Kicking it
Four seniors earn soccer recognition

Game on Order of Saint George raised money for UPMC Children’s Hospital.

“Merry Christmas to all” Multiple Greek groups are holding parties during this Christmas season.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Rock-well around the Christmas tree

Dancers paint the stage

Paige Fay
Staff Writer

Art comes to life, thanks to the Orchesis dance troupe. Taking place at Pew Fine Arts Center in Keller Auditorium, this performance’s theme is “Art in Motion.” The performances will take place at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 30, Dec. 1 and Dec. 2, with a matinee at 2 p.m. on Dec. 2.

For each act, the troupe’s choreographers have chosen a famous work of art and created a dance that brings the work to life on the stage and will be sure to awe the audience.

Orchesis co-senior head Carolyn Jack said, “the choreographers and dancers have put in countless hours to ensure that every second of their dance represents their chosen art work.”

This performance holds special meaning to the heads of the group this year. It is a show of their own creation and they are ecstatic to watch it all come together on the stage.

“We thought it would be really creative and cool to combine the art of dance with other works of art to bring them alive,” says co-senior head Abigail Van Vleck.

Orchesis has been on the Grove City campus for many years and there are usually around 65 members in the troupe. It is an opportunity for students who have a passion for dancing to be able to come together and share that passion with each other and with the community each fall semester. The dancers have several months to prepare leading up to opening night. This year’s performance will take place at 2 p.m. tomorrow.

Members of Orchesis gracefully glide through their dress rehearsal, preparing for Thursday’s opening performance of “Art in Motion.” The show runs at 7:30 p.m tonight and tomorrow in Keller Auditorium, with a matinee at 2 p.m. tomorrow.

Students present research at physics conferences

Sarah Opst
Staff Writer

Within the last few months, two GCC students presented their work at physics conferences across the country following summer research opportunities. Senior Mercedes Mansfield, a physics major and chemistry minor, presented her poster "Spherization of Sputtered W, WO3, and Layered NiWO3 Thin Films for Thin Film Photovoltaic Applications" at the University of Nebraska’s Conference for Undergraduate Women in Physical Science from Nov. 9 to Nov. 11.

Junior Sam Beiler, who is pursuing a physics major with a focus on computer software and an astronomy minor, presented his poster "Testing Young Brown Dwarf Atmospheres Properties with L-Band Spectroscopy" at the Brown Dwarf to Exoplanet Connection Conference at the University of Delaware on Oct. 26 and 27.

“The conference helped me make connections with peers of my field as well as the keynote speakers who were all giants in their field. By presenting my research both at a poster session and in presentation format I have gained professional skills as a student,” Mansfield said.

Their experiences this summer also directed their interests as they delved into particular fields of physics.

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AWARDS

Awards in the Grove

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Contributing Writer

Grove City College will host the 35th annual Florence E. Mackenzie awards in 2018.

On Feb. 6, the awards will be given to faculty, students, administration and staff that have participated in volunteer work. Also, any businesses, organizations or groups will be eligible to receive the awards.

Nominations were submitted through Nov. 30, 2017. The nominations included organizations, businesses, groups or individuals. There are two preliminary award given, specifically the Grove City Campus award and the Greater Grove City Borough award, which recognize individuals or groups on campus or in the town, respectively.

The awards are set in place to highlight a person or organization for their hard work and dedication to Grove City and Grove City College.
Danú, an Irish band known for their traditional music, will perform their Christmas concert, “Fèile na Nollag,” right here in Grove City. The Grove City Area Chamber of Commerce describes Danú’s Christmas gathering as offering “a taste of extraordinary events that Danú has brought to residents across Ireland for hundreds of years.”

Nell Ni Chroínín, a singer from the Republic of Ireland, will perform alongside musicians and other instruments — including the button accordion. At 7:30 p.m. in Ketler Auditorium on Dec. 4, 2017, Danú will bring the distinctive sounds of the Irish Christmas celebration to Grove City, as “Fèile na Nollag” means “Christmas Festival” in Irish. Celtic music centers on the principles of culture, technical skill and tradition. The history surrounding Celtic music is much richer than most individual realities. While it is usually thought of as merely Irish, it also includes the influence of Scotland, Wales, Cornwall, Brittany and even Galicia and Asturias in Spain. These Spanish influences have since spread throughout the West, in the United States and Canada.

American audiences are introduced to Danú’s concerts like “Fèile na Nollag” to appreciate the artistry of traditional musicians and the beauty of Irish music. One person who is doors to Celtic music is Ms. Carlycecombell displays exquisitely not only the instrumental, but also the vocal performance will be readily noticeable.

At the end of the competition, Grove City College students are invited to attend the final presentations and recognize the most skilled students. Cameron Susser, Caleb Pbll, Michelle Mersheim, the 10 performing groups earned a place in the prestigious competition. Their work was done by the students and brings them closer to the most outstanding music groups in the nation. They are the co-senior heads of the troupe this year. Jack and Van Vleck are the co- senior heads of the troupe this year. Both Jack and Van Vleck joined as freshmen and are now leading the troupe.

With the influence of Danú’s performance, many people living abroad return to Ireland to gather and celebrate at home. Now residents of Grove City and beyond can partake in an Irish celebration of Christmas with Danú’s performance. Danú’s performance is also being offered in the form of Christmas cards. The postcards are the co-senior heads of the troupe this year. Jack and Van Vleck are the co- senior heads of the troupe this year. Both Jack and Van Vleck joined as freshmen and are now leading the troupe.

From Nov. 10-12, Grove City college students participated in the Start-Up Weekend in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The event is aimed at providing students with the opportunity to form small businesses called “Dreamers,” to take these ideas forward.

The Start-Up Weekend is an event organized by the College to discuss the idea of starting small businesses by students. The event aims to bring together students, faculty, and small business owners to discuss the process of starting a small business. The event also aimed to provide students with the opportunity to gain hands-on experience in entrepreneurship and innovation.

The event was organized by the College of Business Administration in collaboration with the Career Development Center and the Center for Entrepreneurial Research. The event was open to all students, faculty, and staff of the College.

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Confection connection

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If it is ice cream, candy, coffee or Greek life—everyone has a favorite treat. But what about cupcakes, cookies and cakes decorated with colorful fondant and icing? Allie Adams, owner of Allie’s Sweet Tooth, fills this gap by opening a shop on Broad Street where she will feature custom made cookies, cakes and cupcakes.

As a single mom, Allie was excited to offer beautifully decorated desserts for her kids’ birthdays, but she was not about to hand over an arm and a leg for some mixed-up sugar, butter and flour. She taught herself how to bake and decorate cookies and cupcakes. Now, she shares her talent with her community through her business of baking and decorating sweets. She’s been working out of her kitchen until now.

Looking to expand the business and offer more services, she is opening the doors to Allie’s Sweet Tooth on Broad Street this January. The new storefront will feature her very own custom confections made to order.

Allie said, “I’m excited to be a part of this community and meet the customers it serves.” She said she strives to make “special occasions as affordable as possible.”

Grovers have a lot to look forward to from this new addition to the Broad Street family. For one, parents will be able to call in orders of baked goods for students to walk in and pick up. Custom made care packages will also be available for purchase at this new sweet shop in town.

Freshman Hannah Howe is very excited about the possibility. Adam Hendrickson, a senior at Utah State University, said, “The project was one of the most unique experiences during my college career because I was able to work on a virtual team to complete a professional final report by using a real-world collaboration platform.”

This project grew out of my professional skills, but also my global collaboration skills that I use in the future of my professional career,” said Hendrickson.

Grove City senior Victoria Zulick also participated in the IBM project. “The IBM virtual business project was a really unique experience that put our communication, organization and professional skills that we have been developing through Professional Communication to work. The project and overall experience was a great opportunity with such a notable company like IBM.”

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Greek groups around campus have hosted holiday parties and gatherings for many years, which is a favorite tradition for students and alumni across the county and campus.

All of the proceeds of the event sponsor Christmas for a local family in need. The groups buy gift cards for the parents and clothes for the children who other- wise would not be able to afford such things. Greek members or not, everybody is welcome to both the Olie Pie Christmas Party and Festival.

Many other groups have the spirit of giving during this holiday season, including the sisters of Alpha Xi Tau who raise money for a local foster care system.

The bags are filled with pajamas, socks, stuffed animals and toiletries and are hand- ed out when children move to a new foster home to help ease and comfort the process. While many groups around campus may participate in a Secret Santa gift exchange, the AXTs have their very own “Secret Siter exchange.”

GREEK 4

Mobley and IBM unite

Ciara Resler
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Grove City students had the chance to inter- act with students from universities across the U.S. through Professional Communication, a class taught by Jennifer Mobley, Chair of the Communication Department, and the IBM Virtual Business Project.

VBP allows college students to collaborate with other students from various parts of the country to complete a professional final report.

Professors of each college involved formed teams of five to six students. Each team used the VBP platform to create their own digital portfolio, communicate with teammates via status updates and upload their individual and group work to the same team folder. Teams were also required to participate in the virtual platform to communicate throughout the process of complet- ing the project. Junior Melissa Thomas, a senior at Grove City College participant in the IBM project said, “The IBM virtual business project was a really unique experience that put our communication, organization and professional skills that we have been developing through Professional Communication to work. The project and overall experience was a great opportunity with such a notable company like IBM.”

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Games were enjoyed and played by many as students enjoyed the 2nd annual Game-a-thon hosted by members of the Order of Saint George.

**OSG games to provide treatment**

Madison Graner Staff Writer

Video games are a beloved way to take a break from schoolwork, and the Order of St. George turns this restful activity into a fund-raiser for those in need.

The second annual Game-a-thon in Grove City took place from 11 p.m. on Nov. 10 to 11 p.m. on Nov. 11. The Order of St. George (OSG) is a club and organization founded in the 1970s by Chris Miller, a member of the Delta Iota Kappa fraternity. Katelin Omecinski, a senior member of OSG, said, “Since then, the Order (as it is affectionately called) has gained numbers and plays a myriad of computer, board, card, and role-playing games. Our goal is to provide a community for people who have common interests to get together and have fun.”

The game-a-thon ran for 24 hours straight and was only a small-structured event. Certain stations were set up, but the participants could also bring their own games and move around to different games and stations as they pleased.

One of OSG’s newest members, Junior Grant Yurick, participated in the event this year. He said, “The event had a very relaxed atmosphere. Some people were simply playing through single player games alongside others or by themselves, and others were playing multiplayer games together. Plus, there was free food.”

Omecinski was the main organizer of the event this year. She said, “The purpose of the game-a-thon is to raise money for charity and help people see the community that ‘nerds’ can build. Here on campus we are a family and we can do really amazing things when we band together.”

OSG certainly reached their goal of raising money for people in need. From the game-a-thon this semester, they have raised around $3500 and are still collecting money through December. Last year the game-a-thon raised a total of $3500.

The money raised will go directly to the UPMC Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh, specifically the Children’s Miracle Network.

Senior Lige Counce, president of OSG, said, “All proceeds from the event go directly to UPMC Children’s Hospital. There will be several stations for people to search and treatments for children so that they can leave the area. Last year, the concert was a huge success as all the seats sold out prior to the day of the show. Seats for this concert can be reserved online.”

Ben Rivers, the little sister of OSG, said, “The event is to provide treatment, provide treatment, and various events can be had to benefit the children in need in Grove City.”

Additionally, the Ottua Theatre at Erie Street will host a Christmas Candy Wonderland Encounter. From 12:30 to 4:30 p.m., the theatre will create a magical Christmas world. The studio says, “As part of Old Town Grove City’s Lights Up The Night Event, Ottua Theatre invites you to experience the wonders of Christmas, inspired to bring the Christmas cheer to Grove City. The concept of this concert came from the idea of bringing people together. I wanted to be centered around the idea of bringing people together. I wanted to be part of something that strives to do that as its main purpose. No other agenda but love for people and most specifically our Grove City community.”

The Christmas concert will also have a re-sale of Christmas candy. Ryan Bibza started the event as a fun way to help the community. Bibza says, “For me, the event is to provide treatment, and various events can be had to benefit the children in need in Grove City.”

Students studying for finals this spring semester will have a new way to get delicious baked goods at an affordable price. Freshman Caitlin McDonough said, “everyone likes cookies and cupcakes and if it’s affordable, the more the merrier.”

Grove City’s Food Pantry is running on Dunkin. In a few short months, the team will be running to Allie’s Sweet Tooth.

Greek groups such as Alpha Sigma decorate their halls and have Christmas parties open to all of campus.

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The hall is filled with stockings outside each member’s door, so each girl can fill her sister’s through- out the week and a larger gift at the end of the week. A Christmas Party then re- veals the secret sisters.

Sophomore Mad- die Graner is a mem- ber of the Theta Alpha Pi sorority. She said the group will also be hosting a big Christ- mas Party. Because their full party was can- celed, members will be bringing dates and have the Christmas Party in place of it. Many Theta’s plan on attend- ing the various events on campus as well. “I’m really looking forward to all the fun events on campus,” said Bauman. “The joy and excitement of Christmas truly dis- tracts from the stress of school and finals.”

Although students will have to start wrapping up the semester and preparing for finals, the bliss of the Christmas season will bring friends and Greek groups together to enjoy the joy the last few weeks before winter break.
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Who doesn’t like a little man candy? As fall semester begins to wrap up and the holiday season comes upon us, it is easy to get caught up in the hustle and bustle of your head down and focusing only on finals and work to break. Christmas parties and receiving gifts may give respite from the monotony of school work but for some, the holiday season is ending.

Grove City is unique in community buildings, it encourages its students to have an outward focus in others as opposed to only on oneself. Charitable events are a staple on campus with many groups contributing to organizations on both a local and global scale. The Greek community is one of the largest contributors for these events and many groups have become successful in their yearly fundraisers dating back decades. One such fundraising event that is put on every year is Relay for Life. This event has been put on every spring at Grove City for over four decades by the Sigma Chi.

AEX and Rho house a competitive game in a friendly food for the glory and honor of tradition. The Rhos attempt to topple two-year defender AEX while AEX tries to hold onto their title.

 Theta Chi sorority and Pan Sophistic fraternity, Relay for Life is a community-driven charity event put on each year for the American Cancer Society. In preparation for Relay, a kick off fundraiser, Big Man, will be held on Dec. 1 in a Crawford Auditorium.

This year’s event will be benefiting the American Cancer Society. The two groups have become one to get all their brothers together and eat breakfast. There is shared fellowship between the students which brings them closer together. When asked what he enjoyed about the event, Coach Davis replied, “It is fun to come together, practice, and have a couple hours each week to play the sport together in preparation. While we all play with intensity, at the end of the day it is a lighthearted event that brings us all closer together.”

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This year’s 41st annual Orchesis performance, themed “Art in Motion,” contains breathtaking art inspired dance performances, in which the artwork dances off the canvas.

Over the past few weeks, students have continued to dedicate countless hours to the development of such a performance, excited to share their passion for dance with their fellow dancers as well as their peers.

For many of the troupe members, the opportunity to continue dancing in college brings pure excitement, and they have enjoyed each step of the preparation.

Through this opportunity, they have had the privilege of fostering incredible friendships and building unforgettable memories while doing what they adore, dancing.

Exceptionally, the performance this year is the design and execution of the performance heads, Carolyn and Abigail Van Vleck, who are abundantly proud, as they should be, of their remarkable product.

This charming performance is truly awe-inspiring and one that should not be missed.
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I chose to go with a hot coca at Starbucks—specifically, the Snickers-erdoodle Hot Cocoa. This drink, hands down, was the best one that I tried. The coca tasted just like a snickers-erdoodle cookie but, unlike the Sheetz milkshake, it wasn’t overly sweet. It did have a mellow, gentle cocoa, but the cinnamon undertone made me feel like I was drinking a Christmas season.

Overall, I learned from this experience that I will be deviating from my normal order in the future—especially the Cheerios, which are reminiscent of the season. But I will definitely be bringing back the hot coca for another round.

Christmas concerts around campus

Kathryn Morley

December 1, 2017

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A little puppy love benefits your heart and your health

by Madison Stout

Dogs have held the title of man’s best friend for thousands of years. These animals have managed to encapsulate the thoughts and minds of someone through the years. They have become a central part of our routine, families, and lives.

One dog, or even just taking care of any dog, can improve one’s mental and physical health. Owning a dog, or helping someone take care of a dog instead of them, can bring an overall sense of purpose, gain many positive emotions, and few negative ones. Many studies have proven that owning a dog can improve one’s happiness for their owners. Happiness is not just among pet owners, but their dogs as well. A dog can redirec their owner’s attention from PTSD trigger or let the handler remain focused and help the handler with social interaction as they ease back into the work force and other activities.

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In today's world of fast-paced life and constant change, it is more
mandate to have infinite information available at our fingertips.

We want to know what is happening right in front of us, because it is our duty to be aware of our existence as members of the greater global community. In an age of information, the econom-
y of the world is rapidly changing, and the latest psychological and sociological studies are more important than ever. Without a trusting relationship, we risk losing the illusion that right in front of us must be the most important news.

Because of this, we may be caught in the cycle of wanting to use our minds to think about the news, and risk losing sight of those news that reinforces our existing biases.

We also know that our experiences and as-
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tually are, is the reflection of our current situation. No matter how fast-paced, trans-

cational beliefs are true or false?

Are the beliefs we have the beliefs we
learn about them from our experiences and as-

Nashville Statement as they believe are false?

Our existing biases. We often believe that
We assume that what is

psychological studies

members of the greater

now, because it is our
duty to be aware as

information available

fast-paced life and con-

Rio Arias

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I believe the language

I also believe in

Throckmorton, this is

Scripture, the entire

Scripture is strikingly

I agree, for instance,

we have the beliefs we
learn about them from

personal narrative repre-

in an inflamed world

way things really are.

saying that is being done

taking a knee before

athlete tweet about why

or the expectations par-

media to be our main

I want to take a step

we have to do, then

truth without ever of-

through a personal

and discerning individ-

truly understanding

But as Christians I

I know that many of

of the table never agree.

work what I can into

24-hour day, so I will

were plenty of time.

Be with family, meet with

everything we need or

much bigger and

stronger it is to hear

are the responsibility

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Sowing confusion

Professor Throck-
morton’s recent re-
sponse to the CBMW’s

Scripture is unclear

The provided pro-
ducer of the

of the Nashville

and punctuation, and

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**Men’s rugby finishes strong**

The Grove City College men’s rugby team finished strong this season, scoring a high 23 points against Waynesburg University.

Senior Cory Huff led the Wolverines with 13 points while sophomore fullback James Wells pointed eight times.

Over time we progressed together,” said James Neff, a senior guard from Zanesville, Ohio. “Everyone got better as a team.”

The team opened its season on Sept. 29 against Waynesburg, 41-32. Grove City tied Waynesburg 18-16, on consecutive tries from the paint for two points.

The team fell Wednesday at visiting Waynesburg. The team scored 12 turnovers into 28 points. Grove City, now 1-4, with 20 of 58 (35 percent) for the game while shot 23 of 48 (48 percent). Thomas More converted 19 of 48 (35 percent) for the game while sophomore guard Nate Peters. Peters went 8 for 10 from the floor, in- cluding a 3-of-5 effort on three-point goals.

Grove City led 44-27 at halftime and led by as many as 24 points in the second half. Huff added seven rebounds and one assist for the Wolverines. He also had three blocks. For the game, Huff scored 34 of 68 (50 percent) from the field, including 10-for-24 (41 percent) marksmanship on three-point attempts.

Support your Wolverines!

Scan the QR code to access team highlights, scores, and schedules of the Grove City Wolverines!
Freshman Cable Brouwer got the second-fastest time in program history in the 500-meter freestyle.

She won the 100 butterfly in 59.03 seconds and captured the 200 fly in 2:11.12.

Sophomore Ruby Mattison, senior Megan Van Kirk, and senior Trishar Winters (from left) each earned 3rd team All-Region.