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# The Wright State GUARDIAN

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Weekly Horoscopes

Star Signer

February 3, 2020

A large red star has been acting erratically the past week weeks dear star children. Could this be the reason for your exhaustion? Possibly.

## ARIES

You're facing obstacles in your work this week Aries, this is probably due to that giant red star. It's an important time to get organized. The universe is well aware of your 290 unread texts, 2811 unread emails and missed calls. Maybe start with your email. The Moon is half full and is encouraging you to start the new year off with less clutter.

## TAURUS

A serious vibe will arrive in your love life and around your creative pursuits this week Taurus. This may be due to the turning and light emitting from this erratic red star. The stars are encouraging you to express yourself even when it's hard. Just remember, your partner may not understand your love for the new Star Wars but approach the subject gently.

## GEMINI

The red star is really coming in to shake up your life this week Gemini! This particular phenomenon is illuminating the financial sector of your chart. Inspiring you to have some serious reflections on how you spend at Trader Joe's. It's an important time to be firm about your boundaries. Instead of going to Joe's twice a day maybe make it twice a week.

## CANCER

Stay away from the malls this week Cancer. That red star is saying so. There are no good sales in your future. Save your wallet and time and wait for next week. On Thursday an old flame will reach out to you, don't forget the past but don't let it brush this person away too quickly. Everyone deserves a chance.

## LEO

Take it easy, Leo: That wild acting red star is encouraging you to catch up on rest this week. Your weekend will be full of opportunities and commitments so try to relax now. It's also crucial that you review your time budget, what's a time budget? The amount of time you dedicate your life to doing things and sometimes dumb things. According to the universe, your time budget is dedicated to far too many dumb things.

## VIRGO

Why are you so full of frustration and anger Virgo? The universe sees your frustrations and so do the other signs. The red star might be causing some turbulent thoughts lately. Try talking to your Leo friend. It's okay to admit you miss Phineas and Ferb as much as the rest of us. This weekend take time for self-care. Find a new show to binge-watch on Disney Plus.

## LIBRA

Dearest Libra, it's time to stop obsessing over the Jonas Brothers. There are new boy bands and new bands to discover! We suggest looking at what your spotify recommends instead of playing their "It's About Time" album over and over. A new year means a new you.

## SCORPIO

Your friends are all dying to know what the secret is to sticking with a clean diet this week Scorpio! Don't worry we won't tell them you have the McDonalds coupon app on your phone. Enjoy those likes on Instagram for your acai bowl. The new year is approaching, start brainstorming the next new social media trend.

## SAGITTARIUS

The stars see frustrating and confusing conversations this week Sagittarius. This may find you saying something you really didn't want to say or, conversely, unable to say something you're aching to get off your chest! Either way, communication will be hard, heavy, and a bummer this week. Watch out for confusion caused by this weird red star.

## CAPRICORN

You are feeling extra productive this week Capricorn! Good for you! Start setting goals for the new year and don't let this crazy red star distract you. Your friends will need a little extra love this week though. Time for coffee shop talks and quality time spent with those you love this week.

## AQUARIUS

You're the queen/king bee when it comes to your social circles Aquarius! Everyone always looks to you to lead the hive. Take a step back this week though and let some other little bees take the lead though. Be a listener instead of the speaker.

## PISCES

You will find yourself in an unlikely place at the end of the week dear Pisces. Probably because of that red star, it doesn't know what its doing either. This new experience will change your mindset and show you the happier things in life. Don't be afraid to adventure out of your comfort zone.

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Student Health Services moves out of Student Union

Natalie Cunningham

February 3, 2020

If a student is seeking medical care or a check-up, they might notice The Student Health Services has moved out of the Student Union.

As of Jan. 6, the health center for Wright State University has moved into the same building as Wright State Physicians.

## Where to find it:

Wright State Physicians Health Center is located at 725 University Blvd. The Physicians building is next to the Rinzler Sports Complex and Lot 20, according to Student Health Services.

“I believe that the move of Student Health Services to Wright State Physicians will benefit students in a number of important ways. Students will have increased access to medical professionals at a medical setting also offering expanded hours,” said Dr. Rando, director of Counseling and Wellness Services. “I know that the University and Wright State Physicians have worked diligently to ensure as smooth of a transition as possible and I know that Wright State Physicians is working to provide the best service possible to our students.”

Now that the Student Health Services is combined with the Wright State Physicians Health Center, students have access to more services.

Such as easy access to blood work and physical therapy at the new location, according to their website.

There are also additional specialized health care options available such as dermatology, OB/GYN and internal medicine.

Student Health is now open longer and offers walk-in appointments. The health services will accept more health insurance plans, according to their website.

## How do students feel?

“I don’t think [the move] good for students who live on campus and have mobility issues,” said Sasha Torres, a fifth-year student at Wright State.

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Some students are torn on whether or not this change is good for the campus community.

“It’s probably better for advertisement and if it’s more accessible I think it benefits students,” said Ryan Borsini, a freshman at Wright State.

Ashley Stout, a junior at Wright State, believes the department move is too far.

“The apartments [dorms] are so close to where [Student Health Services] was, that’s a bit far. Typically, a lot of the students on campus, from what I’ve heard, they don’t have a car. So how would they be able to drive down there?” Stout said.

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Campus crime notes  
Alexis Wisler  
February 4, 2020

One crime of drug offense was reported within the last week on Wright State University's campus.

On Jan. 27, marijuana drug paraphernalia was reported found at Cedar Hall at 10:25 p.m.

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Tinder updates its safety on app, but how safe is online dating

Alexis Wisler

February 4, 2020

Online dating is something that many students experiment with in college, but it can be dangerous at times.

This year, Tinder is introducing several new safety features in order to protect its users and take away some of the anxiety that comes from online dating.

“I think the new safety features on Tinder are a great idea because as a woman, blind dates like these can be scary; but having an extra layer of protection makes it easier to enjoy,” said Katie Clark, sophomore education major.

## The new updates

The panic button will be the first safety feature to be introduced to Tinder users. Within the year, photo verification and an offensive message feature will be introduced. In addition, a new section of the app called the “Safety Center” will allow users to log in the location and time of planned dates and share the information with friends in case of an emergency.

## Panic button

Located inside the new Safety Center, the panic button saves users from dangerous situations on dates. Holding down the panic button alerts dispatchers who will send a text with a code and then call. If the call is not answered, then emergency responders are alerted. To access the panic button as well as the Safety Center, users will need to download the Noonlight app.

## Photo verification

The photo verification feature hopes to catch catfish. The app will ask users to take pictures that match a set of posed pictures to determine if the user is real or not. Once users pass the photo identification, they will receive a blue checkmark by their name to let other users know that they are real.

## Offensive messages feature

The offensive message feature will ask users if potentially offensive messages “bother” them. Over time, the app identifies what type of messages each user finds offensive and unmatches them from users who send offensive messages.

## What the experts think:

### **What are the psychological effects of using dating apps?**

“Being actively involved with Tinder, regardless of the user’s gender, is associated with body dissatisfaction, body shame, body monitoring, internalization of societal expectations of beauty, comparing oneself physically to others, and reliance on media for information on appearance and attractiveness,” said Nicholas Kovacs, doctoral student in the Department of Psychology.

### **How will these safety features improve the mental health of users?**

“These features are likely to be more beneficial than not. Safety features could alleviate heightened awareness of threats from dates. Photo verification helps to remove spam or fake profiles that inevitably feel like a rejection when they either don’t meet up or don’t look at all

like their pictures. Offensive message features can help protect users, particularly those with lower self-esteem, from potentially damaging comments that attack aspects of their looks or behaviors they might already be sensitive to,” said Kovacs.

### **What other changes could be made for added safety?**

“Instituting reporting features or features that allow someone to withdraw if they feel threatened would be a great move for Tinder. I would suggest that they link such things to local resources for those using the app, too. That way, a person can get concrete help if they need it. Here at WSU, our Counseling and Wellness Office and our Survivor Advocate Liaison can provide assistance for anyone who [has] experienced dating violence,” said Dr. Patricia Schiml, research professor and senior lecturer in the Department of Psychology.

Tinder has begun testing the panic button on users’ accounts. The photo identification and offensive message features will be introduced throughout the remainder of the year.

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Construction on Allyn Hall continues past deadline

Natalie Cunningham

February 4, 2020

The construction on Allyn Hall was meant to be completed by Dec. 19. Instead, it is causing some noise and inconveniences related to entrances in Allyn Hall.

“It’s quite annoying that I have to walk around to the other side of the building to get in instead of using the main entrance. It probably sucks for all the people in the dorms too, because it connects to that sidewalk. I don’t know if I’ve ever had any issues with the noise,” said Julia Boyd, junior at Wright State who works and has classes in Allyn Hall. “All the people on the fourth floor can probably hear the construction.”

## Mixed emotions

“It’s just been really inconvenient especially since parking is already an issue at Wright State. Now we have to accommodate finding time to park and coming in through a different entrance which adds extra time to get to class. I just didn’t expect it coming back from break,” said Mechelle Wheller, senior at Wright State who works and has classes in Allyn Hall.

Many students are understanding of the construction and delay.

“I don’t know how the weather was over break or what would’ve held it up. I mean, it’s not the greatest thing all the time but, at the same time, I understand projects don’t always end up like you think,” said Seth Rollins, second-year graduate student.

## Improvements ahead

Tammy Kahrig, assistant dean of the College of Education and Human Services, is excited for the construction, even though it’s taking longer than expected.

The roof had been leaking and Allyn Hall began suffering from water damage that occasionally damaged materials in classrooms and offices.

The contractor updates about the construction have not yet been received.

Athlete Spotlight: Michal Miller  
Makenzie Hoferlin  
February 5, 2020

Michal Miller, a returning starter and senior on Wright State's Women's Basketball team, has faced many challenges throughout her basketball career.

## Mental toughness

From the public eye, it's easy to see the effects of her multiple broken noses, foot condition, and pulled hamstrings. However many are not aware of the long, lonely visits in the hospital and having to learn how to navigate the real world after moving away from her family.

"Whatever happened, I had to deal with it," said Miller. "It was the stuff I had to take on myself. I feel like just having the mental toughness to stay strong and not let that mess me up completely was the biggest thing for me."

For Miller, the need for mental toughness started at a young age.

Growing up with five older brothers and seven older sisters, she had to hold her own.

"This isn't for girls. Go play with your Barbie dolls," her brothers would tell her when she tried to play basketball with them.

This only encouraged Miller and filled her with the desire to prove her older brothers wrong.

"Them thinking that they could tough me out of the game made me not want to play," said Miller. "But I didn't stop playing and it gave me a dog mentality and made me want to play more."

Eventually, her brothers realized that she was talented and began to support her, and even encouraged her to play alongside and against them.

"That toughness alone is why I feel like I'm still playing now, just dealing with it," said Miller. "Especially with all of the injuries I've had. It just made me who I am today."

## Injuries

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After playing aggressively with her brothers for her entire childhood, Miller took to the court at Michigan City High School where she prepared to play in college-level ball.

Her freshman year of college, Miller played at the University of Arizona. She then transferred to Trinity Valley Community College in Texas where she played for her sophomore year.

Along the way, Miller discovered she had a foot condition that made it difficult for her to play and practice for extended periods of time.

Miller suffered through the pain while at Arizona, and discovered the reason shortly after transferring to Trinity Valley.

“I was very distraught and kind of frustrated because I didn’t know if my career was going to end,” said Miller. “I kind of felt like I was just getting started.”

Finally, Miller came to her final stop at WSU where she is playing her second consecutive year as one of the leading scorers.

Miller also deals with recurring problems due to re-breaking her nose multiple times.

Miller explained how she has to repeatedly get painful injections in her nose and how she may need a procedure in the near future in order to fix it.

Just recently, Miller was able to return to the court after sitting out for three games due to a third-degree strain in her hamstring, which happened during the IUPUI game on Jan. 11.

## Staying positive

Despite the many obstacles and struggles to overcome, Miller continues to stay positive.

An important part of this has been the role that her faith plays in her life.

“I had to stay by my faith,” said Miller. “I’m a big believer in God and it was very significant for me to rely on my faith in God and make sure that I stay true to myself and to just let nobody take me away from it.”

In light of the devastating news about the death of Kobe Bryant and his daughter, Miller has taken time to reflect on how fortunate she is.

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“You know I was always a big fan of Kobe Bryant,” said Miller. “Obviously it’s unfortunate and its a sad occasion, but it made me realize how fortunate I am to still be able to play this game.”

Miller takes every opportunity to be thankful for her life and what she has to offer.

“I just try to stay positive every day, no matter if I can touch a ball, walk on the floor or tie my shoes,” said Miller. “I just try to keep the negative thoughts away and just keep smiling and keep my head up.”

Miller has continued to stay focused on and off the court and even managed to earn a 4.0 for the very first time in her college career, a major accomplishment for her.

“I’ve been trying my hardest to get one [4.0] since I’ve been in college,” said Miller. “When things don’t go well, I try not to let everything go bad. When I was injured I was able to take care of school and be solid there.”

Basketball continues to be a strong motivator in Miller’s life and is something she takes extreme pride in.

“I just try to let basketball use me in a way to be a leader for other people,” said Miller. “When I have people looking up to me I’m like, ‘dang I can’t fall off.’ Overall it has just helped me be a better me.”

Being a leader to others is one of the biggest reasons Miller is still where she is today.

“My coach always says, ‘know your why.’ Whatever your ‘why’ is, have one,” said Miller. “And I feel like my ‘why’ is people.”

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Coronavirus: What you need to know

Marissa Couch

February 5, 2020

A common virus known as coronavirus (nCoV 2019) has quickly made its way from China, with 11 confirmed cases in the United States, according to The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

## There are no confirmed deaths in the U.S. due to nCoV 2019

Symptoms of the virus can begin at two days post-exposure up until 14 days after. The symptoms include difficulty breathing, high fever and cough.

The CDC states that the onset can seem like the common cold or be as severe as pneumonia.

There are no current vaccinations to prevent the virus, but the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) recommends following the same precautions that should be taken during cold and flu season.

- Avoid contact with those who are sick
- Wash hands frequently
- Sanitize frequently contacted areas and items

A public health emergency has been declared by Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar II on Jan. 31, according to the ODH.

At this time, there are no confirmed cases in Ohio. There was speculation of symptoms at Miami University on Jan. 28, but the students were found to not have the virus.

## The threat to the general public remains low

According to ODH, it is much more likely to contract influenza at this time than it is to contract nCoV 2019.

“A student in Army ROTC was in China a few weeks ago, but he was screened and allowed back in. He came back perfectly healthy,” said Zach Raynor, administrative specialist for Army ROTC at Wright State University (WSU).

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Coronavirus has been declared a Class A infectious disease as of Jan. 23, according to ODH.

Declaring a disease as Class A qualifies that cases must be immediately reported to the health department in which the person diagnosed lives or is being treated, according to the ODH.

There is currently a level four travel advisory, advising travelers to refrain from going to China. This advisory came from the U.S. State Department on Feb. 1.

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Dan Krane gives 200th blood donation

Roxanne Roessner

February 5, 2020

Interim Dean Dan Krane recently gave his 200th blood donation in January. He donated at the Dayton Community Blood Center by giving platelets.

Krane has one of the rarest blood types with AB-. Only 0.6 percent of people have this type. According to Carter BloodCare, AB- patients can receive red blood cells from all negative blood types. AB- can give platelets or plasma to a patient of any blood type as well.

“I have donated whole blood many times but almost all of my donations are for platelets (apheresis). I have an unusually high platelet count and the Community Blood Center is able to get two units of platelets from me in the time that it usually takes for them to get one unit from a donor,” said Krane.

Platelets can be donated up to 24 times a year, while whole blood can be donated only six times a year. Krane usually goes to the Dayton Community Blood Center each month to donate.

“I received eight units of blood due to a sled riding accident when I was 10. When I became eligible to donate blood myself, I felt a responsibility to pay that back. Then it just became a habit that has stuck with me ever since,” said Krane.

However, students at Lake Campus do not have to travel so far in order to donate. The Lake Campus is hosting a blood drive on March 31 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in 168 Dwyer. Students are encouraged to donate if they are able to.

According to the Red Cross, just one pint of donated blood can help save as many as three people's lives.

After donating, there are snacks and beverages available for your consumption. Krane claims that the cranberry grape drink and the wheat crackers are the best.

We would like to thank Dan Krane for his donations and hope that others will consider donating at the Lake Campus or other facilities in the future.

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Campus Recreation to host Adventure Summit  
Alexis Wisler  
February 5, 2020

Dayton is said to be the outdoor adventure capital of the Midwest, and the Adventure Summit gives students at Wright State University the opportunity to experience how great outdoor adventure can be.

## When and where

The Adventure Summit will be held on Friday, Feb. 14 and Saturday, Feb. 15 in the Student Union. The event will run from 4-11 p.m. on Friday and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday.

“We hope to inspire greatness and strength. A lot of participants push themselves during these competitions and learn how much strength they have,” said Erin Sherrets, outdoor recreation program manager for Campus Recreation.

## Guest speakers

On Friday, Heather Anderson, the first female to complete the Triple Crown trail and a National Geographic Adventurer of the Year in 2019, will speak at 8 p.m. On Saturday, rock climber Ryan Richardson will speak at 12 p.m. and Maureen Beck, also a National Geographic Adventurer of the Year in 2019, will speak at 5 p.m.

## Main events

The indoor triathlon will take place from 3:30-7:30 p.m. on Friday. Participants in the triathlon will complete a 15-minute walk-run on the treadmill, followed by 15 minutes of biking, finished off with a 15-minute swim in the pool. There is a \$15 sign-up fee for this event.

Canoe battleship will take place from 9:30-11 p.m. on Friday. Participants in this event will be in a canoe in the pool with the objective of sinking other players' canoes by filling them up with water.

The bouldering competition will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday. This rock-climbing activity has different difficulty levels for both men and women's climbing. There is a \$20 fee for this competition and those wanting to compete must sign up online by Feb. 8 at noon.

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“The best part to me is the abundance of different activities represented and shared. I love that we can utilize our pool for kayaking; the water is warm, [so] I don’t have to be afraid to flip over. My favorite speakers I’m looking forward to seeing and listen to are the climbers Ryan Richardson and Maureen Beck,” said Bailey Alexander, junior sports science major with a minor in emergency management.

## Other events and expositions

Other events include fitness classes, stand up paddleboard yoga, tri scuba diving, a summit soiree with food and drinks, and adventure expositions. Students are encouraged to attend the competitions and speeches that they are interested in as well as try out new activities that they wouldn’t normally do.

“I am most excited to celebrate the outdoors with some awesome people at the Adventure Summit. I always learn so much about the outdoors and have a blast. [It is] a highly

recommended event to attend,” said Kara Donbrock, program manager for Fitness and Wellness.

A full schedule of events, as well as additional information on guest speakers, expositions and competitions can be found on the event website [theadventuresummit.com](http://theadventuresummit.com).

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President Edwards speaks to SGA about changes to WSU

Alexis Wisler

February 5, 2020

Wright State University President Susan Edwards gave a university operations update to the Student Government Association (SGA) meeting on Tuesday night. Edwards talked about her three priorities for the university: Recruitment, Retention, and Relationships.

## Recruitment:

According to President Edwards, recruitment has gone down 25 percent in the last two years. One of President Edwards's plan to turn recruitment around is to get the community to trust the university again after the economic troubles and faculty strike.

"I will ensure that we start telling our story instead of other people telling our story for us," said President Edwards.

The university has begun advertising with billboards on interstates 70, 71 and 75. They will also be placed along U.S. Route 35.

As well as radio announcements on iHeartRadio.

"Recruitment is reporting to me as president, it's that important," said President Edwards.

President Edwards has asked for SGA to assist her with Open House to generate new ways to connect to students and give them an experience that makes them want to come back.

## Retention:

"Everything that we do is about people. Education is about people," said President Edwards.

According to President Edwards, the university is working on peer to peer mentoring programs, Retain the 9 and retention specialists to build retention rates.

The university is also working on life coaching advising opportunities for students.

## Relationships:

“We have to establish relationships amongst ourselves and among our community members,” said President Edwards.

Before the SGA meeting, President Edwards visited Wright-Patterson Air Force Base to create connections for students who come to Wright State wishing to work on the base after graduation.

According to President Edwards, she is also working on creating connections with businesses that work with the base in the surrounding area.

“How do we connect with employers in the area in terms of getting opportunities for you to intern which then leads to employment,” said Edwards in regards to her mission.

## Holes in Upper-Level Leadership

“What does the timeline look like for the Vice President of Student Affairs position?” College of Liberal Arts Senator Jackson Cornwell asked.

“We are currently putting the search committee together, the ad is being finalized and hopefully we will have somebody by the end of this semester,” Edwards said.

## Community Outreach

“What are some issues that you see in the community that SGA and other organizations on campus can help with?” Residential Senator Jacob O’Connor asked.

“We need to get more into downtown Dayton and west Dayton because that is where we are really needing to be doing some impactful work,” Edwards said. “We need to be talking to students about opportunities and pathways, going to high schools and actually going to middle schools and talking to students about what they can do.”

Director of Academic Affairs Samantha Baxter asked Edwards if there were anything in the process to host a writing workshop for scholarship applications or for hosting test prep courses for local high schools.

“No, but you’re right. How do you know how to write an application if you have never been asked to write one before? So I think that is a great idea and that it would be quite useful,” Edwards said.



## How to Help Retention

“What [role] do student life and student organizations play in retention?” Director of Outreach and Collaboration Austin Rex asked.

“The national data is that a student engaged in student life is actually a retained student,” Edwards said. “Our retention rate is roughly 61 to 62 percent from freshman to sophomore. That is abysmal. Why are those students leaving? For the first time, we have actually started to survey those students last year. The reasons are not usually academic, it’s usually ‘I don’t feel like I fit.’ Had they got engaged? What are we purposely doing to get them engaged? I think that starts at orientation and starts with the connections that you make during orientation and then how do we connect them to and make them aware [of more opportunities].”

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Dayton's Not Dead: Cake, Hope, and Love

Marissa Couch

February 6, 2020

Cake, Hope, and Love have been around since the days of Myspace. The majority of Cake, Hope, and Love's orders book online, now through Facebook and email.

## A fan following

"We grew 90 percent of our business through social media," said Shannon Teague, owner of Cake, Hope, and Love.

Teague started her business from her own home. She worked out of her kitchen until the orders began outgrowing the place, about four years in. The brick and mortar location of the bakery opened in May 2011.

"We're definitely a destination area, we don't have foot traffic," said Teague.

Previously, the location was a shopping center which housed a country store that Teague and her husband would frequent in high school.

"Even with navigation it's hard to find us," said Teague. "We chose the place that we're in because it's completely sentimental. I own a bakery where my husband and I used to go on dates."

## The cupcake confessional

Teague opens the calendar for a year at a time. She works with the intention to keep the bakery small by focusing on four to five cakes a weekend.

"I have birthday cakes booked through August right now," said Teague.

She prides herself on the relationships she's built with her clients through the years. The counter in the bakery is affectionately referred to as the cupcake confessional.

"People wander in when they need to talk, not always for the cupcakes. People sometimes come in and end up staying a while, which is good. That's what it's there for," said Teague.

## The one-woman show

Through the week, it is just Teague in the bakery.

“I do consultations and things like that and that allows me time to bake and decorate,” said Teague. “My husband helps me quite a bit.”

Teague only keeps three employees on staff to help out on the weekends during walk-in hours.

“People stick around for quite a while, which I’m okay with,” said Teague.

## Learning the art of cake

When Teague changed the bakery’s hours, it left room for more opportunities to provide baking and decorating classes.

“With the new hours it opens up time to do things more one-on-one and do private classes. I love getting to connect with people,” said Teague.

“When I originally opened the bakery, I didn’t want to open for foot traffic. I realized that was such a radical business concept for the Dayton area. Starting in December I was able to change the schedule to free me up to do classes,” said Teague. “I’m trying to cater to the more creative side.”

Teague has plans of launching online classes as well as special needs classes in the future. Additionally, the bakery sells custom sprinkle mixes and cake toppers, according to the Cake, Hope, and Love webpage.

“Over the past several years we have had many wonderful cakes created by the Cake, Hope, and Love team! Each time they keep getting better! Shannon and her team are professional and easy to work with. They strive to provide you with a tasty masterpiece that you sometimes feel guilty for cutting,” said Jenna Clericus in a Google review. “The best part is that the cake tastes just as good as it looks! The team at Cake, Hope, and Love truly loves what they do and it shows! Thanks for helping make wonderful memories for our family.”

Teague prides herself on building relationships and the ability to serve customers for years to come.

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“Cake, Hope, and Love has been my bakery for 10 years! We started with them when they were just starting in a kitchen! They did my 18th birthday/graduation cake and all birthdays after that including my 21st,” said Tory Black in a Google review. “We also had them do our wedding cake, which was gorgeous and everything I could ask for! It is now such a joy to get to use them for my children’s things.”

Cake, Hope, and Love can be found in Suite B of 149 N. Fairfield Rd., Beavercreek, Ohio. Customers can stop in on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays or submit their orders online.

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First new college in three decades announced

Shelby Prenger

February 6, 2020

Wright State announced on Thursday that there would be a kick-off celebration for the new Health College that will launch in 2021. This is the first new college to be announced in the last three decades.

In an email to students, Interim Provost Douglas Leaman explained that the college will combine the health and education-related programs.

This includes Nursing, Professional Psychology, Teacher Education, Leadership Studies, Social Work, Human Services, and Kinesiology and Health.

## What does the new college mean

Leaman explained that by bringing these programs together, Wright State will “offer more educational paths leading to in-demand careers, increase access to experiential learning and research opportunities, and deliver enhanced preparation for jobs critical to our region.”

The new health college was first presented in 2018 by a faculty group called Academic Organization Review Steering Committee. This group created the draft proposal.

In a previous article by The Wright State Guardian, This past fall, a final proposal was put together by a group of faculty members containing what could be the finalized list of departments grouped together in the new health college. This was presented to the Board of Trustees earlier this month, according to Leaman.

“I think that there’s really a lot of value in bringing programs that have similar missions or similar curricular pathways together under one roof, if you will, to allow them to synergize and work together more effectively,” said Leaman. “If you think about it there are a lot of health programs that have similar course work in the early stages or in the first couple of years and having students being advised under a single roof is really helpful to them.

After the February 12 kick-off, Sue ott Rowlands, provost of Northern Kentucky University, is planned to facilitate a visioning session.

There is a session is planned for February 19.

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“Dr. Ott Rowland brings valuable experience and passion to the conversation, particularly as it relates to Northern Kentucky’s recent formation of its Institute for Health Innovation,” Leaman said.

## Kick-off event to take place in February

Leaman closed out the email by stating; “This is an opportunity to blend our diverse talents, tap into our creativity, and feed our passions. Together we will create an amazing learning environment that provides our students with the education and opportunities needed to succeed in the classroom and in their careers, and support the university’s focus on retention, recruitment, and relationships.”

Currently, there is no information available concerning other colleges such as The Colleges of Nursing and Health, Education and Human Services, or the School of Professional Psychology.

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Studying abroad: The process from start to finish  
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Studying abroad can be intimidating at first; here are all the facts.

From start to finish, these are the steps a student will need to take to study abroad.

## Find your program

The first step in the process of studying abroad is to choose a location and program of study.

Students can do this by visiting the University Center for International Education (UCIE) website and clicking on the study abroad tab and then “search programs.”

Students can also get additional information by visiting the UCIE office at E190 Student Union. Open advising hours are Monday through Friday from 1-4 p.m.

If students have questions or need help deciding which program is right for them, they can also schedule an appointment with a study abroad representative.

Everyone is encouraged to stop by the office at any time.

## Start an application

The application is completely online and can be found on the UCIE website by clicking on a specific program.

Tasks will be outlined on the application for students to follow, which are specific to each type of program.

Some program applications may require an official transcript and, according to Megan Trickler, coordinator for the education abroad program, there is a \$500 down payment with most programs when applying.

Students will also need to meet with a faculty member to make sure that they are accepted and the program is a good fit.

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Afterwards, an application counselor will reach out to help with the next steps.

“It’s like a concierge service,” said study abroad student Brianna Graham. “You basically just fill out the documents and they submit it for you and make sure you have everything collected.”

## Establish a budget plan

The third step in the process is to meet with a financial aid representative to layout a budget plan.

There is a common misconception that study abroad is extremely expensive, but there are many opportunities to lower the cost of programs that are already designed to be affordable.

“If it was too expensive, I never would have studied abroad,” said Sam Wood, a study abroad peer mentor for UCIE. “I’m your average poor grad student.”

Meeting with a financial consultant will allow students to understand the full cost of the program, what additional expenses there will be, and possible scholarship and financial aid opportunities that are available.

There are scholarships in the UCIE office, different departments at Wright State and also at the federal level and sometimes in the community as well.

Different scholarships have different due dates so it is important that students get a head start and do not wait until the last minute.

## Long-term vs. short-term programs

The next step in the process differs a bit depending on if the student chooses a long-term or short-term program.

### **Long term**

A long-term program refers to a program that lasts the duration of an entire semester or summer.

For these programs, the next step would be to enroll with the outside organization as well as UCIE. In addition to this, students will also choose housing options and classes at this time.

Advisors at UCIE will help students determine how their courses abroad will count toward their degree at WSU.

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“If you do some of the third party programs, we waive your Wright State tuition and you only pay the fee for the program,” said Trickler. “Depending on where you go in the world, that can be very comparable or sometimes even cheaper than it is here at Wright State.”

Students then work with the third-party provider to make sure they get their airline tickets and housing and classes finalized.

## **Short term**

A short-term program refers to programs that are shorter than a semester and are often called “Ambassador Programs.”

These programs are led by Wright State professors and are groups of only WSU students.

According to Trickler, short-term programs are usually two to three weeks long and include one three-credit-hour class.

“Some of these programs are very open and general,” said Trickler. “You learn a lot about their history and their culture and their traditions and what it’s like to live there.”

Almost all of these programs are open to anyone, however, most are geared toward a specific major or field of study.

Once students have applied and are officially accepted into their program, they will then meet with the group of students that they will be traveling with.

Next, students will learn what they need to travel, buy their airline tickets and make sure they have a passport.

UCIE is a passport processing center and can have one ready within six-to-eight weeks of beginning the process.

## A rewarding result

Although the process may seem long or exhausting, students will forget about it all once they are finally studying abroad.

“The paperwork is hard at first, but honestly, once you get through that, it’s amazing,” said Wood. “Once you set foot on the ground it’s like, ‘Wow every single piece of paper was worth it.’”

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Each study abroad experience is going to be different for each student and each place; some students' biggest takeaways include making connections with other people and learning about a new culture.

"When I studied abroad in Germany, I met two girls from Boise, Idaho," said Wood. "We became such good friends that I still visit them every summer."

According to Wood, studying abroad has opened up her eyes to a different mindset and helped her to become more of a global citizen.

"It sounds cheesy, but it truly changes your life when you begin to understand how people around the world live daily," said study abroad student Camryn Potter.

Other students argue that studying abroad allows people to get out of their comfort zones and explore.

"I think a lot of people stay within their little friend groups because that's what's comfortable," said Graham. "I think what's cool about studying abroad is that you have no choice but to be uncomfortable. In a different country there are a lot of opportunities to have difficult and challenging conversations."

Without a doubt, coming home will be the hardest part of the entire trip.

"Enjoy the journey as much as you can because one day you'll look back and miss it," said Potter.

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Do beats make the song?

Trey Brown

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In 2019, rapper Freddie Gibbs reunited with DJ/Producer Madlib to release their second collaborative hip-hop record, which they titled “Bandana.”

The record was proof that the duo’s chemistry had reached a new creative peak, with Madlib’s beats and expert use of sampling combining nicely with Gibbs’ mastery of the mic.

Guest Features were sparse but effective with Pusha T delivering one of the most energized and poised verses of 2019 on “Palmolive,” and Anderson.

Paak stepping out of his comfort zone and rapping on the sweet-and-sour “Giannis.” There are a few other surprise guests but, these two songs are highlights for sure.

Long story short, this record was a favorite of mine from last year even despite its explicit language. Then on Jan. 2, the duo behind the record announced that an instrumental version of the album would be released by the end of the month.

I put it on my calendar and counted the days until its release.

I didn’t think that I’d be writing about this album because it was very low-key and it’s an instrumental edition. However, I think it does provide an interesting discussion point which is:

## What is most important to a song and thereby an album?

The vocals of a track or the music behind them?

Obviously, both are important and imperative to the creative process of music but is one more vital than the other?

This is a tough question to answer through words alone, but I think if I had to answer this question, I’d say that the instrumentals are more important.

Let’s look at today’s variation on the genre of hip-hop, for example. A very popular song at the moment is Roddy Ricch’s “The Box,” which has become famous for its squeaky beat that can be heard [here](#).

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As you can see, the lyrics are mendable and can be reformed to fit the occasion and context (in this case a live performance on late-night television).

The beat, however, never changes, becoming the one constant of the track. And sure, you could be that person who is blessed to learn and memorize every line of a song, but odds are that you'll certainly remember a good beat.

I'll also take this moment to destroy my argument by pointing out "Thank you, next" by Ariana Grande. A song that I'm sure is remembered for its hook over anything else.

I guess the debate rages on. What do you think?

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Summer Classes: what you need to know

Natalie Cunningham

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The different departments on campus decide the course schedule for each semester, including summer semester.

## Course schedule

The summer semester course schedule went up on Jan. 21 this year and it can be found on Wings Express, according to Amy Chin, academic advisor.

There are different groups for registering for summer courses based on years of college education and academic standing. Some groups have priority scheduling over others.

Students can find their group and corresponding registration date on Wings Express, according to Chin.

The summer semester is 12 weeks long but is broken into A-Term and B-Term.

Some courses are only one term long, meaning they are for six weeks. Some courses are both terms long, meaning they are the full semester's length of weeks, according to Chin.

"Summer classes usually, especially if they're A-Term or B-Term, they will cover the same amount of material as you would in a Fall or Spring class but it's a lot more condensed. As a student it's important to pay attention to your workload and your outside commitments," said Chin. "You might have, maybe, a test once a month in a traditional Fall or Spring course but in a Summer course you might have a test once a week. It's just important to look at your course-load and make sure you're not going to overcommit yourself."

## The plan of action

Students can select a four-year payment plan for Summer and the enrollment dates from April 1 to May 14 have a down payment of five percent.

The enrollment dates from May 15 to May 31 have a down payment of 37 percent. The application fee is listed as either \$25 or \$50, according to Raider Connect.

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WSU Greek life attends AFLV conference

Shaddia Qasem

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Wright State University student leaders from College Panhellenic Council (CPH), Interfraternity Council (IFC), National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC), Beta Phi Omega Fraternity, and a few members, attended this year's Association of Fraternal Leadership and Values (AFLV) Conference, the largest gathering of fraternal colleagues and partners across the country.

With over 4,000 fraternity and sorority members attending from nearly 300 campuses and 14 representatives from WSU, voiced their enthusiasm toward the prospect of learning new leadership skills.

"I'm [excited] to learn from other attendees and local fraternities [pick up on] what the best ways are to recruit, get our name out there, and engage new members," said Nat Williams, president of Beta Phi Omega, before attending the conference.

With WSU being such a large commuter campus, Williams expressed the difficulties Greek life and organizations alike have when recruiting. Students often miss out on the opportunities these organizations have to offer.

Another WSU sorority in attendance CPH partners with their philanthropy Circle of Sisterhood, with a goal of raising money to help educate women around the world.

"We're happy to represent WSU at a conference. We have a lot of Panhellenic unity and I'm excited to show that to other schools," said CPH President Allie Harbaum.

Through speakers and the sessions offered, Harbaum learned about personal leadership development, implementing changes in an organization and cross-council collaboration.

"We were also given the opportunity to brainstorm and work with leaders from other schools to help solve problems on our own campus. The most rewarding thing about this weekend was learning about our own students," said Harbaum. "We were able to talk and have a deeper understanding of what each council deals with [and] what they offer to WSU. Through this weekend we were able to unite as a Greek community [and] change our councils for the better."

In charge of all judicial affairs and recruiting for fraternities, IFC also attended the conference.

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“When you leave [these conferences], you feel motivated to come in and do more for fraternities and sororities. It makes you more of a family afterwards. You get to hear what other campuses struggle with and feel one with them and appreciate where you are,” said Joshua Burkheiser, IFC president.

With a mock competition between fellow fraternities and sororities, Burkheiser anticipated learning about the judicial process of Greek life as well as social media training.

“It’s never too late to join Greek life,” said Burkheiser.

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Album Review: Music To Be Murdered By  
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“Music To Be Murdered By”, the unexpected 11th studio album by American hip-hop artist Eminem, was dropped on Jan. 17, and quickly reached the top position on the Billboard 200 album chart.

Boasting 20 tracks in a variety of styles that mostly contain undertones of horrorcore, the album itself feels like an organized mess of ideas brought together by heavy Hitchcockian influence.

## Background

Originally known as Marshall Bruce Mathers III, Detroit artist Eminem debuted on the rap scene with the 1996 album “Infinite” along with “The Slim Shady EP” the following year, breaking into the mainstream after releasing “The Slim Shady LP” and the hit single “My Name Is.” Signing with Aftermath Entertainment, he released three more albums before going on hiatus due to a prescription drug habit.

Later, he roared back onto the scene with a string of hit records. Selling over 130 million albums and 389 million singles across the globe, Mathers is one of the best-selling musicians of all time. Rolling Stone magazine lists him as one of their 100 greatest artists ever.

Similar to how “Kamikaze” was released, Eminem did not market the album before its release, instead opting to surprise fans with his new record’s arrival. Featured artists on “Music To Be Murdered By” include Ed Sheeran, Black Thought, Skylar Grey, Juice Wrld and Anderson Paak.

## Highlights

### 1. “Godzilla” (feat. Juice Wrld)

This seems to be the most popular track on the album, debuting at number three on the Billboard 100 chart; the source of its popularity is a well-produced beat coupled with the late Juice Wrld’s booming choruses and Eminem’s wordplay-laced lyrics. Both artists work incredibly well together, and it’s a shame that we won’t get to see another collaboration. The chorus frames both artists as lyrical monsters, and the verses back that claim up. I couldn’t agree more.

### 2. You Gon’ Learn (feat. Royce Da 5’9” and White Gold)

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Backed up by Royce Da 5'9" and White Gold, Eminem and crew bring resilience and determination to the forefront and show how important it is to stay strong in the face of adversity. The features are top-notch and the beat is well-made. Royce should really be on more of Eminem's album, as the duo collaborates quite well.

### **3. Yah Yah (feat. Royce Da 5'9", Black Thought, and Q-Tip)**

Once again utilizing Royce Da 5'9" along with The Roots' Black Thought and Q-Tip, the fearsome four display their talent for impressive lyrics over a pounding beat produced by dEnAun. It's genuinely something to behold.

However, there are some duds on this record. I wasn't a fan of "Farewell" or the homicidal fantasy track "Stepdad." The album also includes a few genuine moments of tension; I felt somewhat scared listening to some of these tracks, including "Unaccommodating" and "Darkness." That scare factor is also hyped by the samples of Alfred Hitchcock's album from which this record got its name.

Overall though, it's an interesting concept album that definitely deserves a listen.

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WSU to increase budget for marketing

Leah Israel

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At the Faculty Senate meeting on Jan. 27, Wright State University President Dr. Susan Edwards spoke of changes in marketing for the university such as increasing its budget and a new plan.

Dr. Edwards is very hopeful that the university can increase the retention lines (recruitment, retention, and relationships.) She wants to start recruitment as early as middle school and wants our student body's help to convince students that WSU is where they belong.

In the past two years, Wright State's enrollment has decreased by 23 percent. There are three reasons why students leave the university: financial, cultural and personal reasons, according to Edwards.

"We haven't put ourselves out there in terms of presence, which just reinforces the public's perception that we are closing like we're not open for business," said Edwards. "Therefore people are not sending their children to Wright State because they believe that we aren't going to be viable moving forward."

WSU has received an increase in the marketing budget and plans to advertise on billboards all over the area.

WSU is searching for a new chief admissions and recruitment officer for the university. This position consists of reporting to admissions, transferring offers of financial aid, international recruitment, and College Credit Plus (CCP), according to Edwards.

Interim Provost Dr. Douglas Leaman jokingly said that he was stepping down as vice president of research innovation search chair because he lost a lot of sleep from it. He hopes that someone can fill his spot as soon as possible.

WSU is planning to have a new college opening in fall of 2021. It's still a work in progress but Dr. Leaman believes that by winter of next year, Wright State should have the final structure and details completed. They're working very cautiously on this project; it's been 35 years since we've had something like this at the university, according to Leaman.

\$25,000 was funded for recruitment (Faculty Initiated Recruitment Program) by administration thanks to the faculty priorities committee who will allocate these rewards, according to Edwards.