Pitt Titusville is celebrating poetry for National Poetry Month in April, but the festivities start now. On March 19 the UPT Black Student Union is hosting a Maya Angelou Tribute Open Mic Night. Tenasia Law, a sophomore, has been a fan of Angelou’s work and along with Doug Foster and Ashle Hall, has worked to create and initiate this program.

After seeing Angelou speak at Clarion University in 2010, Law was moved by what she saw. When asked where this idea came from, Law said, “I admire her and wanted to do something in honor of her. At first I was thinking it would be great to do for Black History Month, but Stephanie Fiely pointed out to me that the month of March is Women’s History Month and I thought the tribute would fall perfectly into place then.” It also helps UPT gear up for April’s National Poetry Month, which UPT will celebrate by hosting the Day of Poetry. When asked why Angelou is such a significant person, Law concluded, “She’s significant because of her story, talent, success, and accomplishments. She’s an inspiration.”

Maya Angelou was a writer, poet, actress, singer, and all around influential figure of the 20th and 21st centuries. Her work includes her acclaimed autobiography, *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*; some of her most recited poems include “Phenomenal Woman,” “And Still I Rise,” and “On the Pulse of Morning;” and many personal essays. The Maya Angelou Tribute Open Mic Night will take place at UPT in Boomer’s Café (cont. page 8)
New Books Added at Haskell Memorial Library

The myth of emptiness and the new American literature of place. Harding.

Beyond the university: why liberal education matters. Roth.

Cyberbullying in social media within educational institutions: featuring student, employee, and parent information. Horowitz.

Straightforward statistics: understanding the tools of research. Geher.


The shock doctrine: the rise of disaster capitalism. Klein.

Health sciences librarianship. Wood.


Entering the real world: timeless ideas not learned in school. Kramer.


Public health in Appalachia: essays from the clinic and the field. Welch.

Mathematics for the life sciences. Bodine.

Designing information literacy instruction: the teaching tripod approach. Kaplowitz.

Understanding environmental policy. Cohen.

Fix my shoulder: a guide to preventing and healing from injury and strain. Demirakos.

Life after college: ten steps to build a life you love. Terhune.

No logo: no space, no choice, no jobs. Klein.

Cowardice: a brief history. Walsh.

Final frontier: the pioneering science and technology of exploring the universe. Clegg.

Dear white people. DVD
**Student Happenings**

**SGA Animal Shelter Donation Drive**

Would you like to be entered to win a $25 gift card and help animals in need?

**How it works:** For each item you donate, your name will be entered into the gift card drawing.

**Accepted Donations:**
- Cleaning supplies
- Office supplies
- Pet food and cat food and toys
- *A complete list can be found in the Facebook event or at the front desk.*

**When:** Now until March 20th

**Where:** At the Student Union front desk and at the Student Union basketball games.

**Drawing:** Will be performed at the game on March 20th

**Shelter:** Fayette Friends of Animals – No Kill Rescue and Shelter

For more information please check out our Facebook event titled: SGA Animal Shelter Donation Drive

*Note:* Students please text around your house over Spring Break to see if there are any items that can be donated. All items in “scuffuck” also have some pet items and cleaning supplies on sale in their clearance section. This will help us raise money with the help of a pet food donation.

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**March is Women’s History Month**

Learn about HerStory

You are invited to University of Pittsburgh Titusville Campus

Women & History Wednesdays

Student Union Room 203

7:00 PM (Film & Discussion)

**March 4:** Iron Jawed Angels: Votes For Women

An inspirational movie about women in America gaining suffrage.

**March 11:** Makers: Women Who Make America

The story of how women have asserted their rights to a full and fair share of political power, economic opportunity and personal autonomy in the last 30 years.

**March 25:** The Invisible War

A documentary about the epidemic of rape for women serving in the United States military.

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**We are holding a 5K Race Against Racism to unite people, demonstrate our commitment to eliminating racism, and celebrate our diversity.**

**We invite you to join us!**

**race against racism**

The Winner is Humanity

**When:** Saturday, April 5, 2014 at 10:00 AM (Registration begins at 9:30 AM)

**Where:** Student Union

**Cost:** All Pitt students receive free race registration! You must sign up in advance to receive this free registration in the Student Activities Office (SU 217)!

Non-Student Adults are $12 (includes race & t-shirt).

All registrations must be turned in by March 25th to the Student Activities Office.

Additional t-shirts will not be available day of the race.

This is a fun event for people to join together and celebrate humanity!
The Challenge is on!

The University of Pittsburgh at Titusville Student Government Association (SGA) has challenged the Pitt-Titusville faculty and staff to a basketball game on Friday, March 20, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the J. Curtis McKinney Student Union Gymnasium.

This year, representing the faculty and staff will be Dr. David Fitz, Parris Carter, Sara Slater, Bill Watson, Jeff Ledebur, Dr. Nancy Tress, Sommer Elliott-Disque, Kim Roser, Dr. Laura Terwilliger, Jessica Reynolds, Steven Allen and Kyle Krepps. The students will be represented by students from many of the clubs and organizations on campus, including the student-athletes.

According to Parris Carter, Executive Director of Student Affairs and the Advisor for the SGA, “This is the third annual faculty and staff versus students basketball game. For the last two years, the faculty and staff have won, with a little help from the referees.”

This annual event is the fundraiser for the SGA. The cost to get into the game is $3.00 or $2.00 with a Pitt I.D. In addition, the group also will be collecting donations for Fayette Friends of Animals, a no-kill animal shelter located in Uniontown, PA. According to Olyvia Drake, President of SGA, “Fayette Friends of Animals is one of the largest no-kill shelters on this side of Pennsylvania. They receive no government assistance and rely on donations to keep their doors open. At any given time, they care for 80-100 animals. They rely heavily on donations and every donation is appreciated and will be put to good use.” In addition to monetary donations, The SGA will also be accepting cleaning supplies, office supplies, Purina dog and cat food and toys.

Who will take home this year’s trophy and bragging rights? Join us Friday evening and find out while supporting a great cause!

**Student Academic Honors Convocation**

The annual Student Academic Honors Convocation will be held on Wednesday, April 8, 2015, at 3:45 p.m. in Henne Auditorium, Broadhurst Science Center. Awards will be given to students in the following disciplines: Applied Science, Arts and Letters, History and Philosophy, Business, Life Science, Nursing, Physical Science, Physical Therapist Assistant Program, Social Science, the Part-time Student and for the Outstanding Student.

New members will also be inducted into Phi Theta Kappa, an honor society. Students, faculty, staff, and the public are invited to attend the ceremony and the reception following the ceremony in Henne lobby.
Annual Oil Region March for Babies

The March of Dimes annual Oil Region March for Babies will be held on Saturday, April 18, beginning in the J. Curtis McKinney II Student Union Gymnasium.

The event begins at 9:00 a.m. with registration. Participants will walk approximately 4.5 miles through the streets of Titusville and will return to campus for activities such as a bounce house, lunch, Schwan’s ice cream, cotton candy, live dance performance, DJ and bird house building and painting with HomeDepot.

If you are interested in raising money for the March of Dimes and participating in March for Babies, please register today at marchforbabies.org. Don’t miss all the fun. Come out and “Walk 4 Babies!”

If you have any questions, please contact Cricket Wencil-Tracey at wencil@pitt.edu or at 827-4427.

Daffin’s Candy Bars

Stop by the Registrar’s Office, Academic Affairs Office or the Computer Center to purchase your Daffin’s candy bars and chocolate covered pretzels. Money raised will be given to the March of Dimes on behalf of the Pitt team.

New Director of Residence Life

Please welcome our new Director of Residence Life, Ms. Ashley Testa. Ashley comes to us from Moravian College in Bethlehem, PA. We are excited about her arrival and addition to the Student Affairs Team. Her office is on the 2nd floor of the Student Union. She looks forward to meeting all the faculty and staff here at UPT. If you see her, please say "hi" and welcome her to the institution and the community.

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!

PITT-TITUSVILLE STUDENTS.....
COMPLETE THE NOEL-LEVITZ SURVEY AND STRENGTHEN THE QUALITY OF THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE.

WE WANT TO KNOW WHAT YOU THINK!

EVERYONE WHO COMPLETES THE SURVEY WILL BE ENTERED INTO A DRAWING TO WIN PRIZES!

DRAWINGS:
$25 Titusville Chamber of Commerce Gift Certificate (one name chosen per week)  
March 16-22  
March 23-29  
March 30-April 8

$75 Grand prize - all participants  
Titusville Chamber of Commerce Gift Certificate  
(including those who already won an incentive) will be pulled April 8

Photo by Tammy Knapp
The University of Pittsburgh at Titusville, along with the other regional campuses, participated in the University of Pittsburgh’s Give a Thread campaign. Last November the University began a campaign to break the Guinness World Record for the most large articles of clothing collected for the intent of donation or recycle in one drive. Qualifying clothing included pants, shirts, jackets, suits, dresses, shorts and skirts.

The purpose was to have the clothing collected donated to Goodwill Industries and other nonprofit organizations that help those in need with clothing. All professional clothing was donated to Dress for Success Pittsburgh, an organization that supports women re-entering the workforce. Items that are stained or torn will be turned into insulation by Goodwill Industries.

Stephanie Fiely, Director of Student Activities at the Titusville campus spearheaded the Titusville campaign. “The Pitt-Titusville faculty, staff and students were asked to clean out their closets and donate their gently worn clothing items to this worthy cause. We also had assistance from the Titusville community which helped us exceed our campus donation goal of 500 articles of clothing. The total goal of the campaign was 150,000 pieces of clothing items, the last report I heard was that our count was just over 100,000 items collected. I am pleased to say that Pitt-Titusville donated 2,156 items to the Give a Thread campaign. In addition we sent down three large boxes of accessories for the donation which included socks, shoes, belts, gloves, and much more,” said Fiely. Thank you for all your donations, to the Student Affairs Staff for loading up the bus with 57 boxes and two bags of donations, and to Mr. Miller for driving our donations to Pittsburgh. Hail to Pitt!!!!
Pictured above is Jacob Rash assisting with many of the demonstrations shown during Pitt-Titusville's American Chemical Society's "Science You Can See" event on February 26th. Other event photos are also on this page.

*Photos by Tammy Knapp.*

**Panther Print**

The next Panther Print will be published on Friday, April 3. Articles, photos, information, etc. are due by noon on Wednesday, April 1.
Graduation is right around the corner. What better place to purchase your announcements than from your own University? The Book Center is now offering Customized Graduation Announcements at the very reasonable price of just $1.30 plus tax per announcement (minimum purchase of 5 announcements).

On the front of each announcement is the Pitt Seal and “University of Pittsburgh Titusville” beautifully embossed in gold lettering. Inside there is a detailed sketch of McKinney Hall and we will custom imprint the name and degree of the graduate and the ceremony information. Each announcement comes with two envelopes. These customized announcements are a great way for your family and friends to always remember this great accomplishment in your life!

The Book Center is also offering elegant, quality hardwood diploma frames! The frames are available in a variety of sizes, and come in your choice of walnut, cherry, or mahogany each with custom matting embossed with the Pitt Seal and the University of Pittsburgh in gold lettering. Prices vary, starting at $125.00 plus tax. Even if you’re not currently graduating, these frames would be a great graduation gift for a friend or family member. After all, who doesn’t want to show off their hard earned diploma with an exquisite frame?
at 7:00 p.m. on March 19.

On April 9 UPT will host its annual Day of Poetry event. This event has been hosted at Pitt Titusville for over 30 years and is the product of the combined efforts of UPT faculty, Titusville Middle School and High School teachers, and the Titusville Council on the Arts. Over the past few years the Day of Poetry committee has been working to revive this program and to get local poets more involved with the event.

This year the Day of Poetry poet, Erie County Poet Laureate Cee Williams, will spend an hour at Titusville High School conducting a poetry writing workshop with the winners of the school’s poetry contest. At 3:00 p.m. he will head to UPT for an afternoon of poetry readings and offer another writing workshop for the UPT students and Titusville community.

As part of the Day of Poetry, Williams will read some of his original works, share his writing process, as well as lead students and community members through the poetry workshop. The Day of Poetry events will take place at the Haskell Auditorium from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and are free and open to the public. In the evening, the auditorium will host the awards ceremony for the winners of the school’s poetry contest.

Please consider being a part of this year’s event or attending some part of it. It was a great success last spring, with students reading original works, community members participating and faculty sharing their favorite poems. Please consider sharing your creativity and talents with the UPT community. If you are interested in participating please contact Meredith Kenyon at mkenyon@pitt.edu.

This event is made possible through partnerships with the Titusville schools, The Titusville Council on the Arts, and the University of Pittsburgh—Titusville.

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