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Suicide Prevention on Teens Using Social Media: Medical Ethics Speaker

By: Katlyn Phillips

Thursday March 17th: Matthew Morgan, Ph.D., professor of physiology at Thiel College, and Jamie Zelazny, Ph.D., assistant professor of health and community systems at the University of Pittsburgh, gave a presentation on social media and suicide prevention. During the presentation, they looked at three different subjects' autonomy, privacy concerns, and algorithmic errors.

These all boil down into one singular topic which

is; whether it is morally correct to track people's social media to see early signs of suicidal tendencies.

The first topic that was discussed was autonomy. Which in other words can mean freedom, independence, and self-direction. When talking about this in correlation with the right to track people's social media, it can be seen in many ways.

Some people can look at it as taking away their freedom by them losing their right to lead their own life.

While others may not view it as taking away their freedom but instead helping to keep them safe. As well as thinking that it is not directly affecting their right to independence since it is only them observing their social media data in order to make sure there are no suicidal tendencies. Both points of view can be seen as correct depending on the way you look at them and how you view autonomy.

The next topic is privacy issues. This idea has been a large problem in society recently for example the

Facebook scandal in 2010 when they got in trouble for collecting people's data without their consent. So, the thought of collecting and tracking social media data without consent in today's times could be considered a privacy issue.

One way to get around this is for the application itself to ask for permission to track and collect data. When it comes to social platforms, there isn't a good way to address privacy issues without letting people know about them collecting and tracking data.

The last topic discussed was the issue with algo-



Jamie Zelazny, Ph.D.

rithmic errors. We all know that our feeds to most apps depend on what we like and save but some problems could arise with that. For example, not all videos or pictures that ...

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The Batman Review

By: Adam Button

Released on March 4th, and directed by Matt Reeves; this rendition of The Caped Crusader shows a darker side to the "Dark Knight". While in the beginning, he calls himself Vengeance, by the end of the movie, he resembles more of the symbol known as Batman.

Robert Pattinson shows off his skills of Batman very well. This movie shows more of the detective aspect of Batman, and the main antagonist of the Riddler allows this. While there is still enough action to be labeled as a superhero movie; it creates this Batman to be very methodical and critical, even on himself.

Pattinson's Batman sets itself apart from the rest because of the amount of detail they spread through the movie to create his version of Gotham. From the hidden corruption of Thomas Wayne to the numerous comic characters brought in to strengthen the story. The Batman is worth the watch if you love The Caped Crusader.

However, if you liked the Bruce Wayne aspect of this double-edge sword; it is lackluster. While later films can further develop Bruce Wayne, separate from The Batman, this film focuses on Batman taking down crime. With the reason Batman fights crime shifting from vengeance to what Gotham deserves, Bruce Wayne just acquires daddy issues.



Image Credit: Thiel Players' Facebook

By: Hannah Stoughton

March 21st, 2022: The pornography industry is actively damaging the brains of consumers through unrealistic expectations and self-gratification indulgence.

Through the development of the internet, it has come to light that the web serves as a double-edged sword. It provides a plethora of

resources for research, entertainment, and more, unfortunately including the exploitative pornography industry.

Porn is Bad for Your Brain.

There is no arguing that pornography damages the brain. When watching porn, chemicals like dopamine flood the brain, causing an addiction. Like oth-

Pornography Kills Editorial

er addictive substances, users begin to develop a tolerance, causing them to spiral down a road of needing more provoking images, such as hardcore genres. Because the "reward pathway" part of the brain can be hijacked by substances, such as drugs and pornography, people start becoming addicted to the dopamine rush that pornography gives them.

On top of pornography being an addictive entity, there is evidence that it damages relationships and love. According to Fight the New Drug, men that were exposed to pornography have reported loving

their partner less than men that do not watch pornography. Other studies have also found that after watching porn, people were more critical of their partner's appearance, behavior, and sexual performance. This is because pornography lies and instills unrealistic images and expectations into users.

The Human Trafficking Side of Pornography

When looking at pornography, it is impossible in many cases to know whether the photograph or video is being conducted and uploaded in a ...

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Spring Has Arrived at Thiel College!

By: Jason Walsh

Spring has arrived here at Thiel College, and it has brought warm and sunny weather with it! With the arrival of this weather here are some fun things to do outdoors on campus.

One fun can be to hang out at the Quad. If you don't know already, Thiel's Quad is the big field located in-between Hodge, Sawhill, Pedas, and Greenville Hall. Now that it's finally green instead of white, it's open for activities, such as picnics, football, soccer, frisbee, tag, catching baseball, or even kickball.

If you want to make pickup games more official; the dome will be down shortly, making the field available more often for student use. Also, another spot for these activities/sports can be the field in the middle of the track, which is located down campus between the baseball field, Bane, and Steward Halls.

Located right next to the Quad is an outdoor sand volleyball court. This court is perfect for fun volleyball pickup games, where diving and sliding are welcome. If it's a rainy day you can also check if the gym is available!



Image Credit: Thiel College Press Release

Another outdoor activity campus from top to bottom! Another option for On-campus, you can play walking/running could be to head down-campus to the track. Four laps around the track add up to a mile!

The warm temperature of spring opens another option for the Bistro as well. If you're someone who prefers to eat outdoors ...

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March Madness Bracket Busters: Second Round Upsets

By: Jacob Walsh

During the second round of the NCAA Men’s Basketball Tournament, five notable upsets took place. Two 3rd seeds fell to 11th seeds, a 7th seed lost to a 15th seed who is making their own Cinderella run. A 10th seed beat the 2nd seed, and to top it all off a 9th seed defeated one of the four 1st seeds.

(15) St. Peter’s-70 vs (7) Murray State-60:

St. Peter’s defense held down Murray State, stopping 35% of the Racer’s shooting. St. Peter’s also held off a 2nd half comeback, hitting 23 of their 31 free throws. Murray State came into the game on a 21-game win streak and never led at any point in the game.

(11) Iowa State-54 vs (3) Wisconsin-49:

Another upset decided by the lower seed’s tough de-

fense. Wisconsin registered a 29.8% shooting percentage and only hit 2 of 22 three-point shots. The Badgers must have had popcorn before the game because they had an outstanding 17 turnovers. Mind that Wisconsin led the nation in least turnovers. Iowa State was able to salvage their own offensive issues, only shooting 34.55, to lead this second-round upset.

(11) Michigan-76 vs (3) Tennessee-68:

A trampling Tennessee team could not overcome the suffocating Wolverines. Most of the work was done through the 2nd half for Michigan. They held the Vols to 2 of 18 three-point shots, but none were made in the entire 2nd half. Michigan finished off Tennessee by going blow for blow late in the 2nd to win by 8.

(10) Miami-79 vs (2) Au-

burn-61: Miami defeated its region’s no.2 seed that was also the South Eastern Conference (SEC) champion. The Hurricanes held Auburn’s stars to minimal points while leading for 39 minutes. Miami’s lesser-known duo (Wong & McGusty) outscored Auburn’s well-known duo (Kessler & Smith), 41-12. The Hurricanes can thank their scramble-style defense and pressure for stopping the downed SEC champs.

(9) North Carolina-93 vs (1) Baylor-86:

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While the first two rounds have given many upsets and every bracket has been busted, we still have four rounds to go. With the Baylor Bears losing in the Round of 32, the NCAA Men’s Tournament will see a new champion this year. Who that will be?... We must wait and see.

Men’s Tennis Update

By: Anna Boyd

March 17th the Thiel Men’s tennis team started off their season with a loss

to the Pitt Greensburg Bobcats at the Greensburg Racquet Club. In the second and third singles of that match Eli Flinchbaugh won against Devin Summers in second singles. Haruto Kuroda

defeated Roman Ruscitto at third singles. Nathaniel Udell and Noah Brieck topped Ruscitto and Cole McGirk at doubles 8-2.

On Friday March 18th the team took a fall in a non-

conference match 8-1 against Penn State Behrend Lions at the Westwood Racquet Club. Noah Brieck carried the Tomcats to a win at number 4 singles defeating Max Lu.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Kappa Sigma:
See-Saw-A-Thon
Fri./Sat. April 1st - 2nd

Thiel Players Present:
The Government Inspector
Fri. Apr. 1st @ 7:00pm
Sat. Apr. 2nd @ 7:00pm
Sun. Apr. 3rd @ 2:00pm
Sat. Apr. 9th @ 2:00pm
@ 7:00pm
Sun. Apr. 10th @ 2:00pm

Common Hours:
April 7th @ 11:00am
- NetVue Program
April 14th @ 11:00am
- Diversity Speaker
April 28th @ 11:00am
- Arts & Scholarship Symposium

Friday, April 1st
6:00pm - 8:30pm
- Women of Action Dinner

Saturday, April 2nd
2:00pm - 3:50pm
- Physician Assistant
White Coat Ceremony
5:00pm - 8:00pm
- Thielensian Watch Party
March Madness Semi-Finals

Tuesday, April 5th
9:30am - 3:30pm
- Adagio Health Mobile
Walk-In Clinic

Friday, April 8th
10:00am - 2:00pm
- Women in STEM Day
7:00pm - 8:30pm
- Academic Honors Convocation

Saturday, April 9th
9:00am - 9:00pm
- Physicians Assistant
Virtual Fair

Tuesday, April 12th
1:00pm - 2:00pm;
5:00pm - 6:00pm
- Clinical Mental Health
Counseling Information
Session

Wednesday, April 13th
7:30pm - 9:30pm
- Spring Choir Concert

Fri. Apr. 15th thru
Mon. Apr. 18th
- Easter Recess

Wednesday, April 20th
7:30pm - 9:30pm
- Spring Band Concert

Thursday, April 21st
8:00am - 4:00pm
- Scholarship and Art
Symposium

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The Meaning of War: From A Civilian’s Eyes

By: Adam Button

Fight, flight, or freeze; the common reactions of people faced with tough decisions. Whatever decision is made, there is not enough time to prepare contingencies. The choice is final. Recent conflicts in the world show the difference between these choices.

Since the recent invasion on February 24th, the Russia-Ukraine conflict has created much controversy. While not as major as the war in Ukraine, these

problems affect a majority of the population of Russia, Ukraine, and potentially the world.

With the advances in technology and mass communication, we can see the effects war has on the people of the countries involved. Not just the soldiers or governments. The innocent people that happen to live in that country.

For example, Russian civilians have lost most, if not all, of their internet capacity. With services like Instagram, TikTok,

Twitter, etc. banning the region because of the conflict they started. While the ban can be justified because they are individual companies, this has no effect on the people in charge of this conflict. It only affects the innocent people in the country.

There have been accounts of Russian soldiers thinking the invasion was just a practice drill. While this could be false, it is worth considering the soldiers are not aware of the full situation at the time.

On the other side of the battlefield, Ukrainian civilians are actually aiding their government in pro-

tecting the country. While many still flee because they can, there are volunteers that help hold back Russian advancement. With videos showing Ukrainians making Molotov cocktails to throw at impeding Russians or a Ukrainian farmer stealing a Russian tank with their tractor.

This war was coming. While most of the world did not see it until the recent invasion by Russia. Ukrainians were preparing themselves to protect their country.

The civilians of war are the ones affected the most by warfare. Either because

they flee and get caught; are oblivious and get blindsided; they volunteer and die for their country. Whatever the reason Russia uses to justify their invasion, the civilians will be the cannon fodder.

While this war continues, do not forget that Russian people in your country are not directly related to the events in Ukraine. Just because they have Russian heritage does not make them an enemy.



Sun After Snow: Spring as COVID Comes to a Close

By: Dara Edwards

The birds are back, the flowers are blooming, and mask mandates are starting to lift! Life returns to normal as vaccination numbers slowly increase and COVID numbers are starting to steadily go down. As we lose the masks and things go back

to how they were before the pandemic, what can we expect to see this Spring season in terms of activities?

Outdoor activities and masking policies have been lenient for quite a while, but now that the mandates are lifting, people are slowly getting use to growing the crowd of people they invite to their events. Children’s birthday parties, cookouts, and pool parties will most likely have more guests than they saw in the last two years. However, we still have to watch out for events like these as the older population is still widely susceptible to the COVID and COVID-like symptoms. Some families are willing to keep the masks for the purpose of protecting their older family members and those who are already easily susceptible. Other families are ditching them entirely, and while it is their choice to not use them, people should still be aware of the risks

Businesses may or may not see a surge in customer numbers. Thanks to companies like DoorDash, UberEats, and GrubHub, people have gotten comfortable with the idea of staying home and having their food delivered to them as its sometimes more convenient for their schedule and can save them a drive. Some places, though, still don’t have access to luxuries such as that and still must make a drive to get their fast food. Of course, this can also lead to problems. With people staying in and ordering their food for delivery, restaurants like Red Lobster or Applebee’s can see a problem with their staff getting paid what they would normally expect to get paid. Servers, who rely on tips for their paycheck, end up getting paid way below minimum wage if guests never come into the restaurant to eat, and soon end up finding it much harder to live when they already struggled before. Now that most restaurants have opened their floors and had the normal activities they use to, they have the chance at going back to their normal numbers that they had before.

College campuses will most likely be the ones to thrive this Spring season as schools, private and public, have been lifting their own masking policies and starting up activities that they had done before. This means that we can now say goodbye to virtual tours and online classes and go back

to having in-person gatherings and tours. Clubs will start to see more room to do activities outside and having fundraising dinners for their philanthropies.

Sororities and Fraternities during this time were forced to shut down a lot of their in-person activities like recruitment, fundraisers, and parties. Now that things are beginning to ease up, Greek life will most likely see a huge turnout for their recruitment events and parties that they have. Of course, schools may have a different outlook on these events depending on what school it is, but overall Brotherhoods and Sisterhoods alike can look positively into the future for more members and more mask less memories.

Pornography Kills

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... consensual manner. According to the International Labor Office, 4.8 million people have been trafficked for sexual labor annually, with 1 in 5 victims being children. Many of these victims are forced to produce pornographic images that are then uploaded for public use, with the average age that victims start filming being 12.8 years old. In a survey done by Thorn.org, 62% of underage sex trafficking survivors knew for certain that they had been “advertised” on pornography websites.

This explicit industry exploits human beings and actively fuels human trafficking, with many websites being complicit in child pornography. In 2021, Pornhub, a popular website for users to consume pornography for little-to-no cost, was presented with cases in which child pornography was uploaded and monetized on their website. MindGeek, the parent company for Pornhub, had been sued in previous cases for their distribution of child pornography. Judge Cormac Carney ruled against MindGeek, saying that it actively uses coded language for users to access child pornography, ignoring the rampant issue because it brings in money. The pornography industry has created an epidemic of child pornography and exploitation. It destroys development in the brain, as well as relationships that consumers have with real people. Pornography is a real addiction that many people have, and all evidence points to one conclusion: pornography kills.

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Than Oo Wins Lottery: Pays off all Thiel Student Debt

By: The Thielensian
GREENVILLE, Pa. – This past Wednesday, March 23rd, Than Oo, Director of Student Activities at Thiel College, won the Power Ball. He ended up winning 5 million dollars and donated all of it to pay off the campus’s student debt. This kind gesture did not come unnoticed. Than was awarded a multitude of honors; Key to the Campus, Honorary Chief of Police (Thiel College and Greenville), President of all fraternities, Honorary member of Thiel Athletic Hall of Fame, Staff of the month for all months, Student of the Month for all months, Honorary Head Chef for AVI Foods, New President of SGA, and to top it all off Than was flown to D.C. to have a special dinner with President Joe Biden. Biden also awarded him with the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Truly a great man to his community and to the world!

—Than...ks

*This is a fake article
created by the
Thielensian staff in
heart of April Fools.*

Netflix Gaming?

By: Isaiah Gorman

I don’t know if you know this, but I sure didn’t, Netflix is started buying game developing companies. I know, Netflix getting into the Gaming business is a little weird, since Netflix is a streaming service for movies, tv shows, and anime.

Netflix started buying video game companies around July 2021, starting with Night School Studio, known for its supernatural

mystery adventure game in September and globally launched its first game in November on Android platforms. The second company Netflix bought was Next Games, a mobile games developer based in Finland. Netflix’s Newest addition is Boss Fight Entertainment, a Texas-based mobile game developer.

“Boss Fight’s mission is to bring simple, beautiful, and fun game experiences to our players wherever they want to play,” said Boss Fight Entertainment

founders David Rippy, Bill Jackson and Scott Winsett, in a statement. “Netflix’s commitment to offer ad-free games as part of members’ subscriptions enables game developers like us to focus on creating delightful game play without worrying about monetization. We couldn’t be more excited to join Netflix at this early stage as we continue doing what we love to do while helping to shape the future of games on Netflix ...

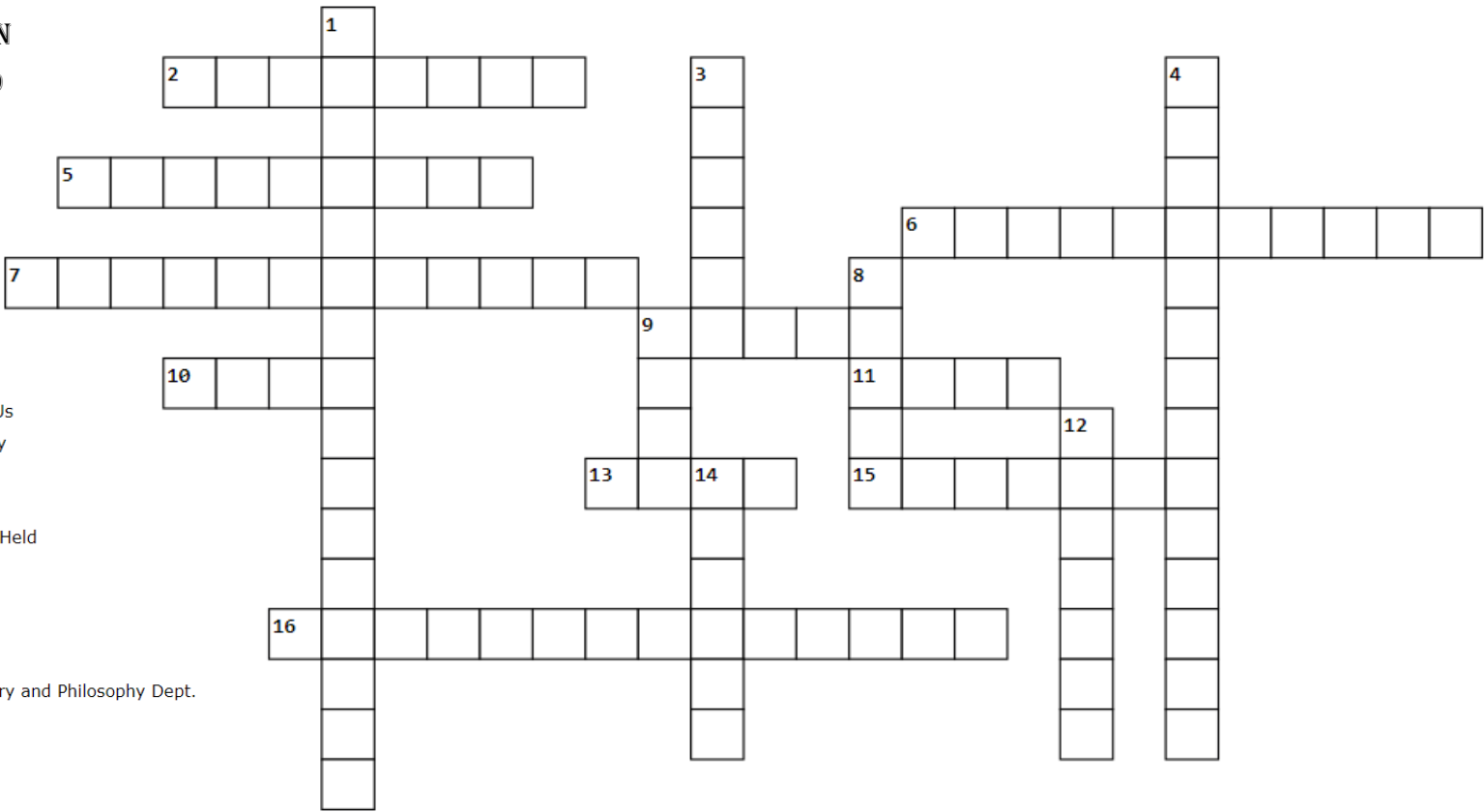
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Across Clues

- 2. Listen to Our Podcasts
- 5. Ehh Food
- 6. This Paper
- 7. The Prison Dorm
- 9. Beverly Hills Dorm
- 10. Listen on the Radio For Us
- 11. Collapses Fairly Regularly
- 13. See Us on YouTube
- 15. The Hood Dorm
- 16. Where Most Classes are Held

Down Clues

- 1. A Quiet Place to Study
- 3. Expensive Food
- 4. Home of the English, History and Philosophy Dept.
- 8. Home of the Thielensian
- 9. Campus Hub for Activities
- 12. Like Books?
- 14. Mascot of Thiel College



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Thielensian Word Search

- HMSC
- Academic Center
- TCTV
- Greenville Hall
- Radio
- Science Connector
- Thielensian
- Florence West
- Dome
- Sawhill
- Bistro
- Cafeteria
- Pedas
- Library

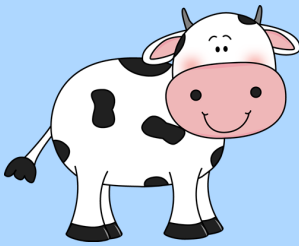
Spring Has
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... when the weather's nice, the HMSC has that option for the Bistro and even take-out at the Caf ! The Bistro has outdoor seating located on the patio through the exit door right next to the drinks. Sometimes, on occasion, they will even have the balcony patio open for seating. There are also picnic tables located in the grass areas around the outside of the HMSC for outdoor eating.

Cow Jokes with
CLETUS

- Why was the cow afraid?
He was a cow-herd
- What do you get from a dwarf cow?
Condensed milk
- How does a cow become invisible?
Through camouflage
- What do you call a cow who plays an instrument?
A moosician
- What do you call a cow with no legs?
Ground beef!



Career Corner:
Student Employment

By: Anna Boyd
April is student employment month. April 5th through the 11th is the time to celebrate and acknowledge student workers. On Thiel Campus alone there are a variety of student employment opportunities for students to earn money and help our community. Working on campus is a way to build your resume and help across campus.
Student employees are all around one of the most important jobs on campus include working with AVI, housekeeping, academic departments, admissions, rezlife, etc.. The students who work in housekeeping help maintain different buildings around campus by wiping down boards, desks, and keeping common areas clean.
Adam Button a senior at Thiel says he enjoys the job because he “feels like he is making a large contribution to campus by keeping it clean throughout the week.” Working with housekeeping is a great way to help around campus by ensuring the beauty of campus.
Another very important on campus job opportunity is Thiel Team and admissions. Thiel Team works on bringing incoming students in to see the campus and give them tours. They run the admissions events during the semester and on breaks.
Thiel Team member Katie Aaron says, “being on

Thiel Team makes me feel like I know my campus better and am confident in bringing new families to campus.” Thiel Team is an amazing opportunity on campus if you want to work with potential new students.
There are endless opportunities on campus for employment. Whether you want to help with the media department or work with technology there is a job available for you.
With April being the month of student employment, the career development center wants to recognize the student workers for all the hard work they do. On campus jobs are a great way to build your resume to develop skills for future employment.

- Looking for jobs yourself? Here are some upcoming internship opportunities:
- Environmental Justice Advocate - Pittsburgh, PA (Temp-Remote)
- Income Tax Preparer - Painesville, OH
- FIT Intern (Motz) - Cincinnati, OH
- Motz Service Technician - Cincinnati, OH
- Project Management Intern (Motz) - Cincinnati, OH
- Resource Center Intern (Motz) - Cincinnati, OH
- Off-Campus Employment:
- HR Assistant (Full-time) - Greenville, PA
- Life Enrichment Specialist (Per diem) - St. Paul’s Greenville
- Office Assistance/Billing Assistance - Sharpsville, PA

Medical Ethics Speaker

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Overall, tracking social media data in order to find early suicidal tendencies can be useful as long as it does not overstep the boundaries of personal freedom. When this approach is taken, there is a moral right and wrong.

Pennsylvania Water Clean Up

By: Virginia Riddle

Amidst the world’s crises happening every day, it is nice to occasionally hear a story of progress and success. Luckily, Pennsylvania is living up to the need for good news with numerous recent environmental advances. The Keystone State has been modeling great environmental rehabilitation through water and litter cleanup. Time and money are being spent to improve the state of the environment, and it reflects in the lives of the citizens.

\$7 million dollars have been allocated to be spent on water clean-up in Pennsylvania, through the Growing Greener Plus project. This project’s mission is to improve the lives of water-dwelling

species. The group also has plans to reduce possible floods in the state.

This is especially needed for waterways such as Mill Creek, described as, “...an ugly, ugly stream that’s not functioning up to its ability,” by Josh Penatzer, project manager for the Loyalhanna Watershed Association.

The improvements made will include the implementation of helpful objects such as hemlock logs in banks to keep rocks from washing away.

Additionally, “Most of it is flooding issues and ice that are carving these banks away,” Penatzer said. “And now there are homes on the edge of these streams and they’re having flooding issues.”

While these projects are largely monitored by set organizations, PENNDOT and DEP’s encouragement for citizens to clean up litter can be heeded by anyone.

This will also help with the previously mentioned waterway cleanup, and therefore improve the quality of life for citizens, as “Clean green spaces and waterways factor into our physical and mental health and enable the function of the ecosystem we depend on. They foster thriving communities that attract investment and support our recreation, tourism, and shopping economies,” said DEP Secretary Patrick McDonnell. “As the weather warms and we move outdoors, we benefit ourselves and our families by dedicating a morning or afternoon to Pick Up

Pennsylvania.”

It seems the citizens of PA have understood this to be true, “Cleanup activity is ramping up across the state. We’re honored to support the efforts of groups and individuals who are working hard to improve their communities,” said Shannon Reiter, president of Keep Pennsylvania

Beautiful. “[DEP] and PennDOT have been dedicated partners of our Pick Up Pennsylvania program since its inception and have been instrumental in the provision and distribution of program supplies.”

So, what are you waiting for? As the weather gets warmer, go outside. Pick up some litter. Enjoy a stream. Find peace in the fact that our corner of the world is starting to heal, even if it is only by one river at a time.

What Happened in March at Thiel College?

By: Hannah Stoughton

March 21st, 2022: March has been an extremely busy month for both students and faculty at Thiel College.

At the beginning of the month, six students were granted the opportunity to work with LindenPointe Development Corporation in Mercer County.

Andrew Born ’24, Riley Davis ’24, Jacob Frantz ’23, Nicholas Jacobs ’24, Tyler Reecks ’22, and Rodney Washburn ’24 were selected to participate in a cybersecurity program that allows them to gain cybersecurity training and certification as well as paid internships and apprenticeships. They partook in a pilot program and are now working on taking a CompTIA Security+ course.

Another opportunity that was given to a student at the beginning of March was junior Biology major Malajah Johnson being featured on a blog for first-generation college students. The posts are on I’m First!, a program that Thiel partnered with, as well as multiple other programs, to support first-generation college students. I’m First! was created by the Center for Student Opportunity in 2013 to uplift students that have no previous history of higher education within

their family.

Kylie Vergnola, a sophomore at Thiel College, has been selected as a semifinalist for the Point Foundation’s Point Scholar program. The Point Foundation is the nation’s leading higher education scholarship program for LGBTQ+ youth. The aim of Point is to uplift and encourage LGBTQ+ college students as well as provide them with a sense of family. The list of finalists will be announced at the end of March, and the scholars will be announced in June for LGBTQ+ pride month.

The Thiel College Office

for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion have hosted a plethora of events in honor of women’s history month. They have hosted a Courageous Conversation Event, WINGO! (bingo sponsored by W.I.N.G), Puzzle Night, Paint & Sip, Tie-Diversity, and a Movie Showing to help promote women. The office has been pairing with W.I.N.G to make women on campus feel empowered through these events.

After being nominated for many awards, the Thiel College WXTC Radio and TCTV reached success on March 5th with the Inter-collegiate Broadcasting Awards. John Ganiear ’22 was named Best Business Director for his dedication to helping WXTC. Advi-

sor Peg Watts won the Best Faculty Advisor for her work in WXTC as well. Jacob Orczeck ’22 won Best Program Promotion for his TCTV production “Gross Indecency Promo.”

On March 21st, Thiel College was named a Military Friendly School for its dedication to military families and veterans. The Military Friendly school designation is “is the standard that measures an organization’s commitment, effort and success in creating sustainable and meaningful opportunity for the military community,” according to the Military Friendly website. Thiel was awarded the Silver medal.

To Be or Not to Be: What’s Next for the Thiel Players?

By: Dara Edwards

March 25, 2022 – Thiel’s reputation in theater, while small, has had an influence on many of its participants throughout the years. It has never mattered what social circle you were from; you are always accepted into the arms of the Thiel Players. The theater, however, has experienced various changes with most of them being departmental.

Most students at Thiel College who have been heavily involved with the theater got to know Peter Rydberg, a man who was known to be eccentric and wild, especially with his ideas. Rydberg served as director from 2013 until mid 2020, when he decided to leave and seek an opportunity at Emporia State University serving as their director. With the loss of Dr. Rydberg, students involved in the theater began to question what was next.

Thiel players, who slowly began to lose hope, soon had their acting flames rekindled by Paul Miller, a Greenville resident who has been heavily involved in community theater as well as Thiel’s productions in past years. After a year with Miller, whose stay was temporary, rumors of a new director

swirled around campus. Then, at the start of the 2021-2022 year, we were gifted Dr. Jessica Rogers.

Rogers, before starting her journey at Thiel, received Mas in Theater and English, a graduate degree in Advanced Writing, an MA in Arts Management, and a PhD in Theater. Rogers has traveled and performed in places such as Connecticut and Rhode Island and has served as the Nebraska Theatre Caravan’s Assistant Technical director in the past. It is safe to say that Dr. Rogers has plenty of experience in theater both as a performer and a director.

When Rogers arrived at Thiel College, she knew she wanted to do some-



Image Credit: Thiel College

thing big for her first show, and so the theater performed a raunchy over-the-top play known as Love and Information, written by Caryl Churchill. The show itself was filled to the brim with more adult themes such as sex and violence, which college students are more than acquainted with by now. Scenes were meant to be changed and interpreted in multiple ways, giving Rogers all the crea-

tive freedom she ever could have hoped for. Love and Information debuted during the Fall 2021 semester and left its mark in the pages of Thiel Player history.

Once the Spring semester had started, Dr. Rogers had already been set on what production she wanted to do next. Ultimately, she decided on The Government Inspector, a satirical play set in Russia ...

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Netflix Gaming Editorial

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This is how it will work from Netflix, “The games will be bundled for free into Netflix’s main app, and for the time being, will be primarily meant to be played on mobile devices, though they may eventually migrate to TVs.

The company thinks some of its games will connect in some way to Netflix-owned franchises — you can definitely imagine a Stranger Things game— but it may also license existing games and brands from other developers. Netflix is describing its move into games as an initial foray — “We think the time is right to learn more about how our mem-

bers value games,” the company said in its quarterly earnings release — but also says it expects to be in gaming for the long haul. “This is a core part of our subscription offering,” Greg Peters, the company’s chief operating officer, said during the company’s earnings call. The company thinks the main value of its games will be

in keeping existing subscribers more engaged in the Netflix app, and thus less likely to unsubscribe. The games could also, in theory, help drive new subscriptions.”



What’s Next for Thiel Players?

Continued from Pg 5 ... written by Nikolai Gogol. The investigation of corrupt officials in town is underway, and everyone is wondering who the government inspector is. Of course, the show ran into problems with recent budget cuts to theater department, however, Rogers is not one to give up. After going to the Student Government Association and asking for some extra cash, the theater was able to secure money to finish the set, costumes, and props that they were unable to before. Students lie in wait, though, wondering what the next show will be. Many are hoping for a musical so that we can bring back the days of extravagant set pieces and wonderful songs. Others are hoping for a tear-jerking drama to move the hearts of students, staff, and Greenville residents alike. Thiel College’s production of The Government Inspector is set is debut April 1st and run on the days of April 2nd, the 3rd, the 8th, the 9th, and the10th at the William A. Robinson Theater. Be sure to get your seats as soon as you can before they run out!



History of Earth Day

Throwback to Spring ‘21 By Josie Barton

April is a month notorious for growth and positive beginnings. April 22nd is dedicated to celebrating the Earth and its resources, but how did it begin? Beginning April 1970, Senator Gaylord Nelson founded Earth Day to force the nation to care for the Earth and its resources. Before the act, there was no Environmental Protection Agency, Clean Air Act, or Clean Water Act.

Since there were no regulatory practices to protect the Earth, Nelson proposed the idea after National concern grew. Twenty million Americans participated in the new holiday by conserving, recycling, and volunteering to help protect the planet. In December 1970, President Richard Nixon proposed the creation of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, or the EPA. He signed the executive order after congress authorized the governmental organization. The EPA is responsible for protecting and supporting public and environmental health. There are numerous ways you can help protect the Earth in your daily life. Begin by using a recycling

bin along with your trash bin to separate trash from plastics and other recyclables. Create a compost bin filled with brown leaves, wood and paper shavings, greens, lint, coffee filters, eggshells, fruit peels, and unwanted natural food scraps. Plant and care for a vegetable garden using your compost as soil. Decorate your home with your new plants in place of trinkets or collectables. Save the Bees! Planting wildflowers around your home or in your community provides bees with an excellent source of pollen and nectar. Wildflowers also attract butterflies and predatory insects that increase harvest and keep pests to a minimum. Conserve. Turn off lights

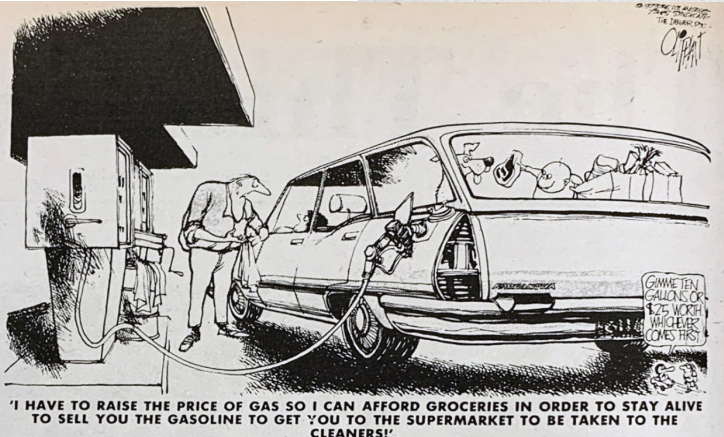
and faucets when you are not in the room and keep your air conditioning low. Set your keys down and take a walk to your destination instead of polluting the air. Enjoy the nature surrounding you. Use reusable shopping bags for your groceries in place of plastic bags. Reusable coffee cups and water bottles can reduce the thousands of plastic or Styrofoam cups that clutter oceans and harm wildlife. The celebration of Earth Day dates back to famous historical figures bringing popularity and attention to protecting the planet to the public eye. Participating in the historical holiday conveys that humans care to give back to the Earth and its many resources.

Comics from the Past

Throwback to the March 1st 1974 Edition of the Thielensian



Throwback to the September 28th 1973 Edition of the Thielensian



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	Friday	11-12pm Spotlight Hour 3-4pm “One Hit Wonders” 5-6pm Friday Night Sports Buffet	
	Saturday	7-10pm House of Wax	
	Sunday	11-12pm Ayedum’s Acoustic Adventure	

Graduating in a Pandemic: A Senior’s Tale

Throwback to Spring ‘20 By: Casandra Stolz

Seniors who are approaching an anticipated commencement from Thiel College may share a similar disappointment as the class of 2020. Important sentimental moments during the past year have been shared through a screen or cancelled all together. For many students, the tassel from freshman orientation served as a symbol of completing a life milestone and beginning the passageway of adulthood. College nurtures students during many types of learning curves to become the best version of ourselves. Transforming our cognitive abilities as independent thinking adults, who will influence society based on the experiences that happened in and out of the classroom. During the pandemic, students have undeniably enhanced their soft skills; traits employers and grad-

uate schools are valuing these skills more than ever before. When students are planning their futures after graduation, they can utilize how they’ve adapted to a unique situation. By doing presentations and classes online, we learned how to effectively communicate information from our bedrooms to our peers, as well as adapt to staying attentive during online presentations. Unemployment rates for college grads have spiked in the last three years. In June of 2016, the national rate was at 4.1 percent while during the pandemic, that percent escalated to 13.2 percent, according to the Statista Research Department. The numbers are bleak and there is no denying that students are graduating into an unstable job market. Luckily for Thiel College students, we have all received promising preparations to succeed our career goals post-graduation.