Tuition increasing next fall

Southwestern Staff Report

The Southwestern Michigan College Board of Trustees approved tuition increases for the coming academic year, awarded a service pin, accepted gifts and grants and conducted other business during a regularly scheduled meeting for March held on Tuesday, March 13 at the College’s Dowagiac campus.

The Board of Trustees adopted the tuition and fee schedule to be effective for Fall semester, 2007. Changes included a $4 per contact hour increase for in-district students, a $5.75 increase for out-of-district students, a $6.50 increase for out-of-state students, and a $9.25 increase for international students.

The new contact hour rates will be: In-District $78.25 (up 5.4 percent from $74.25); In-State $99.75 (up 6 percent from $94); Out-of-State $107.75 (up 6.4 percent from $101.25); and International $138.50 (up 7.1 percent from $129.25).

Additionally, trustees approved a $1.50 per hour increase in the College’s registration fee and a $3 increase in the technology fee.

According to SMC President Dr. David Mathews, “Even with the new tuition rates, Southwestern Michigan College provides an outstanding educational value. Next year, total tuition and fees for a full-time student of SMC’s district will still be less than $3,000 if the student is in-state.”

“These increases are notably modest in view of low local tax support and large cuts in state funding over the past five years. ”

Dr. Fred Mathews, Board of Trustees Chairman

Role reversal at bookstore: They pay you!

By MIKE VANDERBOSCH
Staff Writer

With the end of the semester soon approaching, that can mean only one thing. It’s time to sell your books back! Starting April 30 and running through May 2, the book buyback is a good way to get some cash for those books you’re not going to open ever again.

The buyback at the Southwestern Michigan College Bookstore on the Dowagiac campus will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, April 30.

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**Tuition: Modest increase this fall**

$1,500 per semester. Moreover, SMC’s tuition and fee costs will continue to be far less than half of those of Central Michigan University, Western Michigan University, or Michigan State University, and less than a third of the tuition and fee cost of the University of Michigan."

SMC Board of Trustees Chairman Dr. Fred L. Mathews described the tuition adjustment in relation to total college revenues, “Tuition is one of the three major revenue sources that the College needs to operate. The other two are State aid and local millage. State support has declined catastrophically since 2001, and the Headlee rollback has reduced the college millage from 3.0 approved by the citizens of the College district to only 2.54 mills. The College will continue to aggressively control costs, reallocate expenditures, and seek grant funding. Beyond this, modest tuition increases such as those approved tonight will ensure that SMC remains affordable, and ensure that the College has the resources to maintain the highest quality academic programs and services."

“Moreover, the SMC Board of Trustees have, by necessity, restructured and streamlined SMC to reflect funding realities. The core mission of the college, its education and training of students has not — and will not be — compromised. As previously reported, SMC is in the top 10% of community colleges nationally in student success. This exceptional commitment to student learning will not be compromised.”

In other business, the Southwestern Michigan College Board of Trustees awarded a pin for 15 years of service to Trustee member William White of Jones. White has been a member of the SMC Board of Trustees since 1991. He attended Southwestern Michigan College and continued his education at Michigan State University. White is a member of the Cass County Farm Bureau board member of the LaPorte County Co-Op, and member of both the Michigan Pork Council and Michigan Pork Producers. He and his wife, Susan, have five children and are active members of Porter Baptist Church.

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- From Lifecare Ambulance Service, Battle Creek, a contribution valued at $5,000.
- From ICG Castings, Inc., Dowagiac, a contribution of $2,500.
- From USA Funds, Indianapolis, a contribution of $1,000.

Faculty art show

Art instructor Bill Rothwell talks to a student during the reception for the faculty art show, March 28, in the art gallery in the Dale A. Lyons building. In the background is one of his paintings.
Online dating slowing but services rake in cash

BY KATE BLANCHARD
Staff Writer

IN 1964, The Beatles told us we could have it all. But, apparently, the Fab Four couldn’t see 40 years into the future when online dating services offered love for a fee.

Online dating services, they ranged us, are not free. There are services for dog lovers, cat lovers, golf enthusiasts, the well-to-do, the geek, and, even for the airline passenger who would like to meet a soul mate on their next flight.

The oldest services were launched back in the mid-1990s, and since then, the craze has continued to grow. That’s right, practically anywhere with a human population

The real deal with online movie rental

BY MIKE VANDERBOSCH
Staff Writer

Sh, you’re thinking about joining an online movie rental service. Before you invite all your friends and family, consider this: your movie might complete with pop-corn and the latest flick you may want to read the fine print about renting DVDs through the Internet.

“My biggest problem is it’s misleading,” says Robert Lavanway, one of the thousands of Netflix subscribers, an online renting service that is one of the top companies in its field.

After signing up for a trial service, Lance, who is an Educational Specialist at Southwestern Michigan College, received great service, great turnaround time on his movies, usually getting confirmation that they were shipping new ones the same day he returned them via mail. But, two weeks later, after the free trial ended, so did the bottom line of the service.

Instead of receiving all of his movies from Netflix, including Kentucky, North Carolina, even San Jose, Calif. The delay in shipping began turning a seemingly limitless supply of movies, promised by Netflix’s slogans of “unlimited rentals” to most of their service plans, into a restriction that promoted consumer complaints.

This was the first warning: 16 months, still cheaper than renting them from a store, but not what they said I could get Lavanway said.

This is a problem thousands have every month renting online, while and it does seem suspected of something Netflix does to try and retain some type of profit, and has even written it if the fine print so often passed over by consumers. The following comes from the Netflix Website concerning shipping and delivery.

“We make no guarantee as to the shipping and delivery of DVDs and may, in our sole and absolute discretion, change our business practice regarding allocation, delivery and shipping, without notice, the policy stated.”

Although Netflix has argued its service policy is legitimate and they are not breaking any laws, unhappy consumers thought otherwise and filed a class action suit against the company in 2006. Netflix eventually settled for promises of dollars.

The other top renter, both online and in cities across the country, is Blockbuster. The company’s biggest advantage Netflix movies rented online can be returned to the Blockbuster store, but the business has had its own set of problems with dissatisfied customers.

Blockbuster’s shipping response time appears to be considerably slower than Netflix, and even, they couldn’t escape the misleading advertising trap. Busted by the Attorney Generals of 46 states for its advertising slogan of “no late fee,” Blockbuster ambiguous message prompted a flood of consumer complaints.

The company sold the movies to the customer if rentals were not returned within seven days after the due date. Blockbuster patrons were charged a restock fee if they did not want to buy the rental, and the company failed to inform the public that the program was not available at all locations. The Blockbuster settlement brought about changes in the way the business rented or returned customers’ movies and was canceled due to jelousy.

Florida offered many other memorable experiences to the group, including wildlife viewing, staying in hostels and meeting people from around the world, as well as new friendships that were made, but are but a few of the adventures.

West Virginia trip. She said she would definitely recommend taking the extreme sports classes to anyone.

Our extreme sports program at SMC has been very popular with students and it adds a lot of excitement and adventure to our physical education program,” states Gunn, SMC’s Director of Extreme Sports. Once the students complete the class they will receive two college credits.

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Spring's flowers can only mean campus Bash is near

The flowers are blooming and the weather is warming, just in time for this year's Campus Bash on Wednesday, April 18. The annual spring event will be from 10:45 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the center of the Campus Quad. Along with free food and drinks, there will be volleyball, human sphere racing, home-run derby, student vs. staff tug-a-war, inflatable obstacle course and music provided by a live DJ. Come join your friends in welcoming in spring on campus.

Area Journalist-topic of museum event

Southwestern Staff Report

On Wednesday, May 2, the final evening of Museum series at Southwestern Michigan College will be a presentation on Webb Miller, a world renowned reporter for the United Press from World War II. Miller, who was born to the beginning of World War II. Miller, who was born in Pokagon, and died mysteriously in 1940 in Great Britain. Dr. Scott and Lisa Topping will discuss the life and works of the journalist, in "Webb Miller's Life Web." Dr. Topping is department chairman of the SMC Communications, Social Science and Humanities. Lisa is the coordinator of the Southwestern Regional Office of Ferris State University at SMC. The presentation begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Upton Room at the Museum at SMC on the Dowagiac campus. Museum hours are Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free. For more information, call the Museum at SMC at 269-782-1374.

Baseball in full swing

By Mike Vanderbosch

A little over a week ago, the wait for baseball fanatics usually ended. America's national pastime had its first holiday opening day, and the race, or rather, the jog, through the long and winding seven-month schedule to the World Series has begun.

Teams with storied traditions will battle it out with the newcomers to the league, as the old order has had little advantage over the new wave over the last decade, other than their respective dates of establishment.

Michigan's own team, the Tigers, made it to the 102nd edition of the championship series last year, but losing in five games. A year prior, another regional team from across Lake Michigan, the Chicago White Sox, won their third ever championship and first since 1917. And of course, there's the attendance leader in the league, the lovable losers, the Cubs. Each team has both recent success and a history enriched in winning, but what about 2007?

Detroit Tigers – After years of being a cellar dweller, the Tigers came back in a mean way. With a hot start and solid play most of the year, they were still expected to falter, and while they did just that, they managed to win the wild card game to their way to the World Series. The Tigers appear to have the ability and drive to do it again this year. Led by Jim Leyland (A three-time Manager of the Year, the Detroit Tigers made key acquisitions to completely over balance the loss of average players Matt Stairs and Jamie Walker. The addition of the hard hitting Gary Sheffield, a nine-time all-star and former player of the year, provides veteran leadership to a team stocked with young up-and-coming stars. The entrance of four-time all-star Troy Percival to a team already strong pitching staff will also surely not be a hindrance to their championship hopes.

Prediction – The American League Central features the Minnesota Twins, and with their resurgence the last few years, it will be a dogfight for first place. But coming off a season where they taught them how to win, and with minimal personnel losses, they look good to make the playoffs not as division leaders, then as a wild card team.

Chicago White Sox – The management of the White Sox seems to have taken cues from their wild-man manager Ozzie Guillen (famous for his foul mouth and inability to control it along with his playing days and managerial prowess) and made some odd moves. In their bullpen, they traded or released four pitchers, including All-Star Freddy Garcia, one of their top pitchers, and Neil Cotts (who went cross-town to the Cubs.) In return, they brought in pitchers, most of who were demoted to the minor leagues shortly after. The White Sox also added outfielder Darin Erstad, a top flight player in the league within the last few years, but coming off a major injury and rehabilitation, he was released from his former team as a liability. While they won a world series in 2005, and didn't fall off greatly last year, the White Sox appear to position themselves for the future, so don't expect much from them this year.

Chicago Cubs – Plagued by injuries is the easiest way to describe what happened to the Cubs last year. However, the Cubs should be back again this year, with both Kerry Wood and Mark Prior battling injuries (as usual, both former rising stars haven't reached their almost limitless potential, playing in a handful of games each for the last few years).

However, the Cubs should win regardless, for it's the first time their rotation is strong without fading down the stretch. After spending $300 million in the off season, the Cubs appear to have the depth to do it again this year. They brought in quality pitching and hard hitting veterans like Cliff Floyd, and re-signed some of the key players of their team. With such a solid core, it's hard to believe the next part. Derek Lee, a league elite, is back from injury, and with the addition of Alfonso Soriano (who signed a $136 million contract), the Cubs have true stars on their team.

Furthermore, the Cubs are being led by one of the best managers in the league, also brought in during the off-season, Lou Piniella, who along with a World Series Win in 1990 has won Manager of the Year twice. While they may not win the championship, the Cubs should show the most improvement this year, and as long as they can stay healthy, should have a solid squad for years to come.

Prediction – Ask any Cub fan, and you'll see every year that the Cubs could win it all. It's been almost 100 years since their last championship, so they're due. This is the team's best chance to land one. Playing in the always tough National League Central will be a test, especially with the division rival St. Louis Cardinals coming off a championship last year. The whole season depends on whether the players can stay healthy or not, but as long as injuries are minimal, the Cubs are a playoff team, maybe even a World Series team. This may be the year!
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Nursing school requires stubborn perseverance

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The journey from casuals to scrubs

By Patti Recollet and Allison Dreher
Nursing Student Writers

When considering all that goes into being a nurse, one day as beginning nursing student until the day comes when you finish school and become a nurse, many significant changes occur.

Entering into nursing school, the goal is to be able to wear the coveted scrubs. So what makes entering a nursing student? It is right for them in order to have enough classes to graduate and make their dream of becoming a nurse. Each student in the nursing program is on the same level as a nurse. Throughout this journey each person decides which direction they are going to be for the next four months!

1. What is your most memorable or favorite moment?

Wendy – “Participating in an aging awareness class.

Jessica – “I’ll always remember my med surg (medical/surgical) clinical second semester, because it was at clinical with Janie Stephenson that I realized how much I could do.”

Carol – “Getting to gradua
tion and getting a job.”

Lisa – “I got everything we had learned in the past three semesters in one day and be a competent nurse.”

4. What was your biggest moment?

Wendy – “Not knowing some
ting, but being comfortable.”

Jessica – “My biggest fear was having Janie Stephenson for clinical, because I thought I was not the most confident learner. I was so
terrible at teaching, but a very smart one! You can really learn a lot from her.”

Carol – “Not getting to graduat
e...and delays being out of
sequence.”

Lisa – “Failing Med Surg
(medical/surgery).”

5. What were you most looking forward to?

Wendy – “Fourth semester.

Psych (psychiatric care).”

Jessica – “Going into second
clinical semester, I was mostly looking forward to going off campus to learn more skills and get clinical,

experience in a hospital atmosphere.”

Carol – “Graduation, getting an RN!”

Lisa – “Going in to the psych (psychology) class because that is what I am interested in going into.”

6. If you had to give advice to an incoming nurs
ing student...what would it be?

Wendy – “Don’t listen to the gossip and let other peoples’ anxiety affect you.”

Jessica – “Study, study, and study some more! Do not pro-
crate the night away and you will succeed!”

Carol – “Know you can do it,

encourager of the day. What did I learn? Laughter is like a medicine. It brings healing and smiles; we all should use it more often. Do not feel sorry for yourself. Life is short and full of pain.

Take time to laugh, and smile everyday. You may be touching a life, making a difference, changing someone’s day. Smile!”

Don’t go out and get cheap sunglasses

By Nicholas Broekway
Nursing Student Writer

The sunny skies of July bring out the best in people. Everyone loves to show their skin and expand their social circles. The Southwester Photo/JENNIFER WINDBIGLER

Lighting Laughter, a student’s medicine

By Angela Jackson
Nursing Student Writer

Have you ever had one of those days where you just felt like staying in bed, covering your head and not leaving the house all day? Well, Monday was one of those days.

I am a nursing student. I had to be at Lakeland Hospital in St. Joseph, Mich. at 6:30 a.m. I arrived at the hospital and headed to the report room to receive my daily assignment. My assignment included a very ill, needy patient. While listen

ing to report I began to think, “I really, really should have stayed in bed.” I wondered, “Am I emotionally equipped to deal with this today?”

Today was the day I became the patient and my patient became the teacher. I was receiving a value

able lesson on how to deal with pain and blue Mondays. I was going to teach me how one person can touch a life. One person can make a differ

ence. I imagine having Muscular Dystrophy, diabetes, arthritis of the lower spine, being para

tized from the waist down, and on a morphine drip for pain. Add to the list heart problems, recovering from pneumonia, and a bacte

rial infection that had devastated her lungs. Nearly half of U.S. citizens will develop some type of UV radiation-associated skin cancer by age 50. Fortunately, reducing the risk of developing these problems is relatively easy. Using sun

screen or wearing a hat protects skin from UV rays. Sunscreen rated SPF 30 or higher will block out most of UV rays and provide very good protec

tion. It needs to be re-applied every four hours, or more fre

quently if perspiring or swimming. The intensity of UV radia

tion is highest during the mid

day, about 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and the summer months. Avoiding

spending time outside when UV radiation levels are higher is also a way to reduce expo

sure.

While a nice tan may be aes

thetically pleasing, it places a person at an increased risk for long-term health problems that might otherwise have been avoided. Sometimes, a little bit of prevention, or sunscreen, goes a long way.

Sunglasses reduce the amount of light entering the eye, but check to make sure that they block UVA and UVB rays. In addition to pro

ecting your eyes, sunglasses make you look cool.

Tumors of the skin are classified as either benign (usually not dangerous and simple to remove) or malignant (may spread into other tissues and seriously impair health). Nearly half of U.S. citizens will develop some type of UV radiation-associated skin tumor by age 50.

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Extreme Sports goal: Extreme Spring Break

Ron Gunn, director of the SMC Extreme Sports Program, walks the beach in Key West with Ariel Sadger on the Spring Break trip to Florida.

Gunn provides a class lecture with the Atlantic Ocean in the background during the Key West trip.

There is a reason they are called the Florida Gators.
SMC student Kaylee Magro recently spent a couple of sessions with digital photography students as they worked on lighting projects. These are some of the results.
Making music

ABOVE: Guitarists practice during a rehearsal. BELOW: Casey True warms up with his saxophone before the concert.

Zach Brizendine plays his trombone during jazz band rehearsal. Steve Rhynard rehearses with his saxophone.

Oscar Azevedo and Nathan Smith on the drums during jazz band practice.

ABOVE: Aaron Grabemeyer before the Pops Concert March 23. RIGHT: Quinton Quaye during a dress rehearsal.
In the auto shop

John Gustafson and instructor John Piechocki make sure an engine is attached correctly to a hoist.

ABOVE: Paul Neuman slides an engine into place.

RIGHT: Piechocki inspects piston parts.

ABOVE: Robert Wagner concentrates during an automotive engine class.

LEFT: Dave Martin checks out a piston ring.

RIGHT: Tim Pletz finds that automotive engine work isn’t a clean job, but worth learning.

FAR RIGHT: Working to fix a non-running engine.
Early railroad history exhibit

By Kaye Blanchard
Staff Writer

All aboard! If you listen very carefully you might hear the conductor shout for passengers to board the train before it leaves the depot in Dowagiac in 1870.

Or at least visitors to the Museum at Southwestern Michigan College will be able to imagine what it was like in the city’s early railroad history after the latest interactive exhibit is complete.

The exhibit will feature a 1:87.1 scale model railroad, mastered by Tom Caskey, Museum Science Center Designer. Right now, there stands only a frame for the model, resembling nothing more to the observer than that. To the people hard at work in the museum, both behind the scenes and behind the power tools, the frame is the foundation for the next step of the completion of the ‘Railroad Room.’

The model will portray both 1870s and 1920s Dowagiac, showing the growth in those 50 years due largely in part to the railroad system of the city. There will be both freight and passenger type models of trains for the model’s time periods.

Through the touch of a button, visitors will be able watch the different trains move about the model cities.

The work involved with this project began long before the actual building did; imagine the time spent on planning a 3D model from photographs. Although it may not look like more than a frame now, much of the work is already done.

Steve Arseneau, the Museum Director, said that they will soon be ready to order the tiny historic Dowagiac and begin laboriously landscaping the miniature town. The model should be finished in June.

On March 15, Southwestern Michigan College hosted mini-transfer day, where students had the chance to meet with representatives of area universities. During this time, questions about scholarships and costs, majors, course equivalents, deadlines, and even housing were answered. Universities present were Bethel College, Mishawaka, Ind., Davenport University, Ferris State University, Goshen College, Goshen, Ind., Indiana University South Bend, Lake Superior State University, and Western Michigan University.
Sixty-one SMC students enrolled in the college's EXCEL program each received a $600 scholarship for their academic success this past fall semester.

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For 61 Southwestern Michigan College EXCEL students, all the hard work paid off with their studies when they each were awarded a $600 scholarship to the college. A total of $36,600 in scholarship money was awarded during a recent EXCEL celebration held in the Dowagiac campus. The EXCEL program is designed to provide assistance through the academic success of students in the program, Maxa said. The program, Maxa said. The program was awarded a $600 scholarship to the college.

The students were awarded scholarships during a winter 2007 celebration held in the Fred L. Mathews Conference Center on the Dowagiac campus. Guest speaker for the celebration was Laura Cicciastelli, director of Student Support Services at Western Michigan University. Students and their family members were welcomed by SMC President Dr. David Mathews.

As active members of the EXCEL program, the students were eligible for the scholarships because they have demonstrated academic progress at SMC, said Vicki McVea, director of EXCEL program. The students have earned the scholarship through their academic progress with their studies," Maxa said.

The EXCEL program provides additional support for students in the program. Maxa said. The program provides assistance through role modeling and by providing information and support for students.

“We the Peer Mentor Program is a family environment,” said Rob Kern of Marcellus and a mentor in the program. "Help is here if you need it."

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Topic: Campus Comments

Campus Comments photos were taken by students in Art 225, Digital Photography.

**Teri Strain**
Major: Art  
Resides: Berrien Center  
No. It seems pretty risky.

**Chris Scott**
Major: Theater  
Resides: South Bend  
It all depends on which one...the one Dr. Phil works with! Maybe...maybe if I'm desperate enough...won't.

**Ryan Skinner**
Major: Graphic Arts  
Resides: Niles  
Well, I'm married but if I weren't I might consider it as long as it led to meeting someone that isn't crazy.

**Christian Fuller**
Major: Computer Graphics Design  
Resides: Niles  
No, because I don't know who's on the other side. For all I know it could be Michael Jackson.

**Tonya Hood**
Major: Education  
Resides: Niles  
No. You should focus on school!

**Dan Lawson**
Major: Fire Science  
Resides: Niles  
No, I don't believe I would find the type of person I want to date, online.

**Elizabeth Walker**
Major: Music  
Resides: Niles  
Yeah. I've met some great guys through online dating. I think it's a great way to meet new and exciting people.

**Zackery Nimtz**
Major: Art  
Resides: Niles  
No. I have a girlfriend. She wouldn't be too happy, plus I actually meet people through friends.

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**H**ave you ever met a Civil War veteran? Robert Schultz of Dowagiac has. Schultz was born in Dowagiac in 1921, and when he was a young boy, there was a Civil War veteran living across the street from him.

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That Civil War veteran was Robert Shideler, who enlisted at the age of 19 on Aug. 2, 1862 and was discharged Oct. 4, 1864. He became a part of the Michigan 19th Infantry, Company A.

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Tom Hammond grinds a metal plate to create a beveled edge.
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Dance instructor Beth LaBaren-Roof instructs modern dance students before the Feb. 28 Dance Cafe.
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ABOVE: It took a slow shutter speed and steady hand to capture this low-light image.

RIGHT: Wes Kuczmanoski and Aaron Courtney check under the hood in the auto shop.
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Art instructor David Baker address a large crowd at a reception for artists who took part in the Memory Project.
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Oscar Azevedo silhouetted.
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