

Honey of an Opportunity with B-HIVE

By Caleb Willis

On Friday, February 17th, representatives from various government departments and educational institutions around Beaver County gathered to celebrate the wall breaking for the Beaver Valley Hub for Innovation, Venture, and Entrepreneurship. The B-HIVE intends to offer several services to the Beaver County community that, according to a flyer handed out at the event, include:

- Providing a proven pathway to increasing the diversification and number of job opportunities within the Beaver Valley region, leading to economic stability and growth.
- Providing a secure and inviting place where entrepreneurs in the region are comfortable and eager to go for guidance and help to launch and nurture their businesses.
- Collaborating with similar initiatives, organizations, and people in surrounding counties and institutions, allowing programming and services to be provided more rapidly and with less cost and overhead to more participants.

Colleen Sherman, the Director of Alumni Relations and Development at Penn State Beaver, works closely with the project. According to Sherman, most of the B-HIVE's services will be offered free of charge and remain open to college students all year round. Students may be able to connect with employers through the B-Hive or obtain internships at the hub. Sherman is also helping put together community-wide entrepreneurship competitions hosted by the B-HIVE. Sherman plans to hold these competitions in the same style as Shark Tank. The hope is that funding from local businesses and grants will enable the B-Hive to offer a cash prize to winning entrepreneurs. Sherman was quick to point out, however, that funding for these projects has not been gathered yet, and that the main priority of the B-HIVE after its grand opening will be to offer its core services to anybody who wants to use them.

At the wall breaking, Lew Villotti, the President of the Corporation for Economic Development (CED) opened by giving recognition to several members of community boards and colleges who were involved in the project. Some notable people in attendance included Dr. Kenya Johns, the mayor of Beaver Falls; State Senator Elder Vogel; State Representative Jim Marshall; and Dr. Jennifer Cushman, Chancellor of Penn State Beaver.

The main speaker at the wall breaking was Curtis Songer, a professor of business and entrepreneurship at Geneva College. His speech centered around the importance of entrepreneurship in America. In many ways, according to Songer, the qualities that built America and led it to become the nation that it is today are the same ones that make a successful entrepreneur. A few of these qualities include "taking initiative, being confident in one's abilities, and persevering." Business has always been an important element of America, but Songer

especially emphasized the importance of small, private startups. "In America today, there are over 33 million small businesses," he said. "These small businesses employ 62 million people in the U.S. They create an average of 525,000 new jobs every year. That's 66% of all new jobs being created." Professor Songer expressed his wish for the B-HIVE to be a part of raising that percentage even higher.



The event culminated in the wall breaking. Each of the speakers received a hard hat and a hammer. They took a picture together, then, on the count of three, they all sunk their hammers into the wall. The total cost of the B-HIVE project is \$1,468,050. Half of the funding was covered by a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program Grant. The Beaver County CED funded the other half. Although the building is located in Beaver Falls, the B-Hive will be open to serve residents of any town in Beaver County. The project's organizers considered several sites around Beaver County, but chose Seventh Avenue because it suited the B-HIVE's needs and the administration in Beaver Falls was especially easy to work with.

The two-story building that will house the B-Hive is located at 1317 7th Ave., next door to the Mississippi Chicken Shack. B-Hive is expected to officially open at the end of Summer 2023.

East Palestine Reels after Train Derailment

By Celia York

On February 3, a Norfolk Southern train carrying hazardous chemicals derailed in East Palestine, Ohio, a town located 12 miles away from Geneva College. Exposure to vinyl chloride, one of the chemicals on board, can cause liver cancer and/or other neurologic and liver problems.

Steve Kenneally, Director of the Library, lives three miles away from the crash site. At 11 pm on Sunday, February 5, Kenneally received word that one of the train cars containing vinyl chloride was heating. His wife suggested that they pack a bag in case they were forced to evacuate. Around midnight, an update said that the train car could explode. Kenneally and his family drove to their church in Enon Valley and spent the night there.

The next morning, Kenneally's wife and two sons went to a friend's house in Poland, Ohio. Kenneally drove back to their home to pick up their eight chickens, then rejoined his family. Later that day, officials monitoring the crash initiated a controlled explosion, hoping to make the situation more manageable.

The following day, Kenneally saw reports that the

wind was blowing north towards where he was staying. He decided that they might as well return home since the chemicals released into the air could not be contained. He spent the rest of the day tracking down water purifiers, water dispensers, and handheld shower heads with filters. Kenneally was not sure how effective these measures would be but "outside of selling the house and moving, what do you do?" he said.

Elizabeth Kyle, a sophomore writing major, lives six miles away from East Palestine. While on campus for classes, she received a call from her sister notifying her that that residents in her area had been advised to evacuate due to the planned, controlled release. She rushed home, packed a bag, got her two cats, and went to a friend's house. "What's getting into our water stream is our main concern," Kyle said. Like many people in the area, her family drinks well water.

People continue to raise concerns about soil and water quality. East Palestine is a highly rural area, and many occupants grow crops or raise livestock. Following the chemical release, locals discovered hundreds of dead fish floating in the river. Others reported sickening or dying chickens and pets. Several foxes in a nearby sanctuary also became ill. A growing fear is that the chemicals released during the crash will hit the water table and spread, further affecting health and property values. The owners of an apple orchard bordering Kenneally's property put their acreage up for sale before the derailment. Now, 125 acres of fruit trees growing on potentially poisoned ground are not likely to sell well. "Property values are going to drop, and I think that's why you're going to get a larger number of people filing a class action lawsuit," Kenneally said. "It was a good teachable moment for my kids ... What you saw in a very short time is how quickly life can change."

Right now, he and his neighbors want answers and solutions more than anything. "I know when they lifted the mandatory evacuation order, it was very short time before there were trains already rolling back through East Palestine," he said. "The EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) said that the railroad was turning the dirt over, contaminated soil, to get the train tracks back up and running. How do you do that? That's so wrong on so many levels."

Kenneally plans to get his water tested by an independent tester and will continue to have his water tested every three months for the next year. "I'm probably going to have to buy all my food, because it just might not be safe to grow my own," he said. "They have vegetables brought in from all over the world where their standards are less than what they are in the United States, and that could actually end up being safer than what I could possibly grow in my backyard, and I don't like that."

Golden Thread

By Maria Shemer

Q: If zombies are taking over the world, what are three things you absolutely need to survive?



Abby Martin | Class of 2026

A: A Bible, a flamethrower, and coffee.



Dave Hines Jr. | Class of 2025

A: Food, weaponry, and shelter.



Ethan O'Neill | Class of 2024

A: A camouflage sherpa blanket, Reese's because they have the perfect balance of carbs and protein, and rubber chicken to make a noise decoy.



Brianna Boggs | Class of 2023

A: A bunker, grenades, and food.

Career Fair Returns to Geneva

By Kelsey Gerhard

On Tuesday, February 28th, Geneva will be hosting its annual career fair in Metheny Fieldhouse. The event will begin at 11:00 am and conclude at 3:00 pm. This event will allow students to meet with recruiters from companies like Amazon, Allegheny Health Network, Gateway Engineers, and Penn State Behrend, who are looking to hire. Consider going to the Center for Calling and Career and asking for a list of which employers plan to attend. Figuring out beforehand who you want to talk to and what their company is about will allow you to make the most of your career fair experience. Having thoughtful questions to ask sets you apart from the crowd and makes your chances of obtaining a job more likely.

Krista Autrey, Director of the Center for Calling and Career, believes career fairs provide vital connections between companies and students about to enter the workforce. "The best thing about the career fair is that it gives students the opportunity to circumnavigate what is often a tedious, time-consuming, and often obscure online job search process," she said. "When applying online, you can send out dozens of applications and might never hear back from anyone."

In preparation for attending the career fair, students should dress professionally, as if they were going for a job interview. This will be your first time meeting employers, so making a good impression is important.

"At a career fair, you can talk directly to people who work for companies that are interested in hiring you," Autrey said. "Both processes (online and a career fair) can be somewhat overwhelming, but a career fair is designed to make the process much shorter and simpler for students."

Students who plan to attend should also consider having a copy of their resumé to give to employers. This provides them with your contact information and allows them to see if your experience makes you a good fit for their company. Additionally, you might want to bring a folder and a notepad so you can take notes on companies and have a place to put information and business cards as they are given to you.

For more tips and advice, check out the Geneva College blog or the Calling and Career page on the Geneva College website.

Heartbreakers and Sidesplitters

By Caleb Willis

Our campus recently celebrated Valentine's Day. Well, some of us did. Those who had nobody to celebrate with (myself included) spent most of their time telling people that they were happy being single and speculating over who sent them a Crush can even though it was definitely one of their friends pranking them. It seems like one of the only things that everybody – single or otherwise – likes to do around the Valentine's season is watch movies. The best movies for this time of the year have to do with romance and, for those like me who are constantly feeling crushed under the existential weight of their own singleness, funny ones can be comforting too. In case anybody reading this is looking for a rom-com to keep them company when no one else will, I have

watched the first five minutes of three popular ones so that I can give complete and accurate advice on which to choose. Here are my thoughts:

Ten Things I Hate About You: The movie opened with a cool painting animation that transitioned into a shot of the city. There was a musical intro followed by a few shots that showed what high school students in that city were up to. Next, there was a scene where the principal meets with a problematic student. The scene is funny, but the principal is writing a steamy romance novel on her laptop during the meeting. The contents of the novel would not even be appropriate at Waynesburg University. Much less Geneva. 4/10

Mamma Mia! I'll start off by saying that most televised musicals make me uncomfortable. Film directors are usually extraordinarily bad at transitioning from a scene with normal, spoken lines to a singing number. On top of that, it was painfully obvious that the songs were lip-synced and the way the actors portrayed their characters made me wonder if the directors were holding their family members hostage off camera. 3/10

Hitch: The film opens with Will Smith giving advice to several men who need help with their dating lives. In case you're curious, none of the advice involves slapping other people on stage. Is that not relevant anymore? Sorry. Anyway, the first five minutes is made up of an assortment of clips of Will Smith's clients following his advice on asking women out, getting them to agree to a second date, and impressing them enough to go on a third one where the first kiss usually occurs. The opening is fast-paced and funny. Although it hurt to watch men who were clearly less successful and attractive than me have so much success with dating, I also laughed at their incompetence and buffoonery in other areas, so it all balanced out. 9/10

Got FCA?

By Abigail Plitt

Year-round, Geneva's campus is full of different clubs, worship groups, and events. There is virtually no reason for students to not connect somehow or someday on our campus. One of the best ways to meet and fellowship with other students is known as FCA, or the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

What is FCA? FCA is a club where athletes and nonathletes alike come together and foster their faith as one body. FCA focuses on being one body of worship and integrating with the entire campus, not just athletes. As a very athlete-heavy campus, this is a great opportunity for all the teams to connect outside of the trainer's room and off the court or field. Many athletes only connect with their team, which is great, but FCA helps build a much bigger community by bringing all the teams together.

When is FCA? FCA is a reoccurring club that happens every Tuesday night at 9:15. Even students who have a night class are able to attend.

Where is FCA? FCA takes place in the Brig. While FCA could meet in the fieldhouse or on the football field, participants meet in one of the common areas on campus to make it easily accessible for everyone.

What happens? Every night centers on one central

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theme which differs from week to week. This year's focus is a study of God's redemptive love. Each Tuesday has a different way to connect. Sometimes there is an activity night which includes games like kickball or volleyball. Other times are speaker nights when a guest speaker gives a message and helps attendees walk through the Word. On community nights, leaders focus on a passage of scripture then have students break into small groups to really engage with what has been read. Birthdays of each month are celebrated on celebration nights.

Do I have to be an athlete to come? NO! FCA is about the outreach on campus and bridging the gap between athletes and nonathletes. Anyone is welcomed and encouraged to show up and join in the worship.

For more information, contact John Wilhelm - he would love to hear from you!

Chapel Digest

President Calvin Troup – "Alone with Jesus"



Spoke on John 8:1-11.

- Adultery violates our relationship with God and our covenant with our spouse.
- The consequences of adultery are memorable, destructive, and cause alienation between people and within people.
- The horns of dilemma: 1/ Either Jesus rejects Moses or 2/ He rejects His gospel ministry.
- Jesus didn't condemn the adulterous woman because He was going to die to pay the penalty for her and rise from the dead so that she could have new life.
- When Jesus brings you close, don't walk away. He's the refuge for all repentant sinners.



Testimony

John Wilhelm, Director of Student Ministry

- Suffered abuse throughout his life which caused him to question God's love for him.
- Began memorizing Bible verses as an adolescent; God especially used Romans 8:2 to draw him near to Himself.
- The past has no power over you because Christ bought your new identity.
- Nothing will satisfy and complete you like God's love can and will.
- Where is your hope?

Asked & Answered

By Abigail Plitt

Q: How do I get better sleep?

A: As a college student myself, I feel you. Sleep is one of the bottom priorities in my life compared to my assignments and sports and well, life in general. Sometimes, it's nearly impossible to dedicate time to just shutting down.

I have struggled to learn better sleeping habits through the years. This is definitely something that takes a lot of discipline, patience, and practice – none of which I am great at.

Here is a short breakdown of some ideas:

Set time limits for yourself. I normally stop doing schoolwork by 8 pm at the latest. I have found that my brain has a hard time comprehending anything and/or I cannot be productive past this time.

Decompress. You have to allow yourself time to relax after a long day. I normally have both school and cheer practice throughout the day, and by the time I finish homework and turn off my computer, I need time for me; whether that be reading a book or watching a show, I have to do something fun to relax.

Invest in self-care. Do not be afraid of the word "invest" here: I do not mean money. I am simply saying, take the time to take a long shower. Take the time to wash your face and brush your teeth. Take the time to do all the other getting-ready-for-bed things that you normally rush through. For me, a long shower and a skincare routine are essential to getting ready for bed. Without these two things, I cannot fall asleep.

Turn your phone off. If you do not do this, I get it. But let me tell you, silencing your phone and putting it away for the night helps immensely. If you have an iPhone, you can just turn on the *Do Not Disturb* setting. I used to find it almost impossible to ignore any notifications, but since turning on this setting, I have been able to break free of that habit and put my phone away at night.

Talk to God. Sometimes, we cannot talk to people about a hard day. I know I have a really hard time admitting my daily struggles to people because I constantly downplay my issues. But God wants to hear from you. He is willing to listen to you unload and to take burdens from you. He understands your troubles, and there is no better listener than Him.

While these suggestions are not foolproof ways to get better sleep, I have found that they are some measures that help me sleep better.



Q: How do I manage my career? Or start it?

A: Because I am senior in college, fear of the real world is staring me down right now. The idea of officially entering a career is extremely daunting. But, for most of us, it's coming sooner or later: we all have to experience change sometime.

Since I have not started my career yet, I cannot answer you from direct experience, but I can tell you that you are not alone in your questions. Beginning a career is a major life change and there are not many answers about it.

Do not be afraid to hunt for answers. I feel like often we all have the same questions, but we never get any answers. We are just expected to know how it all works. If you are anything like me, asking questions about anything is the last thing you want to do. But we have to. Search for those answers, ask the questions repeatedly until you find them. Give yourself ample opportunities to understand what is happening.

Do not procrastinate. It would be easy to put off trying to find answers or discovering where you fit best. But you cannot: better to get a foot in the door rather than waiting until you are desperate and finding them all closed. Employers do not respond well to last-minute advances.

Being proactive will be easier if your desired career is something you love to do or are really interested in. Go into a career you want to do; do not make your decision monetary. Yes, that would be easier, but better to have a job you love and want to grow in than to have a job that makes you miserable.

Animal Assault

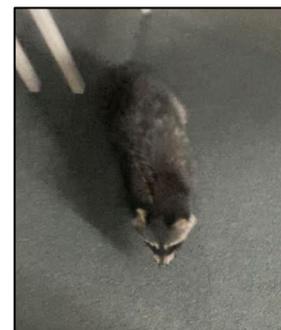
By Celia York

On Friday, February 17, all of campus lost power. A notification went to student phones, alerting them that high winds had knocked out the electricity. However, the true culprit later turned out to be a squirrel that engaged in activity not conducive to a long life.



Later that day, a raccoon disrupted a creative nonfiction class taking place in Rapp. Due to warm temperatures, the outside door to the building was propped open, enabling the animal to come inside.

Students unsuccessfully attempted to herd the raccoon back outside while waiting for security to arrive. Eventually, workers from security and physical plant trapped the raccoon in a closet and removed it from the building.



Single Season Star

By Kelsey Gerhard

In his very first season competing on the Geneva College track and field team, Jack Garvin, a senior from Dansville, Pennsylvania, broke the school record for long jump.

In high school, Garvin competed in soccer, basketball, and track and field at Northumberland Christian. Choosing a college was not a hard decision: Geneva holds a family legacy for Garvin. Both his father and grandfather went to Geneva and played for the baseball team. On his mother's side, five to six generations attended Geneva. Garvin said, "There really wasn't another choice for me."

When he came to Geneva, Garvin wanted to play basketball. He tried out and made the team, but eventually did not find it to be a good fit. Garvin quit the basketball team as a freshman and remained outside the world of sports until three years later, when he tried out for the track and field team.

"My friends and family kept encouraging me to try out, and I am really glad I did," Garvin said. Garvin's favorite memories come from hanging out with his roommates. Garvin's roommates encouraged him to try out for the team, and they are a reliable source of fun and relaxation for the student athlete.



He says that the hardest thing about being involved in athletics while in college has been managing time well. However, this is also what he says has made him grow the most. Because of his involvement on the track and field team, Garvin believes that he has become better at prioritizing the things he needs to accomplish.

Even though Garvin has only been competing for one season, he has put up some pretty impressive stats. In January, PAC named him the Men's Track and Field Rookie of the Week after his result of 1.90 meters in the long jump. Later that month, Garvin was named the PAC Men's Field Athlete of the Week after his jump of 1.94 meters during the YSU Collegiate Mid Major Invitational. On February 4, Garvin broke the school long jump record when he cleared 1.97 meters. This resulted in him being named the NCCAA Men's Field Athlete of the Week and PAC Men's Track and Field Rookie of the Week.

After he graduates, Garvin plans to work for Joel Martin & Associates (JMA), located in Beaver County. He will be putting his computer science degree to work in their IT department. Garvin also wants to coach a high school basketball team sometime in the future.

Men Excel in Overtime to Survive Senior Day Slugfest with Saint Vincent

Courtesy of Geneva College Athletics

In one of the most exciting games in recent Geneva College men's basketball memory, the Golden Tornadoes managed to get their game on Saturday, February 19, with Saint Vincent to overtime. Geneva excelled in the extra period and pulled out a huge win on Senior Day, winning 98-87. The men got key contributions from all three seniors, Nick Ehko, Isaac Massie, and Lyle Tipton, to secure the victory. The win locks up at least one home game for the Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC) playoffs starting next week and improves Geneva's overall record to 17-8, 14-6 in the PAC. Saint Vincent dropped to 15-10, 11-9 in the PAC.

Massie got his Senior Day game off to a great start, nailing a three-pointer on the opening possession. A moment later, sophomore Trevor Tipton drained back-to-back three-pointers as Geneva came out red hot. Lyle Tipton followed with a bucket and a three-pointer to give the Golden Tornadoes an early double-digit lead, 14-4. In fact, he scored 12 straight points as Geneva surged to a 21-8 edge.

Geneva continued the march. Trevor Tipton followed his brother's run with seven straight points of his own, and a layup from junior Payton Triplett gave the Golden Tornadoes a 30-13 lead eleven minutes into the game.

Unfortunately, as happened three nights earlier against W&J, things changed quickly. Foul trouble forced Trevor Tipton and junior starter Ryan Rachic to the bench, and the Bearcats took advantage.

Saint Vincent took its first lead of the game five minutes into the second half, 50-48, and Geneva would never lead again in regulation. The final 15 minutes of the game saw the Bearcat lead mostly fluctuate between one and four points, with neither team able to put together a run. The Golden Tornadoes managed to tie the game at 64-64 on a jumper from Trevor Tipton with eight minutes left, but Saint Vincent always had an answer. Three minutes later, two free throws from Lyle Tipton pulled Geneva level again at 72-72. However, over the next three minutes, Saint Vincent went on a 10-4 run to take its biggest advantage of the game, 80-74, with 1:34 remaining.

Things looked bleak for the Golden Tornadoes at that point, but ten seconds later Trevor Tipton knocked down another three-pointer to pull Geneva within one possession. A minute later, Rachic scored in the paint, pulling the Golden Tornadoes to 80-79 with 34 seconds left. Geneva fouled, and Saint Vincent's

Andrew Reed knocked down both free throws. On Geneva's final possession of regulation, Rachic knocked down a huge three-pointer from the wing with 10 seconds left. Saint Vincent called a timeout, but Geneva got a huge stop at the end of the game to send the game to overtime.

It was all Geneva in OT. Lyle Tipton opened the extra frame with a deep three-pointer, Rachic followed with a layup, and on Saint Vincent's next possession, Tipton cut into the passing lane on the perimeter and intercepted a Bearcat pass then streaked down to the other end for a tomahawk dunk to send the home-court crowd into a frenzy. Tipton followed with a bucket and two free throws as Geneva scored the first 11 points of the overtime, enabling the Golden Tornadoes to cruise late to a 98-87 win.

Lyle Tipton finished with 29 points on 7-of-12 shooting from the floor, 3-of-4 from three-point line and 12-of-13 from the foul line. Trevor Tipton was just as good, shooting 8-of-10 from the floor, 5-of-6 from three-point range and 3-of-3 from the foul line to finish with 24 points. Massie added 16 points on 2-of-2 shooting from deep, while Rachic finished with 13 points, including the huge late three-pointer to get the game to overtime. Ehko, a reserve who often doesn't see a lot of playing, was also huge help to the Golden Tornadoes, making a three-pointer and another basket during the second half, keeping Geneva close.

Geneva shot tremendously from the floor, which was needed in order to overcome 24 turnovers. The Golden Tornadoes were 31-of-50 (62%) from the floor and 12-of-18 (67%) from three-point range. The men also made a critical 24-of-26 (92%) from the free throw line, while out-rebounding the athletic Bearcats, 36-29. Saint Vincent was strong offensively as well, finishing 34-of-72 (47%) from the floor and 8-of-18 (44%) from deep. The Bearcats' undoing was at the free throw line, where they hit just 11-of-23 (48%). All five starters reached double figures, with Mike Iuzzolino leading the team with 19 points.

"This was just a huge gut-check win for us today," said Head Coach Jeff Santarsiero. "It didn't look great at times for us in the second half, but we just never gave up. We just kept battling to stay within striking distance, and then Ryan hit that huge three-pointer late ... to get us a stop on the final play of regulation. Then in overtime, Lyle started us off with a huge three-pointer, and our guys just weren't going to leave without a win. I'm so happy for our seniors. Lyle and Isaac were huge today, and Nick gave us some tremendous minutes as well. Those three have been the leaders of this team that now has the best record Geneva's had since moving to Division III over a decade ago. We're excited to get to playoffs next week and see where we can go."

Geneva secured the third spot in the PAC playoffs.

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