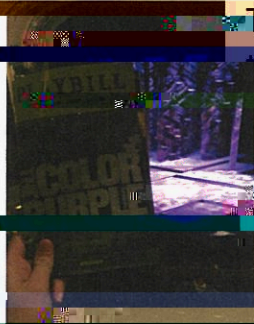


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Skidmore College Periclean Honors Forum

New York City Trip

Thanksgiving Dinner



The Honors Forum trip to New York City was so much fun! We had a full bus of students and a driver that was on the day in New York City. We had pizza together for the first time

As a part of the Honors Forum's

initiative to increase the visibility of our community service opportunities, the Executive Council

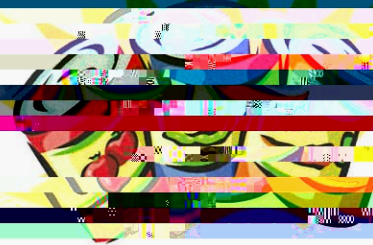
set in motion its first step, to

Thanksgiving break, the Honors Forum and the Student Government Organized a trip to host a

one day trip. We headed over to Broadway. We saw The Color Purple, which was an amazing production with truly phenomenal and moving performances from involved. I am so thankful to have had the opportunity to spend the day in the city and see such a fantastic show with my

friend and family. The trip was an incredible event to Code Blue, a local organization that provides support and shelter for the homeless in Sullivan County. The trip was intended to be very successful, and we were able to raise money for their method of community service next semester.

Forum members.



Save the Date!
 Holiday Party & Study Break
 Thursday, December 15th, 12-2 p.m.

Featured Student Project: BY Spencer Adams & Ryan



The idea of a course juggler was born when I, as a freshman, had to register for classes. After struggling to sift through potentially interesting classes from the course catalog, figure out which ones might work to fit in, by using the Master Schedule, and wasting piles of paper trying to come up with different viable schedules, I knew there had to be a better way. I decided to build a course juggler to help myself and other students and take independent study to develop a software solution. I consulted with the assistance of several computer science professors, including Michael DeConno.

a collaborative and iterative process involving my friend, Michael DeConno, course juggler began to take form.

Fast forward to today, and our course juggler has become a popular tool for fellow Skidmore students! Since I released the software on November 1, we have had over 1000 downloads, representing more than 60% of the student body. It has been featured in many official school publications, including the Skidmore Review, and has been used in promotional work by the college. The software displays class descriptions and course schedule information on a single screen. Course juggler allows users to browse lists of classes available by department, display course descriptions, click on items of interest to them, and then add courses to a visual schedule. The software shows users how to add or delete courses, and how to "juggle" their way to a schedule they like. They can then save and print the schedules they've created, and can view a list of potential schedules as they register.

With this validation of both of the concept and the need for the software, I plan to migrate my current Java-based program into a web-based application, allowing users to access it from phones, tablets, or computers, and develop it even more easily.

