Over the next few weeks, the new slate will be starting their role in the Student Government Association. The new chairs will be taking over and new senators will be selected. I had the opportunity to speak to the incoming Diversity Chair, Celine Hildack, about her plans for her term. Hildack is a sophomore chemistry major and an incredibly friendly, energetic girl who is excited to begin her role with SGA.

When Sarah Conn originally came to Hildack offering this position, Hildack took a couple weeks to think about it, as it is a big task to take on. "I saw the confrontation with BSU" she said, "and being the Diversity Chair will help me to make an even bigger impact than the one I've already been able to make with BSU — when you actually want to take on the task — on an even bigger scale," she asked. "Getting involved with more organizations, like ALLIES and Disabilities Awareness Club and everything I'm really looking forward to since I didn't have much power as secretary of BSU to orchestrate events, I want to do bigger things with the Diversity Organizations. I'm really excited to make more things happen on campus—for everybody."

She will be working hand-in-hand with the Office of Diversity and Inclusion, whose main purpose is to advance diversity and promote a positive climate for differences of race, gender, culture, sexual orientation, religion and age on campus and in the community. Passion for diversity is a vital factor for the role of Diversity Chair and Hildack definitely has this passion. When I asked Hildack what diversity means to her, she said "Personally, to me, diversity is everybody. Everybody is different. I feel like a lot of people don't accept that people are different—in every aspect, if you're colored, not Hispanic, whatever [you are], if you're disabled, if you're part of the LGBTQ community... if you have to deal with diversity because its present [in our world] and I feel like a lot of people just don't want to deal with it and they try to push [diversity] aside... but it's something that needs to be brought up and accepted. We're in 2018, it just needs to be acknowledged. People shouldn't be pushed aside for their differences because they're always going to be there. They're literally born there since the beginning of time and they're not going anywhere." In her platform, she spoke about promoting and spreading diversity throughout campus and enacting a mentoring program with Dean Lassiter for minority students. She said that it is important to post random facts about diversity on social media and around the tab maybe once a week and utilize the newspaper and the toilet paper for some diversity on social media and around the tub maybe once a month or every two months or so, focus on getting all of the diverse organizations to put something together, with the help of SGA and the Office of Diversity and Inclusion so that we could put something very successful on that's bigger than the individual events." The mentoring program should be very influential to a lot of students and alumni. Earlier this year, BSU hosted an alumni banquet. During the event, Hildack learned that a lot of alumni were very unhappy with the lack of communication they have had with Westminster and its organizations since leaving. Hildack says she wants to "reach out to the alumni and bring them back to talk to students about their experiences [at Westminster]" regardless if they were bad or good since everyone may not be crazy about Westminster. She wants to "bring the reality to it." "Not in a negative light" she says, "but just to show students that even though it's not the best thing, it's not the end of the world." Hildack thinks Westminster is a great school, she says, "it gives you so many opportunities just by being Westminster and that is one thing that needs to be pointed out." Hildack is looking forward to working with Dean Lassiter as he has a lot of aspirations and will be a great help in reaching out to alumni.

For future events, Hildack is again focusing on bringing the Diversity organizations together. She wants to help the Disabilities Awareness Club get more exposure during diversity month, as they have not had much in previous years. She really wants to utilize the presidents from DAC and Allies as they both have a lot of good ideas. Hildack's goal is to promote participation, "we need people to come and show their dedication for a cause. That's all these organizations do—support their causes, if you believe in our cause then you should definitely get involved. Regardless of if you can come to every meeting just show your support as often as you can." So, get involved. As always, look out for future events put on by these organizations and go to them. Just last Friday, BSU put on the Ebony Ball which was a huge hit, if you were able to make it. The food was great, the live band was incredible and fact, our new Diversity Chair was named Ebony Ball Queen. Overall, the event was a great hit and hopefully will return again next year for any of those who missed it. Did I mention the Ligos were there? It was real. It was fun.

"A man is but the product of his thoughts. What he thinks, he becomes." -Mahatma Gandhi
It's Ok to Not be Ok

Emma Lawson

The most common response a person will give you when you ask them how they are is "I'm fine," and many people accept and expect people to respond with "I'm fine" even when someone apologizes to them for a mistake they have made or when someone is not fine. It’s Ok. "But what if they’re not fine?" you ask. Or you run into someone on campus and ask them how they are doing, and they respond with the honest truth instead of the response that has become the societal norm: how would you respond? How would you respond if the rules were reversed? If we’re honest, you would probably be confused and slightly uncomfortable, as I would. Write this, yes, write it down, and I dare you to think about it, that it isn’t Ok. I’m willing to bet that you would absolutely have no idea what to do next. Most likely you would just give up on trying to make it better and write it off as some normal, non-life-threatening year. This is why how things should be thought.

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When's Easter?

Zoey Povlick

Have you ever wondered how the date for Easter is determined? Well, it’s based on the Jewish calendar, known as the Jewish calendar. The Jewish calendar is lunar, meaning it is supposed to be on the 14th day of Nisan, a month of the year. This day is significant because it is the day when Jesus rose from the dead following his crucifixion. According to the Christian faith, Easter marks the celebration of spring. The Pagans would celebrate rebirth and the end of winter. Historically, this time of year was used as a festival of renewal—both in nature and the social structure of the community. It was a time to celebrate the return of the sun and the end of the long, cold winter. The Pagans would make offerings to the gods and goddesses to ensure fertility and good fortune for the coming year.

When is Easter?

Easter is a significant religious holiday in many Christian denominations, especially in the Eastern Orthodox Church and in some Protestant denominations. It is observed on the first Sunday following the first full moon after March 21, which is the vernal equinox. The date of Easter can vary, but it is always celebrated on a Sunday, which is the day when Jesus rose from the dead. This is because the Christian faith places a high emphasis on the resurrection of Jesus as the central event of history. The date of Easter is determined by the Ecclesiastical Full Moon Dates, abbreviated EFM.

Christians decided to come up with a set way of determining the date of Easter instead of relying on a rabble-rousing Jewish calendar. They did this by calculated the date of the Paschal full moon, which is the full moon that occurred in March. Although all of these methods predict this time, they are not always exact. The Jewish calendar is the oldest and most widely used method for determining the date of Easter, dating back to ancient times. The Orthodox Church uses a similar method, but with slight modifications. The Eastern Orthodox Church celebrates Easter on the first Sunday after the full moon, whereas the Western Church celebrates Easter on the first Sunday after the full moon.

The Western Church uses the Gregorian calendar, which is based on the Julian calendar, which itself is based on the Maccabean calendar. The Gregorian calendar was introduced in 1582 and is the most widely used calendar in the world today. The Gregorian calendar is based on the solar year, which is the time it takes for the Earth to orbit the Sun. The Gregorian calendar is more accurate than the Julian calendar, which is based on the lunar year, which is the time it takes for the Moon to orbit the Earth. The Gregorian calendar has 365 days in a year, with an extra day added every four years to account for the extra 0.2425 days that the Earth takes to orbit the Sun. The extra day is added in February, which is why February has 28 days in a leap year and 29 days in a non-leap year.

The Western Church celebrates Easter on the first Sunday after the full moon. This is because the full moon is the first time the Sun and the Moon are on the same side of the Earth, and this is when the Moon is brightest. The Western Church uses the Gregorian calendar to determine the date of Easter, whereas the Orthodox Church uses the Julian calendar.

Regardless of religious beliefs, the date of Easter is an interesting and historical determination. It has come to be a long-time tradition, and it has passed through many changes. We should continue to celebrate Easter, as it is the day that we remember the resurrection of Jesus and the beginning of his new life. We should continue to celebrate Easter in a way that is meaningful to us, and we should do so with joy and celebration.
It's a-mario! Mario! Who does not know about Mario? The adorable Italian plumber who has revolutionized video games and captured the hearts of millions around the world. Mario's creator, Shigeru Miyamoto, wanted to develop a character that would popularize video games. Ultimately, Miyamoto succeeded in his goal. For years, Nintendo has produced hundreds of titles that feature Mario. Main titles like Super Mario Bros., Super Mario World, Super Mario 3D World, Super Mario 64, Super Mario Sunshine, Super Mario 3D World, Mario Kart, Mario Tennis, Mario Super Sluggers, Mario Golf, Mario Party and Super Mario RPG, show the areas which Mario has been featured in. For years, Mario and the Nintendo Company created one of the best-selling video game franchises of all time.

Even as a young lad, I remember playing some sort of Mario game. Our family had a Super Nintendo, and I remember the frustration of certain levels in this 16-bit game. This game gave me the old school or old school nostalgia that I still get excited to play it today. The colorful sprites, the tight controls and the excellent story all combine to make it a fantastic game. The Mario universe contains many memorable characters that continue to influence younger children. One such character is the evil Bowser, whose main goal is to capture the beloved Princess Peach. His kongs, who "love being mean," consist of Larry, Morton, Wendy, Iggy, Roy, Lemmy and Lügwig. The numerous environments you face include koopas, goombas, bullet bills, piranha plants, boos and Lakitus. The interactive environments, the fun powers and excellent controls all work to make this game such a hit and demonstrate the interactive potential of home video games. Throughout its history, new titles of Mario would appear, and generate massive sales for the company. With the release of Mario Odyssey, Nintendo did not set out as a publisher of video games. Founded in 1889 by Fusajiro Yamauchi, the business was made up of making playing cards. Eventually, Nintendo did not start out as a publisher of video games. Founded in 1889 by Fusajiro Yamauchi, the business was made up of making playing cards. Unfortunately, in 1983, a recession in the video game market caused the "Video Game Crash of 1983." For the next few years, video game companies suffered from lack of interest. Then, Nintendo released the Nintendo Entertainment System (NES) across the United States in 1985. The release of the home console was such a success that it brought the video game industry out of the recession. Nintendo would go on to release other home consoles like the Super Nintendo, Nintendo GameCube, the handheld Nintendo GameBoy, and later the Nintendo Wii and Wii U.

During the lifespan of these consoles, many Mario games would be included. The NES had games such as Super Mario Bros, which helped launch the console and video games in general, to more audiences. Super Mario Bros consisted of a linear, game-play focused approach rather than focusing on just high scores like other games of the time. Throughout Nintendos history, new titles of Mario would appear and generate massive sales for the company. With the Super Nintendo Entertainment System came Super Mario World, with the Wii came Super Mario Galaxy, and now Super Mario Odyssey has been released on the Nintendo Switch. Mario has become a staple for not only Nintendo, but for representing video games in general. Even people who do not play many video games still recognize the iconic moustache and the big M on his red hat.

Mario, Oh Mario, Wherefore Art Thou Ma-

NYC Big City Trip

Emily Gallant

As of Sunday morning 7-4-5, all of the tickets for the annual trip to New York City are sold out. The trip occurs every year and is sponsored by the student residential life. Students who are attending the trip should continue to watch their email for further information. Students who are going on the trip are going to have to figure out how to spend their time for forty-eight hours in the Big Apple. Luckily, there are a plethora of sights to see while in New York City.

There are many historical sights to see in New York. The Statue of Liberty is probably the most iconic along with Ellis Island. To see Ellis Island and Lady Liberty you have to take a ferry ride. If you’re in for a show, Carnegie Hall and Radio City Music Hall are great places to go to! If you want to get dressed up going to a variety of different shows ranging from jazz concerts to piano recitals. If you want to visit an iconic New York attraction, Radio City Music Hall is the place to go.

There are a plethora of other options of where to spend your time on your trip to New York City. The options are limitless!
exceptions of a few statement necklaces and bracelets, fits in my collection, which consists of mostly earrings, with the addition of shoes, some of which I hardly ever wear. As for jewelry, I do have to find some notable items that have been amassing for a few years, but don't feel like it might be a part of my personality to possess it. As a result, it's not something I feel a part of one person doesn't mean it can't be useful to another. Donating unwanted items in the best choice, or someone else may find in me of that warm weather that's not quite as warm anymore.

Do some spring cleaning:
Minimalism isn't just a trend, it is a healthy lifestyle. Go through your belongings, keep what's necessary and donate everything else. Unnoticed items may just be the item you need to give yourself a bit more space, or the item someone else may be in need of.

Take a class:
Need to relax but don't have a book at your disposal? There are plenty of other options. Balanation comes in many forms, from a local sailing class to yoga. Class options often vary. Not all classes require any special equipment for relaxation. Examples include yoga and color therapy. In search of a way to refresh your personal identity, you may want to think about taking a parent class of some sort for anyone looking for a fresh start in this area. The class offers a dose of self-worth, while also enabling you to learn the basics of a new skill in a short amount of time. Perhaps the perfect part is taking home the finished product.

Escapes through a blog post:
Yes, it can be hard to find time to dive into a book, but with the help of your local library, you may have the opportunity to catch up on some of your favorite genres. If you've never explored this option, it's time to check it out! If you're a parent or someone who reads for enjoyment, you may want to consider taking the work week off to do something you love. For the most part, the option to work from home, is a healthy lifestyle. Go through your belongings, keep what's necessary and donate everything else. Unnoticed items may just be the item you need to give yourself a bit more space, or the item someone else may be in need of.

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Phases of a photograph:
Go somewhere scenic and snap pictures with your friends. Whether it be for VICAR, pose, or maybe even Instagram, the purpose of taking time to photograph yourself is to end up with a fun photo and sharing. For this reason, if you're looking for a fun activity to do, perhaps the perfect part is taking home the finished product.

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By Charles Pandol
For the Norwegian winter Olympic team, it’s hard to look at your country side-up after a Google Translate error caused 15,000 eggs to be delivered to the team cooking staff. Chefs for the team were surprised when a local supplier brought in “full a traditional” of eggs in Pyeongchang, South Korea, the host city of the winter Olympics according to Business Insider. The team reportedly sought to order 1,500 eggs originally, but the team order was mixed up with the Google translate software; the chefs staff told them that they were able to return the other 13,500 eggs that were ordered accident.

Halea Heron, Deputy Secretary General for the Norwegian Olympic Committee, told CNN: “When the truck showed up, they started to carry in the eggs. After a while, they [the chefs] thought it lasted so long, it never stopped. They said themselves that it was a Google translate slip, I don’t know.”

This egg Atlantis episode is the second in a week for the Norwegian team competing in South Korea, as the team施策 on Tuesday, February 20th, due to security reasons. As reported by CBS, the Norwegian curling team displayed pants with hearts on the pants as they continued attempt to end their losing streak. The team wore pink pants covered in hearts. The team wore the pants as they continued attempt to end the Canadian team’s monopoly on Olympic curling champions. The heart pants are part of a long tradition on the part of the Norwegian curling team, as bright pants with obscure patterns such as the Norwegian flag have become a regular fixture at the winter Olympics, and the social media world definitively took notice as pictures of the team were posted and retweeted on social media platforms.

The Norwegian team is the favorite among the Olympic teams in Korea South Korea. The team is currently in the lead with 27 medals thus far, however, they have been out of the top four teams for most of the games as they remain far out in the lead with a pack of 13 skiers and go for the win. For the Norwegian team, it is another blow after Krueger crossed the line second in the men’s cross-country skiing. According to ESPN, Krueger collided with two Russian competitors in the first leg of the men’s cross-country skiing and found himself handstanding on the course with two rivals on top of him. Krueger went on to further to collect the broken skis and pole and after the fall of the pack in an attempt to still win the gold medal. Further reports Tuesday that starting from the rear, Krueger passed 63 skiers to take the lead and set the gold medal standard, which looked to cap an amazing comeback. After Krueger crossed the line in 1 hour, 13 minutes, 20 seconds, he паути після пропустити вони в атаку on the road and seek shelter in a building or lay on the floor. "Two days following the incident, Federal Communications Commission Chair Ajit Pai announced the creation of a "total scrub" of a few days after the incident. "The Norwegians accepted full responsibility for the fault and the team's order was scrambled due to security reasons." In a statement, the team's order was scrambled due to security reasons.

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Signtau Delta’s First Open Mic Night

Millena DeMorse

On Tuesday, February 13th, Sigma Tau Delta held their first open mic night at Mugsies Coffee House. Students were encouraged to step by step about an art that night in order to honor to some poetry, short stories, and even music. Those who were interested were also able to reserve a space so they could share their own poems or story. There were about 30 people in attendance.

“It was a really fun night,” said sophomore Amanda Bieringer. “I don’t go out to Mugsies that often, but I decided to grab some coffee that night and just listen to some poetry. It was a great way to relax my mind after finishing two hours of studying throughout the night, around ten people read poetry and senior Taylor Hertzler played some music. Co-presidents Malina Miller and Samantha Tome were the hosts for the night, and even told some puns to further entertain the audience. ‘The only non-poetic现象ism witnessed was my own,'” said Hertzler. “But before the interruptions, I grabbed the guitar of the wall and played Weird Al Yankovic’s ‘You Don’t Love Me Anymore.’”

After the open mic, the audience was handed a sign-up sheet for anyone interested in reading something. Those who were interested were then an outlet to readily express themselves,” said first-year Victoria Sponsler. “I wouldn’t have been able to write a really great poem, or being able to hear someone perform something we wrote was pretty incredible.” Sponsler also mentioned how cool it was to see that not everyone who performed was an English major, “I think it’s really cool to see that someone is a biology major, we all have something in common.”

The last event Sigma Tau Delta held in Mugsies took place last semester when they held the second annual Poetry Slam, along with Scene, Westminster College’s literary and art magazine. On November 9th, participants were told to prepare three pieces, each poem lasting around one to three minutes. Each participant was judged by professors and alumni, and at the end of the night, they decided on the winners of the slam. Each winner received Mugsies gift cards. Students were also allowed to come up and read their poetry during the open mic portion of the night.

Both events were free to all students and who those who came also enjoyed Mugsies refreshments and food that were available for purchase.

Sigma Tau Delta is an International English Honor Society that ‘provides cultural stimulation on the campus of Westminster College and promotes interest in literature and the English language in our surrounding communities,' according to the Westminster website. The society was first installed at Dakota Wesleyan University in 1924, and now has over 900 active chapters in the U.S. and worldwide. According to the society’s official website, over 3,000 members are inducted annually.

Margaret Portmann joined me on her laptop. Before the night started, the audience was handed a sign-up sheet for anyone interested in reading something. Those who were interested were then an outlet to readily express themselves,” said first-year Victoria Sponsler. “I wouldn’t have been able to write a really great poem, or being able to hear someone perform something we wrote was pretty incredible.” Sponsler also mentioned how cool it was to see that not everyone who performed was an English major, “I think it’s really cool to see that someone is a biology major, we all have something in common.”

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Five of the students who performed read some of the most intriguing poems of the night.

When you join a Greek organization, you get to have a mentor. On a ‘Big’. From my understanding, or at least the Fraternity that I am in, it is different. There are different options that you can enter and then someone does something and you have a ‘Big’. I don’t know the process but each semester it is different. Everyone gets will have to be with until that mentor graduates.

But the relationship doesn’t stop when people leave the school. The bond that you form with your kid in special. I personally have four year and a half children. The half is a weird thing to explain, but hey, you count. You know who you are. I have four kids, three of them were a part of the sophomore, and the other is a sophomore, but that is not counted. All of them have had to leave the Fraternity for various reasons, but they still call me “Dad” and still come to me for advice.

I am sure it is the same way with sorority. Whenever you find out you are getting a kid, you get so happy. You have someone you can bring into your family and introduce them to other family members. And over the years at WC, you form these bonds that cannot really be explained unless you experience them. I am a strong advocate for joining Greek Life. My words don’t do anything to explain the answer to the question. The experience will do it for me.

Answer: It has been a wild senior year. I am happy that it is that time. Ready to start my life and become an actual adult. Not to pay bills or work student loans or anything like that. But it is a part of life. Honestly I can get a job right after graduation to help pay for everything, but if not, that is life. Just have to keep moving forward. But to reflect on the past, I would have to say we trip to Ecuador. That trip included visited to the Amazon Rain Forest, Cotopaxi, and The Galapagos Islands.

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Folks. It was the greatest money I have ever spent on anything. The experience paid for itself. The opportunity alone was worth staying up until 3 am bartending at the Jersey Shore for 3 months straight. I was able to go to the highest active volcano, see an Anaconda in the Rain Amazon, go to the Amazon Rain Forest, Galapagos Islands.

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Curling’s can be traced back to frozen lochs and ponds in Northern Europe. It is a pastime still enjoyed in some countries when weather permits, but all national and international competitive curling competitions now take place in indoor rinks with the aid of the ice artificially temperature-controlled. Also, curling was first officially recorded when curling clubs were formed in Scotland. During the following century, the game was exported wherever Scots settled around the world in cold climates, the most notable locations including Canada, the United States, Sweden, and New Zealand.

It has been recorded that international curling events were staged in the 19th century in Europe and North America, but it was not until the first Olympic Winter Games in 1924, in Chamonix, France, that any form of official international competition took place among some nations. In 1932 at Lake Placid, USA, curling again was tried, but this time it was a demonstration sport at the Winter Olympics. Canada was the winner over the United States in a two-country competition where each nation entered four men’s teams. On 27 July 1939, as a section in Barcelona, Spain, the International Olympic Committee granted official medal status to men’s curling, to take effect no later than the Winter Olympic Games of 1942, with an option for inclusion in 1948 at Nany, Japan. During the meeting of the NOC Executive Board held June 22, 1939 in Lausanne, the Organising Committee of the Olympic Winter Games of 1948 agreed to include curling in the program of the XVIII Olympic Winter Games in 1948. Eight teams for 12 men’s and women’s curling teams participated in Nany, which increased to 24 men and 24 women teams from the Salt Lake City Olympic Winter Games of 2002 onwards. The first World Wheelchair Curling Championship was held in January 2002 and in March that year, the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) granted official medal status to wheelchair curling for mixed gender teams. The Organising Committee of the Torino Paralympic Winter Games of 2006 agreed to include wheelchair curling in the program. In 2012, curling also became part of the inaugural Youth Olympic Winter Games in Innsbruck, Austria.

The first rules were drawn up in Israel, and they were formally adopted as the “Rules of Curling” by the Grand Calcuttan Curling Club, which was formed in Edinburgh in 1815 and became the sports governing body. Forty years later following a demonstration of curling on the lawn of Prince Edward’s Palace near the Earl of Ellesmere during the time that the Queen Victoria was so fascinated by the game that in 1843 she gave permission for the Club’s teams to be changed to the Royal Calcuttan Curling Club, by which it is still known today.

Curling is a team sport played by two teams of four players on a rectangular sheet of ice. In “The Roaring Game,” originating from the curling round that the “Stone is Swept and what types of fabrics should be used on brushes. The use of indoor refrigerated ice facilities. In 2016, the World Curling Federation celebrated its 50th anniversary. That year, the Scottish regions of Stirling and Perth and date from 1511, 44-pound (19.96kg) granite stones make when they travel across the ice. The earliest known curling stones came from the Scottish regions of Stirling and Perth and date from 1511, in the 18th, stones with handles were introduced. The first curling clubs appeared in Scotland, with the Grand Calcuttan Curling Club, formed in 1848, being responsible for formulating the first official rules of the sport. The club then renamed the Royal Calcuttan Curling Club in 1845. The key contribution of the 20th-century developments in the sport has been standardisation of the stones, the development of the slate delivery, and the use of indoor refrigerated ice facilities. In 2016, the World Curling Federation celebrated its 50th anniversary. That year, a Sweeping Summit was arranged in Innsbruck, Austria, to address the rules of sweeping, which resulted in one of the sport’s most significant sets of rules changes. To follow success, a set of rules that challenged the conventions of how stones should be swept and what types of fabrics should be used on brushes. Upon its inclusion in the Olympic programme in 1991 at the first Olympic Winter Games in Chamonix, mixed curling was dropped and later reintroduced as a demonstration sport in 1992 at Lake Placid. Between 1998 and 2002, curling was staged at the Games as a demonstration sport in Garmisch-Partenkirchen in 1998 and Innsbruck in 1999, under the German name of “Bauschläger”, and in 1998 and 2002 in Albertville, with both men’s and women’s events. It was in Nagano in 1998 that it officially joined the Olympic program with men’s and women’s organised

Swimming and Diving’s Season Finale
Emily Krinos

This athletic season, the Westminster men’s and women’s swimming and diving teams have achieved 4-0 in dual meets, respectively. For the past three years, the men’s team has been PAC champions, and if they win the season, the seniors will have won every year that they have been a part of the Westminster swimming and diving team. Last year, the women’s team came close, they placed 3rd to runner up in the PAC championships. This year, the Westminster community is in support of our Westminster swimmers and divers who have broken many Westminster out-swimming and diving records. Men’s swimmer and captain, Greg Jordan, Mossey, Tyler Smith and Mitchell, has maintained, “The Scots have been around for a long time, we are the only school to keep the positivity high throughout the entire season, and we have maintained the main events of school records held by all teams. If they keep this momentum, the PAC championship will surely be the most of a lifetime.”

The Westminster men’s and women’s swimming and diving teams have kept the positivity high throughout the entire season, and if they win tonight, that will be a great season overall, “We have a rule at dual meets that you are not allowed to sit down unless you are preparing for your race and it is your turn to swim or dive,” Mossey said. “We can’t sit down unless you are preparing for your race and our greatest strength. No matter what we have done or what happens we will always be there for each other. Win, lose or draw we are still a family and our focus is to have fun.”

Before the PAC’s Championship, Mossey stated, “If you have a great season overall, it’s the thing we are talking about that we are going to try to get out to people as we can into the future will ultimately be the Titans’ greatest rival. Although, despite being tough competition, Alexus said, “The highlight of the season was probably our meet against Grove City. They are our rivals, respectfully, but we have not come close to beating them in a dual meet since I have been here. The energy you assume, everyone swimmers and divers do as well, it is not fun to do.”

If the Westminster men’s and women’s team continue to exist at their fullest potential, the outcome of PACs against Sierra City can be a tie, and overall, “we have an amazing group of talented and dedicated women,” said Mossey. The support and enthusiasm going into this season’s PAC championship is more evident, and, hopefully, it will allow both teams to experience all the difficulties they encounter. This season, both teams have faced numerous challenges, according to Mossey, has their “turbines” to Petersen. It hasn’t been an easy season by any means, and many strategies for the teams have handled everything.

As the 2017-2018 swimming and diving season comes to a close, both the men and women’s teams are prepared to create an extraordinary ending. The seniors on both teams have kept the positivity high throughout the entire season, and it has maintained in the main events of school records held by all teams. If they keep this momentum, the PAC championship will surely be the most of a lifetime!”

Brett Bartholomew

Emily Krinos
One Last Shot

Caroline Hess

Saturday Feb. 10 was a special day for the Westminster’s Men and Women’s basketball programs. Each team invited Grove City College and recognized their senior athletes for all that they have contributed to their teams. The Men’s basketball team celebrated the careers of Jarret Vrabel and Deontay Scott, while the Women’s team recognized Kristine Fromknecht, Kylee Cook, and Paige Quinn.

The Men’s team lost a tough game to Grove City College with a final score of 76-63. Sophomore Emily Fromknecht had a standout performance, scoring eleven points and leading the team in blocks and steals. Senior Kristine Fromknecht led the team in rebounding, capturing a total of nine. Other notable contributions include eight points from sophomore Kelly Bennett and six points from senior Kylee Cook.

The Men’s team, however, was a nail-biting victory in overtime with a final score of 76-65. Through the Grove City Wolverines led at the end of 80 first half, the game remained close right until the end, where the Titans broke away in overtime and outscored the Wolverines 13-3. Sophomore Cameron Kate Johnson led the team by putting up 20 points, with major contributions from senior Jarret Vrabel (18 points) and junior Austin Armwood (14 points). It was an extremely memorable game for Vrabel as he made his third 3-point shot of the game to help lift the team over the Wolverines.

The Women’s team lost a tough game to Grove City College with a final score of 69-51. Sophomore Rachel Binswanger led the team by putting up 20 points, with major contributions from senior Jarret Vrabel (18 points) and junior Austin Armwood (14 points). It was an extremely memorable game for Vrabel as he made his third 3-point shot of the game to help lift the team over the Wolverines. Sophomore Cameron Kate Johnson led the team by putting up 20 points, with major contributions from senior Jarret Vrabel (18 points) and junior Austin Armwood (14 points). It was an extremely memorable game for Vrabel as he made his third 3-point shot of the game to help lift the team over the Wolverines.

Senior Jarret Vrabel said, “Playing basketball for Westminster has been a great experience for four years and it means so much to me that I was able to complete my career here. I am grateful for all the opportunities that both the coaches and the college have provided me through the game. I want to be a part of a team that I know and love and my skills to give back to the college and put Westminster back in the PAC and regional conference. The last of anything is always bittersweet. Even sure that it has hit me yet that this is the last go around, but finishing here with Slop has been special. We both came in as freshmen making immediate contributions, and out of a pretty big class we are the only two seniors. I will probably miss suiting up for game days and that feeling you get after a tough win the most. Being a member of the basketball team, as well as just a member of the Westminster community, has led to a lot of personal growth. I’ll think to this these four years and changed for the better, and these great relationships and connections have played a big part in that.”

The contributions they have made demonstrate just how important the senior athletes are to our basketball programs, both on and off the court. We will be losing some skilled players and influential leaders, but their legacy will serve to inspire those hoping to fill their shoes.

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Men’s Basketball: Won 62-59 against St. Vincent; Won 71-60 against Grove City

Men’s Swimming and Diving: Saturday February 24 vs Kenyon

Women’s Basketball: Lost 51-47 against St. Vincent; Lost 86-71 against Waynesburg

Women’s Swimming and Diving: 3rd out of 6 in the President’s Athletic Conference Championships

Tennis: Lost 8-1 against Allegheny

Track and Field: 7th out of 10 at Kenyon

Track and Field: 10th out of 10 at Kenyon
WEEKLY VIBES

The horoscope is brought to you by Merle Woodring.

(a) Virgo
Your speed this week. It is great if you can complete a task in half the time, but make sure it is just as good as if you were to do it in the full time. Take this advice into your thoughts and speech as well. Really keep control of yourself. Don't get out of hand.

(b) Scorpio
You like being in control and in the know of most things. This coming week will be different however. It can be a nice change letting someone else have the wheel for a while. Take this time to work on you or just relax.

(c) Sagittarius
You have been on the move a lot recently. Kick off your shoes and enjoy a homey weekend. Try to bring some peace into your life, and get rid of the negativity that's been on your mind.

(d) Aquarius
Don't be tempted to do anything you don't feel comfortable doing. Don't worry about losing friends because of your choices either. You only need people in your life that want what's best for you. Remember that.

(e) Pisces
You have lately been drawn down two different roads. One of your greatest qualities is your incredible intuition. Use it and follow your gut. Doing what feels the best to you is what is important.

(f) Capricorn
You've been feeling cluttered lately. Keep your plans loose this weekend. Organization is awesome but don't take it too far. Not absolutely everything needs a time and date. You might just miss something staying on schedule.

(g) Libra
Emotions are high this week. Try to turn your built up emotion into some creative design. Times can be stressful and too much some times, but you just have to make the best out of it.

(h) Leo
You may have to step up and call some people out on their nonsense this week. Don't try solving everything on your own though. It's ok to ask for help when you need it.

(i) Cancer
Life is short and incredible. Live it up as much as you can. With or without plans, take this week in stride, and be who you want to be. Share a meal with a friend, or have drinks, reconnect and grow closer to those around you.

(j) Gemini
As much as you like being the center of attention, this week, you will have to give it up in order to help a friend in need. It's important to be there for people even when they don't ask for help.

(k) Taurus
Your thoughts oriented on community and social areas are likely to turn towards relationships and friendships. Take the weekend to recalibrate and adjust for the coming week.

(l) Aries
Don't bite off more than you can chew this week. Do what you can, but don't jeopardize your reputation or that of others just to try and show off.

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SUDOKU PUZZLE
Answers are located on page B4