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The Wright State GUARDIAN

Weekly Horoscopes

SEPTEMBER 23, 2019 | BY STAR SIGNER

The stars have a week of emotions and surprises in store for you. Here is your week at a glance. Check out your weekly horoscopes for September 23 through the 28.

ARIES

The stars sense your stress and frustration lately Aries, don't worry they are aligning in a the shape of a triangle for you this week. Why a triangle? We are not sure but triangles remind us of pizza, so maybe go get some pizza for lunch everyday. On Saturday a person you have recently befriended will need your help, do not hesitate to say no. It will lead to new opportunities.

TAURUS

Dear Taurus have you been spending money like water lately? This week the planets are shifted diagonally for you to really focus on your finances in the coming weeks. Try to avoid Target's fall decor merchandise. Instead find ways to make money! Take that hidden talent of yours and see what kind of Etsy shop you can create. The world is yours this week.

GEMINI

Have you felt burned out the last few weeks in your career or classes Gemini? It's okay to take a day to figure yourself out. The stars are shining a little brighter for you this week so you can see what you want out of life. On Thursday you will meet a dog, make sure to pet this dog and look deep in their eyes. This dog can't talk to you but they will have the answer for you.

CANCER

Dear Cancer the moon has really thrown off your emotions the last week hasn't it? Well you're in luck because the moons new phase will allow you to get motivated and get work done this week. During the weekend make sure to rest a little extra. All that hard work this week will pay off later with many career opportunities.

LEO

You may find yourself in a good dilemma this week Leo, if that's possible. The universe has activated the social circles in your life into full overdrive. You will find yourself with people asking for your advice and to go do things but there's only so many hours in a day. As fun as this may be don't forget your responsibilities this week.

LIBRA

When you plant a seed it doesn't grow overnight Libra. It takes weeks and sometimes months of nurturing, watering, and care before it grows. Like an idea you have right now it doesn't happen overnight. Nurture and grow your idea into a plan and work with others. It may take a little while but be patient. The universe will help care for your idea as much as you do.

SCORPIO

The rotation of your planet Mars is telling you to get involved this week. Are there events you're interested in? A volunteer opportunity you've considered? This is the week to try it out. On Sunday you will find yourself in a new place with new faces, but don't stress, you will walk away with new friends and a new adventure.

SAGITTARIUS

The beginning of your week holds promises of new beginnings and lots of coffee, Sagittarius. Stop by some new coffee shops and cafes in the area. Take a good book and observe the world around you more. On Wednesday you feel free and ready to meet new people. We suggest finding a crew who likes caffeine as much as you!

CAPRICORN

Looking for a good distraction from your personal life this week Capricorn? Take up learning a language! The stars think you should learn Portuguese. Why you might ask, because it's unique and a good way to start a fun dinner conversation.

AQUARIUS

Going out on Wednesday is a bad idea this week Aquarius. Mostly because you go out every single night. We do not understand how you can afford it. Take Wednesday off from social activities and spend time with your pet fish. He misses you.

PISCES

You have been investing into too many subscription boxes lately Pisces. We know the world is big scary place but there is more to life than blogging about your recent unboxing. Try Target or Walmart. The items there will surprise you just as much as a box.

VIRGO

You have a lot of TV shows to watch this week, Virgo, but make sure they do not conflict with all of the work you need to get done. The Masked Singer is great, but not worth failing a quiz over. And besides, you already know that the Flamingo is Miley Cyrus.

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Homecoming At WSU: An Alumni Perspective

SEPTEMBER 23, 2019 | BY LACI WELLS

Students at the Homecoming bonfire and Golf Cart Parade | Photo from the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership

Homecoming at Wright State University is exactly what it sounds like; it's time for all Raiders to come home.

Alumni, current students and staff members are all highly encouraged to recollect and honor what it means to be a part of the Wright State community.

"Homecoming at Wright State, from an alumni perspective, is about returning home to your alma mater, to reconnect with classmates and celebrate your college experience," said Greg Scharer, executive director of Alumni Relations. "From a student experience, it's a chance to connect with fellow students, alumni, faculty and staff outside of the classroom and experience fun traditions."

Get-togethers have been held every year to bring the community together. Social events and athletic activities are held to provide opportunities to connect across eras over some commonality.

"Being a commuter student, homecoming always felt like a gateway to new connections through all the social gatherings and events held on campus," said Angela Anderson, Wright State graduate of 2003 and 2009.

The chili cookoff is one of many memorable and recurring events that happens each year, creating new bonds and memories.

Jordan Keckler, vice president of Student Success Admissions' favorite homecoming was in 2017 when Wright State celebrated their 50 years.

"There were just so many activities and events going on campus and the atmosphere felt amazing," said Keckler. "Last year, was my first homecoming I attended as an alumni and it didn't disappoint. My coworkers and I took part in the chili cook off and I was able to catch up with friends who were still students and alumni that came back to enjoy the events."

Homecoming has evolved over time but the purpose is still the same.

“I think many recent grads equate homecoming with a chili cook off and men’s soccer game, but prior to that it was a much different experience. Alumni from the 70s, 80s and 90s share much different stories,” said Scharer.

Being a Raider is more than a title, it is a commitment. Wright State has taken homecoming and created a celebration that continues to uphold tradition.

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Talking Movies: “Hustlers”

SEPTEMBER 24, 2019 | BY TREY BROWN

RATING: A RAUNCHILY FINE TIME

FIFTH WHEELING INTRO

On Monday, Sept. 16, I purchased a ticket to see a buzzing film titled “Hustlers,” which stars Constance Wu and Jennifer Lopez as strippers who, as the title suggests, hustle not-so-innocent men out of their money.

I made my way inside the completely empty theater and found my seat as the previews were about to begin. As the lights dimmed for their arrival, in came an elderly couple guiding each other to their seats. I’d be lying if I said that I wasn’t surprised. Minutes later a second couple entered the room, this couple a younger pair. Is this a date-night movie?

Hustlers Review

Hustlers begins in 2007 as Dorothy, also known as Destiny, (Wu) is beginning her career at a New York-based strip club. Right away the audience is put into her stilettos with a well done long take (no cuts) as she takes a tour of the place.

Soon she meets the club’s most popular performer Ramona (Lopez). Lopez takes firm control of the film as her character is shown performing. Again, director Lorene Scafaria utilizes a long take and she captivates the entire club, including Dorothy.

Later we see Ramona sitting on a rooftop in a fur coat taking a smoke break. When Dorothy follows her outside, Ramona takes her under her wing, almost literally, as the two of them snuggle inside her coat.

This dynamic between the two characters mirrors the dynamic of the actresses as well. Dorothy is the lead protagonist of this narrative however Ramona is always the character in control. Eventually we see an inevitable shift in this partnership as the criminal activity spikes and Dorothy’s desire for control over her life and circumstances (e.g. providing for her daughter and ailing grandmother) ratchet up to a 10.

The relationship between Dorothy and Ramona is by far the film's most substantive and it offers a look at two people who just want a measure of control in their lives. Given that the story is told by Dorothy, I do believe that the film doesn't fully represent Ramona's motivations as clearly as they could have, particularly in the second half of the film. It could also be argued though that this is Scafaria playing with the idea of an unreliable narrator. Either way, I don't think that the decision to put Dorothy at the center hurts the film too much.

Wu is great and carries the burden well.

"Hustlers" is a story that houses characters who demand control of their fates and as Ramona says at the end of the film, "You've got people tossing the money, and people doing the dance."

This movie is about people trying to upend that system in a way.

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What To Expect For Festival Of Flight

SEPTEMBER 25, 2019 | BY ALEXIS WISLER

“The inaugural Festival of Flight is a celebration of the Miami Valley’s history of aviation” said Bing Bingham, alumni relationship specialist.

According to Bingham, the estimated attendance is over 10,000 people.

Festival of Flight will take place on Oct. 5 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. in the Nutter Center back parking lot. The Alumni Association has partnered with Wright State University and the City of Fairborn as well as other key contributors to host this celebration of Miami Valley.

‘A unique fall festival’

“We are thrilled to be able to welcome more than 50 craft, non-profit and small business vendors to the festival,” said Nicole Crow, assistant director of Alumni Marketing and Communications. “Our committee wanted this to truly be a unique fall festival, one that everyone will enjoy, so we wanted to make sure to have plenty of local businesses and nonprofits selling their local merchandise and handing out information on their organizations. There will be vendors traveling from all over Ohio, including Columbus, Akron and even Toledo.”

Those attending the festival can expect to be entertained as they become immersed in the history of Fairborn and Miami Valley. Taking their “flight” theme into consideration, the Alumni Association and its partners have compiled a list of activities and events for all ages.

Music and more for the evening

There will be drones, a wind tunnel, DIY wood gliders, professional skydivers as well as an inflatable zone with an Army ROTC obstacle course and other inflatable games. Starting around 7 p.m. there will be a haunted trail with the theme “fright or flight”.

Playing throughout the night will be the bands Lights Out, Summer Highway and Mad River Dogs.

Later in the night, the winner of the mascot challenge will serve as the grand marshal for the golf cart parade of student organizations.

The third-place winner of Food Network's Great Food Truck Race, Rolling Indulgence, will be in attendance as well as many other food trucks including Greek Street, Rock Stop and Roll, Hunger Paynes and Duck Donuts.

Craft, clothing and home improvement vendors will be set up as well as the local Humane Society with animals for adoption.

Fun for all ages

"We're the only [festival] I think that has the innovation and aviation experiential activities and the educational component, which I think is really cool," said Greg Scharer, executive Director of Alumni Relations. "It's on WSU's campus, we're an educational institution and the educational component is part of [the festival]."

With activities for all ages, Festival of Flight will bring together the Fairborn and Miami Valley community and give attendees a fun and innovative way to learn about Wright Brothers history. With activities for all ages, Festival of Flight will bring together the Fairborn and Miami Valley community and give attendees a fun and innovative way to learn about Wright Brothers history.

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WSU Community Gears Up For Festival

SEPTEMBER 25, 2019 | BY NATALIE CUNNINGHAM

With the Festival of Flight and Homecoming celebrations quickly approaching, students and administration have been gearing up for the upcoming events.

Such a large program takes a large team to pull together, but we wanted to know what Homecoming week and Festival of Flight mean to those not directly involved.

WHAT ADMINISTRATION IS SAYING:

“I am very excited about our inaugural Festival of Flight,” said Gary Dickstein, interim vice provost for Student Affairs. “The staff in the Student Union, Alumni Relations, Student Involvement and Leadership as well as Residence Life and Housing have been working diligently for many months to create this new campus tradition. We are so pleased that this event will not only welcome back our alumni to campus but also provide opportunities for our neighboring communities to celebrate with us as well. We are confident that the vast amount of activities planned will provide not only a fun time for everyone but an educational one as well!”

“I know alumni will enjoy this enhancement to homecoming. I also think it will attract many from the community, and for some, this may be their first exposure to the Wright State campus,” said Bill Bigham, interim vice president for Advancement and director of Planned Giving.

WHAT STUDENTS THINK:

“I had never heard of Wright State’s Homecoming, however, it sounds really cool. I can’t wait to take part in the activities,” said Noah Knoth, sophomore at Wright State.

“I’m just a freshman this year but I’ve heard from multiple people that the homecoming festivities are really fun. I’ll definitely be spending a lot of time on campus during homecoming,” said Dawson Draper, freshman at Wright State.

The Festival of Flight will be held on Oct. 5 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Festival of Flight has many different events planned throughout the day.

Alumni and current students will enjoy the planned events and activities together.

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Dayton's Not Dead: 571 Grill And Drafthouse

SEPTEMBER 26, 2019 | BY MARISSA COUCH

The name 571 Grill and Drafthouse is fairly new to the area, but the restaurant has been around for many years.

In 2000, Tim Juday purchased what was called Tom's Deli and Carry-Out. Fifteen years later, the name was changed to 571 Grill and Drafthouse.

Along with this change came remodeling, re-branding, the introduction of craft drafts and expanded seating.

Now, 571 Grill carries 17 drafts and two types of draft sodas.

"We have a lot of local beers, not just Dayton, but Ohio. We try to stay with that as much as we can but there are also really good breweries across the country. Because of our volume, we get a lot of good beers," said Juday.

571 Grill and Drafthouse has accomplished many forms of recognition, both locally and nationally.

"The Haystack burger is our flagship burger. It was featured in Gordon Food Service's National Magazine recently. Of all the people they supply, we made that national publication and our burger was the feature on there," said Juday.

Dayton.com named 571 Grill's Haystack burger one of 10 most extraordinary burgers in Dayton.

"We employ a lot of foodies and we like to experiment. We try and create a lot of things that tantalize the taste buds so it's a complete experience with all the different flavors that you taste. Anything that can be a little unique," said Juday.

Shift Leader Mandy Shoopman graduated from Wright State University in 2018 and has worked at 571 Grill for almost four years. She is currently taking MBA courses and plans on graduating in the spring.

“I absolutely love our restaurant’s warm and welcoming atmosphere. I sometimes even go up to the grill to work on homework or study for exams if they are not too busy,” said Shoopman.

Shoopman believes that 571 Grill is a great atmosphere for students in the area. It’s somewhere students can go to unwind, meet new people and enjoy hospitality from their team.

“What I like most about 571 is our ability to make people feel at home when they eat, drink, study or do a little bit of all those things,” said Shoopman. “We do our best work in trying to cater to our customers’ needs, and it shows through our large amount of restaurant ‘regulars’ who continue to come back for our highly-craved menu items and excellent service.”

571 Grill is located at 12389 Milton Carlisle Rd., New Carlisle, OH..

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What Is The New Flight Festival?

SEPTEMBER 26, 2019 | BY MAKENZIE HOERFERLIN

Festival of Flight was founded and organized by Wright State and the City of Fairborn and aims to educate attendees and celebrate Dayton's unique aviation heritage.

"A lot of Wright state students and even faculty and staff don't realize that Colonel Glenn is named after John Glenn," said Greg Scharer, executive director of the Wright State Alumni Association.

Schrarer hopes the festival will educate the Dayton community about how much aviation history surrounds them on an everyday basis.

"I think it's easy to grow up here in Dayton and know about the Air Force museum and know that we are the birthplace of the Wright Brothers, because you do see signs around, but I don't know how many people actually realize how intricate our history is," said Scharer.

Festival of Flight is not only an educational experience; a huge reason for the event is to celebrate the birthplace of aviation, heritage of flight and the Wright Brothers.

"It's no secret that the Dayton community takes great pride in our rich aviation legacy. What this festival will provide is the ability to engage young and old alike in the heritage of aviation as well as STEM aspects of flight," said Amy Spowart, executive director of the National Aviation Hall of Fame. "Through exhibits, interactives, sport and the arts, our festival will have something for every member of the family."

Celebrating the Wright Brothers' achievements is a huge part of this festival, which will be coordinated, in part, by the American Marketing Association at Wright State Chapter.

According to Kendall Phillip Goodrich, professor and chair of the Marketing Department at Wright State, Wright Brothers Day has been hosted for nine years straight.

Oct. 5 marks the anniversary of the Wright Brothers' 39-minute flight around Huffman Prairie, which was when practical flight was first recognized, according to Goodrich.

According to Schrarer, the festival almost got pushed to 2020. The planning committee decided to make sure it would be ready for 2019 due to several anniversaries, such as the 100th anniversary of the parachute and the 50th anniversary of the moon landing.

Previously, Wright State has worked with the city of Fairborn to coordinate and plan other homecoming activities such as the chili cook-off between sports teams.

This year, Wright State approached the City of Fairborn with an idea to include the entire community instead of just Wright State students, faculty and staff.

In the past, there have been small-scale events by different organizations but nothing to the extent of what Festival of Flight will be.

“As we approached each entity that was flight-related, we were like ‘why hasn’t anyone done this before?’ I mean we are known for being the birthplace of aviation and flight, why don’t we have something that celebrates that?” said Scharer.

Festival of flight will bring the Dayton community together and show everyone that there is much to be proud of.

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Your Go To List Of Homecoming Events

SEPTEMBER 27, 2019 | BY ALEXIS WISLER

Raider homecoming is right around the corner. Here is your ultimate guide to what to do and when the events are happening.

Starting off homecoming is the Homecoming Kick-Off Party hosted by University Activities Board (UAB). This event will take place from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sept. 30 on the Hamilton Plaza and North Lawn. Students can grab a snow cone or some popcorn on their way to class or join in on making wax hand sculptures.

"I think it's a really good opportunity for people who are coming and going to class to just be able to stop by and do something really fast. It's easy to get a lot of students engaged in a short amount of time," said Emily Bundesen, UAB's director of Campus Spirit.

Students can also try their luck in the '67 Society Money Machine, where they'll be placed in a wind tube with money flying around them. All the money students manage to catch will be placed in a scholarship fund.

ROTC will be in attendance with inflatables and information. So will Raiderthon, with a discount code of 50 percent off when students sign up that day.

On Oct. 3, UAB and The Fraternity and Sorority Council are hosting the combined Homecoming Bonfire and Chili Cook Off on lot 4A from 6-10 p.m. This is the first year the two events are happening together. UAB predicts that around 300 students will come to the bonfire and The Fraternity and Sorority Council estimate that they will have about 20 participants for the Chili Cook Off.

"If you are in an organization, don't hesitate to reach out to the people in charge of the chili cook off. Even if you don't think you'll have a great chili, just showing up and having chili will be fun," said Bentley Peed, from the Fraternity and Sorority Council.

All teams will have fall-themed tabling and presentation. Peed suggests organizations bring a pumpkin with their organization's letters carved out. The chili will be judged by faculty members as well as students.