

campus calendar

Oct. 3

• Sinclair Theatre presents:
The Taming of the Shrew
Building 2, Blair Hall Theatre, 10 a.m.

• HBO Documentary:
Weight of the Nation—Part 2
Building 8 stage area, Noon-1:15 p.m.

Oct. 4

• Sinclair Theatre presents:
The Taming of the Shrew
Building 2, Blair Hall Theatre, 7 p.m.

• Sinclair Talks
Single Parents: A more better me
Building 2 room 334, Noon to 1 p.m.

Oct. 5

• Sinclair Theatre presents:
The Taming of the Shrew
Building 2, Blair Hall Theatre, 8 p.m.

Oct. 9

• Disney College Program Presentation
Building 7 Rm. 006, Noon & 5 p.m.

Oct. 9

• Sinclair Talks
Stress Management
Library Loggia, Noon to 1 p.m.

Oct. 10

• Sinclair Talks
Wilfred Orr - Peacemaker from Ireland
Library Loggia, Noon to 1 p.m.

Oct. 11

• Sinclair Talks
Single Parents: The Balancing Act
Building 2 room 2334, Noon to 1 p.m.

Oct. 16

• Sinclair Talks
Self-Confidence
Building 2 room 334, Noon to 1 p.m.

Oct. 17

• Sinclair Talks
England
Building 8 Stage Area, Noon to 1 p.m.

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weekly sudoku

The objective of the game is to fill all the blank squares in a game with the correct numbers. There are three very simple constraints to follow. In a 9 by 9 square Sudoku game:

• Every row of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.

• Every column of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.

• Every 3 by 3 subsection of the 9 by 9 square must include all digits 1 through 9.

Every Sudoku game begins with some squares already filled in, and the difficulty of each game is due to how many squares are filled in. The more squares that are known, the easier it is to figure out which numbers go in the open squares. As you fill in squares correctly, options for the remaining squares are narrowed and it becomes easier to fill them in.

7				3	1			4
		8				9		
			7		6			8
	2			6			4	
	7		1		4		5	
	5			2			8	
			5		9			
		4				6		
2			6	1				3

Sudoku Tips: Start by looking for numbers that occur frequently in the initial puzzle. For example, say you have a lot of 5's in the initial puzzle. Look for the 3x3 box where there is no 5. Look for 5's in other rows and columns that can help you eliminate where the 5 might go in that box. If there is a 5 in column's 1 and 2, then there can't be a 5 anywhere else in

either of those columns. You know then that whatever left-most 3x3 box that is missing a 5 must have it go in column 3. If you can eliminate all the possibilities in that box except for 1 square, you've got it down!

Answers on page 7

weekly crossword

Across

1 Military motto, familiarly

9 '90s-'00s Lifetime sitcom in which viewers chose the name of the title character

15 Site of noisy games, perhaps

16 Country estates

17 Making with difficulty

18 Slip away

19 Chat up

20 Breakfast serving

21 That, to Teresa

22 Many a S.A. miss

23 Adjective often used with skepticism

28 Do as expected

30 38-Down, e.g.

33 Its production ended in 2004 with a Final 500 Edition

34 "Around the Fish" artist

35 Time spent

36 "Got it?"

39 Dismayed utterances

40 Baking instruction

41 Mum

42 Winter track maker

43 Pi opening?

44 Oscar night sight

45 Staples array

47 Brief way?

49 Opt for home cooking

51 Sin

57 Swatch Group products

58 Vote

59 Undisturbed

60 What you might get from a jerk

61 Flings

62 Reel from a shot

Down

1 What some build on

2 "The Heart of Northeast Nevada"

3 Do mayhem to

4 In-your-face '50s-'60s talk show host Joe

5 Hence

6 Longtime "60 Minutes" regular

7 Hall of Fame Chargers quarterback Dan

8 Frustrated cry from an experienced pro

9 Superintendent

10 Swank of Hollywood

11 Siren sound

12 Meditation goal

13 General headquarters?

14 Belgian river

23 __ man

24 "___ to You": Whitney Houston's last album

25 Case maker

26 Bow wielder of myth

27 Journalist Dobbs

29 Root vegetable

31 Like rattan chairs

32 Plane opening?

34 Golf shirt, e.g.

35 Pringles-like Lay's product

37 Decennial govt. activity

38 Home of the NCAA's Mustangs

43 Relaxant

44 Rabbit ears sporter, once

46 Zeus' shield

48 Slight sign

49 "Now!"

50 "___ expert, but ..."

52 "Just a coupla ___"

53 Split

54 Like Columbus, much of the time

55 Moselle tributary

56 R. Schumann wrote four

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Know your Facebook rights

An estimated 91 percent of employers use social media to aid in their decisions of who, and who not, to hire. While this practice is becoming increasingly common, employers should be aware of the pitfalls of seeking information about potential employees through Internet searches.

Q: What kinds of things might an employer learn about a potential employee through a social media source?

A: An employer can learn, for example, that a candidate demonstrates poor communication skills has lied about his or her qualifications, posted inappropriate comments, trashed a former employer, or divulged corporate confidential information. Any one of which could legitimately disqualify the candidate from further consideration. Conversely, an employer can discover that a candidate is creative, demonstrates solid communication skills, has received awards or accolades, or is well regarded or recommended by his or her peers.

Q: What should an employer consider when conducting Internet searches to learn about job applicants?

A: Despite the legitimate information an employer can discover about job applicants through social media and other websites, conducting such informal Internet background checks carries risks. First, information uncovered through Internet social media may be unreliable and unverifiable. Further, there is a genuine risk that an Internet search will disclose “protected” information such as age, sex, race, religion or medical information.

Q: How can information be “protected” if it’s shared on a public website?

A: Consider the following example: Jane Doe submits a job application to ABC Corp. The hiring manager types her name into the Facebook search bar. What happens if the search reveals that Ms. Doe belongs to a breast-cancer-survivor group? If ABC declines to interview Ms. Doe, or hires another candidate, it is opening itself up to a claim that it failed to hire her because it regarded her as disabled or because of her genetic information. Now, the company is placed in the unenviable position of having to defend its decision not to hire Ms. Doe. It may be very difficult for the company to refute a claim that the hiring decision had nothing to do with its discovery of her medical information.

Q: Can an employer require a job applicant to turn over a Facebook password as part of the hiring process?

A: Reports that some employers are requiring job applicants to turn over their Facebook passwords as part of the hiring process have been reported in the media, and the outrage against such a practice so great that some United States senators are calling for action to outlaw it. Three states—Maryland, Illinois and Califor-

nia—have already passed legislation banning it, and many other states (including Ohio) are considering similar legislative prohibitions. Facebook has also officially weighed in on this issue, via a post on its blog by its Chief Privacy Officer, which asserts that it is “a violation of Facebook’s Statement of Rights and Responsibilities to share or solicit a Facebook password.”

As employers make decisions about hiring practices, they should consider broader questions such as: What type of employer do you want to be? Do you want to be viewed as Big Brother? Do you want a paranoid workforce? Do you want your employees to feel invaded, with no sense of personal space or privacy? Or, do you value transparency? Do you want HR practices that engender honesty, and openness, and honor their employees’ lives outside of work?

Q: Assuming that most employers will not go so far as to demand social media passwords from job applicants, are there legitimate benefits to be gained from gathering information about candidates from Internet sources?

A: Yes. Despite the risks, Internet searches on job candidates hold value for employers, as long as they are done carefully. To minimize risks when doing Internet searches, employers should:

- Consult with an employment attorney to develop policies, procedures, and guidelines for the gathering and use of Internet-based information without conflicting with discrimination and other laws.
- Include on the job application a disclaimer stating that Internet searches may be conducted for publicly available information, either through sites such as Facebook, LinkedIn, and Twitter, or through the use of search engines such as Google and Bing. Obtain the applicant’s signed permission to conduct the search.
- Only conduct a search after making the candidate a conditional job offer.
- Consider using a third party to do the searching, with instructions not to disclose to you any sensitive or protected information that may be uncovered. This third party can either be a trained employee insulated from the hiring process or an outside vendor specializing in background searches.
- Make sure not to use Internet searches as the only form of background screening, but rather to use this information as part of a larger, more comprehensive background-screening program.

This “Law You Can Use” column was provided by the Ohio State Bar Association (OSBA). It was prepared by Cleveland attorney Jonathan T. Hyman of Kohrman Jackson & Krantz P.L.L. Articles appearing in this column are intended to provide broad, general information about the law. Before applying this information to a specific legal problem, readers are urged to seek advice from an attorney.

National Breast Cancer Awareness month starts in October at Sinclair

Cancer continued from front

“Over the years, Sinclair teams have raised thousands of dollars for cancer research in an attempt to find a cure,” Giambrone said. “Again this year, Sinclair athletics will raise money, raise awareness and walk in support to finding a cure for all diseases.”

The bookstore will also be selling pink items during the game and throughout the month in the store.

On Saturday, Oct. 20, the Dayton Breast Cancer Walk will be held between 8 and 10 a.m., starting at the Dayton Dragons Fifth Third Field.

Sinclair Student Ambassador Cierra Freeman said that the importance of NBCAM is immeasurable.

“I definitely think that it’s necessary for students of all ages to participate in supporting people who may have breast cancer, or people who have overcome breast cancer,” Freeman said. “You never know when it could be you, or a rela-

tive of yours.”

She said that the unity that the month provides is one of the most important messages that many people don’t grasp.

“I [believe] that this is a chance for the school to come together and be unified and support one cause together,” Freeman said. “I also think that it’s very important to participate in the walks, because that’s a visual representation of students who are there to support those individuals who have survived cancer. Definitely the walk is necessary; and for the students who can make it to that, they need to be there to show that physical support.”

October was chosen as NBCAM after 800 people participated in the first annual Race for a Cure, held in Dallas, Texas. Today, over one million people take part in the race.

Breast cancer is the second most common cancer in women.

Disney College Program Experience



Giustino Bovenzi
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Commentary

It’s that time of year. The purple Disney College Program flyers are out again.

You may be thinking: “What in the world is this guy talking about?”

Well my fellow Tartans, I am referring to the advertisements that clutter every table in the library, cafeteria and general study areas of our campus.

You may not look at these flyers with any type of substance, but let it be known that one of these flyers changed my life.

As a first-year Sinclair student I was young and just going through the motions of life, severely bored and not satisfied with the way my life was turning out.

Randomly one day in class, one of my professors mentioned that the Disney College

Program recruiters and presenters were going to be on campus. At first I thought to myself: “So what. I’ve got enough going on already.”

At the time I was going through a tough break-up, wasn’t interested in meeting any new people and really felt as if I was closed-off from the world.

Therefore, I ignored the flyers that day and went about life as usual – as unexciting as it was.

But after hearing one of my fellow classmates share his experience with the Disney internship, I began to think that it might be just what I needed to rejuvenate myself.

Subsequently, I decided to see when the next presentation was – finding that information from one of those little purple flyers.

After the presentation I decided to go ahead and apply, and hope I got to the next step.

This required me to really consider the job I was working, and how leaving would affect the business where I had worked for four years. It made me think about my current living situation and how leaving my roommate would affect him.

After putting all of that into consideration, and speaking with my boss and roommate, I decided that doing the internship was something I needed. I needed to get away from Dayton and all of the bad reminders of things that should, and eventually would, be forgotten.

When I got the call for my interview, I felt more excited than about anything I had ever felt in my life.

A few weeks later I learned that I was accepted to be a Disney College Program student through Sinclair’s Co-Op Program. My position was defined as a “seater” in one of the newest restaurants in Disney’s Contemporary Resort – The Wave...of American Flavors.

The next six months served as the biggest growing experience of my life.

I became social again. I had drive and determination. Every day was a new and exciting day – not just another day.

I met five roommates that I have a bond with now for life. On top of that, I made countless friends throughout the six months. Most importantly, I learned that there is life outside of Ohio – and if need be – it can be pursued.

Living in Orlando and working within walking distance from “The Happiest Place on Earth” forever changed my outlook on my young life.

Upon returning from Florida, I felt like a new person. It still motivates me two years later. Funny how a little purple advertisement can do that to you.

So, what I want to suggest to anyone who is thinking about attending the presentation on Oct. 9 in Building 7 room 006 – is to do it. Go take a chance. Who knows, maybe it will change your life.

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WOMEN & POLITICS



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Year of the woman? War on women?
No matter how you slice it, the ladies are getting a lot of attention this election cycle — from both sides of the aisle. Whether they are office holders themselves or giving high-profile speeches to rally support for their husbands, the women have the floor.

By Carol Cain, Detroit Free Press; MCT; Illustrations by Chris Ware, Lexington Herald-Leader

BY THE NUMBERS

Women make up: **16.8** percent of Congress ★ **23.7** percent of state legislatures
23.3 percent of statewide elected offices ★ **50.8** percent of the U.S. population

6 women currently hold cabinet or cabinet-level offices ★ **3** women on the Supreme Court ★ **90** women serving in Congress ★ **17** women in the U.S. Senate (12 Democrat, 5 Republican) ★ **73** women representatives in the U.S. House (49 Democrat, 24 Republican) ★ **6** women U.S. governors (2 Democrat, 4 Republican) ★ **217** women mayors of cities w/ population over 30,000 ★ **12** women mayors of the 100 largest U.S. cities

MADAM PRESIDENT

Madam President. And why not? Women make up almost 51 percent of the U.S. population. But the country has never had a female president or vice president. Six women currently hold cabinet or cabinet-level offices. Remember: Until the suffrage amendment was added to the U.S. Constitution in 1920, women were denied the right to vote in national elections.

ROAD TO WHITE HOUSE

Women currently in the political stream are better positioned to run for president. Consider:
Governors: Four of the last five presidents were governors. There currently are six female governors.
Veeps: Four of the last eight presidents were vice presidents. No woman has held that title.
Congress: Five of the last nine presidents also had congressional experience. Today, 17 percent of senators and 16.8 percent of House members are women.

SOME HISTORY

1872: Victoria Woodhull, a stockbroker and publisher, becomes the first woman to run for president as the candidate of the Equal Rights Party. Ulysses S. Grant won.
She said then: "What may appear absurd today will assume a serious aspect tomorrow. I am content to wait until my claim for recognition as a candidate shall receive the calm consideration of the press and the public."
1920: The 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution is ratified, giving women the right to vote.
1964: Margaret Chase Smith, a Republican senator from Maine, runs for the Republican presidential nomination in 1964 and loses to Arizona Sen. Barry Goldwater.
1972: Shirley Chisholm, a Democratic U.S. House member from New York, becomes the first black woman to seek the presidency. She loses the nomination to Sen. George McGovern of South Dakota.

1984: Geraldine Ferraro, a U.S. House member from New York, becomes the Democratic vice presidential running mate to Walter Mondale. She is the first woman to run on a major party's national ticket. They lose to Ronald Reagan and George H.W. Bush.
2004: Carol Moseley Braun, a former Democratic U.S. senator from Illinois, ends her bid for the nomination after failing to win a primary.
2008: Hillary Rodham Clinton, then a U.S. senator from New York, ran a close, but ultimately unsuccessful race against Barack Obama for the Democratic presidential nomination. Clinton, now the secretary of state, is the wife of former President Bill Clinton, and the only first lady of the United States ever elected to public office.
2008: Sarah Palin was governor of Alaska when she was tapped as the running mate for Republican nominee John McCain. She is the second woman vice-presidential nominee from a major U.S. party and the first Republican woman nominee for the vice-presidency.
2012: Michele Bachmann, congresswoman from Minnesota, was a candidate for the Republican nomination for president early in the 2012 race. She withdrew from the race after a disappointing showing in the Iowa caucuses.

ON FILM

A study of the top-100 grossing movies of 2011 found 93 percent of all political and government leaders were played by men, according to the Center for the Study of Women in Television and Film. Despite the numbers, there are several notable females playing politicians in both television and film.

MARQUEE POLITICIANS

- ★ Julia Louis-Dreyfus as vice president in HBO's "Veep" (2012).
- ★ Sigourney Weaver as secretary of state in the USA Network's "Political Animals" (2012).
- ★ Kate Burton as vice president in "Scandal" (2012).
- ★ Cherry Jones as president in Fox's "24" (2008-10).
- ★ Mary McDonnell as president in "Battlestar Galactica" (2004-9).
- ★ Geena Davis as president in ABC's "Commander in Chief" (2005-6).
- ★ Joan Van Ark as vice president in "Loyal Opposition: Terror in the White House" (1998).
- ★ Glenn Close as vice president in "Air Force One" (1997).
- ★ Joan Rivers as president in "Les Patterson Saves the World" (1987).
- ★ Maria Charles as president in "Victor/Victoria" (1982).

THE FIRST SPOUSE

THE ROLE

The term "first lady" was first used by Rutherford B. Hayes in reference to his wife in his 1877 inauguration speech. The first spouse promises nothing, and his or her role is not defined in the Constitution. In the early 19th century, the first spouse was expected to help with the White House's social events.

EMERGING ROLE

Though spouses have appeared with presidential candidates on the campaign trail, that role became more pronounced in 1960. Massachusetts Sen. John F. Kennedy ran for office with his wife, Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy, appearing with him at campaign events.



Michelle Obama

ROLE TODAY

A spouse can help a candidate reach more voters and raise campaign dollars. "The candidate's spouse becomes a surrogate for the candidate" when a candidate "can't be in two places at the same time," Bystrom explained. Consider:

HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON: Now secretary of state, and formerly a Democratic senator from New York, she helped her husband, Bill Clinton, run for president in 1992 and 1996. She reflected on the '92 campaign in her autobiography, "Living History": "The 13-month presidential campaign was a revelation. ... We were unprepared for the hardball politics and relentless scrutiny that comes with a run for the presidency." Hillary put that campaign experience to use in 2008, as she ran, unsuccessfully, for the Democratic presidential nomination.



Ann Romney

MICHELLE OBAMA: The current first lady has been referred to as "the closer" for her ability to seal the deal with voters. Her emotional speech during this year's Democratic National Convention drew tears and cheers. "The first lady (is) not hitting a home run, but probably a grand slam," said CNN host Wolf Blitzer.
ANN ROMNEY: Wife of Republican presidential nominee Mitt Romney also is on the campaign trail stumping for her husband this year. She made her national debut with a big speech at the Republican National Convention. "Ann Romney did a near perfect job tonight humanizing Mitt Romney, as only the key character witness can," Republican consultant Matt Mackowiak said to Reuters.

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NFL and referees reach 8-year agreement to end lockout after Monday night blunder



Referees signaled different calls after Monday night's game-ending play. It was finally ruled a touchdown, giving the Seahawks a 14-12 win to defeat the Green Bay Packers at CenturyLink Field on September 24, 2012, in Seattle, Washington.

Tara Sullivan
The Record (Hackensack, N.J.)
(MCT)

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — The NFL's referee nightmare has come to an end.

In the wake of unceasing criticism, impatient anger and awfully bad publicity, the NFL and the union that represents its regular game officials came to a new eight-year labor agreement late Wednesday night, a source confirmed to the Record. The agreement was confirmed by both the NFL and NFLRA shortly after midnight when they released a joint statement that read as follows:

"The NFL and NFLRA are pleased to announce that they have reached an agreement tonight on an eight-year collective bargaining agreement, subject to ratification by the NFLRA.

"Our officials will be back on the field start-

ing (Thursday) night," Commissioner Roger Goodell said. "We appreciate the commitment of the NFLRA in working through the issues to reach this important agreement."

"Our Board of Directors has unanimously approved taking this proposed CBA to the membership for a ratification vote," said Scott Green, president of the NFLRA. "We are glad to be getting back on the field for this week's games."

The end of the owner-imposed lockout will close one of the most embarrassing chapters in NFL history, a chapter that turned into a national joke at the conclusion of Monday night's marquee game between the Packers and Seahawks. As loop after loop of the game-ending blown call flashed across our television sets, the league had no choice but to get back to the bargaining table and cross the settlement finish line. Referees are heading to Dallas for a refresher clinic and to hold a Saturday morning vote to ratify the new agreement.

"The long-term future of our game requires that we seek improvement in every area, including officiating," Goodell said in a statement printed on the NFL Communications website. "This agreement supports long-term reforms that will make officiating better. The teams, players and fans want and deserve both consistency and quality in officiating."

"We look forward to having the finest officials in sports back on the field, and I want to give a special thanks to NFL fans for their passion. Now it's time to put the focus back on the teams and players where it belongs."

Wednesday turned out to be the last bad day, when early reports of imminent settlement were replaced by a seeming reality of continued stalemate, the conversation continued to flash back to Monday night. That's when replacement officials cost the Packers, Super Bowl champions just two season ago who are now 1-2, a game.

As this season rolled into its first quarter finale, players were still talking the debacle in

Seattle, when replacement officials botched the game-ending play, giving a winning Hail Mary touchdown to Seattle rather than what it should have been, a game-ending interception by Green Bay. Players were still talking about continuing to operate at the highest level of their own profession while being judged by the lowest level referees, a situation they all tried to ignore but knew had to be resolved.

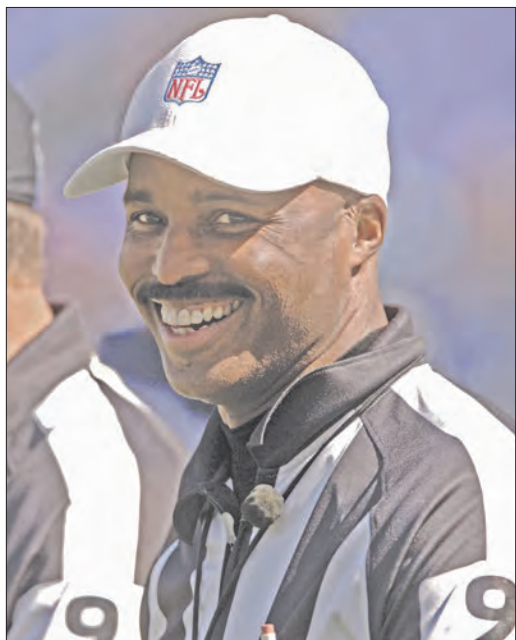
"Obviously," Giants' linebacker Mathias Kiwanuka said after practice and before the deal was struck. "We know that we need those guys out there. Enough light has been shed on the (replacement) officials. We understand that they've been put in a tough position so I don't want to hammer the point because those are grown men with jobs who are put in a position and doing the best that they can. Now the league is meeting with the representatives from NFL officials, we'll leave it in their hands, it's obvious they're working towards something."

With regular officials now in place, the conversation can turn away from officiating and more to the games. Because until Goodell and the owners he speaks for were willing to fix this thing, the focus of the NFL was moving too far away from on-field action and too far toward bad calls and bad decisions.

Oh we'd still watch – a Wednesday email from the NFL offices blared about record-setting local television ratings in all 30 markets – but the games had taken on an air of anticipatory dread. We were all waiting for the next car crash, hoping it wouldn't happen, yet afraid of missing it all the same. The players felt it, and they didn't like it.

"Sunday night game, the world's watching and all eyes are going to be on (the officials), which is unfortunate," Giants defensive end Justin Tuck said before the agreement.

"Normally, in a game like this, eyes are going to be on Eli (Manning) or (Michael) Vick or (Victor) Cruz or JPP (Jason Pierre-Paul) or whoever – those are the people that normally



Mike Carey, who is regarded as one of the league's best officials, is now allowed to return to work.

the fans are going to watch. Not Sunday night. They're going to be paying attention to the calls. They're going to be paying attention to how we react to the calls and things like that."

The integrity of the game was most definitely at stake. Every time a player bullied an official into calling a hold or flagging pass interference, the game was compromised. And that was indeed happening.

"I think it's getting out of control a little bit because nobody respects the replacements. Guys are giving them a hard time," Giants tight end Martellus Bennett said. "If Larry Fitzgerald comes up to you and you're a replacement and he goes, 'hey he's holding me every time,' they're probably going to look at it like, 'hey, that's Larry Fitzgerald.' That's just the way it is. Everything works better for stars in America."

"No, it's not good for the game. The whole idea of not having regular refs out there wasn't good for the game."

It wasn't, it isn't and it never will be. And now it's over.

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Dean of Courseview retiring

Dean continued from Front



Dr. George Sehi and one of his students at the Courseview campus.

photo by Sarah Wright

"I have always wanted to be a college professor, I ended up in education not by accident; I wanted to be an educator," Sehi said. "If I could do it all over again, I would do it exactly the same."

"He definitely strives for excellence," said Suzanne Roberts, Sehi's administrative assistant.

In his final weeks at the Courseview Campus he wants to make sure to recognize the people around him that have helped make the college what it is today.

"I want to express what a good job they have done and how I appreciate their work," he said. "It's been 26 years of going to work every day and thinking that I am fortunate and I love my job."

When he retires Sehi plans to take some time off to travel and leave his options open.

"I want to take a couple months off, reflect and decide what I want to do next," Sehi said.

Sehi's replacement as Executive Dean is currently unknown. His last day at the Courseview Campus is Friday, Sept. 28.

"I doubt George Sehi went anywhere without

thinking about Sinclair. He is very talented at leveraging resources, including his community connections and friendships, for the good of the Courseview campus," said Dr. Susan Brown, student success advisor. "His work will positively impact students for many, many years."



Dr. George Sehi checking on a students progress at the Courseview campus.

photo by Sarah Wright

Sinclair awarded \$12M grant for IT development

\$12M continued from front

Murka said the development of the curriculum will be based around Western Governors University's competency-based learning model where students can work at their own pace.

"The grant will offer students the ability to earn stackable credits—which will allow students to target specific skills that employers are looking for," Murka said. "With those certain skills, they have a pretty clear path to become employed."

Murka said the overall project's goal is to increase completion and employment rates by 20 percent.

He said new IT classes will be offered online as well as the curriculum that is currently in place.

Competency-based learning allows students to work at their own pace, earning as many credits as they can, rather than a fixed amount of credits per semester.

The project has a one-year window to develop the curriculum in 2013, another one-year window to test the new materials in pilot classes in 2014, and will be fully implemented in 2015.

Murka said the \$2.4 million Sinclair will receive is to be spent on developing and introducing competency-based learning to Sinclair's IT Department.

Murka also noted that Sinclair has been one of the most successful colleges in the country over the past 20 years, securing over \$160 million in grant money to develop the college, and to stay ahead of the learning curve.

"I think people should be excited that Sinclair is constantly working to be innovative leaders in delivering education and leadership to people who need it," Murka said. "I think this is a project that is going to have a real impact for a long time."

Open Mic series changes hands

Open Mic continued from front

Open Mic is not only about those taking part, but it is also about those who come to experience it first-hand. Anyone interested is encouraged to watch and enjoy the entertainment.

"Coartney is really perfect for this job and I'm happy to have her take over," Wilson said.

Talent shows are also something that could be in the making near the end of the semester.

"We have a lot of great talent at Sinclair and we want to show that off," said Freeland.

Initially, the Open Mic Performance Series previously ran in September from 2 to 5 p.m. every Thursday in the basement of Building 8 by the Student Activities Center. Now, starting in the first week of October, the Open Mic times are being changed to 1 to 4 p.m.

If you interested in showing off your own tal-

ents, sign-in sheets are available in the Student Leadership Office in Building 8025. Office hours are Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



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Coartney Freeland working the soundboard during one of the Open Mic performances in Building 8.

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Wednesday, October 10, 10am – 2pm in the Ponnie Kendell (Basement of Building 8 Stage Area) For more information contact: karen.williams@sinclair.edu

Breast Cancer Awareness Balloon Launch

If you would like to donate to the fight against breast cancer without participating in the walk, the balloon launch is a great way to do it! Wednesday, October 10, at 2:15pm in the Building 7 Plaza. For more information contact: karen.williams@sinclair.edu

Open Mic

The Student Leadership Office will continue presenting Open Mic for artistic expression. Every Thursday, 1:00 – 4:00pm in the Ponnie Kendell Center (Basement of Building 8)

What's New in 2012 – 2013?

Alternative Breaks

Interested students will participate in a community outreach Spring Break experience trip to Tennessee in March. This program begins October 2, 2012. For more information contact: Merri Shearer, Program Advisor: merri.shearer@sinclair.edu

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Designed to offer student engagement outside of the classroom while supporting various teaching modules reflecting themes. For more information contact Dennis Wilson: dennis.wilson@sinclair.edu

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Student Leaders' Networking Luncheon Fridays

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October 5
November 9

your voice

What do you think about the potential for Sinclair becoming a tobacco-free campus?



Jonathan Allred
Biomedical Engineering

[But] if they want their education they're going to have to abide by the law."



Richard Hahn
Physical Education

"I don't see the problem with that because I don't like smoking. I'm sure there'd be plenty of students that'd be angry. It wouldn't bother me either way but I wouldn't be opposed to it. I'm not a smoker."



Will Bradley
Computer Information Systems

"I think it's a bad idea. It's a free country; you should be able to do what you want to do. It's not like there's minors that go to school. I mean, everyone here is at least 18. So, I think it's a choice if I wanna smoke or not."

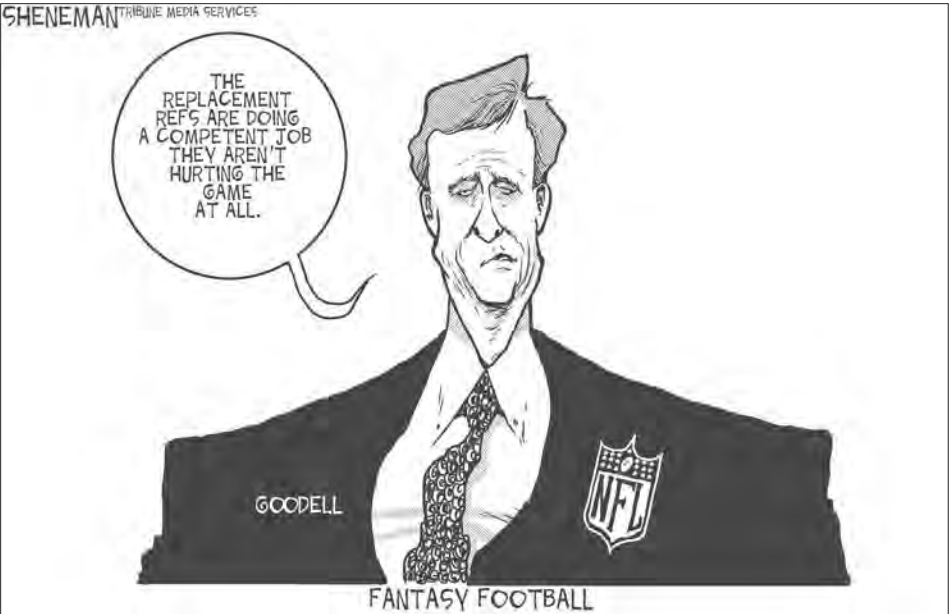


Shiafa Dugger
Social Services

"I can't say the actual word but heck yes! I'm not a smoker and I get sick of every time I walk everywhere it's like somebody's smoking. It's disgusting."

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puzzle solutions

crossword

- To solve this puzzle, refer to the clues on pg. 2 (On Campus).
- Use the given clues to place words within rows and columns of the grid.
- Solutions can only be spelled left to right, and up to down.
- Use the letters within rows to solve puzzles within columns

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sudoku

- Every row of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.
- Every column of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.
- Every 3 by 3 subsection of the 9 by 9 square must include all digits 1 through 9.

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9	7	3	1	8	4	2	5	6
4	5	6	9	2	7	3	8	1
6	3	7	5	4	9	8	1	2
1	8	4	2	7	3	6	9	5
2	9	5	6	1	8	4	7	3

What the presidential polls show

Doyle McManus

Los Angeles Times
(MCT)

Only five weeks to go in the presidential campaign, and the public opinion surveys have developed a case of the jitters. Last week, one respected poll reported that President Obama had opened an eight-point lead over Mitt Romney, but another reported that the race was dead even. Other surveys were scattered in between. What's a poor voter supposed to believe?

I consulted three smart pollsters — one Democrat, one Republican, one nonpartisan — and they all offered the same advice: Calm down. It's not as crazy as it looks. Yes, Obama has taken a lead, but only a modest lead, not one big enough to prevent Romney from closing the gap if he can only find the right ingredients.

"It's not unusual to have most of the polls saying one thing and a few others that are outliers," said Andrew Kohut, president of the nonpartisan Pew Research Center, whose poll was the one showing Obama eight points ahead. "The most sensible thing to do is to look at a composite (of several polls) and focus on the trend."

At the end of last week, a composite of polls yielded a four-point lead for Obama, according to the Real Clear Politics website. That's an improvement for the president; he had a much slimmer lead for most of the summer. It's not based on a post-convention "bounce" (that's gone), but it does include the effect of Romney's stumbles over the last two weeks.

"We're in a kind of political equilibrium," Republican pollster David Winston told me. "It's either an even race or a race that slightly favors the president. If you're in the Obama campaign, that equilibrium looks OK. The question for the Romney campaign is: How do you change that equilibrium?"

But wait a minute. Before we get to how the equilibrium can

change, how did we get here? With unemployment stuck at 8 percent, wasn't this supposed to be an easy race for any Republican to win?

That appears to be what the Romney campaign was thinking. Only a few weeks ago, Romney aides were confidently predicting that bad economic news, beginning with this month's jobs report, would drive undecided voters into the GOP's arms.

That hasn't happened. Instead, more voters now say they are optimistic about the economy. The Gallup Poll showed an astounding 11 percent rise in economic confidence in a single week this month — the week of the Democratic convention.

That odd timing actually helps explain the shift: It's not just the economy; it's also a quirk of political behavior. Yes, there have been scraps of optimistic economic news. But equally important is the fact that the Democratic convention nudged some "soft" Obama voters to make up their minds in favor of the president — and, having made their choice, they adjusted their economic views accordingly.

Voters, it turns out, don't like cognitive dissonance; they may revise their sense of reality to correspond with their political choices. To take an example from the other side, one poll found that 15 percent of Ohio Republicans gave Romney credit for the death of Osama bin Laden. Did they really believe that? Probably not, but they didn't feel comfortable praising Obama.

"People are increasingly lining up their policy preferences to match their views of the candidates," Democratic pollster Mark Mellman told me.

One other intriguing factor may be helping Obama: When unemployment is high, Democratic candidates often do better, even when they are the incumbents. That's the finding of John R. Wright, a political scientist at Ohio State University who studied two decades of elec-

tion data and determined that voters generally trust Democrats more when the top issue is jobs. "Democrats benefit from unemployment even when they are in control," Wright wrote.

Which brings us back to Romney's challenge. The GOP candidate's pitch to voters is that he'd be better than Obama at creating new jobs — because he's a businessman, because his proposed tax cuts would spur new investment and because (as he said at his infamous dinner with donors in Boca Raton, Fla.,) the financial markets would rally if he won.

But Romney is running out of time, and also running out of undecided voters to sway. Pollsters say the number of voters who say they strongly favor their chosen candidate is up; the numbers who say they might change their minds is down. "That means there's less play in the middle; less room for preferences to move," Mellman said.

GOP pollster Winston agrees. "Both sides have been doing the same thing: pointing out the faults of the other," he told me. "Everyone who was likely to move as a result of that has moved by now."

So far, the Romney campaign is still focused largely on its negative message against Obama, as a surefire way to increase GOP passion and, most important, boost GOP turnout.

But if Romney wants to disrupt the equilibrium, he needs to find a game-changer. It could be a shift from the negative message back to a positive one, focusing on an economic plan that voters can sink their teeth into. It could be a winning performance in the three debates in October (although that also requires a losing performance by the president). It could be an unexpected event. Most likely, it needs to be all three.

Otherwise, despite the apparent volatility of the polls, the campaign is likely to settle more deeply into its current equilibrium, leading to a narrow but decisive reelection for Barack Obama.

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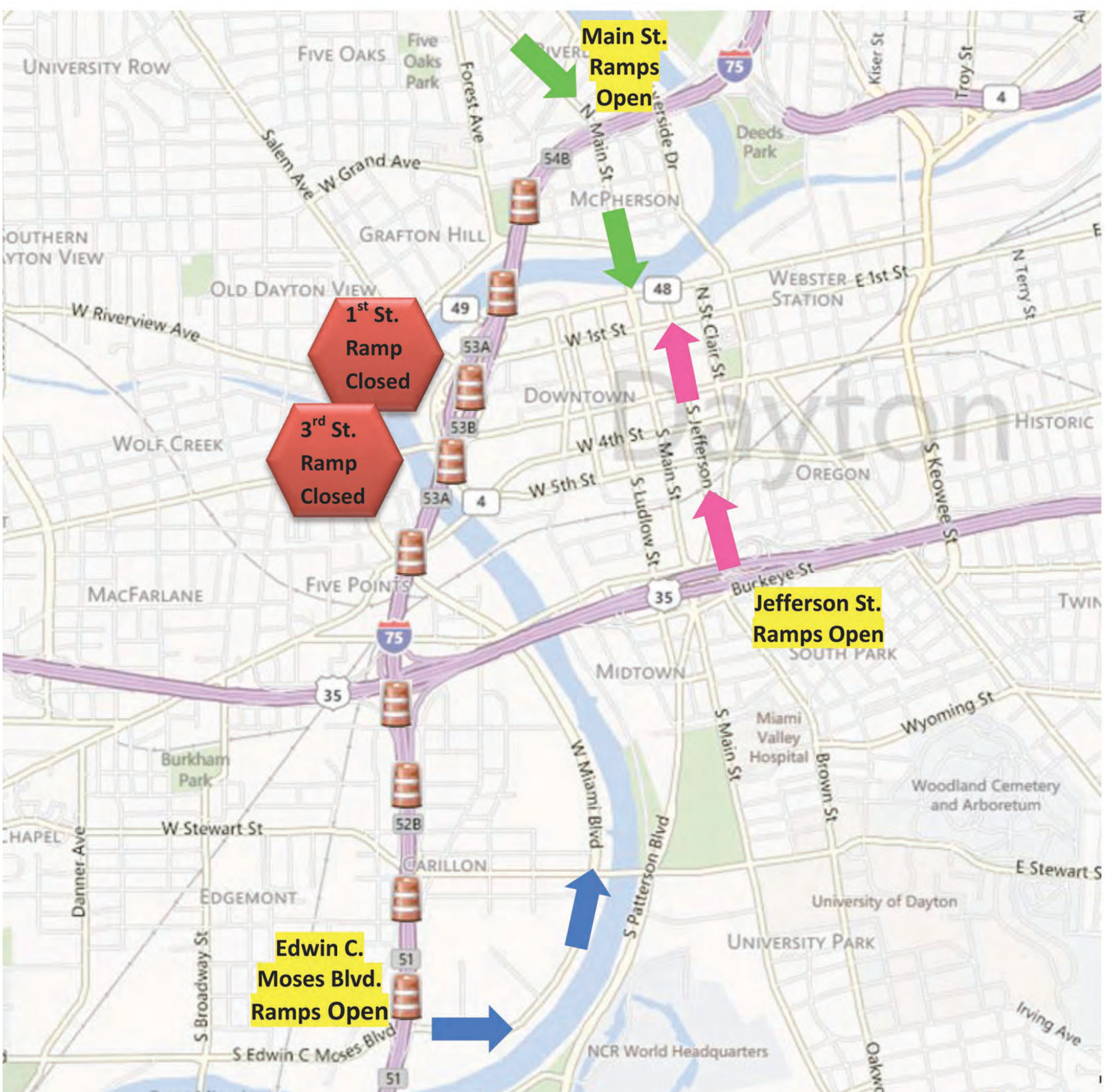
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