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Spoîler Alert: We Have No Love For "Spoîler Alert"



2012 is over, and there are some words and phrases people hope will disappear with it, such as "spoiler alert," "YOLO" and "bucket list." These offending phrases have landed on Lake Superior State University's 2012 List of Words to be Banished from the Queen's English for Misuse, Overuse and General Uselessness.

At the top of the list with the most nominations is "fiscal cliff," banished for its overuse by the media. Other words on the list include: trending, kick the can down the road, superfood, guru, job creators/creation, boneless wings, passion/passionate and double down.

What words do you think should be added to the list? Tell us at facebook.com/swemlibrary!



. In & Out at Swem

2012 is out and 2013 is in! What else is in at Swem?

<u>OUT</u> IN

Starbucks Greenberry's

Early to bed Swem's expanded hours

DVDs on ground floor DVDs on 1st floor

Lockdown Open access

Blank walls Whiteboard paint in group studies

Blah colors Bright accent walls

YOLO* MOOC**

- * Deemed "least likely to succeed" by the American Dialect Society (ADS)
- ** Deemed "most likely to succeed" by ADS

Music: The Food of Love

Did seeing *Les Mis* on the big screen scratch your musical theater itch? Are you a sucker for a good love story? Well, in Gilbert and Sullivan's *Iolanthe*, having a rebel fairy for a mom who can help eliminate the competition *should* make it easier to get the girl. See it presented live by Sinfonicron at Phi Beta Kappa Hall Jan. 17-20. Details at wm.tix.com. Not able to make it? Come to the music library to check out our collection of musical theatre sheet music, recordings and DVDS!

You can find several movie musicals featuring great love stories at Swem and the music library. Our staff picks: Mamma Mia, Guys and Dolls, Music Man, Singin' in the Rain, My Fair Lady, West Side Story, Moulin Rouge and Rent.

What's your favorite? Share it on our Facebook page or tweet it to @swemlibrary.

Show Your Alma Mater Some Love On Charter Day!

Show your love for W&M on Charter Day! This year we mark the 320th anniversary of the College receiving its royal charter with special speaker Robert M. Gates, class of 1965 and current W&M chancellor. To help you get into the school spirit, here are a few interesting facts about Chancellor Gates:

- First William & Mary alumnus to be Chancellor in 150 years
- First person in CIA history to go from an entry-level position to director
- Drove a school bus for Williamsburg-James City County Schools to pay his W&M tuition
- History major
- Involved in Alpha Phi Omega, William & Mary Review and was a dorm manager a precursor to today's resident advisor

Don't miss the Charter Day ceremony on Friday, Feb. 8 at 4 p.m. in Kaplan Arena!