McKinney Hall Christmas Tree (Decorated by Debbie Smith and Saundra Tracey)

McKinney Commons Christmas Tree (Decorated by Student Affairs Staff/Students)

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He’s back......

We thought we got rid of him....... But, the army let him go home early and his wife didn’t want him. So, I guess we are stuck with him.

Chief John Burke returned to campus on Wednesday, December 2nd after his recent military deployment overseas.

The Pitt-Titusville family welcomes Chief Burke home and thanks him for his service!

Phi Theta Kappa members and advisors enjoy an evening with the Trans Siberian Orchestra on Nov 18th in Erie, PA.
Alpha Omega Hosts Wrapping Party for Operation Christmas Child

Alpha Omega hosted a Wrapping Party in November to help wrap and pack shoeboxes for boys and girls across the world that would otherwise not receive presents this Christmas.

In coordination with Samaritan’s Purse, a Christian non-profit organization, Operation Christmas Child (OCC) sends shoeboxes filled with toys, books, hygiene products, small item clothing, school supplies, and other non-perishable items to children around the world.

Members of Alpha Omega shopped for and received donations of items to send to boys and girls ages 3-13. Students and faculty members attended the Wrapping Party and filled boxes and wrote letters to the children to place in their shoebox. While wrapping, students enjoyed Christmas music, a Hot Chocolate Bar and cookies, and had a great time! Courtney Jewell, a member of Alpha Omega added, “It was nice to take a break from studying and take time to make a difference for others.”

Overall, students wrapped 25 shoeboxes that will be delivered to children in many countries around the world. With the generous donations, the real message being sent was, “It’s not about quantity, it’s about quality and giving children a reason to smile this Christmas,” said Alpha Omega member Cayla Suchar. If you are interested in Alpha Omega or any service projects or events, contact: Casey Davis, President, cad145@pitt.edu or Mr. Ledebur ledebur@pitt.edu if you have any questions.
Students....Remember to check your mailboxes!

Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) is holding its annual Finals Bag Fundraiser, but this year students will be able to buy their own version of the finals bags during the last week of classes. Parents can order bags with snacks and study materials to be delivered to students and Pitt-Titusville students can buy smaller snack bags. The finals bags that parents order can be picked up in Haskell Library between Dec 8th and Dec 11th. Students will receive notes in their mailboxes, so students remember to check your mailboxes! The snack bags can be purchased in the lobby of the Student Union during the last week of class. If anyone has any questions, please contact PTK advisors Meredith Kenyon or Laura Terwilliger.

Staff Christmas Party/Salvation Army Wrap Party

The Pitt-Titusville Staff Party/Salvation Army Wrap Party will be held in Boomer’s on Friday, December 18th from noon until 2 p.m.

Lunch will be potluck. Drinks will be provided by the Pitt-Titusville Staff Association.

Please R.S.V.P. to Marjorie Straub or Tammy Carr (and let us know what dish you will be bringing) by Wednesday, December 16th.
We have a new fundraiser for our Adopt-A-Family project!

JEANS WEEK!

Well, actually Jeans Short Week!! Starting on Monday, December 21\textsuperscript{st} through Wednesday, December 23\textsuperscript{rd}, you can wear jeans for only $5 a day!! You can pay for one, two, or all three days! All the proceeds will go toward our Salvation Army Adopt-A-Family project.

Since Jeans Week occurs after the Salvation Army Adopt-A-Family project is over, you must commit early. Commitment and payment will be due before Tuesday, December 15\textsuperscript{th}.

Stop by and see Nicole Neely in Davis Hall to sign up and pay!!

Thanks so much for your continued support of our project!

Keep the season of giving going!
http://www.upt.pitt.edu/christmas-families

$5 Challenge

Please consider accepting the $5 challenge or pledging additional money to this year’s United Way campaign. Your pledge of $5 per month over the course of the year to the United Way through payroll deduction will benefit many programs and organizations in our community.

No pledge or one time gift is too small.
Need a Break from Studying?
Come by Haskell Memorial Library on Thursday December 10th if you want to take a moment to relax! We will have a few board games and card games along with some other activities to take your mind off of finals. Do you miss your family pet? At 6 p.m., a local Therapy will be bringing in therapy dogs for you to hang out with for a couple of hours!

Visit with Santa
Thursday, December 10
12:30 pm—2 pm
Boomer’s

Santa will have a special gift for students when he visits
Come hear Ju Taun perform on campus

Tuesday, December 14th
at 5:30 pm in Booner’s

Ju Taun has an alluring fusion of classic soul, folk, classic rock/pop, African and reggae. Based in South Jersey and Philadelphia area, Ju-Taun has gained a lucrative following for their distinct quality of music. Their inherent love of music is personified throughout their songs and is not only a career for them but a way of life. The powerful sound of Ju-Taun captures the hearts of all. You can check out their website at http://jutaun.com/

Study Breaks

Breakfast
Monday, December 14th
9:30 pm—10:30 pm
Mckinney Commons

Snacks
Tuesday, December 15th
2 pm
SU Lobby

All students are invited to participate in these study break offerings, you do not have to be on the meal plan to participate!

Canvas Painting

Friday, December 11
We will depart campus at 5:45 pm and painting begins promptly at 6 pm in the downtown studio.

*Space is limited and advance sign up is required with a refundable deposit of $5 for students. Students will receive their deposit back when they show up at the event. If space permits, non students can participate at a cost of $20 each (non-refundable).

Learning Center: Finals Extravaganza

Saturday, December 12
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Learning Center

Faculty will be present to help answer students’ questions & prepare for finals. The Extravaganza will include activities, movies, games, and even a breakfast bar and pizza and pop for lunch!
What's up at the Book Center?

Ashley Clark is the lucky winner of the Book Center Discover Day Passport drawing that was held on Friday, November 20th.
Ashley is a Freshman from Philadelphia, PA studying Business Management. Congratulations, Ashley!

Winter Sale
Monday, November 30th - Friday, December 11th
15% off sweatshirts and sweatpants
20% off Scarves
Excludes clearance items
Discount taken at register.

Pitt-Titusville Nursing Students,
Thank you so much for helping to serve at our Thanksgiving Luncheon.
We couldn’t have done it without you!
Our seniors enjoy having you here very much!

Thanks again,
Tim Snyder
Titusville Senior Center

Haskell Memorial Library
Finals Week Hours

Sunday, Dec. 13
2 pm–10 pm
Monday-Wednesday, Dec. 14-16
9:00 am – 10 pm
Thursday, Dec. 17
9:00 am–6 pm
Friday, Dec. 18
9:00 am–5 pm
Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 19-20
CLOSED

Haskell Memorial Library thanks Dr. Nancy Tress for her recent book donation.