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Weekly Horoscopes  
Star Signer  
November 8, 2021

Have you ever thought about what you would do if you ever won the lottery? Here are some ideas of what might happen based on your zodiac sign.

## **ARIES**

Aries, you will likely immediately spend all of the money on expensive trips to foreign places. At least you will have a lot of nice memories to look back on.

## **TAURUS**

Taurus, you will most likely go to the mall after cashing out your entire winnings and spend all of it at the mall. Yes, all of it.

## **GEMINI**

Gemini, you will most likely buy a mansion with a huge estate and later regret it when doing your taxes

## **CANCER**

Cancer, you will most likely pay off your car and your parent's car and your parent's house. Then you will sit around wondering what to do with the other \$550,000.

## **LEO**

Leo, you will make a list of all the things that you want to buy, then you will get nervous and not buy any of it. Instead, you will likely give away all the money to a charity so you don't have to worry about it anymore.

## **VIRGO**

Virgo, you will likely spend all of your money at a bookstore. At this point, just buy the bookstore.

## **LIBRA**

Libra, you will spend the first couple weeks trying to decide where to hide the money... and eventually put it under your bed.

## **SCORPIO**

Scorpio, you will most likely save the money and tell absolutely no one that you won the lottery. This will ultimately force you to live out your life as usual.

## **SAGITTARIUS**

Sagittarius, you actually have no idea what to do with the money. You will most likely go to the store and buy groceries and then put the money in the bank and eventually forget about it.

## **CAPRICORN**

Capricorn, as unlucky as you are, you will probably lose the lottery ticket and not be able to cash out. What a sad day.

## **AQUARIUS**

Aquarius, you will buy a couple of really nice cars – then realize that you don't have any place to put them.

## **PISCES**

Pisces, you will most likely announce to the entire world that you won the lottery and eventually get conned out of most of your winnings.

Events on Campus Week of Nov. 8

Alexis Wisler

November 8, 2021

Here is a list of events happening this week.

## **Monday, Nov. 8**

9:30 a.m. | Cru Men's Group | Student Union 103

1:30 p.m. | Christians on Campus Bible Study | Rike 044

1:30 p.m. | Equip 4 Life WSU Mum's Meet and Greet | Student Union 108

2 p.m. | University Center for International Education Convo Club | UCIE Office

6 p.m. | Christians on Campus Feast and Fellowship | Fawcett 204

6 p.m. | Abilities Study Group | Rike 033

7 p.m. | Collegiate eSports Club Wright State Raid | Millett 033

7:22 p.m. | Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. Poodles in Pjs | Oelman 112

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## **Tuesday, Nov. 9**

- 12 p.m. | University Center for International Education Popcorn Tuesday | UCIE Office
- 12 p.m. | Chi Alpha Campus Ministries Tabling | Student Union Upper Atrium
- 1 p.m. | Public Health Alliance of BSOM Nutrition Education | Westwood Park
- 4 p.m. | Alpha Phi Omega National Service Week: Save the Earth Trivia | Rike 033
- 5 p.m. | Advocates for Rural Medicine Chipotle Fundraiser | Chipotle
- 5:30 p.m. | Campus Recreation Running | Alumni Tower
- 7 p.m. | Men's Basketball vs. Lake Erie | Nutter Center
- 7 p.m. | H2O Church Night Life Group | Oelman 109
- 7:15 p.m. | Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. Meet the Nupes | Medical Sciences 143
- 7:22 p.m. | Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. Rhock Your Body | Student Union Studio C

## **Wednesday, Nov. 10**

- 10 a.m. | Alpha Phi Omega National Service Week Tabling | The Quad
- 10:30 a.m. | Army ROTC Tabling | Student Union Market
- 11 a.m. | Chi Alpha Campus Ministries | Student Union Upper Atrium
- 11 a.m. | University Activities Board College and Crafting | Student Union Atrium
- 12 p.m. | Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. Bake Sale | The Hangar
- 6 p.m. | Campus Recreation Hiking | Alumni Tower
- 6 p.m. | Delta Zeta Study Night | Dunbar Library Starbucks
- 6 p.m. | Bolinga Black Cultural Resources Center Financial Aid Information Session | Online
- 7 p.m. | Tabletop Club Board Game Nights | Fawcett 204/210

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7:22 p.m. | Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. Her Body... Her Choice Self Care | Allyn 124

## **Thursday, Nov. 11**

12 p.m. | Alpha Phi Omega National Service Week: Nature Walk | The Rock

2 p.m. | Christians on Campus Bible Study | Rike 044

3:30 p.m. | University Center for International Education Convo Club | UCIE Office

5:30 p.m. | Campus Recreation Running | Alumni Tower

6 p.m. | Korean Club Pepero Day Celebration | Medical Sciences 125

7 p.m. | H2O Church Night Life Group | Allyn 124

## **Friday, Nov. 12**

10 a.m. | American Medical Student Association Thankful for... Donuts! | White Hall Atrium

11 a.m. | Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. Community Service Drive | Student Union 019

1 p.m. | Alpha Phi Omega National Service Week Tabling | The Quad

4:30 p.m. | Hangout with Abilities | Rike 018

## **Saturday, Nov. 13**

11 a.m. | Humanities in the Arts Field Trip with Dr. Parmelee | Dayton Art Institute

12 p.m. | Black Men on the Move WrightBowl | Oelman 109

8 p.m. | Rainbow Alliance Queer Prom | Student Union Apollo Room

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Wright State Basketball Season Preview: AD and Coaches Weigh in  
Noah Kindig  
November 8, 2021

From the loss of Player of the Year Loudon Love to the all-brand-new coaching staff for Women's Basketball, this upcoming season has a lot of changes for Wright State University (WSU) Basketball.

However, the expectations around these programs are no different from the successes they have had in previous years.

For Athletics Director Bob Grant, these programs have been successful by looking for sustained good results no matter what circumstances the team might be in.

"Our expectation level, honestly, has not dropped at all," Grant said. "This program is built for sustained success, and that's what we expect this year."

## **Raider fans are back!**

While the teams this year may look very different from previous years, the biggest change from last season may be the return of fans in full capacity to the Nutter Center for this season's home games.

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For Grant, the wait for fans to be back in the stands has created a buzz around all of WSU Athletics.

“It feels like it’s been many years since we’ve had fans in a legit basketball atmosphere,” Grant said. “So as much as we love the flat cut-outs, we’re glad they’re gone and replaced by real people.

For Men’s Basketball Coach Scott Nagy, having fans cheering in stands is why athletes play.

“It’ll be great. It’s been fun this fall watching football games and the excitement that’s back in the stands,” Nagy said. “It’s one of the reasons why the guys play. It makes it exciting.”

## **Losing Love**

While Men’s Basketball has lost one of its star players with Loudon Love now playing for the Texas Legends, it still has a strong core of players from last year.

Tanner Holden, Grant Basile, Tim Finke and Trey Calvin are four players who started most of WSU’s games last year and were all standout players for the team in their own way. All four scored over 200 points for the Raiders last season and were the team’s top four scorers behind Love.

“Those are four very good players with a lot of college experience,” Nagy said. “There shouldn’t be a lot of surprises for them.”

With those core four players, the team has a lot of versatility in the way that it likes to play. For Nagy, what’s important is finding the right balance of being strong on attack and being able to lock down on defense.

“We’re still trying to work through that, ‘what are the best lineups for us defensively, offensively?’” Nagy said. “There’s a lot of things for us still to work on.”

## **Hoffman at the helm**

After Women’s Basketball’s first-ever win at the NCAA Tournament, its coaching staff and three of its best players left the team to look for other opportunities.

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But, for new head coach Kari Hoffman, the roster still expects to win, and win big.

“This group expects to win, and that’s one of the things that has impressed me the most about being here. There is a culture of winning. I love that,” Hoffman said.

Throughout this new coaching staff’s first season, there will definitely be some rough patches. But, for Hoffman, that change and adversity are necessary to be a good coach.

“We definitely have had our growing pains, but I think it’s been a fun couple of months getting to know our players,” Hoffman said. “We’ve had to adapt and change, and I think there will probably be a season full of that ... but that’s what coaching is.”

WSU Masking Violations on the Rise  
Jamie Naylor  
November 9, 2021

COVID-19 masking violations increased on Wright State University’s (WSU) Dayton campus during fall semester of 2021.

## **Masking compliance**

The Covid Task Force, headed by Dean of Students Chris Taylor, sent out a campus-wide reminder of the COVID masking policy in an Oct. 27 communication.

According to the email, the reminder was sent out due to masking violations and issues.

“The COVID-19 Task Force has recently received reports of a relaxing of mask compliance, with some students and employees seen in the tunnels, hallways, and other indoor common areas without masks or improperly wearing masks,” according to the communication.

The communication further explained masking issues in regards to meetings and reminded the campus community to wear masks during events.

Dean Taylor emphasizes that the task force decided students, staff and faculty members needed the reminder and that the timing for it was right.

Despite this reminder, WSU maintains that masking on Dayton's campus is not a widespread issue, according to Seth Bauguess, director of communications.

## **Masking incident reports**

Students caught without a mask in any of the campus buildings are reported to the Office of Student Conduct. Staff and faculty violations are reported to the Human Resources Department.

Incident reports for the 2020-2021 academic year and the current 2021-2022 academic year show that there were 30 documented masking violations in 2020/21 and six documented reports in the current fall semester.

Violations occurring in 2020-21 predominantly took place in campus residence halls. Current incidents occur in campus housing, the Student Union, a classroom and a meeting space according to the reports.

One report dated Aug. 2021, details an interaction between an instructor and a student who was refusing to wear a mask.

"She (student) responded that it is 'against her constitutional right' for me (instructor) to ask her to wear a mask or leave class," according to the report.

The report further explains that the student in question did not put on a mask properly during the class despite the instructor issuing verbal reminders and passing out physical copies of WSU masking policy to the class.

The report does not reveal how the situation was resolved or if the student was removed from class.

## **Dunbar Library policies**

Three of the masking violations reported in the 2020-2021 academic year occurred in the Dunbar Library on the Dayton campus.

Mandy Shannon, Interim Associate University Librarian, reported that she was unsure about the frequency of masking violations for the fall semester of 2021.

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Shannon did explain that the library staff fully supports the campus masking policy by enforcing the policy and giving building-wide announcements throughout the day.

According to the communication, those needing a mask may pick up a disposable one at the library circulation desk or at the front of the Student Union.

WSU's Mamma Mia Production Brings Much Needed Warmth to Community

Katie Jones

November 9, 2021

After being shut down in spring due to COVID-19, Wright State University's (WSU) Mamma Mia production is back and bringing much needed warmth to its audience.

## **2020 production shut down**

Originally planned to open in March 2020, the production was shut down nine days before opening night.

The announcement came as a shock to much of WSU's theatre community.

"The show must go on right? I mean, that's the culture. And then all of a sudden the show will not go on. In my 20 some years of working in theater, I've never had that happen," costume designer Michelle Sampson said.

The shutdown was indefinite, leaving the theatre department uncertain of what would happen.

According to Greg Hellems, Mamma Mia's director and choreographer, the theatre department did not stay completely inactive. They had a few outdoor performances and a Zoom production that viewers could watch on YouTube.

However, it was a stark contrast to the lively atmosphere of performance in person.

## **Back for production**

In-person performances did not come back until Sept. 23, when WSU theater opened their season with *Lend Me a Tenor*.

The second production of the season is *Mamma Mia*, a lighthearted play centering on Sophie Sheridan's search for her father's identity before her wedding. It also tells the story of Sophie's mother reuniting with friends and the three men who she met before Sophie was born.

Some of the crew struggled to slip back into the mindset to produce the romcom after the difficulties and tragedies of the pandemic. Others had to adjust to the cast.

In the 18 months it took for WSU to announce *Mamma Mia* was back, most of the principal cast had graduated.

However some, like senior theater major Austin Gladstone, had been a part of the ensemble in 2020 and returned.

"We are seniors now and it's so surreal to share what we've been working on for an audience after all this time," Gladstone said.

## **COVID changes**

*Mamma Mia* is back but not without changes. The most obvious change was wearing masks, a challenge for the performers.

"Singing and dancing under normal circumstances is taxing, it requires a lot of breath. When you're wearing a mask that complicates it," Greg Hellems, director and choreographer, said.

With so much singing required, masks sometimes made it more difficult. However, the cast was allowed to choose the type of mask that worked for them, such as a singer's mask.

The cast sang in every number regardless of being on stage or not. Each rehearsal began with a warm-up consisting of cardio, strength and stamina building followed by vocal warmups.

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Along with masks, the cast took precautions by taking COVID tests twice a week. Diligent testing meant there was only one COVID scare early in the rehearsal process. At the time of writing, the cast and crew are COVID-free.

Other COVID changes include costume design. According to Sampson, they cut back on hats and headpieces so the performers' faces could be seen.

Despite the changes, both the cast and crew are excited to finally perform.

"It's been such an incredible opportunity to get to know some of the underclassmen that I hadn't gotten the chance to meet because of COVID craziness. I love this cast and am trying to soak up every moment before it ends," Gladstone said.

## Men's Basketball Crushes Opponent in Season Opener

Noah Kindig

November 9, 2021

For the first time since Feb. 16, 2020, Wright State University (WSU) Men's Basketball welcomed fans back to the Nutter Center to start off their 2021-2022 season against the Lake Erie Storm (LE).

The Raiders dominated the season opener, beating the Storm by 33 while shooting 41% from the field against the Storm's 29%, and shooting 29% from the three-point line against the Storm's 21%.

Not only were the Raiders strong offensively, but they also dominated off the glass, with 53 total rebounds against LE's 39.

The Raiders have a long road ahead of them, with their next home game against Akron on Dec. 15.

## First half

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Both teams played quick basketball early, with the score at 11-10 Raiders after five minutes.

The Raiders found their groove up close, with drives from Tanner Holden and baskets from Grant Basile giving the Raiders a 21-14 lead.

But a quick eight points from the Storm's Jackson Burdyslaw and seven from Jordan Burton broke through the Raider defense, bringing the score to 25-24.

The defense for WSU locked up after that, scoring 15 in a row in a dominant run, taking the score to 40-24. They continued to play strong until the end of the half, up 47-28 at the buzzer.

Jackson Burdyslaw led the Storm with eight points, followed by Jordan Burton with seven and D.J. Dial with six. For the Raiders, Holden led the game with 12, followed by Tim Finke with 11 and Basile with nine.

## **Second half**

The teams drew in scoring early in the second half, but WSU still dominated the game, up 55-35 with 16 minutes left to play.

The Raiders continued to dominate the Storm on offense and defense, scoring 10 in a row and still pushing, 64-37.

The Big Three for WSU continued to push their offense, With Holden and Finke each scoring 18, and Basile scoring 13 with eight and a half minutes to play.

Burton, Burdyslaw and Kevin Peterson tried to save some face for the Storm, but WSU still led the game by 28 with six minutes left.

Some of the backups for WSU got a chance to shine later in the game, with freshman Keaton Norris scoring his first points in college basketball and sophomore Andrew Welage scoring six up close.

WSU Students Partner With Dayton, Celebrate Dia de los Muertos

Katie Jones

November 10, 2021

Día de los Muertos is a holiday about remembering lost loved ones, and Wright State University (WSU) organizations celebrated it with three different events.

WSU's Amigos Latinos Student Association had a Día de los Muertos parade as well as a viewing of the movie Coco. Advocates for Cultural-diversity and Excellence (ACE) had an informational presentation about the holiday.

## **Día de los Muertos**

Also called Day of the Dead, the holiday celebrates and remembers lost loved ones. Traditionally celebrated Nov. 1-2, it is celebrated mostly by Mexican and Latin American communities.

Many mistake the holiday for Mexican Halloween, often due to the colorful skull makeup and brightly colored clothing worn for the holiday. However, that is not what the holiday is.

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“The celebration started as a pre-Hispanic tradition over 3000 years ago when the Spaniards forced native people to convert to Catholicism. Old Souls Day is celebrated on Nov. 2. Indigenous people wanted to keep some of their culture, art and religious practices so they did it by converting Nov. 2 as the day we would celebrate the life of our lost loved ones,” Fermin Recarte, Intercultural Specialist for the Latino Center, said.

The two-day holiday reunites the living and dead. Families prepare altars, called ofrendas, in honor of their deceased family members.

These are decorated with yellow marigolds, photos of the family members and the loved one’s favored foods and drinks. The offerings are meant to encourage the deceased to visit, reuniting the family.

## Events

Amigos Latinos’ big celebration was their Día de Los Muertos parade, where they partnered with Día de Los Muertos Dayton.

The parade began with face painting and food trucks like Billie Gold Bubble Tea and Food Truck. The parade itself began at 2 p.m. and went through the Oregon District, concluding at the Missing Peace Art Space.

Once at the Missing Piece Art Center, there was dancing by Orgullo Mexicano and music by Leslie Perez and the Alacran de Durango.

Rev. Cool from WYSO’s Around the Fringe show served as MC and DJ for the event.

“This parade was very successful! There were many people who joined our parade: dancers, drummers, people carrying ofrendas, people with colorful skull-painted faces. We immersed ourselves in this traditional celebration by walking in the parade with a huge ofrenda,” Mariangely Bonilla Custodio, president of the Amigos Latinos Student Association, said.

Amigos Latinos also collaborated with the Latino Center to celebrate the holiday, and a few ofrendas were displayed outside the Latino Center in the Student Union. They included letters, decorated skulls and flowers.

On Nov. 2, the center hosted a viewing of the movie *Coco*, a movie centered on Mexican culture and traditions related to Día de Los Muertos.

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After the movie, WSU alum and artist Gabriela Pickett taught attendees about important parts of the movie and how it related to the Day of the Dead.

However, Amigos Latinos wasn't the only organization to celebrate the holiday. ACE also held an event for Día de Los Muertos.

Their cultural chair, JeDawn Wilson, gave a presentation on the holiday, detailing its history and showed clips of the holiday being celebrated.

"Since it's my first time as cultural chair, I was like 'I can do a holiday I've already learned about.' Plus, I feel like people on campus probably don't know about it. So I thought I should spread the knowledge that I have to others," Wilson said.

## Men's Soccer Ends Season After Fall to Detroit Mercy

Noah Kindig

November 10, 2021

After a long battle trying to secure their spot in the Horizon League tournament, Wright State University (WSU) Men's Soccer fell just out of reach of the postseason after their loss to the Detroit Mercy Titans.

The Raiders end the season 7th in the Horizon League standings, tied for 6th with the Robert Morris Colonials (RMU), but losing the tiebreaker because of a loss to RMU earlier this year.

Because a 6th place finish is needed for a playoff berth, the Raiders needed a win or a tie over the Colonials to secure their spot, but a heartbreaking 0-1 loss ended their chances.

## Season highlights

Coming into the last two games of the season, the Raiders needed a win and a tie to guarantee a playoff berth, but it seemed impossible for the squad.

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Their second-to-last match was against Cleveland State, the team who was first at the time in the league standings with an 8-1 record in Horizon League play.

WSU pulled off a miracle on Senior Day, as a hat trick from Reece Allbaugh won what seemed like an impossible game 4-3 after they were down 2-3 in the 87th minute.

The team seemed to have a knack for pulling off wins incredibly late, as they beat the Northern Kentucky Norse earlier in the season with 11 seconds to play in double overtime, as a Harvey Slade header off of a corner kick stunned their opponents.

However, the team's biggest showing was against Marshall, the team currently ranked #1 in the Nation. Not only did the Raiders play with Marshall, but they also held them to an incredibly close game, only losing 0-1.

## **League Player Awards**

While the Raiders were not able to make the postseason this year, their player awards show a bright future for several of their younger players.

In the second team, Fifth Year Harvey Slade and Sophomore Reece Allbaugh represented the midfielders and forwards for the Raiders.

Slade earned his spot off of starting every game he played for WSU, and from winning their game over NKU with a last-second header.

Allbaugh shocked the league with his performance against Cleveland State, scoring a hat trick against one of the best ranked teams in the league.

Rounding out the League Player awards is Brock Pickett and Connor Osterholt, who both earned a spot on the All-Freshman Team.

Osterholt played in every game for the Raiders this year, starting in nine, and Osterholt only missed one game this year and started in seven.

With bright young players on the roster, the Raiders will look to do what they were unable to do next year.



SGA Discusses Possible Required Health Insurance, Other Resolutions  
Emily Mancuso  
November 10, 2021

Student Government Association (SGA) held a meeting on Nov. 9 to discuss previous committee resolutions and the possibility of required health insurance for all WSU students.

## **Health insurance for all students**

WSU currently offers a health insurance plan at the cost of \$2,064 for a full school year as of August, which is a twenty-five percent drop from the original cost.

The proposed requirement would have all WSU students be on a health insurance plan, a requirement already for international students.

Many Ohio-area colleges and universities already have this requirement, such as the University of Toledo and The Ohio State University.

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Chris Mihin, Vice President of Horan Campus Health and the Consultant of Student Health and Employee Benefits for WSU, presented to SGA on this topic.

“Basically, students are required by the university to carry adequate health insurance coverage, the insurance premium is added to the student’s tuition unless they show proof of other coverage,” Mihin said.

Approximately 80 to 85 percent of WSU students are already covered by their parent’s health insurance, so this would only apply to the 15 to 20 percent of students covered by the university health plan.

WSU can possibly reduce the student health plan even more if it becomes a requirement for all students.

## **Other updates and events**

The Undergraduate Student Success Committee (USSC) discussed the importance of the curriculum analytics program and the need to make sure that the program is realistic enough to be completed in four years.

Additionally, various minor changes have been proposed and changed in the WSU curriculum in a September and October overview.

“Two new concentrations, six new licensures, four new courses, five-course deactivations, and thirty-course modifications were approved,” Anna Spiros, member of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, said

Sashaying Forward: Fencing Club Spotlight

Emily Mancuso

November 11, 2021

The Wright State University (WSU) Fencing Club went from a loose group meeting after class to a robust, diverse array of students preparing to compete in local tournaments.

The competitive team has existed for just three years after originally meeting together to hone skills after the Beginning and Intermediate Fencing course, which no longer exists.

Despite this, the fencing club now boasts eighteen students from the original four members. It hopes to soon join the competitive circuit again after an influx of new fencers, most new to the sport of fencing.

## **Requirements and inclusion**

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While there were minimal club activities during 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, regular practices are now resuming with no tryouts or previous experience required.

Brandon Blair, a sophomore computer science major, is one such member who had no experience before joining the club this semester.

“It’s very focused on success, a lot of student orgs you meet and you just kind of talk and hang out and that’s cool. But this club very much has a mission. The club is very geared towards getting you to perfect your craft, much more so than any other club I’ve seen and still very cordial,” Blair said.

Right now, the club’s leadership is focusing on improving the skills of new members before going to competitive local tournaments.

Sebastian Lenz, a senior international studies student, is treasurer of the Fencing Club and one of the original members from the fencing class.

“[fencing] also doesn’t involve a lot of running, which draws in a good amount of people who don’t like running. And it’s very casual. Like, for example, if I’m not having a good day, I just want to sit and watch people practice. I can just do that,” Lenz said.

In 2020, Fencing Club won the ‘Student Organization Diversity and Inclusion Award’ which is awarded to “a student organization that has demonstrated a commitment to diversity, equity, inclusion, and transformation initiatives for Wright State and the community,” according to the WSU website.

Fencing can be easily adapted for those in wheelchairs and with visual impairments, as well as other disabilities.

Interested students are asked to bring long pants and a water bottle and to attend any practice on Tuesday and Thursday from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Practices may be in either the Student Union or the Nutter Center. Interested students should check Engage or the CORQ app before attending.

## **Plans for upcoming months**

Molly Foster is a senior public health major and assistant coach of the Fencing Club. She is another member that has been with the club since the beginning.

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“Our main goals were getting all of our new members up to snuff like getting them to a level where we could start sending them to tournaments. So we’re not even eyeing tournaments until spring, maybe even next fall because of budget. So, that’s kind of our goal is just getting everyone used to fencing and learning the weapon. honing your skills, thinking about our tournaments,” Foster said.

This December, the Fencing Club plans to have a bake sale to fund new equipment and any competitions that they will participate in.

One of the main goals of the Fencing Club is to also increase the number of new members, so interested students are always welcomed at any time during the year.

419 Alive: Celina Psychic Advisor  
Kristina Shue  
November 11, 2021

Decades in business have made the Celina Psychic Advisor at 102 N Lablond Street a local landmark.

## **A natural gift**

Current resident psychic Nicole Gordon has been working as a psychic advisor for over 19 years, taking on the full-time business after the retirement of her mother, Rose, who now only sees long-standing established clients.

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Gordon says that her abilities are a gift from God that enables her to help people, her specialties being love and relationships. According to her website, she is clairvoyant, able to communicate with the spirit world and can sense one's guardian angel.

"I do consider myself God-gifted; I don't push religion on any of my clients, but I don't do anything like any type of Wicca," Gordon said.

Although she is a natural-born psychic, Gordon is also well educated in her field. She is a degree-holding certified life coach and is well-read in many topics including astrology, palmistry and aromatherapy.

"I'm a firm believer in education; it can enhance you in any field that you're in," Gordon said.

## Services and pricing

Gordon offers a variety of services including palm reading, tarot readings and medium readings, where she communicates with the spirit world and different ways to remove negative energy.

Due to current social distancing measures, some services are available at a slightly reduced rate. The normal cost of a psychic reading is \$60, \$50 for a tarot spread, \$40 for a palm reading and \$100 for a combination reading. Prices are per session, which do not have a specific time limit.

"I do a special which is a combination reading, which is a variation without a full tarot spread, all three readings for \$100, which is our most popular reading. Everybody kind of wants to experience a little bit of everything and wants to get familiarized with what tarot cards and things are, know what a palm reading is, and a psychic reading is. They all have different ways about them," Gordon said.

According to Gordon, many people seek her out for regular appointments, and that in her 19 years she has never had a dissatisfied customer.

Due to her unique spectrum of talents, Gordon considers herself to be in a different category than many others in her field.

"I do put myself in a different category than other readers, and the word [psychic] I think at times is tainted. I do really care about the people that I help. There's no problem too big or too small," Gordon said.

## Updates to Celina location

Gordon operates her business out of multiple locations in the area but has plans to make updates to the Celina location. Many may have noticed the new signage and new phone number, but more changes are in the works.

“I’m starting to re-vamp [the Celina location]. I have amazing products and stuff that I sell, a lot of holistic treatment, candles, crystals—a lot of gifts. We’re going to be more of a psychic shop,” Gordon said.

## Student perception

Although Gordon is a staple for some in the area, others such as sophomore nursing major Gwyn Elking are hesitant towards her services.

“I would be against it because I know that it does not correlate with my religious views,” Elking said.

Sophomore nursing major Sara Meier also commented that to her the idea of a psychic reading seems “creepy.”

## Find out more

Although Gordon does not currently operate much social media for her business, she plans to create Instagram and TikTok accounts by the end of the year.

To find out more or to book an appointment, visit Gordon’s [website](#).

WSU Sees Large Increase In International Students

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Wright State University's (WSU) international student numbers significantly increased during the fall 2021 semester after a steady decline.

## **Student enrollment rates**

Student enrollment at WSU has declined overall according to public records with a small overall increase during the fall 2021 semester. Public records show that the largest increase in enrollment comes from new international students.

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There were 856 total new international students between both Dayton and Lake campuses during the fall 2021 semester. This is the largest number of new international students in a single semester since spring 2018.

## **International student enrollment factors**

Many embassies in different countries have closed due to the ongoing pandemic according to Michelle Streeter-Ferrari, Director of the University Center for International Education (UCIE), which affects what countries these students can go to.

Streeter explains that WSU has recruiters living in India that have helped students apply for school after the country shut down due to complications from the COVID-19 Delta variant. This led to a 700% increase in graduate applications from Indian students according to Streeter.

“Ultimately, word-of-mouth is the best recruiter,” Streeter said.

Streeter touched on some factors that led to a national decline in international students before the fall of 2021. Streeter said the old U.S. administration was a considerable factor that led to a national decline in international student enrollment. Many international students had waited to apply for school in the U.S. in 2021 after the results of the 2020 election, according to Streeter.

## **Why international students choose WSU**

There are multiple student organizations of different cultural backgrounds that international students are encouraged to participate in. One of the most active organizations is the Indian Student Association (ISA).

Sri Lakshmikanth Dammu, president of ISA, states that this organization, along with the UCIE, encourages Indian students and other international students to become involved on campus. This organization has seen an increase in students according to Dammu.

“We collaborate with UCIE to remove [home-sickness],” Dammu said.

International students choose WSU over other U.S. universities because of this active involvement in their lives according to Dammu.

The UCIE and the ISA work to have a space for these students to meet and be able to interact with one another.

Ariana Grande's New Beauty Line and Her Different Musical Eras

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Vocal sensation Ariana Grande is releasing a new beauty line called “r.e.m. beauty” and it is set to release soon.

The new beauty line is said to include multiple makeup products and reflect her different musical eras with imagery of space-themed lipsticks.

## **r.e.m. beauty products**

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The new beauty line does not have a lot of released information yet, but what has been shown is quite exciting. The line has its own Instagram account and one of its posts revealed that “chapter 1” of the line includes lip stains, plumping glosses, lip liners, and false eyelashes.

There are also four other products releasing in chapter 1, but they are playfully blurred out in the photo. The Instagram account also teases an eyeshadow palette called “midnight shadows” which features deep, cool-toned colors.

## **References to Grande’s music**

Creating a beauty/makeup line provides the perfect opportunity to incorporate musical themes or tones within it as a musician and Grande utilizes this concept beautifully. Her recent promotional photo shows her holding a large lipstick weapon and wearing an ensemble that alludes to space.

The look clearly pays homage to her music video look from her 2014 smash hit “Break Free.” This concept strategically pays tribute to her previous song while also giving her audience an insight into what the new lipsticks will look like. The actual name of her company, r.e.m. beauty, refers to her song “R.E.M” off of her 2018 album “Sweetener.”

Analyzing her color choices and images for the company further, she also uses light blue folders to tease her different “chapters” and a light blue TV she is stuck in, aligning with her light blue theme for her most recent 2020 album “Positions.”

## **Other recent celebrity beauty lines**

Many other celebrities have created their own makeup/beauty lines in the past year. One of the most notable is Rare Beauty by Selena Gomez. She released her line back in September 2020 and has received wonderful reviews on her wide range of natural, glowy products.

Other celebrity makeup lines that have been released within the past year include Halsey’s about-face, Alicia Keys’ Keys Soulcare and Jennifer Lopez’s JLo Beauty. Of course, one of the most successful celebrity makeup lines is Rihanna’s Fenty Beauty, which she released back in 2017.