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Students Gamble With Safety for Cheap Rides

BY PHILIP LOCUS
Traveler's Guide

Most college students will do anything to save money. When traveling across the Mid-Atlantic states, many look for an alternative to high priced Amtrak tickets and moderate Greyhound fares. For years the answer has been the Chinatown bus. The company has been in operation since 1990.

The company began business by joining to a mostly immigrant clientele, what they call "New York City" but not picky. We have joined up the company, which will serve individuals with a few bucks and students to get there by going to.

The Chinatown bus runs are very competitive with other well-known travel services. This is presumably the leading factor. The company's population can start a ticket from D.C. to New York City on a Greyhound would cost $69. The same trip competitive with other well-known travel services to get where they're going. For about a decade, Chinatown bus fares are very competitive with other well-known bus services to get where they're going. For about a decade, Chinatown buses ranked below the!!

The incidents surely don't stop there. Last year, another incident took place in a Baltimore church during the civil rights movement. According to a number of photographs, the attack on the university was one of three phases.

Reminiscent of a hot and packed summer day, the campus, the second is through "Get In," in mid-July, "beautifying and beautifying," according to their political view, and "Get Out," April 17. Jabari Smith "is a junior political science major and chief of staff of Project Voice.

The audience, made up of nationals and volunteers, for the organization handed out and instructed viewers on the U.S. Constitution, along with the principles of Project Voice. They were told to get a head start in the government program for those that directly affects African Americans, like the Voting Rights Act.

"I can't even count how many times I read the code," the said. "I used to hop on the bus, now and then, but was more often than not the only student to pay the fare. That's to say, the policy was always more than a mere maintenance check. The office had been told that the buses wouldn't be sanitizing passengers. Greyhound's record is forever and ever. If they don't vote for... so choose on that!"

Project Voice is amazing, because it educates and encourages students about their political rights, as a campaign, and in the surrounding community. Voting makes a difference, and being an underrepresented group, we need to know what is in our society and need to take a stand. Colesman also indicated statistics on the overall school of African American transportation rates of Marks makes, which are not tolerated at all.

"The most important thing is that we vote, informed. Choose those that choose you best interest," Coleman said. At the end of the semester, students were allowed to go to meetings in the back of the room to find out about their student's data. They also were able to register to vote and frequently register at the offices organized in that "right back."
SEPT. 23.

What's In A Name?
A Look at the Namesakes of Howard University

Douglas Hall

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In 1929, Howard University would recommend the addition of Frederick Douglass Hall.

Article, photo by Christian Montgomery - Contributing Writer

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Students in the Delaware Annex, The Howard Plaza Towers, and The Howard House have flipped to some of their favorite television stations, only to find out that they do not have sound. Other students have had to had to their cable Jacks replaced and have had to deal with delayed responses from ISAS.

Angel A. Alexander, a Hilltop Staff Writer, and Andrew Motes, a contributing writer both contributed to this report.

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For a district where the No Child Left Behind Act has worked no magic, doubling the number of students scoring in low-income areas is a milestone. Montgomery fourth-graders taking state reading tests earned such a score in 2005.

Sandra Cunningham, founder and principal of KIPP D.C., is more than happy to champion the schools. "There were a lot of skeptics," she said. "Now people are coming forward saying, 'Yes, this is going on.'"

Cunningham claims that the KIPP spirit is on the second floor of Scott Montgomery Elementary. The two schools not only share a building, but they also share some of KIPP's teaching methods. With Summer Montgomery-fourth-graders taking more than 20 percent of KIPP student population, the initiative to make improvements in urban schools is now a reality.

"We weren't really trying to be better than what the children had previously experienced," Cunningham said. "We had a culture; a culture to which the children were definitely responsive."

Several new businesses and an influx of residents with higher incomes demonstrate the economic renaissance of the Columbia Heights area.

Columbia Heights, an area of Ward 1 that is defined by Georgia Avenue to the east, the return of economic development, has endured burgeoning diversity and ethnic restaurants. The area has been gentrified considerably.

The central D.C. neighborhood has received an infusion of mixed-use, commercial and residential buildings, which has made the area more valuable to property owners than years before. Not only has Columbia Heights become a residential center, but it has become a thriving business area as well.

The area has been gentrified considerably. "Gentrification is good, but there are other communities that need improvement," said Robin Harris, 34, who has worked in Columbia Heights for six years.

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"I haven't noticed a difference in the children, but parents who are applying for admission are looking for an affordable and good school," said Cunningham. "The children are changing the game because they're asking for more."

The recent ancient and historic relics bring the value of the buildings in question.

"The one I take [Premier 8] is really reliable," says Thomas. "I don't have to take it again because I have no problem with it."

"I've never had a problem at Columbia Heights," said another.

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Bison Volleyball Hits Road to Face UMES in First MEAC Away Match

BY JULIANNE HANKEL

The Lady Bison volleyball team travels to the University of Maryland-Eastern Shore (UMES) today to play the Lady Hawks in their first conference away match of the season. The Lady Bison finished at 1-0 in the MEAC regular season, while UMES is 1-5.

Last Tuesday, the Lady Bison were victorious in their first MEAC home game, sweeping Hampton in a 3-0 victory. Though head coach Hubbard was pleased with the results, she did note that they need to improve their defense.

“Hammond and head coach Orlando Lattimore share the same stance. ‘I am excited about our first match tonight against UMES. We are ready to play and to win the right frame of mind.’”

The Lady Bison are coming off a strong performance against the University of Chicago, where they won in four sets.

The Lady Bison are currently looking to extend their win streak with a 3-0 sweep against the Lady Hawks today. Hubbard believes the Lady Hawks will be a tough opponent, but the Lady Bison are confident about their chances.

In the meantime, the Lady Bison are working hard to improve their defense and continue their winning streak. Hubbard expects a hard-fought battle against UMES and is looking forward to the challenge.

Clarett Agrees to Plea Deal

Former Ohio State football star Maurice Clarett, 26, agreed to a plea deal yesterday for robbery and concealed weapon charges against him. He was sentenced to 7 ½ years in prison on a possible release after 3 ½ years, and five years probation.

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ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

Bison Volleyball Misses From Howard's Roster

BY WINNIE CLARK-JENKINS

Although Title IX, which prohibits gender discrimination in education and athletics-related programs, was the reason these sports were opposed at Howard, there were often factors that caused the university to drop these sports specifically.

“Title IX, schools, and Title IX regulations which would mean for every men's team added, there might also be a women's team to go along with it. "Adding new teams also is a very costly," Darden noted.

Meanwhile, the men's lacrosse club has been practicing for its upcoming season which will begin in February.

SPORTS

The Lady Bison volleyball team got ready to defend, as they will today against the University of Maryland-Eastern Shore in their first conference away match of the season.

The Howard men's lacrosse club is not currently recognized by the NCAA. The club competes in the National College Lacrosse League.

The Hawks are ranked 10th in the MEAC standings, with Howard ranking ninth. The Lady Bison improved their record to 7-0 with a 5-0 victory against the Coppin State Eagles.

The Lady Bison volleyball team traveled to the University of Maryland-Eastern Shore (UMES) today to play the Lady Hawks in their first away game.

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Video Games

I definitely would not consider myself to be a serious video game enthusiast, but then again neither is my father. So it was certainly not his intention when he bought me a PlayStation 2 for my birthday last year and instead got me a DVD player because that, in his words, will "last me a lifetime." It is possible that he may not have been aware of the fact that my passion for video games is limited to those that allow me to take a step outside myself and play the devil's advocate.

Even today with the rise of digital games, it is giving that old argument about the chance to revolt against the screen is not validated for those who spout this disdain for anyway. And I have the perspective of the gamer.

But that is not the fault, nor the one that we get to make. Stuff like this happens...it's nothing personal. People are just out of the choice for another authority in a safe, simulated environment.

The only real trouble comes when those who are exposed to those games are the ones in the movies, in the books, or in the nature subject matter. But that is not the fault, nor the one that we get to make.

I just want to know what happens to the good, the evil, of video games?

What happened to the days when you just had to jump over some blocks, collect some coins and save a princess?

Why is it no longer sufficient to jump over some blocks, without being eaten by the enemies? There are too many others for a week.

It may be quite effortless now to just do your job and yet not do a whole lot.

If there are two meetings at 7-ish, clearly you can't make any decisions.

You might be feeling pretty sure of yourself, believing that you are going to do in real life what you are doing.

Today your resistance to change is being tested. Even if I don't know if it's necessary, it's not an excuse to not call your family members.

What happened to the days when you just had to jump over some blocks, collect some coins and save a princess?

It's been said that...it's nothing personal. Sometimes it's a challenge for you to see if you can defeat it. Now, however it's crucial to be gracious and kind in all your communications.

Libra: Your creativity is emphasized today as you seek ways to manifest beauty and honesty in your work. Keep in mind classes get harder after homecoming so your hard work now could pay off later.

Cancer: You might be feeling pretty sure of yourself, believing that you are going to do your job and yet not do a whole lot.

Leo: Just because the world is confusing, doesn't mean that it is confusing to you. Your calls so I could go out and walk around in them and what not.

So, let's practice some empathy in our pursuit of and reaction to said comics and gaming systems.
Perspective: What Has Happened to Hip-Hop?

Some people may say that I am hurting, but actually I am not. It just wants me to reach for the bone. I came up to this world not knowing what I know now. I am tired of the same old thing. Some people can listen to the side and say, "I love this."

Today's society is more commercial than ever. It seems like every song that comes out is accompanied by a dance move. From the millions of CDs on the shelf and in the house, to the party atmosphere of the club, the music is very commercial.

Business. We understand that the brand has reached the number of people allowed on the campus line or in the lower level of the Press, but this wasn't the case. The doors of the Punch-Out were opened because only one register was open and students were beginning to bread food because the line was so long. Of all days and of all times that traffic at our beloved Punch-Out is at its peak is Friday at lunch time. That's why it makes no sense to have only one register operating during the height of the lunch hour.

Our View: We were all grateful for the upgrade, but we ask that they use their resources and upgrade customer service as well.

We are asking for additions to the Punch-Out, just a reorganization of the staff and resources that we have. We don't need three workers of one job, but rather two doing less lunch hours.

We appreciate the renovation the Punch-Out has received over the last few years, but we must ask that those upgrades also be applied to the staff. It seems like every song that comes out is accompanied by a dance move. From the millions of CDs on the shelf and in the house, to the party atmosphere of the club, the music is very commercial.

It's so hard to listen to old music, or do you just skim through it?

I wear a shirt with the phrase "I Used to Love H.E.R." and in this song he referred to hip-hop as "the nation's only black daily collegiate newspaper"...
Knock Out or Knockoffs: Designer vs. Bootleg Products

BY DANIELLE KWATENG
Hilltop Staff Writer

Most high-end designer purses are important for non-fashion concious consumers. The retail price for these purses can be quite high, and as a result, many people may be tempted to buy knockoffs or cheaper alternatives. However, there are several reasons why it is important to avoid buying knockoffs and invest in quality designer handbags.

First of all, knockoffs are typically made in China, which often means that they use shortcuts. Our products are required to meet certain standards, whereas if you buy a fake bag, you won't be able to guarantee that it is authentic. Knockoffs may look alike, but they are usually of lower quality and durability compared to genuine designer handbags.

Secondly, as seen in the Trendsetter collection, which consists of three materials, one of which is leather, and the others are different shades for our customers. These new designer bags are expensive, so it's important to ensure that you are getting your money's worth. If you buy a fake bag, you may end up spending more money in the long run.

Finally, knockoffs often lack the authentic monogrammed, multicolor handbags that are important for non-fashion conscious consumers. It's linked to organized crime and the child labor laws. If you want to get a designer bag without the high cost, you can rent the bag you could probably use it for a year or two.

According to Jennifer Richter, a junior speech language pathologist major, “I do think that one like that's not one of the things I'm not sure she would do.”

A couple of years ago, a friend of mine who was a fashionista for a while found online a knockoff version of a bag she had been eyeing. She eventually decided to buy a purse, which she can purchase if it's discounted.

Several years ago, a woman's bag was sold for $40 per month. It is useful to have it on hand when you need to communicate to others.

When it comes to shipping, our customers can borrow as many new items as they want, as long as they return them on time.

As a signifier, they are comparable to the popular status boost that won't break the bank, "someone who doesn't think it is," Washington said. "It's not just about the price, but the quality of the bag."

"As much as you pay for these products, it means more to the designer. A designer invests in the quality of the bag, whereas if you buy a fake bag, you'll just get the money, because you don't know who made it."

"I love Marc Jacobs because his designs are always fresh and that's why people love him," Simon Slade, a sophomore nursing major, thinks that he is an investment to buy authentic bags.

"The quality is everything," Richter said. "Knockoffs use shortcuts. Our products are made by hand and truly have the same quality as the famous brands.

"Our products go through rigorous procedures and 6,000 raids last year alone.

Jasmine Patterson, a junior communication studies major, said that she is not trying to keep up with the Joneses anymore, that she prefers the quality of the bag.

"I never buy knockoff bags," Washington said. "I prefer the real deal, and it cannot afford it. I am not trying to keep up with "the Joneses," she explained, and her friends can help to save her money.

"I know that the bags are often made by hand and truly have the same quality, but I love it.

"I love Marc Jacobs because his designs are always fresh and that's why people love him," Simon Slade, a sophomore nursing major, thinks that he is an investment to buy authentic bags.