

# Allegheny Staff Sentinel

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### Allegheny Spotlight

*Eileen Petula*

**Executive Vice President & COO**



- **What three traits define you?** Confident, Capable and Fair
- **What is your personal philosophy?** Rule #1: Strive to be fair and to live my life in a manner that will not cause me to suffer from feelings of regret. Rule #2: If I fail to live up to Rule #1 offer a sincere apology, strive to make things right and refer back to Rule #1.
- **What's one thing you couldn't live without?** Family; specifically, my husband Ron and our children Allison (19) and Ryan (17).
- **What is the greatest challenge you have had to overcome in your life thus far?** By comparison to those experienced by many, the challenges I've faced thus far seem minor. If I had to be specific, I would say that as a first-generation college student it took me longer to realize my full potential. My world and my world view growing up were small. My family didn't travel and financial resources were very limited. We didn't have much but we had what we truly needed - parents who loved us, a home, food on the table, and a sense of safety. Many children don't have these things so I feel very blessed. If it weren't for the encouragement of a high school guidance counselor, I might not have gone to college - at least not directly from high school. I don't even remember the counselor's name but I owe that counselor a debt of gratitude.
- **What is the one thing you cannot resist?** Brownies. Growing up I remember my Mom saying that she had a "genetic weakness" for brownies. I also love brownies so in jest I started to say the same thing. I almost cried when I heard my 19-year-old daughter tell someone "...I'm like my Mom, I have a 'genetic weaknesses' for brownies..."
- **What is your greatest fear?** That my children will suffer harm.
- **Where is your favorite place to be?** St. John in the US Virgin Islands.
- **What is your favorite thing to do?** Snorkeling. I have a serious love for Sea Turtles!

SAC website:

[sites.allegheny.edu/sac/](http://sites.allegheny.edu/sac/)

## What's Going On?

Spring Break  
no classes  
March 18-26

Gator Give Day  
April 20

Gator Day  
May 2

Study Day  
May 3

Final Exams  
May 4-5  
May 8-9

Commencement  
May 13

Reunion Weekend  
June 1-4

### Coffee Break Gift Card Winners:

- Aimee Reash  
- Applebees
- Craig Pardee  
- Subway
- Tricha Young  
- Home Depot

# ALLEGHENY HOLIDAY LUNCHEON & SAC/AAC COFFEE BREAK

Allegheny faculty, staff, and administrators gathered on Wednesday, December 21 for food, fun, and camaraderie. In the absence of President Mullen, the luncheon was hosted by Provost & Dean of the College Ron Cole and EVP Eileen Petula.

The SAC/AAC - sponsored coffee break was enjoyed by over 60 people on January 6 in Carr Hall lobby.



Watch for this banner at SAC-sponsored events!



## New Employees

### Please join SAC in Welcoming New Allegheny College Employees!

Trevor Belz, Athletics

Alice Blumenstein, Counseling Center

Reese Campbell, Ruter Hall Coordinator

Blair Erdeljac, Development

Nathan Fralick, Library

Luke Fritz, ITS

Lindsay Henry, Development

Justin Hixon, Public Safety

Marissa Kawinski, ITS

Crimson Pavlekovsky, College Relations

Benjamin Rogers, Public Safety

Rachel Sloan, Admissions

David Washousky, Food Hub

Rebecca Willow, Counseling Center

### Please send your ideas!

If you have stories, articles or suggestions for the Staff Newsletter, please send an email to:

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### Did you know . . .

- > The average woman uses her height in lipstick every 5 years
- > Bubble wrap was originally intended to be used as wallpaper
- > The expiration date on water bottles is for the bottle, not the water
- > Coffee is most effective if consumed between 9:30 am and 11:30 am
- > Nepal is the only country that doesn't have a rectangular flag



## Active Shooter - Are YOU Prepared?

Vanessa Shaffer, Tricha Young, Linda Lees

If you have a suggestion or a concern, please contact any member of SAC.

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Several staff members are glad they attended the Active Shooter Training sponsored by Public Safety on Wednesday, December 12, 2016 in Tippie Alumni Center. Agents from the Training & Crisis Response Unit of the Federal Bureau of Investigation showed videos and explained how past active shooter events have been handled and how to respond to an active incident. Just as *Stop, Drop, and Roll* is the mantra for action if your clothes catch fire, *Run, Hide, Fight* is the mantra when threatened by an active shooter. Active shooting events have taken place at numerous educational institutions; Allegheny is not immune.

Please take the time to explore the following resources:

- The FBI's Run, Hide, Fight Video at:  
<https://www.fbi.gov/about/partnerships/office-of-partner-engagement/active-shooter-resources> (Scroll about 2/3 down the page)
- Other information on active shooter incidents is available at [FBI.gov](http://FBI.gov). Search for “active shooter.”
- To view a prevention video produced by Sandy Hook Promise, a national non-profit organization founded and led by several family members whose loved ones were victims at Sandy Hook Elementary School on December 14, 2012, visit:  
<http://www.sandyhookpromise.org/>

Let's do all we can to assure the safety of all.

### SAC Liaisons

Campus Life & Community Standards - Cindy Hoesch  
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