevertheless, the young adults that are doing everything according to plan should be something our world should be proud of and doing everything to keep it going. What this nation needs is more government assistance for college students in terms of loans, scholarships and a better opportunity to get good jobs exiting college. Hard work is something to be appreciated coming from our younger generation and our hats are off to them for putting in so much dedication to making our country and work force better.



- Yay:** Homecoming!
- Nay:** Leaving Montgomery on Homecoming weekend
- Yay:** Halloween
- Yay:** Men's Soccer
- Nay:** Limited Parking Spots
- Yay:** Men & Women's Basketball homecoming game victories
- Nay:** Rain on Homecoming
- Nay:** Annoying election commercials
- Yay:** VOTING!
- Yay:** Daylight savings time
- Nay:** Overbooked Tech facilities
- Yay:** Trips to the Mystery Hole
- Nay:** Skipping classes
- Yay:** Bandit Monty
- Yay:** SGA Resolution being published
- Nay:** No more raffles allowed on campus

WV's fourth branch of government

Jordan Hill
Staff Writer



"We think you're the only state where the education system is essentially set up as a fourth branch of government," said Eric Schnurer, president of The Pennsylvania consulting firm Public Works. In January of this year the "Education Efficiency Audit of West Virginia's Primary and Secondary School System" was performed by this firm. They found that our education system is the highest regulated system in the United States. To understand why this is a problem, let's look at the statistics. According to the American Legislative Exchange Council's 17th Report Card on American Education: Ranking State K-12 Performance, Progress, and Reform, West Virginia placed dead last. Many politicians have told us for years creating more rules and throwing money at the problem is the cure. They couldn't be more incorrect. The answer is decentralization.

According to Schnurer, West Virginia's problem is the state legislature. "You have a lot more that has been put into statute by the legislature than any other state which makes the system much less flexible and certainly less flexible at the local level." He went on to say, "Unlike most states just about everything that needs to be done in education is set out in state code. So it's a much more top-down, centralized, rule-driven system than in most states in the country." Another recommendation was restructuring and "right-sizing"

the state's Board of Education office to free up resources for other needs.

Another thing that is interesting about the results from the Report Card on American Education is the numbers of educators serving in the state legislature. Teachers actually make up the biggest group of legislators, at least in the House of Delegates. Most of these legislators are backed by teachers unions such as the American Federation of Teachers and the West Virginia Education Association who are believed by many to be bettering our education system. If that is the case, it is fair to ask why we are in last place. The truth is that these unions and these politicians advocate the same policies that created these problems that have been pointed out by Public Works in their audit.

Oddly enough, teachers unions support the politicians who created these problems, but the everyday teacher is very upset with these failed policies. They often complain about government involvement and how it

acting is unacceptable. The bottom line is that the lack of effectiveness of the old progressive policies has done nothing but impede teachers from teaching, which keeps students from learning. It is time to put power back into the hands of the people instead of giving more and more to bureaucrats. Charleston needs to act and act quickly because our students and parents deserve better. And when I say act, I don't mean grow government; I mean decentralize.

gives them more paper work to do, how it tells them what to teach, among other things that take their focus off teaching. It is thought that if the state was to implement all of the report's recommendations from the audit, West Virginia could see savings of up to \$90 million. This is obviously worth a shot. State Superintendent of Schools Joree Marple said they will "consider" the recommendations. The problem is that this audit was done nearly 11 months ago and hardly anything has been done. "Considering" and not

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Opinion Poll:
What was your favorite part of Homecoming?

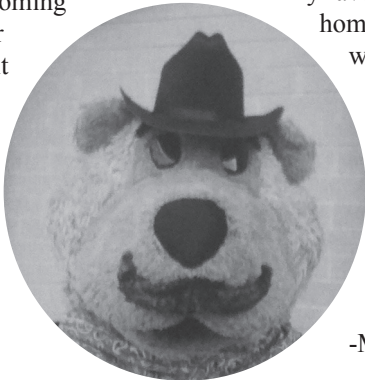
“Everyone coming together, young and old, to unify the Golden Bear spirit.”
-Cody Keeney

“My favorite part was hanging out with all the students and making new friends in the competitions.”
-Rob Liebel

“My favorite part of homecoming was getting together to see everyone, enjoying each other’s company, and just having a good time.”
-Clark Dane

“The togetherness of all the students for the activities.”
-Luke Chambers

“My favorite part of homecoming was getting to show off our hard work on the float, spirit board and video.”
-Natanel Eisenberg



“My favorite part about homecoming is hanging out with all the alumni that come in. I love hearing the stories from their glory days. There are never any dull moments and it’s fun to laugh and joke about the things that make us Tech students.”
-Megan Thomas

“My favorite part about homecoming was all the festivities, especially the pig roast at Phi Tau.”
-Johnson Mohegan

“My favorite part of Homecoming 2012 was the memories made with my sorority sisters creating our spirit board and float.”
– Allie Regling

“The parade was my favorite part of homecoming! It was fun getting to hang out with my friends.”
– Whitney Fauver

“My favorite part of homecoming is the Alumni Banquet. I love having the chance to meet successful Tech graduates and hear about their professions, families and stories of the time they spent as a Golden Bear; it is an honor. This has given me something to aspire towards one day as a future graduate of Tech!” – Jordyn Thompson

Opinion Poll:
Did you vote? Why or why not and for who?

“I voted for Mitt Romney simply because he is for the coal companies in West Virginia and is supposed to bring a lot of jobs. Also, since he is a business man he could get us out of debt for the United States.” – Danielle Grubb

“I voted because it’s a civic duty that every American citizen should exercise and no matter which way the election goes, if you didn’t vote then you have no right to complain how the country is run. I personally didn’t care for either candidate so I voted for the person in the libertarian party.” – Keeley Abbott

“I chose not to vote because I feel like the candidates are only trying to have the title of ‘President’.” – Sarah Rider

“I’m voting for Obama because he is the best choice for me as a woman, a student and a member of the middle class.” –Kassie Shope



“I am voting for Obama because stay the bleep out of my uterus!”
– Rachael Ferrell

“I didn’t vote, I wasn’t comfortable enough with the knowledge on the candidates; didn’t know enough about them.”
– Chris Evans

“I voted for Romney; I do not like the direction Obama is taking and I am ready for a change.” – Tiffany White

“I didn’t vote this year. I felt neither candidate had the qualities to fully lead the United States back to the title of best country of the world and fix our mess of an economy.”
– Robin Davis

“I didn’t vote at all because both candidates only want the title of being president. They aren’t president material.” – Marty Adkins

“I did not vote because I’m sick. But I’d choose Obama because we need someone with experience in the White House and not someone without a presidential term.” – Ryan Stevens

“I voted for Romney because if Obama wins there is a very good chance I’ll be laid off sooner or later.” – Jimmy Ivey

“I voted for Romney; I think he was better for the job, personally. Better at handling money issues, Obama admitted to that during the debates.” – Casey Orndorff

dear sophia

Dear Sophia,

My boyfriend wants me to come home to meet his family during Thanksgiving break. I told my parents his idea, and let’s just say they were pretty much pissed. My parents want me to come home without him, but I feel like this is the only main opportunity for me to meet his parents. What should I do?

Sincerely,
Depressed Daughter

Dear Sophia,

I got a text from my girlfriend last night saying she got offered a job up-state and would be moving. She thought I would be mad but wanted to run it by me before telling anyone else. Truth is, I want her to follow her dreams/goals, but I don’t want her to leave and I am in such a cluster. Should I hold her back or let her go?

Sincerely,
Bad Boyfriend

Dear Bad Boyfriend,

Dear Depressed Daughter,

Wow! That is some situation you are in. First off, when your parents are approached with this situation, they only see two sides: A) they don’t get to see you and B) you’re going somewhere with a boy. That might sound like they are being mean but really this is what is going through their mind. They are STILL adjusting to you being an independent college woman, and let me tell you this is something that is so hard for parents. The only thing they want on holidays is to be with their little girl and her not being with some boy, which leads me to my next point. Their little girl with a man? No, no, no. That is never easy for them. Here is my solution, explain to your parents that if they do not mind you going for Thanksgiving, make sure you reassure them that you will be there for Christmas which is more important. Also, make sure they have met this boy first before wanting to travel with him. If they still manage to say no, then you could always go visit him at his family’s house for a few days after Christmas for New Years and get that midnight kiss you know you want!

Yours truly,
Sophia

Oh, this is the one situation every relationship dreads from day one: long distance relationship. Some can manage to work it out but nevertheless it is rare because of the distance and emotional/physical needs of each of you. To be quite short and sweet, you have to let her follow her dreams. The one thing a woman never wants is her boyfriend to hold her back from what she really wants. Nevertheless, she needs to think of your needs as well. My suggestion is for you to support her and try and manage a long distance relationship. Also, another suggestion is for you to transfer to WVU which we are affiliated with or for her to see if there are any jobs in our area that compete with the main offer. If you both truly love each other, both of you will have to make some sacrifices. Hope for the best & don’t forget, always let them fly.

Yours truly,
Sophia

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Searching for answers to life’s questions?

Tech trail...haunted?

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If you go to West Virginia Tech and call yourself a Golden Bear, then it is therefore your duty to know where the Tech Trail is. This trail begins at the football field and is miles long. The Morris Creek Watershed has also recently decided to make more trails on their land, and connect them to the Tech Trail, making it even longer. It offers students a chance to hike and be on in the hills of West Virginia, out in nature, and in the fresh air. I must tell you, however, that if you do decide to take a trek up the mountain, do it during daylight hours, and NOT at night. I cannot stress enough how important it is that you DO NOT go hiking after dark.

Some of the older folk in town know the story of Darin Skallings. Darin had a pretty hard life. His father was in prison and his mother was a drunk. She didn't know when he was at home or not, and frankly didn't care. It is unknown Darin's exact age, but he was young, no older than 15 or 16 the first time he went up the mountain. Like hundreds of kids across the nation, Darin had a few bullies. These bullies were older than him, and beat him up from time to time, but mostly just taunted and teased him. They took his book bag and threw the contents over the train tracks and other such things just to mess with him. One time they held him down and stole his shoes, tied the laces together and them over a telephone wire. Darin tried to stick up for himself but it was never any use, for there were four of them and only one of him. He tried his hardest to just put up with it and go on, but it was hard for him.

One Fall evening, Darin was walking across town towards his house when the four bullies spotted him and took things way too far. They thought it would be funny to take him up the moun-

tain and make him walk home after it was dark and he couldn't see where he was going. They grabbed him and carried him up the mountain on their shoulders. He tried to struggle and get free but they were to strong and he eventually stopped resisting, knowing that it was just tiring him out. Once they all got far enough up the mountain the four bullies threw Darin down. Darin tried to run, and since it wasn't quite dark yet, the bullies grabbed him. The biggest of the bullies reached back and slugged Darin across the face to get him to stop resisting. A sharp pain stuck Darin's temple and after a few seconds, he could feel something wet begin to fall slowly down his cheek. After some time, the entire right side of his face was red with blood. Once Darin was in pain and just sitting on the dirt the four bullies took off down the mountain laughing.

The next day, Darin was not seen at school. He was not seen walking across town. As far as anyone was concerned, he just disappeared, and no one really noticed. There were a few people who did notice however, that Darin was missing. Those four bullies fully expected to see him walking across town as always, and they would ask him in jest how his night went, but that time never arrived. Those four began to get scared because they didn't mean to kill the poor kid, just pull a prank on him. After much deliberation, they all decided to go up and see if he was still where they left him. It was just beginning to get dark at this point, and storm was beginning to set in.

Rain began to fall as they reached their destination. The tree where they had left Darin stood by itself, without any sign of a person. The four boys began to become confused and thought that maybe he ran in the wrong direction, got lost, and then couldn't find his way back. Suddenly, lightning struck and illuminated the outline of a teenager. The boys face was shining in the light and glistened

red from blood. The boy had a large log in his hand, and he suddenly ran at the four bullies and began swinging. He knocked down two of them with one swing and began beating their heads with the log. The other two were frozen and did not move. Darin turned to look at them just as another bolt of lightning struck. You could see in his eyes that he was of pure evil. He ran at them and began hitting them with the log over the head. He beat them until the log broke, and until all four boys lay motionless, breathless, and lifeless. Darin then left the scene of the crime, walked over the hill, and was never heard from again.

Legend has it that Darin died that night that the boys left him there. They say that when he beat them with the log, he was no longer a 15 year old boy, but rather a spirit of evil. No one really knows the truth of the matter, but it is understood that he still roams those woods. They say he only comes out at night, and still carries the half broken log that is stained with the bullies' blood. So the next time you want to take a hike up the mountain, be sure it is daylight, so you have a serious of unfortunate events, and run into Darin Skallings.



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History of our West Virginia University Institute of Technology

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Many of us here at Tech have a basic understanding of her history. Tech was founded over 100 years ago, has gone through many changes, was once one of the most popular institutions in West Virginia and now here we are. But there is a little more to Tech's history than that.

According to a book written by Ronald Alexander titled "West Virginia Tech: A History," Tech was established under Senate Bill No. 40 on February 16, 1895. It was established as a school to prepare students for college under the name of Montgomery Preparatory School and opened its doors for classes on January 4, 1897. The only building on campus was our beloved Old Main, which housed only two classrooms, a study hall, a chapel, an administrative office, and an auditorium. The two wings you see on Old Main were added in 1898-99 and 1904-05 and actually originally served as housing.

In an interesting parallel, the first students of Montgomery Preparatory School suffered through construction being done to finish Old Main during their classes. Sound familiar?

On February 17, 1917, Montgomery Preparatory School became the West Virginia Trades School in order to better serve the community. Overall,

the school failed as a trades school due to a lack of funding from various state departments. Enrollment went down, and it seemed the school would have to be closed if no changes were made. Because of this, the West Virginia Trades School once again began teaching preparatory courses. However the president of the school at the time, Arthur S. Thorn, was very outspoken about the school, saying that because of the failure to become a vocational school, the school would be forced to close its doors. His pessimism led to a sharp decline of the school, almost to the point where it was going to have to shut down. Thorn resigned due to community pressure, and Cyrus H. Martin took over.

Martin, the man for whom Martin Football Field is named, brought the West Virginia Trades School back from the edge of a cliff. The state had opted to abolish the school, but Martin was able to prove that he could bring it back. He increased enrollment, and presented a plan for growth. This plan included keeping the preparatory courses, but also included new ideas. The school, rather than closing, was awarded with a new mission, and a new name – New River State School. It offered various two year program studies. In 1925, two year programs in chemical, civil, electrical and mechanical engineering were started. It was Martin's hope that these programs would

become the primary focus of the school.

During Martin's time, the school grew exponentially. Also during Martin's time, there was call for the school to be moved to Charleston. Again, sound familiar? Most of the reason behind this was due to the increasing number of landslides that were damaging buildings and making those in Montgomery uneasy. Instead of being moved, the school was given money to create a flat of land to help prevent landslides – this allowed for the establishment of Martin Field.

In 1928, the school was changed to a four year institution. On May 1, 1931, the school became officially known as New River State College in order to promote their new four year status. Due to this, enrollment almost doubled. The school, through the work of various presidents, continued to grow and prosper.

On March 5, 1941, the legislature changed the school's name to West Virginia Institute of Technology. This new name was to promote the school as West Virginia's only technological institute, thereby making it more popular among prospective students. Enrollment had declined due to the start of World War I, but the school focused on its technological and industrial majors. Enrollment was severely depleted after the attacks on Pearl Harbor in 1941, which caused most of the young men at Tech to volunteer for the armed services. During World War II, Tech once again

found itself declining to a possible end. To help this, Tech offered its services to the training of young men for the battlefield, teaching them skills such as welding and gas cutting. After the war, Tech saw a boom in enrollment because so many men were rushing to use their G.I. Bill benefits.

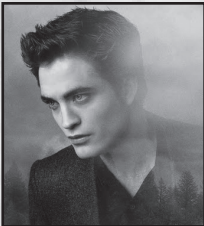
Tech continued to grow, adding various programs to help the community. In 1955, the school received North Central accreditation for its programs. This was the biggest milestone to date in the school's history. In 1966, the school added a community college per community request. The school continued to fluctuate and grow up until 1996.

In 1996, the school, under an act of state legislature, became a regional campus of WVU, giving the school the name it has today. In 2004, the community and technological college received its own independent accreditation, officially creating the CTC at WVU Tech. As of May 2009, due to state legislature once again, the CTC at WVU Tech became its own fully separate institution, now known as Bridgemont CTC.

However, Tech has so much more history behind her than all that. She has a history of outstanding academics. She has a history of service. She has a history of intelligent, hard-working students and faculty. She has a history of family. Yet again, sound familiar?




Student Opinion Poll: Which Supernatural creature are you most afraid of?



“Off the top of my head I would say a vampire because of their speed and ability to fly. I think it would be a painful death.”


Amy Haddix- Sophomore



“I guess I would have to say a zombie. Anyone could be one and just attack you at any given time.”


Amber Toney- Junior

“I would say ghosts because I believe they are real. They can do things physically sometimes and I have encounters with them.”




Jeremy Anderson- Freshman

“I think demons are the scariest because my cousin was in a car one day and she took a picture of herself and in the background there was a demon girl and it was really creepy.”




Ali Holmes- Senior



“I’m scared of shape shifters! You never know who could be one. Then whoever you love could kill you and you would never know that it really wasn’t them the whole time!”


Branden Frazier- Sophomore



“I would say a ghost because you cannot see them and you never know what may happen!”

Jordan Epling- Freshman

“Of course this has to be Godzilla! He terrorizes the island of Japan with unstoppable ferocity.”



Steve Ruhl- Senior

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

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As many of us know October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, which is not only a time to remember the many women that have lost their battle or are currently battling through this horrible disease, but also for early detection for women everywhere.

Even though October is nearing its end, detecting breast cancer should never be taken lightly and should be acknowledged in every month of the year, not just October. According to Cancer.org, about one out of eight invasive breast cancers are found in women younger than 45, while about two of three invasive breast cancers are found in women age 55 or older. Another riveting fact according to Cancer.org is that about 5 percent to 10 percent of breast cancer cases are thought to be hereditary, resulting directly from gene defects.

The first step to finding if you are at risk is to see if the disease runs in any part of your family. If so, it is time to take initiative and start taking precautions. Just because it does not run in your family, does not mean you are not at risk. A simple way to test yourself for Breast Cancer is a simple, self check you can do within seconds in the shower. Take the palms of your fingers and run them along the edges of breast, examining every aspect of your breast for any lumps. Also, look for redness or scaliness around your nipple and any type of discharge other than breast milk. If you do see or feel any symptoms, do not panic. Simply make an appointment with your primary care physician and let them take a look. For more information of

early detection and signs/symptoms, check out Cancer.org; they have all information needed for your curiosity.

Our world of science is getting closer to a cure for Breast Cancer more and more every day. It is our responsibility to help these scientists find a cure faster, so what can you do to help? Many ways you can make a difference to breast cancer survivors is to donate a few dollars or run in a relay that donates money to breast cancer research. I am sure all of us have heard of the popular and privileged organization of Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure. They raise money for cancer research and their organization makes so much of a difference for survivors everywhere. Just know where ever and however you can make a difference...do it. There are many survivors everywhere fighting and depending on you for prayer and something to save them.



A history of Halloween

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Halloween; a time of mystery, intrigue and things that go bump in the night. It is a time when Halloween movie marathons and pumpkin carvings are a must. Children dress up as ghosts, ghouls and goblins (fairy princesses too) and trick-or-treat for more candy than their little teeth can handle. Parties and “bobbing” for apples abound and Freddy and Jason fight to a brutal death. But where did it all start? Why are we fascinated with the otherworldly and the horrifying?

Halloween finds its’ beginnings in the ancient Celtic celebration of Samhain (for non-Gaelic speakers that is pronounced “sah-vwin”). The Celtic peoples occupied the lands that are now known as Ireland, the United Kingdom and northern France approximately 2000 years ago. Like Halloween, these people are shrouded in mystery largely because they did not keep written records. However, we do know that they celebrated their New Year on November the first and Samhain was the equivalent of our New Year’s Eve. Large festivals were held on Samhain with bonfires, sacrifices to Celtic deities and dressing in costume (typically animal skin).

This time of year for the Celts heralded the end of summer and harvest and was the harbinger of winter and death (both physically and metaphorically). For these ancient peoples Samhain was a time when

the fabric of our world wore thin and the boundaries of space and time opened up to allow ghosts and spirits to freely enter our realm. These otherworldly visitors were associated with the end of the harvest, bringing chaos and disarray. However, the Celts believed these spirits were useful in that they made easy the prediction of the future for Druids. This was particularly important for the Celts because they were a people who relied very heavily on the natural world and good omen and fortune from the Druids were comfort during the long and often harsh winters.

The traditions of Samhain changed slightly over the course of history with the coming of the Roman invasion. By the year 43 A.D., Samhain had incorporated two important Roman festivities. The first of which was Feralia. This was a day, in late October, which the Romans paid tribute to the passing of their dead. The second celebration that found its way into Celtic tradition was the honoring of Pomona, the Roman goddess of fruit and trees. She is symbolized by the apple, and this is thought to provide some explanation for the now modern tradition of “bobbing” for apples.

Fast forward in history past the fall of the Empire to the height of the Republic and we see another shift in the ancient traditions of Samhain. By 600 A.D. the Catholic Church is extending its influences and violently disregarding all that is pagan. Pope Boniface IV dedicated May the 13 as a day to honor Christian martyrs. Roughly one hundred years

later, Pope Gregory III included saints in this holiday and moved the observance to November first which coincidentally is the day of the Celtic New Year...or not so coincidentally. It is believed that the church made this strategic move to eradicate older heathen traditions and replace them with church sanctioned holidays. The church even went so far as to incorporate the traditions of Samhain; the bonfires, the festivities, the dressing up in costume (albeit as saints and angels this time). This Roman Catholic tradition of honoring saints and martyrs further morphed into All Saints Day or All-hallowmas and the day of Samhain came to be known as All-hallows Eve and today Halloween.

Halloween as we now know it in America came slowly. Largely this was in part to the very religious beginnings of the country. Protestant beliefs were very rigid and did not allow for any such celebration of ghosts, witches and otherworldly spirits. However, in the more southern regions of the country where more Europeans and Native Americans began coming together, the celebration of the harvest melded with older Samhain traditions. Tellings of ghost stories became popular. Dancing, singing, fortune telling and childish pranks became increasingly common. These practices slowly melded with the Irish and English custom of dressing up in costume and going from house to house and eventually led to the “trick-or-treat” traditions still practiced today.

Halloween finally in the late

1800’s began losing the religious undertones that surrounded it. This was in part thanks to the efforts put forth to make Halloween a more community friendly festivity. Ghosts and witchcraft were being faded out and being replaced by neighborly get-togethers and parties, games and merry-making. These efforts took hold and morphed Halloween into festivities geared more towards younger children; the dressing up and going from house to house asking for candy. This continued to grow across the nation and today Halloween is the second largest commercial holiday in America.

So as to why we are all captivated by the mystery of Halloween we can thank the ancient Celts. Their reverence for the day of Samhain and the traditions they held have helped create and shape something that today the majority of Americans find fascinating and enjoyable.

All information regarding the history of Halloween came from the History Channel website.



What college students *really* want to know: Why is Montgomery so boring?

Joe Sherfey

Staff Writer



Montgomery is a small, college town that is located in the south eastern part of West Virginia, so why is it so boring? Maybe it is because there is not a movie theatre, a mall or even a park around. Here in Montgomery there is nothing but restaurants. This would not be too bad if some students had their car with them, but gas prices are getting higher and parking on the road risks being towed or some ignoramus coal truck hitting it. So driving for some people is out of the question, but having a car still would not solve all your problems unless you had time and money to drive to Charleston every day which is the closest town you can find any form of good entertainment or attractions. So why have they not built a mall or something around here? The answer is most likely due to space, where could they put a mall or even a movie theatre?

There is good news for students though; Tech holds special events to entertain. Look hard enough and you will be able to find something to do around this small college town. The only time that nothing is really going on is on the weekend, mostly because the students that live close decide to go home for the weekends. This is when it is hard to find something to keep entertained, but my best advice is to get out and make as many

friends as possible. The more friends you have means the more contacts you have. If you want to play a football game or just hang out with friends, you will have the means and locations around the town to do so. Being social is very important in a town with nothing to do. Remember this and you will not be bored quite as much. Consider the football field to play ultimate frisbee with friends, or even chilling in a dorm room! Also, remember that how hard you try to find something to do will dictate how your day goes.

Do not be that guy or girl that stays in the dorm and complains about being bored all the time. Try something new, and you might learn to enjoy this small, college town. Some things you could try are skateboarding, dancing, aerobics, Thai Chi, playing pool, checkers or ping pong, but the point is to just try something new. The more open you are to new ideas and events, the less boring Montgomery will seem. I am not saying it will not get boring at times, but I am saying that the boringness will be more tolerable.

My last piece of advice is to do what you want and not worry about what others think. That could be preventing you from enjoying yourself and holding you hostage in your dorm. As far as opinions go, everyone has one, but why does what they think matter to you? Get over your fear of opinions and live your life like you know you should. Stay flossy Montgomery!

Mara’s mixology

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This concoction requires 4 ounces of vodka, 2 teaspoons of fresh lemon juice, 2 ounces of rosemary-lemon syrup (2 lemons, 2 cups of sugar, 2 cups of water and 2 sprigs of rosemary) and licorice ice cubes (4 cups of water, 2 tablespoons anise seed and 2-4 drops black food coloring).

To create the rosemary-lemon syrup, peel two lemons, leaving the white pith behind. In a medium saucepan, bring 2 cups of water to a boil, adding 2 cups of sugar, 2 sprigs of rosemary, and the lemon peels. Allow it to come to a simmer and stir

until the sugar is dissolved. Let the mixture cool and discard the solids by straining.

For the ice cubes, bring 4 cups of water and the anise seed to a boil. Let it cool for 30 minutes, then strain to remove the solids. Add the black food coloring, pour into ice cube trays and freeze.

In a cocktail shaker, combine the vodka, juice and rosemary-lemon syrup. Stir the contents until well mixed. Place the licorice ice cubes into two glasses and pour the cocktail over them. The drink will be clear, but will darken as the licorice ice cubes melt. Add a black licorice stick for garnish.



Halloween Fashion

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Everyone knows that Halloween is about one thing, dressing up. College students are known for going out on Halloween weekend and dressing up elaborately in everything from scary characters to characters from the Hangover. The biggest problem on Halloween is either deciding what you are going to portray or trying to get people to dress up with you.

To narrow down your decision, decide what genre of costume you would like to stick to such as superhero, scary, occupational, etc. Once you decide what genre you stick to, figure out which costume appeals most to you. Next, you need to figure out who is going to dress up with you. You can either dress up with friends or your significant other, which either one if very fun.

If you dress up with your friends, try and aim for costumes that

have all of your friends included such as the Ninja Turtles, Three Musketeers, or even the Spice Girls. Dressing up with friends is a way to make Halloween more eventful. If you dress up with your significant other, the options keep coming. The number of costumes you can dress up with your boyfriend/girlfriend is massive and range from anything from referees, cowboy and indian, cop and robber or even Freddy and Jason. Dressing up with someone else gives you the perfect opportunity to be the best dressed costumes or even the funniest.

Once you find your perfect costume, the only thing left to do is find the perfect event to attend. If you go to college, there are parties everywhere. Many students and fraternity/sorority houses host many parties and Halloween is definitely the most popular. If there is a rare case of no one you know having a party, have no fear; many clubs or local bars and even restaurants host Halloween parties. These parties are always hopping because so many from the tri-state attend. Just remember that once you find your costume, own it with all your heart; and don't forget, have fun and stay safe!



In the Kitchen with Jordyn

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Chicken & Broccoli Cheese Rice Casserole

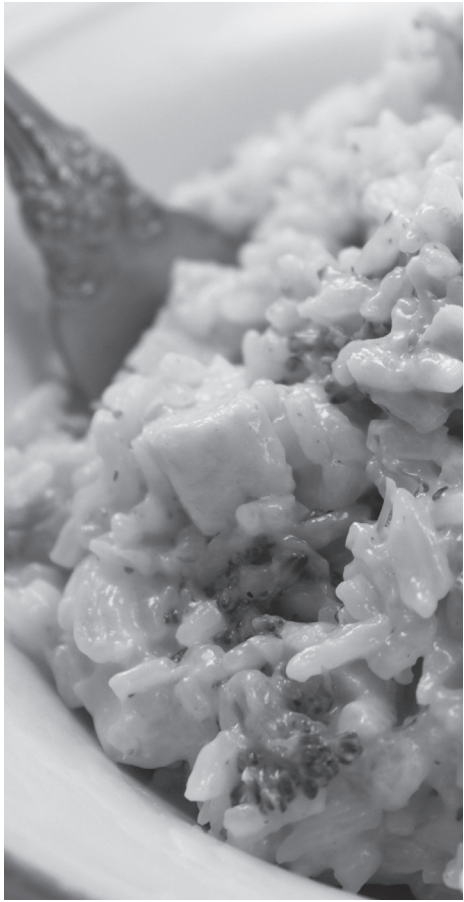
What you need:

- 3 boxes of Uncle Ben's Broccoli Rice au Gratin (sold at our local Kroger's normally one dollar per box)
- 1 pack of chicken breast meat (can be boneless breasts, boneless tenders or bone-in breasts; whichever is cheapest)
- 1 head of broccoli
- Sour Crème (I use Kroger brand original)
- Salt & Pepper
- Butter (I use sticks of Blue Bonnet)
- Vegetable Oil (I use Kroger brand Pure Vegetable Oil)
- Water
- Skillet (I prefer an electric skillet)
- Pan or Casserole dish 6”X12” (at least 2 inches deep)
- Pot (between medium & large size)

Instructions:

Take your chick out of the package and thoroughly rinse it off. With a knife, dice the meet into small chunks; the size of the chunks depends on your preference. Preheat an electric skillet to about 200 degrees; when I use a skillet on the stove top I tend to turn the dial to the 4 or 5 setting. Put a cap full of vegetable oil into the skillet. Place the diced chicken meat into the skillet and add salt and pepper to your taste. Keep an eye on your chicken and stir it to be sure it does not burn; after it is cooked you may want to reduce the heat till it is time to add it to your rice.

While waiting for the chicken to cook, take a pot and add all three boxes of the Uncle Ben's Rice (rice and seasoning packet) along with 6 and ¾ cups of water. I follow the directions on the box to cook the rice, turning



the dial to the 6 setting until the content is brought to a boil. Allow it to cook until all the liquid is absorbed by the rice.

As you are waiting for the rice to cook, take your head of broccoli and thoroughly rinse it off in the sink. Next, take a knife and chop it up into very small pieces; again, as with the chicken, to your preference. At this time, you should preheat your oven to 450 degrees.

Once your rice had reached the right consistency, add 8 oz. of sour crème and stir it in thoroughly. Next add your chicken and broccoli and stir it in till it reaches an even consistency.

Next, take your butter and grease every inch of the inside of the pan. After you have done that, pour your mixture from your pot into the pan. With a spatula, smooth it out evenly. Now place your casserole into the oven on the middle rack for 40-45 minutes. Ovens may vary, so keep an eye on it. You want to take it out once the top of the casserole starts to brown. After you take it out of the oven, allow it to cook for 10 minutes then bon appétit.

TEEN COLLEGIAN'S TOP HALLOWEEN MOVIES



Halloween Movies New VS. Old

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Over the years, technology has allowed film makers to broaden their creative horizons. They can now use CGI and IMAX technology to make us feel as though we are right in the middle of the action and horror. But are some movies better as the classics we know them as? Some say yes, others say no. Here is a list of classic horror films from back in the day compared with their modern descendants.

Psycho (1960) vs. Psycho (1998)



This popular film franchise, based on Robert Bloch's thriller book Psycho, was a major hit in the 1980s and is still called one of the best horror films to date. It was loosely based on the crimes of Wisconsin serial killer Ed Gein. The only differences in the remake are the actors and that the movie was filmed in color. It is said to be a shot for shot remake of Alfred Hitchcock's original work.

IMDB.com Rating of Psycho (1960): 8.6/10

IMDB.com Rating of Psycho (1998): 4.5/10

A Nightmare on Elm Street (1984) vs. A Nightmare on Elm Street (2010)

Ah, Freddy Krueger. The one killer you know without a doubt could never actually exist... but possibly the one that scared you the most. In this

franchise, Freddy Krueger is a serial killer that attacks his victims through



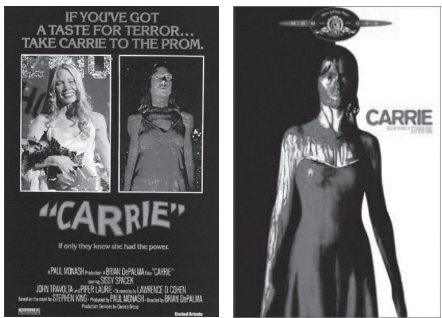
their dreams as a sort of revenge for what the townspeople had done to him. The differences in the two films are mainly in Krueger's origins and original crimes, although some of the murders were adapted to modern day times.

IMDB.com Rating of A Nightmare on Elm Street (1984): 7.5/10

IMDB.com Rating of A Nightmare on Elm Street (2010): 5.1/10

Carrie (1976) vs. Carrie (2002)

Carrie is a film based on Stephen King's novel of the same name. In this film, a girl who has telekinetic powers is bullied to the point where she snaps on prom night. Carrie displays the horrors



of human behavior and what it can really do, and what a person can do when they put their mind to it. Carrie will hit theaters in 2013 for yet another viewing.

IMDB.com Rating of Carrie (1976): 7.4/10

IMDB.com Rating of Carrie (2002): 5.3/10

Dracula (1931) vs. Dracula (1992)

Everyone knows Dracula as the blood-sucking vampire who has lived throughout all of history. In both of these movies, Dracula's main goal is to seduce a young woman and make her his eternal bride. Of course, he wreaks unspeakable havoc while in the land he is occupying, but would you expect any less of the most powerful



vampire? The remake of this film came surprisingly close in ratings to the original, although the original still prevailed.

IMDB.com Rating of Dracula (1931): 7.6/10

IMDB.com Rating of Dracula (1992): 7.4/10

Frankenstein (1931) vs. Frankenstein (1994)



Frankenstein is yet another horror classic. A monster is sewn together by a mad scientist out of parts of exhumed corpses. When the monster is rejected by his maker, he leaves and swears his ultimate revenge.

IMDB.com Rating of Frankenstein (1931): 8.0/10

IMDB.com Rating of Frankenstein (1994): 6.3/10

Friday the 13th (1980) vs. Friday the 13th (2009)



Jason Voorhees is a famous killer, most recognized by his hockey mask. The murders take place at Crystal Lake, which had previously been the site of a camp where a child drowned. All the counselors attempting to reopen the camp are mysteriously murdered one by one.

IMDB.com Rating of Friday the 13th (1980): 6.4/10

IMDB.com Rating of Friday the 13th (2009): 5.5/10

For all of these movies, the originals out did the remakes in ratings. However, one very prominent trend is that every remake was also longer than the original. So, maybe it isn't so much the graphics that scare us... as it is the reality of the actual story line. Sometimes a movie can be made to be so real that it is completely fake. In any case, this Halloween, enjoy your favorite horror movie with some popcorn. Don't forget to turn out the lights!

HALLOWEEN NIGHT

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BATS

SKULL

GHOST

BLOOD

TRICK-OR-TREAT

LIZARD TAIL

BROOM

WEREWOLF

RAT

COSTUMES

FULLMOON

BLACKCAT

STORMY SKY

HAUNTED OUSE

BROKEN WINDOW

VAMPIRE

MUMMY

CAULDRON

WITCH

SKELETON

Songs of the Week

Homecoming Playlist

- Space Jam
- I'm Coming Home
- Put On for My City
- Country Roads
- We Fly High
- Die Young
- Beauty and the Beat
- We are the Champions
- Another One Bust the Dust
- Rawhide
- Eye of the Tiger
- Remember the Name
- Get Your Head in the Game
- Bad Company
- Back in Black
- Highwayman
- Universal Mind Control
- Pump It
- Walk Away
- Kryptonite
- Fly
- Jump!
- Be True to Your School

Halloween Playlist

- Monster Mash
- I Put a Spell on You
- Thriller
- Bad Moon Rising
- Ghostbusters
- Undead
- For So Long
- Casper the Friendly Ghost
- Superstition
- Headless Horseman
- Heads Will Roll
- Time Warp
- Black Magic Woman
- New Moon Rising
- Love Potion #9
- This is Halloween
- Moondance
- Enter Sandman
- Living Dead Girl
- Hells Bells
- Abracadabra
- Purple People Eater
- Sympathy for the Devil

"Change your thoughts and you change your world." -Norman Vincent Peale

In History

October 31, 1864: Nevada is admitted as the 36th state by the United States Congress

November 1, 1512: The Sistine Chapel, painted by Michelangelo Buonarroti, is now open to the public

November 1, 1765: The Stamp Act is passed by the British Parliament to raise funds for the British military during the American Revolution

November 3, 1957: The Soviets launch Sputnik 2 with a canine passenger, Laika, the first animal in space

November 4, 1922: Archaeologist, Howard Carter, and his team discover the entrance to the tomb of King Tutankhamen in Egypt

November 4, 2008: Barack Obama is elected as first black President of the United States

November 7, 1944: President F.D.R is elected for an unheard of fourth term

November 8, 1793: The Louvre opens in Paris, France

November 10, 1969: Debut of children's TV show Sesame Street

November 11, 1918: Germany signs an armistice with the Allied forces bringing and end to World War I

All information found via www.history.com/this-day-in-history

Your Weekly Horoscope

Capricorn- The main reason for Halloween is to enjoy the candy right? Well too bad for you because this year your doctor is putting you on a diet. You might as well sit at home with carrots and celery in your hand along with your shake weight. It is going to be a long night so I would try to sleep as much as possible. Avoid the windows for the simple fact that many children with tons of candy will be walking by.

Aquarius- This week will be very interesting for you. You may feel a constant need to scratch behind your ear, which is perfectly normal. I would suggest that you do not try to pant while doing so though, because you may get a few stares. The full moon coming up is reminding you of your unfortunate birth under the sign of Aquarius. For some reason it seems that the closer you get to Halloween you tend to get hairier and hungrier. I only have one suggestion for you... avoid silver. It might be the death of you.

Pisces- You will meet an interesting being near a lake and he will seem to be in some sort of trouble. Do not help him, he is the lake monster. He is very dangerous, breathes water and eats humans. My best advice for you is to avoid lakes altogether, lakes are boring anyways. So find something else to do, such as go hiking, hunting or play football; anything but going to a lake.

Aries- I see good luck in your life through the stars... You will have a great Halloween night, which includes plenty of friends to hang with and plenty of activities. I do see a slight chance of an awkward moment involving a friend though. Be careful

which friends you decide to hang out with, meaning if you choose correctly your night will go very well. However, if you don't, great misfortune will fall upon you and you might lose a friend.

Taurus- You will suffer a fate worse than death. You will be taking your siblings with you wherever you go and will also be forced to take them Trick-or-Treating. Have fun cleaning up after your baby brother, because he will be the biggest reason you hate Halloween from now on. My advice to you is to bring a stroller, a barf bag and plenty of paper towels.

Gemini- You were hoping for a relaxing day right? Wrong, you are going to be constantly moving. You will not be able to take a break because of all the people you will be meeting. Go ahead and make some risky decisions, you are always uptight anyways. This is the one night you can be you and not have to worry about other people's opinions.

Cancer- Costume parties are always fun, so go ahead and plan one starting now. If you do not want to start one, find one. You will meet your soul mate there. She/he will be shy at first but then they will turn into an extravagant dancer... but you will find out they have been around for thousands of years to practice. However pale he/she might be and even though your friends say that he/she is a vampire, you will still love him/her. Do not worry about looks, you will be eternally dead before too long anyways.

Leo- Let the beast inside out, it wants to come out and meet some of your friends. I am sure they will love to meet this side of you as well. You are a party monster, ready to take control and be the life of the party. Stand up and have faith in yourself,

try something new and enjoy yourself. You might even get a chance to do something grand. Leos are proud so stand tall and show their fun side.

Virgo- Black cats and witches are seen in your future. If you are not careful, you will be put under a spell. You may become a frog if you are lucky. Wear plenty of anti-witch items which you can buy at your nearest fortune teller or incense store. Stay safe and avoid swamps.

Libra- Ghosts, ghosts and more ghosts I see in your future. Get out of your house for the week and find something to do. Carve a pumpkin, set up tricks for trick-or-treaters, dress up as Michael Jackson and scare kids; I do not care what you do as long as you stay out of your house. I lied; I do not care if you get out or not; but if you do not, you will be sorry.

Scorpio- I see your prankster ways, do not act coy. I know you are the gremlin that we blame for misfortunes. Tonight is the night for your tricks so pull your best one tonight, just be careful not to kill the person. Jail is not a fun time, especially for jailbait such as yourself. If you feel the need to do something stupid, think about it. If you decide not to take my advice then at least accept this advice; buy string for your soap bar and tie it to your wrist.

Sagittarius- The stars did not have much to say about your fortune. The only understanding I received was a Jewish parable. The parable says, "The Dalai Lama was asked what he'd do if knew the world would end tomorrow. He laughed and said, 'I'd plant a tree.'" I will leave this for your interpretation.