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Luis Cortell's blue and gold army: Battle at Nationals



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As most every student at Tech already knows by this time of the year, the head soccer coach Luis Cortell's fighting Golden Bear soccer team has been extremely successful. The regular season ended with the team holding a record of 16-1-1, giving the bears an excellent reputation when heading to the National Tournament in Asheville, North Carolina.

The first game of the tournament was against Pennsylvania College of Technology. The two Technology colleges battled it out and at the end of the game, it was evident which Tech college was the more dominant. When the final whistle blew, WVU Tech was in the lead by a whopping ten points, winning the game 10-0. Joe Jackson, Hayden Brooks and Sam Laughton all scored two goals apiece, and Bradley Pike, Rodrigo Manzanares, Juan Suarez and Craig Mitchell all added one goal to the team's

final score. Seven of these goals came in the second half of play, and the game pumped up the players and got them ready for the next game in the tournament.

The second game was against SUNY-ESF, a team who was only in their second year in existence. This game also proved Tech's overpowering dominance on the field, for this game ended with another Tech victory, 6-0. Jackson shot and scored another two goals, one with an assist from Germany transfer student Dennis Furst, who also put a goal in himself 74 minutes into the game. Manzanares also put in a goal, as well as Suarez and Michael Perrow, who got an assist from Braeden Collins. This game sent the fighting Golden Bears to the National Championship game, and had all of Montgomery following the game online in hopes that their team would bring back the gold.

The final game of the season was to be played against Briarcliffe College, who were the 2008 USCAA champions and

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Veteran's Day

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"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." John 15:13, King James Bible.

Every year on November 11, we remember those who have served our country bravely – Veterans of the United States Armed Forces. We remember the Marines, Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Coasties who stand at the ready to do violence on our behalf so that we may sleep peacefully. We owe our freedoms to these brave men and women, a fact that many of us often take for granted. Millions of people have served this country in the name of freedom, and countless of them have died.

On November 11, President Obama participated in the annual laying of the wreath ceremony in Arlington, Virginia. Every Veteran's Day the President lays a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier to honor all veterans of our nation. The Tomb of the Unknown

Soldier is the final resting place for a soldier whose name is unknown. It is dedicated to all those who have given their lives for our country, but were never identified. The Tomb is guarded 24/7 by Soldiers, rain or shine, who are chosen after rigorous testing. Every few years, DNA testing becomes advanced enough so that one of these many unknown service members may be identified, but countless still remain unknown and will most likely remain that way.

No Marine, Sailor, Soldier, Airman or Coastie asks to go to war. They do not ask to leave their families and shoot at other human beings. They do not ask to miss their little girl's birthday, or their little boy's first words. They do not ask to leave their significant other going day to day wondering if they are alright. They do not ask for their parents to have to pray they do not get their child back in a box draped with an American flag.

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Election Day Recap

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Within the amendments to the United States Constitution, the right to vote is given to all those in America over the age of 18. On Tuesday, November 6, 2012, over 100 million people in the nation headed to the polls to cast their vote for either Democratic incumbent Barack Obama or Republican candidate Mitt Romney. The end result has President Obama winning another four years in office with 303 Electoral College votes.

The swing states in this election were Virginia, Ohio, Colorado, Wisconsin,

Florida, New Hampshire and North Carolina. All of these states except North Carolina were taken by President Obama. In this election, West Virginia was a red state, meaning that Mitt Romney took the popular vote. Romney had 62 percent of the vote in this state. Every single county in West Virginia was a red county as well.

I am a resident of the state of Virginia, so I voted via absentee ballot for this election. I cast my vote for Republican candidate Mitt Romney. Personally, I found neither candidate appealing. I voted for Romney because I do not

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A word from your SGA President...

Robin Davis
Guest Writer



work using the tools gained to have even better events here at Tech in the future.

With the fall semester coming to a close, Light Up Old Main is right around the corner and planning has already commenced on the grand event. Even with the construction, on December 7th Old Main will be bustling with Santa and his elves once again. Be sure to go and have your photo taken with Santa and get one of his gifts! There is a lot of fun to be expected at Light Up Old Main this year, with both old and new traditions.

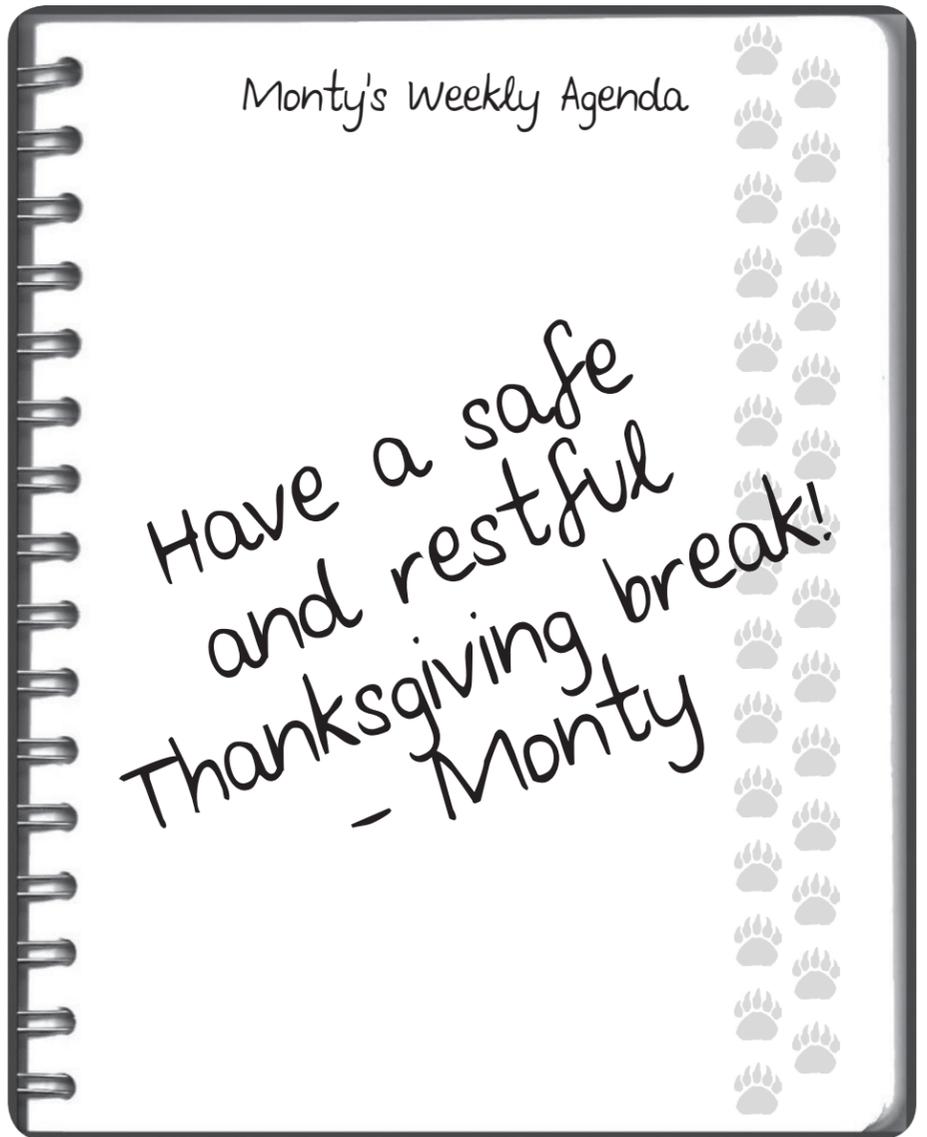
On that note, I want to wish you a safe and happy Thanksgiving break. Be sure that while you are working on all your end of the semester assignments that you take time to enjoy the break.

GO GOLDEN BEARS!!!!



Hello Golden Bears. I hope the semester is continuing to bring great things your way. Thanksgiving is right around the corner. With Thanksgiving we begin to look back on the great things that came our way in the past year and all the wonderful things we are thankful for. Looking back on the precious years here at Tech, I find a lot to be thankful for. I am most thankful for my family; not just the family at home but the family I have created here at Tech. I am also thankful for the education I have received while at Tech as well as at Bridgemont CTC. My education has taken me places I only dreamed and because of my great education, I look forward to what the future holds for me. I encourage all of you to take a second and think, "What am I most thankful for?"

Your SGA continues to work hard to make Tech even better for you. Senators Megan Thomas and Janet Cunningham, Organizational Representative Emily Hensley, and I recently attended a leadership conference at WVU's Mountainlair. The conference was titled "Lighting the Way" and it focused on the programming and events that could be held at your campus. We also worked to better our skills as leaders and how we can pass those skills on to future generations of students. It was great to see what WVU and the other schools had to offer and we will



Let's get physical: zumba, tai chi and hip hop for fitness

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Staff Writer



If you are looking for something to do in the afternoons, check out Zumba, Tai Chi and Hop-hop for Fitness. These are three ways to stay fit and enjoy some free time.

Zumba is all about the dancing, a fast-paced exercise that keeps you moving. You will get tired and will be sore in the morning, but you will feel good that you did it. Personally I enjoyed the experience but do not have the time for it. There is an instructor that leads you through a step-by-step tutorial if you have never done it before. The exercise itself works the abdominal muscles, the legs, the buttocks and the chest muscles. It also helps with cardio and stamina; you will be sweating in no time. So if you are looking to lose weight and learn to shake those hips, try Zumba. Like I said it is very enjoyable and is a good way to spend some free time. The only negative aspect about this event is that it will tire your body out quickly and leaves you sore. Zumba is offered every Monday starting at 5:30 p.m. in the Tech Center Ballroom.

Tai Chi, a martial art that has been around for a while, is now taught at West Virginia Tech. This exercise is a mix between wrestling and hand-to-hand combat. If you enjoy Mixed Martial Arts, you will enjoy this. The instructor knows what he is talking about and is very capable of teaching

it to amateurs. This will really work your stamina and cardio as well as most muscles in your body. Whether you want to learn self-defense, how to fight or just exercise; Tai Chi is a good choice for all three. The instructor will teach moves such as an arm bar that can be performed in many different varieties. This is a great activity to be a part of; I would request anyone to try it. The negative aspect of this event is that it can be very stressful on your back when wrestling. Other than the small pain that comes with all martial arts, it is not very painful. Tai Chi starts at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays in the Tech Center Ballroom.

Hip-hop for fitness is a very entertaining activity to participate in. You can learn choreography to songs by recent artists with a group of people. The music comes from popular tracks by newer artists and the choreography is very fluent. I would encourage many people who enjoy music to try this and have fun. It is great for exercise and is fun to be a part of. The instructor simplifies the movements so you can perform the dance. Overall I enjoyed the experience and will be attending this class. There are two classes that can be taken on Thursday in the Tech Center Ballroom. The first is from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and the second is from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Do not be scared to try something just out of fear, you may miss out on something you would enjoy. Get out and try something new every day, it will add variety to your life and keep you busy. Enjoy life and remember to try these great fitness events.



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ΦKT and ΑΣΤ Talent Show

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The associate class for the Phi Kappa Tau fraternity and the Alpha Sigma Tau sorority held a talent show open for all Tech students on Thursday, November 8 in the Tech Ballroom. Unfortunately, potentially due to lack of adequate advertising, or possibly due to a lack of



desire from the student population, only seven acts were performed, six of which were by members of the Phi Kappa Tau fraternity.



The night opened with Phi Tau John Frazier singing Queen Hit, "Spread Your Wings", a c a p p e l l a style. After the room was amazed by his

vocal talent, Matt McCormick came on stage and showed the audience some basic ju-jitsu techniques that involved takedowns and submission holds. Next, local youtuber Natanel Eisenberg, MisterNatMan, showed off his guitar playing skills as well as presented a video that he put together for the show. Harrison Clonch flaunted his extreme ability of playing the drums, and Josh Perry sat on stage and sang "Thinking About You" by Frank Ocean.

Simply to add another act to the night, Joe Sherfey decided to go on stage with a random beat and rap freestyle to whatever he heard, successfully putting rhymes together and impressing the



crowd. The final act of the night involved freshman Robert Leibel and I, singing the popular Youtube hit "Bromance" by Ryan Higa and Chester See. The two of us announced at the beginning of the song that we were not singers, nor did we think that we were singers, and simply wanted to have some fun.

The wonderful judges for the evening were three well known faces around campus. Associate Dean of Students Amy Cotner-Klingler, Ratliff Resident Director Mike Sheldon and Maclin Resident Director Emily Sands graciously volunteered their time to come watch the show and decide who they thought deserved to walk away with the gold. After much deliberation and contemplation on who deserved to be



known as Tech's most talented, the second runner up was named as Harrison Clonch for his amazing drumming, the first runner up was Natanel Eisenberg for his guitar playing and video editing skills, and the winner for the evening, even though he was told to look at the crowd more often while performing, was none other than John Frazier who wowed the judges with his soothing voice and vocal range.

National Society of Leadership and Success

Shae Shamblen
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Greek Column

Greek Guys: What are they up to?

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Now that homecoming is over, some people may think that the fraternities on campus are taking some down time after being involved in the campus cup activities and homecoming festivities. This, however, is not even remotely close to the truth, for there is no such thing as downtime when it comes to the Greeks on campus. There are always events in the works, fundraisers being performed and ideas being made into reality.

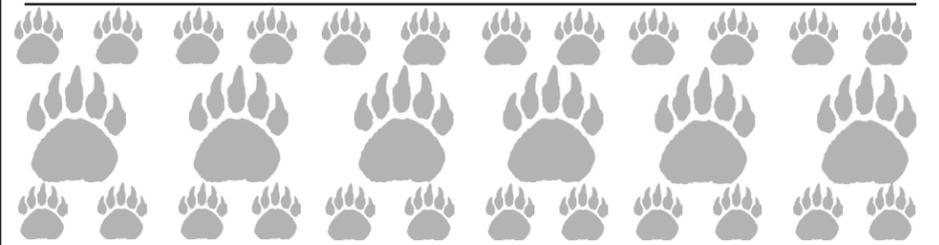
Delta Chi, one of the three fraternities on campus, is planning a few things right now, but do not have them completely set in stone just yet. The first event that they are planning is an etiquette dinner. This is where they will teach people proper etiquette that needs to be performed when you are in a professional situation. Another event that they are currently planning is a masquerade ball that will be done as a joint event with a sorority on campus, Delta Kappa Theta.

Sigma Pi is another fraternity on campus. They are also planning a number of events to be carried out in the near future. Member of Sigma Pi Adam Burge says, "...before Thanksgiving break we are going to try to do a suicide prevention program, [which will be

done] through Nationals. We are going to have booths set up with information [on the topic] and have other events to try to draw people out to come to this." Another thing that they are doing is setting up stations around campus explaining to people the importance of organ donors and becoming an organ donor.

Phi Kappa Tau, the last of the fraternities on campus, is also planning a few events. On November 2, the brothers set up a booth at Kroger of Smithers and asked for donations from people to send to SeriousFun Children's Network. This is a charity that provides a fun filled week of summer camp to children who are terminally ill for free. The brothers collected over \$100 at this event and are planning another jingle for November 17 at Wal-Mart in Quincy. Another event that the fraternity is planning for after Thanksgiving break is a community service project which will be at the Morris Creek Watershed. The fraternity has been going to the Watershed every semester for a couple years now and donating hours of service to better the environment. Last year, they built two K-dams and planted over 300 trees.

No matter what time of the year it is, there is always something going on with the fraternities on campus. Their goal is to help others, and help the community, and they will do all that they can to complete their goals.



Lady Greeks: Staying busy!

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As the semester comes closer to the last few, stressful weeks, the lady Greeks on campus have been as busy as ever! All the ladies of these two organizations are excellent students who have full time schedules, and many are involved in organizations outside of their sorority. It is a marvel that these ladies still have time to participate in everything they have this semester!

The women of Delta Kappa Theta Sorority held their fall 2012 initiation on November 8, 2012 and initiated four excellent women into their organization. Congratulations ladies! Also this month, they held their annual Breast Cancer Awareness Dance with the Society of Human Resource Management. It took place on November 14, 2012 in the Tech Ballroom. All proceeds from the dance went directly to the Susan G. Komen Foundation for the Cure.

The ladies of Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority initiated three wonderful women into their organization on November 10, 2012. Congratulations ladies! Alpha Sigma Tau also celebrated their Founder's Day on November 4, marking 113 years of sisterhood across the nation. They held a potluck celebration after their initiation service.



On November 8, 2012 Alpha Sigma Tau held a Talent Show with the gentlemen of Phi Kappa Tau Fraternity. There were ten acts, ranging from singing to martial arts demonstrations. Everyone performed wonderfully, but Jonathan Frazier took first place for his amazing vocal skills! Later this semester, the ladies of Alpha Sigma Tau will be cohosting a Karaoke Night with Resident Assistant Lindsay McDowall.

On December 7, 2012 Tech will have its annual Light Up Old Main celebration. The sisters of Alpha Sigma Tau and the sisters of Delta Kappa Theta will be in the Montgomery Christmas Parade. Later in the evening, the sisters of Alpha Sigma Tau will be helping Santa for the Pictures with Santa feature of the celebration. This holiday season, they are also leading the campus in the Toys for Tots drive.

All of these ladies are busy, busy, busy! They have more events up their sleeves so be sure to check each issue of the Tech Collegian to see if they are doing anything you might be interested in! You do not have to be a member of either sorority to participate in their activities.

For more information about either sorority, just ask a woman in letters! She will be more than happy to share her knowledge with you!





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Magic by T.J. Hill

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The magic show can be explained in no other way but breathtaking. This magician known as T.J. Hill created illusions that boggled the mind and kept the crowd guessing. All the tricks were very impressive; from throwing a deck of cards into the air and having the card that someone picked sticking to the roof to making objects magically disappear and reappear.

The magician was very humorous, telling jokes as he performed. He performed many tricks before the show at lunch in order to gain his crowd. He did a very good job



at inspiring curiosity in his audience. There were many tricks and most included cards. The tricks he performed include shoving a magic marker up his nose and pulling it out of his mouth and making a ring disappear in thin air and then reappear inside of four boxes. He was very good entertainment for a crowd of college students.

The first trick I saw was the card trick where one of the students picked a card and he tied a rubber band around the deck with the card he picked in it. He then



threw it up and it smacked the ceiling. The card that was picked then stuck to the ceiling and the rest of the cards fell.

The next trick he performed was a trick that required a helper; he had a student come up and she held onto a ball while he held on the other. He made the ball appear magically in her hand without opening her hand. Both balls were in her hand and she had no idea how it happened. Then he put three balls out and placed two in his pocket and the other in his hand. He then made them switch positions and confused the audience.

Some other tricks he performed included a wallet setting on fire and a girl levitating on one chair. The levitation did not work as well as it should have, but it did the job.

The final trick I saw was when he used an audience member's ring for a trick. He had two helpers and gave one the ring inside a handkerchief and the other held his hand up in a ball. The magician pulled the handkerchief and revealed that the ring was gone, then the guy opened his hand and it was not there. He then pulled out a box that had three boxes in it and the last had the ring inside.

T.J. Hill was very good at blowing the crowd's mind. I hope he will return next year.

Doctor Stephen O'Keefe visits WVU Tech

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WVU Tech psychology department had the privilege of hosting Dr. Stephen O'Keefe, Ph.D. Thursday, Nov. 8 at a lecture organized by Dr. Cynthia Hall. Dr. O'Keefe has many accomplishments including but not limited to the Distinguished Service Award and operating for fourteen years a private child and family practice.

The main focus of Dr. O'Keefe's talk was what students of psychology can do to further their careers. Many psychology graduates with a BA can opt for careers in case managing; whether it is children, senior citizens or people with disabilities. Psychology graduates doing case managing can expect to put the skills they acquire in their undergraduate career to good use. For continuing education in psychology, Dr. O'Keefe had this to say, "It is very competitive," yet also very rewarding.

Thank you so much to Dr. Hall and Katelyn Colagrosso, Dr. O'Keefe's granddaughter, for bringing this opportunity to the psychology department. Also, thank you Dr. O'Keefe for your enlightening discussion.

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Dia de los Muertos

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Each year, October ends and November begins with the Mexican celebration of Dia de los Muertos, or Day of the Dead. It is a celebration of the lives of the dead, and coincides with the Catholic holidays of All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day.

Day of the Dead grew out of a cultural clash of Mesoamerica and Europe in the sixteenth century. The Aztec culture had a holiday where they celebrated the lives of the dead and took place in the summer. When the Spanish arrived to the New World in what is now Latin America, they saw that the holidays were very much alike. The only difference other than the actual traditions associated with the holiday was that Catholics also remember baptized Christians who are stuck in purgatory. The Spanish had the Aztecs move their holiday to the fall, so it would fall on All Souls' Day.

Many traditions surround Day of the Dead. It is customary for family members to remember the lives of deceased infants and children on November first and deceased adults on November second. Graveyards and personal homes are popular places for decoration and for altars dedicated to the deceased. Flowers are

used profusely in the decorations, mostly in oranges and yellows. Clay figures representing the deceased are made and placed on the altars as well. For food, some families make pan de muerto, or bread in the shape of a person. The baker will hide a small plastic skeleton in the bread, and it is considered good luck to find the skeleton.

This year, resident assistants Lindsay McDowall and Haley Pauley held a small Day of the Dead celebration in Maclin Hall with sugar cookies brightly decorated with frosting. The idea came from the tradition of making sugar skulls. Sugar skulls are made of primarily sugar and are decorated with brightly colored frosting and can have names on them. When a person takes a bite of the sugar skull, it is symbolic of taking a bite from death itself. To those who celebrate this holiday, it means that they have conquered their fear of death.

Today, Day of the Dead is celebrated in Hispanic communities across the globe. Cities in America such as San Francisco hold large Day of the Dead celebrations that can span as much as a week. While the individual traditions may vary from community to community, the fact that it is a time to celebrate those who have passed on remains the same.

Diversity: The "new" face of America

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Election Day 2012 brought about many changes in the United States. The first Asian-American woman senator was elected. Equality had a win with three states approving marriage equality and the first openly gay US senator was elected. America, founded upon freedoms and long called the "melting pot" of the world, is finally reflecting its' diverse demographics in the electorate.

The Associated Press reported that in the 2012 election the number of non-white voters rose from 20 percent in 2000 to 28 percent this year, with the majority of the difference coming from the Hispanic community. And with this rising trend, it is obvious that the candidates were playing to diversity. Exit poles in North Carolina, a state that Mitt Romney claimed narrowly, show that 42 percent of black voters were contacted by the Obama campaign as compared with only 26 percent of the white voters the Associated Press reveals. On top of this disparity, President Obama received 80 percent of the non-white vote this year, while Mitt Romney received 59 percent of the non-Hispanic white vote.

However, many realize that with the changing demographics of America, more must be done to reach people of every color and ethnicity. Condoleezza Rice, the republican party's most prominent black woman, is quoted by the Associated Press as saying, "Clearly we are losing important segments of that electorate and what we have to do is to appeal to those people not as identity groups but understanding that if you can get the identity issue out of the way, then you can appeal on the broader issues that all Americans share a concern for."

Perhaps what Condoleezza Rice had to say is having its beginnings with this election? Bert Eljera, reporter for The Examiner, wrote that Hawaiian Representative Mazie Hirono (D) became the first Asian-American woman elected to the US Senate beating out republican competitor Linda Lingle. Hirono, aside from her ethnic heritage, is also a practicing Buddhist and an immigrant Eljera says. He quotes Hirono as saying this regarding her election, "Clearly the Senate needs more

diversity, and we don't even have parity regarding women. We have a ways to go."

In the northern part of the United States, another historic win took place. Tammy Baldwin (D) of Wisconsin became the first openly gay US Senator. ABC News correspondent, Abby Phillips, posted that Baldwin's win kept the Wisconsin senate seat in democratic hands; defeating in a bitter race Tommy Thompson (R) the former Wisconsin Governor and presidential contender. Phillips quoted Baldwin as making this statement, "Now, I'm well aware that I have the honor of being Wisconsin's first woman senator. And I'm aware that I will be the first openly gay member, but I didn't run to make history. I ran to make a difference."

Riding closely on the coat-tails of Baldwin's win, the gay community also had another milestone this election. Three states: Maine, Maryland and Washington legalized gay marriage and Minnesota voted against a proposed ban. Washington Post staff writer, Aaron Blake, wrote that polls have shown a growing support for gay marriage in the recent years, but nothing like the significant leap forward of this 2012 election. Blake contributes much of the success to the African-American and Latino communities. In Maryland, which has a black population of 29 percent and a Latino population of 8 percent, Blake states that 46 percent of the African-Americans voted to support the marriage equality act with 52 percent of the Latino voters supporting the bill. Among the other three states, that are predominately white (Minnesota has an 83 percent white population), Blake describes that age and non-religious affiliations had the largest impact as well as those remaining states being largely democratic.

There were wins across the board for diversity during this 2012 election. According to the Associated Press this is a reflection of a trend that has been occurring in America for the past half a century, and now the electorate is finally starting to play catch-up.

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Controversy over Benghazi attacks

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On the eleventh anniversary of the September 11 attacks, the United States suffered yet another act of grief and loss. Four Americans were killed at the United States consulate in Benghazi, Libya; including the United States Ambassador to Libya, Chris Stevens. Much controversy has surrounded the attack. CNN correspondent Michael Pearson reported in an article, What the Obama administration has said about the Libya attack, that critics were laying much blame on the administration for "covering up" the attack under the ruse of an anti-Muslim video being released online shortly prior to the incident.

Much investigating has taken place since early September to get to the real source of the attack. Fox News writer, Jennifer Griffen, on October 26 reported in the article, "CIA operators were denied request for help during Benghazi attack" that ground sources in Benghazi knew that there was an urgent request for back-up from a CIA annex located roughly a mile from the U.S. consulate. The source also outlines, Griffen writes, that CIA operators were told twice to "stand down" even though shots could be heard firing in the distance. However, not everyone obeyed those orders.

Former Navy SEAL, Tyrone Woods, was stationed at the CIA annex and upon hearing the gun fire informed his superiors and requested permission to aid at the consulate. Griffen reports that Woods and at least two other fellow officers ignored the orders to stand down and made their way to an already burning consulate building. The rescue team, including Woods, evacuated those remaining in the complex. According to Griffen's sources, at this time the team evacuated

everyone they encountered from the complex, but could not locate Ambassador Stevens and at approximately midnight made their way back to the CIA annex.

Back at the CIA annex, Griffen states that once again Woods and his team called for back up because they were taking fire at the compound. Once again, according to sources, requests were denied even though there were no problems with communications at the annex. Nearly seven hours after the attack began Griffen reports, mortar fire began raining down upon the CIA annex and Woods along with fellow serviceman Glen Doherty were killed. At this time the American casualties were brought up to three; including Sean Smith who had been killed at the initial attack at the US consulate, and not including Ambassador Stevens.

When later questioned about the incident in Benghazi, however, Griffen quotes CIA spokeswoman Jennifer Youngblood as saying, "We can say with confidence that the Agency reacted quickly to aid our colleagues during that terrible evening in Benghazi," she said. "Moreover, no one at any level in the CIA told anybody not to help those in need; claims to the contrary are simply inaccurate. In fact, it is important to remember how many lives were saved by courageous Americans who put their own safety at risk that night-and that some of those selfless Americans gave their lives in the effort to rescue their comrades."

In light of all the conflicting evidence, Senior National Security Producer Pam Bronson reported to CNN that Senior Intelligence, State Department, and FBI officials will be under speculation at a Congressional hearing next week. Bronson lies out that lawmakers want answers to the following questions: "who was responsible for the attack, was the attack planned, what was the intelligence reporting on the threat to Libya prior to the attack, and is security adequate?" Bronson notes that key

witnesses on trial to testify will be: Director of National Intelligence James Clapper, CIA Director David Petraeus, Undersecretary of State Patrick Kennedy, FBI Deputy Director Sean Joyce, and National Counterterrorism Director Matt Olsen. Among evidence being brought to trial, Bronson states, will be several emails obtained that indicate within thirty minutes of the beginning of the attack the State Department had informed officials at the White House, Pentagon, FBI, and the Director of National Intelligence that the attack was underway and Ambassador Stevens was inside the compound.



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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		
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3:00	Chengmin Yang				

The Tech Collegian

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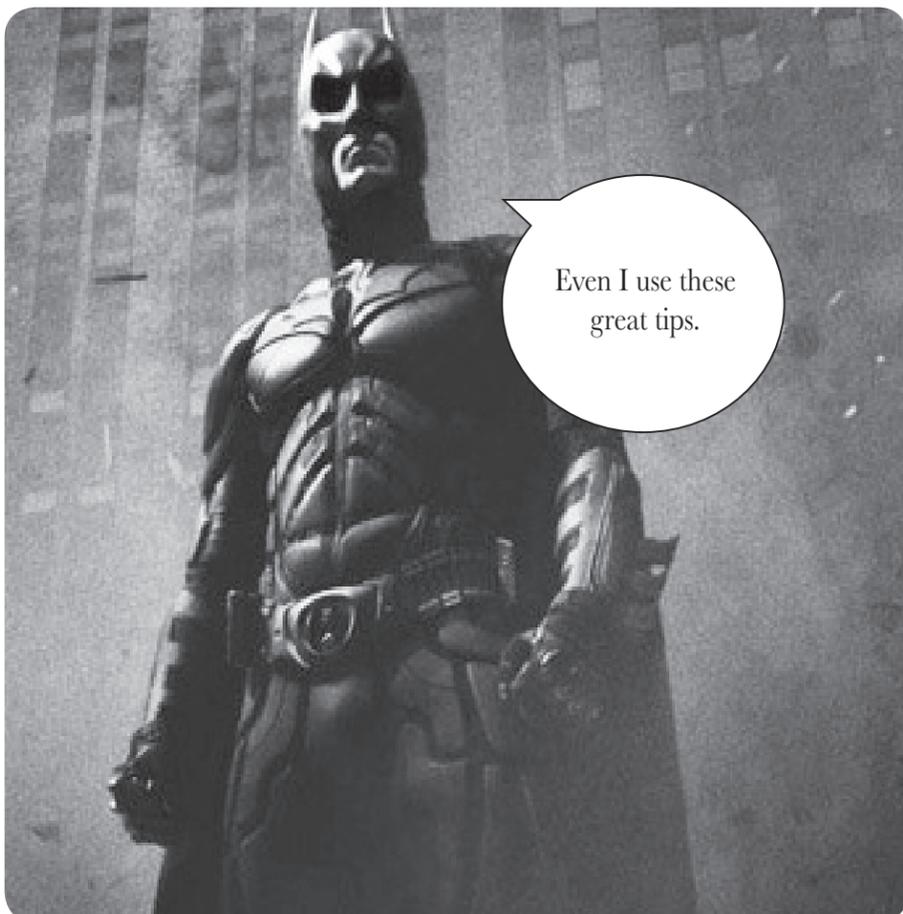
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Friday:
7:30am - 4:30pm
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Even I use these great tips.

Tech Collegian's Tip of the Week

Finals are right around the corner. Make a schedule now and designate times to study for each exam two weeks in advance. If you adhere to this it will make finals week less stressful.

Featured class: Anatomy and Physiology II

Andrea Joseph
Section Editor/Staff Writer



All students that attend Tech have certain pre-requisites they have to take to obtain the major of their choice. A good majority of the students that come to Tech are engineering or nursing majors, so not many students have the interest or opportunity to take many elective classes. Nevertheless, one class you should not pass up is Anatomy and Physiology 2. Even though Anatomy and Physiology 1 is required and is also very interesting, many other regions and parts of the body are not covered in the first section of A&P and are thoroughly covered in A&P 2.

Anatomy and Physiology 2 is taught by the intelligent and enthusiastic teacher Dr. Carl Wellstead. Dr. Wellstead has taught at Tech for numerous years in the Biology department and never ceases to teach with great eagerness and enthusiasm. He enters the classroom every lecture with nothing less than a smile on his face and his cup of coffee.

When taking Anatomy and Physiology 1, many of the basics are covered such as bones, muscles, the brain, etc. When taking the A&P 2 class, you get

into the analytical and theoretical parts of the body in which things are much more complex and riveting. When taking this appealing elective, you dig deep into the fundamentals of the body such as the functioning of the heart and how its stimulating functions keep us going day after day. You also look into the depths of the human reproductive system and human development so we can learn to understand how our young adult bodies grow and continue to grow. With digging into the two most complex parts of the body, the learning is far from over. You also move into the endocrine system, cardiovascular system, urinary system and surprisingly more!

Some parts of this course can get tiring and overwhelming, but the outcome with the amount of knowledgeable information obtained is more than worth it. You finally manage to learn how your own body works, as well as more facts for fun. When things do happen to get too rough, you have an incredible teacher by your side that is available at your convenience. You do many activities that help you understand the material better such as quizzes, labs that are very informative and a dissection you will never forget!

Predictors of selective termination: Cynthia Hall, Ph.D.

Ashley Quinn
Section Editor/Staff Writer



Doctor Cynthia Hall of the WVU Tech Psychology Department gave a recent Brown Bag Lecture on her doctoral thesis, Predictors of Selective Termination. Dr. Hall wanted to expand upon previous research done on the issue and determine what factors played into couples, or single parents, deciding if they terminated their pregnancy, with a special emphasis on termination of disabled children.

Dr. Hall outlined that there has always been a history of discrimination with difficult pregnancies. People abandon their unwanted infants. Another routine procedure for disabled adults was to sterilize them so they could not further "infect" or add to the "problem". Instances of euthanasia were also not uncommon. Infanticide was also another commonly used method of getting rid of unwanted children. In the instance of infanticide, Dr. Hall specifically cited the cases of Baby Doe and Baby Jane Doe, both of which were born with disabilities. And also, selective "medically necessary" termination is a more recent form of discrimination.

Dr. Hall's research led her to look at previous predictors for this sort of behavior from couples terminating their pregnancies. In her presentation she outlined that severity of the illness, attitudes towards people with disabilities, attitudes towards abortion, religious affiliation, and perceptions of parenting were all thought to be predictors as to if a couple would terminate the pregnancy.

Expanding upon previous studies, Dr. Hall looked at three specific disorders: downs syndrome (categorized as both a physical and psychological disability), spina bifida (categorized as a physical disability), and fragile X (categorized as a psychological disability). For these three disorders, Dr. Hall constructed her research to look specifically at the types of disabilities, the labels and/or stigmas associated with them, peoples' attitudes

towards people with disabilities, attitudes towards abortion, religiosity, attachment security, and peoples' perception of parenting. She believed that the previously listed were all key factors that went into determining whether or not a couple would terminate their pregnancy.

After a very thorough examination of the possibilities Dr. Hall discovered the following conclusions. The type of disability, perception of parenting, and the stigma associated with the disability were related to the likelihood of termination. Interestingly enough she found that attachment, attitudes towards people with disabilities, and religiosity were not related to selective termination. Also unrelated were demographics of the couple, relationships/sex variables, and familiarity variables.

All in all, the presentation was a very informative and well put together one. Dr. Hall did a fantastic job at relating to Tech students the relevance and importance of her work. We are very fortunate to have professors such as herself that bring research experience to help enrich the learning of the students at the University.



Upcoming fun, intriguing classes for next semester

Class: Ceramics I

Subject: Art

Days: Monday & Wednesday

Time: 1 p.m. – 3:50 p.m.

Professor: R. Yoho

Class: Painting 1

Subject: Art

Days: Tuesday & Thursday

Time: 12 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.

Professor: E. McKinnon

Class: Human Sexuality

Subject: Biology

Days: Tuesday & Thursday

Time: 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Professor: Dr. Umphress

Class: Ecology

Subject: Biology

Days: Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Time: 1 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.

Lab: Wednesday 2 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.

Professor: Dr. Beutler

Class: Environmental Biology

Subject: Biology

Days: TBA

Time: TBA

Professor: Dr. Ferrara

Class: Introduction to Creative Writing

Subject: English

Days: Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Time: 2 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.

Professor: Dr. Barko

Class: Images of Women in Literature

Subject: English

Days: Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Time: 11 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.

Professor: Dr. Barko

Class: History of English Language

Subject: English

Days: TBA

Time: TBA

Professor: Dr. Kihn

Class: Intro-Criminalistics and Forensic Science

Subject: Forensic Investigation

Days: Tuesday & Thursday

Time: 2 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Professor: Dr. Rutherford

Class: Revolutions-Science/Technology

Subject: History

Days: Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Time: 10 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.

Professor: Dr. Rakes

Class: Appalachian Regional History

Subject: History

Days: Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Time: 9 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.

Professor: Dr. Rakes

Class: Intro to Mass Communication

Subject: Journalism

Days: Tuesday & Thursday

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Professor: Dr. Mitrik

Class: Intro to Psychology

Subject: Psychology

Days: Monday, Wednesday, Friday (or TBA for Dr. Hall)

Time: 9 a.m. – 9:50 a.m. or 11 a.m. – 11:50 a.m. (or TBA for Dr. Hall)

Professor: Dr. Lieving or Dr. Hall

Class: Intro to Human Development

Subject: Psychology

Days: Tuesday & Thursday

Time: 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. or 2 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Professor: Dr. Hall

Class: Behavior Principles

Subject: Psychology

Days: Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Time: 10 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.

Lab: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

Time: 12 p.m. – 12:50 p.m.

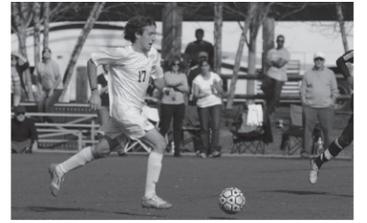
Professor: Dr. Lieving



GOLDEN BEAR SPORTS BRIEFS

MEN'S SOCCER

The Golden Bear soccer team traveled to Asheville, North Carolina to compete in the USCAA National Tournament. After winning the opening game 10-0, they went on to the second game which they also won 6-0. The final game of the tournament proved to be a very close game. After the first half of play, the Bears were down 2-1. The second half of play was a battle of defenses and after the 45 minutes were over, not a goal was scored. Tech lost the game with a score of 2-1. See "Luis Cortell's Blue and Gold Army: Battle at Nationals" for more details.



Rodrigo Manzanares

MEN'S BASKETBALL

After showing their skill during the Homecoming game, the Tech Golden Bear basketball team moved on to win the next three out of four games. The Bears defeated Ohio Valley University 89-80 in the Baisi Center. They then dropped the following game to Bethel University with a score of 63-78. The next two games were victories and were against the University of Virginia's College at Wise (93-85) and Bluefield State College (104-96).



Cam Powell

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

After the victory at Homecoming, the Lady Golden Bear basketball team wanted to continue playing and dominating on the court. Due to inclement weather, the battle against Bluefield State College had to be cancelled, but on November 3 the Bears traveled to Kentucky to battle the University of Pikeville. After the 40 minute game, Tech came out on top with a score of 76-56. Two days later, the girls traveled to Buckhannon to take on WV Wesleyan College. It was a very close game, but when the final buzzer blew, Tech ended up just barely losing the game by 4 points, 64-60.



Amber Tully

VOLLEYBALL

The Lady Golden Bears finished up their season with a few more win's which proved to be the perfect way to end the season. On November the 2, the girls traveled to Vienne, WV and battled Ohio Valley University where they ended up losing the bout 3-1. Four days later, the bears shut down Bluefield State College without letting their opponents take a single game out of the best of 3 out of 5 set. Central State University was the final opponent for the Lady Bears and Tech picked up another W in this match with a 3-1 win.



Tavia Dukes

SWIMMING

The men's swim team at Tech came in 4th out of 6 teams at the WV state games. At the Fairmont Fall Invitational, the Bears came in 3rd out of 3 teams. On November 3, the team traveled to WV Wesleyan College and lost the meet 74-121. The women's swimming team took 7th at the WV state games, and 4th at the Fairmont Fall Invitational. At Wesleyan College, the team dropped the meet with a score of 34-82.



Tech Swimmer

GOLDEN BEAR THROWBACKS



Standout Golden Bear: Mike Barrett

Jordyn Thompson
Editor in Chief



Mike Barrett, a native of Richwood, WV, was a Golden Bear Alumni who sported the Tech basketball uniform from 1961 to 1965 with pride. He led the West Virginia Conference in scoring during the 1964-65 season with an average of 27.7 points per game. Barrett earned honorable mention and Little America honors along with three All-Conference awards while playing for Tech. Barrett continued on to join the navy and was a member of the All-Navy Team twice. He earned the honorable title of Most Valuable Player in the 1965 Portsmouth Invitational Tournament in Virginia and led the Armed Forces All-Stars to a national title in 1968.

Later on, Barrett became a member of the

1968 United States Olympic Gold Medal basketball team and helped to defeat Yugoslavia to bring home the gold. After that, he pursued a professional career in the American Basketball Association (ABA), where he was known for his exceptionally skilled rebounding and shooting on the Washington Capitals team.

Sadly, Barrett passed away in August of 2011. His basketball jersey, number 10, is the only jersey to be officially retired at WVU Tech. It is said that he is one Golden Bear that will be greatly missed as he was not only an outstanding basketball player, but person in general.

All information for this article was obtained from the WVU Tech News Archives online.

Roche Wimberly



David Rawlinson



ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Soccer from front page

the 2009 second place winners. The game started off with a goal going into Briarcliffe's favor only six minutes into the game. Then, at the 30 minute mark, another goal was scored against the Bears. WVU Tech's own Dennis Furst answered only a minute and a half later with a goal of his own, bringing the score to 2-1 in Briarcliffe's favor. The second half was going to be the deciding factor for the game. Whatever words were spoken during the halftime break, both teams' defenses stepped up their game for the next 45 minutes for not a single goal was scored by either team. WVU Tech lost the game by one goal, bringing their season to an end with a record of 18-1-1.

The amazing success of the team's performance was very much appreciated by the students, faculty and staff at WVU Tech. "We had by far the most fans at all the soccer games we played at Nationals," says head coach Luis Cortell. "The Athletics staff [and faculty] came together to cheer for us and we were very proud to represent Tech to the best of our abilities."

This was a special season for the team. Senior Jordan Brooksher felt very strongly about the bond that the team had. "[My favorite part of the past season] was the camaraderie amongst the guys," he says. "The key element for our success was the team work ethic... everyone worked hard for each other from the last guy to the first guy everyone knew their role, and everyone played their part."

Junior Dennis Furst also had some words to say. "My favorite thing [about this season] was that we got second place this year... It was a great season and we are very proud of it. The number

one thing that helped us this season was that the whole team was like a big family. Everyone fought for each other and I think that was the main point because we made it to second place."

The players on the team feel like they were very close to each other. Their coach also backs up that notion. When asked what the key factor in the team's success was this season, Cortell replied, "I believe how much they care for each other on and off the field is the key of our success, and will always be the key for teams that I coach. Our players help each other on and off the field on any task, from driving somebody to the local Wal-Mart, helping them study for a test or drive somebody to the airport. That trust that they have [for] each other translates [onto] the field."

"[My favorite part of the season was] every time the seniors and they thank me for doing whatever it takes to make them welcome in Montgomery. It's the part that I most enjoy and feel that I have contributed to their well-being and graduation," continues Cortell.

For any senior soccer player reading this article, here is a message from your coach. "I expect [my seniors] to show the same leadership that made them successful the past season on the field, off the field. They all have very good grades here and I don't expect them to ever be... average worker[s]. Off the field, I want them to be very happy, as they brought me much happiness getting to know them as people; they are all very special to me."

How do you get pumped up for a game?



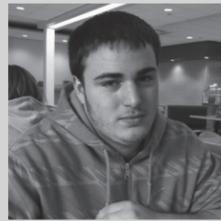
- Taylor Miltenberger

"Putting on face paint, just getting ready, getting together with people, listening to music."



- Genna Trippett

"I listen to music that pumps me up."



- Alan Blush

"I'm always at my fraternity house and my brothers get all excited and we jump around, and we go and show school spirit."



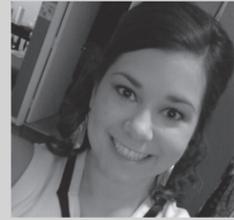
- Megan Blythe

"I listen to music."



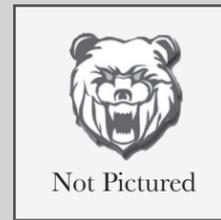
- Dennis Fuerst

"I'm excited for every game. I just want to win, it doesn't matter who we play."



- Carla Woods

"It hypes us up when we start yelling out the player's names. We have to cheer when they come out and that pumps me up."



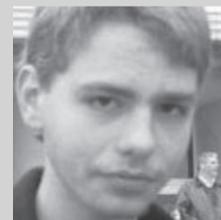
- Bridget Leach

"I have a specific playlist I listen to on the way to the game."



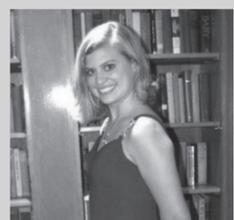
- Tori Bragg

"I talk to the teams and their enthusiasm for the sport hypes me up and gives me a better sense of school spirit."



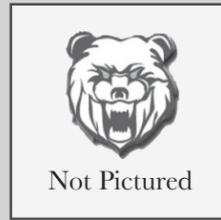
- Patric Devereaux

"A party for the game."



- Amy Haddix

"On the starting line we do stride outs. Seeing everyone that's about to race running out and doing skips and stretching gets my adrenaline pumping."



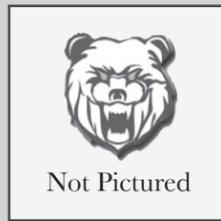
- Alex A.

"I don't."



- Abby Browning

"I wear my favorite team's colors, decide who I want to win on the weekend, and cheer them on even if they win or lose."



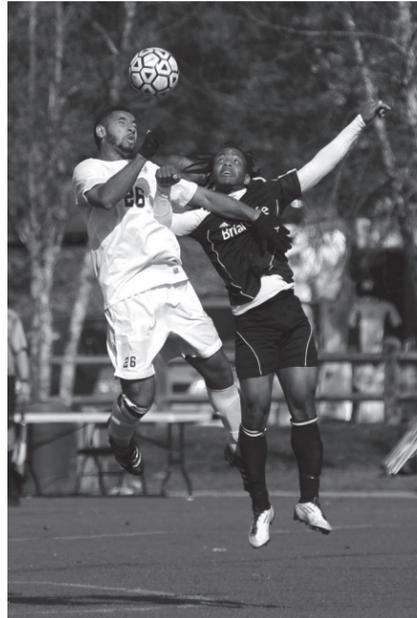
- Katie Sanders

"I make a lot of food, like touch down taco dip."



- Emily Geldbach

"I drink a Red Bull, eat a Reeses, and listen to Buckcherry and put eye black on to look intimidating."



Fall 2012 Pool Hours

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

Monday - Friday

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

8:00 - 10:00 p.m.

Wednesday

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.

Intramural Stats

Ultimate Frisbee

Cowboys and Anthrax (3-4)

Buffalo (2-5)

Hi Flyers (7-0)

The Avengers (2-5)

Basketball

BAMF (0-3)

Buffalo (2-1)

Soccer Squad (1-2)

Twerk Team (1-2)

Monstars (1-0)

B.D.S. (3-0)

Face-off (1-2)

Team Kessler (2-1)

Volleyball

BAMF (0-3)

Craig's Awesome Adventure Team (2-1)

The Latinos (1-2)

Buffalo (3-0)

Dodgeball

Average Joes (3-0)

Craig's Awesome Adventure Team (2-1)

The Latinos (1-2)

Buffalo (3-0)

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INVOLVEMENT APATHY



Jordyn Thompson
Editor in Chief



In my years here at Tech I have had plenty of time to observe the student body. Tech, as with any university for that matter, has its interesting points; but the one thing that has stuck out in my mind is the involvement level of the student body. "There is nothing to do at Tech," you can hear people say it all over campus. The comical part of that statement is that those reciting it are most often the ones that never take the initiative to get involved. Just a little hypocritical, don't you think?

From my very first year as a Golden Bear student, which was the fall of 2008, I have observed students repetitively commit this hypocrisy. Since then, the number and frequency of activities and events here at Tech has greatly increased; although, there is still one issue...it is always the same people that are involved in anything and everything. I tip my hat to those individuals. The Greeks and athletes tend to be front and center at any Tech event; they truly are the heart of our institution as they do all they can to make their time here a total blast. SGA, SAB and various other student organizations are also right in the mix when there is something going on. But as for the general student population, it seems there may be something lost in translation.

Coming from a high school that boiled over with school spirit (Riverside High School of Belle, WV), it was a definite culture shock to come to Tech as a

freshman and see that most people did not care to take part. My first experience in which this was called to the forefront of my attention was homecoming of 2008. There was a bonfire scheduled on the Grassy Knoll as one of the homecoming events. Upon gaining knowledge of this, I was greatly excited to take part in my first college bonfire. At my high school, our homecoming bonfire was a huge deal, an all evening event that took place directly after the homecoming parade. There was live music provided by local bands, a girls versus boys' soccer team game, a teachers versus girls' volleyball match, a powder-puff football game which the football captains would coach, a cook out, our band played, our cheerleaders cheered, the full nine yards. This is what I was expecting when I arrived at the Grassy Knoll, but far from what I found. Much to my dismay, there was a maximum of 50 people present for the duration of the bonfire event, which lasted a whopping 25 minutes at best. Needless to say I was thoroughly disappointed; not in Tech but in the apathy of the student body.

Thankfully this is something that has vastly improved throughout my almost five years here at Tech. There is an increased attendance rate at most events, although still not what I would expect from a college. You would think that people would eat up any chance to have some fun but, more

often than not, this is not the case at all.

From an educated, intellectual perspective, it is almost as though our student body is a victim of a term I learned in both Sociology and Social Psychology: Group Think, which can be defined as the practice of thinking or making decisions as a group in a way that discourages creative and individual responsibility. Along with that, there seems to be several other socially psychological aspects at play. The biggest issue I have witnessed with my own eyes and heard with my own ears would be students deciding to not go to an event solely because other people are not going. Be realistic, if everyone thinks in that manner then of course there will not be a good turnout at an event. Instead of saying, "I'm not going because not many people I know are going," or something similar to that effect, people should gear up and go to encourage others to go. Heck, why not go even if you do not know anyone else going just to meet and make friends with other Tech students?

This is your college career. Why on earth would you not want to take part and be active in almost everything you had the chance to be? I cannot understand for the life of me how someone could go through their entire duration of college complaining that there is nothing to do when there is a whole slew of activities and events going on all around you. No, dear Montgomery may not be Huntington,

Morgantown or Charleston; we do not have numerous bars and clubs next door, nor do we have a mall, movie theater, or countless nice restaurants. But for us to say Montgomery and/or Tech is boring based on its lack of that small list of things is to say that we as intelligent and ambitious college students are not capable of creating and upholding our own fun and entertainment. I think our lack of that is what allows us to truly experience college for what it is, furthering your education while taking your first steps out of the nest and into the real world. Bars, shopping, movies and food are not part of the college even though they tend to be lumped into the experience due to age appropriate timing. Friends, school spirit, getting involved and being proud to take part in anything to do with your university...those are the main experiences of college outside the realm of scholastics.

I pose a challenge to every student that reads this and has been guilty of deeming Tech boring. Make a conscious effort to get involved. Be part of a club. Pledge a fraternity or sorority. Go support your outstanding Golden Bear athletes. Make a float. Be in a parade. Run for Mr. or Mrs. Golden Bear next year. Look at the campus calendar on our school website and take your pick. Give Tech a chance and a try, this is time you can never get back. You owe it to yourself and your university as Golden Bears.



- Yay:** Thanksgiving break!
- Nay:** Homework on Thanksgiving break
- Yay:** Seeing Tech's talent show
- Yay:** Buying \$1 Candy bars from the AST's
- Yay:** Magicians at Tech
- Nay:** Black outs
- Nay:** Crowded malls
- Yay:** Boobie bracelets
- Nay:** Registration issues
- Yay:** Tech snowdays
- Yay:** Thanking veterans
- Nay:** Mean Campo
- Yay:** Donating to charity
- Nay:** Premature Christmas decorations up in Montgomery
- Yay:** Leadership conferences
- Yay:** Being thankful
- Yay:** Playing intramurals

A changing landscape

Jordan Hill
Staff Writer



It is done. The people of West Virginia have spoken and they have spoken loudly; although the outcome was strange, to say the least. Some of you may remember an article I wrote a little over a year ago called, "Some States Red, Some Blue. Is WV Now Purple?" In it I talked about the strange political landscape in West Virginia and how a traditionally Democrat state may be turning Republican. After the 2012 election, my assessment could not be any more accurate. After long, hard fought campaigns from all candidates, West Virginians are seeing a change in the political landscape right before their very eyes.

While Democrats like United States Senator Joe Manchin, Governor Earl Ray Tomlin, Secretary of State Natalie Tennant, Treasurer John Purdue and Auditor Glen Gainer won reelection, it did not come without a fight. Each candidate had a very qualified and worthy Republican challenger this time proving that West Virginians are very alert and ready to start holding our politicians accountable, despite their political party.

Longtime Attorney General Darrell McGraw was not so lucky on election night. He was defeated by an experienced healthcare attorney from Harper's Ferry, Patrick Morrissey. Morrissey, West Virginia's first Republican attorney general in 80 years, ran a targeted and well-funded campaign to bump the 76 year old entrenched Democrat incumbent. He challenged McGraw's ethics and his failure to more frequently sue the Obama administration over things like environmental regulations and the health care reform law, also known as Obamacare.

Morrissey held a press conference on November 8 and laid out his 17 point plan which includes banning the use of taxpayer funded trinkets with his name on them, something McGraw has done for years. Morrissey also pledged to take on the EPA and conduct a full-scale audit of past attorney general's office expenditures.

Republicans will now hold two seats on the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals. Justice Brent Benjamin will be joined by fellow Republican Allen Loughry, a resident of Charleston. Loughry, an author and longtime West Virginia Supreme Court law clerk took second place behind Democrat Justice Robin Davis to become the newest Justice on the court. Loughry ran a very positive campaign in which his six year old son, Justus Loughry, played a key role. He brought humor to it when he starred in a campaign commercial called, "The Real Justus."

Another huge surprise on Election Day was the House of Delegates races. West Virginia Democrat Party Chairman Larry Puccio talked about how the Republicans' enthusiasm was good to have, but he didn't expect there to be much change. While the Democrats were hoping to keep their large majority, West Virginia Republican Party Chairman Conrad Lucas was confident and predicted an 8 to 10 seat pickup. "We know it's going to be a good day for us," he said. Although, both chairmen were at least a little surprised at the end of the night after the Republicans picked up 11 seats in the House.

Starting in January, the Republicans will hold the largest number of seats in the House of Delegates since the Great Depression. They hope to keep this momentum going into 2014 and grab the majority, which is very possible. They only need five more to get it and a large number of seats that will be held by Democrats before then could go Republican. Many Republicans

lost this time by only a few hundred votes, meaning the state party and other outside organizations will target their races and send in aid to reach their goal in two years.

Republicans picked up three seats in the state senate on November 6th. Chris Walters of Nitro, Bill Cole of Mercer County, Craig Blair from the Eastern Panhandle and Mitch Carmichael of Jackson County are the newest additions.

While West Virginia Republicans made large gains this time, they still have a lot of work to do. The West Virginia Democrat Party gave them a huge gift this year by endorsing the reelection of President Obama. The question is, can they carry their momentum into the next election cycle? State government still cannot legitimately be called a two party system because of the large number of Democrats that occupy the offices; two United States Senators, one Congressman, three Supreme Justices, as well as a large majority in the State Senate and a small majority in the House of Delegates. Once they take a few of these seats, mainly the House of Delegates majority, it can be called a two party system and West Virginia will officially be purple. The landscape is changing and we could see a large change in 2014.



Women's Rights: Is it still a man's world?

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The founding fathers of the United States of America had a vision for their nation. It was a nation in which every man was equal and could pursue happiness in any way he chose. And so they created such a nation. However, their definition of 'man' was more restrictive than today's definition.

Women have struggled to earn their rights all throughout history. They fought for their right to vote and won it with the 19th amendment. They fought for their right to work. They fought for their right to join the military and defend their homeland. But are they still fighting today? Or have they finally become equal, or even above, men?

Many of the differences between men and women can be seen in the law. For example, the FBI defines rape as, "The carnal knowledge of a female forcibly and against her will. Rapes by force and attempts or assaults on rape, regardless of the age of the victim, are included. Statutory offenses (no force used—victim under age of consent) are excluded." Notice how males are excluded from this definition. A woman committing a rape is rare, and even rarer is the number of times it is actually reported. However, that is not to say it does not happen. It is the general mindset of the general population that a man cannot be raped because he is obviously stronger than the woman and can push her off, or some such nonsense. Date rape drugs are not only exclusive to women; they work just as well on men. Could a woman not rape a male using such a drug? Yes, she could. Another argument made by some is that a man would not achieve an erection if he were saying no; that is to say, he must be asking for sex. This is also untrue. That is a feature that a man cannot control. Ask any man on this campus and I can guarantee you he has, at some point, had an unwanted erection. In this instance, women are favored over men in the eyes of the law.

On the issue of whether or not women are below men, junior Adam Kiger says, "Well, it depends on how you look at it. Is it fair for a woman to get a job over a man just because of her reproductive organs? Yet, men usually get paid more than women. I mean I believe women are getting there but there are still numerous steps to go."

English professor Cortney

Barko, who has a graduate certificate in Women's Studies from NIU says, "It is certainly true that inequality exists in the workplace for women in a wide variety of ways. There is wage discrepancy, for starters; the most recent figure I read was that women make approximately 77 cents for every dollar that men make in comparable job fields with comparable education levels. There are still more male CEOs and presidents of corporations, and sexual harassment is still quite prevalent in the workplace, especially for women. This isn't to say that we haven't made great strides to improve equality in the workplace, but there's still work to be done."

"Also, when I think about this issue of workplace inequality, the 'second shift' theory always comes to mind. In feminist theoretical studies, the 'second shift' is the term scholars use to describe the continuation of work at home for women after they finish their daytime jobs. Essentially, the theory states that when married women come home from work, they are expected to do another job, that of being a wife and a mother--the 'second shift.' (Certainly, not all women are wives and/or mothers, but I'm generalizing). Personally, I experience the 'second shift' daily. Not only am I an Assistant Professor of English, but I am also a wife who handles the household finances and is responsible for the majority of the household chores. These are different jobs, but both jobs are challenging, time consuming, and stressful in their own ways. Most days, I feel as though I never stop working at one job or the other. This is not, however, to say that married men and fathers don't contribute to the household and don't do household chores. Some men do. And it's important to note that. This 'second shift,' however, is still largely labeled as 'women's work.'"

So will men and women ever be equal? No, they will not; not in the eyes of everyone. There will always be at least one person who shouts inequality, no matter what any statistic says. However, that is not to say that men and women should not be equal; they definitely should. It will be a long hard battle, especially in dealing with the law and issues such as rape, but it will definitely be worth it in the end.

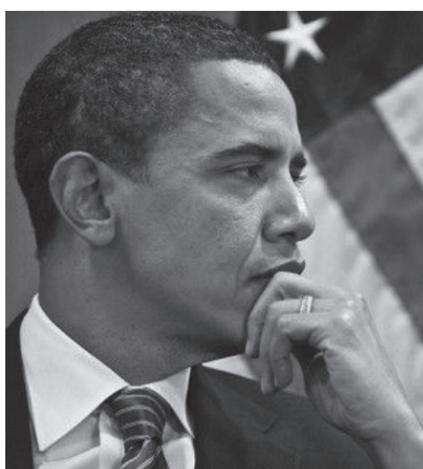
Election from front page

like the way Obama handled certain things throughout his presidency, and I do not agree with many of his policies.

Adam Kiger, junior Electrical Engineering and Mathematics major, is extremely passionate about politics in America today. He cast his vote for Barack Obama saying, "I can't give you one reason why I voted for Obama because a) I'm not a one issue voter and b) this election was so much more than just one reason. I voted for Obama because I lean extremely left of the political spectrum and because of his record from the past four years. He's saved the economy from a depression, ordered the strike on bin Laden, saved Detroit from going bankrupt (which saved millions of jobs and Detroit has since paid back their bailout plus interest), he has regulated Wall Street so that the rich don't continue to get rich while stepping on the middle class to do so. He has fought for equality which is why I lean so left because I believe in equality voting. He has fought for women's right, minority rights, and LGBT rights. Obamacare will/has helped many individuals and doesn't allow insurance companies to dictate your healthcare and allows everyone to get healthcare. It allows me to have insurance throughout college, which is vital for me. Finally, I

voted for Obama because he believes in education. He will allow me to continue getting Pell grants and other government financial aid to allow me to educate myself and better myself for the future. The choice was clear for me. Continue moving forward, or go backwards."

No matter whom you voted for it is important to keep in mind that both men are just trying to help this country in a way they believe is the best. They are just simply people, like you and me, and they deserve respect.



dear sophia

Dear Sophia,
I recently started dating my boyfriend. The first week or two we were awesome and I felt like I couldn't have picked a better guy. But at the end of week two, things started changing. I wanted him to go to some family stuff and he quickly started putting his wants in front of my needs. Well, I was furious about the situation and I just need to know if I should stick it out and quit it.

Your friend,
Fuming Girlfriend

Dear Fuming Girlfriend,
Normally, the first part of every relationship is amazing. Each one of you is trying to learn every aspect of each other and that entitles hanging out constantly with one another. Usually each of you puts the other person in front of your own feelings and wants to make each person the happiest they have been in a long time. This should be true until around six months, and then the love dove stage starts to die off and you two finally know how to say "no" to one another. Nevertheless, two weeks is way, way too early for this to be happening. Yes, both of you should still have your space, but most of your time for the first six months should be dedicated to one another. If he is putting his wants in front of yours this early, this is bad. Ultimately, this is your decision but whatever he is doing now is the good side of him and eventually he is going to go back to his normal ways. Now it is your decision to tough it out and see how bad it gets, talk to him about the situation or just let him go and find someone else who is willing to do anything to be your everything.

Yours truly,
Sophia

Dear Sophia,
I am talking to this new guy who I think I will be dating soon. He wants to know how many people I have been with and I feel embarrassed about my number. Should I lie to him or tell him the truth?

Sincerely,
Mortified Girl

Dear Mortified Girl,
The first major foundation for any relationship is honesty. If you honestly want to make this relationship go far and it work, then you need to be honest. Plus, if you are honest with him, the amount of trust with you has tripled in his mind. What you need to do is sit down with him and calmly explain your side of the story. If you need to go into any details, do not tell too much because guys get more jealous and paranoid as we do. Nevertheless, some details could be good in case of some circumstances such as dating, but some could be regrets. Simply talk to him. Communication is the other major building block in a relationship so talk to him like he is your boyfriend. He will understand. If he does not understand the situation and how you feel about it all then you do not need to be with him. People make mistakes and we live life according to how it goes, so he needs to respect that.

Searching for answers to
life's questions?

Write to
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Featured Golden Bear Alumni: Chris Godwin

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Chapter two of featured alumni column in the 2012-2013 Tech Collegian features another success story when it comes to finding a job in the field that was studied while spending days as a student to receive a diploma. As stated in my previous alumni article, we do not think so much about what we are going to do after school and worry more about the grades that we are going to get in our current classes. This is a legit worry however, for our futures are dependent on our grades, so to speak, for graduating with the highest GPA as possible will result in a better job most of the time. The success story that I will speak about is that of Tech graduate Chris Godwin.

Mr. Godwin is a native of Elkins, West Virginia and enrolled in the West Virginia University Institute of Technology in the fall of 2000. It was a brand new century, and life as a college student is what most high school graduates desired at the time. Mr. Godwin came to Tech and began his studies as a Computer Information Technology (CIT) and Electrical Engineering Technology (EET) major. He had the desire to be a tech rep, and his goals were not going to be blocked by anything that could not be overcome.

After only four and half years, an incredibly short amount of time for a double major, Godwin graduated from Tech with his degree in CIT and EET and began his search to find a job in the field. "I've worked for a lot of places," says Godwin, "but the two biggest ones were CAMC and where I am now, Pomeroy. I first started working for various companies that contracted out work. I was contracted out to do work such as running network security, working the

tech desk, some engineering work, and other such jobs." This was the beginning of a career that gave him experience so that he could move his way up in the field.

"[When I worked for CAMC] I also did tech work," continues Godwin. "I worked on ergotron mak carts, which are basically hospital scanners that scan badges or medicine containers or anything of that sort. That system was my baby. Now I work for Pomeroy, [which is] a company that holds the contract for technical work in schools grades k-12. This means that I travel across the state to different schools and set up routers, computers, projectors or pretty much any other electronic device. My official title is a systems engineer."

Godwin, or as everyone in town from back in the day including the campus police officers call him, Chatters, is still active when it comes to visiting Montgomery and the school. He has come back to town almost every Homecoming since he has graduated and has been involved during Greek Week where he is the star first baseman for the Phi Kappa Tau fraternity, which he is an alumnus of. He also serves on the board of governors for the fraternity and helps out in any way that he can.

I asked Godwin what he thought of the town now as compared to what it was like when he was a student here. "A lot has changed," he said. "When I was here both Co-Ed and Hi-Rise were both open and used as dormitory buildings. Now Co-Ed is a mound of dirt and Hi-Rise is just a standing structure that takes up space. We also had a football team. I remembered going to a lot of games and tailgating, and now the field is just used for recreational activities. Also, when I was here, Maclin

was the department of corrections training facility. Now it is the nicest dormitory building on campus. While a lot has changed, a lot is still the same as well. A train still goes by every 15 minutes and you still get the Amtrak 6 days a week."

Godwin was fortunate enough to come to college and be able to leave in a reasonable amount of time and with a degree in two great fields. He was able to turn that degree into a good, high paying job in a field that he is considered a professional at, and that he likes. Godwin's success story should inspire other Tech students to have the desire to follow in his footsteps, and accomplish their goals!



Pumpkin Pie Vodka Recipes

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Dessert-flavored vodka has become an increasingly popular trend in recent times. For the taste of the season try something simple or daring with Pumpkin Pie Vodka in the mix. Here are a few suggestions I found online. If you decide to make your own concoction keep in mind that cranberry, apple, crème and vanilla flavors compliment pumpkin flavor. Cinnamon, ginger and honey also add a nice touch to a harvest inspired drink.

Spiced Pumpkin

2 parts Pumpkin Pie Vodka (Suggestion: Pinnacle)
1 part Irish Crème
Splash of Half & Half
Shake with ice, strain into a cinnamon sugar rimmed martini glass, and garnish with a cherry.

Pumpkin Cider

2 parts Pinnacle® Pumpkin Pie Vodka
1 part Apple Cider
Splash of Fresh Lemon Sour
Shake with ice, strain into a caramel swirled martini glass, and garnish with an apple slice.

Chocolate Pumpkin

2 parts Pinnacle® Pumpkin Pie Vodka
1 part Creme de Cacao
1 part Chocolate Milk
Shake with ice, strain into a crushed graham cracker rimmed martini glass, and top with whipped cream.

Recipes obtained from:
http://blogs.dallasobserver.com/cityofate/2012/10/guess_what_pumpkin_pie_vodka_t.php

Veterans from front page

They do not ask to fight against another human being, who is only doing what they are – fighting for their country and for their people. Each side in a war is the same. Both parties are fighting for what they believe in and what they believe will help their children to grow up in a good place. We may disagree with each other, but the basics are still the same. A service member of this country does not go to war to kill; he goes to war to defend. We are quick to judge the politics behind any war, but we are slow to remember those who really fight the battle. The scars of war, both seen and unseen are never wished upon anyone, but there are those brave enough to take those scars and bear them for us.

We are lucky in that we cannot define freedom. William Guarnere served in the Army in Easy Company in World War II. The popular HBO series Band of Brothers is based off this company. In the book Brothers in Battle, Best of Friends, William Guarnere writes, "One Dutchman said to us, 'Can you define freedom? You can't,' he said. 'Because you don't know what freedom is until you lose it.'" Thus, we cannot define freedom, because we have never lost it.

A simple thank you holds more meaning than many of us realize to a veteran of our country. So every time you see a veteran, say thank you. They more than deserve it.

G. K. Chesterton once said, "Courage is almost a contradiction in terms. It means a strong desire to live taking the form of readiness to die."

A history of Thanksgiving

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With the coming of Halloween many people are gearing up for the end of the year holidays. Time for merry-making and feasting abounds and none is more anticipated than Thanksgiving. Comfort food galore; turkey, dressing, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, assorted vegetables and the desserts. Oh, the much-awaited Thanksgiving desserts: every kind of pie imaginable and cobblers everywhere. And of course we can all remember as children the holiday plays. We would all dress up as Pilgrims and Native Americans and reenact the landing at Plymouth Rock and the very first Thanksgiving. But how much of that first Thanksgiving was actually true and how does it still influence us today?

In September of 1620, one hundred and two religious separatists departed from Plymouth, England on the well-known ship the Mayflower. They spent sixty-six days on the open sea to cross the Atlantic only to end up in Cape Cod, far north of their intended destination of the Hudson River. Over the next month, the Mayflower journeyed across the Massachusetts Bay to land in an area that the pilgrims "originally" named Plymouth. Unfortunately for the new settlers a harsh winter was coming and they were not used to the cold of the New World. So, for the entirety of the winter, the colonists stayed upon the Mayflower where half of them succumbed to exposure, scurvy and a variety of contagious diseases.

The coming of spring brought many changes for the settlers, thankfully. In March, the Pilgrims (they would not be known as such until later) finally departed the ship and continued work on their settlement. Much to their surprise,

the Pilgrims were visited by an Abenaki Indian who spoke English. Several days later, this visitor returned yet again with another friend in tow; Squanto. Squanto was another Native American who had been captured by an English sea farer and sold into slavery. He happened to escape to London before beginning his journey home. Squanto befriended the early colonists and taught them such things as how to harvest corn, how to remove sap from maple trees, and how to catch fish all while avoiding poisonous vegetation. This aid benefited the Pilgrims greatly as they were weak from malnourishment and illness. Yet another contribution of Squanto was to help forge a lasting relationship with the nearby tribe of the Wampanoag.

Out of immense gratitude, Governor William Bradford proposed that a celebratory feast be held. So in November of 1621, the first "Thanksgiving" was held. The colonists invited their new-found allies the Wampanoag, and even their chief, Massasoit, made an appearance. This glorious feast lasted three days, and while no exact menu can be accounted for, Pilgrim chronicler Edward Winslow wrote in his journal that Governor Bradford sent four men out on an expedition to go "fowling". In addition, the Native American guests arrived with a gift of five deer. Due to the lack of conventional, or even unconventional, ovens and a depleted sugar supply; the first Thanksgiving was not likely to have any of the sweets that have become such a staple today.

The following end of harvest season, Governor Bradford issued yet another call for a celebration. The past year had seen a drought that threatened the crops, so they were very thankful indeed to have had enough of a harvest to make it through the winter. And so

began the tradition of days of thanks. President George Washington became the first in 1789 to issue a proclamation for Thanksgiving. President Washington urged colonists to "express their gratitude for the happy conclusion to the country's war for independence and the successful ratification of the United States Constitution." Following Presidents John Adams and James Madison also designated days of thanks towards the end of the calendar year.

It was not until 1817 that the first states began officially observing a day of thanks as an annual holiday. Each state did not celebrate the occasion on the same day or even in the same manner, however. Noted magazine editor and writer Sarah Joseph Hale played an integral part in the popularization of the Thanksgiving holiday. For thirty-six years she posted editorials and letters to every governor, senator and politician she could. Finally in 1863, Abraham Lincoln listened. He proclaimed that all Americans "ask God to commend his tender care to all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife." The day he sat aside for the observance of Thanksgiving was the last Thursday in November and it remains at that date even today. Thanksgiving was officially signed into being by President Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1941.

So looking back on the history of Thanksgiving, take special care and appreciation for the holiday this year and be thankful for all that which we have been blessed.

All information found via <http://www.history.com/topics/thanksgiving>

What college students *really* want to know: Orgins

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With winter racing toward the home stretch, very viciously pushing summer and fall out of its way and blowing over the town of Montgomery in a blanket of white powder that sometimes graciously cancels class leaving all students happy and sad and the same time, a few phrases come to mind; and as they do, arise questions as to where they originate. Perhaps one of the most used phrases that fit this description, which is used on almost every gloomy day across the nation is "It's raining cats and dogs."

Where did this absurd saying come from? Unfortunately, there is no one, definite correct answer. There are, however, a few possible origins that may be able to take credit for the overused phrase, but no one knows for sure which one is correct.

Mythology is the derivative of the first possible origin. The god of storms was Odin, and dog s and wolves were believed to be attendants to Odin, and all the sailors attributed them to rain. Also, it was believed that witches took the form of black cats and that they would ride the wind during big storms. Another suggestion is that the phrase comes from the French translation for the word waterfall, "catadoupe." This is not a very accepted origin.

A widely repeated tale is the one that some people may be familiar with, which is that old time houses had roofs which consisted of thick straw piled high, without any support of any wood. Animals, especially dogs and cats, would climb into the straw because it was the only place that was warm, and when it rained, they would slip and fall down. This is also not an accredited possibility due to dogs and

cats not living in roofs of houses, and even if they did, they would have to be on the outside of the roof in order for them to slip off, which is where no animal would roam to in the case of a storm.

There is one suggestion, however, that is the most probable when it comes to discovering the origin of the famous phrase. During the 17th and 18th century in England, heavy rain caused flooding often and killed a lot of animals in the process. The heavy water flow would then carry the dead carcasses down the street along with other debris. Although the dogs and cats did not come from the sky during a rainstorm, the sight of them floating down the road with X's on their eyes and muscles stiff most likely caused the usage of the words.

Now then, the next time the sunshine hides its face with embarrassment behind the dark thunder clouds that block out its hot nemesis, and thick water droplets begin to form and fall making a splash as the collide with the ground, and you cannot help yourself but to say, "It's raining cats and dogs out here," remember where this icon of a phrase comes from!

Source: <http://www.phrases.org.uk/meanings/raining%20cats%20and%20dogs.html>



Fashion Forward

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Hurricane Sandy blew in last week and we now know that winter is rapidly approaching. With winter in sight, we need to officially put the spring/summer clothes away and bring out all of our winter clothes. So what happens if you pull out all of your winter clothing and everything looks so outdated and obsolete? Well, it is time to go to the mall and surrounding shops and get all of the hottest trends in fashion.

Surprisingly, 80's fashion is the hottest direction right now. Many girls are clinging to the ever so popular skinny jeans, tights, leggings, etc. Skinny jeans have been the trend for some time now and have not died down at all. Nevertheless, tights and leggings have recently topped skinny jeans for the simple fact of that they come in a variety of colors. Many of these leggings come in neon which is the trendsetting color of choice currently. Also, the tights are coming in a flannel, wintery type pattern which is something that is going to begin to pop as we see winter roll in. The wintery type leggings can be conveniently found at our local store Aerie for a cheap price of \$11.99.

With picking out the bottom part of your outfit being very easy, the hardest part is soon to come. Picking out the top of the outfit is the most crucial part. A shirt or sweater is the one item of clothing that blends the whole outfit together and makes the statement you are wanting to make. When wearing such tight bottoms, the perfect paired item would be something more loose. Since it is winter now, a sweater is the preferred item. Try to find items that look loose like a big, thick sweater that rolls off of your



shoulder, or a nice long sleeve shirt that has a cute, loose sweater to accompany it. You can get these types of tops from popular stores such as American Eagle, Gabriel and Brothers and even Rue 21! Consider getting the new featured American Eagle knit sweater for \$49.95. The sweater will put you in the hottest trend, as well as keep you warm and be perfect for years!

Now that you have the majority of the outfit put together and ready to go, you cannot forget the popular accessories. Pair your tight bottoms with UGG boots, riding boots or a cute pair of flats such as Coach. Coach has sales on flats for around \$50, which will last you years with the quality of the brand. Next, take a few trips to Claire's, Charlotte Russe and Rue 21 for the final touches such as a solid color scarf, gloves and you can never forget jewelry. If you happen to not have any homework one evening, try surfing store internet sites for amazing deals on all pieces of your outfit. The amount of things you can find cheap on the internet is indescribable! Also, never forget to layer with colors and pieces that accent your outfit. Its winter now, so layering is a must and will never stop trending.

Thanksgiving for college kids - quick, easy and tasty!

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Editor in Chief



Mashed Potatoes

What you need:

- Potatoes (you can get a bag of them at the local Kroger's for \$5 or less)
- Milk (I use 2 percent)
- Butter (Blue Bonnet works well, or real butter; your choice)
- Salt
- Medium to large sized pot
- Potato masher (In a bind, a fork can do the same thing)
- Big spoon or something else to stir with (Mixer if available to you)
- Potato peeler (If you have to use a knife, be careful)
- Knife
- Strainer

Directions:

Decide however many potatoes you will need to make the right quantity of mashed potatoes you are wanting. Rinse them off in cold water to clean them, they are also easier to peel this way in my opinion. Peel the skin off then use a good knife to cut them into small pieces; I aim for pieces around the size of a quarter to a fifty-cent piece. Fill your pot halfway full with water and set on a stove-top to boil. Once the water is boiling add a palm full of salt to the water before adding your diced potatoes. Allow them to boil till they are foaming; when they are done you should be able to scoop out a piece of potato with a spoon and mash it with ease using a fork. Next, strain the boiled potatoes using a strainer

in the sink. Dump the potatoes into a big bowl and mash them up. Add milk, butter and salt till it reaches a consistency of your liking.

Green Beans

What you need:

- Microwave safe glass container of some sort
- Canned green beans (Super cheap at Kroger's, not brand specific)
- Garlic salt
- Pepper
- Butter
- 1 onion
- knife

Directions:

Open your canned green beans and rinse them thoroughly in cold water then place them in your microwave safe glass container. Chop up one onion; I use a whole onion for two cans, half an onion for one can. Add garlic salt, pepper and butter to your taste. Place container in the microwave and cook on high for 5 minutes. Take them out, stir them, then repeat once.

Macaroni and Cheese

What you need:

- Kraft Macaroni and Cheese (or whichever brand you prefer)
- Water
- Milk
- Pot

Directions:

Follow the directions on the box.

As college students, I am sure you are well acquainted with Easy-Mac.

Corn on the Cob

What you need:

- Ears of corn (However many you want)
- Sugar
- Water
- Butter
- A pot
- Big bowl or container

Directions:

Shuck the ears of corn and place them in a bowl of sugar water; allow them to soak in the refrigerator overnight. On the next day, fill a pot almost full with water and allow it to boil. Add about ¼ cups of sugar to the boiling water, this sweetens the corn. Boil the corn until it floats. Remove with tongs.

Stuffing

What you need:

- Box(es) of Stove Top Stuffing
- Pot or deep pan
- Water
- Butter
- Onion
- Celery

Directions:

Melt butter in a pan on the stove-top then sauté chopped onions and celery in it. Follow the directions on the box to prepare the stuffing. When it is ready, add the buttery onions and celery to the mix and stir in well.

Turkey or Turkey Breast

What you need:

- Turkey or Turkey Breast (your choice)
- Onions
- Celery
- Salt
- Pepper
- Butter
- Cooking bag (This helps your turkey stay succulently juicy)

Directions:

Remove the bags containing the internal organs of the turkey. Rinse thoroughly well with cold water inside and out then dry it off using paper-towels. Cut up a couple stalks of celery and chop up 2 whole onions, put them in a bowl and salt and pepper it to your taste. Next, stuff the turkey full of the seasoned celery and onion. Rub the turkey down with butter, be sure to put it under the skin without removing the skin from the turkey. Tie the legs up and place it in a cooking bag on a roaster and put it in the oven. Follow the guidelines on the packaging of the turkey.

Finishing Touches

Cranberry sauce (Ocean Spray is the best)

Rolls (frozen or fresh, whichever you prefer or have time for)

Gravy (Mix drippings from turkey's cooking bag with flour, milk, salt and pepper.)

Book Review: *The Lovely Bones*

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The *Lovely Bones* is a story of a teenage girl who was heinously raped and murdered. The story is told from her point of view in heaven as she watches over her family. She also tells her story as well as the continuing struggles of her family as they try to cope with her disappearance over the years.

The story begins with a brief overview of the main character, Susie Salmon, and her family. At first one may think that this family is just an average American family that could never have anything bad happen to them, but this is certainly not the case. One day when fourteen year old Susie is walking home from school through the cornfield, she is approached by George Harvey. Mr. Harvey is a thirty six year old, single man who lives alone and builds doll houses. Harvey persuades Susie into coming underground to a secret bunker he has built. Once he has Susie underground, he rapes her against her will and murders her with a shaving razor. He then dismembers her body and scatters the parts in the local sink hole.

For a while after Susie's disappearance the Salmon family completely refuses to give up hope and reassures everyone that she is still alive. Then one day Susie's elbow is found by the neighborhood dog, so at that point the family goes downhill drastically. Jack, Susie's father, takes a

leave from work and begins using every ounce of his energy to look for clues surrounding Susie's disappearance.

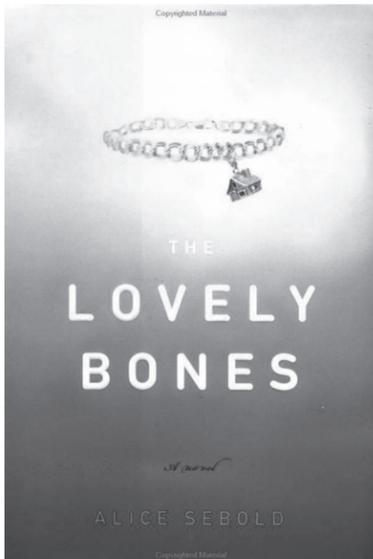
The police think Harvey is suspicious so they take him in for questioning. However, they are satisfied with his alibi so he flees town. As the story goes on through the years, the family becomes torn. Susie's mom Abigail leaves Jack and moves to California. Next, Abigail's mother, Grandma Lynn, moves in to help take care of the family. Susie's little sister Lindsey and her boyfriend Sam become engaged. While the family is celebrating the engagement, Jack has a heart attack.

As the whole family is spending every single moment at the hospital with Jack, Mr. Harvey returns to town. He drives by the cornfield where he murdered Susie and the sinkhole where he dumped her body. Later on Susie's spirit is able to come back in the form of her friend Ruth,

in order to connect with her childhood love, Ray, one last time. At the end of the story, Mr. Harvey dies while stalking a young girl in New Hampshire. It may seem as if Harvey got away with it; however, Susie had left behind one important thing. Her charm bracelet was found by an old couple who do not realize its significance yet.

In my opinion, this is one of the best books I have ever read. It had the perfect blend of action and sadness.

After I finished *The Lovely Bones*, I felt empty. I had become connected to the characters and I was upset that their story had to end.



Movie Review: "Inception"

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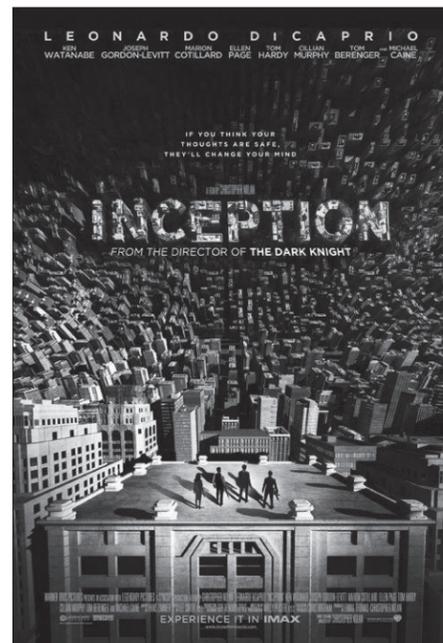
The story of *Inception* is a very long and confusing story. The main character named Cobb is played by Leonardo DiCaprio. Cobb is wanted for a crime he did not commit in America so he works for a company that keeps him under wraps. They protect him and he in turn goes into dreams and steals ideas from others. The dreams are so realistic though that sometimes he has no idea if he is in a dream or reality. He carries a top with him that will spin forever if he is in a dream so he has to wake up if it does so; he kills himself if it continues and wakes up to reality.

The interesting story begins when you find out why he is wanted. His wife killed herself and left the scene of the crime in a mess and made it look like he did it. She loved him but thought that they were in a dream and tried to get him to wake up with her. She jumped off a balcony in front of him and left him scarred and hurt. He blames himself for her death because he put the idea of reality being a dream in her mind.

That is not even the main plot though; Cobb is then hired by a man named Saito to plant an idea in someone's mind. The idea will tear a company apart that is in competition with Saito. To do so they use the son of the deceased founder and use his death to their advantage. They take the son and put him under and enter his dream. They kidnap him in the dream and use his godfather as a way to gain his friendship. They then use their resources and go into another dream where he is in a hotel and show him that he has been kidnapped and is in a dream. Cobb convinces him that he

is his defenseless against the kidnapers. Cobb then uses him to go further into his dream and plants an idea in the last layer that the son then finds. The son then sees his father on his deathbed repeating his last words but changes how the son sees his father. His father then encourages him to begin his own idea and separate the company. The job is accomplished but Saito was shot and recedes into a dream state that lasts a century in the dream but only a few hours in real life.

Cobb then has to save him but must face his wife first before he can move on. He finally finds Saito who has aged immensely. He then saves him and returns to his children back home with the top spinning at the end to make you wonder if he was still in a dream.



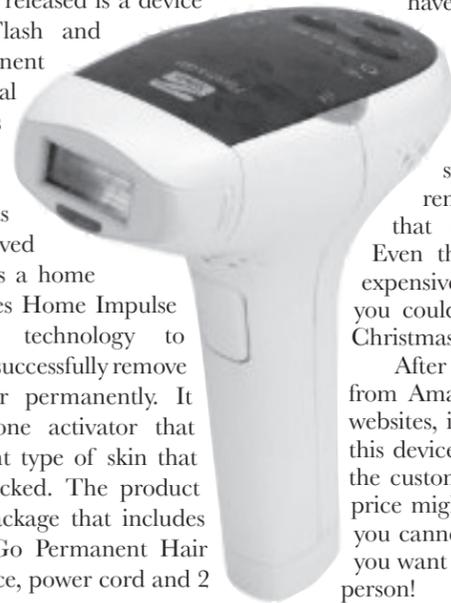
Featured Product

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Ever deal with embarrassing hair on unwanted areas of your body? Ever look into getting your unwanted hair removed but come to find it being way too expensive? Well, the inventors of the company Silk'n have now invented a home cure for your problem.

The new innovative product that Silk'n has released is a device called the "Flash and Go Permanent Hair Removal Device." This revitalizing invention, which was officially approved by the FDA, is a home device that uses Home Impulse Light (HPL) technology to efficiently and successfully remove unwanted hair permanently. It has a skin tone activator that senses the right type of skin that should be shocked. The product comes in a package that includes the Flash & Go Permanent Hair Removal Device, power cord and 2



cartridges.

The advantage to this product would be to get the convenience of a doctor's type procedure in the luxury and privacy of your own home. There is a very significant downfall and disadvantage to this product which happens to be the most important part, the price! The Silk'n Flash and Go Permanent Hair Removal System runs at an average price of about \$299, but the money does not stop there. After so many home treatments, the cartridges

have to be replaced to keep the removal process in its prime, and those cartridges run about \$40 each.

That aside, this product still makes procedures such as permanent hair removal available to those that cannot afford electrolysis.

Even though this product is very expensive, it is something that you could put on your wish list for Christmas or start saving up for.

After reading many reviews from Amazon.com and other similar websites, it seems to be apparent that this device is very accurate and keeps the customers more than happy. The price might seem very expensive, but you cannot put a price on something you want done to make you a happier person!

Featured App: Instagram

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Instagram is a picture sharing app that is available for iPhone, iPad, iPod and Android. It is similar to Twitter in the sense that you create an account and then your friends are able to follow you and in turn you can follow them back.

One of the most fun parts of Instagram is the wide variety of custom designed filters that are available for editing your photos as you post them. With eighteen different filters, your pictures will always look their best, and the better your pictures look the more likes you will receive. And let's be honest, who doesn't love getting likes on Facebook pictures?

With over eighty million users, Instagram's popularity continues to flourish by the day. Instagram is also a



social networking site that is fairly drama free. So if you're looking for a getaway from the normal drama filled social network, then Instagram is definitely for you!

Q: Why can't you take a turkey to church?

A: Because they use such FOWL language

Q: What happened to the Pilgrim who was shot at by an Indian?

A: He had an arrow escape.

Q: What does Dracula call Thanksgiving?

A: Fangs-giving.

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Q: What would you get if you crossed a turkey with an evil spirit?

A: A poultry-geist!

Q: What happened when the turkey got into a fight?

A: He got the stuffing knocked out of him.

Q: What would you get if you crossed a turkey with a baked fruit dessert?

A: Peach gobbler!

Songs of the Week

Staff Picks

1. "Thriftstore" - Aim Low, Get High
2. "Skyfall" - Adele
3. "Ho Hey" - The Lumineers
4. "She's Not Afraid" - One Direction
5. "Imagine More" - Bosph
6. "Country Roads" - Pretty Lights
7. "I Cry" - Flo Rida
8. "Call Me Maybe" - Upon This Dawning
9. "Boyfriend" - Issues
10. "Thunder Rolls" - Garth Brooks

Billboard Top 5 Songs

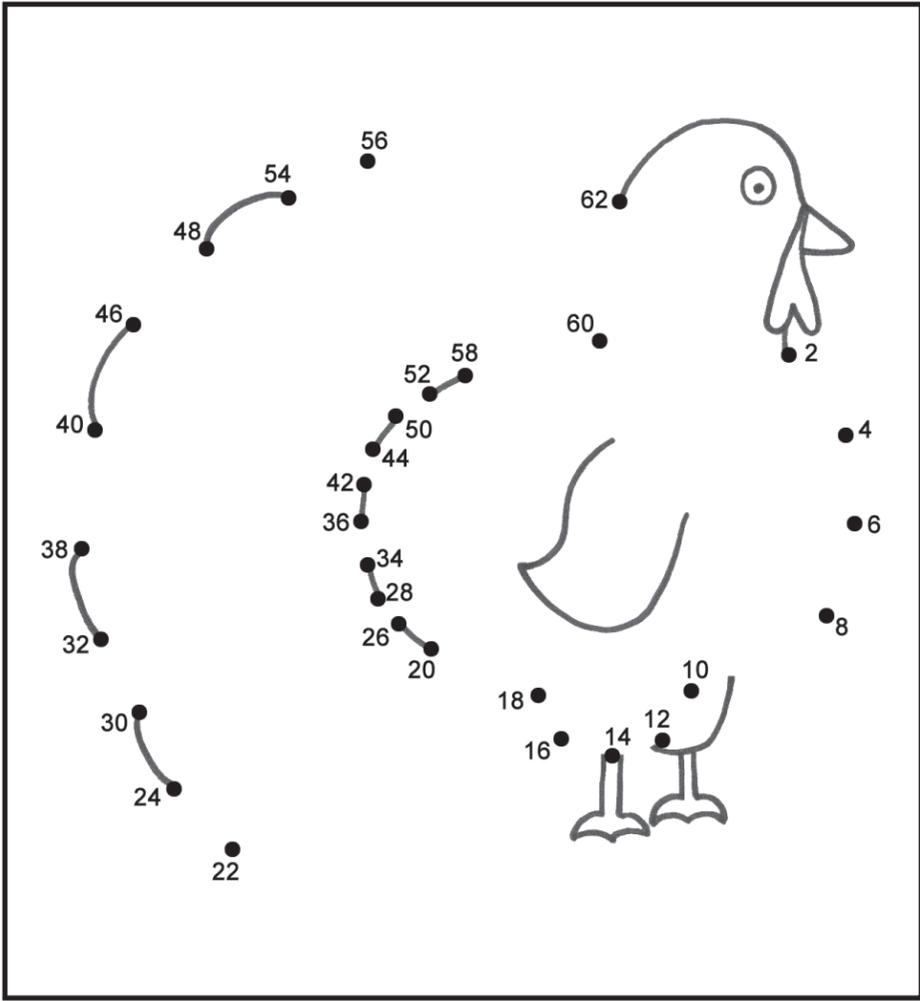


- 1.) **One More Night**
Maroon 5
- 2.) **Gangnam Style**
Psy
- 3.) **Some Nights**
fun.
- 4.) **Diamonds**
Rihanna
- 5.) **We are Never Ever Getting Back Together**
Taylor Swift

iTunes Top 5 Albums



- 1.) **Take Me Home**
One Direction
- 2.) **Trilogy**
The Weekend
- 3.) **Paradise**
Lana De Rey
- 4.) **The Twilight Saga**
Various Artist
- 5.) **Lotus**
Christina Aguilera



In History

November 14, 1851: Moby Dick is published

November 14, 1970: Plane crashes killing 37 Marshall University football players, coaches, team doctor, the athletic director and 25 boosters. This event inspired the movie We Are Marshall.

November 15, 1864: Sherman begins his march to the sea. For six weeks Sherman and his troops blazed through Georgia destroying most of the state and ended with the capture of Confederate held Savannah.

November 19, 1863: President Lincoln delivers the Gettysburg Address.

November 20, 1945: The Nuremberg trials begin attempting to convict 24 high ranking Nazi officials for the atrocities of WWII.

November 22, 1963: President John F. Kennedy is assassinated in Dallas, Texas.

November 24, 1859: Charles Darwin's Origin of Species is published.

November 26, 1941: President Franklin D. Roosevelt established the modern holiday of Thanksgiving.

November 27, 1095: Pope Urban II gives the order to begin the first Crusade.

December 2, 1859: Abolitionist John Brown is hanged for attempting to seize the federal arsenal at Harpers Ferry, West Virginia.

All information was retrieved from <http://www.history.com/this-day-in-history>

In order to succeed, your desire for success should be greater than your fear of failure. Bill Cosby

Your Weekly Horoscope

Capricorn- This is the time of the year that you will indulge on food. Last month you had the misfortune of having to go easy on the Halloween candy. This month you will eat until you cannot stand, then make your way to the couch and fall into a coma. You will be greedy with your food and not want to share. People will be mad at you.

Aquarius- Thanksgiving week will be consumed with cold weather and camo-clothing. You will spend a lot of your time in the woods hunting wild animals and showing off your kills to other people. While you are avid about your hunting, you will also commit time to your family. You will spend time with them and enjoy their company during the break.

Pisces- You are at a confusing time in your life where you do not know the right course of action. The path that you are following seems to split right in front of you and you do not know which path to take. Thoughts run wild through your head as you try to decide which direction you want your life to move in. When you come to a fork in the road, take it.

Aries- Holiday festivities begin to annoy you. You find yourself looking in dark places for activities that do not involve Christmas music or Thanksgiving turkeys. The path that you are taking will lead you to a place you have never been before, and it scares you to think about what will happen next, yet the mystery also entices you to search for more. The destination that you seek will please you, but will also leave you yearning for more.

Taurus- The thought of saving a few dollars during Black Friday will be all the motivation you need to get out of the house and into the wild maze of people waiting to get into popular stores. You will see a person in need of help, and, even though you want to keep moving, you will find it in your heart to help them. In return, you will receive great compensation. Karma is on your side.

Gemini- Unfortunately, your future is not bright. Unlike the rest of your friends and loved ones, bad luck is on your doorstep. Keep your head to the sky for falling pianos and out to get you. Attack crickets will annoy your legs, and a full moon will scare you. The site of a Thanksgiving turkey will make you hungry but will also give you food poisoning. You will spend time alone and afraid. Beware of flying, stinging insects. Avoid lions, they aren't kittens.

Cancer- Nice relaxing day with the family, weird things are about to happen though. Instead of turkey, you are having ham, nothing wrong with ham, just the wrong season. Seems like all the family has decided to go on vacation. That is okay, just a nice little dinner with all your immediate family, nope, just you and your weird siblings. Your boyfriend/girlfriend is coming in and gets to meet them. Try your best to stay calm, after all if he/she loves you they will stay.

Leo- Thanksgiving is over and Black Friday is now here. Have fun fighting through a crowd for that one last television and laptop. I am sure the bruises and scratches will be worth it in the end. The crowd sure was rowdy and you did manage to get sprayed my mace. You might regret not grabbing those headphones though, considering you just broke your old ones and you fought through a mob. Oh well, there is always next year.

Virgo- For Thanksgiving this year you will be watching the kids of the family. While the rest of your family goes out, you will be stuck with the children, helping them with arts and crafts as well as showing them inappropriate things to do when they get older. Everything will be fine until the aunt comes home and little Johnny decides to tell one of the jokes you told him.

Libra- Dinner with the family seemed so easy and calm, but you will manage to screw that up. Your parents are arguing with your aunt and uncle due to your big mouth, how can it get any worse? Well your brother just burnt the turkey and now you are about to kill him. Also the dogs got on the table and ruined the meal. Happy Thanksgiving... Not really.

Scorpio- Finally decided to go hard on Thanksgiving, bought a huge turkey and all the great entrees to go with it. It is time to feast on all the delicious food that you took so long to prepare. After a few hours you manage to eat six plates of food with turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, green beans and so much more. That is not all though, now it is on to dessert. After eating strawberry cheesecake, many delicious pies, and tons of fudge-based dishes, you have accomplished the goal. You might have gained some weight, but you ate like a champ.

Sagittarius- The end of November is near, have no fear. Christmas is coming soon, so sing your happy tune. Do not eat so much, for soon will be Christmas brunch. The time when food comes galore and sweet dishes more and more. I know the turkey is delicious, but what about all the dishes. You will be the butler or maid, too bad you will not be paid. Remember the words of this writer, you will be so much lighter.