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Photo by Julie Hirschi

SLCC Interior Design Club gives room makeover for cancer survivor

Julie Hirschi Staff Reporter

and living room makeover for a young man who is recovering from cancer.

Tim Ellis was diagnosed in SLCC's Interior Design Club January with stage four testicular gives room makeover for cancer cancer and has been in and out of the hospital ever since his On Saturday, June 9, Salt Lake diagnosis. The president of the Community College's Interior Interior Design Club, Beth Low, Design Club, with the help of local is a neighbor and friend of Ellis' businesses, donated their time, family and has been advocating talents and furniture to a bedroom awareness and help for the family.

Tom Ellis' room, after the SLCC Interior Design Club's home makeover project.

In the spirit of television programs such as "Extreme Makeover" and "The Big Reveal," the club created a healing space where Ellis could rest and recover.

"This has been incredibly humbling," said Lauren Weaver, officer in the Interior Design club. "Everyone that's donated and everyone that's pitched in want to help out with this family. It's been a huge surprise for me. As of generosity."

The club has received donations

from local businesses such as Design Furniture, Expressive Bungalow, Futons and Beds and Adib's Rug Gallery. The club's fundraising officer, Mario Varelo, was pleased with the response from businesses and the community. He said that even though businesses are struggling in this economy they were still willing to donate to this cause.

The design club has been busy we've gone out around asking for asking for donations, picking donations I was expecting tons of out fabric and paint samples 'no's, tons of people turning us and talking with vendors which away and it's just been really tons all have prepared them for

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In step with SLCC's parade band

Kachina Choate Staff Reporter

Salt Lake Community College's Summer Fun Parade Band is stepping up to the challenge of entertaining over a million people this summer.

The Summer Fun Parade Band is now in its seventh year and the plan is for the band to participate in 11 events this summer. There are two rules in the band. The first is that members must make the music sound good and the second is that everybody has to have fun.

"The whole point of the band is just to entertain and for the people and the band to have fun. If they are having fun then the people on the parade route are having fun as well," said SLCC music instructor Dr. Craig Ferrin. "As long as we have accomplished those two things we have accomplished a lot."

Ferrin looks for students who are enthusiastic and play brass, woodwind and percussion instruments. Prospective band members need to show that they

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The EttaGrace Black Theatre Company brings the 'Heat'

Bobby DeVore

Staff Reporter

The EttaGrace Black Theatre Company ends its 2012 season with the production of Marsha Estell's "Heat." The play has been nominated for a Joseph Jefferson Award and it was recently featured in the anthology "New Plays from Chicago."

"Heat" tells the story of three generations of African-American women in rural Illinois as they deal with each other and life's issues on one of the hottest day of the year.

"It's an emotionally charged play that really pulls you in," said Salt Lake resident Marlon Yarde.

statement, the EttaGrace Black Theatre Company is focused "on producing African American theatrical material, which seeks to promote an awareness and community's contribution to the SLCC student Jeremy Shaw. expanding American cultural experience."

"Heat" is performed in the Black Box Theatre, which is around the right side of the Grand Theatre at the South City Campus. The venue



According to its mission The women of EttaGrace Black Theatre Company's "Heat."

is small, but the play features energizing and professional performances.

"(The play was) Fabulous, a deeper understanding of the black lot different than I thought," said

The production of "Heat" is directed by Toni Byrd and packs a cast of extremely talented actors who perform with engaging stage presence. The play goes back and forth with slightly comedic banter

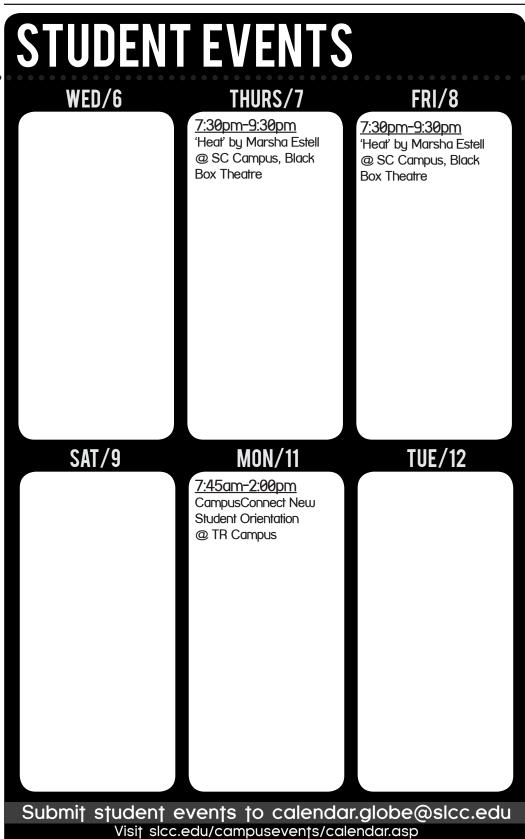
undertone that makes the audience truly feel what the characters are and she has performed "Ruined" going through.

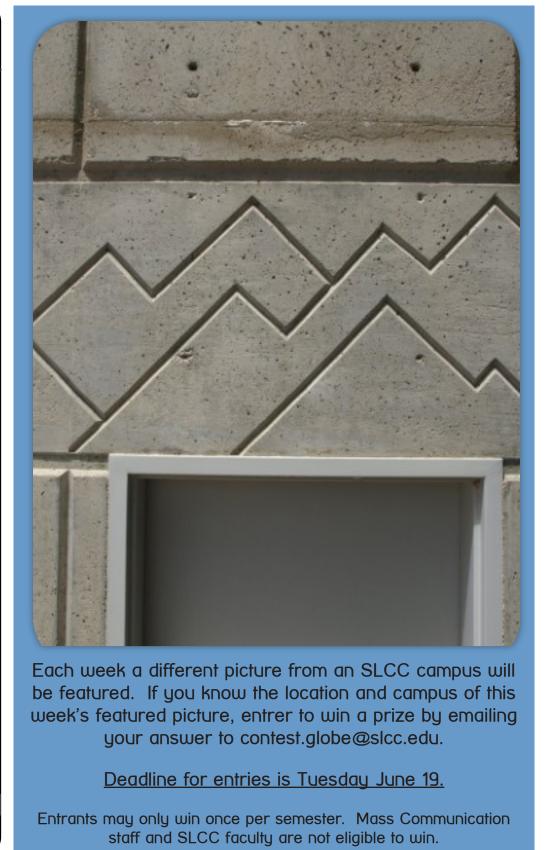
The actor who stands out the Shelly, the youngest of the women dealing with the harsh reality that cancer has taken away her ability to bear children. Caudle gives an intense performance that is sure to

but it has an emotionally charged bring people to tears. This is her first year of professional acting, and "For Colored Girls."

The cast also includes Melissa most is the young Nasheda Adams, who is returning to stage Caudle, who plays the daughter after five years and is making her debut with the EttaGrace Black Theatre. Adams plays Sharon, the responsible divorcee whose life

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designing in the real world. On Saturday they began the process of painting, gathering the furniture donations and decorating the space for Ellis. They hope to do a "big reveal" of his new space soon.

specifically," said Tracy Grist, Ellis' mother. "It's that they're taking time out of their lives to show love to Tim and my family and I can feel that. The makeover is what they're doing but really what they're doing is illuminating something that really needs attention."

hopes that this makeover project will bring awareness early detection of shared how women are accustomed to doing selfbreast exams but that most men are unaware that they be performing monthly testicular cancer self-checks as well. She hopes to make it a point of discussion and a more comfortable subject to talk about.

"When Tim is better I'll be going to the school districts to make sure it's class, maturation program,

anything, just so that these young men are informed enough to protect their good health," said Grist. "It won't prevent it but if you have it and it's detected early, it's curable."

Testicular cancer is the common cancer most diagnosed among men ages 15 to 35. When it is found and detected early the remediation procedure "It's not the couch, it's not and recovery process is the pictures, it's not the paint relatively easy. Grist said her son had cancer for two years before he came to her to tell her about the pain he had been having. By then the cancer had spread to other parts of his body, which made the treatment more difficult and the outlook grim.

Lance Armstrong, seven-More than anything, Grist time Tour de France winner and founder of LIVESTRONG Foundation, was one of the more notable testicular cancer. Grist persons with this type of cancer and brought it to the helped raise awareness of Ellis. this type of cancer and gives hope to cancer patients and founded Single Jingles thoughts I had while sitting her family's mantra for her detected and cured and be a foundation.

part of some kind of health cancer or that there was and detecting early. a way to self-check. He



public's attention. He has SLCC's Interior Design club members and family gather and discuss preparations of the makeover for Tim

"Honestly, one of the first

their families through his Foundation in 2009 to raise in a tiny ER room was 'My son's recovery. According speed bump not a mountain." awareness and provide boy has testicular cancer, to Grist, Ellis' doctors have said Grist. "Because we had Another awareness group education about testicular what color ribbon is that," is Single Jingles, a Testicular cancer. He chose the name wrote Grist about her son's free as of June 5. She hopes Cancer Foundation founded Single Jingles as a way to story. "Then I thought, that she can spread the by young cancer survivor promote humor in educating 'No, not a ribbon, a piece awareness about how to find out more information Matt Ferstler. Ferstler was young men about it; the of rope or twine should be check for testicular cancer about testicular cancer and like many young men who message of the name is a a guy's awareness symbol.' had not heard of testicular clear motivator for checking Something masculine and strong!"

"Together Strong" has been

early so that other families how to check for it. Also don't have to go through visit the Interior Design Club what they went through.

"[Testicular Cancer] can be other upcoming events.

pronounced him cancer a mountain, I'd rather it be a speed bump for others."

> Visit singlejingles.org to on Facebook to join and see

Heat

focus is on her daughter. The multitalented Barbara has an extensive acting grand.org. career and has appeared More information about Productions "The Messiah,"

"Crowns" and "Big River." native Yolanda Wood, who ettagraceblacktheatre.org. has worked on stage and film in the Salt Lake area

for over 10 years. Wood gives a superb performance | Parade as the flamboyant, sexually continued from A1 charged Aunt Rose. The audience is sure to enjoy her outrageous behavior.

There are two more Beard White plays Sharon's opportunities to see "Heat" aging mom, Mudear, who this season. The play will reveals the secrets of her run Thursday, June 14 at failed relationships to her 7:30 and Saturday, June daughter through her bouts 16 at 7:30. Tickets can be of senile moments. White purchased at http://the-

in SLCC Grand Theatre the EttaGrace Black it," said Division of Arts and joy of all of this is that they we play a lot of rock 'n' roll Theatre Company and its lineup for the next season Also in the cast is Chicago can be found at http://

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can walk and play musical time.

students from the college. These are people from the together a band that has Lake City on July 24. maybe 60 to 70 members in Vanderpool.

they do in just five practices Vanderpool said.

and they march in over 10, summer," Vanderpool said.

will be at the Taylorsville file, company and columns Ferrin said. instruments at the same Dayzz parade on June 30. have been passed down Over the month of July, from military tradition and about auditions and other "These are students from they will march at various are still used in today's music programs go to www. high school. These are locations throughout Salt marching bands. In the early Lake County. Their final days, musicians were used performance will be at the in directing battlefield troop community. [Ferrin] puts Days of '47 Parade in Salt movements.

Communication chair Neil get invited to come to the music," Ferrin said. Days of '47 and perform in just gets to be in that so I am with the goal of entraining.

11 maybe 12 parades per in many forms, such as

"The band's a lot of fun. "Probably the crowning A little nontraditional in that

SLCC's Summer Fun Band rehearsals began in that parade. Not everybody Parade Band is a show band "It is phenomenal what extremely proud of them," A drum cadence is played to keep the band in step when

Marching bands come it's not playing a song. "It's all about energy and

military style, corps style, entertainment. I consider it a The band's first public show and parade bands. success if the students have performance of the season Terms such as rank, row, entertained the audience,"

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Utah student body presidents join forces at SLCC over student loan rate increase

Julie Hirschi Staff Reporter

colleges College on Friday, June 8 to discuss the upcoming on July 1.

on behalf of the students They met frustrating." schools. together Friday to discuss interest rate increase and make their voices heard by They drafted and signed Association rates.

stay in school to finish an on already cashed strapped Aaron associates, [this increase] students.

a struggle," said Jason email nor did I have any but with the weak economy was weak and are set to Koelliker, a SLCC student idea that there would be a tuition has increased expire and return to 6.8% Student body presidents concerned about the rate slight [tuition] increase", steadily over the last five unless congress works increase of student loans. "I wrote Justin Escarciga, Vice years. He praised President together to come up with universities from have given so much of my President of South Region Bioteau's effort in keeping a solution to pay for the throughout the state met time, money, heart and soul at SLCC, in an email. "I at Salt Lake Community into gaining an education actually believed that we and I just want to get through would be receiving some and move on with my life. I kind of break, possibly a increase on student loan had planned to look at the slight increase to give the rates that are to take effect student loan route to finish faculty a raise. I am very up but I feel discouraged aware about the student The student body and disillusioned about that loan increase and I think presidents were advocating option now. It just means it's absolutely ridiculous. I will have to take even in their higher education longer to finish. It's very will be affected by this

the Stafford student loan sentiment of frustration a higher education. I can't about increased student comprehend why President loan rates as well as higher Obama said that everyone the state legislature to keep tuition fees. An email was deserves a higher education students' interest rates low. sent out by SLCC Student and when it comes to a letter to Utah's state Council concerning a it's just nonexistent. But representatives, Governor 4.5% tuition increase in oh yeah, it's fine to start Herbert and President the upcoming 2012-2013 worrying about student Barack Obama asking them school year. This increase, loans when it's an election affect an estimated 67,000 legislature and let them to not increase the interest coinciding with an increase year. I'm very frustrated." in student loan interest "I am struggling just to rates, puts a double strain student body president This would not affect loans on

"7,400 students at SLCC increase and it seems Students are echoing this almost impossible to get Executive supporting and funding it,

Starks increases are determined rates were lowered to 3.4%

only makes it more of "I did not receive that based on legislative funding in 2007 when the economy tuition and student fees extension. lower than most higher

understanding the students doubled," interests and needs and then of President Bioteau. "She we want change." takes in consideration the voice of the students and students to call their state makes that known."

increase would affect only undergraduate subsidized loans applied for after of opportunity to make our July 1, 2012. That would According to SLCC's upcoming school year, see the interests rate double tuition currently issued. Interest Starks said.

"Students shouldn't have education institutions in the to pay the amount of money that we're already paying "She has worked very for tuition, books, fees very hard to accommodate coupled with the Stafford the students by first loan interest rate being said Starks. "It's too much. It's more doing what she can as the or less accumulation of all president of this institution these things that broke the to fight for lower tuition and camel's back. We want to student fees," said Starks be loud about it now and

Starks encourages representatives about the The student interest rate proposed rate increase and make their voices heard.

"We have a small window voice known to our state students in Utah in the know that we don't want to subsidized



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Beat the heat with cool summer foods

Tesia Nadhirrah

Staff Reporter

likely that you'll find production. yourself extremely hot and dehydrated.

season.

ways to use summer foods 7 months of age. that help you keep cool and energized during the nutrition, summer.

know what electrolytes cucumber? Medilexicon's are. Medical defines by it."

In simple terms, cells of the body carry electrical should be thinner in order impulses to other cells using to more easily flow freely electrolytes. When people though the body. Foods sweat they lose sodium that help with this include and potassium that must be berries, replaced to keep the body watermelon and summer fluids consistent.

So how do you naturally replace those electrolytes? better natural sources of spices. electrolytes.

I love to drink Coconut Indian medicine, explains water and watermelon juice, that in order to avoid excess which quickly replaces internal heat, we should electrolytes and help me be eating cooling summer

Watermelon was originally mint, oregano, cumin and

grown in Africa's hot ginger. With climate. matter how you play, it's that contribute to energy digestion.

from a young coconut, is turmeric. It is cooling, The human body is designed and it has electrolytes and very well, and it can adapt minerals to replenish and to almost any climate. quickly rehydrate the body. Nature has provided foods Coconut milk is obtained in certain seasons to help from the coconut meat and us adapt. Summer foods is not the same thing as contain natural electrolytes coconut water. Coconuts which are suitable for the grow in tropical areas and There are a number of purposes when they are 5 to

water electrolytes. Have you ever that have high water content First off we need to heard the phrase cool as a such as the cool cucumber,

electrolyte as body. Tradition has it that "any compound that, in drinking cucumber juice or solution or in molten form, eating the whole cucumber conducts electricity and is (seeds and all) cools the decomposed (electrolyzed) body and can help with depression.

In the summer, blood cucumbers, squash.

Foods that thicken the blood to keep people warmer Reaching for that sports or are typically heavy, acidic soft drink may not be the and greasy foods. Examples best option in the summer. include hamburgers, grains, There are a number of winter vegetables and hot

Ayurveda, traditional

spices. These spices include

thirst Fennel seeds not only cool quenching properties, it is internal body temperature, Summer is a great time high in electrolytes, water they also stimulate intestinal to get out and play. No content, and B vitamins juices and promote proper

> One of my favorite Coconut water is the juice spices during the summer an anti-inflammatory and boosts the immune system.

Not only is basil a cooling spice but it goes great with garden tomatoes. Basil and tomatoes go together like peanut butter and jelly. I like to just slice my tomatoes. are harvested for drinking put a little onion and minced basil on it and eat it raw.

Water is another important As we sweat we lose factor to remember during and the summer. Eating foods watermelon and tomatoes Cucumbers literally have a will help replenish water Dictionary cooling effect on the human content to the body but it's also important to remember to drink your water as well.



Cucumbers are known to have a cooling effect on the human body.

Here is a recipe to help get your summer started:

Nadhirrah's Cool Cucumber Soup

Preparation time about 15 min.

Ingredients:

- 2 medium cucumbers
- 1/2 small onion
- 3 celery stocks, cut into 1/2 inch pieces
- 2 tsp. fresh mint
- 1 Tbs. raw apple cider vinegar
- 2 tsp. Himalayan Crystal Salt or natural sea salt
- Water as needed
- Garnish: red bell pepper, tomatoes, mint

In a blender combine cucumber, onion, celery, vinegar, and Himalayan Crystal Salt. Blend until smooth. Add only enough water to make it the texture as you desire.

Slice the bell peppers and cut the tomatoes if using large tomatoes, if using cherry tomatoes wash and prepare them. Garnish the soup with the bell peppers, tomatoes and a sprig of mint. It makes 2 to 4 servings.

What's your horrorscope?

Shad Engkilterra

Staff Reporter

Aries

Mar 21 – Apr 19

You might be the one who likes to be first through the door but that sometimes includes taking the arrow. Just remember what it is all about. It's people.

Taurus

Apr 20 – May 20

Whatever you do, don't fall asleep, especially while driving. This week will be intense as you really learn what sleep deprivation means. Just remember, it's all just a dream.

Gemini

May 21 – Jun 20

Saturday you might find yourself believing. The weather should be conducive to the unplanned activity that is coming your way. What a beautiful day for an exorcism.

Cancer

Jun 21 – July 22

Fishing is a great past time, and this weekend will be perfect for getting out there to catch some big ones. You're going to need a bigger boat.

Leo

July 23 – Aug 22

You may feel like you are walking right into the lion's den. No worries, just howl at the moon, avoid the silver moving out. bullets and you will pull through just fine.

Virgo

Aug 23 – Sep 22

When you tell your significant other that "I'm sorry, Dave, I'm afraid I can't do that." They may wonder who Dave is, but they will get the point. It will be difficult not to be spacey this week. Just blame it on the monkeys.

Libra

Sep 23 – Oct 22

You might be tempted by liver, fava beans and a nice Chianti, but it really isn't worth the price that you will be paying later on. Stick to something more familiar like a hamburger and fries or some other types of finger

Scorpio

Oct 23 – Nov 21

The power of Christ compels you through the week and will help relieve a bit of the sting. Find a nice cool place and avoid the swarms of people at the local mall.

Sagittarius

Nov 22 – Dec 21

When someone asks if you're a god, you say, "Yes." It has nothing to do with ego, you picked up honesty from your parents and haven't been able to shake it since

Capricorn

Dec 22 - Jan 19

You thought you were sparring and that's why you didn't win. Now that you know differently, you can put on your best Rocky face, shout "Adrian" and roar back into the ring with a vengeance.

Aquarius

Jan 20 - Feb 18

This may no longer be your age, but the week has your sign written all over. Just remember to never split up the party and you should be protected from any of the things that go bump in the night.

Pisces

Feb 19 - Mar 20

Piranha hunt in packs – not for protection, but for overwhelming force. They're organized, methodical. Get together with your friends and hit the party. Nothing bad can happen there.

The Horrorscope is meant for entertainment purpose only. There is no guarantee that anyone who reads their horrorscope will have anything happen to them during the week that relates to it. If by chance you do win the lottery or survive a holocaust because of the horrorscope, we would love to hear your story and split your rewards.



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'Prometheus' provides cerebral sci-fi thrills

Stephen Romney Staff Reporter

My knowledge of the works of Ridley Scott is fairly limited. I was never into the "Alien" franchise, and it wasn't until fairly recently that I've begun to look into the impact the first film had on science fiction and fiction in general. In other words, I'm coming into this film without any prior notion.

Prometheus stars the original "Girl with the Dragon Tattoo," Noomi Rapace, as the archeologist Dr. Elizabeth Shaw. She heads an expedition to a planet where she believes that she'll find the species responsible for the creation of the human race.

The crew is comprised of various characters, such as the android David, played by Michael Fassbender, Captain Janek played by Idris Elba, and Meredith Vickers, an employee of the Weyland Corporation who monitors the expedition, played by Charlize Theron.

The performances in this film are top notch. Even some of the side characters are made unique by how the actors inject life into characters that most other actors would phone in. Some characters had better story arcs than others. Given that Prometheus is a sci-fi horror, it's expected that we care about those that died, but



Courtesy of 20th Century Fox

Caption Noomi Rapace and Michael Fassbender star in 'Prometheus.'

the ones that stayed alive don't seem to get a lot of development aside from a scene or two. The only fascinating principal role that got a good degree of development was David. His development was more in the vein of Issac Asimov and serves as a good parallel for the human

characters and their quest.

The visual aesthetic of the film can be described with just one word: epic. Everything in the film appears very grandiose. It imitates the impact seen in films like "Avatar," but with more of an eerie atmosphere rather than that of wonder.

While "Prometheus" has many praises that can be sung, there are a few issues that arise in the third act. Simply put, there's a great deal of exposition and dramatic revelation that is hastily given to the audience in a clunky manner, essentially trying to summarize things in

the film that don't really need it. My guess is that they did this so they could skip to the climax of the film, which is a pretty suspenseful and somewhat poetic one.

Despite the slip-ups in the third act, I still found this to be an enjoyable film. With its large scale and practical

technological designs, it tells an engaging and thought-provoking story that doesn't try to end on a clear cut message like other science fiction films. If you're a fan of the thought-provoking sci-fi stories, then this will probably be the film for you. I give "Prometheus" a 4.5/5.



Dear Dick,

Okay. I was hoping that we wouldn't have to have this conversation, that common sense or compassion or decency would finally catch up with you and smack you around a little, but alas the job of telling you something that you should already know falls, once again, on my shoulders.

Dick, how you treat your dog is NOT acceptable. At All. No living creature deserves to be locked up in solitary confinement for 22-24 hours a day, every day of their life. As humans, we consider this kind of treatment so harsh that we reserve it as a punishment for our most hardened and violent criminals; rapists, murders, child molesters. What exactly did your dog do to be rewarded with isolation and lockdown? Solitary confinement is second only to the death penalty for our strictest punishment, and solitary confinement doesn't generally last for more than a few days at a time.

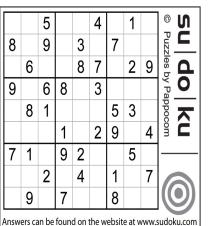
When was the last time that your dog had more than a few hours out of his kennel or off his lead?

You see Dick, I understand kennel training your pet, I also understand that what you are doing is not kennel training. I have only known you for a few short months, and in that time I have seen you only socialize with your dog once. That was when your girlfriend thought it might be fun for the two of you to walk him around the block. You two were back in less than ten minutes. Too hard to walk the dog, you said, and back in his kennel he went. Excuse me, but just what exactly did you expect? That somehow, maybe as a ploy to stay off boredom, your dog would magically train himself while locked up in a kennel that he can't even completely stand up in? That suddenly, despite the fact that he gets virtually no chance to play, all of his puppy-energy would dissipate the moment your leash clicked on his collar and he would walk nicely? You're delusional Dick.

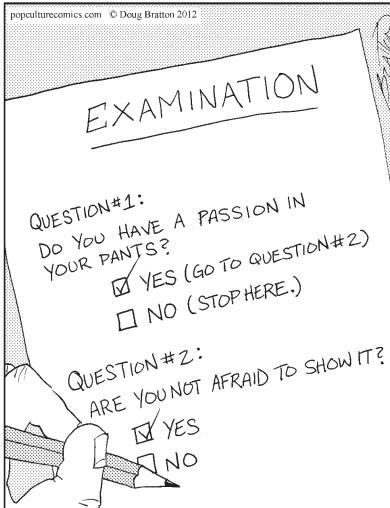
Training a dog doesn't have to be hard, nor does it have to include dominating or cruel behavior, but it does require effort and time. And if all the time and effort you can muster to train you dog includes buying the wrong sized kennel and locking him in it, then you have officially failed. I don't care that you "have always wanted a dog like him," or that you just "love the breed," you have proved that you can not handle the responsibility of caring for another living creature and the dog needs to go to a new home. Animals are not toys or accessories to be taken out and played with at your convenience. They are living, breathing, thinking, feeling beings that are not to be used or abused for your personal pleasure. And the next time I catch you treating anything so poorly, I will lock you in a kennel.

Sincerely, Your Roommate, Kim Higley









The Test to Determine if You're Sexy and You Know It



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Fact, fiction, and film

Stephen Romney

Staff Reporter

On June 5, 2012, renowned science fiction author Ray Bradbury passed away after a long battle with illness at the age of 91. Bradbury was a celebrated writer of speculative fiction, a genre in which much of the story's content acts as a representation or parallel to current events and technologies as well as posing various "what if" questions. Bradbury's notable works include "Fahrenheit 451," "The Martian Chronicles" and "The Illustrated Man." In honor of both his work and his influence, we'll be taking a look at the evolution of science fiction in cinema.

Science fiction is a genre that has gone through many phases in cinema. It has a multitude of subgenres that range from reality-based "hard science" fiction to more speculative "altered histories," as well as oddities such as the space opera or space Western. While the genre may have become more dignified through the years, its life in film has been one of several ups and downs.

The earliest science fiction film is George Méliès's "A Trip to the Moon," which wowed audiences with its use of trick photography. While that film takes on a more light-hearted tone in the vein of Jules Verne, later films would be hybrids of science fiction and horror, such as the adaptations of Mary Shelley's "Frankenstein" and Robert Louis Stevenson's "The Curious Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde."

Other filmmakers of the time used the genre for social commentary. For example, the dystopian epic "Metropolis" painted a grim picture of world in which the upper class "thinkers" ruled over the working class with an iron

fist.

In the 30's and 40's, many of the early trends were repeated. There were more adaptations of "Frankenstein" and "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," as well as milestone films such as the original "King Kong." At the same time, we also saw the adaptation of many science fiction comic strips such as "Flash Gordon" and "Buck Rogers" into Saturday adventure serials, paving the way for what people refer to as "the golden age of science fiction."

The 50's brought a renewed fascination with science, particularly space travel. This led to a mix of low-budget cash-ins and high budget blockbusters such as "The Day the Earth Stood Still" and "The War of the Worlds," based on the novel by H.G.Wells. A big milestone from this period was the use of stopmotion effects, pioneered by Ray Harryhausen, who was the protégé of "King Kong's" animator, Willis O'Brien.

Another milestone from the 50's is the classic monster movie "Gojira," better known as "Godzilla." While there was an abundance of low budget schlock, "Gojira" was a film that was more of an allegory to the destruction wrought by nuclear weaponry, and thus hit home for a lot of Japanese audiences.

Sci-fi hit a bit of a dry

spell in the 60's as people's fascination with science began to wane and give way to the more pressing concerns of both the Vietnam and Cold wars. During this time, we were given social commentary films such as "Planet of the Apes" and a film version of Bradbury's "Fahrenheit 451." The biggest, most influential entry into the genre was Stanley Kubrick's "2001: A Space Odyssey," which offered

a far more realistic and philosophical portrayal of space travel and groundbreaking special effects.

Thanks in part to the manned missions to the moon, science fiction saw a resurgence. During the early parts of the 70's, we saw films that deal more with paranoia and conspiracy, such as "THX 1138" and "A Clockwork Orange," as well as classic blockbusters such as the first "Star Wars" film. Because of the success of "Star Wars," studios saw the profit to be had in science fiction cinema, which led to the production of "Star Trek: The Motion Picture" as well as Disney's "Escape to Witch Mountain" and "Flight of the Navigator."

The 80's brought about what I like to call the "cerebral blockbuster," which are films that are made to make money while addressing darker themes. Films such as "The Terminator" and "Blade Runner" address not only our dependence on technology, but where it might take society as a whole.

We also saw sci-fi films that took place in more contemporary environments, such as the previously mentioned "Terminator" film as well as "Back to the Future," which both involved time travel.

As we move to the 90's and beyond, we see more and more films that are either speculative about current technologies such as the internet, or return to the roots of the genre with films such as "Avatar" or the "Star Wars" prequel trilogy. Today, we have a wider range of science fiction stories to choose from as studios now seek to appeal to the mind as well as the lowest common denominator.

What new technologies and events will guide the

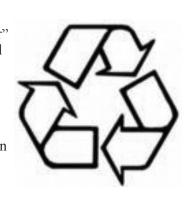


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The arrival to the moon via spaceship as seen in George Méliès's film, 'A Trip to the Moon.'

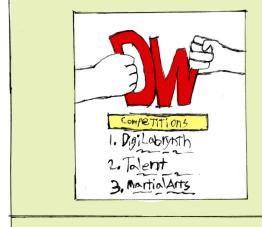
genre to its next state of evolution? Will we see films that address technological issues such as ubiquitous computing, or the overuse of smartphones? Might we return to a time of low budget schlock and philosophical quandaries? Only time and money will tell.

Next week, we'll take a look at how musicals have shaped history both on stage and on screen.



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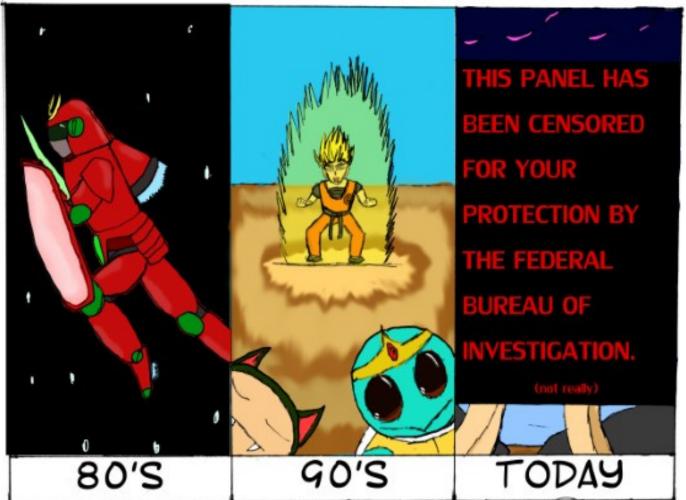






*Weeaboo: Someone obsessed with Japanese anime/culture that attempts to act as if they were Japanese.

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