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Best of the worst
Cepheid Variable honors student films at Schloctoberfest

BY AMY DAUGHERTY
 The Battalion

MSC Cepheid Variable is hosting Schloctoberfest, a competition to determine the "best" worst movie ever made, which concludes tonight.

Eric Liga, coordinator of Schloctoberfest and a senior computer science major, said he expects the turnout to the event to be better than last year's inaugural festival. He said "schlock" film is a specialized type of art film that began when directors made films on a minimal budget.

"Schlock is film so bad it's good," he said. "It's a lost art. We're bringing back fun and giving students a chance to have fun and be a part of something."

Diana Liga, chair of Cepheid Variable and a senior landscape architecture major, helped organize the first Schloctoberfest and is helping again this year.

"Cepheid Variable is known for being different," she said. "We're science-fiction people who read a lot. I wanted to do something different where people have a sense of participation. You don't have to sit back and listen — you can join in."

Eric Liga said this year's festival has twice as many film entries as last year. He said last night they screened *History of Schlock* and *Babylon Park, Episode 0* as well as last year's student entries.

The films will be judged by Dr. Michael Hand, a professor in the philosophy department, and Dr. Chuck Taylor, a lecturer in the English department.

A variety of awards will be presented at the conclusion of the festival. Last year's award categories included funniest, schlockiest, most original and the Carl Oscar Award, which is presented to the best of show.

"The Carl" is like an Oscar award except its head is hands, separate from the body," she said.

He said prior to Schloctoberfest Cepheid Variable members gathered and made films.

"We had a big schlock," said. "A student opened an apartment, and people came with cameras and four or five were completed."

Marvin Miller, a Cepheid Variable member and a senior psychology major, said he enjoyed the year's Schloctoberfest.

"I had a great time last year," Miller said. "A couple of years ago I made a movie with a camera and made a movie. I did one this year with toys and toys again. They were stop-motion, which is a motion, but with toys. Schloctoberfest is a blast."

The second half of Schloctoberfest will conclude tonight in 101 Halbouty.

Career and life skills day offers tips for speech communication majors

BY AMANDA STIRPE
 The Battalion

Speech communication majors have an opportunity to gain valuable career skills at the Career and Life Skills Day today at Bolton Hall and the College Station Conference Center. The event is sponsored by the Association of Former Students.

Dr. Linda Putnam, a professor of speech communication and coordinator of Alumni Relations, said the events will help students studying speech communication learn about job opportunities, workplace protocol and transitions to the workplace.

Mock interviews will be held

from 1 to 3 p.m. in 102 Bolton Hall. Putnam said although all spaces are full for the mock interviews, students are welcome to attend the session and fill spaces that may become available. Mock interviews include a preliminary job interview and a resume critique.

At the College Station Conference Center from 3:30 to 7 p.m., a career skills workshop is open to all students, free of charge. Students have the opportunity to attend two of the three workshops available. One opportunity is a resume writing and interviewing workshop. Another workshop will direct students on how to market their speech communication de-

gree to potential employers. The third workshop involves workplace protocol, advising students on dress codes, adjusting schedules and working with family relationships. All workshops will discuss characteristics employers look for in an employee.

A reception will conclude events from 5:45 to 7 p.m. in 127 of the Conference Center Shell Oil Company, American Consulting and American Advertising companies attending.

Putnam said although the Career and Life Skills Day is geared toward speech communication majors, it is open to all students.

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