

The Thielensian

Thiel Football Earns First Win of the Season

By: Jason Walsh II

October 12, 2024: While most Thiel students were on fall break, the Tomcats football team edged the Allegheny Gators 21-7.

Thiel hosted Allegheny for a 1 p.m. kickoff at Alumni Stadium. The matchup resulted in Thiel's first win of the season and their first PAC win. So far this season, the Tomcats are 1-4 overall/conference play. Thiel has faced; Carnegie Mellon – 58-0, W&J – 58-7, Geneva (Pa.) – 21-6, and Westminster – 58-6. After their win against Allegheny, Thiel sits in 7th place in the PAC. The Tomcats are above Waynesburg (1-4), Allegheny (1-5), Saint Vincent (1-5), and Bethany (0-5).

Saturday's game began with both teams scoring touchdowns in the first quarter. Allegheny scored first on a 12-play drive that was 69 yards and ended in a touchdown. However, that would be their only points of the afternoon. Thiel scored next on a 12-play drive that was 77 yards and ended with a 9-yard touchdown pass to Blake Joesph.

The next score came in the second quarter with a pass to Blake Joseph from Daniel Rennie that would go for

95 yards and a touchdown. After that, the game would remain scoreless through the third quarter. The final score of the game was another touchdown pass from Rennie, caught by Jason Stone for 36 yards with 4 minutes and 53 seconds remaining in the game.

The Tomcats' defense held the Gators to 208 yards of total offense and forced 4 punts. The Tomcats' offense produced a total of 305 yards, 226 passing, and 79 rushing on the afternoon.

Daniel Rennie had 12 completions on 18 attempts, 226 yards passing, 3 touchdown passes, and no interceptions. Thiel's rushing leader on the day was Deon Logan, with 93 yards on 24 attempts. Thiel's leading receiver was Blake Joseph, with 4 receptions for 118 yards and 2 touchdowns.

Leading the Tomcats' defense was Jake Badger with 13 total tackles and Luke Faber with 8 total tackles, including 2 sacks. Justin Logan and Jallen Rose both forced Allegheny fumbles, and Robert Dixie had an interception.

Leading the Gators' offense

was quarterback Christian Coudriet, throwing for 46 yards with 5 completions on 20 attempts, no touchdowns, and 1 interception. The Gators' rushing leader was Dominic Berarducci, rushing for 142 yards on 21 attempts. Austin Williams led the team in receiving with 3 receptions for 24 yards.

Leading the Gators' defense on the day was Azary Matsuda with 8 total tackles, including 1 for a 3-yard loss, and Cameron George with 6 total tackles with 1 sack.

Following up on the victory, this Saturday, October 19th, the Tomcats will travel to Cleveland, Ohio, to face Case Western (5-0) for a 6 p.m. kickoff. After that, Thiel will travel to Grove City (5-0) on 10/26 at 1 p.m., then come home against Saint Vincent (1-5) on 11-2 at 1 p.m. Then Thiel goes to Waynesburg (1-4) on 11/9 at 1 p.m. and will end the season at Bethany (0-5) on 11/16 at 1 p.m.



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Current Events

Former One Direction Member Liam Payne Dead at 31

By: Jacob Walsh
October 17, 2024: Liam Payne, a former member of the band One Direction, died yesterday after a fall from a hotel in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Buenos Aires police stated that Payne had fallen three stories from a balcony of the Casa Sur Hotel. Medics confirmed Payne succumbed to "extremely serious injuries," dying on the spot.

Pablo Policicchio, the communications director for the Buenos Aires Security Ministry, told The Associated Press that Payne "had jumped from the balcony of his room." Just after 5 p.m. local time, police arrived at the emergency call about an "aggressive man who could be under the influence of drugs or alcohol." Within the call to 911, the hotel manager stated, "A

guest who is overwhelmed with drugs and alcohol ... He's destroying the entire room and, well, we need you to send someone, please." The manager added that there was a balcony attached to the room.

Payne's body was removed roughly three hours after the fall while a crowd began to form around the hotel. The head of the state emergency medical system said that the death is under investigation and an autopsy will be conducted. Last year, Payne told his fans via his YouTube channel that he had been struggling with alcoholism but was sober for six months prior to the July video.

Liam Payne was from Wolverhampton, England. After a bout on the TV show "X-Factor," Payne was combined with five other contestants, Zayn

Malik, Harry Styles, Niall Horan, and Louis Tomlinson, to form the boy band One Direction. The band became a global sensation with six Top 10 hits on the Billboard charts before their breakup in 2016. Payne had his own solo career in music as well, with a few prominent songs.

Liam Payne is survived by his 7-year-old son, Bear Grey Payne, his parents, Geoff and Karen Payne, and his two older sisters, Ruth and Nicola.

The investigation into the circumstances of Payne's death is still ongoing.

Liam Payne



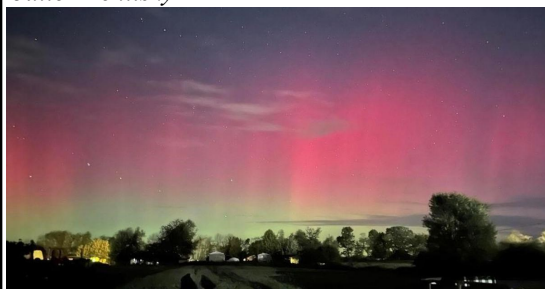
Northern Lights at Thiel College

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October 17, 2024: Late last night, the Northern Lights were visible from

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the Northern Lights were visible all throughout the continental United States, and even as far south as Texas.

The northern lights, also called the aurora borealis, are a natural phe-

nomenon caused by solar winds or geomagnetic storms. The exact causes of the aurora borealis are unknown, but it is recognized that the appearance of colors in the sky occurs due to a disturbance in Earth's magnetic field.

For October's northern lights, South Africa's National Space Agency...

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...(SANSa) reported that the geomagnetic storm that caused the phenomenon originated from a solar flare on October 3rd. It was the strongest Earth-facing solar flare recorded in the past seven years.

Solar flares and geomagnetic storms can result in electrical or radio blackouts, but fortunately, these did not

appear to occur in the Thiel College and Pennsylvania area. However, as reported by SANSa, other regions, such as South Africa, did experience a brief radio blackout.

Though the phenomenon tends to be fairly rare, appearing as far south as Pennsylvania or even further is even rarer. Furthermore, it has appeared over the continental United States

twice in the past year, with the last time happening on May 11th.

With the ability to track solar flares, scientists are typically able to predict and publicize upcoming solar phenomena such as the northern lights.

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