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ICA brings traditional celebration to Allegheny

Festival showcases tradition, Middle Eastern food, cultural activities

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Allegheny College's Islamic Cultural Association held a celebration of the festival Eid al-Adha in the lobby of the George M. Henderson Campus Center on Sunday, Sept. 17.

Muhammad Jallow, '21, attended the event. He explained the background behind the Eid al-Adha ceremony.

"Translated, the day means the Day of Sacrifice, so it was the day God commanded [the prophet Ibrahim] to slaughter his son, but instead, he replaced it with a sheep, so that's what the celebration is about," Jallow said.

During the celebration, members of the student body stopped by the festival and sampled Middle Eastern food. The club also provided a canvas backdrop, in front of which people took pictures. Music played on loudspeakers in the background.

"If you look around, the decorations, we try to bring a setting like a house setting, a home setting," ICA Co-President Tolossa Hassan, '18, said.

Hassan explained that Eid al-Adha was the second of two festivals. While it technically occurred on Sept. 1, the club decided to hold a later public celebration due to scheduling issues.

"The first one is right after Ramadan, which this year was in the summer, and then a month later we have another Eid, which is the Eid of Sacrifice," Hassan said. "We're celebrating it a little bit later because that's what everyone's schedule is, but it was on the first."

Hassan said that as well as celebrating an Islamic holiday, ICA's Eid al-Adha festival incorporated a station where people could receive henna designs. While the tattoos are worn during Eid al-Adha, they have become a standalone cultural icon.

"Henna is something that a lot of people put on the day before, the night before, so we try to like, [show] not just Islamic religion, but the culture as well," Hassan said.

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Baneen Al-Akashi, '19, said that the second Eid comes during the end of the traditional Hajj, or pilgrimage season, in which many Muslims travel to Mecca in Saudi Arabia.

"The second one is when you do Hajj, which is required for all Muslim people to do at least once in their lifetime," Al-Akashi said.

Al-Akashi said those not on Hajj during Eid al-Adha celebrated with prayer and family.

"Usually people go to the mosque and do prayer there as a group, and then they'll do a huge celebration at their houses, with their family," Al-Akashi said.

Valerie Calvo, '21, said that while she was originally drawn to the ceremony because of the food, she felt the cultural aspects of the celebration were also interesting.

"Oh, it's really nice," Calvo said. "You know, they don't just have food, they have the decorations and people to represent their own culture, it's really cool."



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Above: Olivia Heeb, '19, gives Benedicte Musimisa, '21, a henna tattoo at the Islamic Cultural Association's event to celebrate Eid Al-Adha on Sunday, Sept. 17, 2017.
Right: Students help themselves to a buffet in celebration of Eid Al-Adha hosted by the Islamic Cultural Association.



The Greek community gathers to watch the presentation of new members of their respective sorority and fraternity chapters on Saturday, Sept. 16, 2017.

A COMMUNITY TRADITION

Greek life introduces members to campus

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Black bear causes campus concern

Animal sparks variety of reactions

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A black bear ventured onto the Allegheny College campus Tuesday, Sept. 19.

Jeremy Shaban, '18, saw the bear when he was walking back to his dorm room in Allegheny Commons after getting dinner at McKinley's Food Court. He and his roommates Paul Sutkowski, '18, and Spencer Subega, '19, had just met up and planned to walk back to their room to eat.

Shaban said the group saw the bear while they were talking about other recent bear sightings in Meadville.

"We were actually just talking about the bear, because on Facebook they've got this thing called FYI Crawford County or something like that," Shaban said. "Paul had seen posts about the bear online and we were just talking about that, so it was perfect timing."

Sutkowski said he had been informed of earlier bear sightings in the Meadville area by a group text from his boss.

Sutkowski spotted the bear first, when the group was near the water tanks at HP Way Park, between North Village Building B and the Commons.

"We were just walking down the path," Sutkowski said. "And we were maybe a quarter of the way down it, and all of a sudden, I had been looking down, I looked up and said 'Hey guys, stop, I think that's the bear down there.' "

Shaban said the bear did not appear to notice the group.

"The bear didn't do much," Shaban said. "I think at some point it like sort of didn't run, but sort of moved closer to us, not thinking of us, or even I don't think, noticing us. But it went closer to us. So that's when we sort of thought we should get out of the way completely. So that's when we went around the water towers."

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Allegheny alumni speak about internship and job opportunities

Finance management rotation program, summer associates program open



LAUREN TRIMBER/THE CAMPUS

Naveed Ismail, '12, Greg Vallano, '15, Marina Robertson, '17, and Becky Slippy, '16, speak with Allegheny students about internship and job openings at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center on Monday, Sept. 18, 2017.

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Four alumni joined students in the George M. Henderson Campus Center to talk about the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center in one of five events held by the health care provider at noon on Monday, Sept. 18.

The meeting focused specifically on non-medical internships and positions within UPMC, with specific internships including a summer associates program and finance internship which could afford interns the opportunity to work directly with UPMC's chief financial officer.

Naveed Ismail, '12, who was a managerial economics and mathematics double major at Allegheny, began the meeting with a map of the United States that displayed the largest employers in each state. In Pennsylvania, UPMC employs the most people. When he started working for the company in 2011, UPMC only had hospitals in downtown Pittsburgh and the city's Oakland suburb before gradually expanding throughout Pennsylvania, according to Ismail. Today, there are hospitals across the state, as well as in southern New York and western Maryland.

The four alumni showed students a video advertising jobs with UPMC. After the video ended, Ismail said the video did not necessarily show every positive aspect of UPMC.

"Part of the difficulty of showing those videos is that they're already outdated," Ismail said. "That one we showed was made in the last two or three months. We are always growing. It gives you an idea of how dynamic the industry is."

Since the meeting focused on opportunities within UPMC pertaining to the financial aspect of the company, Ismail stressed that for the first time in UPMC's history, the company's insurance business has surpassed its health service.

"UPMC finance organization is very young. Everyone is currently or has been [in] a [Financial Management rotation program] at least in the past ten years," Ismail said. "So there's an enormous opportunity for young people to move into bigger positions."

Greg Vallano, '15, graduated with a major in economics and a minor in computer science. Vallano was a summer associate at UPMC between his junior and senior year at Allegheny. By the fall semester of his senior year, he had a job opportunity.

"The folks who interview you, you will already know them," Vallano said. "It's a great opportunity to fast track to a full-time position."

Marina Robertson, '17, graduated with an economics major and a French minor. She said UPMC's Financial Management rotation program. A full-time position, the FMR program is three years long and includes three one-year rotations. The program was recently changed from shorter to longer rotations, according to Robertson.

"Now we're getting to where you can get adjusted to the position and learn more in that one year," Roberston said.

Ismail added that the FMR program helps further corporate advancement.

"[Moving from an] associate to senior [position] is about an 8-10 year time frame, but with this program, it's down to about three years," Ismail said. "That's the advantage with this position."

Becky Slippy, '16, graduated with a major in managerial economics and a minor in art. She said the goals of the rotation programs included gaining leadership skills and building lasting connections across UPMC.

"We're all on a first name basis with our CFO," Slippy said as a way of emphasizing the connections she formed after only a few years working for the health care provider.

As the meeting drew to a close with a question and answer session, Ismail explained why Allegheny students have an advantage when applying for positions at UPMC against graduates of colleges such as Penn State.

"What separates Allegheny graduates is that you guys are more adaptable because you guys are taught how to learn," Ismail said. "I'd rather hire a person from Allegheny because I understand your experience. You have stronger communication skills, personal skills, ability to sell the experience that employers are looking for."

The summer associates program, an 11-week paid internship, has a Nov. 1 application deadline. The minimum GPA requirement for the summer associates program is a 3.0, although Vallano said the GPA is not necessarily the only thing they will look at on the application. UPMC employees are aware of how involved Allegheny students are both on and off-campus, and if their GPA dips below 3.0, it will not immediately prevent them from obtaining the position, according to Vallano.

The finance management rotation program application deadline is Oct. 1. The GPA requirement for this program is 3.2, though a 3.4 is preferred. However, similar to the summer associates program, the GPA can vary according to the applicant's experience.

For further information about internships offered by UPMC, students were directed to contact Campus Recruiter Alex Sossi at sossiaj@upmc.edu.

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Sutkowski once lived in a campground near Ellwood City, Pennsylvania. He said while living there, he learned how to act when coming into contact with a bear. He said he used that knowledge during the encounter.

"We started walking backwards slowly, keeping an eye on it," Sutkowski said. "And we got about past the fence to the benches, and then a car was pulling into the parking lot, scared the bear and we saw it run into the woods, and we thought 'oh, it's gone now,' and we weren't sure if it was going to come back out, so we decided to walk around the water towers instead, and when we got back around, we saw the bear had come out of the woods again and was walking around the playground."

By this time, more people were watching the bear.

"There were some other people on the sidewalk, and across the street, who also were there, just watching the bear," Shaban said. "And we sort of just watched it do its thing, and talked about it and other bear sightings in our lives."

The bear then took the walking path up to the Commons parking lot and climbed a tree.

"He stayed up for a little while, and I guess got bored and jumped off," Shaban said.

Sutkowski estimated that the bear stayed in the tree for 10 seconds before jumping off and running back into the woods.

"It didn't seem to like it very much, because it leapt off the tree and then ran into the woods, and that was the last we saw of it," Sutkowski said.

Shaban said he and his friends felt the bear sighting had a calming effect on them.

"We were just enjoying nature," Shaban said. "It's very calming, just talking about it. I think Spencer and Paul were taking photos most of the time."

Subega guessed that the bear appeared to be about two years old.

"I mean it was about medium-sized, I guess, kind of scrawny looking," Subega said. "I don't know too much about bears, just looking at them to judge age, but I would guess maybe two years old."

Subega also mentioned that the bear sighting surprised a bicyclist riding past.

"This guy was biking down from the Commons," Subega said. "He didn't know that the bear was there, and he was coming on the sidewalk that we were all on, and we all noticed him, and he just freaked out because he noticed the bear all of a sudden, and he had no idea that it was there."

Sutkowski said that while most people seemed to notice the bear, some were oblivious.

"Out of nowhere, three runners wearing neon clothes run out from behind the water towers and the bear was 20 feet away from them, and none of them had noticed it," Sutkowski said. "So we called them over. They just ignored everyone, basically."

A desk officer at the Public Safety office mentioned that bears did live in the Meadville area and this was not the first time that the campus had been visited by a bear. Five years ago, she said, one ran across the campus.

"There's more and more of them every year, it seems," the officer said.





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Above: A black bear on campus Tuesday. The bear roams on the HP Way Park playground, near the Allegheny Commons.
Left: The bear walks near a path by the park next to the Allegheny Commons.

ASG receives updates

Changes to Winslow Health Center, new senators



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Nurse practitioner Sandra Livingston updates Allegheny Student Government during its meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2017.

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During Allegheny Student Government's weekly meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 19, nurse practioner Sandra Livingston explained the recent changes to the Winslow.

After three staff members retired over the summer, she was left as the only full-time health care provider, according to Livingston. However, Livingston announced the addition of Meadville resident Dr. Martin J. Decker, doctor of osteopathic medicine, as the health center's new physician.

"He's very young, upbeat. He's pretty cool. We're enjoying getting to know him," Livingston said. "He's a nice asset for the health center."

Along with a new staff member, Winslow has also added online services, including the ability to bill students' accounts directly. The bill will be listed as Winslow Health Center and will not identify what the student purchased. The service is already popular amongst students, according to Livingston.

Livingston also revealed the launch of Student Health 101, an online magazine designed to teach students about self-care. Articles will include ways to improve sleep patterns and ways students can care for themselves if they have a cold, according to Livingston. The magazine will be emailed to every student.

Other services now advertised through email are the STI and flu clinics. Information regarding the clinics was sent to students through email for a few years before clinic announcements and information was removed from the email list last year, according to Livingston. Now that the clinic information emails are being sent out again, Livingston said the spots have filled quickly.

"We have the option of adding more clinics if we feel the need to," Livingston said.

Along with STI and flu clinics, allergy shots have been reestablished this year. The Winslow staff encountered a few difficulties in reestablishing allergy shots without having a physician when the year started, according to Livingston.

There have been a few changes made to the acquisition of pharmaceutical drugs from Winslow. Before this year, male students were not allowed to purchase Plan B One-Step Emergency Contraceptive in place of female students. Furthermore, females had to make an appointment to speak with Winslow staff before purchasing the drug, according to Livingston. This year, male students are allowed to purchase the emergency contraceptive and female students are not required to have a meeting with Winslow staff, although Livingston explained it is still strongly suggested. Plan B One-Step is $15 from Winslow.

Another change from last year includes free condoms. Last year, resident assistants were given free condoms but individual students were not, according to Livingston. The RA who received the free condoms then gave them to his or her residents. Livingston explained Winslow decided refusing individual students free condoms was pointless. This year, anyone can enter Winslow and receive condoms upon request.

A change that benefits both students and staff is the new educational resource called Up to Date to which the staff has access. If a student enters Winslow with a question or request for medical assistance, a staff member can look up the problem on Up to Date to receive all recorded information regarding the medical problem, according to Livingston.

Two goals Livingston has set for the staff for this coming year are setting up sound policies, though she did not specify what the policies would be regarding, and helping students who are on medication such as anti-depressants.

"It's so commonplace now," Livingston said. "Before, it was kind of like you have to organize it through [your primary care physician], which is ideal, but we're going to [have] more facilitators working through the counseling center to make sure there's not a gap in treatment."

Following Livingston's presentation, ASG moved into class and cabinet reports. Co-Director of Student Affairs Travis Court, '18, explained his committee has been brainstorming ways to use the Student Action Fund in both ASG's cabinet and with the Campus Life and Community Standards Committee.

"For an example of what we've been thinking about is emergency numbers on the back of our all-cards," Court said. "Another one is the possibility of getting more seating areas on the quad."

ASG is also considering conducting another Know Your Rights event to talk about free speech in and around campus, according to Court.

During class reports, Class of 2020 President Jason Ferrante explained that Class of 2020 senators were considering holding a Meet your Senator event.

"Our election was delayed until the beginning of this year," Ferrante said. "So people don't know who their senators are."

The Class of 2020 Senators are also thinking of bringing back popular events from last year, such as a bubble wrap and Starbucks event and therapy dogs, according to Ferrante.

Following the class of 2021 elections, the five first-year senators, David Roach, Emma Godel, Benjamin Blackburn, Osbaldo Meza and Trevor Mahan, were sworn in during the meeting.

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In the Sept. 15, 2017 issue of The Campus, Allegheny Student Government Class of 2020 President Jason Ferrante was incorrectly identified as vice-president.

CRIME BLOTTER

Editor's Note: The weekly Crime Blotter is compiled using the Daily Crime Log available in the Office of Public Safety. Crimes reported may still be under investigation. Crimes listed below are collected the Thursday before publication.

Sept. 13, 2017.
Baldwin Hall
Drug Possession.

Sept. 13, 2017.
Hulings Hall
Drug Possession.

Sept. 16, 2017
Robertson Athletic Complex
Criminal Mischief.

Sept. 17, 2017
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Betsy DeVos and the letter

Effectively investigating assault

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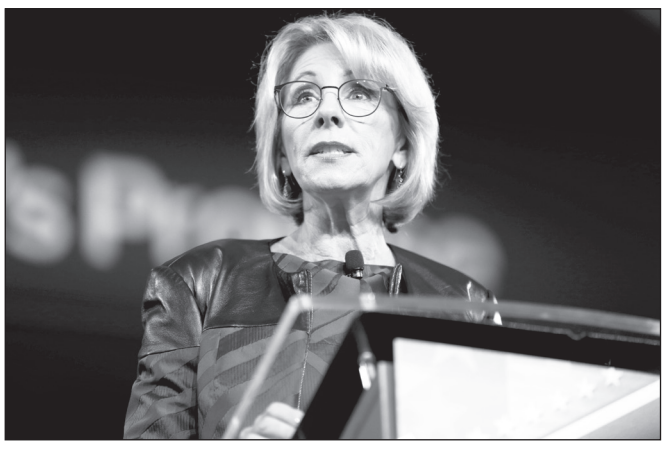

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Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos announced on Sept. 7 that her department would be looking into how schools handle Title IX cases, which includes incidents of sexual harassment and sexual violence.

In her remarks, DeVos did not outline any specific changes and, according to the Associated Press, said she would be seeking input from the public as well as universities to develop new rules and guidelines.

I am a member of the public, so I will submit my proposal to Secretary DeVos: Take this process away from colleges and universities, where they have no place.

Under the Obama administration, schools were urged to evaluate guilt by "preponderance of the evidence." These policies were outlined in a letter written by then Assistant Secretary of Civil Rights Russlynn Ali, known as the "Dear Colleague" letter on April 4, 2011.

DeVos, according to the AP, declared that "the era of 'rule by the letter' is over," and that under the Obama administration, the Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights was "weaponized" in order "to work against schools and students."

In a speech at George Mason University, according to the AP, DeVos criticised how the current system has seemingly suspended the presumption of innocence in Title IX proceedings.

In addition to her issue with how these cases were judged, DeVos pointed out the administrators dispensing these cases typically do not have legal training, leading to the creation of what she referred to as "kangaroo courts."

She does have a point. Most administrators do not have legal training, so why are they being allowed to handle the investigation of a felony-level crime like sexual assault? It makes no sense.

Allegheny College has had its problems with sexual assault. It has been the subject of two federal Title IX investigations by the Department of Education's OCR, one of which is still pending. We are not unique in this regard. Currently, there are 360 open investigations against public and private colleges and universities, according to The Chronicle of Higher Education.

Last semester, I worked with two other editors at The Campus to detail the stories of six Allegheny sexual assault survivors in a two-part series. Most of our survivors did not have much good to say about the process.

Since our story ran, two friends have thanked me for writing it along with my fellow editors and said they had also been assaulted, but had not reported it because they had heard such bad reports of the college process.

The theoretical reasoning behind having colleges handle the process is sound. Dealing with a college investigation is meant to be less traumatic for a survivor than having to report to law enforcement. In practice, however, the experiment has failed.

In fact, the only part of the process that really seems to benefit the survivor at all is the part DeVos seems intent on removing, the fact that cases are decided using a "preponderance of evidence" threshold, as opposed to "beyond a reasonable doubt," as in a court of law.

Sexual assault can be difficult to prove in a court of law, where the burden of proof rests on the prosecution. It therefore is meant to be easier for a survivor to get justice through the college process than in the judicial one.

But, in the case of our survivors, most of their attackers received little to no punishment. It typically took the form of counseling sessions, online training or probation. The college often puts No Contact Orders in place, but as one survivor pointed out, on such a small campus, contact can often not be avoided.

The architects behind allowing institutions of higher education to handle these cases forgot colleges are essentially businesses. They need to attract and appeal to the best students in order to enhance their reputation. Honestly reporting the number of sexual assaults on their campus is, therefore, not necessarily in their best interest.

I recently learned that a fellow student was arrested last year for urinating outside of a residence hall. That was handled by the police, yet a serious crime like sexual assault is handled by the college?

It should be the other way around.

Having law enforcement handle these cases is not ideal. We have seen law enforcement mishandle sexual assault, but when they investigate, there is a publicly accessible paper trail of cases. Although names are omitted to protect the survivors, this allows some level of oversight.

This system would be far from perfect, but it is easier to implement and monitor change in a public system than in one that hides behind closed doors.

A small private liberal arts college like Allegheny is required only to report the number of cases. During the course of my reporting for The Campus on sexual assault, they were often reluctant to be interviewed about the way cases are handled and as a private institution, there was nothing we could do to make them talk.

Allegheny does have a role to play in this process. Sessions on consent and sexual assault have been added to first-year orientation, an important step for which the college should be applauded. Students, faculty and staff can help to change the culture that surrounds this issue and work to ensure that survivors are supported.

When it comes to actually investigating the crime, however, the college should play no part, other than to cooperate with law enforcement.

A better way to deal with sexual assault is needed. There are no perfect solutions, but there are solutions that allow us to hold people accountable.

The virtues of uncertainty

How 'The Stranger' re-delivers doubt

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Albert Camus' "The Stranger" used to be regarded as required reading — it was ranked as number one on Le Monde's "100 Books of the Century" in 1999 — and at this point, it should be again.

It is true to say that society has become more polarized. One need only look to the lexicon of new words that have been created to describe groups which occupy more extreme places on the spectrum — terms like alt-right and anti-fa — to see that conversation has become more difficult.

Whether it is ascribing motives to others, taking comments out of context, claiming to know what people are "really thinking" or assuming one has certain beliefs based off others they hold, one can clearly see we have all become susceptible to making truth-claims far beyond which we are really capable of doing.

This is a symptom of a collective decline in our ability to speak with those who hold opinions that differ from our own. We have become more certain of our own virtues while becoming increasingly sure of how morally repugnant the opinions of others are. We are speaking to each other less, while simultaneously claiming to know more about one another.

What I am describing does not only exist on cable television or campuses who garner news coverage for riots or protests, but has had manifestations at Allegheny. A black and white, right versus wrong, binary view of the world has gained popularity — if only it were so simple.

It's time to meet Meursault, the protagonist of "The Stranger." He is a man, much like a young Camus, who lived on the coast of French-Algeria. A man who Alice Kaplan, the most recent biographer of Camus, characterizes as "incapable of empathy." When reading "The Stranger," the reader is placed inside of Meursault's mind, and will quickly find they agree with Kaplan.

"Mama died today, or yesterday maybe — I do not know."

These are the painful first words of the book, and already the reader has a dilemma of judgment. On one hand, one feels immediate sorrow for the death of his mother, while at the same time frustration with Mersault's apparent apathy.

This theme continues throughout the novel. Meursault spends days walking around town, sitting on his balcony and smoking cigarettes in the African heat, a truly Bohemian lifestyle. There is one exchange which poignantly captures his hypnotic nonchalance.

"That evening Marie came by to see me and asked me if I wanted to marry her," he said. "I said it didn't make any difference to me and that we could if she wanted to."

The reader's interest peaks when Meursault kills an unnamed Arab man on the beach. Amid the thick humidity, the glaring sun and the lethargy of a day spent on the water, the reader struggles to orient himself during the whole encounter. The circumstances are opaque and confusing.

The Arab man brandished a knife, so Meursault had to defend himself, but why was Meursault carrying a gun and looking for the Arab man in the first place?



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It is hard to feel empathetic about him when he is sent away to jail, for he cannot even muster an emotion. When he appears on trial, his lack of remorse and disregard for his future is exactly what motivates the jury to deliver the death penalty he receives. As he lies in his cell, awaiting death, he hears sirens in the distance.

"They were announcing departures from a world that now and forever meant nothing to me. For the first time in a long time I thought about mama," he said. "So close to death, mama must have felt free, then, and ready to live it all again. Nobody, nobody, had the right to cry over her."

His final wish is only that he is met with hate by the crowd watching his execution.

"For the first time, in that night, alive with signs and stars, I opened myself to the gentle indifference of the world, finding it so much like myself, so much like a brother."

And the story ends. Camus perfectly captures what he calls life's absurdity and it leaves the reader disoriented. When one emerges from the backward tranquility of "The Stranger," the reader will find himself incapable of passing a judgement on Meursault.

The whole experience of reading this short novel reminds one of the limits of his own mind. It drapes the reader in humility, for they are incapable of condemning Meursault, while at the same time cannot imagine feeling empathy towards him.

Camus was born in French-Algeria in 1913. He wrote "The Stranger" while France was under Nazi occupation — a time during which he engaged in the French resistance as an editor for "Combat," a clandestine daily French paper.

He rose to the height of literary prominence with his philosophical books and essays until he was killed in a car crash at 46 years old. He was planning to take the train that night, but then decided to let his publisher drive him — the unused ticket was apparently found in his coat pocket. His life and writings perfectly captured the uncertainty of life.

The story of "The Stranger" and the life and death of Albert Camus is humbling and provokes wonder. The reader finds himself unable to make sense of things and unable to pass judgment, completely uncertain — a feeling we seldom get in this polarized world. Reading "The Stranger" places one hopelessly in an amoral world, and reminds us all how to feel uncertain again.

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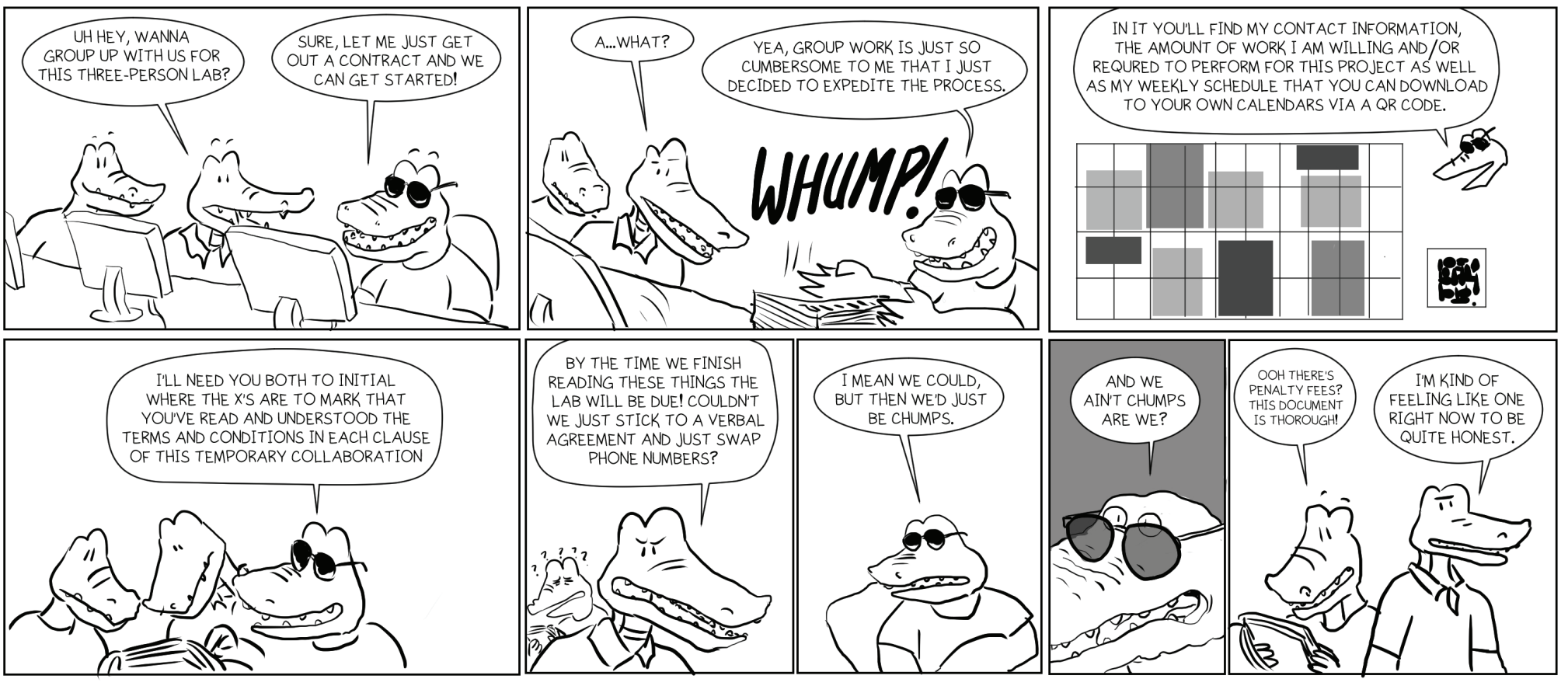

Tamulonis, Simon join geology department

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The geology department added two new professors this fall, Assistant Professor Kathryn Tamulonis and Visiting Assistant Professor Sharane Simon.

The process of hiring a new professor took over six months, involved a nationwide search, campus wide committees, a student committee, Skype interviews and involvement from the administration.

Rachel O'Brien, associate professor and geology department chair, was part of the search process.

"In addition to their interests in geology, they bring very broad interests and an understanding of the whole student and I think that is very important, and that is something we want in our faculty," O'Brien said.

Prior to working at Allegheny, Tamulonis worked at Slippery Rock University as a visiting instructor in the geology department.

Before teaching at Slippery Rock, Tamulonis worked as an oil and gas geologist. Her job was to detect the presence of natural gases or oil, which indicates an ideal drilling or fracking site.

Tamulonis attended Dickinson College in Carlisle, PA for her undergraduate studies, followed by two years at an environmental consulting firm in the Hudson Valley of New York. The firm mostly participated in cleaning up contaminated sites. Then, she attended Cornell University in Ithaca, New York for graduate school.

"I have a background in petroleum geology, sedimentary geology, looking at sedimentary rocks and understanding the variations in where they are deposited and what they mean," Tamulonis said. "Then, ground water with my background in environmental consulting and I dabble in landslides a little bit."



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Kathryn Tamulonis, assistant professor of geology.



Contributed by SHARANE SIMON
Sharane Simon, visiting assistant professor of geology.

Tamulonis said she chose to work at Allegheny because of her time at Dickinson.

"When I graduated from Dickinson I thought I would like to be a professor," Tamulonis said. "I don't think looking at rocks is a boring thing. There are a lot of economic reasons for things, geologists are the people who are tasked with finding resources and why they are there."

Simon said she looks forward to working with students.

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Simon received her bachelor's degree in petroleum geoscience from the University of the West Indies in St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago. After her undergraduate work, she worked as a geologist at Trinity Exploration and Production Limited in Trinidad and Tobago. She then went on to complete her dissertation and received her doctorate in Earth sciences from Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia.

Simon has several years of experience in research and conducted a study which advanced the limited understanding of ancient river systems. She also has experience investigating the significance of seismic aptitudes in an offshore gas field.

Simon said she believes in the continued importance of geology in the world and encourages students to go into the field.

"In geology, you get to do so many things, it is very broad," Simon said. "You can find anything to do."

Rich awarded commission for Science Gallery Dublin

Microbiome Ark project to be part of In Case of Emergency

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An explosive catastrophe eradicates life on Earth. Five thousand years in the future, a small satellite propels through the earth's atmosphere and plunges into the depths of an ocean, delivering life once again.

Byron Rich, assistant professor of electronic and intermedia art, will present Microbiome Ark as part of the In Case of Emergency exhibit at Trinity College's Science Gallery in Dublin, Ireland in October. M-Ark, a small satellite, is a current project among several recent projects in which Rich experiments with technology, biological art and ecological art.

"The general population, when they think about art, thinks about traditional media art, like painting or printmaking, or something like that," Rich said. "But there's this enormous field that uses science and techno-science to examine the ragged boundaries of potential emerging technologies."

The science behind the ark relies on satellite technologies, programmed re-entry, microorganisms themselves and the idea of panspermia. Rich said panspermia theorizes that life as we know it evolved from microbial life on asteroids, meteoroids and other celestial bodies that crashed into Earth.

"[M-Ark] houses a freeze-dried human microbiome in a little ceramic case, the idea being that if we wipe ourselves out it crashes back into Earth and kickstarts panspermia again," Rich said.

Artists, Rich said, have the capacity to recognize emerging technologies — for instance artificial intelligence or genetic engineering techniques — and think about their moral and ethical implications before they become embedded in culture.

Rich's most recent work focuses on creating an awareness of how institutional power affects human and ecological bodies, including waterways, forests and agricultural fields.

Rich collaborated with artist Mary Maggic in 2015 to create Open Source Estrogen, an examination of endocrine, or hormone disruptors in ecological bodies.

"We had this idea of just looking into, or trying to make a project that kind of speculated on a possible future in which we've been so affected by these unnatural or hormone-mimicking compounds that come from agricultural runoff, fracking and pollution more broadly, and herbicides and pesticides," Rich said. "What would happen if we started to harness these things — would we be able to use them as some sort of method of having more body sovereignty?"



Contributed by BYRON RICH
The M-Ark project will be part of the In Case of Emergency exhibit at the Science Gallery in Dublin, Ireland.

Rich said the project used a transgenic yeast — genetically modified yeast — to detect estrogenic compounds in ecological bodies, particularly in water. Those compounds could then be extracted from the water and isolated using methanol.

"We're left with these residues of industrial pollution and industrial processes that mimic naturally occurring hormones," Rich said.

Rich said the residues were incorporated into workshops to show people that these compounds exist even though they are not usually visible.

A spring 2017 sub-project of Open Source Estrogen, Avifauna of Estrogenic Paradise, also focused on estrogenic compounds in ambiguous areas of the earth.

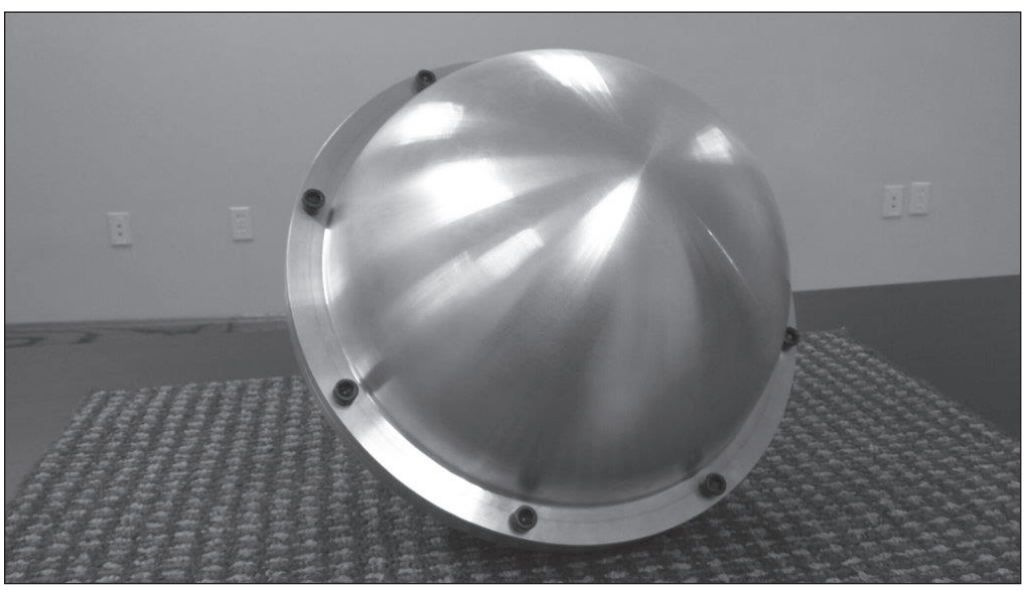
"I'm really interested in national borders and where they extend to, so I combined that interest with Open Source Estrogen and produced this project that speculated on a future where we create this blimp that could theoretically travel into the high atmosphere and detect and extract these endocrine-disrupting compounds in regions that exist outside of national borders," Rich said.

The blimp carries a set of sensors, including GPS and a yeast biosensor, so areas of high endocrine disruptor concentrations can be recorded, Rich said.

Open Source Estrogen received an honorary mention in Hybrid Art at the 2017 Ars Electronica Festival, which ran from Sept. 7 to Sept. 11 in Linz, Austria. Rich also delivered a lecture on Avifauna of Estrogenic Paradise in Plymouth, England in August.

Rich's other works include the ongoing GPS Assisted Ragweed Rover project — G.A.R.R.y — in collaboration with Visiting Assistant Professor of Art Heather Brand as well as the 2016 Queering Kitchen: On the Body Incubator in collaboration with Maggic.

In June, Science Gallery Dublin awarded the commission for Rich's upcoming M-Ark.



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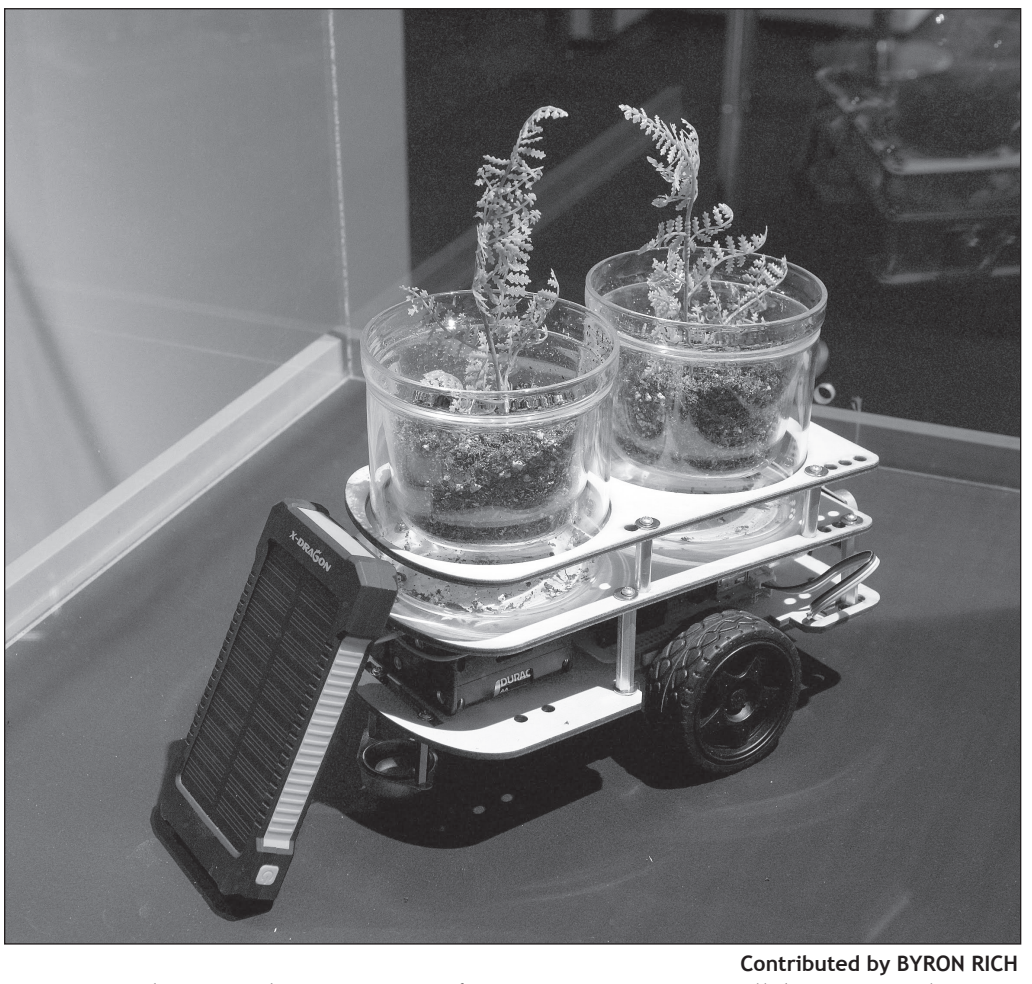
An element of the M-Ark project will be part of the In Case of Emergency exhibit opening Friday, Oct. 13, 2017.



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GPS Assisted Ragweed Rover is part of an ongoing project in collaboration with Heather Brand, visiting assistant professor of art.

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Rich said some explosive catastrophe could theoretically be rectified by an artist-constructed ark, but that is not the whole point of M-Ark.

"It's a ridiculous idea but it's more or less to get people interested in the science behind microbiomes and also aerospace, because those are two things I'm super obsessed with," Rich said. "There's ethical concerns too about putting any living things into space that could spread to other places. It's a huge concern for colonizing Mars or something like that — leaving microbial life on the planet that could somehow stay alive and pose a threat to anything that exists there."

Ethical considerations also extend into how an artist constructs and creates, according to Amara Geffen, professor of art and project director of the art and the environment minor. Geffen said artists should take responsibility for the materials they use and how they use them.

"For me, the environment is not just grass, water and air," Geffen said. "For me, it's also our social spaces and political spaces. Is there anything artists can do besides make cool stuff?"

Artists can do more than create — they can play a major role in social communication, according to communication arts and environmental studies double major Elia Sherman, '18.

"Art tells the consumer what's important," Sherman said. "Science and art together have the opportunity to reach more people. Not everyone understands science and not everyone understands art, but both of them together can kind of help to build one mind."

M-Ark will be showcased at the Science Gallery Dublin until April 2018. In Case of Emergency opens Friday, Oct. 13.

Pool league brings students together in game room competition

Inspired by pool popularity

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Since the 15th century, pool has been played by kings and common folk, passing the test of time and becoming a popular pastime for many people. It is for the young or old, athletes or couch potatoes, those who have Apple or those who have Samsung. Billiards is all inclusive and for this reason the game room invites all students at Allegheny to sign up for this semester's pool league.

Vinny Carone, '19, is the founder of the league and thought of the idea by observing how students spent their free time in the game room.

About 25 students signed up for the league, which will be held on Sunday, Monday and Thursday nights from 10 p.m. to midnight, indicating to Carone that a lot of students at Allegheny enjoy playing pool.

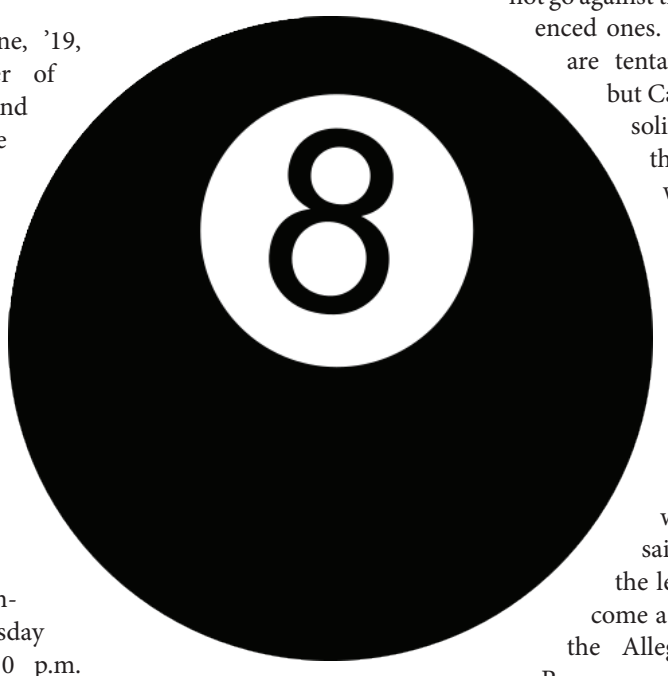
"I get a feeling there's a good amount of people who at least enjoy coming in here and taking their minds off things and playing [pool]. It's one of those games you can play your whole life I feel like and it's popular in all age groups," Carone said.

Billy Henshaw, '18, said he and his friends come in and play pool in order to take their minds off things since they are all currently working on their senior comprehensive projects.

"I would say [pool] is probably one of the more popular games in the game room," Henshaw said.

Jared Szklenski, '21, joined the league to relax and enjoy time with his friends. Szklenski works as an assistant in the game room and agrees the pool table usually stays occupied.

"If there's nobody else in here and I see a couple guys walk in, they're usually coming to play pool," Szklenski said.



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Carone, who also works as an assistant in the game room, has the chance to interact with many students who come to play pool, ping pong or one of the many other options it has to offer. His inspiration for starting a pool league specifically came from seeing familiar faces come in for late night games and thought adding a competitive edge would be a neat and fun idea.

"Guys would come in and play pool all the time, and I'd get to know their names and play with them sometimes and I just got the idea that we should make a league out of it," Carone said.

The league will be played in a "round robin" style, meaning everyone will get the chance to play each other and then will culminate at the end of the semester with a tournament based on how each player does. As of right now, Carone has split the players into three sub-divisions, which are East, Central and West to assure the more experienced players do not go against the less experienced ones. The divisions are tentative for now but Carone plans to solidify them in the next couple weeks of game play.

This semester will be a bit of an experiment for the pool league and if all goes well, Carone said he hopes the league will become a trademark of the Allegheny Game Room.

"I'd like to see more of this sort of thing in the future," Henshaw said. "I'm very happy that Vinny Carone was able to take that initiative and want to do something with regulars who come in."

The league is competitive, however, Carone and other participants hope everyone will remember that students having fun and getting their minds off school work is the goal. At the end of the league, Carone thinks the game room will have a pizza party for all who participate throughout the semester.

Soup kitchen offers students community service opportunity

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Allegheny College is on a mission to become an invaluable resource for the Meadville community. The college campus is striving to recreate beneficial and authentic relations between Meadville, Crawford County and the college.

One way Allegheny is striving to bridge the gap between communities is by sending three or four volunteers to the Meadville Community Soup Kitchen every weekday to help clean the facility and serve meals.

The Meadville Community Soup Kitchen is a non-profit organization, operating under 501(c)(4), located in the basement of Stone United Methodist Church and designed to provide a meal to anyone in need. All the funds that help support the soup kitchen come from donations from the surrounding community. The soup kitchen does not receive state, federal or United Way funding.

Allegheny College is one of 26 different groups that volunteer at the kitchen. Other organizations include the Crawford County Career and Technical Center, local schools and the Arc of Crawford County.

The kitchen has been operating for nearly 35 years and feeds approximately 1,900 people a month and allows patrons to receive seconds. In 2016, the Meadville Community Soup Kitchen served approximately 25,000 meals.

On any given day, the soup kitchen serves between 60 and 120 people.

"We wouldn't be able to do it without [the students]. We miss them when they leave for the summer," said Beverly Nutter, the kitchens coordinator.

Nutter said she was working as a custodian for Stone United Methodist Church 35 years ago when the soup kitchen first opened its doors. Within the year, she began working with the non-profit.

"It's a great way to give back to the community," Nutter said. "I just fell into it."

Sarah Nathan, '18, has been working with the soup kitchen since she became a Bonner Leader her freshman year at Allegheny. Nathan refers to the soup kitchen as a natural fit, and even took on the role of being the campus coordinator for the kitchen even though she is no longer working with the Bonner program.

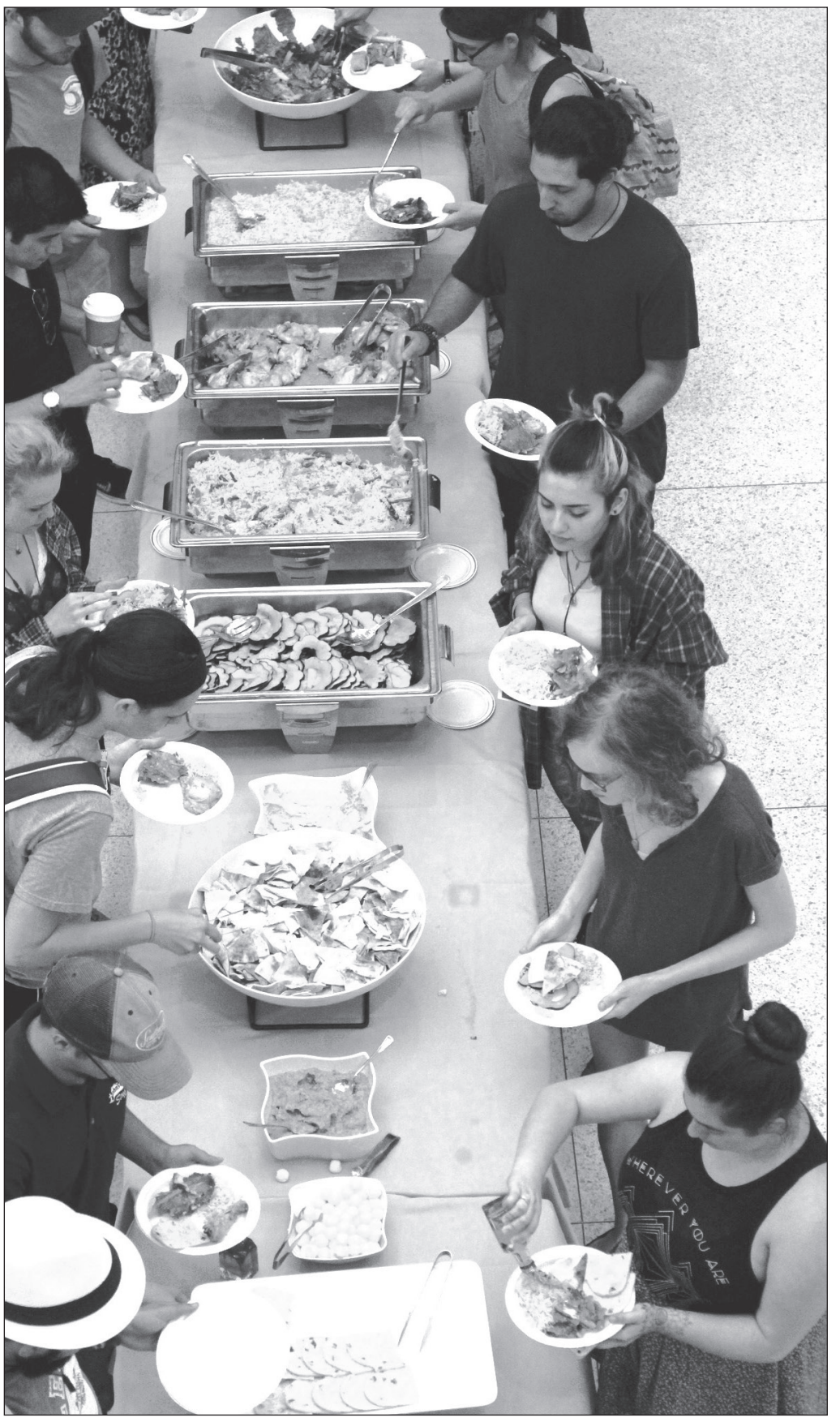
"I enjoy the experience of working alongside people I don't know that well because it's a great place to get to know other people and get to know the patrons of the soup kitchen as well," Nathan said. "I just like going into Meadville and getting out of the campus environment."

"Over the three years that I have been working at the soup kitchen, there have definitely been people with whom I've built relationships and have gotten to hear what they have to say about the soup kitchen making an impact in their lives," Nathan said.

Allegheny encourages students of all class years to volunteer.

"The more the merrier. The more help we can get, the better it will be," said Katelynn Frawley, '20, a first-year volunteer at the Meadville Community Soup Kitchen.

"I found it really rewarding to help someone," Frawley said. "It's just a really great experience. I think it is a good experience for any student to have."



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Students help themselves to a buffet in celebration of Eid Al-Adha hosted by the Islamic Cultural Association Club on Sunday, Sept. 17, 2017.

FESTIVAL SHOWCASES ISLAMIC CULTURE AT ALLEGHENY



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Maggie Dugan, '18, serves herself food at the buffet at the Eid Al-Adha celebration on Sunday, Sept. 17, 2017 in the Campus Center.



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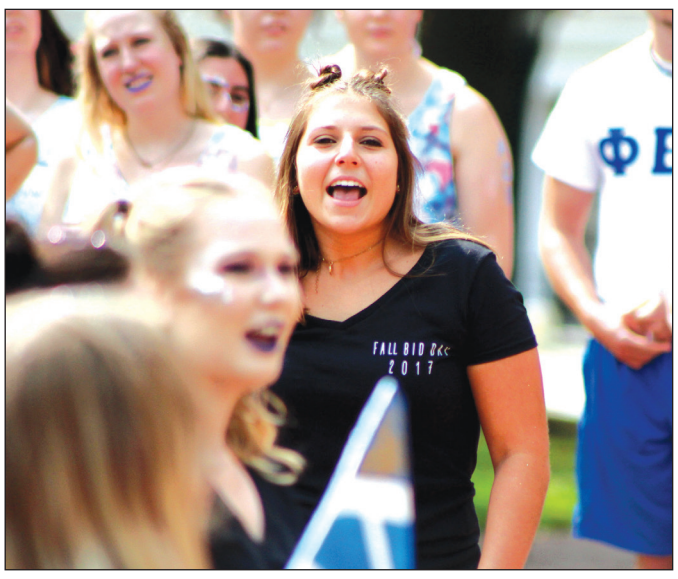



Top: The brothers of Phi Kappa Psi cheer as they present their new members to the college community on Saturday, Sept. 16, 2017 in Brooks Circle.
Above: Alpha Chi Omega releases balloons after cheering and singing during Run Out.
Right top: Delta Delta Delta member, Lizzie Schumacher, '20, cheers during the event.
Right center: Casey McDaniel, '19, waves his hand with the brothers of Phi Delta Theta at Run Out.
Below left: The college community gathers to watch the brothers of Phi Beta Sigma.
Below right: The sisters of Kappa Kappa Gamma crowd together after their cheer at Run Out.





Women's soccer falls to Case Western in overtime

Allegheny Gators focus on upcoming conference game

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Bryanna Urso, '21, fends off a Spartan offensive player on Sept. 9, 2017 at the Robertson Athletic Complex. The Gators lost 2-1 in overtime.

After coming off of a win against the Golden Tornadoes of Geneva College on Sept. 5, the Allegheny women's soccer team was ready to take on the Case Western Reserve University Spartans during their fourth game of the season.

Although the Gators were defeated 2-1 in overtime on their home field, they held their ground throughout the first half. The Gators exhibited strong offensive capability with seven shots on goal during the opening half of the game.

"Ultimately, the result of our game did not reflect the efforts of our team," said midfielder Bella Martinez, '19. "We should take this loss, grow from it and be ready for our next game."

During the second half, Martinez assisted center midfielder Sarah Sherwood, '18, with 10 minutes left in regulation, making it the only Gator goal of the game. Sherwood's goal brought the two teams out of regulation and into overtime.

As it is only the very start to their season, the Gators have been adjusting to their young team with the addition of 12 freshmen, according to Martinez.

"I thought it was our best played game this year. We showed some fight which is promising," said midfielder Taylor Renk, '20.

Although Renk couldn't find the back of the net, she lead the team in the offensive end with five shots. Collectively, the Gators tallied a total of 17 shots from eight different players.

Outside fullback Bryanna Urso, '21, also helped hold down the fort for the Gators, redirecting much of Case Western's advances back towards midfield for the majority of the game.

Urso was disappointed with the team's loss.

"I think we played an even match but got unlucky at the end," Urso said.

The Gators held their composure throughout the game, demonstrated a collective, strong work ethic and managed to connect plays offensively that they had developed in previous matches this season.

With senses of optimism and a desire for another win, the women's soccer team anticipates to change their level of play and to leave this loss in past.

To move forward with their season, the Gators will be back at their home facilities at the Robertson Athletic Complex on Saturday, Sept. 23, at noon to start their North Coast Athletic Conference play against the Denison University Big Red.



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Hannah Smith, '19, dribbles past midfield on Sept. 9. 2017 at the Robertson Athletic Complex

GATOR UPDATER

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2017

Women's Tennis
@ Oberlin College
ITA Tournament
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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2017

Women's Tennis
@ Oberlin College
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Women's Soccer
vs. Denison University
12 p.m.

Football
@ Ohio Wesleyan University
1 p.m.

Women's Volleyball
@ Kenyon College
1 p.m.

Men's Soccer
vs. Denison University
2 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

Women's Tennis
@ Oberlin College
ITA Tournament
TBA

Women's Golf
vs. Allegheny College
Women's Invitational
TBA

Men's Golf
@ Mercyhurst University
University Invitational
TBA

Alumni added to coaching staff

Q&A with Martinelli, basketball coach

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Allegheny alumni Patrick Martinelli, '17, has been added to the men's basketball team coaching staff. As of this month, Martinelli will join head coach Bob Simmons as an assistant coach.

The Campus: How long have you been a part of the team?

Martinelli: "I was involved in the basketball program for all four years that I was a student here. For the first two years I acted as a team manager and I primarily focused on filming. In my later two years, my role expanded and I became more involved in aspects beyond filming, like helping out in team practices and developing workouts."

Campus: Why did you decide to become involved in the Allegheny basketball program?

> "I knew that even if I wasn't physically playing the sport, that I wanted to be a part of the game in some capacity still."
>
> Patrick Martinelli
> *Class of 2017*

Martinelli: "I love basketball and I knew for a long time I wanted to become involved in coaching. When I was a freshman here, I decided to try and become a walk-on player, but I quickly realized that wouldn't happen for me. I was asked to stay on and help out however, and I did. When Simmons then became the head coach, he told me I was a great asset to have and granted me more responsibility as a member of the team."



MAURA HOSSLER/THE CAMPUS

Campus: Why did you want to become involved in coaching sports?

Martinelli: "It's predominantly my passion for the game, for basketball. I knew that even if I wasn't physically playing the sport, that I wanted to be a part of the game in some capacity still."

Campus: What are your aspirations for after this year?

Martinelli: "I graduated in May 2017 and I genuinely enjoy being a part of the Allegheny community still. In the future, I do hope to still be coaching. I would like to find a position at another Division III program because of the culture of those programs, the value in academics they give."