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The early morning water leak in Residence Hall One (RHO) left some residents with water-damaged rooms and damaged textbooks.

The water leak began around 5:30 a.m. on Monday, October 5 in RHO, when many residents were asleep. "It sounded like Niagara falls," Britney Burns said, a mass communications freshman living on the sixth floor. "It was so much water." As soon as Burns noticed the water leak, she said that she and her roommates grabbed everything that was not wet.

The majority of the students with water-damaged rooms have been placed in a nearby hotel because there was no space in RHO, but others have been placed in a nearby hotel that is full to capacity. Leo Moscardini, a sophomore majoring in management and accounting, also had water enter his dorm room. "Water pressure apparently built up, broke the PVC pipe in wall in room above us, leaked from ceiling tiles and seeped through walls," Moscardini said. Moscardini and his roommates were placed in the Hilton in St. Petersburg because there was no space in RHO. The four males in the room below them were placed with an RA because they are freshmen.

RHO staff assured everyone that they are working hard to solve the water leak problem. "We have great staff that are working swiftly and meticulously to remedy the issues," said Brian Akins, resident life director and facilities coordinator. "We do not want to rush the students back into their rooms only to have a similar problem occur weeks later." Some students believed that the RHO staff responded swiftly and appropriately to the problem. However, students are still fearful and anxious. "I'm scared it's going to happen again, and if it does who knows where," Burns said. "Maybe right over my bed while I'm sleeping." According to Akins, if a student's belongings are damaged because of the water leak, the university or Department of Residence Life and Housing is not reimbursing them. "As per the Student Housing Contract, we are not responsible for items damaged, but others were not as lucky. Burns said that thankfully none of her belongings were seriously damaged by the water. However, Moscardini said that some of his textbooks that were on the ground got wet, as well as a printer, some binders, paper and notes. Moscardini said that he believes that the dorm contract states they are not responsible for items damaged, but he plans on looking into it further.
Tavern's business affected by fish stink

I Tavern's business affected by fish stink

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Anyone who has visited the Tavern this semester may have unexpectedly received a side of fish guts with their lunch. This item is not on the menu and it is not even on your plate, but the aroma of decaying marine life is just as apparent as if it were in a small soufflé cup right next to your Cuban sandwich. "People are thinking it's us," said Matt Parke, a journalism graduate student who has worked at the Tavern for about four years. "They think it's our fault." The funk, as Parke put it, does not belong to the Tavern, but to the local fisheries whose garbage pick up occurs right before the sanitation crew comes to take care of the restaurant's trash.

Gavan Benson, the Tavern's owner, has recorded four separate occasions where the sanitation crew has come through and sloshed the liquefied remains of aquatic life in the parking lot next to the restaurant. Each time, Benson has called St. Petersburg's sanitation department to complain. "Every time I have called they have been very apologetic, but a week or so later the same thing happens again," Benson said. Not only is this unsanitary for his customers, but Benson points out that the situation is harmful to the students as well. Due to construction, students are being rerouted around the Tavern and Bayboro Books. This new path crosses right where the liquid is spilled. "I've seen it first hand," Parke said. "It's spilling out of the side [of the dumpster] and it is extremely gross."

Benson said the sanitation department has sent out workers to spray the area to mask the stench, but that is not a permanent solution. He wants the city to reroute the garbage truck so that the Tavern's trash is picked up first. "We are changing the whole process to put those fisheries at the very end," said Benjamin Shirley, the director of St. Petersburg's sanitation department. "That change is in effect now." Benson has yet to see the change. "They say they will reroute," he said, "but time goes by and they still haven't made the change."

Shirley said that the sanitation department never knows when these situations arise until a citizen complains. Once they are notified, they try to get the issue resolved as swiftly as possible.

Benson has noticed the stench's direct impact on his business. On Friday nights, the Tavern has live music and happy hour that, according to Benson, is usually very busy. However, one Friday evening the stench was so bad that not only had all the customers cleared out, but even the musician left. Benson has even tried to go into the parking lot and clean the stains from the trees himself.

Many of the Tavern's regular customers have noticed the funk and have occasionally stayed away. On one occasion, the sanitation workers parked the truck to go eat in Chick-fil-A and just left it sit there dripping, said Tavern regular Chris Peters. "We've been here 22 years and have never had a problem," Benson said.

Students and customers bothered by the smell can register a complaint with the city by calling the sanitation department at 727-893-7171.

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The concept of car sharing and carpooling is on the rise and many companies, such as WeCar, are utilizing this new trend to ease the expenses of owning a car and to decrease vehicles' negative impact on the environment. USF Tampa Campus' Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) started a research project in partnership with WeCar in late July 2009. The research is funded by the US Department of Transportation (US-DOT), Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and is part of the Value Pricing Pilot Program, which supports projects that manage highway congestion. Car sharing encourages participants to reduce car ownership, save money and drive less. WeCar is owned by the car rental company Enterprise and was started to prove an hourly car rental service that helps reduce emissions, ease traffic congestion and provide a convenient car rental service for urban dwellers, according to an Enterprise 2007 press release.

WeCar provided four hybrid cars to the Tampa campus and, depending on the car, the rate varies from $7.50 to $9 per hour, including gas, insurance and maintenance. USF students can subscribe to WeCar either at carsharing.usf.edu, wear.com or on blackboard. Students can make the reservation online and pick up the car at one of the designated parking lots. After registering, the student will receive an ICARD that unlocks the vehicle. The car key will be inside of the glove compartment as well as a gas card.

The car can be driven up to 200 miles with no extra charge. After it has been used, the WeCar must be returned to the same spot.

Since the project has recently started, Tampa Campus Transportation Demand Management Program Director Philip Winters said only a few students are aware of it. Although they didn't get the numbers back from the research yet, there are probably less than 50 students subscribed to the program. Ideally, 40 people should be sharing one vehicle, Winters said. "It's cheaper than operating your own vehicles," he said.

The WeCar is a good option for people ages 21-25, a time when car insurance rates are significantly higher. The service also helps lighten the demand on parking spaces at the Tampa campus.

No cars are available for St. Petersburg Campus; however, if students need transportation from St. Petersburg to the Tampa Campus, they can take the bus or use Bay Area Commuter Services, a free service that matches people for ride shares.

"Our research project is limited to four vehicles we have on Tampa campus, but I suppose the university and student government could discuss with WeCar what it might take to expand the program to the St. Pete campus and how to fund it," Winters said.
SAFE team returns under police supervision

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A new bill passed on October 6 after a tie-breaking vote by Senate President Sarah Henry to keep SAFE team on campus.

"SAFE Team is a hot button issue amongst the senators and was going to be the biggest issue we voted on this year," Sen. Christian Haas said. Over the summer, it was suggested that SAFE Team would run more smoothly if placed in the hands of the campus police department. It was decided by campus police that once SAFE Team purchases new golf carts they would take over the organization.

The bill passed by Student Government allocates $12,300 for two new carts and $20,000 for salaries. With budget cuts circling campus, some senators and students wonder if SAFE Team is worth the price tag. Others, however, think there is no price too high to help prevent incidents on campus.

"When it comes to making the campus a safer place, should we really worry about maintaining a certain budget?" said Sen. Landry Mony, SAFE Team committee chairperson.

Some feel that SAFE Team is beneficial. However, others feel the organization is an unnecessary strain on the budget and SG.

"I believe we can spend half the amount of money approved for SAFE Team and achieve the same exact level of security, if not more," said Haas, who worked on an alternative program that he felt could have saved the campus $13,000 a year without sacrificing safety. Some members of SG were concerned with students walking from the college of business, the farthest location on the campus. However, most COB students surveyed by Sen. Chase Edwards did not see any issues with safety, according to Sept. 29 senate meeting minutes.

Senators were also concerned that, especially last year, members of SAFE Team were not professional in their out-of-duty behavior. "Last year, I personally witnessed numerous irresponsible actions made by the SAFE Team employees," Haas said.

"From eating and hanging out at the Tavern while on duty to parking in front of RHO to hold conversations with friends; all of which were completely unrelated to their job description."

John Pacheco, who headed up SAFE Team last year, acknowledged that there may have been some disorganization, but maintains that they never compromised the safety of the passengers.

Shatz, Haas and Pacheco all agree that the instability of the 2008-2009 executive branch of SG was a major malfunction for last year's SAFE Team.

"With there being three different presidential administrations last year, things were hectic all over," Shatz said. "SAFE Team was supposed to be overseen by the president, but it was very difficult when there were many changes going on in Student Government."

Most of the women surveyed in RHO feel safer knowing they can rely on the organization, said Mony.

"Walking back from my night classes to the dorms does worry me as a young female," Shatz said. "I carry pepper spray on my key chain, but what is a bottle of pepper spray actually going to do in case of an emergency?"

Haas believes SG could have created a better plan for SAFE Team, once that combines economy with safety.

"The almost unanimous opinion of my constituents is that our campus does not need a safe team and could better use the funds," Haas said.

PAWS FOR THE CAUSE

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USF St. Petersburg has an unofficial annual tradition of participating in the SPCA "Paws on Parade" Pet Walk. The walk is a fundraising event that benefits the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, SPCA Tampa Bay. The organization has been helping homeless and abused animals by finding them homes since 1940.

Barry McDowell, a captain from USF St. Petersburg's team participating in the walk, said the group is usually composed of about 15 people who donate $1000 to $1500 every year, and have been for about 15 years.

"Several of us adopted our pets from SPCA," McDowell said. "It is the reason why we support the walk every year."

"Humans are not the only creatures on the planet," USF Events Coordinator and co-captain of USF Paws on Parade team Sudsy Tschiderer said. "I really plead to think that people abandon their pets because they can't afford them and leave it to somebody else."

SPCA has many programs to help ease the financial burden of owning a pet. The organization also has educational programs listed on its web site at SPCATampaBay.com.

SPCA noticed an increase in the numbers of animals taken to animal shelters last year because fewer people can afford to keep their pets. However, they have received $100,000 so far and the number of sponsors for the pet walk is higher than last year.

Special Events Manager Tracy Valley said. The Pet Walk will begin Saturday, Oct. 6, from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at North Shore Park in downtown St. Petersburg. Registration is $10 per person. The event will include an adoptable pet adoption and a pet Howl-o-ween costume contest. "Some students help with $1," Tschiderer said. "There are many ways to help."

For information and registration to join the USF Team, call Barry McDowell at 727-873-4990 or Sudsy Tschiderer 727-873-4842.

Walker/Team Registration & IHOP Free Pancake Breakfast 8:30 - 9:00 a.m.

Walk Begins 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Dog Training Club of St. Petersburg Fly Ball Demo - Tampa Bay Barkaneers 9:15 - 9:45 a.m.

Dog Training Club of St. Petersburg Agility Demo 9:45 - 10:15 a.m.

Announcement of Fundraising Winners 10:45 - 10:55 a.m.

Iams Pet Howl-o-ween Costume Contest 11:00 - 11:30 a.m.

St. Petersburg Times' SPCA Adoptable Pet Parade 11:30 - 11:45 a.m.

SK Fetch Contest Winner Selected 11:40 - 11:45 a.m.

Costume Contest Winners Announced 12:00 - 12:30 p.m.

Closing Remarks 12:30 - 1:00 p.m.
Athletic fees support women’s Sailing Team

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The USF St. Petersburg women’s varsity Sailing Team receives 50 percent of the athletic fees that the USF St. Petersburg campus students pay, while the co-ed sailing team receives money only from Student Government and fundraising.

The USF St. Petersburg campus is the only USF campus that receives half of the athletics fees back from the Tampa campus. This is because the women’s sailing team moved to the St. Petersburg campus since there was already a sailing club team located here, according to Allison Jolly, the USF St. Petersburg women’s varsity sailing coach.

“It is my understanding that in those negotiations, the athletic department agreed to send 50 percent of the Athletic fees from St. Petersburg students back to USF St. Petersburg, in exchange for having the varsity team located on the St. Pete campus,” Jolly said.

Tristen Vail, a sophomore environmental science major and co-captain of the women’s team said that she is very grateful for receiving half of the fee back.

“Both the Lakeland and Sarasota campuses pay this same athletic fee to Tampa and don’t get any of it back,” Vail said. “I’d say we’ve got ourselves a pretty fair deal here in St. Pete.”

The Tampa campus uses the other half of the athletic fees to promote the USF football team. “It may be a sad indictment of U.S. values, but what a football team accomplishes for a university speaks volumes about what the rest of the school can achieve,” Women’s Varsity Sailing Coach Allison Jolly said. “I can walk through any airport wearing USF apparel and people have heard about the school.”

Even though half of the athletic fees go to the St. Petersburg campus, the money is only used for the USF St. Petersburg women’s sailing team.

Jolly also said that when a woman sails with the co-ed team, the athletic department covers the expenses as well.

Adam DePrimo, senior anthropology major and member of the co-ed team, agrees with the way that the athletic fee is given back to USF St. Petersburg.

“We may be a satellite campus, and an expanding one at that, but at the end of the day, we are all USF Bulls,” DePrimo said.

Margaret Spears, a sophomore majoring in mass communications and also a member of the co-ed team said that she thinks that the way the athletic fee is given back to USF St. Petersburg is “probably because we only have one varsity sport and Tampa has many more.”

Since the co-ed team is considered a club on the USF St. Petersburg campus, they raise extra money that is needed to cover travel expenses, equipment and other costs.

“It is a lot of work to keep the budget we have due to university-wide budget cuts,” Spears said.

Overall the USF St. Petersburg sailing teams have done well in competitions. “We are currently ranked 9th in the country (over 300 intercollegiate sailing teams),” Jolly said. “We have competed in 34 ICSA National Championships in only 10 years of existence.”
India Grill strikes out in last round

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Once you become familiar with downtown St. Petersburg, you start to realize there is a lot of the same, especially when it comes to dining. It is like some alcoholic, greased up, and, frankly, delicious version of Noah’s Arc. Every theme comes in pairs. That? There is Bangkok Thai on Central Avenue with Dian Bistro and the newly opened India Grill just re-opened in a new location just a few weeks ago so I will give it some leeway there, but man, this place is drab: old wooden booths, bare off-white walls, small stainless steel lunch buffet, and not much else. In terms of size it is ample and well-laid out. No bumpy-your-elbow-and-spill-food-everywhere areas as far as I could tell. As a whole though, India Grill is definitely lacking aesthetic appeal.

Green Grill’s been open since January, so no leeway there. For the type of place it is, fast Indian cuisine as opposed to sit and order like India Grill, it has a pleasant and suitable set-up. Tables line the front windows facing Central Avenue. No comfy booths like India Grill, just standard, straight-backed restaurant chairs and tables. The walls are multi-colored and height making it feel like a strange daycare facility than respectable Indian Restaurant. Overall, good enough for fast-order Indian fare. Winner: Green Chili.

Round 2: Service

The service at India Grill was great—brief, but great. We got take-out so there was not as much to judge as there could have been, but, all our needs were met. The server took our order right when we stepped inside the door and offered us a table with a pitcher of ice water and cups already set up: a very nice touch in the midst of the disgusting heat outside. We got our food in about ten minutes and were out the door. Overall, service was very good for what we needed.

Green Chili’s service is, well, to put it nicely, loosely structured. The restaurant is designed in the style of all those Chinese places in mall food courts. Metal steam trays of various dishes you pick and choose from to create a meal. The only problem was the trays were all empty and all the food was laid out on a table in copper bowls for the lunch theater. The server assured me the food would be fine and proceeded to scoop up the components of our order out of the dishes from the buffet, which is fine, done. I don’t know. It just looked strange. Either way, she was incredibly nice about it and threw in a big helping of free naan (baked flatbread). Green Chili, you are pleasant, dare I say motherly, but organize yourself. Let customers know it is buffet-only during lunch so idiots like me don’t make you scoop up, in essence, other people’s food. Winner: India Grill.

Round 3: Taste

Now this is where the fun begins. India Grill was up but first. Through word of mouth and publications like Creative Loafing I heard some good stuff about this place, which can be a blessing and a curse. First, it gets you excited to try some new and apparently tasty food. On the other hand though, the universal bar is your food judgment of the place, sometimes when you do not even realize it. Well, I was let down, not terribly let down, but let down. The chicken curry was chicken curry. If someone asked me what my typical chicken curry tastes like I would point at my bowl. The sauce was somewhat flavorful, but uninspired. The chicken was dry. I’m assuming the sauce was made, then the chicken cooked separately and thrown in at the end, or at least that’s what it tasted like. Even so, I still don’t feel comfortable completely giving up on India Grill.

Remember that motherly aspect of Green Chili I mentioned earlier? Well, it really shines through in their food. The chicken curry was fantastic. Tender, slightly fatty, chunks of chicken swim in a rich, red curry sauce, all stop bay leaf-infused jasmine rice. You can tell this recipe’s been worked on. The girlfriend and I both hypothesized that this stuff is slow cooked for hours with the chicken in the entire time, you know, mom style. However Green Chili prepares it, the chicken curry is delicious and I will definitely be going back for more. Winners: Green Chili.

Round 4: Portion Size

Even though we did not plan it, the bowl of chicken curry was enough lunch for two at India Grill. If you are starving and hungry, you might be transgressing the rules to not eat the buffet. If you can do it, take a gigantic nap afterward, go get India Grill’s chicken curry. Don’t share. Bonus points for eating it all. Green Chili runs on more of a fast-ordered concept. This means three-sectioned Styrofoam clamshells for everyone not seated at the buffet. Usually this means an enormous amount of food, at least at all those Chinese places. Sadly, Green Chili did not get this memo. We had the five or six sized pieces of chicken in our entire order, just enough to get us hooked, but fried viciously for some more. Curry chicken: now more similar to heroin than ever! But, seriously, quit holding out on us Green Chili. Winner: India Grill.

Round 5: Price

At India Grill the order of chicken curry ran us $11.95 without tax or tip. I felt jipped. This comes back to the whole appearance aspect of the place. If I’m paying this much for chicken curry at least give me some atmosphere, some “flare,” if you will. The bare wall, the obviousness that this place was just moved into, just does not cut it. Fool me into thinking a bowl of chicken curry should cost double digits. It is not hard, I promise.

At Green Chili you get the option of customizing your meal. This means you get a choice of rice with one veggie or meat entree or rice with two entrees or three, etc. We picked the rice with one meat and one veggie entree. The entire meal with the free naan was $6.25 without tax. Not bad, not bad at all. In comparison to, well, every restaurant downtown, Green Chili is one of the best deals you’ll find. Winner: Green Chili.

And there you have it folks. By a narrow margin, Green Chili Indian Bistro slides by and wins the Crow’s Nest Battle India. If you are looking for some great, cheap, Indian food Green Chili will do you solid. And who knows, maybe India Grill will get a little spurred up or priced down in the near future.
Red Light Cameras: protection or revenue?

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Along with soaring gas prices, pedestrians, flashy billboards, and other staples typically viewed from the car window, Florida drivers have something new to divert their attention while navigating municipal streets.

Local city and county governments have installed red-light cameras on the majority of traffic light posts in an attempt to nab naughty drivers in the act of running red lights and not coming to a complete stop when turning right on red. At least that's what county commissioners and city officials are telling us as to why the cameras have been installed.

In journalism’s eternal quest to seek out truth, the façade has been lifted and those in power have been exposed on this one. While the premise for red light cameras was officially proposed as a safety precaution to protect motorists and reduce the number of intersection collisions, it seems as if local governments in desperate need of capital are installing the cameras as a means to issue expensive tickets for the sake of bringing in cash and shoring up the city’s budget deficit.

Due to significant tax collection declines, Tampa Springs mayor Beverly Billiris suggested incorporating the cameras on major roadways to provide new revenue, which according to her statement made at the recent City Commission budget session, would bring in $15,000 a week with those things. In fact, many cities are considering their use as a generative revenue source in tough economic times, and finding too late that the cameras come equipped not only with flashy red lights, but also with some disadvantages originally not foreseen or thought through.

It is true, however, that Pinellas County suffers greatly from traffic-related violations, where drivers aggravated with severe traffic congestion roll the dice by pushing their way through intersections long after the traffic lights turn red, endangering themselves as well as cross traffic traveling in a perpendicular direction.

But do these cameras, which are essentially electronic sub-stitutes to promote justice on the roadways in the absence of human beings, actually serve that purpose? In fact, they do just the opposite.

No community has ample members of law enforcement to routinely monitor even the most dangerous intersections, so red light cameras provide a new concept in vehicular safety called "photographic traffic enforcement." A photograph of a vehicle approaching the intersection is snapped, capturing an image of the traffic light and the vehicle’s license plate. Those unfortunate souls then are greeted with a monetary-demanding, not to mention completely unexpected, traffic citation in their mailbox several weeks later.

While the number of crashes from right angles decrease, the number of rear-end crashes increase as a result of the red-light cameras because drivers usually come to an abrupt stop while realizing they're being caught in the act. To blur the legal lines even more, the city government does not even receive the entire amount from the traffic ticket. Vendors who own, supply and operate the camera also get a thick cut of the loot.

The cameras, while defining several legal consequences, also raise ethical issues. The photograph only catches the license plate from behind with one camera angle, leaving no visible and conclusive evidence as to the driver of the vehicle. Even if the owner lends the use of a vehicle to a friend who actually operates it, the owner is still held accountable due to the presumption of guilt that the person to whom the vehicle is registered, is the same person who is most likely driving it. On top of the original citation, additional fees are assessed during the appeals process, raising a large number of questions regarding fairness.

Furthermore, traffic laws are intended to be universal so that drivers are not subjected to a different set of laws when going from one jurisdiction to the next. Red light cameras violate that principle, but cities and counties deceptively bypass that issue by making red-light camera violations local code infractions rather than traffic law violations. Even at that, the concept of fairness still does not come into play.

Local governments should indeed look to other sources to generate revenue. But being less than forthright with the public about an issue that brings public safety and citizens' accountability to the forefront violates both legal and ethical principles.

Perhaps the most dangerous and frightening aspect of the red-light cameras is that the viability of governments may become so contingent on revenues generated from the cameras that they are toying with the idea of playing with the timing of traffic light intervals in order to generate the flow of more dollars. Such behavior contradicts the city's goal of improving safety at the expense of those vital to the very community the local governments are supposedly looking to protect.

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The Frugal Diva

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Costume shopping that won’t spook your wallet.

Halloween is a holiday where adults go free a pass to wear whatever they want (no matter how short or tight), eat tons of sweets and drink to your heart's content. Picking the perfect costume, however, can come with a hefty price tag. Costumes from novelty shops and vintage stores run upward of $30, which is not a good deal unless you want to be a sexy nurse for the next five years. Think smart, look for costumes that will impress your friends and not depress your wallet.

When looking for the perfect costume, take a walk into that store that only rents mall space during the month of October. No you are not buying anything, you are just getting ideas. Think that the firewoman costume is smoking? How about the boxer girl costume that you know will be a guaranteed knock out? Take a good look at it and then go to the nearest thrift shop, department store or fabric store and put your costume together.

For those who know how to sew, this is the cheapest way to go. Find fabric that is inexpensive but will still achieve your desired look. Do not forget the pins and thread; you will not get far without those. Patterns are also available if you are not able to drape or create your own. If you can not sew, stay away from this option—it will cost more money in the end.

For those who can not sew or have no desire to, stop by department stores for pieces at low prices. Maybe you cannot find a body suit for your officer uniform, but a cute pair of blue shorts and a white button-up blouse will look sexy, cost less and can be worn again.

Need accessories to bring your costume together? Try dollar stores or low-price toy stores. You can get the gun for that salon girl costume or a tool belt to become a construction worker. If you lose them it is no big deal—just paid a few bucks for it. Try using items you already have to put your costume together. That tutu from your high school play would make a perfect skirt and a beret the perfect fairy costume. What about that wand from last year's Hermione costume? Cut the bottom and make a cigarette holder to complete that flapper girl look.

With these tips anyone can still achieve a great Halloween costume and still have enough money to party for the weekend.
**SCRAMBLERS**

**Weekly SUDOKU**

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7. French fries, e.g.
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11. Relieve
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13. Sticky stuff
14. Take ten
15. Baby bond
16. Blueprint
17. Whole shooting match
18. Nevada city
19. Whodunit
20. Make pep pills
21. Sphere
22. Luau staple
23. O'Neill's specialty
24. Columnist
25. Energy
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**SCRAMBLERS**

"The weight gain began when we locked out all of the food and exercise on TV...That's when..."

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Problems caused by that recent work distraction should matter begins to ease up. Also, the sooner you stop making long-distance travel plans, the sooner you stop making changes that could backfire on you. LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A holiday plan might need to be revised to accommodate an unexpected complication. Come up with an alternative arrangement as soon as possible to avoid more problems down the line.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Don't accept halfway explanations for a situation that requires full disclosure. The more you know now, the better able you will be to handle any complications that might arise.

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The intramural kid

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Mondays are for flag football. Tuesdays involve 3-on-3 basketball and sand volleyball. Wednesdays mean swimming. Thursdays entail soccer. This is just the intramural sports schedule for USF St. Petersburg freshman Trevor Boscacci. The 19-year-old plays five sports on campus, in addition to being a full-time student and holding a job.

Boscacci explained why he is involved in so many sports.

"I wanted to meet people and it's fun," he said. "I just like running around." He said soccer is his favorite of the five to play. He is on a free agent team made up of seven players called Team Awesome. He had not played competitively since he was eight years old, but he thinks he has regained his edge.

"I have a lot of endurance because I can just run up and down the field and not stop," he said. "It's 40 minutes of running around." Kristen Goldsmith, 22, is the captain of the team. A junior psychology major, she has played soccer most of her life and said Boscacci is the perfect kind of teammate to have.

"He's a really nice, outgoing guy, easy to talk to and fun to be around," she said. "He's naturally athletic and pretty good at every sport I've seen him play."

According to Boscacci, his four other sports have not worked out quite as well as he hoped. The first day he started on his swim team, he got sick. He also might regret signing up for flag football.

"I never played football," he said. "I don't really like it, which makes me wonder why I started it." Marty Dempsey, the Intramural and Fitness Coordinator, is a referee for many of the intramural sports. He sees Boscacci just about every day of the week.

Dempsey said the five-sport student gets along well with his teammates and is friendly to everyone.

"He's always been a pretty fun-loving guy, kind of chill about everything," he said. "But at the same time he's competitive when he's out on the field. He definitely gets after it."

Dempsey talked about how intramural sports can suit a variety of students. He believes Boscacci represents the most common participants.

"He's one of those kids who defines what intramural sports should really be about," he said. "He's really out there to have a good time, hopefully [to] win but really to get out there and stay active."

Most people watching him play probably would not realize that Boscacci suffers from physical ailments. He has a herniated disk in his lower back and the top three vertebrae in his neck are out of place. He sees a chiropractor and a massage therapist to ease the pain.

Boscacci also wrestled for four years at Countryside High School in Clearwater, where he competed in tournaments around the state. He also ran cross-country and played ice hockey. He thinks the wear and tear from playing and lifting weights affected him physically, but it does not stop him from competing.

Even though he loves to play sports, Boscacci said he is not a big fan of watching them.

"I get bored," he said. "If I had to pick one, probably wrestling or hockey. But I still get kind of bored. I just want to play basically."

His days start early in the morning and end late at night. A sports medicine major, he is taking 15 credits this semester and works part-time at a movie theater in Oldsmar. He has long breaks in between his classes each day, which allow him to get homework done in the library.

Students can play intramural sports on campus for free. This means they can sign up for as many as they wish without affecting their wallets. If he had to pay to participate in them, Boscacci said he would only play soccer.

"I might not even do that, though," he said.

Dempsey said Boscacci is already looking forward to the sports schedule for the spring semester. He said he is excited about the possibility of playing Ultimate Frisbee.

"I'm sure no matter what I offer, I can expect Trevor on the list."