

Honors 300 Class Takes a Trip to Remember

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Photo by Dawn Dillion

The Honors 300 class made their way to Washington D.C. in the beginning of the semester, where they were able to go to the Newseum, Museum of American History, see a play called the Arsonist, visit almost all of the national monuments in a night, and visit the Holocaust Museum.

Each student was supposed to be looking for an object of significance on this trip so they could do a final presentation on how their object related to cultural memory.

The trip to D.C. was one most will never forget. The evening before departure, each student got an email saying the train that was supposed to take them was canceled and they were going to be riding with the volleyball team who was also traveling to D.C. that weekend. The bus ride was long and a little crowded and had a bus driver that was very heavy on the brake.

Once the class made it to D.C. they walked to each monument, learning

about the significance of each one along with picking up quotes they read on some of them. Anna Grace Wyneken found a quote that stuck with her the whole weekend at the Martin Luther King monument.

Wyneken's favorite quote was, "It is not enough to say 'We must not wage war.' It is necessary to love peace and sacrifice for it. We must concentrate not merely on the negative expulsion of war, but the positive affirmation of peace."

"I chose this quote because it was a powerful representation of MLK and what he stood for," said Wyneken, a junior.

The next morning the group split into smaller, four-person groups to travel and explore D.C. The only requirements the students were given were they had to visit the Newseum and the Museum of American History and some point during the day.

The Newseum consists of seven levels of interactive exhibits, which include 15 galleries and 15 theaters. The Newseum promotes, explains and defends free expression and the five freedoms of the First Amendment: religion, speech, press, assembly and petition.

"My favorite part about the Newseum was being able to look at all the Pulitzer Prize photos because they were so beautiful," said junior Tara Lesick. "Not only did each one tell an amazing story, but they were all so touching."

For Brenna Coogan and many

others, the play was their favorite part. Coogan loved the play not only because she is a musical theater major, but after the show was over the class was able to meet the cast. The class was able to talk with the director of the show and get his point of view and explain how and why he interpreted the play the way he did.

The cast was very friendly and gave tips on how to become a successful actor/actress. They also shared their points of view on questions the students had.

Lastly, the class went to the Holocaust Museum. There they were able to walk through the museum at their pace and on their own. This museum affected a lot of the students on a deep level. A few people even did their final projects on something they saw in there.

Most people do not get the opportunity to meet a Holocaust survivor or hear a story from one. Fortunately, the Honors 300 group was able to meet and converse with Fanny. She was held at Auschwitz and medically tested on. She is currently 101 years old.

When someone asked Fanny can you tell me your story she responded, "My life is not a story, a book is a story. It is my life, something I lived."

Overall each member of the group took away something different from their trip and because of that no one person's project on their object of significance and the way they related it to cultural memory was the exact same.

WPU Volleyball Makes School History

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The William Peace University volleyball team had a slow start this season, but finished on a high note. On Wednesday, Oct. 25, the volleyball team beat Meredith College for the first time in five years. With this win, head coach Kevin Daniels received his 150th career win.

"It was kind of surreal how the season unfolded," said Daniels. "I felt like it was one of the best home wins we've had in awhile, not that Meredith is a big juggernaut of a school, but obviously for us it was a big deal."

Overall, the Pacers had a great season where they made school history on a team level and also on an individual level. The Pacers not only beat Meredith for the first time in five years, but also became the first team to host a section of the conference tournament, and by going to the third round (semifinals) of the conference tournament.

Daniels said he "Was just happy for the team and the seniors who had never beaten Meredith."

The volleyball team started out the first half of the season with a losing streak, due to many injuries and facing a lot of tough teams to prepare them for conference play. But after the girls recovered from their injuries the volleyball team began their bounce back with a win against NC Wesleyan.

Following the first conference win against the Bishops the Pacers were able to string together a streak of conference wins that would help them have a higher rank in conference.

On Saturday Oct. 28, the volleyball team finished their season play with a 4-1 win over Salem College to establish their spot as 2nd seed in conference. The Pacers were able to host the first round of conference tournament for the first time ever in school history.

Come Tuesday they waited to see the winner of Meredith College and Greensboro College to find they would be facing their Raleigh rival for the third time this year. The bleachers were filled with

supportive friends, families, faculty, and students. With such a large crowd cheering them on the Pacers were able to sweep Meredith in three sets.

"Having the the crowd be so obnoxious really made us feel loved and appreciated and made the fight much easier and way worth all the sweat and hard work," said senior volleyball player Josie Richardson.

After beating Meredith they moved onto the semi-finals on Friday, Nov. 3rd where they traveled to Averett University in Danville, Virginia for their match against #1 seed Covenant College.

The Pacers fell to the Scots in a hard-fought four sets, taking set one for themselves the Pacers were unable to break through the Scotts defense for the last three sets.

"If the last 3 quarters of the season would have been the entire season it

would have been much more crazy to see where we ended up," said Coach Daniels. "But overall being able to walk away with 19 wins on the season after starting out with just two you could say was a successful season."

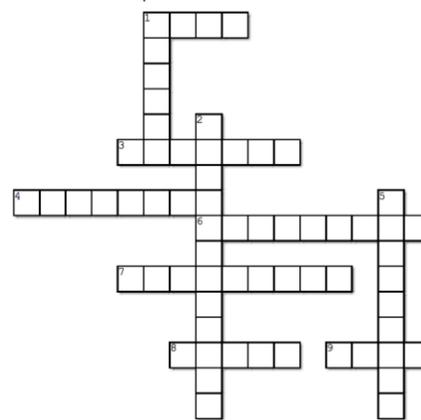
The Pacers are losing some key players this year who will leave big shoes to fill. Senior Libero #14 Carson Williams, now leads the school in career digs with 2,163 and the conference for dig leader with 710 digs on the season.

Senior Liana Solomon is now WPU's all-time assists career leader with 3,286, 2nd in WPU's history for assist/set with 7.60, and she is ranked 3rd in WPU history for career aces with 166.

Lastly, senior Lindsay Alford is ranked 10th in school history for kills with 562, ranks 6th with her total blocks at 154, and ranked 3rd in school history with assisted blocks at 134.

William Peace University's History Crossword Puzzle

Complete the crossword below



Across

- The _____ Building was turned into a Confederate Hospital during the Civil War.
- WPU holds a dance each year called the _____ Ball each Spring; a tradition that has been upheld since the college opened.
- Following the Civil War, Main was turned into a _____ Bureau.
- In 1996, the first students earned their _____ degrees.
- The original name of William Peace University was Peace _____ due to the fact that it originally offered education to boys.
- The outbreak of the _____ War halted the construction of Peace College.
- In 2012, the first class of _____ students were allowed to attend William Peace University.

Down

- While the Main Building functioned as a Confederate Hospital the 4th floor served as the _____?
- Through out Peace's history it has been closely associated with the _____ Church even though it now allows student.
- What county was William Peace the founder of WPU born in?