Wednesday, January 20, 2021

## Coming Together: Unity Week



Running from Jan. 25-29 and open to the Whitman, Walla Walla Community College and Walla Walla University communities, Unity Week's events follow the tri-college MLK Day activities to further explore some of the core messages of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s teachings.

"I am especially excited to introduce a workshop by Braver Angels, a nonprofit, volunteer-driven organization dedicated to breaking down the normalization of extreme political and social polarization," says Laura Sanchez, director of the Intercultural Center at Whitman.

The Braver Angels workshop, "Depolarizing Within," aims to show participants how to be critical without demonizing or stereotyping others and how to intervene constructively in social conversations.

Learn more about Unity Week and see the full schedule of events.

### Campus and Community Health



#### COVID-19 Testing

As results from our baseline testing continue to be processed, the results have been updated on our COVID-19 Dashboard.

We continue with our second round of baseline testing this week. For the most effective testing process, please come on the same day of the week that you did your first baseline test. As with last week's schedule, this week has time slots assigned based on your last name. However, testing times have changed, so please pay attention to the testing schedule for this round of testing. View the full schedule of testing times.

#### **Announcements**

#### New Online Publication: Around the Table

Introducing Around the Table, a publication from the Office of Religious and Spiritual Life (RSL). This monthly collection of meditations, reflections, and poetry, generated from the Whitman community, aims to offer a bit of balance and groundedness in the midst of these otherwise complicated days. Around the Table invites you to share original poetry, art or other writings for publication. Contact Adam Kirtley or Merry Cockroft at the RSL Office for more information.

### COVID-19 Dining Changes at Cleveland Commons

To promote social distancing and reduce crowds during the COVID-19 pandemic, we've modified service for your safety. Students are assigned food pick up times based on their residence hall at Cleveland Commons. If at all possible please dine with your assigned group.

Stanton, Prentiss, Anderson, Douglas 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m., 5-6 p.m.

Jewett, Lyman, Interest Houses 12:15 a.m.-1 p.m., 6-7 p.m.

Traffic will be monitored at the entrance of Cleveland Commons and will be restricted to 60 guests at a time.

Jewett Cafe will be available to Jewett and Lyman residents until the end of quarantine on Feb. 1.

Speed things up by being ready to order. View updated menus at whitman.cafebonappetit.com or on signs outside of the building.



## **Quarientation Tote Raffle Winners**

Inside each residence hall quarantine pack are two raffle tickets. Each day and at selected orientation sessions we will draw tickets for fun prize packs. Read Whitman Today to see the winning tickets and attend sessions to increase your odds of winning!

Today's winners: Green 1147774 Red 204703 Green 1147411 Red 204979 Green 1147383

Winners should <u>contact Juli Dunn</u> to claim their prize.

# Happening Today

all day **Check-in Begins for Returning Students** Access the <u>myWhitman student portal</u> to confirm your

8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. **COVID-19 Testing** The second round of COVID-19 testing for Whitman employees and students.

<u>Climbing Center Virtual Orientation</u> 11 a.m.

climbing center so you're all set! Men's & Womxn's Sweets Ultimate Frisbee: Meet & Greet 11 a.m.

> Join Men's & Womxn's Sweets Ultimate Frisbee for an info session and leader meet-and-greet. Captains of both teams will introduce themselves and share about each team, their plans for spring and their contact information.

Complete some of the steps necessary to use the

attendance. Any holds you may have will be displayed.

About Time! With the Student Academic Advisors 1 p.m. Time is a puzzle, and you've got just 24 hours in a day.

How do you make the hours count? Learn strategies for creating a healthy schedule, setting a routine and avoiding procrastination.

Outdoor Fun with the OP 1 p.m. Join us outside and around campus! The Outdoor

> Program (OP) staff will help you find a hike to a nearby park, get you started with a GeoCache challenge or set you up for a game of disc golf. Meet in front of the library and dress warm.

Chat with Whitties Who Love Walla Walla 1 p.m. Connect with current students and learn how to get

involved in community programs. Get to know Walla Walla and build meaningful relationships through these programs and many other volunteer opportunities. **Exploring Your Bright Future** 

Join Whitman's Student Career Advisors (SCAs) and learn how to match your passions with the careers that best suit you through group activities and PathwayU, a tool

available to all students. **Speed Friending** Residence Life invites students on and off campus to sign

up for a fun and structured way to meet other students in an online format.

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Whitman Events Calendar Have a virtual event you'd like to share with campus? Email the details to

to Whitman College staff, faculty and students. All times are listed in Pacific Standard Time. Submissions are welcome! If you have a professional or personal accomplishment to celebrate,

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an event to publicize or other content to share with the Whitman community, email whitmantoday@whitman.edu. Submissions should be 125 words or less. The deadline for submissions is noon for the following day's newsletter, though submissions may be held for a later date according to space and editorial needs.



