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This newsletter will communicate the news of faculty and staff, update everyone on campus events, and welcome new colleagues to campus. Use the online form to submit good news, achievements, and spread the word about important events to our community.

HR News

- The following employees are departing W&J. We wish them the best in their future endeavors.
  - Kristina Mayernik, Campus Police (June 16)
  - Katelyn Glazer, Admission (June 27)
  - Quatez Scott, Student Life (June 28)
Spotlight on Community Engagement

- The Greater Washington County Food Bank Produce to People food distribution is in need of volunteers on Tuesday, July 11 and Tuesday, August 1 from 8:00AM - 1:00PM at the Washington County Fairgrounds. Produce to People is the Food Bank’s large-scale produce distribution program. Volunteers are needed to assist with anything from passing out the produce, to acting as runners and support. Volunteers can sign up for the full experience or for shorter shifts. You can register for July here and August here.

- Join Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Pittsburgh in Washington County for the last of their Summer Fitness Series: Gentle Yoga! The event is Thursday, July 20 from 6:00PM - 7:00PM at Wilfred R. Cameron Wellness Center, 240 Wellness Way, Washington, PA 15301. Perfect for new students of yoga, anyone recovering from injury or pain. Be connecting breath with movement, learn how to practice self-awareness and self-care. Class is FREE, and donations are welcome. Please RSVP to Abbe at (724) 228-9195 or email ahulcher@bbbsgh.org.

- The annual Whiskey Rebellion Festival starts Thursday, July 6! The Whiskey Rebellion Festival celebrates the heritage and unique character of the region by focusing on the historical significance of the Whiskey Rebellion, a history that is unique to western Pennsylvania and primarily Washington County. The festival honors the significant period of America’s early days through historic reenactments, period exhibitions and demonstrations, family fun, frontier art, heritage music and food, shining a national spotlight on the city, county, and region. Community focused entertainment combines with nationally renowned artists, to create a festival that acknowledges the past, celebrates the present and looks toward the future. For a lineup of events, go to http://whiskeyrebellionfestival.com/festival-days/

Scholarship

- At the 2017 National Conference on Race and Ethnicity (NCORE) in Fort Worth, TX, Assistant Director of Inclusive Campus Engagement Quatez Scott presented a workshop on “Bringing the Gap in Active Listening Using a Multicultural/Social Justice Lens” on June 3rd. This workshop breaks down the challenges of engaging in difficult dialogue and the multicultural and social barriers of active listening. The presentation examines elements of being an effective listener and introduces competency tools to aid in the overall understanding of why some conversations never move forward. Program participants explored personal challenges of engaging in difficult dialogue with opposing viewpoints, identified tools and opportunities that will aid in respectfully continuing conversations, and examined experiences where identity contributed or prohibited learning from taking place during a discussion.

- Dr. Candy DeBerry, Professor of Biology, gave a presentation on “What Gardeners Can Do To Fight Climate Change” for the United Methodist Women’s Association of California, Pennsylvania on 13 June.

- Assistant Professor of History David Kieran presented his paper “From ‘Your Services Are Not Required’ to ‘Most Commanders Were Very Receptive’: How Peacekeeping Missions Changed the Army’s Attitudes about Mental Health” at the Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations Conference in Arlington, Virginia.

Library Times

Welcome W&J’s New Systems Librarian

The Library is pleased to welcome Jackie Laick as the new Systems Librarian. Jackie comes to W&J with a Master’s degree in Library & Information Sciences from the University of Pittsburgh and a B.A. in History from Wheeling Jesuit University. She most recently has been the Digital Services Manager at Citizens Library in Washington.

Jackie can be reached at jlaick@washjeff.edu or x6539

Library Calendar

The Library will observe Summer Hours in June and July. For a complete list of our hours over the summer, please visit our Home Page.