

Top 5 News Events of the Week

200 new photos discovered in L.A. teacher's lewd acts case
(latimes.com)



Washington state legislature votes to approve same-sex marriage
(cnn.com)



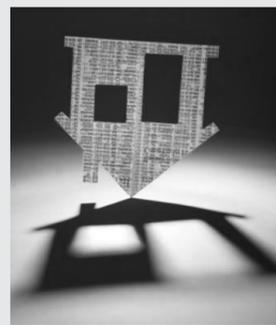
In piracy debate, deciding if the sky is falling
(nytimes.com)



US adds faster traveler screening to more airports
(chicagotribune.com)



How 'shadow inventory' is killing the housing market
(time.com)



RECYCEMANIA CONTINUED...

year.

Crosby focuses on making recycling easy and accessible on campus, something he hopes will help Taylor do well in the competition. In every building across campus, paper, plastic, aluminum and universal waste (for batteries and aerosol cans) recycling bins are labeled and available.

Not only does this competition have positive environmental implications, but the monetary benefits are worth thousands. Almost everything recycled (other than plastics) is sold by Taylor, with cardboard being the most valuable commodity.

"We make \$5,000 to \$10,000 each year selling cardboard," Crosby said.

The competition will also help the university save money — and not just hundreds, but potentially thousands.

"The real savings is that we don't pay to throw [recycling] away," Crosby said. "Every pound [of trash] we throw away costs [a marginal rate of] 4 cents. The more we can recycle, the less they'll have to come dump the dumpsters and the more it will save Taylor money."

According to GreenWaste.com, the average American produces 4.5 pounds of trash per day. Crosby's report said each person on Taylor's campus generates 290 pounds of waste per year. In

2011, Taylor spent \$27,857 on trash removal. On average, waste management trucks make 60 trips every year between campus and Jay County Landfill in Portland, where the waste is dumped.

The savings and results depend not only on changes in campus-wide attitudes about recycling and waste management, but also changes in lifestyles and habits, according to Crosby.

"All you have to do is think about what you're throwing in the trash and if it should be in the trash or the recycling," Crosby said. Reducing the amount of generated trash is just as simple. "Buy durable things. Don't buy things that will fall apart right away. With manufacturing, things tend not to last very long."

Though the prizes for winning Recyclemania include \$2,500, publicity for the winning school through a nationally-published press release and an eco-friendly trophy, Crosby doesn't want winning to be the ultimate goal.

"The purpose is to realize I can [recycle] after the competition and these issues are important," Crosby said. "Being responsible with the limited resources that we are given is a part of the minor biblical narrative of stewardship. It also ties back to sustainability, which focuses on conserving resources and preserving the environment for future generations."

For more information and updates regarding Taylor's ranking in the Recyclemania competition, please visit recyclemaniacs.org.

Springs, Co., so he plans to spend the money he has accumulated on living expenses and food.

"It is something I've had to plan for, and I'm hoping the price that I pay will be reimbursed with the experience, the skills and the mentors I meet and what they'll be able to teach me about the craft," Neuenschwander said. "It can be a fair trade."

For help researching and applying for internships, sign up to speak with a counselor in Career Development, open Mondays and Wednesdays, 3-5 p.m.

UNPAID CONTINUED...

hope they will offer some sort of value to compensate for the time the student is taking away from a potential money-making job that summer," Neuenschwander said.

Neuenschwander has worked 40-hour-plus weeks in a potato chip factory for the past three summers while living in his hometown, Bluffton, Ind. His prospective internships this summer are both in Colorado

BEYOND BOOKS

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The Zondervan Library offers students more than study materials.

Besides the recent installation of new research tools, additions have been made to the library's collection of film and music resources.

"It is critical for all of us to remain current and to be as well-rounded as possible when it comes to popular culture," senior library intern Amanda Hatland said. "One of the really beautiful things about movies, music and fiction is that such works allow us to experience things we may never experience otherwise."

The library's selection of films grows rapidly, with close to 100 new films added during the last year alone. Films selected for the library's collection are based on criteria from Taylor's curriculum, Heartland Truly Moving Picture Awards, the National Film Registry, American Film Institute and the Rotten Tomatoes lists.

The Zondervan Library tries to maintain a focus on resources that will have intellectual and spiritual impact, while at the same time providing quality entertainment, according to Hatland.

"We're not Blockbuster . . . and we're not Netflix with their very broad selection," said University Librarian Dan Bowell. "But we do try to collect films that will have longer-term cultural, aesthetic and/or spiritual value."

Films are checked out of the library more often than CDs or fiction books, with the top 10 circulating titles including movies like "Planet Earth," "The Lord of the Rings," "Mulan" and "Toy Story," according

to library records.

"I watch a lot of Netflix, Hulu, my own collection or just borrow from friends," senior Maria Davis said. "I don't usually go to the library with a certain title in mind."

Other students said though they don't use film resources often, they would be open to doing so more in the future.

"I think the library's film collection is really good, and they have a better selection of classic films than Netflix," junior Alex Moore said.

The library also offers more than 3,500 music albums on CD. Because the use of CDs is very rare due to the development of digital media, the library now offers Naxos Music Library, a resource that streams more than 66,000 music albums, according to Bowell.

Students said they are unfamiliar with the Naxos music streaming program, but also said they are interested in utilizing this resource in the future. Furthermore, librarians reported that they consider student needs among several other factors when updating all collections.

"We peruse a variety of review sources, book/resource reviewing publications, book reviews, etc., but also respond to faculty requests, which get a high priority in the selection process. We welcome student suggestions, especially for films that align with the criteria and selectivity of the sources above," Bowell said.

To ask librarians a question about available resources or make a suggestion regarding how the library can further update any of its collections, visit www.library.taylor.edu.

EXCELLENCE RECEIVES RECOGNITION

Mathematics Professor Jeremy Case will be presented with the 2011-2012 School of Natural and Applied Sciences Teaching Excellence Award today.

During the presentation, Case will give a speech titled "Teaching, Teamwork and Twins," where he will discuss topics of collaboration among students and professors, competition and his involvement with Taylor.

The presentation will be held at 4 p.m. in Nussbaum 123, with a reception to follow at 5 p.m. in the Nussbaum Lecture Hall Lobby. This will be a time for students and faculty to talk with Case about his work and accomplishments.

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Case said he felt good about receiving this award and will have several people to thank.

"In many ways, an award is not just to an individual, but to a group," Case said. "There is a sense with teaching that you can always improve, but it's nice recognition for what you've done."

Case has been teaching at Taylor since 1995 and has continued to strive for growth and improvement among teachers, seeking new ways to engage the classroom. He has been involved in the progress and initiation of many programs to aid both instructors and students, such as the annual Taylor Student Poster Session and the Educational Issues Seminar.

LENDER TAKES BACK

Education financial services company Sallie Mae is under the microscope of Change.org, a website for organizing grassroots campaigns.

Sallie Mae charged borrowers \$50 every time they needed to postpone a loan payment. This "forbearance fee" accumulated over three months, forcing borrowers to pay \$150 each time they needed to stall a payment.

This fee, or as a Sallie Mae spokesman calls it, "a good faith deposit," goes straight to the company, giving them a profit while increasing the interest on the loan. Without loan consolidation and because only 24 months of forbearance are available, borrowers are left to their own resources in the struggling economy.

The average debt for undergraduates of Taylor in May 2011 was \$21,356. Financial Advisor Lyn Kline said that, to stay out of debt, students should borrow as little as possible.

"I don't agree with Sallie Mae," Kline said. "Obviously the borrowers are unable to pay the current monthly payment and are requesting forbearance because of extenuating circumstances. The interest keeps accruing on the loan while it is in forbearance — to charge a fee on top of the accruing interest for a borrower who cannot pay seems unjust."

Several weeks after loan recipient Stef Gray, 23, began a petition against Sallie Mae's forbearance fee, she collected more than 75,000 signatures.

"This petition couldn't have been any more timely considering the affordability of college, the level of student debt and the decrease in jobs after graduation," said Senior Organizer of Change.Org William Winters.

Gray had to take out three separate loans from Sallie Mae,

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totaling \$40,000. Unemployed since graduation, Gray struggles with fees and interest rates. Federal loans do not charge a fee for forbearance, and that is what Gray wants from Sallie Mae.

"What I want is for Sallie Mae to give the same protection that federal loans give customers," Gray said. "Instead they get profit by giving customers no choice but to pay the fee."

On Feb. 3, Gray walked into a Sallie Mae office in Washington, D.C., in her cap and gown, carrying a petition with 77,000 signatures. After Sallie Mae's first refusal to meet with her and an interaction involving police and media, the petition was delivered.

A few hours later, Sallie Mae issued a statement saying the \$50 fee would still exist, but it would now count toward the loan amount. However, Gray is not satisfied.

"My ultimate goal is that they drop [the fee] altogether," Gray said. "It's not about me but the 110,000 people standing behind me who are either in this situation, know someone in this situation or sympathize with those in this situation and they are standing up against it."

JOIN THE MOVEMENT

Search events on Facebook or tweet this message: "No more tricks! If @SallieMae is serious about helping distressed borrowers, they'll drop the unemployment penalty NOW!" For more information, visit <http://chn.ge/SallieMae>.

THE BUBBLE

We read the emails that you delete

FRIDAY

CHAPEL — COMMUNITY OUTREACH CHAPEL

Dan Wolgemuth of Denver, Colo.
Rediger Auditorium
10 a.m.

"PROOF"

Mitchell Theatre
8 p.m.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH SERVICE FAIR

Dining Commons
11:05 a.m.

SATURDAY

CHAPEL AUDITIONS — MINISTRY THROUGH THE ARTS

Rediger Auditorium
8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

"PROOF"

Mitchell Theatre
8 p.m.

SUNDAY

"PROOF"

Mitchell Theatre
3 p.m.

MONDAY

CHAPEL — TAYLOR STUDENT ORGANIZATION

Rediger Auditorium
10 a.m.

SAC NOSTALGA NIGHT TRYOUTS

Rediger Auditorium
5 p.m.

TUESDAY

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Rediger Auditorium
5 p.m.

DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

REPRESENTING ALL DEPARTMENTS ON A WEEKLY BASIS

EARTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

Twelve ENS students assisted Dr. Mike Guebert on a Lighthouse mission trip to Guatemala, working with Mission Impact.

Thank you to Dr. Mark Biermann for four years of service and able leadership. He is leaving Taylor at the end of the academic year.

EDUCATION

Kappa Delta Pi Honors Society will host "Sweet Tips for Sweet Toths" in Campbell Lobby Thursday, Feb. 16, 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Speaker Kerri Wortinger will talk about going beyond academics in the classroom, following the emotional and social needs of students with God's love as our source.

GRADUATE

Beginning summer term, the Taylor MBA will deliver books, articles and other class materials by Kindle. Each student will receive a free Kindle Touch, and the program will wirelessly deliver all materials to students, each term.

MATHEMATICS

Students are encouraged to attend talkbacks after Saturday evening performances of "Proof" for sanctioned event credit.

PROFESSIONAL WRITING

A poetry writing workshop with Thom Satterlee will be March 1 and March 8 from 4:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. followed by dinner. Contact Dr. Pam Jordan-Long to sign up.

WANT TO TELL STUDENTS ABOUT YOUR DEPARTMENT'S ACHIEVEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS?

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