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Three women awarded Vira Heinz Scholarship for 2014

by Kate Alexander, Alexander@thiel.edu

The winners of the 2014 Vira Heinz Scholarship have been announced. Sara Toombs, Allie Snider, and Bethany Snider have each been awarded approximately five thousand dollars to study abroad this summer.

“I was really excited, but I’m also nervous,” Gloor, a sophomore, said of her award. Gloor will be travelling to Costa Rica this summer to stay with a family in San Jose, where she will be acting both Spanish and English courses. Gloor also hopes to have the opportunity to volunteer in the community while she is abroad. Sara Toombs, a junior, will be travelling to Meknes, Morocco in one month during the summer. Toombs will be living in apartment

 mentors or quarrels with stricter adults. Gloor remarked that she is still in shock about the award. “I feel really excited to go, but also really nervous,” Toombs explained. “I don’t think it’s really set in yet that I’m getting to go.”

Toombs, who applied for the scholarship last year, will be working at an internship with a woman’s rights organization while in Morocco. She explained that while she had been discouraged by not winning, her friends and family encouraged her to try again.

“I’m so glad I did,” Toombs finished.

Bethany Snider, sophomore, will be travelling to Tokyo, Japan, to study at Sophia University for a year. Snider will be doing a home-stay program in Shinjuku, a part of Tokyo.

“While at Sophia University, Snider will be taking two courses; one a Japanese language course, the other an art course. “I studied Japanese for 5 years in high school, so it always been one of my dreams to travel to Japan. Winning this scholarship is really like a dream come true."

Pheta Theta Phi raises over 1.3 million for Free Care Fund

by Hunter Michaelis, hmichaelis@thiel.edu

Phi Theta Phi – “We’re the big kids who look at biological and environmental sciences, and not in our lifetime.”

Phi Theta Phi brothers support the Free Care Fund for the Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh.

The 2013 Vira Heinz cohort consists of sophomore Allie Gloor, sophomore Bethany Snider, and sophomore Sara Toombs, who applied for the scholarship last year. The winners of the 2013 Vira Heinz scholarship are junior Jaden Gloor, sophomore Allie Snider, and sophomore Sara Toombs. The winners of the 2013 Vira Heinz scholarship are junior Jaden Gloor, sophomore Allie Snider, and sophomore Sara Toombs. The winners of the 2013 Vira Heinz scholarship are junior Jaden Gloor, sophomore Allie Snider, and sophomore Sara Toombs.
Relay for Life Kickoff: Friday, Jan. 24 6:30-9 p.m. in LHR
Come celebrate the official kickoff of the Thiel College 2014 Relay for Life event!

Winterfest Activities: Friday, Feb. 7 from 8-11:59 p.m. in the Glen Johnson Community Center.
Join us for a fun-filled winter night! Activities will include ice skating, hot tubs, crystal keepsakes, and more!

Volunteer Table: Saturday, Jan. 25 from 10 a.m.–4 p.m. in the LHR
Attendees can join the volunteer teams for the Relay for Life.

Student Senate Meeting: Tuesday, Jan. 28 from 6-7 p.m. in the Rotunda Area of the Howard Miller Student Center.
Join the Student Senate for its regular monthly meeting.

Girls Empowerment Workshop: Tuesday, Jan. 28 from 5-6 p.m. in the LHR
Join instructor Jackie for a relaxed evening of yoga during this four-week long workshop.

ELCA Malachi Campaign Presentation: Tuesday, Jan. 28 from 7-8 p.m. in the LHR
Stop by to learn more about ELCA’s Malachi campaign and to support the Diocesan Health Institute and Campus Ministry as they present funds raised for the cause.

Alumni and Student Leaders Reception: Friday, Jan. 31 from 8:30-9:30 p.m. in the LHR.
Register today to attend a free workshop on filing the FAFSA. For more information, contact Sonya Lapikas.

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POLICE BLOTTER
compiled by Brianna Tiedeman

Jan. 10 - Indecent Assault, Disorderly Conduct - Bane Hall
A student was moving her things out of her room when an argument broke out between the two roommates.

Jan. 12 - Disorderly Conduct - Bane Hall
A woman was sexually assaulted by two students in Harter Hall.

Jan. 12 - Possession of Marijuana - Bane Hall
A student had marijuana in his possession.

Jan. 12 - Indecent Assault, Disorderly Conduct - Bane Hall
A student was smoking marijuana in his room.

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Thiel Ultimate Frisbee Club
All are welcome; no prior experience required!

Wanna see a movie? BLY HALL PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS...
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**EVENTS**

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During the winter months. Among these activities are yoga, dance, and fitness classes.

**Illusions and Magic: Leon Etienne Performs at Thiel**

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For the final act, Etienne took out a head from the infamously Harry Houdini's look of tricks, and claimed that he could get himself out of a straight jacket in less than five minutes. Once again, there was a student from the audience that came to his assistance and adjusting the straps as tightly as possible.

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Yoga is the practice of maintaining peace within the body through the use of certain techniques, while the use of mats, props, and attire will vary. "Thiel, with its four-week workshop, has been well received so far," Thiel, co-founder of the class, said. "We have a community of four. It is always in our class."

We are a community who take out the big to come together in the Thiel. This becomes true every Saturday from 6:30 p.m.

**STAY AT THIEL**

That is the motto of the stay-at-thiel and well during the winter recess season this year. As part of this initiative, Thiel is holding several community service opportunities during the break to help people not only in the Thiel, but in the surrounding areas. These events can be a way to get healthy and just add some fun to life. All events list are located in the Lutheran Heritage Room.

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The service began with "Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego," a South African song, and "We Are Marching in the Light of Lead," Mark West, Thiel Director of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs, and a woman, lead the prayer for the occasion. Women in attendance included Kenia Butner, Ruth Davila, Shadrach, and a woman. In addition, the service included a candle lighting ceremony, with a prayer for unity and peace.

The service concluded with a reflection on the themes of "dressing stress as it builds in us," and "dressing stress as it builds in us," with Dr. Pete Rydberg, a social worker, helming the discussion. He emphasized the importance of recognizing the signs of stress, and the need for self-care. He also emphasized the importance of seeking support from others, and the importance of seeking professional help when needed.

Throughout the service, the attendees were encouraged to talk openly about their experiences with stress, and to share their stories with one another. The service concluded with a closing prayer, and a call to action for the attendees to continue to work towards a more inclusive and supportive community.

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As the Fall 2013 semester began to cool down with work- and temperature-wise, Dr. Lauree Moroney’s Persuasion students were the first to give a range which could be implemented into Thiel College and ideas ranged from minor layoffs to new programs, to new buildings. After all of the apaches were given and reviewed by both Dr. Moroney and Ryan Persson. 4 students were selected to deliver their speeches for a second time in front of President Troy VanAken, Vice President Mike McKinney, and unexpectedly, 7 of President Troy VanAken, love about this process of identifying solutions.”

"What we (both himself and VanAken) agree that this idea is the most feasible and appropriate for the college at this time. “We have decided to begin discussions with Career Services and the Parke Room in particular, with whom she presented the idea, that it would be a great place to mingle and also it would allow drinking and driv- ing as the lounge would be on campus."

In response to the propos- al, one of McKinney’s con- cerns was the liability factor and he asked Mosley if any other schools had successful trics at this idea. Mosley’s re-

search suggested that St. Mary’s in southern MD has had it and after getting in contact with them, he discovered that it was a successful one but also that it was a problem and oversaw it was generally collected.

Collectively, Moroney was pleased that Brian had turned out of her assignment and recognize students’ affords by intending to follow up on a few of the ideas pre- sented. “I will follow up on the Tomcat Tiki because I think this is relatively easy to implement and I also liked the idea of the Thiel Tent. Logistically, it will require some planning but I believe it could work.

Further information on Brain’s ideas will be brought forward and an- nounced shortly.
New Year’s Resolutions deemed unruly

by Sarah Niznik, saraniz@thiel.edu

Every New Year, some might rate it as the season to change or examine their ways. New Year, New Me. Why? I ask myself what the need is to change ourselves with New Year’s resolutions. I don’t believe that the New Year is an excuse to change our ways. Rather, I see the New Year as a time to examine what we have accomplished in the past year or time period, and to plan for the future.

Many people want to be healthier in the New Year. Society approaches this with a new method of eating meals as an exercise. We are more motivated to go to the gym in hopes of burning calories and shedding a few pounds. Another approach we take is to walk a little more and a resolution is to be more positive. We set the habit of changing the calendar as an excuse to make ourselves more positive. It is understandable for people to have New Year’s resolutions for a healthier lifestyle including mental and body health. Positive, eating healthy, and working out are common New Year’s resolutions. Those three resolutions are a good beginning for a new year, same as it was before.

This sparked me as I thought to myself, “New Year. Same Me.” Why? Yes, I agree. If you want to wait for a change of a year to change yourself, face it, you are not going to change for the better.

This brought my thinking each day is a brand new opportunity to better ourselves. We don’t need a new year or the start of a week to want to change. All we need to do is want to go to the gym more often or make ourselves healthier, why don’t we try it this New Year?

It is understandable that change is a process that takes time. It is very scary to think of change. Moreover, we can make the changes in our lives at any time at a gradual pace. Facing into something such as being more positive, healthy eating, or working out can give more effective results in the long run.

Why wait? Why wait for the New Year to change? I leave with this, a lyric from Chris Brown’s song, “We lost the love” from come from Michael Jackson’s “Michael…”

In essence, we need to take any changes we decide right now. It is a gift and we need to start with it. The only way we can change is by ourselves. Can we be the person we want to be without waiting for the flip of a calendar?

Why do people feel the need to change ourselves with the New Year? Nathaniel Niznik wonders.

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Why Your Favorite Movie is Awful; Denson evaluates classic Romeo & Juliet

The Movie: Everyone’s favorite go to movie when eating that last piece of pizza. An ageless classic that exists (Besides Titanic), Romeo and Juliet. What a great movie for the sad, plastic people who still love romance in a film, in a way that they can relate to. This is the first movie I have ever watched that I actually do not enjoy the movie. It leaves me burning and feeling hot. I think I got over my obsession with this movie since it is probably the one that does all what all good artists do and move on to the next masterpiece.

Enter Juliet, the stereotypi- cal young girl who can not make her mind only to love for the guy consultation but into thinking THE MAY ACTUALLY LOVE HIM. This movie play so is famous because it covers the topic of forbidden love. I’m sorry Shakespeare, but you could have at least made a little extra effort and put the illusion of love a little bit more believable. Juliet is a girl who just had her first period, like, yester- day and Romeo is still freaky- ing out over his first ex. WHO TOLD THESE TWO THEY WERE TIME TRAVELER. Anyway, they end up going against their families hatred of each other, and marry each other, and live happily ever after.

This leads to one of the re- ducing scenes in the entire 1968 version of the movie. The Juliet Nip Slip I watched again to the first time in my eighth-grade English class and my teacher had his hand to prevent us from seeing that prepuber- tial scene. Juliet is also introduced in non-romantic images.

The whole movie, you end up realizing the end of a work of power created. 

Character Essay- Character Lady O览 To Hate:

Some may say everyone should hate the families of the two main characters but let me ask you why? hate is a big thing. You do not know why they hate each other. These people may hate what if it was really bad and there was something that possibly happen is for the children from both families to decide they are going to marry each other? That’s like marrying someone marrying some random Jew- ish girl…sigh…well wouldn’t it work. At any rate, the charac- ters that everyone should hate most are obviously the main characters themselves. 

Two days, that’s all! IT TAKES TWO DAYS for these two children to fall in love with each other. Each guy knows all those kids that would love each other after two days, and more likely you should take likes across the board.

There’s something people can’t decide that hate when people who just meet start to express their feelings. The Gott’s ALL THE TIME – not to mention and then, ALL THE TIME. It’s as if those people be- lieve that they don’t say it all the time, the people might leave them. Feel of you, you hate them, I’m not going to stop with that.

Second of all, is the less than 1 percent chance that you hate them, telling them, and the world you are annoying and most of the time a little beautiful thing to happen to you, like in Romeo and Juliet.

Why The Movie is Awful: Because of the play


Best/Worst: Moments:…No, just no. 

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TOOMBS TIME: what a definition doesn’t say

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One extra minute of thought is something that really isn’t what you think. A single woman and a man children are a family, two men and their adopted son are a family, naming their grand- children a family. We can typically accept. However, in other cultures, to a new year and a resolu-

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Paying it Forward: Movement showers kindness in Charity

by Kam Laskowski, klaskowski@thiel.edu

The movement has spread around Connecticut, encouraging the concepts of charity and kindness. It’s easy to lose faith in the human race these days. There are so many simple changes people can make, but sometimes acts are more about kindness than anything. It’s so easy to lose faith in the human race these days.

The world is a beautiful place, but people can be so mean. In the most recent event that I have heard of, I saw that there were two men and a dog and siblings. They are all my family. Last night, while Elmo fell asleep, everyone was just listed was my family. They all supported me while my family’s and I say goodbye to the day we will never deeply love.

In that one night, I realized the true extent of the people I can count on and who will be behind me when I need them the most. That, beyond all else, is family.
accommodate the extra layer you need some extra space to for a boot, remember that feet. When sizing yourself good if they don’t fit your not going to do you much 2. Size matters warm and dry. seams to keep your feet waterproof boots are a must. vania’s winter months, wa easily stained by mud, boos, though incredibly big names in boots are the brand trap, but assum-ing a certain brand of boot is perfect because of its enormous following can be disastrous. Two of the biggest names in boots areugg Australia and Brarpe, but many consumers do not realize that these classic boots, though incredibly warm, are not waterproof, and the fabric exteriors are easily stained by mud, snow, and salt. In Pennsyl-vania’s winter months, wa-terproof boots are a must. Consider boots with water-proof fabrics and sealed seams to keep your feet warm and dry. 2. Style matters Even if your new boots could keep your feet warm and dry in an arctic expedition to Atlantic, they’re not going to do you much good if they look like your feet. When sizing yourself for a boot, remember that you’re going to be wearing this sock or liner inside the boot and that you’ll need some extra space to accommodate the extra lay-

**Opinion Poll: “What is your 2014 New Year’s Resolution?”**

**Carmen Papa**  
“To get better every day.”

**Alix Clark**  
“To do better in school.”

**Mike Crane**  
“To grow out my beard for one year.”

**Samantha Elliott**  
“To lose weight!”

**Bobby Leitch**  
“To have a resolution.”

**Josh Johnson**  
“To be stronger spiritually and get closer to God.”
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Men’s volleyball carries on with the winning tradition

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In their opening games this season, Thiel’s men put up a good fight, leading scores, slamming down 13 kills apiece. Their opponent, Franklin College, finished the game with an outstanding 30 assists apiece and added more to the effort. The battle on the court start- ed with a loss in the first set that saw points end and began with a score of 27- 29. Thiel fought back and took the second set 25-23, but the third saw the vibes and the game. The last day was an intense mismatch with Millheim, Thiel’s match went five games and the Tomcats received victory when all was said and done. The 3-2 win was fought and a total team effort was put forth on the court. Dylan Lasher recorded a tournament high of 10 assists and added six digs to the win. Alex Capello contributed to the victory with seven kills and4 three blocks while Colton Virtue hit the floor for Thiel with a three assists and 10 digs. Hamilton led the Thiel sets with 13 assists for the game.

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30 wins, Josh Turner and Will Whitaker will give the Tomcats a run for their money in the conference. The PAC is filled with tough competition, but it will give Thiel a chance to see if they can’t become the PAC champs. The Tomcats are in season but don’t be fooled, because our team aren’t gone yet going without a fight.

With only two seniors on the court this season, Bethany Hess and Liana Thomas, Thiel can’t expect too much experience. One thing they have and they need to go for is to keep the deficit of skills. Hess, who is 15-15 on starts this season, averages 8.9 points per game and has 64 rebounds on the year, as well as 43 assists. Jaeger, the 6-foot forward from Timor, Poland, is shooting 68.9% from the floor, which as we know from the boys game, a free throw line can be the difference be- tween a win and a loss. These two will not be easy to stop, but in two years, juniors currently on the roster that will have some big shoes to fill some next winter with Taylor Queener and Taylor Quiros, both three year veters who can fill leadership roles for the pos- sible. Real control of the game for the Tomcats this season and is performing over .500 from the arc. Queener is also leading the bench for the Tomcats this season and is performing over .500 from the arc. 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