Mansfield students go to Washington, D.C.

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On Saturday, November 3, 2018 Mansfield University took a trip to Washington D.C. 27 tickets were sold at the Mountie Den for $17 apiece to all university students starting on October 17, 2018. Tickets were left over, so the Student Activities Office opened the trip up to family and friends of university students. 12 tickets were sold to non-students. These tickets were sold for the price of $45. In total, 39 tickets were sold for this trip.

When taking a trip to a location, Mansfield needs to have an advisor that is responsible for the students and others in attendance. For this trip, Tiffany Welch, assistant professor of social work, was the advisor. She was there to make sure that everyone that was on the bus, when it departed from Mansfield University, was also on the bus when it departed from Washington DC. She checked everyone in when they got on the bus, both times. She also was there in case of an emergency, so she gave all in attendance her cellphone number.

The trip was presented by Student Activities Office (SAO) and funded by Student Activities Fees. A coach bus was rented that would take attendants on the trip. The bus made two stops along the way both there and back, one at Sheetz so that those attending could use the bathroom and get food, and one to pick up two individuals that also were attending the trip.

Those in attendance were asked to arrive to the bus fifteen minutes prior to departure, which was at 6:30 a.m., in front of Laurel Hall for check-in and load-in.

The bus did not arrive at Mansfield University till 6:30 a.m. Although this happened, the bus managed to depart by 6:45 a.m. and arrived in Washington D.C. at 11:40 a.m.

Upon arrival, attendees were dropped off at the National Museum of Natural History. They were told to explore Washington D.C and meet back at 8:00 p.m. at the Nation Museum of Natural History.

One well known location that many people in attendance visited was the Lincoln Memorial. Construction of the Lincoln Memorial started in 1914. It finished and opened to the public in 1922. The memorial stands 100 feet tall with Lincoln, the U.S. 16th president, inside sitting 19 feet tall. A history of former President Lincoln is inside the memorial. The statue sits looking out over Washington D.C. and the Reflection Pool, which is 2,028 feet long and 167 feet wide.

Another location that many people visited was the White House. On this particular day, like many others, protestors lined the streets on the North side of the White House. This protest was for the removal of the current President, Donald Trump. With this happening, many students and family were able to watch performers on the street while also looking at the White House.

SOA tends to choose locations based on student’s input. They listen to what students recommend and the feedback they recieve from previous trips.

If a students would like to, they are able to contact the office and recommend a trip location with a budget in mind and reasons as to why the trip is beneficial.

If you missed this trip, don’t worry, there will be other trips next semester, if you missed this one. The tickets are sold for a reasonable price with student input taken into consideration.
**POLICE BEAT**

Anyone with information on any of these events are encouraged to contact the Mansfield University Police at 570-439-4900.

- 11/6/18 - Jamira Rogers (19), Kim Cooper (18), and Stella Mclean (18) engaged in vandalism in Oak Dormitory. They “egged” several doors on the second and third floors, and are being referred to campus judicial authorities. This incident was reported on Nov. 4, 2018 between 12:04 a.m. to 12:31 a.m. (Criminal Mischief)
- 11/8/18 - Ericka Dudley reported that her cellphone is missing. The phone is described as a black iPhone 7, valued at $257.99. The phone was believed to have gone missing on or around November 1, 2018 near Alumni Hall at 12 a.m. This was reported on Nov. 8, 2018 at 11:40 a.m. (Lost Property)
- 11/8/18 - While police were conducting a walk-through of Spruce third floor, the officer noticed an odor of marijuana. Upon further investigation officers determined that the odor was coming from room 374. The investigation revealed that Tanarah Duncan-Washington (19) was smoking marijuana in her room. She was given a judicial referral for said violation. This incident occurred on Nov. 8, 2018 from 1:37 p.m. to 1:49 p.m. (Drug Law Violation)

**World News**

*Headlines from across the planet*

Blurs courtesy of bbc.com

- 11/7/2018 - Cameroon students freed and returned to parents
  - Cameroon, a country in Central Africa, suffered a tragedy on November 5th, when over 75 children and others were abducted from a boarding school in the country's North-West region.
  - Cameroon's authorities have blamed the kidnapping on separatist militia who have been very politically active in the region.
  - The victims were returned on the 7, after two days of being held, and had been treated decently and humanely.
  - There have been several other kidnappings in the region by the separatist forces, who have been aggressive towards schools in Cameroon.

- 11/7/2018 - Pakistani woman acquitted of blasphemy from death row
  - After spending eight years on death row in Pakistan, Christian woman, Asia Bibi, was acquitted after being accused of blasphemy in 2010.
  - She was convicted and arrested for insulting the Prophet Muhammad, the founder of Islam, during an argument with about her and others' religion.
  - After Bibi was released, she and her family faced lots of anger and death threats from Islamists and strong supporters of blasphemy laws.
  - The case is very divisive in Pakistan, as the two sides each claim a large portion of the population.

- 11/7/2018 - South Korea apologizes for rapes by troops in 1980
  - The large collection points to a connection with similar examples found in France and Spain.

- 11/7/2018 - Russian director Kirill Serebrennikov goes on trial for fraud
  - Serebrennikov denies the accusations of embezzling some $2 million of public money from a theatre project, a ballet with the dancer Rudolf Nureyev.
  - The production still took place, amid public opinions that the play was “considered too risqué for conservative Russia.”
  - He faces up to a decade in prison, as his denials focus on his minimal access to financial authority involved with the production.
  - Serebrennikov has some support, including a petition with more than 50,000 signatures with intentions to “not silence an internationally renowned director.”

- 11/7/2018 - Greece Church agreement to take 10,000 priests off payroll
  - In Athens, Greece, a landmark agreement has been reached in that will end the status of priests and bishops as civil servants, creating a separation of Church and state.
  - After years of international bailouts and 18% of the workforce being employed by the government in 2015, Greece is attempting to scale back its public sector.
  - Greek Orthodox Church will remain omnipresent in numerous aspects of the Greek state, including schools, courtrooms, and most area of government.
  - Opinions on the agreement are mixed, including much dissent from priests who no longer have guaranteed salaries.

- 11/7/2018 - Jurors have been selected in the trial of notorious drug lord Joaquin “El Chapo” Guzman.
  - Seven women and five men will decide if Guzman is guilty of 11 charges related to trafficking, money laundering and firearms.
  - All 12 will remain anonymous under tight security terms and be escorted to and from court by US Marshals.
  - His trial in a federal court in Brooklyn will begin on November 13th and could last up to four months.
  - Guzman’s lawyers have reportedly hinted they plan to argue he had a smaller role in the cartel than is believed.

- 11/7/2018 - Yemen war: Battle for vital port of Hudaydah intensifies
  - Government forces backed by Saudi-led coalition air strikes advance on rebel positions in the port town in Yemen, located south of Saudi Arabia.
  - More than 150 people are reported to have been killed since troops and militia stepped up a ground assault on the city's outskirts on November 7th.
  - The UN and charities say the fighting is also endangering medical facilities and hundreds of thousands of civilians.
  - The war has caused the deaths of at least 6,660 civilians, 10,560 injured in the war, and the fighting and a partial blockade by the coalition have also left 22 million people in need of humanitarian aid.
  - Two hundred air strikes were reported in and around Hudaydah on November 3rd alone, and aid workers say there have been intense clashes around the local airport.

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Octoboefest! takes over Mansfield

BY CARL HELRICH
Staff Writer

There were, once again, many musical events over the past two weeks. On October 26, 2018, the Young Men’s Choral Festival (YMCF) practiced and performed, Octoboefest! The Jazz Ensemble Concert took over Steadman Theater on October 27, 2018. Senior Helen Isaacson and junior Shannon Pizzirusso performed a voice recital on October 28, 2018. Finally, seniors Caroline Bollinger and Shayne Ferguson participated side-by-side in a vocal and French horn recital respectively on November 4, 2018.

The YMCF brought in over 120 students varying from seventh through ninth grade, all from sixteen schools around the region. They spent the day practicing different skills with MU students and directors, preparing four different pieces to perform in Steadman Theater in front of an extensive audience. The Young Men’s Choir performed three songs to begin the concert, two of which were accompanied by MU students performing with various instruments. The Mansfield University music groups of Phi Mu Alpha, the Grand Old Barbershop Quartet, and the Steadmen all added pieces to round out the concert.

For the final number, “Praise His Holy Name” by Keith Hampton, the Steadmen combined musical forces with the Young Men’s Choir for a powerful conclusion to the day-long event.

The 22nd Annual Octoboefest!, according to Dr. Sue Laib, the event’s director, is “a chamber music recital featuring the students from the Mansfield University Double Reed Studio and the MU Double Reed Ensemble.” She also added, “There was a guest double reed ensemble of area junior high and high school students.” Some Mansfield University alumni also made an appearance at the event, which has a very loyal, annual audience. More than 15 pieces were performed, including many light-hearted pieces like Queen’s “We Will Rock You,” and John Williams’ “Imperial March.” The entire concert went well, and, according to Laib, “It challenged oboe majors and non-majors alike while giving them a fun learning experience.”

Helen Isaacson and Shannon Pizzirusso performed a total of 16 pieces during their recital on Sunday the 28th. Through their alternating performances, they showcased an extensive variety of songs across genres, composers, and languages. Isaacson’s pieces included “Erlkönig” by Franz Schubert, “Must the winter come so soon?” by Samuel Barber from the opera Vanessa, and “Selections from T onadillas” by Enrique Granados.

Alternatively, but similarly, Pizzirusso’s setlist included “Not All my Torments” by Henry Purcell, “An Chloë” by Wolfgang Mozart, and “La Partenza” by Gioachino Rossini. To conclude the performance, both vocalists sang “Evening Prayer from Hansel and Gretel” by Engelbert Humperdinck together, combining their talent to send off the audience with something memorable.

Caroline Bollinger and Shayne Ferguson performed numerous intricate and impressive pieces for their senior recitals. Ferguson, who began the concert, included “La Bestiaire” by Francis Poulenc, “Total Eclipse from Samson” by George Frideric Handel, and “Offrande” by Reynaldo Hahn in his collection of songs. Bollinger performed several lengthy pieces, including “Nocturno Op. 7” by Franz Strauss, and “Sonata for Horn and Piano Op. 17” by Ludwig van Beethoven. The alternation between vocal performances and French horn tunes gave a unique impression to the recital, and drew the past two weeks’ musical events to a talented conclusion.
Ghost Hunter John Zaffis comes to Mansfield

BY CRISTIN HICKEY
Flashlight Contributor

Famous ghost hunter, demonologist, and star of Syfy's Haunted Collector, John Zaffis, visited Mansfield University on Tuesday, October 16 to present a Ghost Hunting Lecture and a ghost hunt that followed. This was the first time John Zaffis came to Mansfield, but he has traveled to many different universities.

Zaffis, also known as The Godfather of Ghost Hunters, came to Mansfield University to talk to the students about his job as a demonologist and the experiences he has encountered. He answered questions the students had about demons, ghost hunting, his life as a ghost hunter, and his family.

Lea Esnault, a freshman, said, “It was really cool, yet kind of scary, to see the presentation of ghost hunting and of demonology. He showed us a lot of videos and explained several situations where he had to work against hauntings and demons.”

Zaffis is the nephew of Lorraine Warren, the ghost hunters who has never experienced it,” Zaffis said. “I had been a demonologist for 40 years and have been around the paranormal since I was young. This job is not for everyone. I do love my job, but demons and the paranormal are to be taken serious.”

The event was sponsored by the Student Activities Office here at Mansfield. This event was free for all students to attend and was paid for by the Student Activity Fees in each student’s account. The Ghost Hunting Lecture took place at the North Manser Dining Hall at 7:30 p.m., and a ghost hunt followed. 55 students attended the event, but the ghost hunt was a raffle where 25 people were chosen.

The ghost hunt took place at the North Hall Library on campus, which is supposedly one of the haunted buildings on campus. Zaffis took 25 students to the fourth floor of the library where he used a ghost hunting app to try and communicate with any ghosts that might come through. To this student’s surprise, several ghosts came through the app. Zaffis encouraged the students to ask the ghosts questions about them and their relation to Mansfield. Some students could easily get a response from the ghosts.

One of the students who was able to reach the ghosts easily was sophomore, Kate Cron. Kate said of this experience, “It was crazy that I was able to be one of the people who could easily communicate with the ghosts. Every time I asked a question, all of the ghosts on the radar went crazy and all said something really fast. It was really cool that we were able to talk to the ghosts with an actual ghost hunter just in our school’s library.”

This event was informational and fun for the students, and it helped prepare everyone for Halloween.

Mansfield student presenting photographic exhibition

Mansfield University senior, and Advanced Photography student, Marissa Stage, will be holding a Photographic Exhibition entitled The Places We Go. The show will take place on Friday, November 16 2018, at Cugini’s Café on 16 W Market Street Corning, N.Y.

This exhibit is inspired by Stage’s life growing up in Corning. She wanted to use her newfound skills with a camera to show her life growing up. These places are places she spent time with friends and family at. There are places she went by herself to just sit and listen to music as a quiet place.

These pictures mean something to the locals because these places are where they have gone, their friends have been, or even their children have been to them.

Stage has used her artistic creativity while capturing these places on the camera, that shows how she sees these places.

Cugini’s Café is located on 16 W Market Street Corning, New York. For more information, please visit the Facebook Event Page, The Places We Go by Marissa Stage. Feel free to contact Marissa Stage at 607 438 0206 or stagem15@mansfield.edu or Martha A Campbell (Professor at Mansfield University) at 570 662 4505 or mcampbel@mansfield.edu.
Mansfield Students voted to vote.

I personally voted today for the environmental aspect.

David Allen, 18 years old, a Business major, also voted today. Allen said, “I voted today because I feel like it’s my right and my privilege to be able to vote for who I want, so that my voice can be heard through my vote.”

Mamadou Diallo, 20 years old, Political Science major, did not vote because his vote “probably would not have done much to change the outcome since Pennsylvania has been a red state since the last election.” He felt as though his vote would not have made much of a difference.

Many Mansfield students are passionate about their views, and some made sure that said views were heard with their vote. However, there are some that are discouraged to vote for a variety of reasons, and they do not see a point in voting, or they just do not have the time. Did you vote?

First ever Career Cafe takes place.

Not only that, the Career Center had partnered up with Mansfield University’s marketing office to also provide students with the chance to have their head shot photos taken by a professional photographer for any reason.

Being the first time this event has ever happened here on campus, there is not much history to it. In an interview with Lefelhoc, prior to the event last Thursday, she had answered, “Depending on the turn out and the feedback we get from students, it’s really important to me to do things the students want to come to, as opposed to just doing something because we’ve always done that, and then nobody shows up. So, if we get a good turn out and good feedback, I would love to be able to do it again,” when asked about the prospect of this particular event happening again.

After being asked the question again a few days later, Lefelhoc said that while the Career Cafe would not be happening again this school year, it may become an annual event every fall here on campus.

While students did not have to pay to attend this event, it did cost the Career Center $250 to have those snacks there, which, according to Mansfield senior Nicholas Doan, “were not bad, especially in comparison to the food at the desert bar that have been sitting there for a few days.”

The Career Center’s casual approach to getting out the word about itself appears to have been a success, even with just a 60 student turnout. It shows the potential of being a yearly event for the students of Mansfield University to attend in October.
Turkey Scramble

Unscramble the words!!

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Mounties’ goalie Moir sets historic record

BY BENJAMIN MAAS
Secretary

The Mounties soccer team faced Mercyhurst University on Saturday, October 27 at Karl Van Norman Field, this being the last match of the season. Mercyhurst won the match with 3-0.

Eleni Gebbia and Alexis Bittel created a good chance in the 13th minute, but Mercyhurst’s goalkeeper Vilde Wold denied the chance. In the 22 minute, Emilie Bock headed a free kick to the right side of the net to give Mercyhurst the 1-0 lead, which was the halftime result.

At the start of the second half, the Lakers put Mansfield’s goalkeeper, Stephanie Moir, under heavy pressure. Maya Bauer scored five minutes after the kickoff of the second half from 15 yards out, and gave Mercyhurst the 2-0 lead. Emma Scali scored the last goal of the day in the 89 minute, when she shot from three yards out and beat the keeper from the right.

Mercyhurst held a 35-8 shot advantage over the Mounties. Alexis Bittel was the Mounties’ game leader with four shots. Eleni Gebbia had two shot attempts, with Breanna Murphy and Nicolette Desalvator adding one goal each.

Moir ended the match with 16 saves, which was her second-most this season and fourth all-time in the Mansfield history books. She finished her freshman year campaign with 141 saves, ranking fourth in the nation and breaking the single-season saves record at Mansfield. The Mounties ended their season with a record of 1-15 (1-15 PSAC).

Field hockey Mounties lose against Kutztown University

BY BENJAMIN MAAS
Secretary

The field hockey Mounties hosted Kutztown University on Wednesday, October 31 at Karl Van Norman Field. Kutztown won the match with 4-0.

In the 26 minute, Kyra Wozniak scored the first goal of the match for Kutztown. She received a pass from the right side of the circle and shot the ball into the top right corner. She scored again in the 33 minute, when she beat the keeper right. The first half ended with a 2-0 lead for Kutztown.

Molly Bobjak scored a goal in the 47 minute. She received a goalie kick and shot from 12 yards out for the 3-0. Wozniak made her 3rd goal of the match in the 52 minute. She tipped a pass from the right side into the left side.

The game leaders for the Mounties were Meghan Griffin and Brittany Ryan. Griffin put two shots on goal and Ryan made eleven saves.

The Mounties are currently sixth in the PSAC standings with a 4-4 record. They have two remaining conference matches. The top six teams in the conference earn PSAC Playoffs berths.

Mansfield University students attend Haunted Laurel

BY ELYSSA SMITH
Flashlight Contributor

On October 30, 2018, at Laurel Manor from 7 to 10 p.m., students lined up for a chance to go through a haunted house, called Haunted Laurel, and attended an activity party afterwards.

They also had the option to avoid the haunted house and just attend the after party. This was made possible due to the two entrances set up using the side doors of Laurel Manor, one leading to the haunted house, which had a line stretching out to the street, and the other line leading to the party.

Haunted Laurel was a haunted house that was set up through the building of the old dormitory of Laurel Manor, informally known as Laurel. Many students were more anxious to see what the inside of Laurel, than what the haunted house would be like.

Ja’meir S. was intrigued by the idea of going inside the building for the first time, all while enjoying the fright behind the haunted house. “I thought it was a very nice experience, I had a lot of fun, and a few scares here and there, but, I would enjoy doing it again.” Ja’meir then added, “It was also very nice getting to explore Laurel for the time, even if it was covered in Halloween decorations.”

A total of 75 students walked through the haunted portion of the building and 30 students skipped the haunted house and went right to the snack party.

Isabella C. was dragged out by her friends to attend this event, “I didn’t appreciate the clowns, but it was a good one-time experience,” Isabella stated. “I would not do this ever again, even if my friends really wanted me to go,” she added.

The entrance was set up to look like a hotel lobby. Groups of students were given a ticket, with a designated room number on it. The room number made the group feel as if they were checking into a room. It took roughly 20 minutes from start to finish to walk through the haunted house.

“The haunted house lasted longer than what I expected, the ticket was a good idea, but I didn’t understand the meaning until after I had left the Manor,” said Grace K. “It was fun and definitely worth it, I probably would do it again if I have the chance.”

A great deal of time and resources went into making this event take place. Almost $300 worth of food, props, decorations, and costumes was spent to create an evening of scares. The Resident Assistants (RA) around campus put together the event. While some of the RA’s were characters in the haunted house, others acted as a guide that took groups through the haunted house. Students on campus were also able to volunteer as characters.

This was the first time the event has taken place and may be repeated if there is the funding and the resources for it next fall.
The Mounties faced Caldwell University on Saturday, October 27 at Karl Van Norman Field, earning their third straight win with the 34-26 over Caldwell University.

Prior to the match, seniors Colin Kilpatrick, Steve Sicilia, Tristin Cicio, Adam Hutchinson, Dante Torresi, Hunter Brown, Jacob Woods, A.J. McDermott, and Ryan Watson were honored as part of Mansfield’s Senior Day ceremony.

Caldwell scored two touchdowns after 8 minutes to take the 13-0 lead. The Mounties scored their first touchdown in the 10 minute, when Gary Raupers II rushed 11 yards. It was the team-leading third rushing score for the quarterback and the successful end of a six play, 59-yard drive. The first quarter ended with a score of 13-6.

In the third minute of the second quarter, the defending CSFL Defensive Player of the Week, Allen, scooped up a loose ball and ran it back 94 yards for the touchdown to give Mansfield the 14-13 lead. Allen also scored a defensive touchdown last week, when he took an interception to the house against Franklin Pierce.

In the 8 minute, Caldwell scored a touchdown and regained the lead with 20-14, when Carl Watson ran 17 yards for a touchdown.

Mansfield was able to score a touchdown in the 13 minute. Hutchinson completed a pass to Quinn Henry for 18 yards, which put the Mounties back on top with 21-20.

Caldwell needed nine minutes in the third quarter to score a touchdown and take the 26-21 lead. With just 46 seconds left to play in the third quarter, the Mounties took the final lead of the games. Hutchinson found Imir Pope for 6 yards, which lead to the score of 26-28.

In the 10 minute of the final quarter, Hutchinson connected with Pope again on a 13-yard, giving the match the final score of 34-26.

Hutchinson completed ten passes for 135 yards and three touchdowns.

Brayden Gabel was the leading receiving for the Mounties, totaling 68 yards including a 54-yard reception in the third quarter.

Vaughn Hines rushed for a team-leading 55 yards. Andrew Schenk and Bryton Barna topped the team in tackles with 11 each.

Allen was responsible for three turnovers, picked of a pair of passes and recovered a fumble for a touchdown. He totaled 167 returning yards, returning the fumble recovery with 94 yards and two interceptions for 73 yards.

Saville Pope picked off a pair of passes and broke up a pass to go along with eight tackles.

Caldwell’s quarterback, Tajae’ Irby, threw for 140 yards and Watson rushed 30 times for 196 yards and two touchdowns.

The three wins on the current season are the most for any team in sprint football era dating back to the inaugural season of 2008. This marks the most wins for Mansfield football team since 2003, when the Mounties went 8-3.

Head coach John Evans is the first head coach to win three matches in his first year since Tom Elsasser, who won four matches during the 1983 season.

**Coming up in Mountaineer Sports**

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