



Hello, Students & Scholars!

It's beginning to feel a lot like winter! But before we kick off the winter season, we've still got to get through Thanksgiving. Whether this will be your first time celebrating or you've already created some of your own turkey day traditions, we hope you have a relaxing break. Still looking for things to do over the break? We've pulled together some of the great things happening in the 'Burgh just in time for your days off. We hope you enjoy this (extra-long) issue of the OIE "Friday Greetings" newsletter!

OIE & CMU News & Events

Thanksgiving Break

Nov. 24 to 25

We want to remind everyone that the university will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday on Nov. 27 and 28. Our front desk will close early for Thanksgiving break, beginning at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 26, and reopen on Monday, Dec. 1. Please plan accordingly and have a valid travel signature on your I-20 or DS-2019 if you are traveling internationally and returning to the U.S. We wish you a happy holiday!

[Learn More](#)

Open Stacks: Ancestral Machines

Dec. 3 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

From Renaissance automata to Japanese karakuri dolls, the history of robotics long predates robots. Explore rare books and artifacts that reveal how humans imagined "machines that move themselves" centuries before modern computing and robotics. All are welcome! Snacks and fun provided.



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Our Pittsburgh Picks

Riverhounds Watch Party

Nov. 22 @ 11 a.m.

Get ready to cheer on the Pittsburgh Riverhounds as they play in their first USL Championship Final! Bring your energy, grab your friends, and be part of the action. Let's pack the stadium, celebrate the season and support the Hounds as one!



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Light Up Night

Nov. 22 from 4 to 9 p.m.

Celebrate Light Up Night and kick off the winter holiday season with a weekend packed full of festive fun! From dazzling fireworks and live concerts to holiday shopping and ice skating, the city comes alive with cheer. Watch the iconic tree lighting ceremony, glide across the skating rink with friends or soak in the music at free performances.

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Wild Illuminations

Now to Jan. 11

Celebrate winter with a spectacle of giant silk and steel lanterns and more than a million twinkling lights. Walk- and drive-through options are available to dispel the dreary darkness. Seasonal activities, yuletide treats and live performances make this an unforgettable experience!



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Steelers Tailgate

Nov. 30 after 1:30 p.m.

Here we go! Open before every Steelers home game, the region's largest tailgate event offers live music, food and the chance to win prizes and autographed items. Cheer on the Steelers the way only yinzers do!

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Have an announcement to share?

If you have an event or announcement that you wish to submit for inclusion in OIE's Friday Greetings newsletter, please submit it via our [Event Submission Form](#) by **Wednesday at 5 p.m. Eastern Time** for inclusion in the following Friday's newsletter.

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