



Announcements

Amanda Miliner to Speak at VSU

Commencement

Amanda Miliner, a 2006 VSU graduate with a Bachelor of Science in Education, will speak at VSU's 222nd commencement ceremony Dec. 9-10. Miliner was named Miss Georgia in 2006 and placed second runner-up in the 2007 Miss America pageant. She is an instructional coach at Miller Elementary school (Warner Robins), where she's won multiple awards.

The Star of Bethlehem

The VSU Planetarium will host its annual "The Star of Bethlehem" Dec. 2. It will be shown three times: 7 p.m., 8 p.m. and 9 p.m.

World AIDS Day

VSU Student Health Center and Campus Wellness Committee are working with the Georgia Department of Public Health's South Health District Infectious Disease Program to present "World AIDS Day: Leadership. Commitment. Impact." Dec. 1 in Student Union.

Ceramics Holiday Sale

VSU's Department of Art will host the 15th annual Ceramics Holiday Sale Dec. 2 and Dec. 3 in Fine Arts Room 1054. The event will take place from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. both days. All pieces were produced by VSU faculty and students.

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'I found a job ... or rather, a job found me' It is not all doom and gloom on the job market, afterall

Mayah Cantave MANAGING EDITOR mcantave@valdosta.edu

With a little over 5,000 colleges and over 18 million undergraduates in the United States, obtaining a job after graduation can be daunting. Luckily, things are looking up for those graduating in Valdosta after a hiring boom.

Job prospects for college graduates are steadily increasing as unemployment rates drop 5.1 percent in Valdosta as of October, according to the Georgia Department of Labor.

Comparatively, the rate in October 2015 was 5.6 percent. In Valdosta, the number of jobs created rose 0.9 percent.

College graduates and prospective college graduates now have more opportunities to obtain a job after graduation. The metro Valdosta area has created over 600 new jobs over the past

All that said, lackluster wages and the burden of student debt might make new hires feel as though they are still at a disadvantage.

"I feel like the chances of get-

"We should be proud of the progress we've made." -Barack Obama

ting a job in my field of study will be slim," said Trevon Neal, junior Criminal Justice major. "So many employers want you to have x amount of years and experience but how will I get the experience

if no one gives me a chance."

VSU graduate Desiray Ward, however, said she feels more confident due to campus resources.

"I didn't feel nervous about finding a job because the office of career opportunities set me up with someone from the Ameri-Corps and they helped me do my application."

Gabrielle Ford, alumna, had similar success.

"I found a job, or rather, a job found me, about six months after graduation," she said. "I was extremely nervous. I had a great part-time job while in school, but never expected to have a full-time position this quickly."

In February, CNN reported 62.7 percent of adult Americans were working. While that isn't ideal, the number is improving, prompting President Barack Obama to react.

"We should be proud of the progress we've made," he said. "We've recovered from the worst economic crisis since the 1930s."

As the next group of VSU alumni enter the real world on Dec. 9, perhaps times have become a bit more favorable in their efforts to ignite a career.

A goodbye from our seniors...

Super senior no more

After a not-so-brief five and a half year stint at VSU, my time as The Spectator's Web and Spec-Tech Editor has come to an unfortunate close with my graduation. My time is finally here.

In just nine short days, I will be walking across the stage to finally receive my diploma. This semester, I've been filled with an array of emotions. From giddy excitement at the thought of my awaiting future to a gloomy feeling of dread, I can't quite pinpoint how I feel.

I'd lived a pretty sheltered life until I arrived on this campus back on that Fall afternoon in 2011. That day I felt the anxious anticipation that every incoming freshman feels when they finally "leave the nest." If I knew then what I know now about myself I would have known that that nervousness was unnecessary. I

feel that I've grown exponentially throughout my time here at VSU.

I've always had aspirations of being a journalist. However, it was through my time as The Spectator's Web Editor that I realized that I also shared a love for graphic and web design. I have big dreams ahead.

I would like to thank Dr. Miller, Ted, Cindy and the rest of my Spectator family for helping me grow, not only as a journalist and a designer but as a person as well. I've gained some lifelong friendships. To Mayah, you've become one of my closest friends. You have always been someone that I could count on whether it be a simple ride to the store or an ear to talk to if I'm feeling down. Thank you, you're awesome.

To everyone else at VSU: I bid you adieu, it's time for me to leave because the world awaits.

-Kayla Stroud, web editor

Straight outta VSU

My journey at Valdosta State University has been a long one. There were ups and plenty of downs. Along the way I've found love and made friends that I consider family. I've experienced things that people tell stories about. I've enjoyed the ride every step of the way.

It was by chance that I took a class that led me to the Spectator. I started off as just a staff writer. My now close friend, Jordan Barela, asked me if I wanted to be his assistant. It was one of the best decisions I've ever made for myself. After having almost every position on staff, I'll end my Spectator career as Managing

To Dr. Miller, Ted Geltner and Cindy Montgomery, thank you for always having the wisdom whenever I need it the most. You've all pushed me to work

harder, smarter and better than before. Thank you.

This semester wouldn't have been as good without my "work husband," Gabe Burns. Thanks for making me laugh almost every day and sharing stories of your life. You taught me to never judge a book by its cover. You constantly surprise me. You're the BIGGEST pain in the butt but I wouldn't change you for the world. I'm going to miss arguing with you and working countless hours every week in the office. Thanks for always having my back and keeping me sane. Good Luck next semester. You're going to be amazing.

To Kayla, I appreciate you. You unexpectedly became one of my close friends. This semester would not have been half as good without you here. Your quiet humor keeps me laughing

for hours. Thank you for being my friend.

Lastly, to my "best friend" and "partner-in-crime," Kahlil Slader, THANK YOU. There's no other person on earth who has more patience, kindness and sense of humor. You've taught me some graphic design skills and helped me create covers each week. You made me want to become a better graphic designer. Besides teaching me work skills, you've helped me become a better person with your wisdom. Best friends forever.

To everyone else that I've met along the way, thanks for the memories. VSU thank you for driving me crazy and giving me the tools to face my future with success.

-Mayah Cantave, managing editor

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Our point of view...

Experience needed Degrees are not sufficient

Colleges should provide more help

he reasons to go to college are simple: to obtain a degree and to set up a better future. College is designed to give students the skills, tools and knowledge to be successful. The problem is that even with a degree, a job or career is not guaranteed.

Most graduates struggle with the same dilemma. It's obtaining a job either before or after graduation. On most job applications, experience is required, even with entry-level positions. How are students expected to get a job if the odds seem stacked against them?

The problem is that too many students are graduating completely unprepared to enter the job market.

As a staff, we think college as an institution should do a better job in helping students use their degree to harness their future. In the many college classes students pay for, they only get a general idea of what is needed to do a job but we don't get the nitty, gritty details that will actually help students succeed.

By the end of 2016, about 1.9 million students will have graduated college, according to CNBC. But only about 21 percent of college students graduate with a job before the completion of their degree, according to a college graduate employment study by Accenture.

The post-graduation job market is extremely competitive. Luckily, employers are estimated to hire a little more than five percent more graduates from the class of 2016 than last year, according to a report by the National Association of Colleges and Employers.

To help students get ahead of the curve, colleges should have a career-centered staff. Fortunately, VSU does an excellent job with Career Opportunities in helping students with obtaining jobs. The only issue is that not many students know what they do or even that it's available to help them. Career Opportunities can do more if students know about it.

Colleges should also get with the times. The same advice that weas given to advisers when they were in school might not be relevant. Staffs should keep up-to-date with the newest technology to help students take advantage of all the opportunities available.

Teachers and advisers should teach students how to network, interview and prepare students for not only success but failure as well. Too many students have high expectations about obtaining a career right after college. In actuality, on average it takes about one to six months to secure a job after college, according to a study by Accenture.

In turn, it's not all on a college institution to help students obtain a job. Students should take a majority of the responsibility of securing their future. Students need to make sure they are doing all they can to become successful. This could include getting a mentor, interning or getting a part-time job.

Students need to take the initiative. A job isn't going to be given to you. Do the work and the rest will follow.

This editorial was written by a member of the editorial staff and expresses the general opinion of The Spectator.

Green cups leave coffee lovers seeing red



Valdosta's local Starbucks menu features every coffee lover's holiday beverage.

Hunter Terrell

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Recalling Starbucks' 2015 controversy over the red holiday cup, it seems Starbucks can do no right under a caffeine fiend's scrutiny.

The first winter cup, released on Nov. 1 was designed by artist Shogo Ota. It features a drawing of more than a 100 people drawn in one continuous stroke, which is said to represent "community and unity in a time of political divisiveness."

The second, which according to the public came too late, is the traditional red holiday cup designed by "artists" all over the country.

Starbucks, which has never identified itself as a religious company, has never put the words "Merry Christmas" on its holiday cups, though the iconic Christmas

cup has featured multiple winterthemed designs since first appearing in 1997.

Although Starbucks has had good intentions since 1971, people have become outraged because the holiday cup has been "threatened."

People took to social media tagging the company baristas in statuses.

"Went to Starbuck's with Krista," said Kierstin Kerbow, twitter user. "They gave her a green cup instead of red and she literally cried."

"Starbucks Screw you. My coffee should NOT (and does NOT) come with political brainwashing. I dropped @Starbucks like a hot rock," said Anna Bunker, twitter user, via tweet.

But it wasn't a total bombardment of slander. There has been some rational comments made as well. "Trying to figure out how I can possibly get offended by this Starbucks holiday cup. I guess someone will find a way," said Geoff Kinns, twitter user, via Tweet.

"I don't think people should get so emotional about a cup. You throw it away anyways," said Makinzic Waters, junior, business finance major.

The red cups this year appear to be a darker shade of red than last year's, with a design of holly and berries. It cannot be said whether these red cups, in all their frosted glory, will eliminate further criticism.

Don't worry though, all the seasonal favorites Gingerbread Latte, Chestnut Praline Latte, or Eggnog Latte will remain available for those who pay no mind to the color of their cup and focus more on the creation inside.



One of the many red holiday cup designs Star-



Starbuck's baristas on Saint Augustine Road scramble to complete customers' orders.

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OPINIONS

Kanye gets needed help



Juston Lewis / SPECTATOR

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After being taken to the Ronald Regan UCLA Medical Center in Los Angeles last week, Kanye West has helped open the discusion of mental health.

Kanye West is probably one of the most influential artist of the 21st century. He has had his hand in musical production and his shoes have been very successful with both mega power shoe companies, Nike and Adidas.

Even with all of his success in the fashion and music industry he is most famous for his rants that he has done at concerts and on social media. He's been doing them for years, in fact they were even named a "visionary stream of consciousness" by West.

These rants became increasingly disturbing in recent weeks. Many people wrote off his rants as him acting like a child and for Kanye fans there was no real defense for his actions as of late.

West cut his Sacramento short after just performing three songs and going on a near 15-minute rant. The following day it was announced that all of the remaining tour dates would be cancelled.

This caused a large response from a wide variety of people. Many of them outraged but some people could see the writing on the wall. They knew that West was not ok and that there was something a lot deeper going on than just "typical Kanye."

On Monday Nov. 21 Kanye was taken to Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center in Los Angeles. He had to be handcuffed to a gurney during his transport after his personal doctor called 911.

It was reported that he was just taken to be treated for severe exhaustion and sleep deprivation but with West still being under a psychiatric hold and unable to leave more than a week later it goes way deeper than that.

In early October, West's wife, Kim Kardashian, was tied up and robbed at gunpoint in Paris. At the time, West was performing on his tour in the United States. You can only imagine how bad this would shake an average person up, let alone a person that is already very paranoid.

In addition to the robbery of his wife, West lost his mother in the month of November nine years ago. West has always held himself accountable for the death of his mother, who died from complications after plastic surgery.

West has been able to bounce back from devastating events by creating music. Unfortunately, Kanye is caught in-between Jay-Z's war with Apple Music. West is a part of Tidal with Jay-Z but has expressed desires to collaborate with Apple Music artist Drake.

This feud has marginalized his ability to create content in addition to the distance that West has from the outside world has caused him to crack.

West's episode has allowed people to start talking about men-

"West has been able to bounce back from devastating events by creating music. Unfortunately, Kanye is caught."

tal health.

Mental health is a discussion that is normally just swept under the rug as stress, but a lot of times it can be much deeper.

As a college student, mental wellness is something that I take very seriously. It is hard to understand exactly what a person goes through but what isn't hard is extending love to your peers. A simple text checking on them can do wonders for the mind. Allow someone to unload their problems. All it takes is being genuine.

One thing to understand in dark and dim situations is that life does, in fact, get better. Hold on to positivity and it will do wonders for your mental wellness.

As far as Kanye, I offer my love and support to you and just know who you have millions of people who are with you in this dark time. The important thing to remember is that these are real people and they go through real situations too.

Protesters are historically successful

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Many people claim that voting does not get their voice heard, but does protesting get people to actually listen?

With recent election results, many people have taken to the streets to pronounce their disdainfor president-elect, Donald Trump. Many of the protesters have claimed they voted for the green party nominee, Jill Stein, wrote in Bernie Sanders, or did not vote at all.

One can't help but think their decisions to vote in that manner are part of the reason as to why Trump won the election.

These protest seem to be less about Hillary Clinton's loss, but their overall disappointment with the entire political system. Many memes, tweets, and other online posts project that most people felt like they had to vote for the lesser of two evils. Donald Trump's offensive view verses Hillary Clinton's shifty image.

People's reason for protesting varied from person to person. The initial disappointment over the result has shifted to things such as Dakota Access pipeline, to "Black Lives Matters" and "Viva la Raza."

No matter what the cause, people are concerned that their human rights will now be in great jeopardy with Trump in office.

Although, a couple of weeks have passed since the results, protests are still taking place. According to Dispatch.com, several protestors took to the street in Ohio on Wednesday in an anti-Trump protest. They claimed that their protest was a form of solidarity. They yelled "no fascist USA" and "This is what democracy looks like."

Not all of the protests were peaceful, and it only takes a

couple of bad apples to turn a protest into a riot. With recent protests taking violent turns and resulting in arrests, it seems like most Americans' views of what an actual protest is has shifted.

Any successful protest takes protesters who seriously support the cause at hand. It takes seeing past the hate-colored lenses and protesting in a manner that still showcases the disappointment, but also demonstrates patience and persistence to bring about change.

Some people may feel that protesting is a useless way to try and get their voices heard, but without protest slavery would still exist, women would have no rights, and civil rights would not exist.

Granted these are some of the things people fear will be in danger of becoming oppressed once more, but it has worked in the past and can continue to be as effective now.

New Balance loses business over Trump



Jada Dukes Staff Writer jldukes@valdosta.edu

New Balance Athletic Inc. experienced major backlash for endorsing Donald Trump. Immediately after Donald Trump was announced as President-elect, the Vice President of Public Affairs for New Balance, Matt LeBretton, made a statement on behalf of the corporation that was seen as a full on endorsement by its customers.

"With President-elect Trump we feel things are going to move in the right direction," LeBretton said in an interview held the day after the election, according to the Wall Street Journal.

This comment came about when LeBretton spoke of New Balance's longstanding opposition to the Trans-Pacific Partnership, saying that President Obama turned a deaf ear to them.

According to the New York Times, New Balance feels that the Trans-Pacific Partnership "will hurt its production of shoes in the United States while rewarding competitors that make more of their products overseas." Trump has made known his disapproval of the trade deal as well, which explains LeBrettons statement.

Customers were enraged by

LeBretton's comments and took to social media and the New Balance website to express their disdain. Videos and pictures of customers burning their sneakers, throwing them in the trash and calling for a boycott of New Balance surfaced all over the Internet.

"In response to the controversy New Balance has released several statements denouncing bigotry, racism and homophobia."

These comments also garnered praises from Trump supporters and members of the "Alt-Right" community. According to the New York Times the Daily Stormer, a website in support of white supremacy declared New Balances to be "the official shoes of white people."

In response to the controversy New Balance has released several statements denouncing

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bigotry, racism and homophobia. The corporation also claiming that the statements made about the Trans-Pacific Partnership were "taken out of context"

It seems as though New Balance has found itself in between a rock and a hard place. It is as if the words "Donald Trump" and "White supremacist" have become mutually exclusive, and now no one can give praises to Trump without being accused of being a racist, but to be completely fair it is hard to not make this assumption when the President-elect refuses to denounce white supremacy and the many white supremacists that support him.

It becomes even more difficult when the President-elect decides to wage war on Broadway production casts instead of providing the American citizens who felt attacked by his hate speech and derogatory comments towards Mexican Americans, Muslim Americans and women with words that will assure them that he is going to be their president too and that he will work to protect them as well.

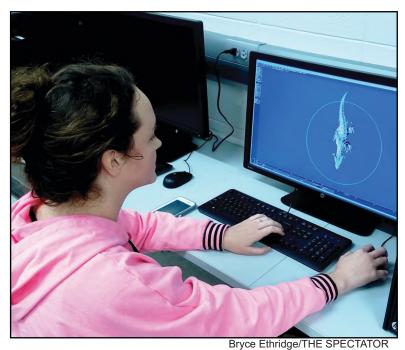
So until then, it would probably be best for any major corporations or businesses that do not support bigotry or racism to refrain from mentioning President-elect Trump until he makes it safe to do so.



ECTATOR COLLEGE KNOW?

According to Pew Research Center, only about 56 percent of students earn degress within six years.

Senior art students given spotlight in last semester show



The senior exhibit is a chance for students to showcase their talent with their best work from their portfolios.

Bryce Ethridge/THE SPECTATOR

Senior art major Stacey Crane uses VSU's design lab to create new characters.

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Every semester VSU senior art majors gather their best pieces and place them inside of the Dedo Maranville Fine Arts Gallery for all of VSU and the community to see. The themes of their art range from issues in today's society to the supernatural. There are various sculptures and paintings spread throughout the gallery.

This gallery installation shows how much seniors have grown in their art and also gives them a chance to really envelope people in their art. One such senior is Stacy Crane.

Crane is from Waycross, Georgia and at first wanted to go to a college in Brunswick to pursue her dreams of art and design, but the college proved to have a cost too high. She remembered that her brother went to Valdosta State University, so she followed him hWere to pursue her dreams.

Crane became inspired by video game characters to start making character designs of her own but then turned her focus to the human body as whole.

"It's more about learning what makes a person a person," said Crane.

Crane said that she has known for a long time that she wanted

to be a creature designer, but she didn't know what medium she would use or how she would do it.

"A character is not just about the surface, but what is within," said Crane.

Crane can sometimes be found in the design lab inside of the Fine Arts Building across from Odum Library. She shows her passion through her artwork which can be seen in pieces like "Symbol of Our Freedom" at the senior installation in the art gallery for the rest of the semester.

The Dedo Maranville Fine Arts Gallery is open Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Friday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.



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The exhibit houses multiple forms of art, each piece with its own theme.

Crane's "Symbol of Our Freedom" showcases her roots in character design.

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Ways to keep your stress at bay

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Finals are just around the corner and this is the point in the semester where a boat load of assignments are due before the exams. The amount of work and the time it takes to get everything done on time can be very stressful for most students. Managing stress is not difficult when the right method to keep it at bay is applied. With finals just around the corner, stress is inevitable, but should not take any serious toll on studying and taking exams.

Plan your time

One of the best and most helpful ways is to master the art of time management. There is nothing worse than to realize you have a ten page paper due the next day or five quizzes you just remembered that need to be taken. Procrastination is one of the worst things you can do to yourself dur-

ing finals time. Planning out your assignments for each week should do wonders on those stress levels. This way you can do one small task at a time throughout the week. The last minutes occurrences and the quality of your work will improve with this method.

Get to bed

Whatever you do, don't pull an all-nighter, especially during finals week. They just don't work.

Sure, you get tons of last minute work done, but at the cost of a sleepless night? Sleep deprivation does not improve work, it makes it look sloppy, and professors can usually tell when something was done the night before. And on top of all that, the stress on your body after not getting any sleep is more harmful than good. Our bodies need sleep to stay functional, and a sleepless night actually puts more stress on your body.

Start a study group

Starting up a study group with

friends and classmates can also do great things for performance, and it will keep your stress levels low. Studying with friends can make the work feel less overwhelming and boring. Plus, if you are with people that have the same class, you can work together and figure out hard questions. The group can divide up work to each person and develop a study guide, so you will only have to worry about one thing at a time and still study the same amount.

Work out

Exercising between study sessions can help keeping the stress at bay. Sitting down and hunched over a desk for long periods of time can actually hurt more than help when you are trying to memorize definitions and formulas. Getting up and doing a few jumping jacks can help relieve pressure and stress and get the brain kick-started back into high

Car owners beware Batteries carry potential threat

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You may be in for a hospital visit if you aren't careful the next time you try to give your car an electric jolt to get started.

Car batteries may explode if cables are not correctly hooked up when jump-starting a vehicle.

A study by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration found that in a year, 7,051 automotive injuries were car battery related, 50 percent of which were from charging or jump-starting the batteries. The other 50 percent of injuries were from handling battery cables and checking or adding battery fluid. Of the 7,051 injuries, 2,280 were severe enough to require hospitalization.

The end of the semester is nearing, and some of the vehicles in overnight parking have been out of use for a while. As students pack the trunks and make a move to head home, they may find that their vehicle's battery has died. According to pepboys. com, car batteries are more prone to die in extreme hot or cold weather, especially if the car has been sitting unused.

The issue starts with lead-acid batteries. A 12-volt lead-acid battery, for example, has six twovolt chambers called cells. These cells contain lead plates that are immersed in sulfuric acid. When the acid reacts with the lead and water, electricity is generated. This process of generating

electricity creates the byproduct of gaseous hydrogen. Gaseous hydrogen is extremely flammable and will ignite if there is a spark nearby. Therefore, improper jump-starting could cause an explosion.

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According to the LA Times, the common mistake that causes this potentially deadly spark is connecting the jumper cables to the working car's battery first, then the dead battery later. To avoid sparking, connect the cables to the dead battery first.

An additional safety precaution would be to ground the negative jumper cable for the dead battery to an unpainted, immobile metal portion of the car frame, as far away from the battery post as possible.

Last minute study tips

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If you don't have good study habits it can be almost impossible to keep your grades up. By implementing a few new practices you can improve.

Set detailed goals

Don't just make your goal an A on the final; write down your plans for obtaining that A. What material do you need to study? Are there individuals in your class you can meet with for help? Do you have time to schedule an appointment with a tutor? Consider all of these things and write down when you'll accomplish them.

Write down plans

If you don't have a planner, now is the time to get one. It is easy to say to yourself, "Okay, tomorrow I'll study," but if you make no other commitment to it, tomorrow will come and go without a single flash card made.

Just get started

Sometimes the hardest part of doing any work is finding the motivation to start it. If you can get yourself to sit down and take out the needed materials, studying should come more easily. Once you've begun, the motivation tends to keep up as long as you avoid distractions.

Don't study all at once

You won't retain much after the first hour if you dedicate all your

studying to one night. Break up the material you need to study into manageable bits, so that you will be more likely to remember it all.

Write, don't highlight

When you go to compile your lecture notes or textbook into manageable study material, don't highlight.

It is satisfying to glide through notes or a textbook just picking out important points and staring at the brightly colored page, but it only looks like you accomplished a lot. You will hardly remember anything you highlighted because you aren't really engaging with the material. Instead, make flash cards or a study guide. If you must highlight, write something after to ensure you retain the material.

Carry your material

Maybe you don't want to lug around a giant book, but if you have a light journal with notes in it or flashcards that you've made, keep them with you. There are plenty of times throughout the day that students are sitting for 15 minutes waiting for a class to start. Instead of playing on your phone, be productive and study a little.

Reward yourself

If you try to sit down and study for an hour but find that more time is spent on your phone, watching TV, doodling or anything else but studying, you may need to set rewards for yourself. Make your favorite distractions your rewards. Complete a section and reward yourself

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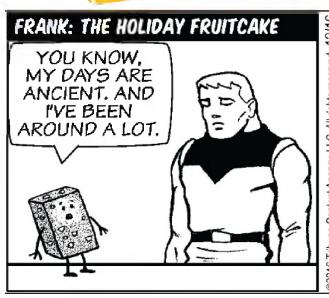
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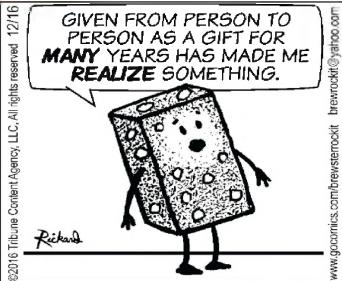
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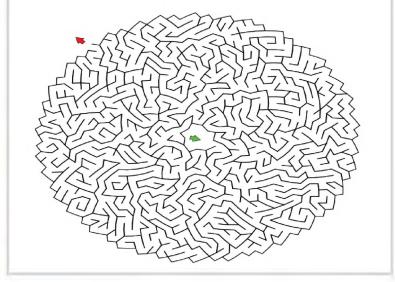


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'Tis the season:

Classic movies to prepare you for the holidays

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The holiday season officially began the last Friday of November, Black Friday. Christmas is right around the corner and there's no better way to spend it than with your family watching Christmas movies. Decorating the Christmas tree, drinking hot chocolate or eggnog and singing Christmas carols are the most common holiday traditions. For some, watching Christmas movies with the family becomes their holiday tradition. Here's a few:

1. A Christmas Story

If you have cable, tune into TBS on

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. TBS plays the movie for 24 hours straight. A young boy named Ralphie tries to convince his parents and Santa that a B.B. gun is the perfect Christmas gift.

2. Christmas with the Kranks

Based on the novel by John Grisham, the comedy depends on the viewer's tolerance for foolish. The Kranks decide to skip Christmas because their daughter is away. It suddenly changes when their daughter decides to come home causing them to have to celebrate the holiday at the last minute

3. A Charlie Brown Christmas

This short film goes down in history as the first of nearly 50 Peanut cartoons. Charlie Brown, Snoopy and the rest of the gang tries to find the true meaning of Christmas. The film has aired every year since its first debut in 1965

4. How the Grinch Stole Christmas

Whether you're an adult or a child, the Grinch will always bring holiday cheer. Jim Carrey is covered from head to toe in green makeup to play the Grinch, a grumpy green hermit. The Grinch lives on the outside of Whoville and plans on ruining the Christmas spirit for all the people in the

5. Elf

We all know when we see a movie with Will Ferrell it's bound to be hilarious. In this 2003 comedy, Ferrell plays a wideeved sweetheart, Buddy, who was raised as an elf. But soon after, he outgrows the North Pole and has to travel to New York so that he can live with people of his own

6. Home Alone

A Christmas classic. Even though being home alone wasn't the best idea for Kevin McCallister. 8-year-old Kevin gets left behind by his family who leaves off to Paris. While his family tries to find a way back to America, Kevin has to defend his home against two burglars. Kevin became really creative as he fought off the burglars with spiders and crafty cardboards. This movie is sure to give you a laugh and get you in

Former 'leader' shares her story: 'Leah Remini: Scientology and the Aftermath' is a compelling, if unsophisticated, probe of church ing Tuesday on A&E, the eight-part

MEREDITH BLAKE Los Angeles Times

It's hard to imagine it now, but there was once a time when few Americans outside the Celebrity Centre knew what an E-meter was.

For decades, Scientology was known as a mysterious religion popular with Hollywood A-listers, including Tom Cruise and John Travolta. But in recent years the church, has spawned a cottage industry of journalistic exposes and jaw-dropping memoirs in which former devotees allege abusive, cult-like behavior and outlandish beliefs

At this point, Scientology is as much an active religion as it is fodder for the various juicy tell-alls that have familiarized readers of People magazine with once-obscure concepts like Operating Thetans and the Bridge to Total Freedom.

The latest entry in this flourishing sub-genre is "Leah Remini: Scientology and the Aftermath." Premierdocuseries follows actress and former Scientologist Leah Remini as she meets with other church defectors and listens to their often harrowing stories.

While the single episode made available to critics covers little new ground and employs an unsophisticated documentary style, its focus on Scientology's toll on families is an effective strategy that will likely resonate with many viewers.

The premiere episode focuses on the church's harsh treatment of apostates like Remini and its policy of "disconnection" shunning friends and family members who've left the organization.

It tells the story of former executive Amy Scobee, who joined Sea Org, the church's quasi-military religious order, as a teenager and for decades barely had any contact with her father. She ascended the ranks and eventually ran the Celebrity Centre, where, among other tasks, she was responsible for making sure everyone around Cruise was a

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Scientologist.

Scobee walked away from Scientology in 2005, forcing her mother, a still-devout parishioner, to disconnect. Her painful experiences are echoed by Mike Rinder, former spokesperson for the church, who says his greatest regret is introducing his estranged children to Scientology.

"Scientology and the Aftermath" takes a human-interest approach to its subject, barely delving into the origins of the religion or its more bizarre teachings. It's aimed at relative newcomers, using graphics to define lingo like "suppressive person."

She comes off as authentic, even if "Scientology and the Aftermath" can also seem self-serving. Remini may have paid a price for speaking out, but leaving the church has also undeniably boosted her visibility. And however well-intentioned Remini seems to be, there's something a tad ironic about an investigation of a celebrity-driven cult that plays like a star vehicle.

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Former VSU football player, Ryan Schraeder recently signed a contract extension with the Atlanta Falcons. Shraeder is now in a five-year, \$31.5 million contract with a \$500,000 signing bonus and \$7.5 million guaranteed.

VSU drops two games over Thanksgiving

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Gulf South Conference Player of the Week Madi Mitchell will look to lead the VSU women's basketball team back to the win column today against Trinity Baptist College. The team has dropped three of their last four games.

"For us to see success on Thursday, we're going to have to defensively get stops and hold them under their average," said Head Coach Carley Kuhns.

VSU dropped two games in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, over Thanksgiving break: one to Nova Southeastern, 85-79, and one to Palm Beach Atlantic, 89-83.

The Blazers got behind early against Nova. At the 8:40 mark, VSU forward Kenya Samone' Dixon made a close range shot that ignited an 18-4 run which gave VSU an 11 point lead. In the last three minutes, NSU was able to outscore VSU and regain the lead.

Mitchell was able to score a career-high 24 points on 10 of 17 shooting from field. She secured her third consecutive double-double of the season after pulling down 10 rebounds.

Aaliyah Cheatham, Cassie Geopfert and Samone-Dixon poured in 17, 12, and 11 points, respectively. Although the offense had a strong outing, it wasn't enough to overshadow



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Sophomore forward Maddy Corazza shoots a free throw against Albany State. The game against Albany State was one of VSU's two wins on the season.

a slip at the free throw line for VSU, where the team only shot 50 percent.

On Saturday, Nov. 26, the Lady Blazer's posted their highest point total of the season, but still were unable to overcome Palm Beach Atlantic.

The Lady Blazers had three players who scored 20 points or more in the contest. VSU shot 44.6 percent from the field, but their efforts were matched by Palm Beach Atlantic including a 26-31 mark from the free throw line.

In the fourth quarter, VSU was able to take the lead 67-65 tie, but PBA took control with six unanswered points over a two-

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minute span starting at the 7:06

Mitchell delivered her fourth straight double-double in the contest with 21 points and a career-high 14 rebounds, six of which came on offense. Cheatham and Sonya Franklin each scored 20 points in the game, and Kenya Samone' Dixon delivered

in 12 points to complement her 10 rebounds. The double-double marked the first of her career.

VSU is now 2-3 going into the game against Trinity Baptist College, which is also 2-3 this season. The game will be this today at the Complex in Valdosta at 6 p.m.



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The Blazers are 2-3 on the season. The team has one game left before starting GSC play.



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VSU will face Trinity Baptist College today. Trinity is the last non-GSC game for the team.

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Muhammad Saadiq, who leads VSU in points, had 22 over the weekend.

VSU splits weekend tourney

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The VSU men's basketball team will be thankful to have a home game on Thursday against Armstrong State after splitting two games in the Palm Beach Thanksgiving Classic in West Palm Beach, Florida.

Over the Thanksgiving holiday, the team beat Lynn University 101-93 before losing their first regular season game of the season to Palm Beach Atlantic 95-86. The tournament consisted of teams from the Gulf South Conference as well as teams from the Sunshine State Conference.

Head Coach Mike Helfer said the team gave a lot of effort in the tournament.

"I think they played really hard," Helfer said. "The team is eager to learn and hardworking so it's a fun group to coach."

In the tournament, sophomore point guard Beau Justice scored 31 points against the Fighting Knights, while adding two assists and three steals. Senior guard, Damian Young, added 21 points and six rebounds for the Blazers. Justice's performance in the tournament earned himself the title of GSC Player of the Week.

"I never know that I score as many points as I do until someone tells me after the game," Justice said. "I play hard and I just try to make every shot I take. When it comes to winning and losing, I'd rather score zero points and win than 50 and lose."

Senior forward Saadiq Muhammad said the game against Palm Beach Atlantic brought reminded the Blazers they're not invincible.

"I feel as if there's always thing I can work on but I remember to always stay humble," Muhammad said. "As a team, we must keep in mind that there's always someone bigger and better and we have to play hard or we'll get our butt kicked."

The next game for VSU is against the Armstrong State Pirates out of Savannah, Georgia. Armstrong will enter the game with a 4-2 record. Muhammad said the team hopes to build off their recent loss to prepare for the game

"As far as our last game, we have to pay more attention and play together on defense," Muhammad said. "For Armstrong, there's always things we can work on and we just have to remain humble and work hard."

Since the tournament, the men have been working to play better as a team, according to Helfer. At practice they have worked on press defense, the transition game, rebounding, break-down defensive drills and break-down offensive drills.

"I think our strength is that the team plays very hard and that is something that is very hard to identify in sports," Helfer said. "From years of coaching, I know this group of men work really hard, even when we make mistakes, the best thing to do is to continue to play hard."

Helfer said the team is still working on their fundamentals as they get ready for a string of GSC games from Dec. 12 until the rest of the season after Thursday.

"It's early in the season so we're still working on generic skills," Helfer said. "We're going to try and keep doing a good job fundamentally and hopefully that will continue to help us in the

The game against Armstrong will be tomorrow at 8 p.m. at the Complex in Valdosta, Georgia.

VSU sends three players to all-star game



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Kenny Moore led VSU in tackles this year with 65. He also was tied for the team lead in interceptions with five.



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Egim Etta-Tawo (7) led the team in tackles for loss with 7.5. He also two interceptions and two and a half sacks.



Selwyn Carrol (44) was second on the team in sacks with 3.5. He also had an interception and 25 tackles in 2016.

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VSU football will be represented in the FCS Bowl by three players, including the team leader in tackles and interceptions, Kenny Moore.

The players will play in the

game on Dec. 4 at Daytona Municipal Stadium in Daytona Beach, Florida.

Defensive Linemen Selwyn Carrol and Egim Etta-Tawo will be joining their teammate in the game.

The FCS Bowl is the only college all-star game in the country that focuses on FCS, Division

II, and Division III players. The 2015 FCS Bowl featured 26 players who went on to the National Football League.

The game will feature coaches from the NFL and Canadian Football League, including Mike Stock who was named Special Teams Coach of the Year with the Arizona Cardinals in 1997.



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SPORTS :

Madi Mitchell looking to follow in sister's footsteps

Mitchell leads team in points scored, rebounds and free throws

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Basketball and VSU are in Madi Mitchell's blood.

Raised in a family of basketball players and growing up near the court, it's only natural that Mitchell has taken a leadership role for the Lady Blazers this season. Mitchell's sister, Courtney, played basketball at VSU from 2008-2012.

Being one of five children who all play basketball and having a mother, who coached her in high school at Crisp Academy in Cordele, Georgia, basketball is something Mitchell knows all too well.

"I basically grew up in the gym," said Mitchell. "My parents were always there. We all learned how to walk in the gym. It was one of those things where I was decided 'I'm going to play because it's what my family does,' and I enjoyed watching it. It became something that I really liked to do."

Mitchell began her college career at Mercer University and transferred after her freshman year. Although she enjoyed her peers and the school, she did not feel at home on the women's basketball team, so she decided to follow in her sister's footsteps.

The junior health care administration major, who was recently named GSC player of the week, is proving to be a valuable asset to the Lady Blazers.

"She has been consistent and gives consistent effort," said Coach Kuhns. "Every game. Every day in practice and it showing in her performance."

Mitchell said she wasn't embarrassed or worried about having her mom as her high school coach. She said it made their relationship closer.

"I'm really close to my mom



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Madi Mitchell has been VSU's best player in 2016. She leads VSU in three offensive categories after transferring to VSU after her freshman year at Mercer.

and part of it is because of basketball," Mitchell said. "We have so much in common because that's our middle ground. She was harder on me than most, just because she knew how hard she could push me because she knew me so well. It was the best thing, a special bond that we had."

Mitchell said her competitive nature keeps her going when times get tough. She said, basketball is a way to escape from reality and feel free. She describes it as a mental process.

"I feel like a completely different person when I'm playing," Mitchell said. "My personality is really soft and I'm really sensitive, but on the court I can be somebody totally different. It's just an escape from reality. What really pushes me, is the fact that I can do so much with my mind."

One of Mitchell's goals this season is to win the Gulf South

Conference. With new players, she says it's important that they continue to establish that chemistry between them.

"We have to find it in ourselves to stay together, have chemistry and work together," said Mitchell.

When she's off the court Mitchell is focused on one day working in a hospital setting and hopefully helping others.

"I want to go back to Cordele and maybe work in a clinic," Mitchell said. "Possibly going into physical therapy and keep in touch with my sports side and help other people."

Mitchell has been accepted by the VSU community, which she said is a big part of her success.

"I love this school," said Mitchell. "I love the community. Everyone supports everything. I love the fan support and how the community wraps around VSU."

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Friday • Dec. 9, 2016

7:00 PM

The Graduate School P.E. Complex

Graduates from the Graduate School will be hooded during their ceremony. Graduates arrive at 5:30pm in the Education Center Lobby for check-in.

Saturday • **Dec. 10, 2016**

5:00 PM

College of Business Administration
College of Education & Human Services
College of Nursing & Health Sciences
West Hall Front Lawn

Graduates arrive at 3:30pm in the Bailey Science Center Atrium for check-in.

College of the Arts College of Arts & Sciences West Hall Front Lawn

Graduates arrive at 3:30pm in the Nevins Hall Front Lobby for check-in



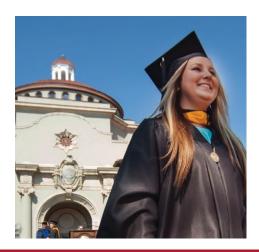
COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

Every graduate's name will be announced at this time. You will walk across the stage to shake the President's hand and receive your diploma cover.

Faculty Marshals will be there to direct you, and ensure an efficient lineup process.









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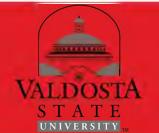
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