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Care enough to send the very best, but can't afford to? No problem. *U. Magazine* has the solution to all your holiday shopping needs in our guide to cheap gifts. And we mean cheap. Wow! Thanks for the origami, dude.

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There's a velvet picture of him in your living room at home. His face is on your record albums, your commemorative plates and your stamps. And now, he's in your classroom. He's the king of rock and roll. No, not Jon Secada, Elvis Presley.

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GUEST EXPERT / Torry the Traffic Guy

We searched far and wide this month for a guest expert we could call "friend." Someone we could count on. Someone who would gladly stand in front of a bus for us (or inadvertently usher us into its path). Torry Osby, crosswalk operations manager at our *U. Magazine* Los Angeles headquarters, holds up traffic to offer his insight on myriad collegiate topics of interest. Let's take a ride with Torry the Traffic Guy, shall we?

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Campus Shots



**A happy reveler at Michigan
State U.'s gay pride march.
A little more rouge under the
cheekbones, Eddie.
The secret is blending.**

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