



The Buzz

November 2010

Thanksgiving Break

The Residence Halls **will close** for the Thanksgiving holiday on Wednesday, November 24, at **10:00 am**. Please be advised that the last meal being served on campus prior to this break will be dinner on Tuesday, November 23. The Residence Halls will re-open on Sunday, November 28, at 12 noon. The dining hall will re-open for dinner on Sunday, November 28. For more information on vacation breaks, please refer to page #26 of the Resident Life Handbook only available on-line:

<http://gmc.edu/students/housing/documents/ResidentLifeHandbook2010-11web.pdf>

Before leaving your room for Thanksgiving break, please remember to:

- ✓ Turn off all lights
- ✓ Remove trash and food items
- ✓ Turn HVAC units down (fan or auto; not off)
- ✓ Close and lock windows, shut blinds/curtains
- ✓ Lock doors

Any student who would like to apply for housing during the Thanksgiving break must complete a **Thanksgiving Break Housing Request Form** which is available outside of the Office of Resident Life in Loyola Hall. The deadline to return completed forms is Wednesday, November 17, at 5:00 pm. All forms must be returned to #130 Loyola Hall. Please refer to the on-line Resident Life Handbook to determine if you are eligible to apply for break housing (page #26). There may be limited/no food service or shuttle transportation for residents approved to remain on campus during College Break periods. Individuals who are on residence hall judicial probation are NOT eligible to remain on campus during any break periods. Students will receive written notification in GMC e-mail account prior to the start of the break informing them if their request was approved or denied. **Late requests will not be considered.**

Winter Break

The Residence Halls will close for Winter Break on Tuesday, December 21, at 10 am. **However, residents must leave 24 hours after their last final exam.** Health and Safety Inspections will occur on Tuesday, December 21 starting at 9:30 am. The Residence Halls will re-open for the Spring Semester on Wednesday, January 12, 2011 at 12 noon. Watch for additional closing information in the December issue of The Buzz.

Room Changes and Withdrawals

All room change requests for the Spring Semester must be submitted to the Office of Resident Life no later than Tuesday, November 23, 5:00 pm. Late requests will not be honored.

To apply for a room change, please complete a "Request for Room Change" form available through John Verdi, #130 Loyola Hall. All changes will be considered and must be approved by the Resident Life staff. Please note that room changes are not guaranteed. Residents will be notified about the status of their application prior to the beginning of finals. **All approved room changes must be completed by Tuesday, December 21 at 10 am.**

Residents who will not be returning to the Residence Halls in January must complete a **Release from Housing Contract**. These contracts are available from John Verdi, Lori Davis, or Rick LaRosa (#130, #131, #132 Loyola Hall). Upon completion of the form, you must schedule an appointment with John Verdi (#130 Loyola Hall, x460) prior to moving out of the Residence Halls.

VERY IMPORTANT!! Please be advised that students who fail to notify the Resident Life Office by completing a withdrawal form and returning all room keys/key cards, closet keys, and mailbox keys prior to moving out of the residence halls will remain financially responsible for Spring Semester housing and meal plan charges.

Important Dates

- 11/1 Begin Advisement and Registration for Spring 2011
- 11/2 Election Day
- 11/4 7 – 9 pm Caricatures by Colin – Waldron Board Room
- 11/5 Last day to Withdraw/Regular Fall classes
- 11/6 7pm Thanksgiving Crafts and Treats – St. Brigid Glass Lounge
- 11/11 Veteran's Day
- 11/17 5 pm Thanksgiving Break Housing Forms Due: #130 Loyola Hall
- 11/20 Admissions Open House
- 11/24 10 am Residence Halls Close for Thanksgiving Break
- 11/24 – 11/26 Residence Halls/College closed
- 11/25 Thanksgiving Day
- 11/29 12 noon Residence Halls Re-Open

Time Change!

Remember to set your clocks back one hour on Sunday, November 7, 2010 at 2 am when daylight saving time ends.



Items for Pickup

Anyone who had any items removed from their rooms during September's Health and Safety Inspections may pick them up in Loyola 132 to take home with you when you leave for Thanksgiving break. Any items that are not claimed by November 23 will be discarded.

ATTENTION From Campus Health

The Campus Health Center is now offering the flu vaccine. The cost is \$20.00 and payment may be in cash or a check payable to "GMC". Please contact the Health Center at ext. 306 to schedule an appointment.

Common Hours

- 11/3 Gap Year #18 St. Bernard Hall
Volunteering, Service, Travel
Opportunities for students who are interested in taking time off between college and a full-time job to become involved in a different kind of experience.
- 11/3 Custom Yearbook #14 St. Bernard Hall
Learn how to add your own pages, photos and things you remember. It's fast and easy!
- 11/17 Holiday Bazaar JBA/St. Bernard Lobby
Extended Hours: 10 am – 2 pm
Welcome the holiday season with a day of fun, festivities and shopping!

Resident Life Appeal Board

The Resident Life Appeal Board is composed of a panel of residence hall students whose primary responsibility is to review cases that have been appealed as a part of the disciplinary process for residence hall students. When a formal appeal is submitted, the board is then charged with the responsibility of convening to review the disciplinary decision in question. The board consists of students who have demonstrated a commitment to the mission and values of the College. These residence hall students are appointed for their ability to be consistent and impartial. Students interested in serving on the Resident Life Appeal Board should contact the Associate Director for Training and Judicial Affairs who is located in Loyola Hall 140 or at johnson.keisha@gmc.edu.

Career Corner

Attention healthcare majors!

Gwynedd-Mercy College is hosting its annual healthcare job fair on December 8, from 11am-1pm in Keiss Hall. Please be sure to dress professionally and bring several copies of your resume for employers to take with them. If you have questions about your resume, feel free to make an appointment with a career counselor to review it.

Career Services

215-646-7300 ext. 230
careerservices@gmc.edu
Located in Campbell Hall

Special Events!

CARICATURES by COLIN

Thursday, November 4, 2010

7:00 – 9:00 pm

Waldron Board Room

Limited number of drawings per hour

Thanksgiving Crafts and Treats

Saturday, November 6, 2010

7:00 pm

St. Brigid Glass Lounge



Counseling Services.....
Reminds us all to be good to one another!

Where Monsters Can Grow From RHL School

Beware of the monsters
Who dwell in the mind,
Who grow in the shelter
Of shadows they find.

Beware of the demons
Who hide from the light,
Who only survive
When our spirits lose sight.

Those creatures can thrive
Where our knowledge is low;
They fill in the spaces
Of what we don't know.

Beware of the monsters
That cause us to hate,
To strike out in anger
When we can't relate.

For ignorance darkens
The mind and the heart,
And helps all our monsters
To tear us apart.

But learning and thinking
Will strengthen us so
We won't be the places
Where monsters can grow

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