Schemel Forum’s World Affairs Luncheon Seminars set at University of Scranton
During the spring semester of the 2019-2020 academic year, the Schemel Forum’s World Affairs Luncheon Seminars at The University of Scranton will expose area residents to current global topics that profoundly impact the U.S.

Lehigh grad finishes 3,055-mile run across America for plastics awareness
He weathered summer heat and Colorado mountain snowstorms, averaging 20 to 30 miles a day for 6 months, and ended his 3,055-mile-run with a long-awaited splash into the Pacific Ocean — the very thing Lehigh University graduate Sam Benchehib crossed mountains to protect.

Two Widener students create a tool to help their peers find mental-health resources
As colleges grapple with rising youth suicide rates and a growing demand for mental-health resources, two Widener University students decided to tackle the issue themselves by creating a tool for the school’s student portal, called myWidener, that allows their peers to ask for help more easily.

Swarthmore grad wins Oscar for short film 'The Neighbor’s Window'
Swarthmore College alumnus won his first Oscar for the short film, ”The Neighbor's Window” at the 92nd Academy Awards on Sunday night. Marshall Curry, who graduated from Swarthmore College in 1992 with a degree in comparative religion, wrote, directed and edited the film that won the award for best live action short film.

Seton Hill students fan out Saturday to honor Martin Luther King Jr.’s call to service
Carbone, a senior theater design technology major at Seton Hill University, was one of about 100 students who donated their time to participate in the school’s 25th annual “Take the Day On.” It’s a program designed to honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and his call to serve the community through volunteer work.
Lycoming College theatre students attend Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival
While at the festival, students presented their work to reviewers, competed for recognition and awards in their respective areas of specialization, took part in collaborative projects with students from various theatre programs in Region 2, took professional workshops, observed theatre productions, engaged in discussions, and learned from the best theatre practitioners and faculty in the northeast United States.

Science Research Institute expands to Albright College
A greater number of high school students who have an interest in science are being offered the opportunity for hands-on learning. Rapid growth of the Science Research Center (SRI) at Congrad Weiser High School has prompted its expansion from Heidelberg Township to Albright College.

W&J Op-Ed: Inspiring military family reunions actually hurt our soldiers
This op-ed in The Washington Post is by David Kieran, Ph.D., assistant professor of history at Washington & Jefferson College and author of "Signature Wounds: The Untold Story of the Military’s Mental Health Crisis."

Op-Ed: Preserving At-Risk Public Universities as Economic Engines
State appropriations originally intended to subsidize higher education based on enrollment are being redeployed to prop up colleges that are financially struggling, writes Christopher Fiorentino, who recommends a new approach.