DATES TO REMEMBER

Editor's Note

- Pi Day Recognition and Celebration * March 14, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Bolick Student Center
- SGA March Madness Tip-Off Party * March 16, noon to 2 p.m., Bolick Student Center
- Free Movie Friday: Beyond the Visible:
 Hilma Af Klint * —
 March 17, 7:30 p.m., Dickinson Building Main Stage
 - Deliberative Dialogue: Free Speech and the Inclusive Campus * —
 March 21, 3:30 p.m., North Mall Meeting Room
 - Annual Job Fair *— March 29, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Main Building
- Stand Up Comedy with Robert Mac and Chelsea Shorte ^ —
 April 1, 7:30 p.m., Dickinson Building Main Stage
 - Financial Workshops * April 4, 11, and 18, noon to 1 p.m., M175
 - Education Employer Career Chat * April 13, noon to 1 p.m., Virtual
 - One Mic Stand* —
 April 13, 7 p.m., Dickinson Building Black Box
 Theater
- Academic & Leadership Awards April 17, 4 p.m., Dickinson Building Main Stage
 - NASA Langley information Session* April 24, noon to 2 p,m., M835 and Virtual
- Clearly You Crystals * April 26, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Bolick Student Center
 - Sentence: Flying in Place III April 28 & 29, 7:30 p.m., April 30, 2:30 p.m., Dickinson Building Main Stage

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English was not the first language I learned. Being born and raised in Malaysia, English only became a more



prominent language in my life once I entered secondary school where I was studying under the British curriculum. This was the point in my life when I realized that I enjoyed reading and writing in English, and it dawned on me that these were essential skills that would take me far in life.

After taking the required ENG 111 and ENG 112 in my first two semesters at PVCC, I opted to take Introduction to Journalism (ENG 121) as a transfer elective in Fall 2022. This class taught me important skills any journalist would need such as ways to find the best sources for articles and application of AP style.. I have definitely grown as a writer since taking this class, and I have now been promoted from staff writer to assistant editor this semester.

Journalism has always intrigued me as I believe that the practice of unbiased and ethical journalism is necessary to maintain a functioning civilization. The articles written should captivate readers, but at the same time, the goal is to convey the happenings of the world as they are. I believe that the ability to inform instead of to persuade an audience is an important skill in life.

Although college life has been hectic for me thus far, I am glad I am able to write and edit articles for The Forum. This experience is a wonderful one, and I highly encourage others to take part in PVCC's newspaper whenever and however they can!