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Have A Good Break Kohawks!



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Cedar Rapids Weekly Forecast

SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
Partly Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny	PM Showers	DEC 14 Showers
37°27°	34°30°	38°28°	38°24°	40°29°	43°37°	48°39°

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With finals approaching, another semester at Coe has reached its end and campus prepares to close for a month of break. We hope that this was an eventful semester and that break will be a great occasion to recharge for an even better spring.

The Editors would like to take a moment and thank the Cosmos Team for all of their hard work and dedication this semester, as well as all of our amazing guest writers. We would also like to thank all other clubs and organizations for their hard work this semester, and throwing amazing events for the students!

Finally we want to thank the readers of the school paper for supporting us and continuing to be our base. We are excited to bring the news to you every week and look forward to feedback, comments, and suggestions. We encourage all of you to keep sending us feedback, story ideas, and other ways to improve the Cosmos! We would also like to invite everyone to join the paper and be a part of a great club on campus.

-The Editors

Winter Break Housing Info

Concerning housing, remember that residence halls, apartments, and houses all close on Friday, December 14th at noon and residents must be checked out by 8pm that same day. Remaining on campus over break costs \$35/day, \$150/week, or \$300 for all of break. Students must also remember to complete the closing checklist, that includes:

- Disposing of any perishable item
- cleaning the space
- Turning off all lights
- Turn air conditioner to "off"
- Locking all windows
- Closing blinds completely
- Unplugging holiday decorations (string lights, trees, etc.)
- Unplug appliances (fridges, coffee makers, microwaves, etc.)

Moreover, over break, Coe staff or RAs may enter your room and check for items such as alcohol, decorations, extension cords, covered smoke detectors, or candles/incense. Once you are all set to leave, the Cosmos staff would like to wish you an awesome break! Move in day is January 13.

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Students Decorate Cookies in Preparation for Finals



Cynthia Salgado
Staff Writer

On Wednesday, December 05 the Student Activities Committee (SAC) hosted a cookie decorating night from 7:00-9:00 pm in Upper Gage. A great way to relax before finals since they are on their way. SAC provided hot chocolate, and tools to decorate cookies while listening to

Christmas music.

"I have already began to study for finals and I came to distress. Decorating cookies seemed like something fun to do and keep my mind occupied on other things besides studying," said Luis Ybarra ('22) "Not only did I do something fun but I got to eat my creation in the end!"

It was a great time to spend with friends doing something fun before going back to studying.



SAC hosted a cookie decorating night from 7:00-9:00 pm in Upper Gage on Wednesday, December 5.

Photo by Cynthia Salgado.

Coe Events

Brain breaks during finals week, by Coe Wellness

December 10 at 10:30-4

December 11 at 10:30-4

There will be games, puzzles, and snacks! In Phifer Commons

Or, enjoy some cute dogs...

December 9 at 5:30-7:30 pm, Dog Therapy!

December 10 at 2-4 pm, Dog Therapy!

December 7 at 7 pm, Intercultural Center

Learn about Posada with LatinX

December 9 at 6 PM Hanukkah Study Break at Temple Judah

December 9 at 9, 9:30-11pm

Late Night Breakfast

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Christmas Festival Before Christmas

Christian Chiffy
Guest Writer

Nineteen miles southwest of Cedar Rapids, on November 30th, something special was occurring. The Amana Colonies began their annual Prelude to Christmas event, which started in 1985.

David Rettig, the Executive Director at the Amana Colonies Visitors Bureau, said that Prelude to Christmas began as a fun way to bring people to Amana during the time after Oktoberfest, and before Christmas.

"We first started with

the whole town getting together to buy decorations so the town would look pretty," Rettig said. "We decided each business had to have something special [for the festival]."

After a few years of this yearly tradition, Rettig says they decided to change things up a bit. That's when the idea of the Tannenbaum Forest was born.

Translating to "fir tree" in German, the Tannenbaum Forest began with 40-50 Christmas trees that many businesses in the area would have the opportunity to decorate

themselves, in whatever way they chose to do so.

The barn housing the Tannenbaum Forest displayed decorations ranging from Wurst, or German sausage, to stuffed hedgehogs acting as ornaments.

Initially, there was no charge to enter. As the event became more popular, it turned into a fundraiser for charity. Upon entry, visitors can make an optional donation to the Iowa Stead Family Child Hospital.

Event volunteer, Elaine Kempin '89, says that the charity aspect is her favorite part. "It gives awareness for all the people that come to visit."

Once inside the Tannenbaum Forest, there's more to do besides look at the decorated trees. Kids can write letters to Santa, construct cards to servicemen and women serving overseas,



Visitors view the various trees within the Tannenbaum Forest.

Photo by Christian Chiffy.

and visit Santa on a sleigh to talk with him and take pictures.

Rettig says that this isn't your traditional Santa visit where you sit on his lap, take a picture, and leave. "This isn't a mall experience. He takes time and talks to [every kid]."

Expecting about 20,000-25,000 people this year to visit, Rettig says people come from all over to come see the Tannenbaum Forest. "We get people from overseas. People from Chicago come to visit and say 'we have nothing like this in Chicago.'"

"We want give people that old-fashioned Christmas feel," Rettig says. "It's not like you're in Europe and it's not like you're in any other place in the United States. It's a unique place, and people feel that."



Santa waits for visitors to begin arriving.
Photo by Christian Chiffy.

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Faculty Profile: Assistant nursing professor Joanie Copper.



Heather
Fleck
Staff Writer

Assistant nursing professor Joanie Copper, RN, DNP is going on her sixth year at Coe. Copper teaches the clinical preceptorships, similar to an internship, and introductory concepts which is medical surgical nursing.

"I was always excited about the science of nursing," said Copper. "[but] there is two sides to nursing, one side is caring and compassion and the other side is the science aspect. [You] have to have strong basis in biology and chemistry and microbiology, physiology, and pathophysiology." This, according to Copper, is learned through schooling.

"There is so much teaching in being a nurse," Copper said, "there is so much teaching in nursing it was a very fluid movement over to become an educator."

Copper was born in

Marion, Iowa which is just 30 minutes away from Coe. She went through the nursing program here at Coe herself and had mentors that followed her through graduate school.

Copper said she had wonderful mentors that helped guide her and stayed her mentors 15 years from Coe. So when she came back to teach at Coe she "felt like this was coming back home."

Each day Copper comes to Coe and she prepares for class, by reading the material that the students are assigned, because she thinks "teaching and learning are a reflexive process, meaning [she is] the student and also the teacher as well as the students are."

When asked why she chose Coe, Copper said a lot of it has to do with her being a Kowhawk herself.

"Once I figured out I wanted to be a professor I knew this is where I wanted to teach," said

Copper. "I knew I could fully endorse the program and I believed in it and I do believe in it. And so it just makes my job so much more fulfilling."

Copper stated that she loves the people she works with.

"It feels like we have a shared vision," said Copper. "I feel like we are all working towards the same things. And that makes coming to work very easy. It really helps when you are really close to your work family. And the students are what continue giving me energy back. It's watching them grow that's very rewarding.



Assistant nursing professor Joanie Copper.
Photo taken by Heather Fleck.

And eventually become my own colleagues. That's pretty cool."

The last thing that Copper was asked was for advice she would give students and she quoted something from Opera, "First of all it would be to relax. It would be to stop being afraid. And it would be everything is going to be alright. No matter what, it will be okay."

What's Happening

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Final Exam Schedule Fall 2018

EXAM DATE	EXAM TIME	COURSE MEETS
Mon 12/10	8:00 AM	8:00 AM TTh
	11:00 AM	11:00 AM TTh
	2:00 PM	12:20 PM TTh
	5:00 PM	11:AM MWF
	7:00 PM	Monday PM*
Tue 12/11	8:00 AM	9:00 AM MWF
	11:00 AM	12:00 PM MWF
	2:00 PM	2:00 PM MWF
	5:00 PM	8:00 AM MWF
	7:00 PM	Tuesday PM*
Wed 12/12	8:00 AM	10:00 AM MWF
	11:00 AM	1:00 PM MWF
	2:00 PM	2:00 PM TTh
	5:00 PM	Wednesday PM*
Thur 12/13	8:00 AM	9:30 AM TTh
	11:00 AM	3:00 PM MWF
	2:00 PM	Thursday PM*

* PM courses begin at 4:00 PM or later



*Annual
Christmas
Convocation
and Vespers.*



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Coe Upperclassmen Share Tips to Ace Finals



Ayam Shrestha
Staff Writer

Finals week is stressful for all. From the seniors who have endured finals after finals to the freshmen who don't really know what to expect or how to deal with two exams in the same day. At the moment, many freshmen are freaking about how to manage time in their studies, many are considering to pull off all nighters and some don't even know where to start from.

"I have literally six papers to complete by Friday and additionally, I have two finals on Wednesday," said a freshman who wanted anonymity. "I feel like there would hardly be any other student in Coe who has this much work

to do. Due to all the assignments, I have hardly had any time to study for the exams."

Cosmos spoke with upperclassmen for hacks or suggestions to freshmen to survive the finals.

Moritz Rusch, ('19) stated, "Finals are the time you give your hundred percent. Although I would never suggest allnighters under normal circumstances, you should not hesitate to go for an allnighter if it is of absolute necessity. After all you have a month long winter break to enjoy."

He however stressed that all nighters are only an

option if that is the last resort. Rusch added, "If you prepare well, you don't have to stress a lot about the finals,"

Cooper Dodd ('20) however said pulling off all nighters are not a good option.

"Sleep is very essential for our brain to function well and you sure don't want to deal with that energyless day after an allnighter," said Dodd. "Additionally, you can always find some more time without pulling off an allnighter. The key is on finding what works

best for you. If you feel that note cards work, that's the way to go. And if you find out group studying is a good option for you, you should do exactly that. You have to find the most effective method of learning and trust the knowledge you gained during and after class time."

While the weekends are only thing standing between today Friday and the finals, it is important that freshmen and seniors alike must make the best use of the weekends.



Class of 2019. Photo Credit to Office of Marketing at Coe College



Class of 2020. Photo Credit to Office of Marketing at Coe College

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Op-Ed: Coe Should Reorganize Recycling System



Jieun Kim
Staff Writer

In general, the Coe campus is pretty clean thanks to a lot of efforts of custodians. However, things slip through the cracks. In early November, a squirrel whose neck got stuck in a plastic cup in the campus was sighted. It made me wonder how well the recycling system was, and the various opinions about this issue.

"I think Coe's campus is pretty clean compared to other schools. However, I agree that recycling can be problematic. In my opinion, the big issue behind recycling is people may not know the different steps," Danielle Hendrix ('20) said. "For example, some types of water bottle cups should not be recycled. I feel like it also has a lot to do with the

amount of time it takes to properly dispose of waste especially when students are running between classes, work, and the numerous other things that go on in a day."

Other students agree with her.

"I think some recycle systems in Coe

because all are similar colors," said Rongru Chen, an exchange student from China. "I think what's good about the paper is they have some boxes by the printer for paper. That is pretty good because we don't have it China."

"I was pretty surprised when I came here

when I use the kitchen in here, I noticed that there are no food garbage bags, so I always think about what to do."

Nozomi Kato and Leon Katsuta, who are from Japan agreed on this problem too. They said, "Japanese are very strict to recycle. However, Coe's recycling system

is really different from Japan. We mostly discovered that students in Coe threw away all trashes in same bins. However, when we walked around the campus in Japan, there are different bins to separate recyclables. This can make us more care about recycling."

Recycling can be seen as not a big deal at first. However,

we can reduce waste by 50% when we start to practice recycling in Coe. Consequently, it can also protect Coe's precious friend, squirrels.



Photo taken by Yolanda Wei.

should be changed. In Guangzhou, we would see different colors of rubbish bins and choose to dispose the related kind of rubbish. But Coe's rubbish bin is not that much and they are hard to recognize

because of different recycling system. Separating the food waste is really important in Korea, so we can see food garbage bag easily in daily life," said Yeonju Do, an exchange student from South Korea. "However,

World Map

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One of two ancient coffins found earlier this month by a French-led mission near El-Asasef was authorized to be opened by Egyptian authorities on Saturday. The sarcophagus contained a mummified woman dating back 3,000 years.

President Emmanuel Macron backed down again on Wednesday due to nationwide protests against his planned fuel tax increases. They will no longer be introduced in 2019, originally they were to increase taxes six months into the new year, rather than on January 1. Now any tax increases on fuel will be looked at in 2020.



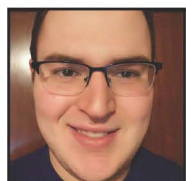
Tijuana authorities say they plan to open another shelter for migrants in the Mexican border city. The shelter will house at least 3,000 people and will be located in the eastern part of the city.

Three people in India have been arrested for “Cow Vigilantism” and authorities are still looking for twenty-four more. The three that were caught were in direct connection with a fatal shooting of a police officer in a mob on Monday over the alleged killing of cows.

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Green Book



Peyton
McGuire
Columnist

It's not often that there's a movie that's just perfect in nearly every way: plot, cast, settings, score, etc. A movie with all that right will usually go on to become a modern classic, or at the very least an Oscar-sweeping piece of art. Green Book is that movie, and as 2018 draws to a close it serves as a stark reminder that Hollywood is still capable of producing something original that can gel with audiences everywhere.

Tony Lip (Viggo Mortensen), a bouncer at New York's famous Copacabana Club, is out of work as the club goes under renovations for the winter of 1962. A gruff Italian-American mafioso type, he is surprised when upper crust musician Dr. Don Shirley (Mahershala Ali) asks him to be his driver and bodyguard while he travels on tour through the Midwest and Deep South. The duo immediately

clashes over their differences, with Tony upset at Shirley's indifference to the racist attitudes of the people he plays for, and the latter unimpressed with the former's appetite and crass behavior. Eventually, however, they begin to bond on their road trip as Shirley helps Tony write love letters to his wife Dolores (Linda Cardellini) and Tony helps Shirley emerge from his shell and live a little. As Christmas and the end of the tour draws near, their faith and friendship in each other is tested, and it could result in either joyful reunion or harrowing heartbreak.

The true test of how well a movie's plot is put together is how the audience viscerally reacts to it. In my showing of Green Book, I was most likely the youngest member of the audience, but you wouldn't have been able to tell. The cheers when Tony punches out an arguing stage hand over securing a Steinway piano for Dr. Shirley, the hisses when a drunken Shirley is accosted by some Southern pissants,

and the gasps leading to laughs and applause when the city of Cedar Rapids is featured for several moments as one of Shirley's destinations on tour (I will admit, I applauded at this too): all served as proof for me that this movie would do just fine at the box office and in the memories of those who saw it.

The characters themselves were so enthralling that I wouldn't be surprised at Oscar nominations for both Mortensen and Ali; the former put on 50 pounds for this role, and the latter really drives home the disconnect Shirley experienced with his own race as he journeyed through the 1960s South. I went out and bought a Don Shirley album after this movie because I loved the piano scores that ceaselessly filled the silence in-between Top Ten singles of the day and movie score swells.

Green Book deftly wins out as one of the most poignant films of 2018, and while it could

have portrayed the horrors of the Jim Crow South better, that's really my only complaint with this film. If you want a good movie to watch over the holiday season, which has a pleasant story and a gripping cast, then Green Book is the one for you.

From your resident movie reviewer, happy holidays and happy 2019!

My Rating:



Rotten Tomatoes: 83%

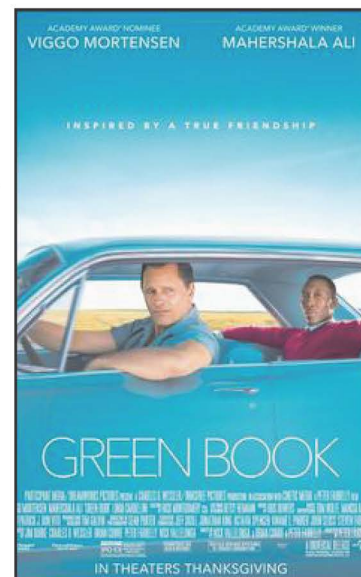


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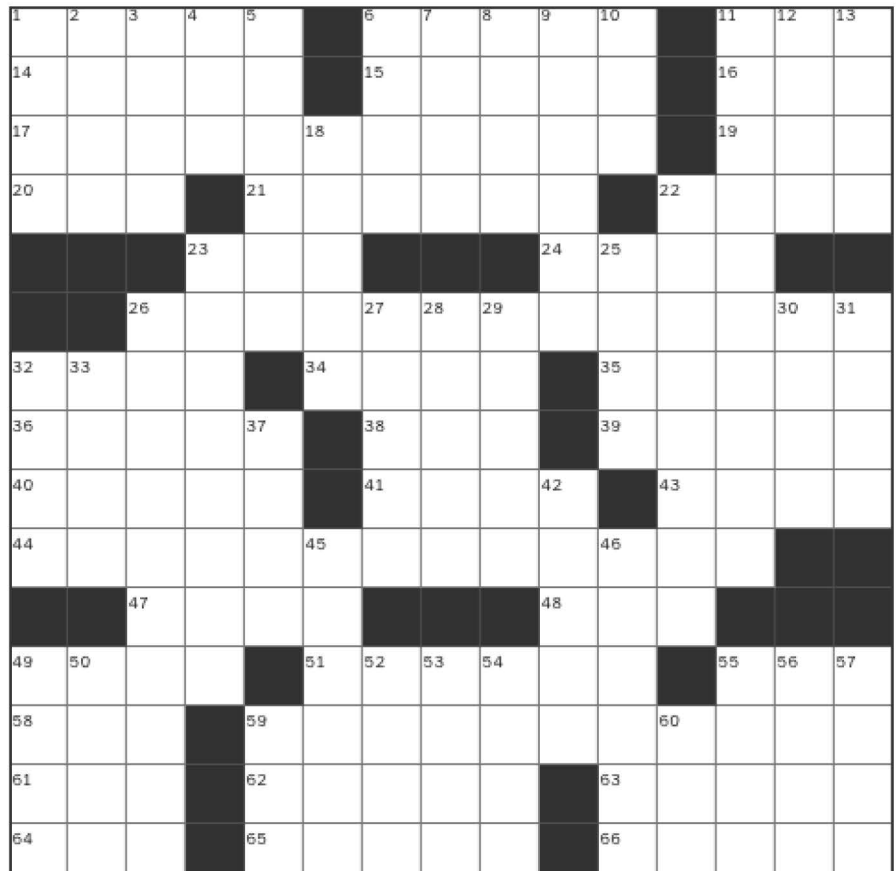
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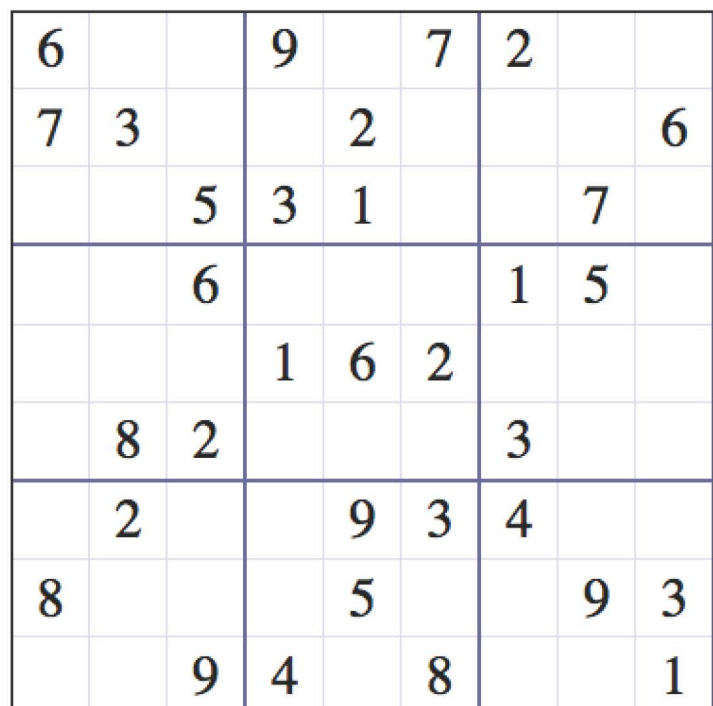
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