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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.


College Announcements

- On May 8th, 2017, the education department held an induction ceremony in the Old Main Chapel for new members of Kappa Delta Epsilon, the education honorary. All students who qualify for KDE must meet the minimum GPA requirement of 3.5. Pictured from top to bottom are: Mia Woytovich, Alexis Glenn, Macel Reising, Kaitlin McCracken, Victoria Metz, and Bryce Eggar. All students are CDE majors and are seeking teacher certification in a variety of areas: Prek – 4, Special Education Prek-8, Social Studies 4 – 8, and Math 4 – 8. Congratulations to this worthy and hard working group of future teachers.

News

- The 218th commencement ceremony saw 256 Presidents graduate from Washington & Jefferson College on May 20. William Strickland, founder, president, and CEO of the internationally-renowned non-profit Manchester Bidwell Corporation (MBC), delivered the keynote address. Strickland received an honorary degree, as did Richard Clark, retired Merck Pharmaceuticals chairman and chair of the Board of Trustees at W&J, Paul Jacobs, GRAMMY-winning organist and head of the organ department at The Juilliard School, and Sister Carol Keehan, DC, president and CEO of the Catholic Health Association of the United States (CHA).

Library Times

- Welcome W&J's New Archivist

The Library is pleased to welcome Kelly Helm as the new College Archivist. Kelly comes to W&J with Master's degrees in Library & Information Sciences from Long Island University and in English Literature from Arcadia University. She most recently has been an English Adjunct Professor at Rowan University, Widener University and Arcadia University. Kelly is specifically interested in the use of primary source material and multidisciplinary use of special collections and digital collections.

Kelly can be reached at khelm@washjeff.edu or x6048.

- Students take time to PAWS for a Study Break

Nearly 200 students (and faculty) visited the library on Wednesday, May 10, for the Library’s PAWS for a Study Break. Five volunteers from Therapy Dogs International shared their dogs with W&J students taking a time out during spring finals. This event marked the eighth consecutive semester of the event, which has seen increasing attendance each time. Many thanks to the volunteers who came and spent part of their Wednesday with our students!

- Friendly Reminder about Library Materials

Please take a few minutes to drop off items that are no longer needed for your research, course preparations, etc. Thank you in advance, and have a great summer!

Congratulations Cheri Duball!
HR News

- We would like to welcome the following employees to the W&J community:
  - Nikola Malzenov, Head Water Polo Coach (June 1)
  - Emily Brzustowicz, Assistant Director of Admission, (June 5)
  - Jackie Laick, Systems Librarian, (June 19)

- The following employees are departing W&J. We wish them the best in their future endeavors.
  - Preeti Rajendran, Academic Affairs (May 31)
  - Kara Kauffman, Academic Affairs, (May 31)
  - Alexandra Sossi, Admission, (May 26)
  - Michael Thompson, Athletics, (May 31)
  - Cassandra Wyckoff, Athletics (May 31)
  - Katie Hastings, Athletics (May 31)
  - Madison Rotto, Athletics (May 31)
  - Cameron Scott, Athletics (May 31)
  - Colette Kellen, Athletics (May 31)
  - Taylor Klevens, Athletics (May 31)
  - Jonathan Hed, Communications (May 26)
  - Matthew Henry, Business & Economics (June 30)

- Congratulations to the following employees on achieving milestone anniversaries with the College in June:
  - Charlie Powell, Advancement, June 27th—1 Year

From the Sustainability Committee

- Reducing and reusing has never been so easy and fun! Join the Wash Jeff Exchange Facebook sale group to view or post items available for sale or free within the W&J community. Contact Rebecca McDonald with any questions.

CoLET Corner

The Committee on Library and Educational Technology is here to look at academic uses of library and technology resources. Visit our libguide to contact us, learn about technology inside and outside the classroom, and for room recommendations.

Scholarship

- David Kieran, Assistant Professor of History, published a review of Viet Thanh Nguyen’s "Nothing Ever Dies: Vietnam and the Memory of War" on H-AMSTDY in April. He also presented two papers: "Callous Disregard of Veterans’ Rights is of a Piece with the Administration’s Entire Approach to War: Veteran Suicide and Anti-War Sentiment during the Iraq War" at the Annual Meeting of the Organization of American Historians in New Orleans and "In the Next War, Psychiatric Casualties Will Be Inevitable: The Implications of the Army’s Post-Vietnam Approach to Mental Health For The Iraq War" at the Annual Meeting of the American Association for the History of Medicine in Nashville.

- Dr. Candy DeBerry, Professor of Biology, gave a presentation on "Thomas Jefferson: Advocate for Native Plants" at the 4th annual Mountain Maryland Native Plant Festival at New Germany State Park near Frostburg, Maryland on May 13.

New Acquisitions

The following titles have been added to our collection and can be found in our New Book Corner:

- Everything I Need to Know I Learned in the Twilight Zone by Mark Dawidziak
- The Angel of History: A Novel by Rabih Alameddine
- The Glass Universe: How the Ladies of the Harvard Observatory Took the Measure of the Stars by Dava Sobel
- The Impact of the Geological Sciences of Society Ed. by Marion Bickford
- Undivided Rights: Women of Color Organize for Reproductive Justice by Jael Silliman

Library Calendar

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From the Archives

With Commencement 2017, it is only appropriate that we share this recent find from the W&J Archives! These are some of the financial records for printing the diplomas for the Class of 1866. On July 31, 1865, the Board of Trustees hired A. F. Mathens Sr. to create a copperplate and 60 printed copies of the diploma for $190. When Mathens had not been paid by March 7, 1866, he sent the Trustees a bill to show the itemized cost of his work. It appears that Mathens was not actually paid until June 21, 1866; the letter states:

Dear Sir

Various circumstances have caused delay in the pay[ment] of your [?]. Any bills hereafter contracted work […] much more prompt attention.

Enclosed find check on […] for 197. The rct. of which you will please acknowledg[e].

Your […] Dr. W

Washtn Pa June 21, 1866

We don’t know what the circumstances were at the time, but it’s nice to know that Mathens finally was paid for these diplomas!