



# STAFF SENTINEL *MONTHLY*

Newsletter of the Allegheny College Staff Advisory Committee

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## Get out!

As we claw our way out of the pandemic wilderness, the great outdoors remains one of the safest places to be. With spring in the air, we shine some sunlight on Allegheny resources to fuel your recreational pursuits.

And we extend kudos to our Building Coordinators and Public Safety and Facility Access staff, who recently tackled a big project with a tight deadline to launch a Building Monitor program to enhance student access to after-hours study and work spaces.

- Reese Campbell, Editor

## Monthly Meeting Memo ~ Jan.- Feb. 2021

- Staff members have expressed concern that the Holiday Schedule is overdue for an update. SAC has brought this issue to the attention of HR, who responded that the Administrative Executive Committee (AEC) expects to address the schedule at their April meeting.
- Many staff would like to know if and when retirement matching contributions will resume. This issue is expected to be on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting of the Finance and Facilities Committee (FFC).
- SAC has been made aware of months-long delays in receiving furlough unemployment compensation. A committee member noted that she received action by requesting a review through the local office of her PA General Assembly legislator. Find your representative [here](#).

**Welcome to your new position!**

**Gina Panzetta**

*Building Coordinator P/T ~ Doane Hall of Art*

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**Congratulations on your  
RETIREMENT!**

**Teresa Gionti**

**Sherry Vardaro**

## Staff instrumental in successful new Building Monitor program

Thanks to a rapid cooperative response by dozens of college staff, Allegheny students now have more alternatives to escape their stuffy dorm rooms for individual or group study. In the run-up to Module 2 this spring, Building Coordinators were tasked with developing a Building Monitor plan to allow student access to classroom buildings in the evening. In only two weeks, BCs developed daily monitor schedules, devised use policies that complied with COVID protocols, and hired scores of student workers to employ as building monitors. Facilities Access and Public Safety staff were also highly involved in the planning, providing their security expertise. Despite the complicated logistics, the program launched right on schedule on February 23rd. Congratulations to all staff members involved on a job well done!

# Allegheny Recreation Department & Outing Club can lead the way to new adventures!

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*Whether you're looking for a lively group of hiking buddies or kayaking gear for a contemplative solo paddle, the Allegheny Recreation Department and student-run Outing Club just might be able to suit you up.*



## OUTDOOR RECREATION

According to Director of Recreation & Facilities, Jared Luteran, his department is "... purchasing a few things that students/staff/faculty can sign out -- very similar to what [Student Life](#) already does. Right now [here is the list](#) of things we have. Each year my hope is to purchase a few more items based on the needs and interests of the students. Our focus is obviously the students first, but [the department is] willing to rent equipment to employees and I encourage them to join us at our events."



## ALLEGHENY COLLEGE OUTING CLUB

The [Outing Club](#) is committed to providing, safe, educational, and challenging adventures to all members of the Allegheny College community regardless of experience or skill level. Through a core group of leaders, we are committed to sharing our enthusiasm and passion for the outdoors by teaching the skill required to safely and respectfully explore the delicate wonders of nature.

The Outing Club's [equipment](#) is free to rent by all Allegheny students and staff throughout the Fall and Spring Semesters. To request gear, make an appointment with the Gear Manager through our website, or by sending an email to Outing Club or the Gear Manager. All requests for equipment need to be submitted at least 48 hours prior to the rental appointment to guarantee availability. Please note that the equipment needs of sponsored Outing Club activities take priority.

For more information, contact the Outing Club at [outing@allegheny.edu](mailto:outing@allegheny.edu) or visit the Outing Club's [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) pages.

## *We'll see you in the woods!*

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The Staff Advisory Committee (SAC) represents the interests, opinions, and concerns of the non-exempt staff by communicating these concerns to the Allegheny Executive Committee (AEC). For more information on the purpose of this committee, please refer to BYLAWS, Section 1 on the SAC website.

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