

NEWS 4/23/25

[LUKE]

YOU ARE CURRENTLY LISTENING TO W-S-Y-C NEWS ON W-S-Y-C  
EIGHTY-EIGHT-POINT-SEVEN F-M OUT OF SHIPPENSBURG PENNSYLVANIA. HI,  
MY NAME IS LUKE RAINEY

[CYRUS]

AND I'M CYRUS SIMMONS. LET'S GET STARTED WITH THE WEATHER.

TONIGHT WILL BE HITTING A LOW OF FIFTY-FOUR DEGREES WITH CLEAR  
SKIES.

TOMORROW WILL BE MOSTLY SUNNY WITH A HIGH OF EIGHTY-TWO AND A  
LOW OF FIFTY-SIX. FRIDAY WILL BE A MIX OF CLOUDS AND SUN IN THE  
MORNING, WITH CLOUDS DOMINATING THE REST OF THE DAY. WINDS WILL  
REACH SPEEDS RANGING FROM TEN TO FIFTEEN MILES PER HOUR AND  
THERE IS POTENTIAL FOR RAIN SHOWERS LATER IN THE DAY. THE  
TEMPERATURE WILL BE A HIGH OF SEVENTY-SIX AND A LOW OF SIXTY-THREE.

SATURDAY WILL SEE THE WIND SPEEDS PICK UP TO A MAX OF TWENTY MILES  
PER HOUR, BRINGING WITH THEM CLOUDS AND A FIFTY PERCENT CHANCE OF  
RAIN. SUNDAY WILL BE SUNNY WITH BOTH DAYS HAVING TEMPERATURES IN  
THE HIGH SIXTIES TO LOW SEVENTIES.

[LUKE]

IN TERMS OF SHIP ATHLETICS THIS PAST WEEK, ON WEDNESDAY THE SIXTEENTH, SHIP SOFTBALL HOSTED BLOOMSBURG FOR A DOUBLE HEADER MATCH UP. UNFORTUNATELY, THEY LOST BOTH GAMES WITH SCORES OF THREE TO FOUR AND NINE TO TWELVE. MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD WERE ALSO HOME ON WEDNESDAY FOR THEIR SECOND HOME MEET: THE MID-WEEK P-R BONANZA.

FRIDAY THE EIGHTEENTH, SHIP BASEBALL TRAVELED TO MANSFIELD FOR A DOUBLE HEADER. MANSFIELD TOOK THE FIRST GAME FOURTEEN TO THREE, BUT SHIP WON THE SECOND MATCH WITH A SCORE OF TWENTY-THREE TO SIX.

SATURDAY THE NINETEENTH, SHIP BASEBALL ONCE AGAIN FACED OFF AGAINST MANSFIELD, THIS TIME AT HOME FOR THEIR THE HIDDEN OPPONENT GAMES. SHIP WON THE FIRST GAME FIVE TO TWO. MANSFIELD WON GAME TWO WITH A SCORE OF NINE TO SIX. WOMEN'S LACROSSE WAS ALSO HOME ON SATURDAY HOSTING KUTZTOWN FOR THEIR JULIA WISE APPRECIATION GAME. THIS MATCH UP CAME DOWN TO THE WIRE, WITH SHIP TAKING THE WIN ELEVEN TO TEN IN OVERTIME. THE SOFTBALL TEAM WAS AWAY ON SATURDAY, HITTING THE ROAD TO WEST CHESTER FOR A DOUBLE HEADER. WEST CHESTER WON THE FIRST GAME THREE TO TWO. SHIP CAME BACK STRONG AND WON THE SECOND GAME FOUR TO THREE.

MONDAY THE TWENTY-FIRST, SHIP WOMEN'S TENNIS HOSTED BOWIE STATE. SHIP WON WITH A SEVEN TO ZERO SHUT OUT VICTORY.

TUESDAY THE TWENTY-SECOND, THE SOFTBALL TEAM HOSTED MANSFIELD FOR A DOUBLE HEADER. THEY WON BOTH GAMES WITH SCORES OF SIX TO TWO AND SEVEN TO ONE.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT WHERE AND WHEN OUR ATHLETES PLAY NEXT OR FOR MORE DETAILS ON ANY OF THESE GAMES, CHECK OUT THE SHIPPENSBURG UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS WEBSITE AT SHIP-RAIDERS-DOT-COM. AGAIN THAT IS SHIP-RAIDERS-DOT-COM.

[CYRUS]

FOR EVENTS THIS COMING WEEK, TOMORROW, THURSDAY THE TWENTY-FOURTH, SWING THROUGH THE ACADEMIC QUAD FROM TEN TO THREE FOR THIS YEAR'S EARTH DAY CELEBRATION WHICH WILL FEATURE TABLES FROM VARIOUS DIFFERENT CAMPUS GROUPS. THE EVENT WILL ALSO BE DJ'ED BY US, WSYC EIGHTY-EIGHT-POINT-SEVEN F-M.

NAMI IS HOSTING THEIR SEMESTERLY DESTRESS EVENT. RUNNING FROM FOUR TO SIX IN THE CUB MPR-B TOMORROW, STOP BY FOR FREE TAROT READINGS, SLIME MAKING, FLOWER POT PAINTING AND RAFFLES.

ALSO TOMORROW, RUNNING FROM FIVE TO SEVEN IN CUB ONE-NINETEEN, IS THE PAGE CENTER'S TAKE BACK THE NIGHT EVENT. TAKE BACK THE NIGHT IS A SPEAK-OUT AND RALLY FOR COMMUNITY TO HEAR SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE TALK ABOUT THEIR EXPERIENCES TO HELP INTERRUPT CYCLES OF SHAME AND BLAME. EVERYONE IS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE TO HELP CREATE A BETTER-INFORMED AND MORE-ENGAGED COMMUNITY.

ON FRIDAY THE TWENTY-FIFTH, APB IS HOSTING A BLOCK PARTY IN THE ACADEMIC QUAD. FROM FIVE TO SEVEN, THERE WILL BE ROCK CLIMBING,

INFLATABLES, HAMBURGERS AND HOT DOGS, AND MORE. COME OUT AND RELAX WITH FINALS WEEK JUST TWO WEEKS AWAY.

NEXT WEDNESDAY, APRIL THIRTIETH, THE PAGE CENTER IS HOLDING DENIM DAY. THEY ARE CALLING FOR STUDENTS TO WEAR DENIM TO PROTEST SEXUAL ASSAULT AND VICTIM SHAMING. WHILE THEY ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO DO THIS ALL ACROSS CAMPUS, THEY WILL BE TABLING WITH INFO AND ACTIVITIES IN THE CUB GREAT HALL.

[LUKE]

IN LOCAL NEWS, SENIOR CHEMISTRY MAJOR ABBIE MORGAN TIED FOR FIRST AT THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY'S NATIONAL MEETING IN THE DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD CHEMISTRY'S UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT POSTER COMPETITION IN SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA.

MORGAN PRESENTED HER RESEARCH ON KOM-BU-CHA FERMENTATION AND ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY.

KOM-BU-CHA IS A TEA BEVERAGE THAT HAS GONE THROUGH A FERMENTATION PROCESS. IT CONSISTS OF TEA, WATER, SUGAR, AND THE SCOBY, WHICH IS A SYMBIOTIC CULTURE OF BACTERIA AND YEAST. THE SCOBY INITIATES AND SUSTAINS THE FERMENTATION PROCESS.

HER RESEARCH FOCUSED ON IMPROVING THE ACCURACY AND EFFICIENCY OF ANALYZING KOM-BU-CHA'S MAIN COMPONENTS, SUCH AS SUGAR, ORGANIC ACIDS AND ETHANOL.

HER PROJECT EVALUATED THE USE OF BENCHTOP NUCLEAR MAGNETIC RESONANCE SPECTROSCOPY. ACCORDING TO MORGAN, THIS METHOD CAN REPLACE TRADITIONAL LAB METHODS.

MORGAN ALSO EXAMINED HOW DIFFERENT BREWING METHODS CAN IMPACT THE FERMENTATION PROCESS, SUCH AS USING FRUCTOSE OR GLUCOSE INSTEAD OF SUCROSE AND BREWING IN AN AIR-PERMEABLE BAG VERSUS A GLASS JAR. THROUGH HER AND HER TEAM'S EVALUATIONS, THEY GAINED INSIGHT INTO HOW THE SCOBY'S METABOLISM EVOLVED DURING A TWENTY-EIGHT DAY BREW CYCLE.

HER INTEREST IN ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY WAS THE MAIN REASON WHY SHE CHOSE TO RESEARCH KOM-BU-CHA, AS SHE WANTED TO APPLY ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES TO A REAL WORLD SYSTEM, SUCH AS KOM-BU-CHA.

MORGAN ACKNOWLEDGED HER MENTORS, DR. JEB KEGERREIS AND DR. JOHN RICHARDSON. SHE ALSO ACKNOWLEDGED HER LAB PARTNER, JADEN PERRIN. SHE THANKED SHIPPENSBURG UNIVERSITY AND THE GRANTS SHE RECEIVED FOR GIVING HER THE FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO CONDUCT THIS RESEARCH.

THIS RESEARCH – ALONG WITH THE UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH OF SHIP STUDENTS SERENA FISHER, KELLY KREBS, SAMANTHA SHA-ZAN-EE-AK, JADEN PERRIN, MADELYN PORTER AND ALIVIA SNYDER – WAS FUNDED BY THE S-U UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH GRANT PROGRAM AND THE JAMES AND MERRY JEAN BERES RESEARCH GRANT.

MORGAN, ALONGSIDE ALL THE SHIPPENSBURG UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCHERS THAT COMPETED AT THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY, EXEMPLIFIES HOW RESEARCH CAN PAVE THE WAY TO SUCCESS FOR STUDENTS

## [CYRUS]

A MAN HAS BEEN ARRESTED AFTER COMMITTING A CHAINSAW ATTACK AT CARLISLE CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS.

THE INCIDENT OCCURRED AT TEN FORTY-FIVE P-M ON MONDAY, APRIL FOURTEENTH. THE ATTACKER HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS RICHARD SAUDER.

SAUDER WAS FIRED FROM CARLISLE CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS ON THE FOURTEENTH. MANAGERS CLAIM HE WAS FIRED FOR SAFETY CONCERNS.

SAUDER RETURNED THAT EVENING TO AVENGE HIS FIRING. HE ENTERED AN ENCLOSED LOT AND DAMAGED HOSES, A WOODSHED AND TWO RUBBER GASKETS ON CARLISLE CONSTRUCTION'S EQUIPMENT. SAUDER ENTERED PLANT NINE AND SWUNG THE CHAINSAW ABOVE HIS HEAD BEFORE LAYING IT ON CARDBOARD.

AT LEAST SIXTEEN EMPLOYEES WERE DIRECTLY IMPACTED BY THE ATTACK, THOUGH NO ONE WAS HURT. MANY SAID THEY WERE AFRAID SAUDER WOULD INJURE THEM, ACCORDING TO THE AFF-DAY-VIT.

SAUDER'S CHARGES INCLUDE BURGLARY, CAUSING OR RISKING CATASTROPHE, TERRORISTIC THREATS, CRIMINAL MISCHIEF, CRIMINAL TRESPASS AND RECKLESSLY ENDANGERING ANOTHER PERSON.

[LUKE]

A SOY-UZ M-S TWENTY-SIX SPACECRAFT CARRYING ROS-COSMOS COSMONAUTS ALEXEY OV-CHIN-IN AND IVAN VAN-ER ALONG WITH NASA ASTRONAUT DONALD PET-IT HAS RETURNED TO EARTH ON APRIL NINETEENTH.

THEIR RETURN CONCLUDED A SEVEN-MONTH SCIENCE MISSION ABOARD THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION. PET-IT, OVCHININ, AND VAN-ER LAUNCHED AND DOCKED TO THE ORBITING LABORATORY ON SEPTEMBER ELEVENTH, TWENTY-TWENTY-FOUR.

THE TRIO DEPARTED THE SPACE STATION ABOARD THE SOY-UZ M-S TWENTY-SIX SPACECRAFT BEFORE MAKING A PARACHUTE-ASSISTED LANDING IN THE UL-EE-TAU REGION OF KAZAKHSTAN.

SPANNING TWO HUNDRED AND TWENTY DAYS IN SPACE, PET-IT AND HIS CREWMATES ORBITED THE EARTH THREE THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED AND TWENTY TIMES, COMPLETING A JOURNEY OF OVER NINETY MILLION MILES.

DURING HIS TIME ABOARD THE SPACE STATION, PET-IT CONDUCTED RESEARCH TO ENHANCE IN-ORBIT METAL THREE-D PRINTING CAPABILITIES, ADVANCE WATER SANITATION TECHNOLOGIES, EXPLORE PLANT GROWTH UNDER VARYING WATER CONDITIONS, AND INVESTIGATE FIRE BEHAVIOR IN MICROGRAVITY. ALL OF THESE EXPERIMENTS WILL CONTRIBUTE TO FUTURE SPACE MISSIONS.

FOR MORE THAN TWO DECADES, PEOPLE HAVE LIVED AND WORKED CONTINUOUSLY ABOARD THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION TO ADVANCE SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE AND MAKE RESEARCH BREAKTHROUGHS THAT ARE NOT POSSIBLE ON EARTH. THE STATION IS A CRITICAL TESTBED FOR NASA TO UNDERSTAND AND OVERCOME THE CHALLENGES OF LONG-DURATION SPACEFLIGHT, ALONG WITH EXPANDING COMMERCIAL OPPORTUNITIES IN LOW EARTH ORBIT.

THIS WAS PET-IT'S AND OV-CHIN-IN'S FOURTH SPACE FLIGHT. PET-IT HAS LOGGED FIVE HUNDRED AND NINETY DAYS IN ORBIT THROUGHOUT HIS CAREER, WHILE OV-CHIN-IN HAS LOGGED FIVE HUNDRED AND NINETY-FIVE DAYS. VAN-ER HAS COMPLETED FOUR HUNDRED AND SIXTEEN DAYS IN SPACE ACROSS HIS TWO SPACEFLIGHTS.

NASA FOLLOWED ITS ROUTINE POST-LANDING MEDICAL CHECKS. THE CREW RETURNED TO THE RECOVERY STAGING AREAS IN KARA-GHANDA, KAZAKHSTAN.

PET-IT THEN BOARDED A NASA PLANE BOUND FOR THE JOHNSON SPACE CENTER IN HOUSTON. ACCORDING TO NASA OFFICIALS AT THE LANDING SITE, PET-IT IS DOING WELL AND IS IN THE RANGE OF WHAT IS EXPECTED FOLLOWING RETURN TO EARTH.

## [CYRUS]

POPE FRANCIS, THE FIRST LATIN AMERICAN LEADER OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, DIED ON MONDAY FOLLOWING A STROKE AND CARDIAC ARREST, THE VATICAN SAID, ENDING AN OFTEN-TURBULENT REIGN IN WHICH HE SOUGHT TO OVERHAUL AN ANCIENT AND DIVIDED INSTITUTION. HE WAS EIGHTY-EIGHT AND HAD RECENTLY SUFFERED DOUBLE PNEUMONIA, BUT THE TIMING OF HIS DEATH CAME AS A SHOCK AFTER HE APPEARED IN ST. PETER'S SQUARE IN AN OPEN-AIR POPEMOBILE TO GREET CROWDS GATHERED ON EASTER SUNDAY. POPE FRANCIS' FUNERAL WILL TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY IN FRONT OF ST. PETER'S BASILICA IN ROME, THE VATICAN ANNOUNCED ON TUESDAY.

## [LUKE]

VICE PRESIDENT J-D VANCE MET WITH POPE FRANCIS AT THE VATICAN ON EASTER SUNDAY BEFORE THE POPE'S PASSING.

VANCE HAD A BRIEF CONVERSATION WITH THE POPE, ACCORDING TO A STATEMENT FROM THE VATICAN. VANCE ENTERED VATICAN CITY IN HIS MOTORCADE AS EASTER MASS CELEBRATIONS TOOK PLACE IN SAINT PETER'S SQUARE.

VANCE THANKED THE POPE FOR HIS TIME AND EXCHANGED EASTER GREETINGS. HE TOLD THE POPE THAT HE PRAYED FOR HIM EVERY DAY BEFORE DEPARTING.

VANCE'S VISIT TO THE VATICAN ALSO INCLUDED MEETINGS ON SATURDAY, APRIL NINETEENTH, WITH VATICAN SECRETARY OF STATE CARDINAL PEE-EH-TRO PAIR-O-LYNN AND FOREIGN MINISTER ARCHBISHOP PAUL GALLAGHER.

THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION AND POPE FRANCIS SPARRERD ABOUT IMMIGRATION. THE POPE PREVIOUSLY CRITICIZED THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION FOR ITS PLANS TO DEPORT UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANTS. THE VATICAN SAID THERE WAS AN EXCHANGE OF OPINIONS ABOUT THE ISSUE AMONG VANCE, THE CARDINAL AND THE ARCHBISHOP.

AS A PARTING GIFT, THE FORMER POPE GAVE VANCE THREE CHOCOLATE EASTER EGGS, ONE OF EACH OF VANCE'S CHILDREN.



[CYRUS]

WE'D LIKE TO THANK OUR WRITERS FOR THIS WEEK, CYRUS SIMMONS, COLE PEARSON, LUKE RAINEY, AND JORDAN NEP-ER-RUDE.

OUR FINAL BROADCAST FOR THE SEMESTER WILL BE NEXT WEDNESDAY, APRIL THIRTIETH, SO MAKE SURE TO TUNE IN FOR ONE LAST NEWS UPDATE BEFORE SUMMER BREAK BEGINS.

THIS HAS BEEN CYRUS SIMMONS

[LUKE]

AND LUKE RAINEY REPORTING THE NEWS FOR WSYC EIGHTY-EIGHT- POINT- SEVEN F-M, SERVING YOUR COMMUNITY SINCE NINETEEN-SEVENTY-FIVE.