

The search is on...



Samantha Belcher/MJ

UM Board of Regent members will select a replacement for the retiring UM President Mary Sue Coleman.

By SAMANTHA BELCHER
News Editor

Members from the University of Michigan Board of Regents and the Presidential Search Advisory Committee met with UM-Dearborn staff and students on Friday to discuss their search for a new university president.

A few months ago, current President Mary Sue Coleman announced her retirement effective July 2014. Since the announcement, the Board and Committee have been looking for her replacement and searching the area to get the opinions of the University of Michigan community.

"...That's why we're

here today," said Katherine White, Vice Chair of the Board of Regents, "To listen to this community regarding selection of the next President of the University of Michigan and the qualities, experiences, and values that this community is interested in seeing in that President."

Four Board of Regents members, including Katherine White, Denise Ilitch, Shauna Ryder Diggs, and Julia Donovan Darlow, along with two Presidential Search Advisory Committee members, Alec Gallimore and Jeffery MacKie-Mason, represented the panel during the forum discussion in Dearborn.

Before hearing from the audience, Regent White

described how the presidential selection process takes place. The Board of Regents is the only body to elect the new president after the Presidential Search Advisory Committee conducts interviews and chooses candidates for the Board to vote for.

"We (Board of Regents) are very confident these exceptional members will help us select the new president," Regent White added.

The Board also takes into consideration the views of the UM community from the forums hosted at the Ann Arbor, Flint, and Dearborn campuses.

The panel started the forum by asking the audience to answer various

questions: what opportunities and challenges are ahead for the UM community, what would the audience like the new president to accomplish in one year or in five years, and what characteristics would people like to see in a new president.

The majority of the audience expressed a need to help the lack of collaboration between all three campuses.

"One of the things that I hope for in a new president is that he or she will very much see this as one university and not a system," one audience member said, "...with one university we can very much learn more collaboratively."

Kristin McDonough,

UM-Dearborn Greek Life Coordinator, said all three campuses should work together, but also remember why they are all special.

"I think one of our greatest challenges and opportunities is something about this whole concept of coming across as one campus and understanding and working together," McDonough added, "but also not losing our identity as the Dearborn campus as being the Michigan degree in a slightly different way."

Some attendees gave examples of how the campuses could work together. One audience member said all three communities could collaborate on campus projects.

"...Initiatives going on in Ann Arbor, like the Mobility Center, it's not clear to me that all three campuses are given an opportunity to contribute to that effort," she said.

McDonough said she would like to see more UM-Dearborn faculty, staff, and students recognized for their accomplishments.

"I think they (the new president) can work on helping all three campuses maintain Michigan excellence in education and all new ways to be collabora-

tive and innovated," McDonough added.

Another audience member added that the whole UM community could give more recognition to the Flint and Dearborn campuses.

"I feel a little bit as if the Dearborn and the Flint campuses have sometimes been pushed away. And then when there is a research discovery or an excellent internship that has been performed at the Dearborn campus they (Ann Arbor) publish it..." he said.

He added by saying it is so important for the University of Michigan to be inclusive of all campuses.

When discussing the characteristics of a new president, some attendees said he or she should have a commitment to diversity and be a progressive visionary.

Another audience member said most presidential searches find candidates who are outside of the higher education industry.

"I would like to advocate the serious consideration of a new president who has a solid background in higher education as a scholar," she said.

Higher Learning Commission visits UM-Dearborn

By AMANDA GHANNAM
Guest Writer

Monday through Wednesday, the Higher Learning Commission visited the University of Michigan-Dearborn to determine our university's reaccreditation—we all received at least two e-mails from Vice

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-Wedad Ibrahim

Chancellor Henderson encouraging us to attend the Student Forum part of their visit. But what exactly is the Higher Learning Commission, and what does reaccreditation even mean?

Reaccreditation is basically the process of reviewing universities to make sure they are measuring up to educational standards. Graduating with a degree from an accredited university means your education is worth more—it means your

degree is recognized as that of a university that measures up to these high standards set by some of the best universities in the nation.

In addition to reaccreditation being a sign of high academic success, a student at an accredited university can receive federal, state, and private financial aid;

transfer credits to other accredited universities more easily; has a higher chance of gaining admission into accredited graduate programs in the future, and will have better chances of getting better jobs.

The Chicago-based Higher Learning Commission (HLC) is responsible for reviewing the accreditation of nineteen states—they send a team to review UM-Dearborn once every ten years.

So why did Vice Chancellor Henderson want UM-Dearborn students to speak with the HLC team at the Student Forum?

"The administration needed students to make a good impression by showing what a good university we are," said Latifa Bazzi, junior at UM-Dearborn.

"We were there to share our experiences on campus and prove the value of our University of Michigan-Dearborn degrees."

Bazzi attended the student forum as a member of UM-Dearborn's Student Government. Student input is a major factor in the Higher Learning Commission's review of the university and overall decision whether or not to award reaccreditation. Positive feedback and

constructive criticism from students are the most useful tools to determine if a university is doing its job, and doing it well.

The Student Forum began at 2:30 PM on Monday and took place in the University Center. Kochoff Hall was packed with 50-60 graduate and undergraduate students. Students were provided with passports excusing them from class and work in order to attend the forum at the request of Vice Chancellor Henderson. The Student Forum was an opportunity for the Higher Learning Commission team to ask students if the university is living up to its goals, visions, and standards. At the event, the HLC team asked students a variety of questions including what influenced them to attend the forum, why they chose to attend UM-Dearborn, what they like and dislike about this university, and how they felt about our general education requirements.

"The conversation varied from praise about our university's amenities, small class sizes, sense of community, et cetera, to criticisms about our advising, financial aid, and other areas. I thought the event was a good chance for students

to discuss the merits of our university," said Wedad Ibrahim, senior at UM-Dearborn and president of Student Government. "Overall I was able to interact with various HLC officials over the two days and it was apparent that they admired our love towards UM-Dearborn and the commitment many of our students have to bettering our campus experience."

The University should find out within the coming weeks whether or not it has qualified for reaccreditation. With so much constructive student feedback available to influence the Higher Learning Commission's decision, the university will undoubtedly continue to hold its position as one of the best accredited universities in the Midwest.



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News from around the world



-Two Chicago commuter trains collided on Monday injuring at least 48 people.

- Amanda Knox's murder retrial began on Monday in Florence, Italy without Knox in attendance.

-Seventy-four people are missing after three fishing boats sank in the South China Sea due to storms from Typhoon Wutip.

-President Obama met with Prime Minister Netanyahu on Monday after the president talked earlier this week with Iranian President Hassan Rouhani.

-The Vatican said Popes John XXIII and John Paul II will be declared saints in April.

-Passengers of a London tour boat jumped into the Thames River after the vessel caught on fire Sunday.

-On Interbrand's yearly Best Global Brands list, Apple surpassed Coca-Cola after the soft drink company's 13 year reign.

Students' Voice:

Who should replace Mary Sue Coleman?

By DALIA SALLOUM
Guest Writer

Recent changes within the University of Michigan-Dearborn's administration has got the students talking about who should take the place of Mary Coleman, the president, who is currently retiring.



Dalia Salloum/MJ

"I think Tom Brady should be the president because he played college ball for Ann Arbor and he truly is a Michigan man! He is the best football player, and a good representation of our football team. Oh, and he's hot."

-Ali Hachem



Dalia Salloum/MJ

"Lauren Conrad would make a great president because she is a 'fashionista!' Our school would be fashionable."

-Lauren Reagan



Dalia Salloum/MJ

"Kerry Washington should be president because of her power, her grace, her wittiness, and her beauty is what would make a good representation of what UM-D truly is."

-Trinita Clark



Dalia Salloum/MJ

"I honestly think Mr. Rogers would make a good president because he understands the importance of education and, well, he wouldn't raise the tuition every year, giving everyone the chance for an equal opportunity for an education as good as UM-D."

-Hassan Saad

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Fire rages in Detroit's west side

By MICHAEL FOSSBAKK
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Detroit firefighters battled a raging fire in Detroit's west side at the intersection of Pittsburg and Martin Thursday afternoon.

Firefighters responded to the fire at the abandoned commercial building around 3:30 p.m. on Thursday. Dark black smoke could be seen across the Metro Detroit area, including the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus.

Responders continued to fight the fire with aerial ladders several hours after arriving, thus not being able to immediately determine the cause of the fire. Power lines were also disabled by DTE Energy crews as a precautionary measure, causing problems for motorists trying to leave the nearby Hanneman Elementary School when their electronic security gates stopped functioning.



Michael Fossbakk/MJ

TEDxDearborn takes over UM-Dearborn

By FATIMA FAKHREDDINE
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TEDxDearborn will be bringing a Ted-like experience to the University of Michigan-Dearborn on October 19th in the IAVS building.

TED Talks runs on the slogan "ideas worth spreading." It gives people the chance to express themselves and inspire one another.

According to Elizabeth

Bastian, volunteer coordinator, this Ted Talk will be different than most.

"TEDxUMDearborn will be different from other TEDx events because it draws its speakers and attendees from a unique area." Bastian continues, "Dearborn, and especially the University of Michigan-Dearborn, is a cultural melting pot. The speakers, attendees, volunteers, and committee members definitely reflect this."

According to the TEDx-

UM-Dearborn website, "These local, self-organized events are branded TEDx, where x=independently organized TED event. The TED Conference provides general guidance for the TEDx program, but individual TEDx events are self-organized."

This independent TED Talk in Dearborn has been "a long time coming" Bastian said. "TEDxUMDearborn is a historic event because Dearborn is a historic community. This city and the area around

it has so much diversity, and is filled with passionate people who inspire others."

The TEDxUMDearborn website writes, "TEDxUM-Dearborn is here to positively impact Southeast Michigan, while also putting University of Michigan-Dearborn on the global map...we hope to demonstrate to attendees and the global community that UM-Dearborn is a university dedicated to maintaining and promoting its richly diverse and inclusive community."

The event planners of TEDxUM-D are anticipating it to be a big event with many participants and viewers.

"We have been seeing interest from all across the metro Detroit and Dearborn area, especially on campus. This event is going to be huge," continues Bastian, "We have room for 200 participants,

plus volunteers, speakers, committee members, and certain media."

"The TEDxUMDearborn committee and I could not be more excited to share this

One can apply as a volunteer or for tickets at the Tedx-UM-Dearborn website. Also, for updates you can follow them on Twitter, Facebook, and Pintrest.

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-Elizabeth Bastian



Library gets wireless update, rest of campus soon to follow



By AARON YNCLAN
Staff Writer

The Information Technology Services (ITS) branch of the University of Michigan-Dearborn has announced that the Mardigian Library received a significant upgrade to its wireless network and that additional

upgrades will soon be coming to four additional buildings on campus.

Students have always had a difficult time acquiring (and maintaining) a good Internet connection on campus, and between the continued increase in student enrollment and the recent addition of the Union

that difficulty was only expected to worsen. To help accommodate both new and returning students, the ITS Department and Student Government put into motion a plan to upgrade the wireless networks across campus to provide a more powerful connection and bandwidth.

ITS and Student Government first met during the winter 2013 semester to begin preparations for the transition with a goal to have the new system completed by the fall 2013 term. The extended time frame was required for the conversion as considerable changes had to be made not just to the network infrastructure, but also to the electrical and wiring framework.

The upgrade has increased the uplink from 1G to 10G, with thirty-eight new 802.11n model access points replacing the previous twelve. Providing faster speeds and increased performance throughout the Library, the system also utilizes a "clean-air technology" that reduces interference and downtime.

With the Library system completed, ITS is now

shifting its resources to begin the renovations for the networks within four additional buildings and are hoping to have the systems finalized by the start of the fall 2014 semester. The se-

lected buildings- CASL, Fairlane Center, the University Center, and Engineering Lab-were chosen from a survey ITS conducted with students back in the fall 2012 term.



Amanda Gosline/MJ

Jason Singer, Asking the Hard Questions



By JASON SINGER
Opinion Editor

Why does happiness seem to kick the bucket with everything else in the fall?

Green Day wasn't kidding when they sang: Wake me up when September flippin' ends.

Trees die in the fall. People die in the fall as if everyone has synced up their mortal clocks and all decide to drink poisoned KoolAid together. Hell, I even had a dog die in the fall. And don't think relationships are immune. Those especially, seem to shrivel up like a metaphorical prune which will, in some way or

another, make you shit your pants.

And while the colors on the tress are beautiful and rays of sun filter through leaves like miniature explosions, it is inevitable until you realize that come September, your life has become a singular hydrogen bomb and you start Googling ways to change your name to Hiroshima.

The bright side? September is almost over. And hopefully this Fall Funk will be too.

I was beginning to fear that my relationship was doomed; a fear brought on by my unfortunately high nerdiness levels. I hypothesized that I am just on the brink of the 9 Month Mark- a make or break moment in the dating world where an individual's oxytocin levels may start to decrease. This hormone is responsible for the trust you feel with your partner, and that feel-

ing of "Giddiness" is just a buzz resorting in the reuptake of a higher-than-normal level of hormones.

So that clingy girl that seems to be stalking you after you had sex once in a frat house closet

“Save a tree, wipe your ass with a hippie.”

and were too drunk to remember?

Well sorry guys, it's actually your fault that she is so crazed. Because you are the reason her brain stimulated more oxytocin. So stop blaming the female gender and start blaming the organ you truly think with.

But without this hormone that spark in your relationship begins to fade. The sexual and emotional attraction begins to wither. And be-

fore you know it you are just another textbook example of why soul mates are really just fiction. Just like the Tooth Fairy. Or Jesus Christ.

Does dating someone completely opposite to your personality help?

But my partner is remarkably similar to me. We both make cat noises, we both talk in bizarre foreign accents, and we also have a tendency to create socially awkward situations. Does this mean I am a narcissist?

lot of people may know but may not fully understand: Relationships are constant work.

While many people may not be willing to put in the proper time, they can be more rewarding than words could describe. There is something beautiful in having someone to come home to. A feeling of comfort that even after you have the worst day of your life, you have someone next to you in bed (sorry religious extremists, yes some couples do share a bed before they get married and at least we will be more comfortable in Hell cuddling than in solitary confinement in Heaven).

So hang on a couple more days. September is almost over. And we can only pray that our water will magically turn into wine to help us pass the time. Or you can do what I do and hope for a Gnu Beginning.

Not necessarily. But then you could always make the argument that I have some weird Freud thing going on and subconsciously want to date myself.

While we are incredibly similar, we are also remarkably different. We have different backgrounds, different experiences, different ideological beliefs, and certainly different hobbies.

What I have learned this September is what a

Waitressing: I fell in to a burning ring of fire

By SAVANNAH RHEINHART
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I recently began serving a local restaurant. After spending two years being a receptionist at a hair salon, this was quite a change of pace for me. I went from sitting all day answering phones to constantly walking (running, really) around.

“They say to write about what you know. Well, I know two things. People are insane and I can't deal with them.”

From dressing up every day with full makeup to pulling my hair back and dressing like Johnny Cash.

From painted nails to burned fingers. You get the point. But one thing that has not changed, despite my assumptions, are the people.

In a salon, you build relationships with clients because you see them every four to six weeks and spend time talking to them and learning about their lives. It comes with

the job and I didn't mind that...most of the time.

Being a server, we have our regulars. But, they are few and far between and it takes a while for them to start requesting a certain server, so you often don't see them for a month. So I expected nothing more than small talk and a quick “have a

21-year-old girl is frequently asked. As I brought their appetizer, they suddenly shifted conversation. “Have you ever gone to a medium?”

I was a little thrown, but it wasn't as crazy as some things I was asked at the salon. I responded saying no, but I do think some are legitimate and wouldn't mind

nice day” as they walk away, never to be seen again.

I was so wrong. Just yesterday, I was working and had two seemingly nice and normal women sit in my section. It was during the afternoon lull, so when they began talking more than steak temperatures and drink specials, I didn't mind indulging a bit.

They asked if I was in school, my major, and the other usual things

seeing one someday, if the time was right.

There was the biggest mistake I made all week. I learned quickly that I should have shouted “No” and start a rant about the supernatural coming from Lucifer himself and clutching some rosary beads.

Our twelve minute conversation, which to be at one table seems like four hours, took a hard left after that.

Soon, I began learn-



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ing about her schizophrenic younger brother who died paralyzed due to, what she believed, was his medication. All who know me understand that I do well under pressure but shut down in awkward or emotional situations.

I'm basically Ron Swanson, without the fabulous mustache and whittling skills. It was time to look for help, bugging my eyes out in hopes that a fellow server would see my pain and come save me.

Instead, I began to learn more about her life. How she hopes her

son forgets about her father looked like when he was 87, her brother's bed sores, and a myriad of other spine-tingling stories.

Oh, did I mention that she was crying and had spinach in her teeth?

I finally escaped after the twelve minutes of Hell with the ruse of a drink refill. Even after I thought story time had ended, she continued to ask me random questions about my life while I was walking by her table.

I almost cried tears of relief when I saw them walk out of the restau-

rant and drive away. I refused to be excited until they were out of sight, because you never know when people like that can pop up. Even the bathroom isn't safe.

They say to write about what you know. Well, I know two things. People are insane and I can't deal with them.

I do not doubt my ability, or any woman's ability, but seriously we have better things to worry about than trying to change their mindset. If you're that girl, stop wasting your time.

Come get your sass to Opinions!

Email Jason Singer at
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Killing Me Softly, or Why I Turned Off Mobile Notifications

By ELIZABETH BASTIAN
Staff Writer

We have all had those semesters. Perhaps you signed up for one less class than you normally do, or maybe you managed to make a schedule where you were only on campus 2 days a week.

You decided to calm down with the extracurricular involvement, or you are working less hours at your job.

But then things come up, as things tend to do. That scholarship application is taking a lot longer to fill out than you thought. Your car breaks down, leaving you with no way to transport yourself to campus for two weeks. Or, as in my case, you suddenly realize that 400 level classes are 400 level classes for a reason, and spending less time in the classroom does not by any means equate to a smaller work load.

While there is a twisted, masochistic part of me that devours stress like a lion would a zebra, even I have my limits. To be honest, the last thing a college student needs is an unplanned distraction. And the constant buzzing of a mobile phone is the worst of all unplanned distractions.

I know we have all been there – sitting at a desk, finally being productive, when all of the sudden you feel that slight vibration across the desktop surface. You try to ignore it, but there it goes again. A

quick peek reveals you have 5 new Facebook comments, 10 e-mails, a missed call, and 3 new text messages. And while you are at it, you might as well check the weather, catch up on how the Tigers are doing via Twitter, and Instagram a photo of your cat lounging on your textbooks. Before you know it, a half hour has been completely wasted, and your workload remains just as heavy as it has always been. And you don't really feel any better for having looked at your phone in the first place.

This non-stop barrage of information is anything but stress relief. If anything, I feel that it makes me more frazzled and scatterbrained. How am I supposed to focus on a singular task when I am incessantly bombarded with virtual stimulation I often don't care about?

Even when I am in class, the constant receiving of updates and messages serves to distract me.

Because once that buzzing starts, I have to mentally stifle the gut reaction to grab my phone. But even after that battle, I begin to subconsciously focus on who is contacting me and what they want. And with every following vibration, my stress level inches closer and closer to a Code Red Panic Attack.

I know, I know – first world problems. Complaining about technological privilege. But

stress and anxiety is a real problem for college students, myself included. Which is why I have decided to limit the pseudo bumblebee that is my phone.

I don't need to constantly know who retweeted me, what someone posted in a Facebook study group, or how many times Groupon decided to e-mail me today. I can tackle these when I have nothing better to do, or when I allot myself a 10 minute social media break from homework. As I realize how much work this final semester is going to entail, I am trying to break away from any and all unplanned distractions, and keep my stress to a minimum. After all, the planned distractions have to take priority, and I am not missing out on quality time with friends and family because I was too busy staring at my mobile inbox.

In the words of the immortal Tom Petty: "You have four years to be irresponsible here. Relax.

Work is for people with jobs. You'll never remember class time, but you'll remember time you wasted hanging out with your friends. So, stay out late. Go out on a Tuesday with your friends when you have a paper due Wednesday. Spend money you don't have. Drink 'til sunrise. The work never ends, but college does..."time.

Fall: the red-headed stepchild of the seasons

By LAURASANCHEZ
Staff Writer

One of my friends the recently uttered one of the most shocking lines I have ever heard: "I hate fall."

I could not believe that anyone actually hated fall, but after lurking about online message boards and overhearing conversations here and there, I discovered the sad truth that not everyone loves fall as much as I do.

For all the fall haters: this is for you. You don't know what you're missing. I understand the people who hate winter.

I understand how people can despise cold, gray months, with nothing but the wind and the melting snow to accompany you as you walk to your next class.

I understand how people can hate the blah-ness and the bleakness of a winter day.

But how can people hate fall out of all

things? There's nothing boring about fall, there's nothing bleary about it, and there's nothing cold about fall, at least compared to our mild (note the sarcasm) Michigan winters!

Please. Fall is as colorful as it gets, and if you think leaves falling is boring, then you have obviously never been outside. Take it from someone who lived outside of Michigan her entire life up until last year: everyone in Michigan is lucky to experience the epitome of the fall season. Michigan has everything: from the five hundred different variations of orange, red, and brown on the ground, to the crisp air, to the six million places that offer Pumpkin-Spiced everything. Yes, I am that girl who will walk into Starbucks and ask for the Pumpkin Spice Latte, Grande please.

Can't people feel, though, the obvious elements aside, the newness that fall brings?

Sure, January and winter are the first thing we experience in the new year, but September and fall are something else. Fall brings a new sense of eagerness in the air. It's the same sentiment you get when starting a new job or a new school year. It's a quiet newness. Fall brings opportunities and fresh, crisp beginnings. But my favorite part of fall? I love how it brings a general sense of the unknown. You never know exactly what's going to happen and I revel in that feeling.

Not going to lie, I celebrated the start of fall season by searching the 'fall' tag in Tumblr, reorganizing my closet and breaking out the chunky sweaters, drinking tea, and listening to fall-themed music, like the sophisticated and cheesy girl that I am.

Here's to you, fall. Haters to the left.



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Got a light?

By ANGIE KRUGER
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One thing I liked about our campus when I started here is the fact that we are a "smoke free campus." That's in quotes, but not because I am quoting anyone specifically, but because let's be honest, despite the signs, we are a want-to-be smoke free campus.

Does anyone else see the irony in the smokers who gather around a "No Smoking" sign, only to light up anyway?

In my one year here at UMD I can say that catching a whiff of a cigarette or seven while on my way to class is the only thing I despise about being here on campus. Yes—it is even worse than all the studying, the parking of course, the walking, and the "I know you're late for class but do you want to join

our organization?". Maybe I'm just bias on account of I don't smoke cigarettes, but I mean, does anyone who doesn't smoke cigarettes enjoy their fumes? I'm going to go ahead and make the assumption that the answer is a solid "No."

So, my only question is why do these smokers feel as if they are above the rules, or technically the law?

Now I know the issue here isn't literacy, this is a college campus, University of Michigan (Dearborn), at that. I think it's safe to say, well more than safe to say, that every student on campus, smoker or not, can and has read the signs and knows that we are a "Smoke Free Campus". Do they just not care? Those rebels! Or maybe they prefer to socialize while they smoke, rather than sit alone in their cars while they bake out in their own cigarette

filth? Okay, I don't blame them for that one. But at the same time, why should I and every other student who never developed the habit have to suffer, inhaling their second hand smoke?

Despite having just inhaled smoke, I always crack a smile whenever I see students hold their half-smoked cigarettes down below their waist and off to the side in an unsuccessful effort to hide them. I give them credit for their attempt to conceal their cancer stick, but there is no possible way to disguise a lit cigarette.

There is really no guaranteed way to prevent students from smoking on campus. Possibly one of the most unfortunate concerns, aside from breathing, is that ashtrays probably wouldn't match our smoke free signs. But what are you gonna do!

ENTERTAINMENT

UM-Dearborn Style Watch



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If there is anyone on campus that is so effortlessly stylish, it's Liz Bastian.

President of the Cross Country club and a Tedx volunteer coordinator, you can always find Liz running around campus fashionable as ever.

Her long orange skirt was purchased at American Apparel and it was paired with a navy blue cardigan she snagged at American Eagle. On her feet were plain black flats from Urban Outfitters, one of Liz's favorite places to shop.

To add some snazz to her outfit, Liz was wearing a sunflower

satin scarf around her neck. Of course, it was from a flea market in Chelsea on her last trip to New York City.

The best part of her outfit had to be her Philip Lim for Target tote. We all know how hard it is to snag those amazing designer looks for less from Target, but per usual, Liz was on top of her game.

"I like to look nice but I also enjoy being comfortable. I love the ease of European style," says Liz. And that's exactly what she is, the perfect mix of Boho Chic and European Swag.



Sahar Dika/MJ

"I like to look nice but I also enjoy being comfortable"

WHAT'S TOPPING THE BOX OFFICE THIS WEEK?

1. **CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS \$35M (WEEK ONE)**
2. **PRISONERS \$11.3M (WEEK TWO: \$39M GROSS)**
3. **RUSH \$10.3M (WEEK TWO: \$10.6M GROSS)**

Sudoku

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New York Times Fiction Best Sellers



1. *The Longest Ride*
by Nicholas Sparks

2. *The Quest*
by Nelson DeMille

3. *Thankless in Death*
by J.D. Robb

4. *W is for Wasted*
by Sue Grafton

5. *Never Go Back*
by Lee Child

Beauty Picks of the Week



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If you don't use an eyelash curler or you just haven't found the right one, Tart's gold and purple lash curler is amazing. It gives your lashes that extra boost they need before mascara without crimping them or making them look bent.



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This Olay body lotion can be picked up at any drugstore. It gives your skin that quench it needs and adds a little shimmer and shine for a night out with the girls.



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Shiseido deep cleansing foam is strong enough to clean off makeup but not too harsh on your skin. It leaves it feeling squeaky clean!



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Comparable to the old Bobbi Brown eyeliner pot, MAC Blacktrack Fluidline is easy to work with and long lasting on your eyes. Best affordable gel eyeliner yet!



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Sarah Happ lip scrub comes in a variety of different flavors. It exfoliates your lips like no other lip exfoliator and leaves them smooth and ready for gloss or lipstick.



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Need a little root boost before you turn on the blow dryer? Small talk smells like candy and gives your hair volume you never thought existed. Apply to your roots while your hair is damp and blow-dry as you would.



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This little egg shaped lip balm is one of the hottest lip moisturizers to hit the market. Completely organic and adorably tiny, EOS lip balms are a perfect fit for your lips and your purse.

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Bones premier is a slow start

By Anna Shermak
Staff Writer

Bones premiered on Tuesday, September 16. This was the beginning of the highly anticipated new season.

Viewers were heartbroken with last season's finale, where Pilant came back into the picture and threatened Booth and Bones' relationship. It ended with Booth telling Bones that he no longer wanted to marry her.

Unlike Bones, viewers knew that it was really Pilant who did not want Booth to marry her.

This first episode played on Pilant's threat of killing five innocent people if Booth married Bones.

The Jeffersonian team investigated a murder case where we a CIA agent was

murdered. During the investigation we saw the tension and confusion between Booth and Bones.

The episode was decent for a kick-off to the new season. It focused more on the sad aspect of their relationship than the murder case they were solving.

Of course, they caught the bad guy in the murder case, but they have yet to catch the real bad guy: Pilant. For those who expected a big hunt for Pilant to begin, they were sadly disappointed to see that he did not appear as a main threat in this episode.

There were parts in this episode that touched your heart and made you want to cry. This was not the best episode that could have been played, but it set a strong basis for the

rest of the season.

As we all know, Bones always delivers in the end, even with a shaky start to the season.

It was more like a soap opera than a mystery show. The murder case itself seemed lost in the episode.

It was as if the screen writers had thrown it in because a murder case was expected to be in the episode. The murder case was interesting but very predictable for Bones.

As a devoted Bones fan, I will continue to watch, as I am sure many others will.

For those who have never seen Bones but would like to, it is a very good TV series, although this week's episode didn't show it. It always has a way of making you hooked in the end.



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Student (is this real) Life

The Twitter

By SARAH LEWIS
Editor-in-Chief

I've always been told that I'm an old soul. I think I really started alarming the adults around me at age eight, considering that I preferred to sit at the adult table and contemplate politics over coffee rather than playing mind-numbing games like Hide and Go Seek or Tiddlywinks.

So, I've been mature since I exited the womb. My mom always tells people I didn't cry at all when I was born. I just looked around inquisitively at everyone as if I was saying, "Good evening, I have arrived."

It wasn't until recently that I have come to realize I'm a 99-year-old woman trapped inside a 21-year-old's body, and I can't help but think, "Am I real life?"

If you don't believe that I really am a member of the elderly community, let me tell you a little bit about myself. I prefer baths to showers because I'd rather sit in bubbles than stand. I could drink all the tea that America dumped into the Boston Harbor back in the day when they wanted to show the Red Coats what was up. I not only watch The Golden Girls on a regular basis, but I also quote the show at least once a day. And I'd rather crochet by candlelight than go to a bar.

But, there is one part of my youth that I'm still holding

onto. And no, it's not my stunning sense of style or impeccable ability to pick out flattering lipstick.

It's social media. Youths, youths everywhere. I hate it. I love it. It's ruining my life and cutting into the time I set aside for baking cookies and brownies.

Now, I'm just going to say straight up that Tumblr isn't social media, and that's why I love it so much: it's not social. At all. But Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter are all clearly forms of social media, and they are all clearly ruining my life. The biggest life ruiner of them all: the Twitter.

You can disagree with me all you want, but I think that Twitter is an absolute disaster. Maybe it's just my age showing, or maybe it's my common sense to run away from things that cause monumental problems.

When I first signed up for Twitter two years ago, I



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thought it would be a great way to get quick news and stalk my favorite celebrities. This delusion was quickly thwarted when I noticed that every friend and acquaintance I followed did a lot of com-

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plaining and never-ending negativity spewing.

Since I clearly like to complain just as much as everyone else, I quickly jumped

on the "everything sucks" bandwagon that was Twitter.

I soon discovered the worst thing about this suck-pit was "subtweeting." This lovely term means that people tweet negatively about their feelings or experiences with another person without ever saying who they're talking about. But let's be honest, everyone knows.

Did I subtweet? Obviously, because I wanted to vent, and it was just so easy to send out my pissy emotions to my followers' feeds.

Was this a bad idea? Oh, absolutely.

Not only will people realize you're subtweeting about them and get angry, but innocent bystanders often believe you're directing your hate comments to them.

This is all a MESS.

My old soul just couldn't take it anymore. The gossip. The drama. The stupidity. The backstabbing. I snapped. I couldn't stand seeing exes and friends tweet to each other. I abhorred the way my nemeses tweeted and I assumed everything was

about me. I hated when my friends would tweet something upsetting, and I jumped to conclusions about them hating me. And, most of all, I detested how I would tweet non-stop about my problems or what was upsetting me.

So, I finally took the plunge and deleted my account. It was like I had reached a sublime state. Maybe it was my elderly mind getting a glimpse of Heaven because I swore I could hear angels singing choruses of hallelujah in the distance. I might have even clicked my heels together as I pressed the deactivate button. FREEDOM.

I've had a lot of people ask me to come back to the Twitter world, and maybe one day I will professionally. But for now, I'll choose to get my gossip the old-fashioned way: over the phone. I'll talk to my mother, close friends, and maybe even my readers about my problems. And, most gloriously of all, I will never have to get stressed about subtweets ever again. It's also convenient that I can't hear people talking about me in real life since my hearing is on a downward spiral.

So, the only thing I'm worrying about nowadays is who am I going to crochet a scarf for, if I have the ingredients to make my weekly batch of brownies, and whether or not I want my cup of tea caffeinated.

Homecoming week themed "We Are Wolverines"

By TYESHA VINSON
Student Life Editor

The University of Michigan-Dearborn's homecoming is this week and there are a lot of exciting things happening on campus. This year's theme is "We Are Wolverines." Students should show everyone just how proud they are to be UM-Dearborn Wolverines.

You can expect to take part in everything from a pancake breakfast to movie night during the homecoming festivities this year.

The Student Activities Board (SAB) will be helping students say goodbye to summer with games in the University Center from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday will be a pow-

er packed day of fun with the annual boat race at 11:00 a.m. After watching the boats race through the waters of UM-Dearborn, students can sit back and enjoy the Alumni Football game from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

To end day three of homecoming, students can participate in or show up and support an Open Mic Night on the University Center stage from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Thursday will be UM-Dearborn's Spirit Day. SAB wants everyone on campus to participate. They want everyone to show off their school spirit by wearing maize and blue.

Anyone that is not wearing maize and blue on Spirit Day can expect a visit from the

School Spirit Police.

From 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Alumni Relations will be hosting a Family Fun Night in UM-Dearborn's Fieldhouse. There will be Dodgeball, life size Jenga, arts and crafts, and a rock wall.

After participating in all of the fun activities this week, there is no better way to end UM-Dearborn's Homecoming than enjoying the Alumni Hockey game with friends and family. The game starts at 7:30 p.m. and ends at 9:00 p.m. come out show some support for the former Wolverines.

During Homecoming this year show some school spirit and let Dearborn know "We Are Wolverines".



Photo Courtesy of the University of Michigan-Dearborn

What's going on around campus?

October 1-7

Tuesday, October 1

Say Goodbye to Summer
11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
University Center

Wednesday, October 2

Cardboard Boat Races
12:00 p.m.
Chancellor's Pond

Alumni-Student Football
5:00p.m.

Between the University Center and Library

Open Mic. Night
5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
University Center Stage

Thursday, October 3

Career Fair
11:00 a.m.-2:00p.m.
Fairlane Center-North

Family Fun Night
5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Field house

Alumni Hockey Game
7:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
Field house

Friday, October 4

Alumni Awards
5:30 p.m.-7:30p.m.
Fairlane Center

Saturday, October 5

Go Blue Tailgate and Homecoming Game
Ann Arbor

Monday, October 7

The History of LGBTQ Symbols/Flags
10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
University Center Stage

First Annual Welcome to Homecoming



Tyesha Vinson/MJ

By **TYESHA VINSON**
Student Life Editor

The University of Michigan-Dearborn Cross Country team kicked off our Homecoming celebration with their First Annual Welcome to Homecoming 5k Walk.

Students gathered in front of UM-Dearborn's field house bright and early Sunday morning and prepared

to walk 3.1 miles around our campus.

The rain didn't stop students from participating in the walk. The students walked, talked, and laughed their way through the entire walk.

Throughout the walk, umbrellas were popping up every other half-mile. The rain only inspired songs from 1950s musicals.

Everyone was so deter-

mined to finish the walk no matter what. Each person participating in the walk wanted to help make a difference in the life of someone other than themselves.

The walk was the cross country team's way of welcoming students into the excitement that is homecoming, but it also served a charitable purpose. The proceeds from the event were donated to the

UM-Dearborn Student Food Pantry.

The UM-Dearborn Student Food Pantry is a program created by The Community Involvement and Volunteerism Center (CIVIC). Through this program, the CIVIC provides temporary food assistance to UM-Dearborn students who are in need.

It is important for students to make sure they have ev-

erything they need to further themselves, and that includes food. Physical health and nutrition are important to both the CIVIC and the Cross Country team.

The Cross Country team was able to raise \$200 dollars for the UM-Dearborn Student Food Pantry. Which shows that you can have fun and make a difference in someone else's life.

This event gave students a chance to talk to people they wouldn't normally talk to and spend quality time with people they normally only see in passing. This year's Welcome to Homecoming 5k Walk was definitely a success.

Be on the lookout for even more fun events during this week's Homecoming celebration.

Black Student Union hosts Divine 9 Yard Show



Tyesha Vinson/MJ

By **TYESHA VINSON**
Student Life Editor

The Black Student Union made history on the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus after hosting the first Divine 9 Yard Show this past Thursday.

Five out of nine of the Divine 9 organizations were there representing their fraternities and sororities. Alpha Kappa Alpha, Alpha Phi Alpha, Kappa Alpha Psi, Phi Beta Sigma, and Sigma Gamma Rho amazed the crowd with their step routines.

AKA kicked off the yard show, displaying their pink and green proudly. Throughout their routine, members of the audience cheered and encouraged the three women.

The men of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity showed up and showed out during their routine. They stepped, shouted, and performed some of their traditional songs and chants; showing everyone just how "ice cold" they are.

The Kappa Alpha Psi men came on the scene in their crimson and cream. They thrilled the audience with

their smooth moves and they definitely kept the crowd entertained. The last fraternity, the Phi Beta Sigma's, came out and showed the crowd that the men of Phi Beta Sigma know how to step.

The last sorority of the evening was Sigma Gamma Rho. The four women came onto the yard representing in royal blue and gold. The high-energy routine was great way to bring such a historic event to a close.

The event ended with all of the Divine 9 fraternities and sororities strolling in the

courtyard.

In addition to the other five organizations, a few members of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, and Zeta Phi Beta Sorority joined in to represent their organizations.

BSU President, Saidah Murphy, was very excited and happy to have such a historic event finally taking place on the UM-Dearborn campus.

Murphy said, "We've been trying to get this event started for two or three years now. We worked all summer trying to get locations secured, get

people on board and everything. We worked through the entire summer to get it done."

Putting the yard show together wasn't an easy task. According to Murphy, it took a lot of hard work and phone calls, but it was all worth it in the end.

BSU had a great turn out, the show was great, and it left a lot of people talking about what's to come.

Murphy said, "Our mission for this year is to make Black student life live on campus. We want them to feel that they have a voice, to feel

like they belong to this campus. And bringing things like the Divine 9 and the different events planned is going to make them feel like this is their campus as well."

The Divine 9 Yard Show is just the start of the great things BSU has planned to make Black student life more exciting.

Murphy said, "We're excited. We have a lot of good stuff coming up this year. Be on the lookout. BSU is doing big things this year on campus, so we're excited."

The AKA's hosts First Annual Icebreaker

By **ASHLEY FELDER**
Guest Writer

On September 26 the University of Michigan-Dearborn's Xi Phi Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated threw their first annual Pink Ice Icebreaker at the university's field house.

An idea that Paige Boyd, a member of the sorority, says

was a collaborative effort between her and her sorors, especially Kimora Porter.

Porter is the Vice President and Program Chair, who brought the plan together with the help of the Office of Student Engagement, and Greek life.

While there was no fee to get into the event, with October fast approaching, the

AKA's took donations for which a portion will go to the "Making Strides against Breast Cancer Campaign" by the American Cancer Society, a project for which their very enthusiastic about.

This is one of the many service projects the AKA's put together including: Project Healthy Living, Project Genesis House, Hustle for

Health, and Take Back the Night.

Boyd was very enthusiastic about the icebreaker and the fundraiser stating that, "We figure this is something we haven't done before, it's the first in the history of UM-Dearborn, and we wanted to interact with the students and the Greeks, and it's a fun way to raise money

for a worthy cause." And the students seemed to agree, showing up to show their support for the AKA's.

The turnout, numbered in the hundreds, including members of sororities from other campuses. While it was clear the women were more interested in getting to socialize with everyone than the actual number of people

that showed up, they were glad so many students and Greeks decided to come.

It was all around a great event put together for a good cause that everyone, including the AKA's enjoyed. With good music and plenty of dancing it was a night that many won't soon forget.

Hardy ready to lead new-look Lady Wolverines

By **JORDAN KONIOR**
Staff Reporter

The name change from Wolves to Wolverines wasn't the only thing the University of Michigan-Dearborn women's basketball program experienced in the offseason.

In their final season as the Lady Wolves, the team finished nine games below .500, going 10-19 and doing just enough to make a late run into the playoff chase.

They made the playoffs as a seventh seed, where they traveled to take on the number two seeded Lady Cardinals of Concordia University Ann Arbor. The Lady Wolves were defeated 77-55, thus ending their season.

But brighter times were coming with the name change to Wolverines. The team underwent their third coaching change in the last four years this off-season.

This past July, Karem Hardy was announced as the team's newest head coach.

Hard work and dedication are the two traits that have stood out the most amongst the new-look Lady Wolverines

under Hardy.

Hardy graduated from Cass Technical High School in Detroit and Jackson State University in Jackson, Mississippi.

It was easy for Hardy when deciding to become a coach. He noticed the impact that he had with the youth as a teacher.

"My decision was made when I started teaching and saw that not only are we obligated to teach young minds but also strengthen their bodies as well," Hardy said. "I wanted to help as many people get to college by any means; which included basketball."

Coach Hardy's passion for coaching has gone on for 13 years now, starting with middle school athletes, then working at Detroit Mumford High School, the Michigan Sting AAU Organization and inevitably working his way up to the collegiate level.

With coach Hardy's coaching experience at various levels, he plans to bring forth a balanced offensive attack and a strong defense to Lady Wolverines at UM-Dearborn.

"I want to be aggressive on defense

and limit points in the paint," Hardy said. "Offensively I want to get out and run when

would have liked, they have a lot of positives to cherish going forward. They were



the opportunity presents itself. If not, I want to be sound in the half-court offense and be able to score inside and outside."

Conditioning has been something coach Hardy has put an emphasis on this summer. Being a team that only carries an eight player roster, including five returning players, conditioning will be vital to avoid injury and continue the streak of recent success.

Although the Lady Wolverines season ended earlier than they

relatively young last year, starting two underclassmen, and only losing two seniors for the 2013-2014 season. Achieving 10 wins last year as a team was the most wins the Lady Wolverines have seen since the 2008-2009 season.

With coach Hardy's new team model of "focusing on success in all aspects of life," the Lady Wolverines will look to continue to strive on their recent success.

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Men's soccer.
Game-winning goal in double overtime against Cornerstone

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Ricky's College Football Picks Week 6 Top 25

Georgia State @ #1 Alabama	Alabama
#2 Oregon @ Colorado	Oregon
#3 Clemson @ Syracuse	Clemson
#4 Ohio State @ #16 Northwestern	Northwestern
#15 Washington @ #5 Stanford	Washington
#6 Georgia @ Tennessee	Georgia
#7 Louisville @ Temple	Louisville
#25 Maryland @ #8 Florida State	Florida State
#10 LSU @ Mississippi State	LSU
TCU @ #11 Oklahoma	Oklahoma
#12 UCLA @ Utah	UCLA
Kentucky @ #13 South Carolina	South Carolina
Georgia Tech @ #14 Miami	Miami
West Virginia @ #17 Baylor	Baylor
Arkansas @ #18 Florida	Florida
Minnesota @ #19 Michigan	Michigan
#20 Texas Tech @ Kansas	Texas Tech
Kansas State @ #21 Oklahoma State	Oklahoma State
Notre Dame @ #22 Arizona State	Arizona State
#23 Fresno State @ Idaho	Fresno State
#24 Ole Miss @ Auburn	Ole Miss

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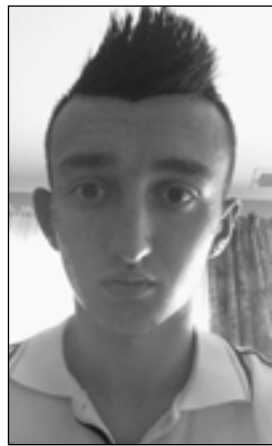


Photo courtesy of Iris Mesic this one, due to a knee injury. Mesic entered the game less than 100 percent healthy but was still able to make crucial plays.

The Wolverines had lost four straight before this game to fall to 3-4 on the season. This win brought them back to .500 and keeps them back on track to try and make the playoffs. They fell to Spring Arbor University 2-1 and Taylor University 4-0.

It has been really tough on a Wolverines team that has both their best offensive and defensive weapons sidelined in the young season. It's been a challenge for Hatfield as he tries to get the team back on track.

"It's like trying to play chess" he said. "Changing our system on the fly is hard."

Now that conference play has opened up, the Wolverines are in a good position to make the top six to make the playoffs. Though it will not be easy, coach Hatfield thinks his team is on the right track.

"We need to get the games we're supposed to get" he said. "We can't let points slip away."

This week the Wolverines play two more conference games. They take on Davenport University on the road on October 2 at 7 pm, then they come back home to play Lawrence Tech University on Saturday October 5 at noon.

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Although the trip was a great experience, it didn't mean the team wasn't disappointed that they didn't win.

"A little disappointed in the outcome of the games, but I know it was our first weekend so we're still figuring things out," said Kelly

Michigan, continued from page 12

With Michigan barely surviving Akron and UConn, two teams they were expected to rout with respective defenses ranked 107 and 70, several underclassmen missed key game action.

Freshman running back Derrick Green moved from fifth to second on the depth chart after his performance against Central Michigan. But he has yet to have more than two carries since then.

Then there's fellow freshman Shane Morris. The quarterback has only six attempts under his belt entering Week 6. If Gardner gets injured with his high-risk play style, the Wolverines don't have a replacement option that has a solid amount of game experience at the college level.

The same can be said for a large portion of the Wolverines' roster this season. Entering the season opener, there were 81 underclassmen on the team compared to 32 upperclassmen.

With the Wolverines struggling against teams they out-ranked on paper, the first team offense and defense were forced to receive a bulk of the play.

But the Wolverines do have one thing keeping them in tight games: a strong defense.

Michigan ranks twenty-

Competing with one of the best teams in the nation should give this Wolverines team a lot of confidence. The team has very high expectations and will look to become a top 25 team in the nation.

For the Wolverines, the Navy trip was more than just a hockey game; it was a special experience.

first amongst FBS teams in total defense. The team has allowed 4.69 yards per play and 311 yards per game this season.

Redshirt sophomore Blake Countess is tied for second amongst FBS players with three interceptions. Two of those picks came against Notre Dame to help the Wolverines seal their 41-30 victory.

With their first bye week now in the rearview mirror, the Wolverines turn their attention to October and its challenges.

Michigan plays Minnesota, Penn State, and Indiana all in consecutive weeks before their second and final bye of the season.

On paper, Penn State and Indiana both can provide the Wolverines fits. The Nittany Lions rank 11 in total defense, while the Hoosiers boast the eighth ranking offense.

And don't forget about the Golden Gophers. Although they have an offense ranked 103 and a defense ranked 63, the Wolverines learned their lesson underestimating their previous two opponents.

The Wolverines will display their bye week changes to the world come October 5. If they look anything like they did in their last two games, it could be a long fall in Ann Arbor.

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On the other side of the team was Micah Collier. Making his season debut, Collier stopped all 28 shots sent his way for his first shutout since the 2010-11 season and second of his career.

"It was pretty good," said Collier. "It's been my first one in a while and I was happy with how I played."

"I'm a real big fan of Micah (Collier), he battles every day, he's a role guy, he's a goalie that anyone would love to have." Haltinner said.

With Collier's performance, Haltinner now has a tough situation on his hands at goaltender. But just five games into the season, there's no goalie controversy for the Wolverines.

"He's (Collier) happy whether he's playing or he's not," said Haltinner. "I would love to give him more time in the net, right now he's battling for the two-spot between him and Mielin behind Dutzy right now. Max Dutzy has performed to the best, so as long as Max keeps healthy, he'll battle for that and Micah is giving him a good push right now."

Unfortunately for the Wolverines, Rochester was looking for payback and sent the game into overtime Saturday night. The Warriors wound up winning 4-3 to split the series.

The Wolverines will be looking for their first road win of the year Friday against the division leading Oakland Golden Grizzlies before returning to play them at home Saturday night.

MJ College Football Top Ten Poll

Each Monday, members of the Michigan Journal's sports staff vote on college football's top ten teams. A first place vote counts for 10 points, with the number decreasing by one for each rank lower.



#1 Alabama (4)

Staff reporters Michael Holzman, Dan Jenkins, Geoff Mehl, and Ryan Petras went with the Tide as the nation's best team.



#2 Oregon (2)

Sports editor Ricky Lindsay and staff reporter Jordan Konior chose the Ducks as their No. 1 team, trailing Alabama by two points.



#3 Clemson

The Tigers had an inconsistent standing amongst pollsters. Jenkins, Holzman, and Lindsay ranked them No. 3, while Mehl had Clemson No. 6.



#3 Stanford

Like Clemson, Stanford's ranking was mildly inconsistent. The Cardinal were ranked No. 3 by Petras, Jenkins went with No. 5.



#5 Ohio State

The Buckeyes were ranked as high as No. 3 (Konior and Mehl), while Lindsay ranked them No. 7, a poll low.



#6 Georgia

After a big win against LSU, the Bulldogs experienced a solid rise. They were ranked No. 5 by three pollsters, while Jenkins went with No.7.



#7 Louisville

The Cardinals were ranked towards the bottom of the poll by all participants. They were ranked No. 7 by Konior and Holzman.



#8 Florida State

The Seminoles were ranked towards the bottom across the poll after a close win against Boston College. Lindsay and Mehl both handed out a No. 10 ranking



#9 Texas A&M

Johnny Manziel's bunch were only ranked by two pollsters, but managed to squeak into the Top 10. Lindsay ranked them No. 6, while Konior went with No. 9.



#9 LSU

The Tigers tied with the Aggies after a tough loss against Georgia. LSU was ranked by everyone, besides Lindsay.

Q&A with UM-Dearborn Player of the Week Colby DeMare

By RICKY LINDSAY
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Sophomore volleyball player Colby DeMare was named the Michigan Journal's University of Michigan-Dearborn Player of the Week on September 24, 2013. Sports editor Ricky Lindsay had the opportunity to talk with DeMare in part of a question and answer series.

Q: Where are you from?

A: I am from Dearborn. I was born here and lived the majority of my life here.

Q: What high school did you go to?

A: I went to Divine Child high school. It is a small Catholic school in Dearborn. Fun fact: it is one of the very few co-ed Catholic schools around here.

Q: What are you majoring in?

A: My major is mechanical engineering. I love my major and am very excited to be at such an excellent engineering school.

Q: When and why did you start playing volleyball?

A: I started playing in the fifth grade. Funny story: the reason I started playing was because that was the year I got hit in the face while playing softball. I quit softball and then started volleyball and loved it ever since.

Q: Have you ever won any individual awards while playing volleyball?

A: I don't think I have

won any individual awards but my high school team has won districts a couple times.

Q: What motivates you as an athlete?

A: Although I may not be the most motivational person out there, on the court one thing that does drive me and make me love the game everyday is just the girls I play with. Everyone on this team has a spot in their heart for volleyball and they all show up to practice eager to see everyone and just have fun as a team. A word we use to describe the closeness of our team is the word "teaminess". I would say we have a lot of that.

Q: What made you decide to go to the University of Michigan-Dearborn?

A: I had decided to go to UM-Dearborn because I grew up with the Victors program. The engineering degree here is very good, and one of my long time friends, Ashley Parks, had already signed here and really got me thinking about how great it would be to play together again. So I love the convenience of how close the school is to my house, the degree, the Victors program, and playing volleyball with my best friend.

Q: Do you have any game day superstitions?

A: I am not superstitious at all! I believe if you work hard the rewards will follow soon enough. I don't believe in luck.

Q: What do you like



Photo courtesy of Colby DeMare

Sophomore volleyball player Colby DeMare

to do when you're off the court?

A: When I am off the court, I am always on the bench yelling to the girls on the court. Whether it's about the server, setter, or hitters I always have something to say. If we make a sweet play or if the ref makes a bad call, I will always say something to my team to keep them focused making the next play and winning the next rally. I lose my voice after every weekend tournament and conference game. I don't mind the sacrifice because I know it is making my team better.

Q: What are some of

your other hobbies or interests besides volleyball?

A: I love to longboard. You will see me scooting around campus in between classes. It is thrilling to zip by people and crave through a crowded sidewalk or to fly down a paved hill, like the trail back by the Henry Ford Estate. I also enjoy drawing. I find drawing so relaxing. The best part of drawing is when you finish your work, you just step back and gaze at what you have done and appreciate it. I took an art class last semester and my final drawing went to Lansing to represent UM-Dearborn in an art show.

Bye week blues

By RICKY LINDSAY
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There was an emptiness in my weekend.

Several college football games were televised throughout the nation on Saturday. The NFL slate took full charge on Sunday, with the final day of the MLB regular season trickling in during commercial breaks. Oh, and the Detroit Lions romped their bitter rival, the Chicago Bears at home.

But this past weekend wasn't the same. It was the first of two without Michigan football.

Being the Michigan football beat writer, the first week without the maize and blue was an odd experience. Saturday just didn't feel the same, even after the team's game against UConn, which I watched from the comforts of my couch. Rather than Saturday, it was almost like an average fall day.

Besides being sick, it wasn't all that bad. I was treated to several high profile college football games, including a back-and-forth SEC thriller between Georgia and LSU.

Then there was the battle of the Big Ten between Ohio State and Wisconsin. This one had most of my attention with conference and bowl game implications for Michigan.

The Buckeyes won their first of two consecutive primetime games. When television scheduling works out like that, you know something good is brewing down in Columbus.

With Michigan in the midst of their bye, I was able



to enjoy several NFL games on Sunday for the first time this season. That, of course, included the Lions.

Not having the opportunity to sit down and watch the Lions for an entire game, I was unsure what to expect.

Were the "same old Lions" posts on social media true, or are they actually a legitimate contender?

After watching 60 minutes of Lions football, I was in the middle.

The offense performed at an explosive pace. Man, did they do just that. But the defense had a "same old Lions" letdown in the second-half.

In the end, it was exactly what I could've asked for: a temporary fix for the void that was Michigan football.

The Detroit Tigers couldn't really do that against the Miami Marlins. Instead, they decided to do nothing offensively and were no-hit right before their 2013 postseason debut.

It's kind of funny, really. The one week Michigan take the field, a lesson was learned.

The Tigers were no-hit by the Marlins in the three game series sweep while the Lions' offense steamrolled the Bears.

You just can't predict sports.



MJ Sports MLB postseason picks American League Champions



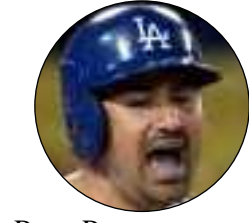
The Detroit Tigers and Boston Red Sox were favorites among the MJ Sports staff. Only Dan Jenkins went with Boston.

National League Champions



Once again, Jenkins was the only staff reporter to select the St. Louis Cardinals, having them winning it all. The Los Angeles Dodgers were favorites.

Playoff MVPs



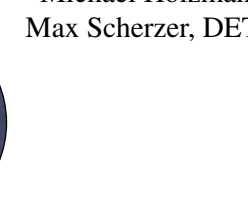
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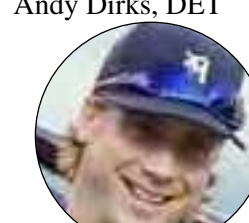
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Wolverines split series with Rochester, win first game of season

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There was anxiety on the faces of both the fans and the players of the University of Michigan-Dearborn's hockey team at the fieldhouse Friday night.

After falling to 0-4 against two teams ranked in the top 15 in the nation, the Wolverines were looking to get that critical first win against another winless team: the Rochester College Warriors.

The fieldhouse was packed throughout to witness the Wolverines win their first game of the season.

"It's a big relief," coach Chris Haltinner said on his team's first win as Wolverines. "It's a big weight off our shoulders, it's a monkey off the back per se. I'm extremely proud of our guys, they

worked really hard today. It's something we needed to get the ball rolling."

Less than four minutes into the game, the Wolverines got on the board with a goal by Ryan Kelly, assisted by Jase Paciocco and Andrew Shalawyllo.

Paciocco and Kelly weren't done yet.

Eight minutes into the second period, Paciocco put the Wolverines up 2-0 with assists from Kelly and Nick Crowley.

The Wolverines faced a similar situation last Friday being up 2-0 but couldn't hold on for the win.

But early in the third period, the Wolverines immediately showed they would not make the same mistakes this time.

Kyle Horn ripped a shot from the blue line that got by



Brianna Frisch/MJ

Warriors' goalie Zakk Olvin on a pass from Ryan Ardnt and that would make it 3-0 Wolverines.

Finally they put the icing on the cake, with 35 seconds to go, Ryan Kelly got his second goal of the night with

The University of Michigan-Dearborn hockey team celebrates a goal Paciocco and Jeff Kuhary assisting him and that would do it, the Wolverines won 4-0. Despite that, Haltinner was expecting a bit more out of his team. "Tomorrow we got to come out and we got bury them right away," said Hal-

tinner. "I want to get our third and fourth line more into the game and I'd just like to see our first and second lines produce more."

"It's good," said Ryan Kelly on his two goal and three point performance, "it's pretty

nice I had a little break there where I wasn't in the lineup and it's nice to get back in and start contributing and help the team out."

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Navy experience humbles Wolverines

Hockey team's trip to Navy was more than a game

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The University of Michigan-Dearborn hockey team took the ice for the first time as Wolverines after traveling out to Annapolis, Maryland to face off against No. 15 Navy.

The Midshipmen were coming off a fantastic season, in which they reached their first ACHA Division I National Tourney. It is a task that this Wolverines team will be looking to accomplish this season.

Although the Wolverines lost both games, they took home an experience that they will never forget.

Haltinner was very grateful for the treatment that he and his team received during the trip and was very honored and humbled during the visit.

"Navy is an experience all teams should have," first-year head coach Chris Haltinner said.

The players shared the same feelings as their coach.



"It was a good experience to see the academy and everything," sophomore forward Ryan Kelly said. "They got a good program. I got a lot of respect for those guys."

The experience went beyond the rink, as the players were given a full tour of a campus that has been around since 1845.

"It was a great experience for the whole team to see the different way of life that people on the naval base live by," junior forward Jeremy Klotz said. "Also, it was good to start off playing a high profile team in their rink on the

road. Overall an experience that I wouldn't have gotten by myself."

Freshman goaltender David Bryant was impressed on how a military team finds the time to become a good hockey program.

"Being in the military and everything, it's amazing that they find the time to practice and become the team that they are with all their other priorities as far as school and training and everything," said Bryant.

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Men's soccer: Mesic leads Wolverines to thrilling double overtime win over Cornerstone

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The Wolverines men's soccer team defeated conference rival Cornerstone University 1-0 in double overtime on Saturday. The victory brought an end to a four game losing streak for the men and brought confidence back into the locker room.

"Hopefully this win gets us

ignited" UM-Dearborn coach Mike Hatfield said. "They all (players) bought into our game plan."

Wolverine's men's soccer has been on a disappointing skid lately but has begun to turn things around. They are 1-2 since September 17 but the team had a rejuvenating victory against conference rival Cornerstone.

During double overtime, Hatfield brought in junior forward

Iris Mesic with just minutes left. On his first touch of the game, he was able to penetrate the defense and score. This was Mesic's fourth goal of the season.

The remarkable thing about the goal wasn't that it was in double overtime or that they beat a premier team in the conference, but that Mesic had not played in the last four games, including

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Redshirt junior Jake Ryan and redshirt freshman Matthew Godin walk off the field after a close win over Akron

Michigan has several problems after first bye week

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Perfect is perfect. A win is a win.

The Michigan Wolverines entered their first bye week of the season an unscathed 4-0. Except the goose egg in the loss column is quite deceiving.

The Wolverines started the 2013 season off strong, downing Central Michigan 59-9. They followed that up with a thrilling victory against Notre Dame in the second night game in Michigan Stadium history.

Then trouble set in.

Michigan was nearly upset by teams they were heavily favored to rout in each of their past two games. The Wolverines escaped with a win and watched their ranking drop with each scare.

But that wasn't the only thing wrong with the Wol-

verines. Just four games into a rigorous season, there is already several evident problems.

The offensive line has received a majority of the blame. With three first-year starters, Graham Glasgow, Kyle Kalis, and Jack Miller, the line is filled with youth and inexperienced, all which has shown so far this season.

With the offensive line's growing problems, the Wolverines' running backs haven't been able to break out as expected in their new pro style offense.

Fifth-year senior Fitzgerald Toussaint has rushed for 319 yards and five touchdowns on 79 carries, with a bulk of those numbers coming against UConn off of big runs. Redshirt junior quarterback Devin Gardner nearly tops Toussaint's efforts with 301 rushing yards and five touchdowns on 49 carries.

And that's because he has to.

Right now, the offensive line hasn't provided Gardner enough time to find his receivers and complete a smart pass. When the pressure comes, which often it has, Gardner has to try to do too much, causing him to force ill-advised plays, whether it be with his legs or a dangerous pass.

As a result, Gardner has been sacked six times. That's an average of 1.5 per game. He's also turned the ball over an FBS high 10 times, with eight of those coming off of interceptions.

Head coach Brady Hoke noted that Gardner was mildly injured going into the Akron game. If Gardner continues to try to do too much on his own, mild won't be a proper adjective that fits sooner than later.

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