

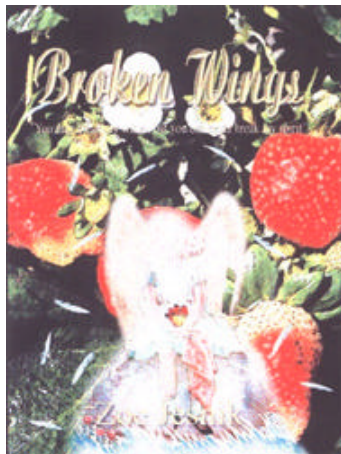


THE STUDENT INFORMER

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Stark State Student Has First Book Published

True-life story a tale of tragedy and triumph



A Stark State student, writing under the pen-name Zoe Jesnik, has written a stirring true-life novel detailing her tragic dealings with mental and physical abuse and her perseverance to overcome these tragedies and begin anew. The book, *Broken Wings*; ‘You may break my wings, but you can never break my spirit’;” is Jesnik’s first book and is being published by 1stBooks Library (www.1stbooks.com).

The following is an excerpt about the book from the 1stBooks Library Web site: *Broken Wings is the story of Zoë Jesnik and the abuse that she has endured throughout most of her life. Unlike most stories, Zoë’s abuse was not within the confines of her family, but rather at the hands of those that she terms as the ‘outside world’. Herein lay the detailed account of her struggle and survival through over eighteen years of physical and verbal abuse. The detrimental treatment that was thrust upon her during her youth led her down a road filled with suicidal fantasies and an almost certain self-destruction. As an adult, Zoë’s abuse didn’t cease, but rather escalated in an unimaginable series of events that at times nearly cost Zoë her life. This book will take you on a journey through some of the darkest places in Zoë’s life. Through the horrors of domestic violence and rape, you will witness a woman who not only survived but also found the courage to tell her story.*

The book is expected to be available for purchase before the end of the year and will be available in the Stark State Bookstore. Additional information about the author, the

book and purchase information can be found by visiting the 1stBooks Library Web Library Web site at www.1stbooks.com and entering Zoe Jesnik in the author field of

the site’s book search form. Information may also be obtained by calling 1stBooks directly at 888-280-7715.

What’s Going On at Stark State?

* We have a new Division Dean in General Studies and Public Services Technologies as of this past August 13. Welcome Dean Douglas C. Peck, Ph.D. **Be sure to check out our November issue for a feature story on our new Dean!**

* The Ski and Snowboard Club is currently recruiting students. If you’re interested please send your name, email address, and phone number to Jim Blackstock, Sharon Blackstock, or Fred Jarka (fjarka@starkstate.edu). The plan for the new school year is to have a few meetings for organizational purposes to plan the ski trips and carpooling. Beginners are welcome as well as expert. They will be traveling to ski areas that specialize in a wide range of opportunities for various level skiers. This club is a great opportunity to have fun, meet new friends and perhaps even better your skiing!

* Don’t forget about Fall Open House! It is scheduled for Sunday, October 19 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. If you need more information about this contact Irene Lewis-Motts at 330-494-6170 Ext. 4275.

* The College Staff Association along with Phi Theta Kappa will host a Health & Wellness Fair 2003 on Wednesday, October 22, from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. in the Atrium. If you need more information please contact Lisa Kasunic in the Register’s Office.

* Phi Theta Kappa hosted the All-Ohio Region Phi Theta Kappa Honors Convention on September 12-13, 2003. The convention focused on our honors study topic of “Dimensions and Directions in Health: Choices in the Maze.” We began with a session on ‘Fitness Fun’ at the Four Points Sheraton on Friday evening. On Saturday, approximately 100 members and advisors attended an eventful day. Cherie Barth, Advisor, did an honors presentation on “Student Health Insurance: The Who, What, Where, Why, When and How”. A panel presentation on “The Seven Steps in Dealing with Death,” was given by Carole Vesely from the Crisis Intervention Center; Dr. Marc Hostetler, Instructor in Social Sciences here at SSCT; and the Ohio Senior Regional Coordinator, Dr. John Kesler. Our

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Business Technologies Now has “Courses-On-Demand”

What this means is if you really want to take a class and Stark State doesn’t offer it, you can get it in the course book! Here are the steps to take:

- 1.) Business Technologies Division will publish a list of possible courses available. The list will be available in the division offices.
- 2.) Students may choose the courses [including day(s) and time(s)] from the published list.
- 3.) Eight registrants are required for a course to be added.
- 4.) Pick up registration forms at the division office (B215)*. Circulate the m among your friends and classmates and when you have at least eight (8) signed forms, return them to the division office by the published deadline date.
- 5.) The requested course will be added!
- 6.) The Dean’s office will process the registration forms and registrants will be mailed a confirmation of the course along with the appropriated billing.
- 7.) Withdrawals may result in cancellation of the offering.

**There is no web registration for “courses-on-demand”*

GUIDELINES FOR ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

Guidelines for submitting articles to THE STUDENT INFORMER are meant to increase efficiency for the writers. It is also necessary to decrease the amount of time required to process and prepare articles to be included in the newspaper.

There have been some problems with articles being submitted as part of the text of email messages. Please avoid this practice.

Optimally, the articles will be written in Microsoft WORD, double-spaced with 12 point, Times New Roman text. Then attach the document to your e-mail message. Thank-you. Submissions for the November issue are due October 13th.

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day continued with break out sessions that discussed the topics of Vegetarianism , Healthy Heart and Weight Management, Disease in Third World Countries-Africa and AIDS, Mental Health, and Vitamins and Herbal Supplements. This was the first of three conventions that the Ohio Region will hold for Phi Theta Kappans. The Leadership Convention will be held in November at Cuyahoga Community College-West and the Awards Convention will be held in March at Columbus State Community College.

* The Medical Assisting Program will start selling tickets on October 20 for their fundraising baskets. The three basket themes this year are "Pamper Yourself", "Car Care", and "Student Basket". The tickets will be available through any Medical Assisting student or faculty, during the Blood Pressure Clinics (outside the bookstore), or just stop by the Medical Assisting Lab in H220. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.00. And as a sneak preview...one basket has a 13" TV and another a car buffer!

*Medical Assisting Week is Oct. 20 - 24th. There will be a bake sale on the 23rd to celebrate, so don't forget to stop by the table outside the bookstore and stock up lots of goodies! If you've been thinking about Medical Assisting lately, contact Gerry Todaro at 330-494-6170 ext 4233 for more information.

Institute of Management Accountants – SSCT Chapter

For anyone unaware, Stark State has a very active and great chapter at Stark State College. If you are not a member of the student chapter and are working on an accounting/finance degree, it is time to join. The cost is only \$5.00 to join. There are flyers outside the business division with current newsletters and membership forms.



Our October meeting is October 28, 2002 from 7 until 8 p.m. in room S204/205. We will be discussing certifications. Becker/Convisor will be here about the CPA exam. We will also discuss other certifications such as the CMA/CFM and others. Did you know that as a student, you can take parts of the CMA while still a student and be one up when you graduate? Come to the meeting to learn more about certifications. Snacks will be provided.

The chapter is currently having a raffle to raise monies for scholarships for our members. We have many great prizes such as a total gym, bowling passes, hotel stay, dinners, movie passes and more. Contact any IMA member for tickets or stop by S302 for tickets from Susanne or contact Mr. Mitchell in the business division for tickets. Tickets and candy bars will be sold in the student center also. Look for us there.

This year's board is as follows:

Susanne Clark – President
Nichole Shingler-Miller – VP
Lisa Gardner – Secretary
Jonda Carnes – Treasurer
Kristi Laumann – Newsletters

Terry Mathie – Public Relations
Melissa Chapman – Membership
Kelly Kimble and Darlene Knight – Refreshments

UPDATES FROM



FRANKLIN UNIVERSITY

Stark State College of Technology Students Can Now Earn A Bachelor's Degree Online

CANTON, OH – The Community College Alliance (CCA) is a program that allows students in the U.S. to combine on-campus coursework at Stark State with online classes through Franklin to complete their degree.

Franklin University's Community College Alliance Adds Three New Online Degree Options

COLUMBUS, OH – Franklin University's Community College Alliance (CCA) announces the addition of three new majors to the lineup of online degree completion programs. Bachelor of Science

Announcements



Local SCORE Chapter Announces Business Seminar

Canton, Ohio – Buckeye SCORE Chapter 580, located at Stark State College of Technology has scheduled a free three hour seminar on “Successful Management for Your Business” for Saturday, October 11th, from 9AM to Noon at Stark State College of Technology with help from a grant from The Credit Bureau of Canton Charitable Trust in the Stark County Foundation. Class handouts, workbooks and refreshments will be provided at no cost. Registration is at 8:30. All workshops will be taught by experienced volunteer business executives with specific and general business expertise.

Advanced enrollment is necessary and may be made by calling SCORE at 330-966-5465, extension 4869, or send an E-mail to score@starkstate.edu.

Buckeye SCORE Chapter 580 provides free counseling services to small business owners in Stark, Tuscarawas, Carroll, and Holmes Counties.

The SCORE Association was formed in 1964 as a nonprofit association dedicated to entrepreneur education and the formation and success of small businesses nationwide. For information about starting or operation a small business call SCORE at 330-966-5465, extension 4869, or visit our websites www.score.netfirms.com or www.score.org.

Canton Palace Theatre

The Canton Palace Theatre is pleased to announce that Great Britain’s reigning jazz couple for more than four decades, premier jazz musicians Dame Cleo Laine and John Dankworth will be in concert at the Theatre Sunday November 2 at 7PM.

The Palace performance will include Cleo Laine’s many hits, and will feature an exclusive set of newly composed jazz ensembles that celebrate Carroll County’s famous poet, the late Ralph Hodgson.

The performance is scheduled for Sunday, November 2 at 7PM. Ticket prices are \$30 and \$35. Tickets may be ordered at the Palace Office or by telephone: 330-454-8172.

For more information about the Dame Cleo Laine and John Dankworth Performance at the Canton Palace Theater, contact Paulette Smith, 330-454-8172

SSCT Students Can Now Earn A Bachelor’s Degree Online (cont. from page 2)

After completing their associate’s degree at Stark State, students take bridge courses (approximately 36 semester/24 quarter units) at Stark State and online classes (minimum 40 semester hours) through Franklin University to earn one of 10 bachelor of science degrees, including Accounting, Applied Management, Business Administration, Computer Science, Digital Communication, Health Care Management, Information Technology, Management, Management Information Sciences and Public Safety Management. An innovative 17- month MBA also is available online.

Stark State College of Technology is one of more than 200 community colleges across the U.S. that has formed an educational alliance with Franklin University. The Community College Alliance was established to provide students the opportunity to earn their bachelor’s degree online while remaining in their community.

Adults have responded enthusiastically to the convenient online format and the ability to fit classes into their daily schedule. Students also have the benefit of belonging to two schools at one time. They can access Franklin’s resources in addition to the resources at Stark State. Franklin’s resources include academic advising, a help desk and a library system. Each student also is assigned a Student Services Associate who provides support and guidance by answering questions about transcripts, financial aid or even how to purchase textbooks. For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact Steve at singers@franklin.edu or call 1-888-341-6237 ext. 3056.

Franklin Adds Three New Online Degree Options (cont. from page 2)

degrees in Accounting, Information Technology and Management will be available to students starting this fall. The CCA is an online bachelor’s degree completion program between Franklin University and Stark State College that combines on-campus classes at Stark State with online classes through Franklin University.

These new majors offer the same quality coursework as on-site programs, but from the comfort and convenience of your home or office. The CCA program already offers bachelor’s degrees in Applied Management, Business Administration, Computer Science, Digital Communication, Health Care Management, Management Information Sciences and Public Safety Management.

The new Accounting major will prepare students for a career in public accounting, private industry or government. Students wishing to seek professional certification after graduation will have the necessary accounting core courses and business oriented courses to meet a major part of the requirements to take the Certified Public Accountant Exam. The new Information Technology major will provide technology professionals with skills in programming, networking and database administration. Graduates will be prepared to seek a wide variety of technical positions such as Internet programmer, software specialist, Web page developer, network specialist, database administrator and network administrator. The new Management major is designed to meet the diverse needs of 21st century managers by providing in-depth knowledge of management in areas such as human resources, information systems, finance, relationship marketing and process applications.

The strength of the CCA program is that students have the benefit of belonging to two schools at one time. They can access Franklin’s resources in addition to the resources of Stark State College. Franklin’s resources include academic advising, a help desk and a library system, to name a few.

Each student is also assigned a Student Services Associate who provides support and guidance by answering questions

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by answering questions about transcripts, financial aid or even how to purchase textbooks. Adults have responded enthusiastically to the convenient online format and the ability to fit classes into their busy schedules. For more information contact Franklin University Regional Director, Steve Singer at singers@franklin.edu or call 1-877-341-6237.

Got Fifty Bucks? - Financial Advice

If you are attending college right now, there's a good chance you're scraping for money. Or perhaps you're doing okay, but those college loans are starting to pile up. In a few years the amounts you owe can be pretty scary. I'm starting to get a little worried myself, so I interviewed investment counselor Tom Caniford of Fundcap Management in North Canton on the cheapest and easiest way to invest a small amount of money that could later turn into my safety net.

First, Tom says, the absolute minimum amount of money you should invest is fifty dollars — The next step is finding where to actually invest it. The answer is in a mutual fund. What is a mutual fund? A mutual fund is a pooling of investors dollars to be managed by a team of investment professionals in order to meet the objective of individual investors. In other words, you are putting your money with several thousand other people to be able to buy hundreds of different stocks or bonds.

There are many types of mutual funds. The safest and a very effective way for long-term investing is a balanced mutual fund. In a balanced or blended mutual fund, your money is divided over several different areas — stocks, bonds, CD's, and treasury bills.

The benefit of a blended mutual fund is that you are almost guaranteed some kind of return on your investment. For example, if the portion of your money invested in stocks loses you money, you still have interest in CD's, bonds and treasury bills. When investing in mutual funds, keep in mind your investment is typically for a period of five years or longer, so the earlier you start the better.

There are many more options available in investing. For additional information Tom recommends visiting www.morningstar.com. Morningstar, Inc. is a company that provides research and several products and services for investors.

DON'T FORGET! - The College will be closed on Monday, October 13, 2003 in observance of Columbus Day.

STUDENTS ONLY!

Car Brand Word Search

- Alfa Romeo
- Audi
- BMW
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- Chevrolet
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The Lost Destiny - Anonymous

First there was Clotho
 Spinning your life into a single thread
 Then Lachesis assigned you a destiny to fulfill
 You came into this world with a straight thread;
 And a destiny that was still a mystery.
 Each day the thread grew
 Symbolizing your growing wisdom and strength
 One day you ventured out on your own,
 Putting the wisdom and strength to the test
 Your destiny became clearer
 Striving to fulfill what was expected but a strain upon you
 Each night you counted what you still had to do,
 Until one night destiny was no longer upon the list.
 Never stopping for a moment you didn't even notice
 As you grew older, you found the one that seemed to complete you.
 Your destiny never entered your mind when you settled down
 Each day seemed blissful to you,
 As you tried to please your other half more
 Soon it seemed neither was content, and there were no complications
 So you left
 It never entered your mind that now's your chance.
 Then you realized,
 Slowly over each day spent after venturing out on your own
 You had one strength or wisdom cut
 You realized you were dying, while you were living.
 You threw away your to-do list
 You lived
 Experiencing true uncontrollable bliss
 Each day you came closer to you and your destiny
 Each day the happiness greater
 Each day you rebuilt the threads you had lost
 Your destiny fulfilled
 You've been freed
 Then Atropos cut your thread of life
 Lying on your deathbed you recited your last wish
 You wanted to warn others,
 Before their thread was cut
 You wanted to give life to others
 You wanted your destiny recognized
 You wanted no one to remember the hollow times
 You just wanted to die in peace
 For it was then the last thread was cut.