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MLK celebrations bring diverse groups together

Scott Wissinger, professor of biology, looks over items that were damaged by the flooding in Steffee on Nov. 22, 2015. According to Eric Young, Meadville chief of police, the department is still conducting and investigation into the incident. The college is still calculating costs, but the repairs that were done over break have added up to more than $160,000.

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Celebrations of the holiday are focused on uniting people, "Martin said. "We come together as a community to remember and honor Dr. King's legacy."
CRIME BLOTTER

Jan. 18, 2016
Wis Center
Unknown actor accused of larceny.

Jan. 21, 2016
Pelletier Library
Pelletier Library was vandalized by an unknown actor(s).

Jan. 23, 2016
Edwards Hall
Student being investigated for underage drinking.

Jan. 23, 2016
Ravine-Narvik Hall
Student being investigated for possession of marijuana.

Jan. 24, 2016
Wis Center
Wise Center was vandalized.

Jan. 24, 2016
Baldwin Hall
Student being investigated for underage drinking.

Jan. 24, 2016
Walker Hall
Student being investigated for underage drinking.

Jan. 24, 2016
Steffie Hall of Life Sciences and Carr Hall
The outside of Steffie and Carr Halls were vandalized by an unknown actor(s).

Faith Week Event: Discussion with the Reverend Father Eric J. Dinga
Monday, Feb. 1, 8 p.m., Ford Chapel
Newman hosts a discussion with Father Dinga, who was recently ordained at Blessed Sacred Heart Cathedral in Greensburg, and whose brother, Troy, is a leader in Newman.

Faith Week Event: Urban Promise
Tuesday, Feb. 2, 8:30 p.m., Ford Chapel
Allegheny Christian Outreach hosts Rob Prenowitz and Kristin Walker, with Urban Promise, which seeks to equip children and young adults with the skills necessary for academic achievement, life management, personal growth and servant leadership.

Faith Week Event: Guided Meditation Session
Tuesday, Feb. 2, 9 p.m., Montgomery Gym
The Society of Buddhist and Hindu Students and the Meditation Club invite experienced practitioners and beginners alike to this guided meditation session.

Faith Week Event: Dinner Discussion on Islamophobic
Thursday, Feb. 4, 6 p.m., Ford Chapel
Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Allegheny Christian Outreach invite youth from Meadville for pizza, conversation about God and a game of Capture the Flag.

Single Voice Reading Series: Novelist Catherine Chung
Thursday, Feb. 4, 7-8 p.m., Allegheny Student Center
Novelist Catherine Chung, author of “Forgotten Country,” will read from her work.
In politics, integrity is more important than ideology

THE SIMPLE THINGS

By Tyler Stigall

A recent display in the campus center lobby on the use of recreational drug has stirred a range of responses among Allegheny students, from the tepid to the truly abhorred. The display presented short blurbs on several pharmacological tidbits: one might hypothetically expect to encounter among adults, including alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, ecstasy, hallucinogens, and, to the surprise of many, antidepressants. "Messing with your mood, the drugs that make it difficult for certain particulars..."

"Hearing just, still, it has been for the students who use antidepressants as a tool of mitigation over a medical quandary listed among the causes of suicide, human emotions, and, for better or worse, by your probability, ex- istence and social causes..."

"According to a CDC briefing from 2011, as of 2008 roughly 11 percent of the United States population, over the age of twelve take antidepressants. In contrast, according to the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, 96.8 percent of people ages 18 and over reported that they consumed alcohol at some point during their lives. Roughly 16.8 percent of U.S. adults reported an estimated 347 million doses of antidepressants on the CDC survey. And the 2011 World Drug Report put out by the United Nations mentions the use in the United States population of people ages 12 and over. Even the most recent prevalence is not the same..."

"A 2001 review published in the Primary Care Companion to the Journal of Clinical Psychiatry examined the physiological causes behind the most common SSRI side effects, which include sexual dysfunctions..."

"I am the last president of the United States, the last great American can be head of states, that the display putatively[...]

"So how exactly do SSRIs work, and what are the possible physiological consequenc..."

"Some of the President’s duties include to perform all the duties expected of him, hence why candidates like Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders have run to prominence. Voters are responding..."

"According to Andrew Winsor, MD & PhD, and Nicholas Demers, MD, in an article for the Psychiatric Times titled “The Effects of Antidepressants on Sleep,” SSRIs therapy often causes a variety of sleep disturbances..."

"The article, pharmaceutical companies pushed for FDA approval for the use of SSRIs for a wide range of almost in the same breath..."

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Traditionally students at Allegheny return to their respective homes when winter break begins, but for international students and global nomads, returning home is not always as simple or straightforward. These students can be hours upon hours and a continent away from home.

Erblin Shedu, ’19, is a green-seeking international student from Albania who was unable to go home for break because of the lengthy travel time and cost of travel expenses required for a relatively short break. Instead, Shedu returned to Columbus, Ohio where he had been an exchange student in his sophomore year of high school. In this way, Shedu was still able to spend the holidays with family. Together with his host family, Shedu travelled to Chicago, Illinois for Christmas before traveling to New York City with friends to ring in the new year.

“On New Year’s Eve, I went to Times Square to see the ball drop with another international student from Allegheny. I spent the first week of 2016 traveling different cities in New York City,” Shedu said. ‘19, a computer science major. Shedu, along with William Schmitt, the French teaching assistant, visited Chinatown, Little Italy, walked the Brooklyn Bridge, went to Harlem, the Bronx, the United Nations, the Central Park, the Space Shuttle Endeavour. “I wasn’t expecting to see the space shuttle, but I got really excited when they told me they had the space shuttle in the bunker. I just rushed to see that and I spent the entire day exploring different parts of the shuttle and seeing everything,” Shedu said.

Schmitt spent Christmas with his cousins in Santa Cruz. They enjoyed a small picnic and saw and explored a nature trail there. Schmitt has not seen any of his family for five months since coming to Allegheny. He still has not seen his parents and is missing them as well as the rest of his family and friends from France. However, he enjoyed spending time with his brother and being able to speak his native language once again and is very excited to go back home for a few months in the summer to see the rest of his family.

Although some students were not able to make the trek back home, Tahmoe Akram, ’19, and Paul Willison, ’19, both returned to their respective home countries during the Christmas break. Akram travelled around 22 hours to return to Karachi, Pakistan. Despite being half his life outside of Pakistan, Akram still considers Karachi his home. For most of break, he relaxed and spent time with his brother and grandfather called Akram’s father telling him that he needed help with a wild bear problem on his farm. Akram’s break got much more exciting—“We went hunting and joy riding. We used spares to hunt them. I don’t usually hunt but my grandfather has a farm that breeds pleasant and other game birds and they had a problem with boar breaking in and killing them,” Akram said.

Willison spent close to 30 hours in airplanes and airports to arrive in Eritrea, where he has lived since before he was a teenager, although he was born in the United States. He filled his break with numerous activities—“I went on a safari, wherever you are in Africa it is one of the hot spots for going on a safari, seeing wild animals in their natural habitat! Willison said. “We had a weekend after Christmas where we went up to the lake district and spent time with a family friend. They live right on a crater lake, it used to be a volcano—it is super deep—and we would swim across the lake.”

Willison also spent time at the Mweya Safari Lodge at the Queen Elizabeth National Park in western Uganda. “It was incredible, you would take a drive outside of your room and there is the Kazinga Channel, a few elephants grabbing to harat, a few buffalo, hippos chilling and crocodiles,” Willison said. “Although winter break is two weeks long and that is often long enough for most traditional American students, international students tend to have more difficulty making it back home to see their families.

“I long to visit India,” Mukherjee said. “Unfortunately that can’t happen with the short span of time and feeling that home is far away, sometimes it feels kind of overwhelming. I’ve missed a lot of family occasions—weddings, birthdays, and stuff like that—I’ve missed a lot of festive occasions in India. There is just no way to go [to India right now].”
Greek life welcomes new members

By CHLOE KEDZIORA

Disney’s “The Lion King” returned to Chicago Dec. 2, 2015 at the Cadillac Palace ready to impress. Over winter break, I was able to see the production at the same venue that I had seen it 13 years ago and it still had me captivated that I had seen it 13 years ago. The production at the same venue, the Cadillac Palace in Chicago Dec. 2, 2015 at the Cadillac Palace returned to Chicago Dec. 2, 2015 at the Cadillac Palace ready to impress. Over winter break, I was able to see the production at the same venue that I had seen it 13 years ago and it still had me captivated that I had seen it 13 years ago. The production has won 70 major international theater awards and is the third longest-running Broadway show.

The show is a 2 ½ hour production recommended for children ages six and up, but I consider it a crowd pleaser for mature audiences as well. Audience members become fully immersed in the experience, surrounded by African drums and the music ensemble as they convey the story of an animal kingdom. If it was not enough for one of the world’s most popular cartoons to be adapted into a Broadway production, the 232 puppets in the show will leave youunned. Some of the impressive pieces include 18-foot tall giraffes that navigate the stage with grace. The show also includes a cheerios on the proud. Actors control the puppets, each specific movement calculated, making the complicated costume and puppet seem as one. Mufasa’s (Gerald Ramsey) and Scar’s (Patrick R. Brown) masks remain stationary atop the actor’s heads until they manipulate the costumes to move with them. The masks go from sitting out of sight to hiding the faces of the men, making the lion look realistic. The stunning opening number “The Circle of Life” brings the entire ensemble together onstage and hooks the audience instantly. The Serengeti coming alive as safari animals wander down the aisles towards Pride Rock to celebrate the birth of Simba. While I remembered many components of the musical, my 5-year-old sister, Cameron, fell in love with the production for the first time. Her obsession with the cartoon film helped her make connections between the songs and storyline the two productions have in common. The pure bliss and wonder shined through her face through-out the entire musical as she sang along with the ensemble. I will admit that I snuck videos of Cameron during the opening number. Looking back and seeing her take in “The Circle of Life” and the ensemble who was teaching the audience about the balance of life was spectacular.

“The Lioness Hunt,” “Rafiki’s Monologue” and “One By One” are just a few songs created for the Broadway production that take viewers from their seats and transport them into the Pride lands. In these specific songs, traditional African chants and drums showcase the different languages incorporated into the lyrics. Several African languages are spoken and sung throughout the production. These languages include Swahili, Zulu and Tswana and are integrated into the originally English-written songs and script. Disney has a way of making experiences magical. By taking a movie and transferring it to the stage, it becomes a spectacular reality. While “The Lion King” is no longer on stage in Chicago, there are performances in Florida, New York and other locations this upcoming year. More information about showtimes and tickets can be found on the “The Lion King” website.
Kathy Perry gives 15-year customer of Hairitage Salon Connie Deitman a haircut on Monday, Nov. 30, 2015. Deitman originally was a client of the owner, Candy Hart, before switching over to Perry. Perry and Hart have shared clients and memories for 29 years since Hart took ownership of the salon. Perry said she would go anywhere in order to stay loyal to her friends and beautician.

Cindy Morrel, booking secretary for Hairitage Salon, confirms appointments over the phone on Monday, Nov. 2, 2015. Morrel began working as booking secretary when childhood friend and owner of Hairitage salon, Cindy Hart, offered her a job.

Abby Jones, cosmetologist of five years, massages Jane Yoder’s hands before putting on the first coat of nail polish, on Monday, Nov. 2, 2015. Yoder is a Meadville resident who visits the salon every two weeks to treat herself after doing chores around her home.

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Meadville Salon shares its
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The Hairitage Beauty Salon, located in downtown Meadville, specializes in all aspects of cosmetology including hair, nails and massages, and it serves as a day spa. The salon also sells an array of seasonal local products made by the employed beauticians.

Cindy Hart opened Hairitage in 1986. Since then she has employed more than 20 members of the local Meadville and Cochranton communities.

“All our [employees] live within a 40 mile radius, the girls here take pride in their work,” said Hart.

A majority of Hairitage’s customers are local residents who regularly meet with their respected cosmetologists.

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