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Senate Meeting Updates & Budget Requests

Tuesday, March 3, 2009 Meeting:

Budget requests were heard.

Thursday, March 5, 2009 Meeting:

The following amounts were passed during this meeting:

SPSEA—\$542.00

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Math Club—\$269.20

Math Club—\$350.00

Pendulum—\$191.00

GSA—\$315.00

Sigma Tau Delta—\$300.00

Sigma Tau Delta—\$450.00

Sigma Tau Delta—\$164.50

Lambda Pi Eta—\$2637.00

Lambda Pi Eta—\$450.00

Lambda Pi Eta—\$105.00

Polis—\$153.30

RSC—\$3,000.00

SGA—\$12,128.00



New Furniture in Fireside Lounge

Tuesday, March 17, 2009:

The following amounts were passed during this meeting:

Habitat for Humanity—\$150.00

Intramurals—\$1,742.00

6th Man—\$835.00

Aficionados Guild—\$450.00

Tuesday, March 24, 2009:

Budget requests were heard during this meeting, and the following amounts were passed:

Commuter Relations—\$1,413.00

Senior Week—\$932.00

Tuesday, March 31, 2009:

Budget requests were heard, and the following amounts were passed:

Math Club—\$274.50

Diversity Student Coalition—\$765.00

Delta Eta Beta—\$450.00

Pendulum—\$67.50

IAV—\$325.00

Military Appreciation Club—\$109.50

Senate meetings are held every Tuesday at noon in the Hempfield Room and are open to students. Budget requests are every first and third Tuesdays of every month.

CC&CI & 6th Man Charity Basketball Game

SGA's Charitable Contributions and Community Involvement Committee and 6th Man Committee teamed up this semester to sponsor a Students vs. Faculty and Staff Charity Basketball Game on Thursday, March 26th. Some of the students who were played include SGA's Brian

Goppman and Warren Lewis and the Faculty consisted of such well-known members as Jacob Deininger the Librarian and Dr. Gary Hart.

The proceeds benefitted the Arc of Westmoreland, a local non-profit that supports special needs children and their families in the

area. Between the game and various other fundraisers (such as 6th Man t-shirt sales at ball games,) SGA managed to raise over \$950.00 this semester for the Arc. Be sure to check out the car wash during Commuter Relations week (pg. 5) for another opportunity to donate!

Club Spotlight - Polis by Cory Stinedurf



New to Pitt-Greensburg this year is Polis. The concept of Polis is to bring students together and discuss topics involving non-partisan politics, culture, arts, history, and other social issues.

On Sunday March 22 Polis held a “meet and

greet” brunch in Fire-side Lounge. Members are currently planning an impromptu debate which will be open to both members and non-members. The debate is scheduled to be held within the first few weeks of April. Keep your eyes open for ad-

vertisements if you may be interested in attending. The advisor, the officers, and members are always welcoming any new participants for the club and events.

**ATTENTION
SENIORS!**

This year SGA is planning a Senior week. The week will consist of:
Monday, April 20 at 4pm—Picnic in conjunction with Peace-a-Palooza III at the Pavilion

Tuesday, April 21 at 7:30pm—Dinner & A Movie Dinner will be held in the cafeteria with a movie to follow outdoors at 9:00pm

Wednesday, April 22—Pittsburgh Pirates Game Departing Pitt-Greensburg at 11:00am

Thursday, April 23—Trip to the Zoo Departing Pitt-Greensburg at Noon

*Please watch for sign-up dates so you can attend the events, these events are ONLY for Seniors!

Students for Peace & Justice—Peace-a-Palooza III

This spring marks the first time Pitt-Greensburg will sponsor a Senior Week, which kicks off on April 20 with a Nickelodeon Guts inspired competition and an outdoor version of Peace-a-Palooza.

Peace-a-Palooza III will be held on the athletic fields behind Millstein and begins at 5pm. Between the third and fourth bands the winner of Guts will be determined live in front of everyone on Pitt-Greensburg’s own Aggrocrag.

The event is free to both students and the general public. The event will go as follows:

5pm—Black Magic Theatre, an all original rock band hailing from the mean streets of Greensburg.

6:20pm—The Sun Kings, their funky reggae music is guaranteed to please!

7:40pm—Euphonic Brew, boasts an electrifying, ultra-kinetic live set on mobilizing a nationwide fan base.

9pm—The Aggrocrag, three

of Pitt-Greensburg’s own students will battle the mountain and each other for a glowing piece of awesome rock.

9:30pm—Bojibian, at times sounding like some sort of post-modern mash-up of pop, post-punk, classic rock, post-grunge, Southern rock, and arena rock . . . Or something like that.

All of the bands have Myspace pages, so check them out and check out Peace-a-Palooza on Monday, April 20, 2009.



SAB Activities & Events:

Wednesday, April 1, 2009—The Norman Magic Experience in the Chapel at 7pm

Friday, April 3, 2009—Up All Night in Chambers Hall at 10pm

Tuesday, April 14, 2009—Bingo in Village Hall at 11pm

Wednesday, April 15, 2009—Movie in Village Hall at 6pm

Thursday, April 16, 2009—Fashion Show in the Chapel at 6pm

Saturday, April 18, 2009—Game Show in the Chapel at 7pm

Sunday, April 19, 2009—Movie in the Chapel at 8pm

Calendar of Events:

March 29th – May 2nd, 2009 Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31 Senate Meeting—Budget Request	1 House Meeting—Norman	2	3 Up All Night	4
5	6 Commuter Breakfast Pop Slop & Eating Contest	7 Senate Meeting Commuter Lunch Relay Games	8 LEAP Speaker Commuter Speaker & Snacks	9 Commuter Car Wash Tug of War, Dodge Ball, & Foam	10	11
12	13	14 Senate Meeting—Budget Request	15 House Meeting—Movie	16 Fashion Show	17	18 Game Show
19 Movie	20 Senior Week Picnic & Peace-a-Palooza	21 Senate Meeting Senior Week Dinner & Movie	22 Senior Week Pirates Game	23 Senior Week Trip to the Zoo	24 Senior Week Meet & Greet with	25 Graduation
26	27	28	29	30	1	2

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Interested in Advertising an Event or Activity?

Contact Kaleigh at
kas127@pitt.edu or drop information off in her mailbox in Chambers Hall 212.

Commuter Corner

The commuter section of the newsletter is for student commuters to know that SGA involves them! There are many commuters at Pitt-Greensburg and SGA tries hard to recognize this.

The Commuter Corner is compiled by Samantha Konkus

Any information can be sent to her e-mail at: slk39@pitt.edu

Commuter Spotlights

Here are a few fun facts for you to indulge yourself in: facts about other commuters and privileges of commuter students! Commuter Spotlight:

Name: Wayne DeFloria

Year in School: Senior

Full time or Part time? Full time

How many classes are you enrolled in? Four

Where do you live? Greensburg

How far do you drive?

Google Maps puts it at 4.8 miles or “about 10 minutes” driving. If walking (which I never do), Google Maps puts it at 4.7 miles or “about 1 hour 36 minutes”.

How many days a week do you come to campus? 2-3

What are your interests?

Riding my motorcycle, working out at the YMCA, videogames, watching the Pens and Steelers, seeing comedians, attending concerts & shows, going to church, watching movies, catching upon Grey’s Anatomy, & running many errands.

Do you work, if so where and how many hours? Yes, I intern at CECity, a health-care technology company. They are located at the Waterfront and I work 20-24 hours a week..

Perks of being a commuter? I can go home, I save money, home-cooked meal every now and then, no roommate conflicts anymore (since my brother moved out 2 years ago),

a full-sized refrigerator, I have quick and easy access to all my stuff, & sleeping in my own bed.

Hardships of being a commuter? Having to wake up to drive to school (that 10 minute drive is a killer), not getting to know as many people, I’m not here when all the events are going down— especially the late night ones, if I forget something I can’t run to my room for it, & paying for gas.

Do you wish you were a resident? Sometimes, if it were free I definitely would.

Are you involved on campus; if so, what? Somewhat, I’m the President of Math Club, VP of Ski Club, a member of the Commuter Task Force. I’ve been a Peer Leader, Into the Streets Participant, & Commuter Mentor. I’ve played Bruiser and I’ve also completed the Emerging Leaders series & Advanced Leadership series. **Do you find it difficult to be involved on campus?** Nope.

Do you do school work on campus or at home? Both **Do you tend to hang out on campus?** Yes when I’m here on those 2-3 days. Which I’m usually eating in the café, chilling in Fireside, or talking with a professor.

Do you sit in your car a lot? Only every time I drive. I prefer Fireside!

Name: Julianna Peterson

Year in school: Super Senior

Full time or Part time? Full time

How many classes are you enrolled in? 13 credits

Where do you live? Pittsburgh

How many days a week do you come to campus? 2 days and change

How long do you drive? 1 hour

What are your interests? Reading & going out with friends

Do you work; if so, how many hours? Yes at Olive Garden 40 hours a week.

Perks of being a commuter? It’s a breathe of fresh air after 4 1/2 years of residency. You have so much more freedom.

Hardships of being a commuter? There’s so much driving from Pittsburgh and back. I do so much on campus that I sometimes feel too far away.

Do you wish you were a resident? After being a resident for so long, I enjoy commuting more.

Are you involved on campus? Yes, I’m involved with the Student Activities Board, Student Government Association, Lambda Pi Eta, an various other things.

ATTENTION COMMUTERS— Commuter Appreciation Week

Commuter Appreciation week will take place from April 6-9.

The schedule is as follows:

Monday, April 6—Commuter Breakfast in Powers & Smith Halls from 8:15—10:30am.

There will be a free breakfast and chances for commuters to win a free car wash!

Tuesday, April 7—Commuter Lunch in Fireside Lounge

from 11:30-2pm. There will be a free lunch and flower pot crafting for commuters.

Wednesday, April 8—Speaker and Snacks in Fireside Lounge from 2-4pm. There will be free snacks, car maintenance facts, chances to win prizes on the 'Wheel of Prizes' available for commuters.

Thursday, April 9—Car Wash

behind Millstein Library from

Noon-3pm. Students may get

their cars washed for \$3 an

Staff and Community mem-

bers can get their vehicles

washed for \$5. All profits from

the car wash will benefit the

Arc of Westmoreland. Stu-

dents will also receive a free

air freshener and a CD visor.

Presentation by Law Enforcement Against Prohibition—Speaker Peter Moskos

Law Enforcement Against Prohibition (LEAP) affiliate Peter Moskos will give a presentation about the “War on Drugs” on Wednesday, April 8 at 7pm in 118 Village Hall. LEAP was founded in 2002 and was made up of current and former members of law enforcement and criminal justice communities who are

speaking out about the failures of our existing drug policies.

Peter Moskos is an assistant professor of Law, Police Science, an Criminal Justice Administration at the City University of New York’s John Jay College of Criminal Justice. He specializes in crime prevention, police culture, the war on drugs, and qualitative

Methods. He has served as a Baltimore Police Officer where he policed ground zero in our “war” on drugs and saw the damage caused by illegal drug trade. He is also the author of the award-winning and critically acclaimed Cop in the Hood. For more information, visit: www.petermoskos.com or www.leap.cc.

RSC—Hall Olympics

RSC will once again be holding their annual Hall Olympics. The schedule will be as follows:

Monday, April 6—Pop Slop & Eating Contest at 7pm. Location TBA.

Tuesday, April 7—Relay Games at Noon on Chambers Lawn weather permit-

ting. If it is raining it will hopefully be in the gym.

Wednesday, April 8—Kickball at 4pm on the Softball field.

Thursday, April 9—Tug of War at 3pm on Chambers Lawn. Dodge ball will follow at 4pm in the gym. Later that

night at 7pm there will be a foam dance party on Chambers RSC’s Hall Olympics are open to everyone, it is not limited to just resident students, commuters may participate as well. Good luck to all Hall Olympic participants!

Club Meeting Times

If your club is not listed, your representative did not fill in the sheet at the House meeting.

If you would like to be included, or your meetings have changed, please contact Kaleigh Schuckers at: kas127@pitt.edu

House Meetings are every other Wednesday at Noon in the Hempfield Room

Name of Club	Dates of Meeting	Time	Place
Aficionado Guild	Occasional Thurs.	10pm	Coffee House
Basic	Tues. & Wed.	7:30pm (both)	Lyceum
Bowling Club	3/1, 3/15	7pm	Hillview
C.A.D.E.	When needed	12:15pm	Where needed
Chinese Club	Every other Friday	5:30pm	Fireside Lounge
Circle K	Thursdays	7pm	Fireside Lounge
College Action Sports	As needed	9:30pm	VH118
College Democrats	2 nd & 4 th Tuesdays	9:30pm	Coffee House
Criminal Justice	As needed		Powers Hall
Delta Eta Beta	Every other Tuesday	9:30pm (may change)	VH 118
Driveline	3/4, 3/18	7pm	Fireside Lounge
DSC	3/4, 3/18	7:30pm	Fireside Lounge
French Club	3/4, 3/18, 4/1, 4/15	3pm	Lyceum
Gamma Sigma Epsi-	(3/6, 3/20)	1pm	Lyceum
Gay-Straight Alliance	3/19	9pm	Coffeehouse
Habitat for Humanity	Every other Thursday	7:30pm	Fireside Lounge
HAV Council	Thursdays	7pm	VH/ Coffee House
IAV Council	3/5, 3/19	9pm	Apollo/ Coffee
Ice Hockey Club	2/20, 2/21	7pm	Center Ice in Del-
Lambda Pi Eta	Every other Thursday	12pm	Coffee House
Math Club	As needed		Lyceum
Military Appreciation	Every other Wednes-	5pm	Fireside Lounge
OACS	Every other Thursday	9:30pm	Lyceum
PAS	Not sure		Ferguson Theater
Pendulum	Mondays	12:15pm	Coffee House
Phi Eta Sigma	Every other Friday	11:30am	2 nd Floor
Polis	2/27	1pm	Fireside Lounge
Psi Chi	Tuesday/ Wednes-	12pm	Coffee House
Science Club	Every other Wednes-	11:40am	Lyceum
Students for Peace &	1 st & 3 rd Wednesdays	5pm	Coffee House
SHAC	2/20 and then every	12pm	Nurse Patty's Office
Spanish Club	1 st & 3 rd Mondays of	11:45 – 12:30pm	Powers 105
SPSEA	Last Tuesday of each	12:15pm	Smith B13
Tri Beta	Every other Wednesday & Thursday	Wed. 7pm / Thurs. 1pm	Wed. Bio. Lab/Thurs. Lyceum

SGA Positions & Committees



Sixth Man

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