Women’s Services offers training

Women’s Services Inc. in Meadville hosted the first session of its 19-session volunteer training course on Tues., Sept. 22. The session had 19 registered participants, including several Allegheny College students.

“It’s open to the community and a lot of Allegheny students have shown interest,” said Vicki Wood, director of special projects at Women’s Services.

Women’s Services Inc. was established in the late 1970s in Meadville to meet the needs of women in Crawford County. The organization was initially part of the Crawford County Drug and Alcohol Commission, but in 1977 it became its own independent organization.

Today, Women’s Services aims to prevent domestic and sexual violence through education and prevention programs while also working to counsel victims.

“We have a vision, and it’s a community free of violence,” Wood said.

Upon completing the 19-session training course, which consists of two classes a week, the participants will be able to serve as counselors and advocates with women’s services.

Wood said this means their volunteers can work directly with victims while enjoying the legal privilege of confidentiality.

“By law those communications are confidential,” said Bruce Harlan, executive director of Women’s Services.

Harlan said volunteers are vital to the organization’s efforts financially. Each year volunteers donate five to six thousand hours of service. He said they are also important in ensuring that the organization’s message is spread throughout the community.

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MLK Mentoring Program welcomes 2015 applicants

By ANGELA MAURONI

The Martin Luther King Jr. Mentoring Program is operating under a new director, the fourth in its five years of operation. The current director is John Crummie-Scaptas, assistant professor of political science.

The program began under Amanda Dunn in 2011, and is a work study job for Al- lgheny students who want to mentor at the Meadville Area Middle School. The program typically has 15-20 mentors and the position entails mentoring twice a week for two hours each day. Crummie-Scaptas said that he supports the program wholeheartedly, which made him willing to fill the open space.

“I saw the need and I jumped forward and filled the vacancy,” he said. “I believe in the program, so it’s an easy thing to commit to.”

He believes that the program is beneficial to the mentors as well as the students they are helping.

“That program allows you to give back to young people,” he said. “Young people help young people is a great thing.”

Nicholas Schake, ’16, a Bonner coordinator for the program, agreed that the mentors and students can learn from each other. He recalled his time in middle school and how he thought many situations were worse than they were.

“These small things that seem like big deals might not be in a few years,” Schake said.

He believes that seeing the students worry about small things can help prevent the mentors from reacting similarly when they remember the events they used to worry about.

Schake believes that the inconsistency in the director position has been challenging for the coordinators and mentors. However, he says he thinks that the program has improved since he joined it his freshman year.

Manuel Marquez, ’16, has been involved with the program since his first semester at Allegheny. Once he became a Bonner leader, he went from being a mentor to a coordinator.

As a Bonner coordinator, Schake and Marquez’s responsibilites include recruiting new members, reviewing applications, interviewing, occasionally doing follow-up interviews and ultimately choosing new members.

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Tess Bracken

Class of 2017

Academic Article 2

Deadline for cooperative health program approaches

By ANGELA MAUREN

Allegeny College hold an information session for the cooperative health program, it coordinates with Chatham University. The session was held on Tuesday, Sept. 15 in the office of Chatham Auditorium, and served a sizable audience that, according to Health Professional Advisor Konrad Peterson, is common to have each year.

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To discover, explore and ultimately compare and contrast urban and rural life in contemporary Senegal.

With access to fresh, healthy and nutritious whole food increasingly and historian positions. Contact Haley Riley if interested.

Friday, Sept. 25, 9:30-11:30 p.m., Campus Center Lobby

The Department of Modern Languages, the Asian Studies Program and A5 DeHart Local Foods Dinner, featuring vegetables, proteins, dairy, honey, environment.

Dr. Sandra Wayman, ’10, studied organ at Allegheny and currently works at First Presbyterian Church in Ithaca.

Senior4 Children’s Literacy Organization.

Munch/Gator Cash or $15 cash. Tickets sell out fast.

The 2016 Experiential Learning Seminar to Sri Lanka will be led by Professors Ishita Sinha Roy (Communication Arts) and Darren Miller (Art). This 21-day exploration of Sri Lanka will be held May 16 to June 8. 

First Presbyterian Church in Ithaca.

Delta Delta Delta Pancake Breakfast

The Meadville Area High School Marching Band will provide the music for this spirited showcase of Blue and Gold pride.

A simple cheek swab has the potential to save a life.

Gator themes and dip caramel apples.

Information Session for Flagship Niagara 2016 EL Seminar

Mid-Autumn Moon Festival

Saturday, Sept. 26, 11:30 a.m., Brooks Walk to Robertson Athletic Complex

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Julie Schindler and Ian Thomas—as well as by Professors Cheryl Hatch and George Roland.

There is one senior senator position available for interested parties.

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Student being investigated for underage drinking, public intoxication and public urination.

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Student being investigated for selling marijuana on campus.

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Muslim Lunch and Prayers

Friday, Sept. 25, noon, PAM Retreat Allegheny’s Muslim community gathers for lunch, performed by Junia’ah prayer at 1 p.m.

Information Session for Senegal 2016 EL Seminar

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Gator Activities Programming invites students to decorate Mason jars with Gator themes and dip caramel apples.

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Kim Davis refuses to issue marriage licenses

Religious freedom should not contend with jurisprudence

By MARIA GRAZIANO
Contributing Writer

One of the most recent controversies is in the Supreme Court's ruling on same-sex marriage. On June 26, 2015, Obergefell v. Hodges was decided. While many Americans believe it is a step towards progress, others feel it is a step in the wrong direction. As long as there are still many people who oppose same-sex marriage and believe it is immoral, the issue will continue to divide the American people.

Kim Davis, a clerk in Rowan County, Ky., recently made headlines for defying a court order by denying a gay couple a marriage license. While many Americans believe that the government should allow everyone to marry as they please, others believe that marriage should be between a man and a woman. Davis' actions were met with both support and opposition.

Davis' only argument for her actions is that she was acting “under God’s authority.” This goes against her religious beliefs, and that Davis was acting “under God’s authority.” This goes against her religious beliefs, and that Davis, I would never elect you into office, but please, my eternal soul. I am happy to see that you care for my eternal soul.

The idea that a person would refuse to issue marriage licenses because of religion is horrifying. Davis also told her staff not to issue marriage licenses to anyone who applied for a marriage license. She was acting “under God’s authority.” This goes against her religious beliefs, and that Davis was acting “under God’s authority.” This goes against her religious beliefs, and that Davis, I would never elect you into office, but please, my eternal soul. I am happy to see that you care for my eternal soul.

The Bible says to love your neighbor and to accept one another, no matter who they are. But does destroying someone's happiness and freedom contemn the concept of eternity—some thing that exists outside of time, that always exists in the world. Psychological evaluations on this condition show that many people in existence have ever truly experienced. Davis probably thought that she should not have to issue marriage licenses to anyone who applied for a marriage license, because she believed the federal government's decision to legalize same-sex marriage was immoral. However, you may come to admire a person who essentially affirms decisions already made by their superiors—there is absolutely no reason for personal dissension. By this way, Kim Davis was inexplicably wrong in what she did, and wrong when she did not do it.

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In the work environment, especially one that involves government regulated issues, people ought to be unbiased in every aspect. One's religious beliefs should always remain separate from one's career, so that problems do not arise. We as a nation must remember that not everyone shares our own personal religious beliefs. Many do not consider the religious stance of one who holds a position of power, why would anyone deny a couple their Constitutional right to marry?

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By RYDER ZHU
Chemosphere Columnist

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"You're made out of a lot of oxygen and hydrogen bonds, of carbon and nitrogen, by the way, and hydrogen, and you mix it with oxygen, you can leave them there, but it causes a problem. They don't want anything," said Grubbs. "But if you introduce a catalyst, then, boom! They explode.

"The Reactions usually involve breaking and rebuilding bonds, type in to be a part of organic synthetic chemistry. Artificial molecules, the catalysts used to prepare these are used commonly throughout academia and industry.

"If you want to make new molecules, you have to break bonds and know how to put them together," said Langdon.

Grubbs has taught chemistry at the California Institute of Technology since 1978. He also heads the Grubbs group, which investigates new catalysts and reaction pathways.

"Grubbs laboratory has made several contributions to the field of organic chemistry, and its practical applications in industry, including the discovery of a family of catalysts that speeds up the reaction.

"The mechanism of the reaction involves the breaking of some carbon bonds, of the organic molecules, and the reassembly of double-bond molecules into new molecules. The process is used to make drug molecules, research new molecules, detect new molecules.

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Allegheny Campus students dig and outline the footpath from the Meadville Area High School to the Meadville Area Recreation Complex on Saturday, Sept 19, 2015.

Left: Allegheny College students collaborate with Creating Landscapes in cleaning and sprucing a Meadville community garden. Right: Elia Sherman, ’18, leads a Service Saturday project in creating a shortcut between the Meadville Area High School and the Meadville Area Recreation Complex. The students measure the width of the path while digging and leveling.

By ALÉAA REYES

Approximately 40 students split up into seven teams, each with their respective leaders to engage in two hours of community-oriented service in and around Meadville on Saturday, Sept 29.

The day began with a provided breakfast in the Pelletier Library, where Heather Fish, ’15, and Lee Scandinaro, ’15, both Davies Coordinators in Civic Engagement, had a few words to jump start the day. “It’s not about the project, it’s about the people,” said Fish. Scandinaro echoed Fish’s statement. “Have fun. Some of the projects might seem tedious or like busywork, but these people really appreciate our work and it’s meaningful,” said Scandinaro.

The projects ranged from gardening to demolition. Emmett Barr, ’17, led the men’s cross country team’s project. Khouda Horchidkou, a Meadville resident, had the volunteers take apart her shed. “We’re going to destroy Khouda’s shed,” said Barr, smiling.

Elia Sherman, ’18, led a project at the Meadville Area Recreation Complex. “We’re building an interactive trail from the high school to the community garden,” Sherman said. This project was devised between the college and the community. “My junior [seminar] designed the proposal for this trail,” said Marissa Walters, ’16.

As for the other projects, Tyler Allen, ’18, ran an apple picking session at Mystic Mountain Training Center for a horse farm. “I would hope that it would help the horses,” said Allen.

There were two similar gardening projects. Angela Bui, ’16, led a group to weed and trim at the Liberty House at the Crawford County Coalition of Housing, and Shanie Meopherson, ’16, and her team assisted Creative Landscapes in tidying up a community garden. Lee Ann Streshenkoff, ’17, and Meric Islam, ’17, from the animal welfare club at Allegheny ran a booth at the Canine Cancer Walk at the Conneaut Lake Bark Park. “This is a yearly project that our club’s been hosting, and it’s a great way to get more people aware of the cause,” said Islam.

Service Saturday takes place the first Saturday of every month. Students can get more information at the Allegheny Gateway in the Pelletier Library.

Laura Holesh, ’16, and Olivia Heeb, ’19, lie by the Allegheny College compass that they decorated with flower petals in the style of a mandala on Thursday, Sept 24.

“The art assignment was to create something ephemeral, made by nature and destroyed by nature,” said Holesh. “I’ve been up since like six, working on this.”

Holesh collected the flowers from around Meadville. “I tried to pick the dying flowers and then I picked the petals off,” she said. Holesh’s setup attracted the gaze of several students, and even one participant.

“I was walking to my math exam and I saw this thing. When I came back, she was still here so I helped to set up and lay down petals,” said Heeb. “And now we’re just kind of hanging out.”

Gators pay it forward

Volunteers contribute to community in monthly service day

By ALÉAA REYES

Student finds art project in unassuming space
By ALEX HOLMES

The Allegheny women’s golf team places second in the John Carroll University Invitational running in at 602 points over the course of two days, 27 points behind St. Francis College for the first place team.

“We came off of an off-week and put in good practice work. We worked on how to manage the course better and our short game, and took that mindset into the weekend,” said Head Coach Jeff Groff.

The team came in in the top 20 out of the 10 teams. “The first day went really well and we all had a confident mindset. We did team bonding before, went in with a good attitude and came out with good scores,” said Karly Ott, ’18.


“We are a very young team, with lots of promise. This is not our last season, we have a lot of experience on the team but it’s where you improve. That’s where you improve. “We have been very solid in the short game at each invitationals. When they are challenging themselves they are improving. “We are working on the areas they feel they need to improve.”

“Out of system is just the opposite so that the ball is not passed directly to the setter but the team keeps the ball in play. Taylor Samuel, ’16, said that their success in tournaments and games is a direct result of the team’s hard work and dedication in practice.

“We really worked hard in practice and are in the process of implementing new aspects into our game this year to keep us competitive against our conference or A-10 teams.”

Sheehan said that as the team gets further into conference play the team will have to work even harder to maintain their level of play. “Our conference games are much more competitive and the level of play is more advanced. Overcoming the adversity of being nationally ranked teams requires a mental toughness that the entire team will have to showcase.”

As for the rest of the season the team is focused on improving their short game at each invitational and enjoy each invitational and enjoy each.

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Women’s volleyball at 9-4 this season

By TYLIE RUTHER

The Allegheny women’s volleyball team is almost halfway through its season and have just begun tournament play with a record of 9-4. Head Coach Bridget Sheehan said that at the tournament last weekend, Sept. 18-19, the team went 3-0 and played well.

“We have been very solid with our defense and side out needs to focus on playing smart and continue to control some of the diving efforts at our opponents.”

“Our goal is to keep them under their attack average and keep them stressed with game temps.”

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Women’s softball

By JOSEPH TINGLEY

The Allegheny softball team will take place Sept. 27-28 at the Country Club of Meadville.

Sarah Swarte, ’16, serves the ball during the match against The University of Pittsburgh at Bradford on Wednesday, Sept. 23. The Gators won 3-2 against the Panthers.

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