



The legend of the Jack-O-Lantern

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What we know about the legend of the Jack-O-Lantern comes from Irish folklore.

The story goes that there once lived a man named Jack. Jack was a mischievous man that loved to play tricks on everyone. One day he even tricked the devil.

Jack convinced the devil to climb a tree, and once the devil was in the tree Jack carved a Holy Cross on the trunk of the tree, this trapped the devil. So before Jack let the devil out of the tree he made a deal with him. Jack would let him down only if the devil promised not to tempt Jack ever again.

Jack lived to be a very old man and when he died he was not allowed in to heaven because he had dealings with the devil. So Jack then went to the gates of Hell. The devil remembered Jack and because Jack had tricked him the devil did not allow Jack in to Hell. The devil threw Jack a single flam-



An eerie Jack-O-Lantern Carved and Photographed by Sam Rolley

ing ember from hell so he could light his way through the freezing blackness.

As Jack walked his never-ending journey as punishment for his trickery, he carried a burning coal inside a turnip to help him see along the roads everywhere he traveled. Soon he was known as "Jack of the lantern" or Jack O'Lantern.

In Ireland, turnips were used as their Jack's lanterns originally. However, immigrants to America, found pumpkins more plentiful than turnips. The Jack-O-Lantern in America was a hollowed-out pumpkin, lit with an ember.

(Source:www.jackolanterns.net /jackolantern.htm)

Check out more information about Halloween inside this issue. Visit the Wallace State web site at www.wallacestate.edu to learn about events happening on campus.



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WHERE THEY STAND

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As Election Day draws near both Barack Obama and John McCain have focused on little more than the economy. There are however many other issues that well-informed voters must consider. Here is a simple look at the platform of each candidate.

John McCain (Republican)

John McCain is the Republican candidate running for president his running mate, Alaskan governor Sarah Palin, has caused quite a stir in campaign politics. While McCain and Palin are traditionally conservative Republicans they also have a history of "reaching across the aisles" or embracing some liberal ideas.

On The issues

- Pro-Life
- Supports reduced government spending
- Supports tax cuts for upper-middle class and wealthy Americans
- Supports state decisions on issue of gay marriage
- Supports death penalty
- Supports strict drug enforcement
- Supports alternative energy and off-shore drilling for oil
- Supports George Bush's Homeland Security policies
- Supports tight border control and guest worker immigration programs
- War in Iraq must be finished and won



Barack Obama (Democrat)

Democrat Barack Obama and his running mate Joseph Lieberman have based their campaign heavily on the idea of "change". It is sometimes hard to discern where the change will actually take place as campaign politics allow for very vague explanation.

On The Issues

- Pro-Choice
- Supports reduced Iraq spending to create more

money on home front

- Supports gay marriage
- Supports government involvement in corporate affairs
- Supports using death penalty sparingly
- Vague and reform-minded on drug policies
- Supports more spending on early childhood education
- Supports alternative energy research
- Disagrees with many of Bush's Homeland Security programs
- Supports immigration and Comprehensive Immigration Reform
- Supports end of Iraqi War

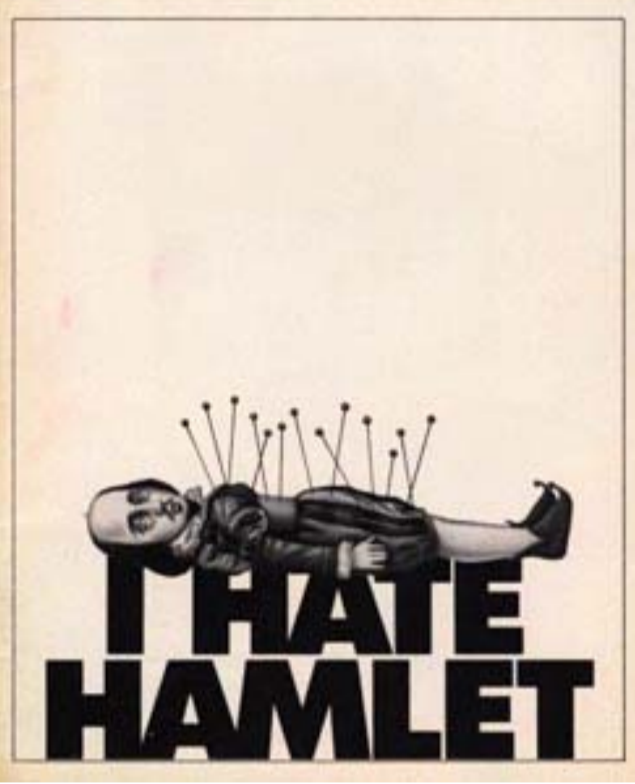
This is a very limited listing of the candidates positions on a few of the campaign issues. There are many more issues affecting American voters. For more information about campaign issues and platforms visit ontheissues.org.

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE NOV. 4
MAKE THE PLEDGE AT ROCKTHEVOTE.COM

Campus Briefs

PLAYBILL

WALTER KERR THEATRE



Published by Dramatists Play Service, Inc., the play was originally produced on Broadway in the Walter Kerr Theatre, opening on April 8, 1991.

“I Hate Hamlet”

The Wallace State Community College Theatre Department presents “I Hate Hamlet” by Paul Rudnick, November 13, 14, and 15 at 7:30pm, and November 15 and 2:00 pm in the Student Center Auditorium.

“I Hate Hamlet” is the story of Andrew Rally, an out of work television actor, who against his will, agrees to play Hamlet for Shakespeare in the Park. By chance, he rents John Barrymore's old New York apartment. He is visited by Barrymore's ghost, who is sent to teach Andrew how to play Hamlet. In the midst of rehearsals, Andrew is offered another television gig and must choose to be either a sellout or a serious actor.

Packed with laughs, and even a sword-fight, “I Hate Hamlet” is a true treat this fall! Tickets \$5. Call Lauren Cantrell at 256.352.8422 to reserve your spot.

Freshman/Faculty Luncheon

How many of the faculty have you met on campus? Only the ones teaching your classes? How about other students? Only the ones in your classes? Come to Woody's Grill on the first Tuesday of each month between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. and meet other faculty and students. Make new friends. Play some pool. Have lunch or bring your own. Come when you can and leave when you must. Please join us there!

Spring Break 2009 Travel to Ireland with Wallace State



Wallace State is planning a trip to Ireland for March 21-29, 2009, which coincides with the college's spring break. The trip is open to students and members of the community.

The 9-day itinerary will include visits to Dublin, Kildare, Kilkenny, Cork, County Kerry, and Galway, with additional stops along the way. Among the many attractions participants will visit are historic St. Patrick's Cathedral, Trinity College and the Book of Kells, the National Stud Farm for breeding race-horses, Blarney Castle and the Blarney Stone, Iveragh Peninsula, also known as the Ring of Kerry, Bunnah Castle, the Cliffs of Moher, and limestone formations of the Burren.

Participants will experience the essential sites of Ireland, from its medieval villages to the lush green countryside. Included in the trip are opportunities to learn about Ireland present and past, from its rich literary history to present day politics, by an experienced local guide who will remain with the group during the tour.

The cost of the trip ranges from \$2,396 (for persons under 23 years of age (triple and quad rooms) to \$2,686 for persons 23 years of age and older (double rooms). Enroll by paying a \$95 fee that goes toward the total price of the trip. Cost of trip includes roundtrip airfare from Birmingham, seven overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms, breakfast and dinner each day, a full-time tour guide, ground transportation, guided tours, and admission costs for included attractions. Tour arrangements will be made through educational tour provider EF Tours.

The deadline pay in full to avoid a late fee is December 12. Enrollments after the December deadline are subject to a \$125 late fee. Those who want to take advantage of a monthly payment plan must enroll by Nov. 1. The payment plan breaks the total cost of the trip into four monthly installments, and extends the final payment deadline to February 18.

For more information, contact Kristen Holmes at 256/352-8118 (email kristen.holmes@wallacestate.edu) or Tiffany Richter at 256/352-8034, or stop by the Communications and Marketing Office on JBC 11.



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Team Spirit Canned Food Drive

(to benefit Cullman Caring for Kids)

October 20-November 14

WSCC Faculty, Staff & Students
Place non-perishable items at the following Alabama-Auburn collection locations on campus:

- James C. Bailey Center Lobby
- Student Center Lobby
- Nursing Building Lobby
- Chemistry Building
- Wellness Center Weight Room

Watch the progress of each team weekly on the “football field” in the Bailey Center Lobby!
Which team has the biggest heart?
For more information, contact the Institutional Outreach office at 352-8138.

HEAD'S UP!

Rise Above the Influence

The consequences of excessive & underage drinking affect virtually all college campuses, college communities, and college students, whether they choose to drink or not.

Binge drinking is drinking 5 or more beers or drinks in a row for men. For women, 4 or more beers or drinks in a row is binge drinking.

Each year 1,700 college students die from alcohol-related unintentional injuries, including motor vehicle crashes. 599,000 students are unintentionally injured under the influence of alcohol.

(National Institute on Alcohol Abuse & Alcoholism)

Greg Mayo, MHC
Prevention Coordinator
Office: WSCC Student Center #101

Stop by our office anytime!

Do you have a tip for The Mane Issue? Do you want your club and organization information in the paper? Want to submit a letter to the editor or a guest column?
Send it to: newspaper@wallacestate.edu

Miss Wallace State 2009 Ashley Garcia Crowned



Contestants in the Miss Wallace State 2009 Pageant, pictured L-R: Miss Wallace State 2009 Ashley Garcia of DeFuniak Springs, Fla.; Danielle Davis of Cullman; Taylor Carpenter of Cullman, third runner-up; Hillarie Stover of Warrior; Kate Mullaney of Cullman, second runner-up; Traci Hite of Cullman; Leslie Smith of Hartselle, first runner-up; and Ashley Callahan of Hayden.

Wallace State cheerleader Ashley Garcia of DeFuniak Springs, Fla. was crowned Miss Wallace State 2009 in the Miss Alabama preliminary pageant held at the Student Center on Sunday, Oct. 26.

As Miss Wallace State, Garcia wins a one-year tuition scholarship to Wallace State and a \$350 cash scholarship. Her platform is Breast Cancer Awareness. Her dance performance of "Body Language" also won the talent competition.

Miss Alabama 2008 Amanda Tapley served as Mistress of Ceremonies for the event. She, along with Miss Wallace State 2008

Jessica Geisen and the Wallace State Singers, provided entertainment during the pageant.

Leslie Smith of Hartselle finished first runner-up. Kate Mullaney of Cullman finished second runner-up. Taylor Carpenter of Cullman finished third runner-up.

A total of eight women entered this year's Miss Wallace State Pageant. Other contestants included Hillarie Stover of Warrior, Ashley Callahan of Hayden, Danielle Davis of Cullman, and Traci Hite of Cullman.

Each contestant in the pageant received a minimum \$200 cash

scholarship regardless of placement.

The Miss Wallace State pageant is a Miss Alabama preliminary in the Miss America system. The Miss America Organization is the leading provider of scholarships for young women in the world. Each year, more than \$40 million in cash and tuition scholarship assistance is made available to the young women who compete in the system.

Garcia advances to the 2009 Miss Alabama competition, which will be held at Samford University in June.



Ashley Garcia

CONTESTANT INFORMATION

Contestant	Name	Hometown	Age	Platform	Talent Selection	Talent Type
1	Hillarie Stover	Warrior	18	Attention Deficit Awareness	"Ain't No Mountain High Enough"	Dance
2	Taylor Carpenter	Cullman	17	Physical Fitness through Fun Activities	"Last Dance"	Vocal
3	Ashley Callahan	Hayden	18	Drinking and Driving	"All That Jazz"	Dance
4	Kate Mullaney	Cullman	17	Health and Dignity for the Homeless	"Times Like This"	Vocal
5	Danielle Davis	Cullman	21	Preventing Pet Overpopulation	"Roxie"	Dance
6	Traci Hite	Cullman	20	Ataxia Awareness	"Anyway"	Vocal
7	Ashley Garcia	DeFuniak Springs, FL	19	Breast Cancer Awareness	"Body Language"	Dance
8	Leslie Smith	Hartselle	19	Early Intervention for Autism	"For Good"	Vocal

For more information about the Miss Wallace State pageant, visit <http://www.wallacestate.edu/misswallacestate>.

When the Luau came to Wallace



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The SGA and the student activities groups transformed the student center into a luau for the first annual back to school dance.

The dance took place on Thursday, September 18 at the student center from 7-11pm. Students had the choice of

whether to pay with \$2 or donate two canned food items in order to get into the dance. They were greeted with leis and went into the dance to tasty food provided by Chick-fil-A to sandwiches. There were limbo dances and door prizes available for the students to have a chance to win. The Best Dressed contest

has contenders from Hawaiian men to pirates. The winners of the contest were Keith Stidger of Guntersville and Bethany Blackwell of Cullman. As a result of the luau, there were more than 80 canned food items sold at the dance making it one of the moments in Wallace State history that everyone will remember.

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Outstanding Alumni

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Mary Hovater

The Wallace State Outstanding Alumni Banquet took place on Friday, September 12. The purpose of the banquet is to honor all alumni for their donations to our college, but also one alumnus is awarded the title of Overall Outstanding Alumni. This year the award of Overall Outstanding Alumni went to Mrs. Mary Hovater. Mrs. Hovater is a 1994 graduate of Wallace State in Pre-Engineering/Mechanical Engineering. Mary continued her education at Athens State receiving her BS degree in Physics and mathematics in 1998 and a Master's degree from UAH in physics. She is presently pursuing a PhD in engineering management at UAH. Mrs. Hovater has been employed with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration/ Marshall Space Flight Center since 1993 as an Aerospace Engineer. Mrs. Hovater has obtained many professional achievements including Federal Women's Program Outstanding Achievement Award in 2007. She has also co-authored many scientific papers and also assisted in editing an article for National Geographic Magazine. Congratulations Mrs. Mary Hovater!

Cullman County College Day

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Seniors from high schools around Cullman County went to the Tom Drake Coliseum on September 29 to check out colleges from in and around Alabama. There were also a few Wallace State students that came to see the recruiters from their choice colleges. Many Wallace students helped alongside Wallace recruiters Whit Rice and Natalie Shearer to set up the tables and chairs and assist the recruiters from other colleges who needed help with their booths. Like always, there were a few seniors that ended up making the choice after visiting the college day. All in all, there were many seniors who made their way into the Wallace State booth.



Photo by The Cullman Times

Why should we be thinking pink this month? October is national breast cancer awareness month.

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What is breast cancer?

Breast cancer is a cancer that develops in the tissues of the breast, usually the ducts and lobules. Breast cancer occurs in both men and women, although male breast cancer is rare. The national cancer society estimated that in 2008 40,093 deaths would occur as a result of breast cancer.

What are some preventative methods?

Mammograms, self-exams

Mammograms are very accurate, but they are not perfect. Mammograms are able to detect lumps that are not noticed in a self-exam. Health experts recommend that all women get a screening mammogram every year starting at age 40 (it should be done sooner if there is a family history of breast cancer). It is also important to have clinical breast exams every three years starting at age 20.

Common Questions about mammograms

Is it painful?

In order to get a good picture you may be uncomfortable for a few minutes.

What if I cannot afford a mammogram?

Insurance and Medicare cover the cost of mammograms. Also, there are many free or low cost programs. Call the Komen breast cancer help line (1-877-GOKOMEN) or your health department for information about low cost programs in your area.

For more information, visit:
www.Komen.org



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Mission

It is the mission of the Wallace State Student Newspaper to inform the Wallace State student body of campus news and events.

Participation

The newspaper always welcomes new staff members. If you are interested in participating on the newspaper staff, please contact Kristen Holmes. or a staff member for info.

Submissions and Suggestions

If you have a story idea or would like to make a submission to the Wallace State Student Newspaper, please send an email to newspaper@wallacestate.edu. All submissions must include the author's name and contact information. The WSCC Student Newspaper reserves the right to reject any submissions and to edit all published material.

It is the policy of the Alabama State Board of Education and Wallace State Community College, a postsecondary institution under its control, that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, disability or age, be excluded from participation in, be denied benefit of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program, activity or employment. Wallace State Community College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097. Ph: 404-679-4501).

Interested in writing, editing, photography?- The Mane Issue needs YOU!

Stop by the Marketing and Recruiting Offices on the 11th Floor of the Bailey Center to learn more, or email terri.brunck@wallacestate.edu or kristen.holmes@wallacestate.edu. Meetings are Wednesdays at 3:15 p.m. on JBC 11th Floor (If you have a conflict that day, don't worry--we can work around your schedule!)

Sloss "Flop" Furnace

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Since 1998, Sloss Fright Furnaces have averaged approximately 40,000 visitors every October. This statistic alone can lead a prospective visitor to think, "this place has to be cool," and if you're a history buff then this is defiantly your cup of tea. Sloss is over a hundred years old and is the only 20th century blast furnace being reserved and recognized a national historic landmark. But unless you have the same capacity for tolerating fear as a fainting goat does, chances are you'll leave this haunt not frightened but agitated.

The main downfall to this attraction was the simple lack of atmosphere. Some



would argue that Sloss's ancient, blood-soaked past should be enough get anyone shaking in their boots, but truth be told, the absence of "mood-setting" music and lights made the scares seem cheap and not well choreographed. The actors were mediocre and the special effects were good for the most part, but lacked consistency and therefore became a more of a novelty than a spook. The attraction also seemed shorter than it had been previous years and it's "trail-highlights" were hard to notice and many of them weren't even there. It's hard to conceive why an attraction with so much sponsorship money can be so un-scary. The good news is the people were nice and the parking was cheap, but a 15-dollar ticket for nothing more than a cardio workout should be considered robbery.

Larry Smith outside Sloss Furnace Photo by Holly Gargus

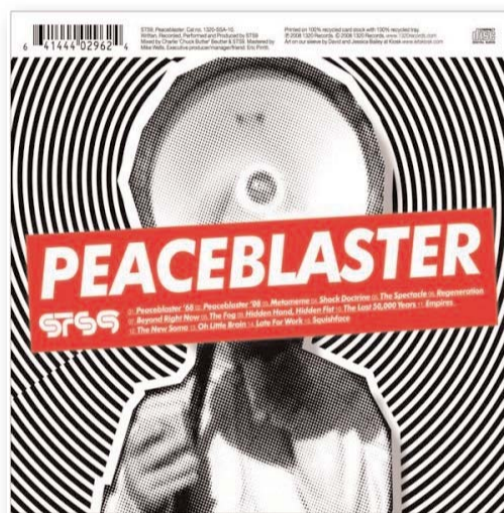
Signs of Life in Modern Media

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Throughout the decades many musical acts have been charged with crimes against the minds of American youth. Brilliant performers and talented musicians have been all but crucified by conservative views regarding the messages that are appropriate in popular media.

Looking into history we find that The Beatles' albums were burned by evangelical groups in America's south following John Lennon's "more famous than Jesus Christ" comment. More recently political figures such as Tipper Gore (wife of Al Gore) have pushed for more stringent regulation regarding the sale of musical albums containing expletives and messages that may or may not have subliminal impact on listeners.

Politics aside, it is interesting to explore the musical genres of today as we are immersed in an age of boundless technology. Now, more than ever, composers are able to implement subtle messages in their music. At one point teens may have picked up a guitar and taken lessons to bud a musical interest; now technology may become the new instrument of



Sound Tribe Sector 9's new album, "Peaceblaster"

choice. With this new "Mac Book Generation" comes new music; electronic sounds and computer generated sequences are taking a foreground in musical composition. New acts are saturating popular music with live shows that utilize every sense and albums that are no less intriguing.

One such group is penned Sound Tribe Sector 9, the name alone alludes to their technological and progressive approach to music. Armed with traditional instruments and an array of audio/visual computer equipment Sound Tribe assaults the senses of their audiences with an eclectic variation of sounds. Albums, such as their new "PeaceBlaster", cannot be found on the shelves at Wal-Mart but are limited to online retailers and independent record stores. Despite the limited availability, this music is captivating audiences and is definitely worth a listen. Progressive and Trance Electronic bands as such are gaining popularity on college campuses across The United States and will surely be carefully evaluated by self-proclaimed "moral guardians" before long. If you are interested in the "next big thing" or just love to think progressively check out "PeaceBlaster" on Amazon.com or at a local independent record store.

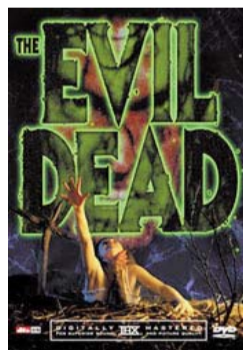
The 10 Most Frightening Flicks

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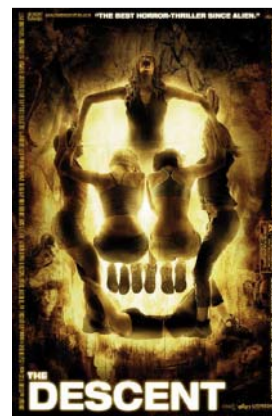
Horror films have always been the subjects of great criticism. It's not hard to see why some people find these movies offensive considering they often contain morbid storylines, blood and gore, and excessive profanity.

But perhaps the most offensive thing about many horror films is the sheer lack of quality. Too often someone will sit down to watch a "scary movie" and find him or herself doing one of two things: yawning or laughing. Horror movies are very rarely scary or well thought out, and most are merely a poorly made rendition of a more popular film.

That's why we here at the "The Mane Issue" have taken it upon ourselves to free our readers from the horrid grasp of crummy horror movies. Below we have compiled a list of 10 frightening flicks, in no particular order, that are sure to have viewers checking under their beds, locking their doors, and paying much closer attention to the things that go bump in the night.



1. The Evil Dead (1983)
Director: Sam Raimi
Starring: Bruce Campbell, Theresa Tilly
2. The Texas Chainsaw Massacre (1974)
Director: Tobe Hooper
Starring: Marilyn Burns, Allen Danziger, Paul A. Partain, William Vail, Gunnar Hansen
3. The Exorcist (1973)
Director: William Friedkin
Starring: Ellen Burstyn, Max von Sydow, Linda Blair
4. The Shining (1980)
Director: Stanley Kubrick
Starring: Jack Nicholson, Shelly Duvall
5. Halloween (1978)
Director: John Carpenter
Starring: Jamie Lee Curtis, Donald Pleasence
6. The Descent (2005)
Director: Neil Marshall
Starring: Shauna MacDonald, MyAnna Buring, Nora-Jane Noone



7. A Nightmare on Elm Street (1984)
Director: Wes Craven
Starring: Heather Langenkamp, Johnny Depp, Robert Englund
8. The Silence of the Lambs (1991)
Director: Jonathan Demme
Starring: Jodie Foster, Anthony Hopkins
9. Carrie (1976)
Director: Brian De Palma
Starring: Sissy Spacek
10. The Sixth Sense (1999)
Director: M. Night Shyamalan
Starring: Bruce Willis

PTK Honor Society Inducts New Members

Wallace State recently welcomed 85 members into the Alpha Chi Tau chapter of Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society of the Two-Year College during its fall induction ceremony. Induction into Phi Theta Kappa is held twice a year at Wallace State, once in the fall and once in the spring. Students who earn a 3.5 GPA for 12 or more credit hours the previous semester are invited to join. The Wallace State chapter has approximately 300 members.

The following Wallace State students were inducted this fall:

Addison: Kenneth Scott
Anderson: Erin Cantrell
Arab: Emma Reeves, Jessica Self, Jessica White, Destin Wilder
Baileyton: Angela Burks, Jessika Noriega
Bessemer: Jennifer Thomas
Cleveland: Michael Johnson
Crane Hill: Kandice Calloway
Cullman: Steven Alldredge, Paige Arant, Kody Baswell, Naomi Capps, Nikki Cleghorn, Matthew Drinkard, Robin Goble, Joshua Gordy, Stephanie Guy, Michael Hancock, Kristina Harlan, Brittany Huckeba, Shay Isbell, Christopher Mason, Hannah Miller, Franklin Phillips, Clint Sanford, August Speakman, Meagan Wimbs, Nikki Wood, Lori Zavatchen
Danville: Cynthia Curatola, Hana Roberts
Decatur: Linda Williams
Empire: Angela Freeman

Eva: Morgan Wolf
Falkville: Jennifer Borden, Rebekah Kinney, Ashlie Mayer
Gardendale: Brandi Baird, Brittany Capps, Samantha Henderson, Jordan Mann
Hanceville: John Coey, Cynthia Heron, Charity Higgins, Kaitlin Holloway, Elisabeth Key-Jewell, Tyler Knight, Jalisa Lockhart, Kayla Quick, Preston Settle, Stewart Sparks III, Skylar Tatro, Kyle Tubbs
Hartselle: Megan Graves, Cheryl Hargrove, Shannon Lee, Lauren Smith, Robert Turney
Hayden: Andrew Brymer, Donna Cox, Carmen Cradic, Tesia Pair, Susan Phillips, Emily Reid, Melissa Wood
Holly Pond: Sarah Drummond, Haley Mabrey, Karen Martin, Crystal Stewart
Huntsville: Jacob Cohen, Diana Russ
Jasper: Megan Short
Leighton: Marissa King
Madison: Conner Cappelletti
New Hope: Amy MacDonald
Oneonta: Charlene Blanchard, Cassandra Henderson
Pensacola, Fla.: Leslie Etherton
Trussville: Michael Gunter
Union Grove: Lindsay Conlee, Jesse Kilgo
Warrior: Charlie Maddox
 PTK sponsors are math instructors Stacey Moore and Brandon Smith.

Call for Nominations

All-Alabama Academic Team

The All-USA and All-Alabama Academic Team Competition is accepting applications now through Monday, November 3 at 4 p.m.

All-USA Competition is a process of selecting the two brightest and best students to represent WSCC as All-Alabama Team members and a chance to be selected as an All-USA Academic Team member by Phi Theta Kappa and USA Today magazine.

Guidelines:

- Students must be enrolled for Fall semester 2008.
- Students must be on track to earn an Associate or Bachelor degree. Students need to have completed a minimum of 36 semester hours at a community college by December 31, 2008, with the intent to have a minimum of 48 semester hour's credit at a community college by August 31, 2009. Thirty (30) of those hours must have been obtained within the past 5 years.
- Students must possess a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher on the last 5 years of college work.
- Students may not apply if already a nominee of another community college in any year.
- Students who have received past high school All-USA recognition are eligible.
- Students must have clear community college record free of suspension, probation, or disciplinary action.
- Students selected to represent WSCC automatically serve as All-Alabama Team Members and become eligible for the All-USA Academic Competition.
- All-Alabama Team Members receive scholarships, prizes and a chance to be selected as Alabama's top winner, the New Century Scholar, additional scholarships, and a chance to be selected on the All-USA Gold, Silver, or Bronze Scholar or as a Coca Cola Scholar that will be featured in USA Today Magazine.
- All-Alabama recipients receive free accommodations and meals at the Wynfrey Hotel in Birmingham, AL on April 23-24, 2009.
- An independent judging committee will select the WSCC representatives to this competition based on completed packet information.
- A draft version of the essay and names of potential candidates to write letters of recommendation are required for the initial application process. Letters themselves are not required until WSCC selection is made.
- Students do not need to be members of Phi Theta Kappa to apply for this competition.
- All paperwork must be completed properly and submitted by the appropriate deadlines for consideration. Late entries will not be accepted.
- Phi Theta Kappa members can additionally apply for a merit-based Guistwhite scholarship if selected as an All-Alabama winner.

For additional information or an application packet, contact the Vice President for Students Office on the 3rd floor of the Bailey Center or phone 256.352.8340.

Cartoon Contest Announced

StudentAffairs.com is pleased to announce the 2008 College Cartoonist Contest, a competition for college and graduate student cartoonists.

<http://www.studentaffairs.com/comedy/volume35.html>

Winning entries will be featured on the StudentAffairs.com website. Students need to submit two cartoons on the theme of "Campus Life and Technology."

The entry deadline is Friday, December 12, 2008.

Monetary prizes will be awarded to the top three entries as follows:

1st Place: \$400.00 2nd Place: \$250.00 3rd Place: \$100.00

All other entries will be considered for the StudentAffairs.com(edy) page at a rate of \$20.00 per cartoon.

GET READY FOR BASKETBALL! WALLACE STATE HOOPS START SOON.

WSCC men's season opens Nov. 3. The Lions' first home game is Nov. 17 at 7:30 p.m. vs. Hiwassee

WSCC women's season plays Birmingham Southern at home on Nov. 1 at 5:30 p.m.



NISOD Holds Student Essay Contest

The National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD) and Community College Week (CCW) are co-sponsoring the first annual Community College Week-NISOD Student Essay Contest. The essay contest is an opportunity to celebrate teaching and leadership excellence on college campuses by recognizing those who are making a difference in the lives of students. This is also an opportunity to recognize the community colleges that are proud recipients of these exemplary faculty, staff, and administrators.

Student Essay Topic: **Describe your most rewarding learning experience with a faculty, staff, or administrator at your community college.**

The winning essay will be awarded a total of over \$3000 in prizes to be shared by the student author, the outstanding faculty/staff/administrator featured in the essay, and the student's community college. The deadline for essay submission is December 1, 2008.

For essay guidelines, entry information, a detailed list of prizes and an online submissions form, access: http://www.nisod.org/student_essay.html

Direct additional questions to the the office of Dr. Tomesa Smith, Vice President for Students, 3rd Floor JBC, 352-8340.

CAMPUS MINISTRIES NEWS

Campus Ministries holds Food for Thought on the first and third Mondays of each month from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. on the 12th Floor JBC. Free lunch, donation only. Now, "Connect on 3rd Thursdays" at 6:30 p.m. each month in the Student Center Lobby., featuring various speakers and bands.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
No Classes on Tues., Nov. 11.
WSCC will be closed for Veteran's Day

Young Voters Must be Heard

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For the past six months American's have been saturated by media coverage of the 2008 presidential election. As November 4th draws near the issues are becoming more important than ever and problems regarding the economy are at the forefront of the presidential race. This has affected American's from all socio-economic backgrounds, hence the "Wall Street-Main Street" mantra heard constantly in media coverage. Who may these economic problems hurt the most? Young people in college or starting their lives will have futures laden with the consequences of any poor legislation today and this realization has taken heart with many. According to Rock the Vote, an organization created to encourage young people to vote, young voter turnout is expected to be greater than ever amid the issues of the 2008 presidential election.

It is extremely important for young Americans vote in this landmark election. The youth of this country are those liable to be hurt the most through economic crisis. Student loans, federal aid, and part-time job availability will all be affected by the economy; these are all things many depend on to get through college. Many college students are finding that after finishing they will not find jobs, or be able to get loans to buy a home or even approval to rent a first apartment. American youth must understand the basic issues in these scary times and vote for a candidate who has the best plan for the economy and for the future of this country.

Thanks to Wallace State's own voter registration drive, at least 56 new voters were registered. The event, sponsored by the Student Government Association, was part of Young Americans Speak Out Week that also brought candidates to campus to share their views with students. Many others had the chance to register at sites like RocktheVote.com.

There are no excuses for young people, or for anyone to neglect voting in this year's election and in all local and national elections. The five minutes that it takes to vote or the decision not to may affect the rest of your life; so vote, and change your world.



Concerts on Campus, Free to Students

The Cullman Community Concert Association will host five performances during 2008-2009.

The season begins on Thursday, Oct. 30, at 7 p.m. with comic/musician Dale Gonyea offering the best of his performances at Ceasar's Palace and Trump Castle.

This Grammy-nominated and Emmy Award winner, who taught himself to play the piano at age 5, has written songs for Disney's Aladdin and Sport Goofy, as well as for Bette Midler, Ray Stevens, Rich Little, and for a satirical British television show entitled, "etc." His use of the piano as a springboard to humor has garnered him worldwide acclaim.

On Sunday, Nov. 16, at 2 p.m., baritone vocalist Daniel Narducci will perform songs to the music of Leonard Bernstein.

Pianafiddle, the pianist and fiddler duo of Adam DeGraff and Lynn Wright, will offer selections of bluegrass, jazz, classical, rag-time, and Celtic music on Sunday, Jan. 25, at 2 p.m.

On Tuesday, Feb. 24, at 7 p.m., B&K Journey will present a classical concert on harp and soprano.

The season finale will be held on Tuesday, April 21, at 7 p.m., when the String Orchestra of New York City takes the stage.

All Community Concert Association events will be held at the Wallace State Student Center Theater.

Wallace State students will be admitted FREE to all events.

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Got The Munchies?

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Cullman County has a plethora of restaurants but around Wallace State campus your choices are limited. The top notch choice hands down has to be the Dairy Queen across from the math building. With a 99 health rating and 10% discount to all Wallace students the local DQ has outstanding sandwiches, a \$3.99 special on their flavorful meaty chicken finger, and excellent customer care! Another wonderful place to check out is Berkeley Bob's located in the historical part of Cullman at 304 First Ave SE. Berkeley Bob's is a blast from the past, 60's style coffee shop with live bands and tasty sandwiches. Definitely a great set up with band posters, lit incense, and comfortable couches!

If you're without a car and stuck on foot try our fabulous foods right here on our campus. Every Tuesday and Thursday for \$5 only the students from the culinary program whip up and extraordinary all you can eat buffet to fill your belly! With Executive Chef Villa and Sous Chef Darrel leading the way, the program started off with four students in the class and over a couple years has now grown to forty-three. The buffet has a wide variety of entres and desserts that'll make you taste buds explode! Another great choice is Woodys located in the Student Center cafeteria. Have fun playing pool and eating a great burger that's cheap and cheerful.

Check out these places this month and let us know what you think via email at newspaper@wallacestate.edu.

Athens Plans Master's Degree Programs at WSCC

Athens State University students who attend classes at Wallace State may soon be able to earn master's degrees on campus. According to a recent Cullman Times report, Athens hopes to begin offering master's degree programs in human resources, religion, and library media in fall 2010. Students who have 60 college credit hours may currently pursue bachelor's degrees through the Athens State University Center on the eighth floor of the Bailey Center.

"Night Life"

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Do you find yourself on the weekends standing around with your friends filling up cups with soda and pretending you're a NBA player, then 2 hours later you all are still bored than eventually going to bed early? Here's your chance to get out of your comfort zone of Cullman County and experience Birmingham's premier entertainment district! ZEN Nightclub is the hottest and classiest club in the city period! Thursday night College Night, Fridays are different themes, and Saturdays are exclusively 21 and up with a venue that's like none other.

There are in total 5 VIP booths to choose from in which three corner booths allow VIP guests to have a little more privacy while displaying scenes of nature via large projection. A very relaxing place to chill while enjoying the fresh vibes that Zen has to offer. The two middle booths allow your party to relax while still being encompassed by the crowd at the infamous Glow Wall.

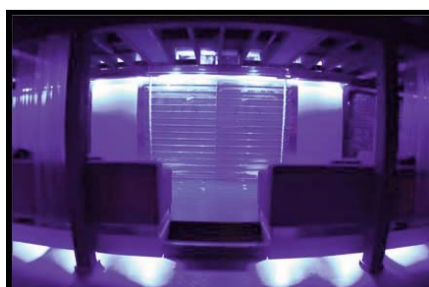
The Blue Room is a truly unique feature of Zen

located on an elevated hardwood floor bordered with two large L-shaped couches facing a wall of constant flowing water amidst a comfortable lounge area away from the dance floor and right next to the pool tables.

The Red Room offers a clear view of the dance floor through frosted glass while sitting in a custom contoured couch that accommodates 20 or more people. This area is closed off by a door and offers complete privacy for you and your party as well as seven over head televisions and plenty of room to dance. The room also has a separate sound system, so you can dance to music.

I give two thumbs up on this venue, located on 2025 Morris Avenue Birmingham, AL 35203 also known as the station. It's a very safe and responsible place to go enjoy your night out with friends. For future events and specials to get free admission with a certain Zen card, check out www.bhamnightlife.com.

As we are a newspaper written by students for students we want your feedback on our night life venues. Email us at wallacestatenewspaper@edu Don't miss the Halloween Party at Zen on Oct. 31!



At Zen, L-R: The Blue Room, Red Room, and Vip Room

Wallace State Volleyball Finishes Undefeated at Home, Sophomores Recognized

The Wallace State volleyball team returned to Tom Drake Coliseum on Oct. 22 to close a storied regular season with sophomore recognition night and a final game at home.

The Lady Lions won the match against Beville State-Fayette in three straight games by scores of 25-19, 25-14, and 25-23.

Wallace State had maintained an undefeated record this season until dropping four games at a tournament in Missouri last weekend where they played Missouri State and the University of Arkansas-Ft. Smith, and other nationally-ranked junior college competition. They remain undefeated at home and in the Alabama Community College Conference.

Wallace State's record now stands at 38-4.

"It was special night for us to win for our three sophomores – Lauren (Simmons), Bethany (Evans) and Amanda (Smith)," said Wallace State coach Randy Daniel.

"We finished the season undefeated at home, and only lost once at home last season, so our sophomores have had a really good two years for our program."

Simmons is now the WSCC kills record holder with 534 for the season. She led against Beville with 14 kills.

Other key performances against Beville included Kayla Carden with 8 aces; Cassie Daniels with 35 assists and 4 blocks; and Haley Findley with 5 digs. Krystal Robinson and Kayla Amerine each

had 7 kills and 3 blocks. Kaitlyn Fleming had 8 kills and 4 digs.

Several players remain at the top of the nation in stats. The Lady Lions continue to dominate the list of top 50 players in hitting efficiency, where Amerine ranks second in the nation, Simmons is fourth, Robinson is fifth, Amanda Smith is 20th, and Kaitlyn Fleming is 25th. Cassie Daniels is second in the nation in aces per game. Virtually every stat category has Wallace State players among the leaders. This week also saw Wallace State receive its first votes in the national poll.

Wallace State won its final regular season match on the road at Wallace State Selma by scores of 25-13, 25-10, and 25-12 to improve to complete an undefeated regular season in conference.

The Alabama Community College Conference Tournament begins October 31 at Northwest Shoals Community College. Tournament information and brackets may be found at www.acccsports.org.

For more information about Wallace State volleyball, visit www.wallacestate.edu.



Sophomore recognition – Pictured L-R: Dr. Tomesa Smith, VP for Students; Bethany Evans; Lauren Simmons; Amanda Smith; and Coach Randy Daniel.

Soccer Wins Against Union Univ., Heads to Post-season

The Wallace State soccer team defeated Union University 6-1 in the final match of the regular season on Oct. 28.

Sutton Shults scored the opening goal on an assist by Roby del Guidice. Devon Lecock scored the next two goals, first on an assist by Antonio Cabello, and next on a pass from Shults. Cabello converted the fourth Wallace State goal with help from Guidice and Ocey Phillips to close out the half. In the second half, Tyrone Walters scored first off a Cabello assist. Then Cabello scored on a pass from Guidice. The single Union University goal was scored on a penalty kick near the end of the game.

Goalkeeper Keith Stidger secured two saves in 66 minutes. Tony Makela made two saves in the final 24 minutes.

"I was really pleased with the way we played the whole game. In the first 20 minutes especially, we played our game perfectly," said Wallace State Coach Barry Spitzer. "We were able to make minor adjustments as the game progressed, and our reserves did a great job coming into the game."

"This team has a similar style of play to those we might face in the post-season so it was a good game for us to play at this point in the season."

Cabello went into the match ranked No. 6 in the nation in goal scoring. With two goals and a pair of assists in this game, he is sure to move into the top five. Those stats can be found at www.njcaa.org.

The Lions finish the season with a 14-3 record that included seven shutouts. They will play the Georgia state winner in the NJCAA District Semi-Final match in Georgia on Nov. 8.

For more information about Wallace State soccer, visit www.wallacestate.edu.



Antonio Cabello maneuvers past an opponent in a recent match at home.

