The recipients of the Vira Heinz Scholarship for Thiel's 1st Year cohort is comprised of Katie Alligier and Avery Jost. Each will receive $3,000 and $5,000, respectively for the upcoming school year. The scholarships are part of the Vira Heinz Foundation's nationwide scholarship program, which was founded by Hillary Leipold and her husband, former U.S. Sen. Tom Harkin.

“I have always loved English and literature. It’s not more valid or less valid than science,” Leipold said. “I have been to Tintagel, Tintagel Castle in Cornwall,” Johnson said. “I have stayed in Camelot’s Palaces and...”

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**Students chosen for Vira Heinz Cohort** by Keely Coswell, kcoswell@thiel.edu

On Friday, Jan. 30, the sisters of Zeta Tau Alpha host an event that promotes and raises money for the organization's philanthropy, breast cancer education and awareness. The second annual three-legged race was a huge success at Thiel College, and this year's event brought in nearly double the money of last year's event. It was very pleasing with the outcome this year, the president of the Zeta Tau Alpha club, on the camp...
**Thiel Happenings**

compiled by Liz Carlson, ecarlson@thiel.edu

Friday, Feb. 13:
TAB Game Show: 9 p.m. in the Bistro
Join us for the friendly couples/friends-competition!

**Saturday, Feb. 14:**
Nacho Grande Jazz Vespers: 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel

**Tuesday, Feb. 17:**
Wings N’Sings: 9 p.m. in the Bistro

**Friday, Feb. 21:**
Get your dance clothes on and turn your bass up with "Reverend Soul"
with Ronnell Hunt where the greatest old school funk and soul hits are played for your listening pleasure!
Join us for a funkstastic time every Wednesday from 5 to 6:30pm.

**Horrible Bosses Two: Date TBA**

Jason Bateman, Jason Sudeikis, and Charlie Day are back and this time they are taking on their own business. When their hit product, the Shower Buddy, catches the attention of a prestigious entrepreneur, the guys quickly advance into the manufacturing business. Things soon take a turn for the worse though when they are informed that the big deal that was keeping them afloat has been canceled, allowing the big shots to adopt the shower buddy product and name. Check out this much-anticipated sequel to find out what happens next!

Want to advertise your club or event?
Submit an ad or article!!!
Publication is free for Thiel clubs and activities

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If you give us information for your event (Who?, What?, When?, Where?, and how students can get involved), we can make the ad for you! Just give us the information 5 days before the submission date!

Articles, ads, and information can be sent to thielensian@thiel.edu

**Police Blotter**

Jan. 31, 2:00 a.m.
An underage student was found in possession of alcohol.

Jan. 31, 11:45 p.m.
A student under the age of 21 was found walking drunk in a dorm hall.

Feb. 7, 1:40 p.m.
Two students were arrested for public drunkenness and disorderly conduct, then transported to the Greenville police department.
“Friends of Alumni” dinner held during Winter Weekend

by Kristine Cottom, Kcottom2@thiel.edu

Friday, February 13, 2015

The Friends of Alumni dinner is an annual formal dinner for alumni and friends of the college. It’s the perfect way to thank the alumni for their contributions to the college. The event is a great opportunity for alumni to come together to build relationships and enjoy a night of celebrating the college’s achievements.

The Friends of Alumni dinner is held during Winter Weekend at the college’s student-run hotel, the Vira Heinz Inn. The dinner consists of a sit-down meal featuring a variety of courses, followed by a dance to live music.

Students prepare for study-abroad experience

by Emily Trunzo, ETrunzo@thiel.edu

Students who are interested in studying abroad can expect a great experience. However, it’s important to be prepared for the challenges that come with study abroad. Here are some tips to help you prepare for your study abroad experience:

1. Research your destination:
   - Learn about the culture, language, customs, and traditions of the country you will be visiting. This will help you to understand and respect the local way of life.

2. Learn about your academic requirements:
   - Make sure you understand the requirements for your study abroad program. This includes coursework, credits, and grades.

3. Pack appropriately:
   - Make a list of everything you need to bring with you, including clothing, toiletries, and any required documents.

4. Stay connected:
   - Stay in touch with your family and friends back home. This will help you to feel more connected and supported.

5. Be open-minded:
   - Be open to new experiences and learn from them. This will help you to grow as a person.

By following these tips, you can prepare for a great study abroad experience. Enjoy your time abroad and make the most of your experience!
Winter Weekend Photo Montage
SIGMA TAU DELTA CELEBRATES 15 YEARS ON CAMPUS

Please join us Sunday, February 23, in celebrating all things English! The Sigma Tau Delta induction ceremony honors students who meet the academic requirements for entrance into the English international honorary society.

Dr. Curt Thompson, the DHI Director and Professor of Religion, will serve as the keynote speaker as we celebrate our fifteenth anniversary of establishing a chapter at Thiel: Alpha Iota Kappa. We will also commemorate Dr. Jay Ward, Professor Emeritus of English, who passed away this summer and who was an instrumental member of the English department and Thiel faculty. The Phoenix will also be distributed to all attendees.

A traditional biology major is typically interested in going on to medical school or being a physician’s assistant. Conservation focuses on outdoors jobs like game wardens or park rangers and administration. Research and plants are but a small portion of the things required of the average biology student.

Besides learning how to grow bacteria, the Biology department requires a senior research project: “What that does is give students an idea of how research is done. This project is something you have to do at the very least,” Sword said. The biology department and environmental science majors work with students from Earth Week, who come in from elementary schools to learn more about their environment.

“We can always do more,” Sword said of Thiel’s interaction with Greenville. “Around 125 students attend, and the Thiel students teach them.” Each department interacts with one another in that students are required to take classes out of their major from another science. For example, a physics student might choose to take a biology or a chemistry class. With each professor feeling differently about the importance of a science degree and making science more of a daily part of our lives, one thing is certain: “The public needs to become more literate. Things like climate change, figuring out how we can change it. These are topics we need to think more about, because we’d better off,” Stanisky said.

Dr. Mary Theresa Hall and Dr. Jared Johnson serve as the advisors.

**ATTENTION GRADUATING SENIORS**

All seniors are required to schedule an appointment with the Registrar, Deana Urey, to review your college core requirements. If you have not met with the Registrar, appointments can be made at the Records Office or by calling extension 2110. Seniors who desire to participate in commencement exercises in May 2015, who will complete graduation requirements in summer school 2015, must contact the Academic Standing Committee by April 1, 2015 for approval to participate in the May ceremony. The academic petition form can be obtained in the Records Office.

Spring 2015

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Students who regularly attend SI withdraw from classes less often than non-SI participants.
Valentine’s day is right around the corner. Do you need a cheap… or possibly free, yet thoughtful, gift for your loved one? How about a fantastic little pick gift when someone is having a bad week or a random reminder that you care? Well, here’s a twist on the traditional coupon gift that will leave the recipient exclaiming and you will receive this surprise.

A SCRATCH-OFF CARD!!!

Time: 20 mins (plus drying time)
Cost: $0 - $10, depending on what you already have

Instructions:
1) Cut your paper to the size that you want.
2) Think of several “gifts” to put on your card (1-10)
   Some ideas are listed below
3) Draw shapes on your card. Make sure they are big enough to write one “gift” in each.
4) Write one “gift” in each of the shapes.
5) Decorate your card.
6) You use your white crayon to color over each gift.
   *note* this might take several coats of paint.
   Make sure to paint the drawn in text completely.
7) Paint over where you colored with the white crayon.

Materials:
Paper (printer paper works just fine) – any size you have on hand
Decorative scissors or other paper-cutting materials (optional)

*note* You need to have a white crayon.
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9) Let your card dry.
10) Gift it!
In writing my first Thielensian article, I can do that. As college students, I wouldn’t be surprised if you’ve had this experience more than once occasion and, therefore, can relate. And so I set off on an adventure:

First, a bit of background... Since retirement in 2004, after 26 years of high school teaching. I have taken advantage of the opportunity to assist classes at Thiel. Because I’m not working on a degree, I have had the luxury of simply choosing classes that are of interest. I am as involved in each course as I choose to be (or for the individual professors permit). Not having kept a log of the courses I have elected over the years, I stopped in the Registrar’s Office last week to ask Deb Schrieber if she happened to have a record of my audits.

As my record was printing, Deb laughed and said, “You have two pages.” I was surprised, as well. Starting in the fall of 2000, with anywhere from one to four courses taken each semester since, I’m now enrolled in my 28th credit. I’ve always enjoyed being a student; in retirement, this experience has been a perfect fit. None to self: Pat, this sounds very selfish. I certainly don’t mean to be and do hope that in my time on campus, I’ve contributed to the lives I’ve encountered along the way. Through campus email,陴thiel.edu, I’d be interested to hear about what you’ve anticipated and/or are currently anticipating. What about some of those unexpected? I’d also appreciate your input on subjects for future articles from the pen of the “真實的我.”

I look forward to hearing from you. Have a good February and Happy Valentine’s Day.

Keiley: So, what do you think of the new Pedals Center?

Kate: I don’t think anyone wants to hear my opinions on Pedals. Mostly because most people have already heard them...at high volume, with much flailing of the arms.

Keiley: “You might be right, but what about that computer lab?” Kate: The “24-hour except-for-sometimes” lab?

Kate: That’s the one.

Kate: It’d be great if it was...you know...24 hours. They get rid of the lab in the JMSC for another conference room, and we’ve got a newer, bigger 24-hour lab. For about two weeks.

Keiley: Yep. As soon as classes start ed again, bye bye went “24-uh” thing. There are two computer classrooms in the AC. Why can’t they just continue to use those for all the computer classes? They haven’t added any more computer classes.

Kate: Because that would be the sensible thing to do. That’s just not how things are done here.

Kate: Nope. At least they moved the scanner out of that room, I went in last semester to scan something, and got kicked out because there was a “class” going on. I say “class” because the lights were off, (while it was dusk outside), and no one was up teaching. I didn’t even see the professor until said professor tapped me on the shoulder and told me that I had to leave.

Kate: I’ve never kicked out of class, but the first time I found out the lab was blocked off was about fifteen minutes before class when I printed a paper there and couldn’t actually re enter it. That was nice.

Keiley: And now that’s “pleas ant” sign on the door needing all students that their “24-hour” lab isn’t “RE ALLY” a 24-hour lab.

Kate: I mean I understand that students need to schedule their time and all of that. But when we’re “stuffed” that we have a 24 hr. lab, we should *get* a 24 hour lab.

Kate: I completely agree.

Kate: I mean I wonder what they tell the prospective students during tours? “And here is the twenty-four-hour lab. It’s open to student twenty four hours a day, seven days a week, except when there is a class in there, so not really.”

Kate: They probably just tell them that it’s the 24-hour lab. That’s what they told us. Too bad it isn’t.

Kate: Yes. But guess we’ll just have to “Thiel with it.”
The Tiels have recently added a women’s bowling program an announcing with the 2015-2016 academic year. The program was made by the school’s athletic director, Jack Lupinetti, in October of 2013. The new team will be coached by a co-coach for the 2015-2016 academic semesters until they become an official athletic sport in the upcoming year. During the announcement, Lupinetti stated that “we wanted to provide additional opportunities for female students that would also increase the school and community’s commitment to Title IX. Women’s bowling accomplishes these goals, and it also is a cost-effective sport that continues to grow rapidly at the national level.”

The addition of the women’s bowling team will bring Tiels to an athletic program with 11 women’s and 12 men’s teams.

Also, Tiell will become the 10th NCAA Division III institution to add the sport to its list of programs and so the school has joined National Collegiate Champions for the women’s bowling program. From the team will compete from other schools all over in the nation, as well as the NCAA classifications if they are able to advance to the national organization.

Doug McMillon, coach for the men’s and women’s bowling teams, will be the new coach. McMillen has been with the school for five years and has experience in coaching as well as administrative positions.

In an interview with team member, Jenna Stiles, she stated that the team had practiced once a week on Tuesday’s at Celebre Bowl in Greensville. She also said that an up- coming match is planned for the future. The team will travel three hours away to Allison, PA and compete in a match this upcoming Wednesday.

Thiel College is still a young college and some- thing as exciting as a new women’s sport team should be celebrat- ed. Support the new women’s bowling team by either show- ing them on for their upcoming matches, joining the team if possible.

Student-Athlete Highlight:

Mikael Pogosian

Here at Thiel College there is a wide variety of students, many of all races, ages, and sexual orientation. Thiel National students are enrolled here at the college, and are involved in various clubs and organizations. The biggest student athlete known as Mikael Pogosian who is a member of the basketball team.

Mikael is from Moscow, Russia, but is also the President of the Delta Sig- ma Phi fraternity. Mikael is a very popular basketball player in Russia and the United States. Mikael started playing basket- ball at the age of seven in a Russian Basketball Club that was similar to a school system.

In this area of Russia the game tended to be very nonexistent and could be considered a club sport. In Russia the game tended to be more physical and rough. This is something that Mikael is not used to.

He stated that here in the states he was able to send out a highlight video to various colleges throughout the United States. Shortly af- ter sending out these videos, Mikael started to receive multiple offers from schools located in various states.

It was at this time when Mikael decided upon Thiel Col- lege. The school seemed to reach out to him the most and decided to make a personal one-on-one connection that had a major influence on his choice. From that moment on he has been fly- ing close to the school and is currently a sport at Thiel College at this time.

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