Many people know Gustavus as a Lutheran college. The popular conception seems to be that everyone at Gustavus can quote Martin Luther in a distinctly Minnesotan accent.

To a degree, this is true; half the students at Gustavus are Lutheran, and Gustavus is closely associated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). But this assumption does not provide an accurate portrayal of Gustavus.

Gustavus is home to students of many faiths, both Christian and non-Christian. However, Gustavus began as a Lutheran College, officially owned by the Lutheran Church until the late 1980s.

Though Gustavus is no longer directly owned by the church, it still plays a major role in governing the college. The Board of Trustees was structured to include a certain number of ELCA pastors and representatives of Lutheran congregations. This requirement also extends to the president of the college.

“There has been a requirement that the president of Gustavus be a member of an ELCA congregation. They will raise that question as a part of the search for a new president… and I expect them to affirm it,” said President Jim Peterson, who will be retiring at the end of the 2007-2008 school year.

Though the religious make-up of the college remains primarily Lutheran, the Gustavus community is experiencing a great deal of change, facilitated by its Lutheran background.

“The college’s attitude—which is long standing—is an openness to religious diversity. While we will be, for the foreseeable future, focused on our Lutheran traditions, the Lutheran tradition of higher education is inclusive of other religions,” said President Peterson.

Even though the college officially welcomes all, there is still work to be done.

“If we say we welcome people of all traditions here, that’s where you get mixed responses,” said Chaplain Brian Johnson.

For some students and faculty, it can be a difficult question to tackle.

“People here on campus sometimes feel as if, because they are inclusive of some other things, that they lose something of themselves,” Director of Multicultural Programs Virgil Jones said.

However, many of the Christian worship services welcome people of all backgrounds.

“Gustavus is a Lutheran-based school, so the foundation is Lutheran, and I like that a lot, but I also agree with welcoming all faiths, whether they be Christian or non-Christian,” said Sophomore Ben Hilding, president of AGAPE (an ecumenical bible study).

“Everyone is welcome to AGAPE. We certainly welcome [people of other religions],” said Hilding.

As students of different faiths come to Gustavus, many see it as an opportunity to learn.

One group trying to do this is the Inter-Faith Forum, a student group trying to understand and learn from each other’s religions.

“The Inter-Faith Forum is an opportunity for people to be in a conversation with one another. It’s not only dialogue, but it’s also learning from each other,” said Chaplain Johnson, who co-advises the group with Jones.

“The Inter-Faith Forum really grows on the heels of more experience where people have been in dialogue with people of other faiths. We are trying to harness that energy for people to be learning from each other,” said Johnson.

Students of varying religious backgrounds welcome this approach.

“I think people here are generally pretty friendly, and very interested in learning about your background and your culture if it’s different from your own,” said Sophomore biology major Mahad Hassan, a Muslim student at Gustavus.

“I sure don’t know all the answers, and I love to talk and learn from [students of other faiths],” said Hilding.

The Inter-Faith Forum is look-
WEEKLY Safety and Security Report
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Wednesday, Oct. 10
A student in Uhler Hall was cited for a drug violation.
A student near Rundstrom Hall was arrested for underage consumption of alcohol and transported to DETOX by the St. Peter Police Department.

Friday, Oct. 12
Vandalism to a rest room in an academic building was reported.

Saturday, Oct. 13
A student in Norelius Hall was cited for underage consumption of alcohol.
While in Gibbs Hall, one student and four non-students were cited for underage consumption of alcohol, and the non-students were trespassed from campus.

Crime Prevention Tip of the Week:
Did you know?
The Allstate Insurance Company has come up with a list of top-five possessions most commonly stolen from college students. The list consists of what the company calls “high-dollar, easy-to-grab items that are hard to recover,” and represents the items for which Allstate receives the most claims.
The five top items are:
• Band instruments
• Laptops and PDAs
• Sports equipment
• MP3 players and accessories
• Digital cameras

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Haven Davis
Weekly Staff Writer

This year, the way students pay for study abroad programs has changed. Students are now paying more to study abroad, which has led to some criticism. Previously, students studying abroad simply paid Gustavus tuition. This year, however, students must pay Gustavus tuition and a program fee that varies with each program.

The previous system had inherent problems, said Pat Quade, Interim Director of International Education at Gustavus.

“Students were paying Gustavus tuition, and most of that went with them to the program. The fallacy with that is that the college doesn’t close when a student goes off campus. The budget is predicated on a set number of students paying tuition and the college was sending all of that tuition away for a number of students, which meant that there was not enough money left to cover the maintenance of the college, to pay staff and faculty,” said Quade. “We had to change. The other options weren’t very good: close the college or limit the number of students.”

Under the new system, which only affects semester programs and not January Interim Experiences courses, students are charged depending on where they are going and which organization they are studying with. “Programs are now Gustavus tuition plus a program fee… It all has to do with what our providers charge,” said Quade.

The amount that students pay for their program fee may not be the actual full cost of the program. “In our model, we always apply a portion of the Gustavus tuition to offset the cost of the program tuition,” said Quade. This change doesn’t seem to have deterred enrollment for abroad education. “This is the first full year that the new model is working, and we haven’t seen a decrease in [the number of] students,” said Quade.

Another change in the study abroad department this year will be the number of approved programs. “Currently students can choose from over 300 different programs… We are cutting that number down to probably less than 100,” said Quade. This cut is being made to help ensure the quality of approved programs.

“If these are academic programs, Gustavus wants to monitor these and make sure that the academic standards are equal to [those of] Gustavus. There is no way we can monitor over three hundred programs, and each program requires a different set of preparations here. We would have to have a staff of twenty to monitor all of our programs,” said Quade.

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Online classes at Gustavus?

Are you too busy for regular classes? Ever wanted to take a class online? As of now, Gustavus has no interest in offering online classes; however, improvements in the technology of internet teaching has sparked curiosity in the minds of administrators at Gustavus.

"Online classes certainly are a big trend," said Eric Eliason, academic dean, "but as of now, there are no plans for online classes at Gustavus." Eliason continued by saying that Gustavus is a residential liberal arts college, and therefore it is unnecessary to add online courses.

"In general, online courses benefit people with jobs and families. We have very few part-time students. At this point, [Gustavus] does not feel pressured to offer online classes. It's not who we are."

"I think that it would be a good tool to have, but it would diminish the student-to-teacher bond. You would never meet with your professor. However, if you were too busy to take a class that wasn't important for your major, then I can see it being a very good tool," said First-Year Kirstin Peterson.

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"It doesn't make sense for the kind of students we have right now. If [Gustavus] wanted to expand to have adult students, then I could see [online courses] making more sense. They need flexibility in their schedules," said Josh Knutson, a junior.

Online classes may be trendy these days, but private colleges hear less about them than other schools.

"The registrar sees very few credits transfer from online colleges," said Eliason.

Instead of considering online classes, Eliason noted that Gustavus plans to invest its technology in face-to-face instruction. Online resources, such as e-mail, Web Advisor and Moodle (the electronic library reserve) have greatly convenienced students and professors.

However, the question remains of whether Gustavus will ever consider online classes.

"We may look at it again in five to seven years. [However, it is the college's job to] augment the outreach and not replace the face-to-face instruction," said Eliason.

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Drag show puts twist on gender roles

Both men and women changed roles, mixing it up on stage in acts featuring a number of cross dressers. Above, Juniors Luke Garrison and Gretchen Libbey at the end of their performance.

The drag show is sponsored by Queers and Allies as part of "Coming Out Week," a week of events meant to show support for GLBT students.

Above, Donovan Thorgrimson, junior history major, struts his stuff during the show.
Giving a voice to the victims

Marlene Kvitrud
Weekly Staff Writer

Advocates are important to help [sexual assault] victims know what their rights are, provide them with options they have and be a caring support during a difficult time,” said Alicia Blomquist, a senior psychology major and one of the seventeen Gustavus students who are Sexual Assault Advocates through Crime Victim Services, Inc. Advocates assist sexual assault victims by being friends to the victims and helping to re-instate the sense of control that they may have lost. According to the Crime Victim Services brochure, “CVS Inc. is a private, nonprofit organization that offers free, confidential services to victims of crime.” Although CVS serves victims of violence and supports healthy communities in Brown, Nicollet and Sibley counties, Gustavus Advocates work with the branch in downtown St. Peter and often go to Emmanuel St. Joseph Hospital in Mankato to support victims as they receive physical exams, or to the St. Peter Police Department to support the victim during their reports.

Advocates learn how to respond to situations by attending 44 hours of training, fulfilling Minnesota State Statute requirements. The two main concepts they learn here are that the victims should be given as much control as possible and that their information is to be kept confidential. Mary Harders, the supervisor at St. Peter’s Crime Victim Services, said a recent anonymous survey in Minnesota indicated that 64 percent of sexual assault victims do not report the incident, and “because such a low number do report, confidentiality is so important.” Jennifer Helmeke, a senior psychology major and Sexual Assault Advocate, said, “You are prepared when you go through training for people that are eight years old to 80 years old.” Trainees learn how to respond to any situation with either gender.

After training, an advocate volunteer is to be on-call for one week at a time, 5 p.m. until 8 a.m. on weekdays and 24 hours a day on weekends. Helmeke said that Advocates can be on—call once and receive three to four calls, or they can volunteer for a year before they go out on any calls.

Blomquist said she became an Advocate after she first heard Mike Domitz’s “Can I Kiss You?” presentation, and she wanted to know what to say if someone came to her inquiring about sexual assault.

Helmeke said, “Advocates help support the community with their services. I think that sexual assault is a common problem in every community; it just isn’t talked about. By providing this service, victims of sexual assault have a support system in one of the most vulnerable times in their life.”

Blomquist and Helmeke are grateful for having these counseling skills. Helmeke said, “It’s an amazing accomplishment when you know that you have made a difference in someone’s life.”

Crime Victim Services, Inc. has two 24-hour safelines: one in English (1-800-630-1425) and one in Spanish (1-800-519-8983). Sexual assault victims and secondary victims (friends, family or roommates) can call the safeline, and a satellite worker will call the on-call advocate, as well as a back-up worker who will meet with the victim at the scene. The back-up worker is mostly there for the secondary victims to provide information, while the advocate is there to support the sexual assault victim.

To receive more information about volunteering, contact Crime Victim Services at 1-507-233-6664.

ChYLI to visit the hill

Steven Palmer
Weekly Staff Writer

On October 25 and 26, Gustavus will hold a conference for the Chicano-Latino Youth Leadership Institute (ChYLI). High school students from around the area will hear from various speakers, including Jimmy Cabrera, author of What’s in Your Backpack. Attendees will also attend workshops on topics such as communication, team-building, respect and civic responsibility.

According to releases, ChYLI is “a culturally-based positive youth development program that provides Chicano-Latino high school youth from southern Minnesota with opportunities to develop their leadership ability and enhance their educational outlook.” Last year the ChYLI conference won a human rights award from the St. Peter Human Rights Committee.

Every year, 70 students are admitted to the program from area schools. They network with other youth and community leaders in the program and learn skills necessary to succeed in life. The program also conducts college tours around the area.

The conference will take place in various locations around campus, with workshops throughout the day. The event is invitation-only, so it will not be open to the public.
You can't stop the beat... next weekend

Hairspray is showing at 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. on October 26 and 27 in Wallenburg Auditorium.

Tom Butala  
Weekly Staff Writer

I have to admit, I really like musicals. This goes against my personal review policy—the higher body count and the more screen time devoted to explosions in a movie, the better the review—but I still really like musicals. They’re just so catchy, uplifting and inspiring.

Part of the way through Hairspray, I imagined what the world would be like if it were a musical. Would we all interrupt each other's soaring second act solos, or would classroom discussions be transformed by eight-part harmonies? Would we be able to solve important issues through song and dance, as well?

In the movie Hairspray, directed by Adam Shankman and based on the 2002 Broadway musical, we see 1962 Baltimore transformed by Tracy Turnblad, a girl who just wants to dance. Tracy, played by newcomer Nikki Blonsky, is responsible for big changes at the local TV song and dance program, “The Corny Collins Show.” Soon after she becomes a part of the program (replacing a female member during a mysterious nine-month hiatus), she learns that the once-a-month “Negro Day” feature is going to be cut completely. Tracy risks her stardom by standing by her friends who dance in that program as they march on the TV station where “The Corny Collins Show” is filmed.

The soul of the film comes from the idea that everyone is beautiful regardless of age, size or color, although this message is never subtle, especially during the exuberant and triumphant final number. Not that anyone has ever actually expected a musical to be subtle.

I criticized Ocean’s 13 for having a large cast and nothing for it to do. Hairspray shows us that large ensemble casts can work well. It features John Travolta, Michelle Pfeiffer, Christopher Walken, Amanda Bynes, James Marsden, Queen Latifah, Zac Efron, Allison Janney and Jerry Stiller, as well as Blonsky and relatively new stars Elijah Kelley and Brittany Snow.

It’s not surprising that Travolta, Efron and Latifah excel in their roles, and any Christopher Walken fan could tell you that before his film career, he was trained as a dancer. But I was surprised and impressed by the voices of Michelle Pfeiffer, James Marsden and Amanda Bynes.

Travolta, playing Tracy’s mother, appears in drag and a fat suit throughout the movie. I thought that this was funny and cute, but there were also times that I was a distracted by it. I’m not complaining, though anytime John Travolta dances is a good thing in my book. It’s pretty much the only good thing about Pulp Fiction.

Musical movies are strange hybrids, combining stage exuberance with the cinematic ability to polish and refine them into perfect performances. Sometimes these things do not mesh well, but in the case of Hairspray, they do.

Butala’s Review: 3.5 out of 4

Butala’s Note: There will be no campus movie this weekend due to Reading Break. Hairspray will be showing the weekend of October 26 & 27.
Anatomy gives a lesson in young love

Up-and-coming author tells of first love, heartbreak and growing up

Daria Snadowsky, author of Anatomy of a Boyfriend, gives readers a lesson in first love, loss and the decisions that come in between the two. The San Francisco Chronicle called Snadowsky’s Anatomy a “promising debut,” and Kirkus Reviews said that Snadowsky’s narrative easily holds the reader's interest with well-drawn, realistic characters, flowing prose, dialogue and e-mails.

In Snadowsky’s Anatomy of a Boyfriend, the main character, Dominique Baylor, is a graduating high school senior with a bright future ahead of her. However, like those of so many recent graduates, Dominique’s future plans are suddenly influenced by a boy—Wesley Gershwin.

Although Dominique feels somewhat prepared for what she's gotten herself into, she soon realizes that the “ins and outs” of Wesley have presented themselves without a handbook. Soon Dominique finds herself receiving a crash course in love and its aftermath.

Snadowsky's style of writing is sharp and concise, and Dominique's voice is vulnerable, witty and immensely authentic. Snadowsky dedicates her debut novel, Anatomy of a Boyfriend, to Judy Blume, who first explored the topic of young love in her book Forever. The Wichita City Paper says, “Snadowsky capably follows Blume’s guiding concept that in literature for young people, the presence of sexual knowledge is far less dangerous than its absence.”

Anatomy of a Boyfriend is a great tale for young women entering new phases of relationships and themselves. This narrative is available for $16.99 wherever books are sold.

Anatomy of a Boyfriend teaches valuable lessons about relationships.
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n light of the recent Nobel Conference, many on campus are concerned about energy conservation. When thinking about environmental concerns, food is not always the first issue that comes to mind. Between production, transportation, refrigeration and waste disposal, however, food actually plays a large role in energy consumption. According to Michael Pollan, author of The Omnivore’s Dilemma and The Botany of Desire, 17 percent of United States fossil fuel consumption goes to feeding the population.

We all worry about how much gas it costs to drive from Gustavus to the Twin Cities, but do we worry about how much fuel and energy it takes for Gustavus to provide kiwis in the Market Place in the winter?

There are already many students, staff and faculty who are putting their heads together to generate some changes here on campus, including the Kitchen Cabinet, the Market Place, the Gustavus Greens, SHIFT (Students Helping Integrate Fair Trade), Student Senate’s Food and Health Committee and the Center for Environmental Innovation.

In 2001, Travis Nygard ’02 and Erinne Goodell ’03, created the Gustavus Local Foods Initiative during their January Interim Experience class. The project’s goal was to lay the groundwork for future expansion of the local food selection at Gustavus. The students presented their initiative to Steve Kjellgren, Director of Dining Services here at Gustavus. At this point, the initiative focused on the question, “How do we stop buying food from so far away?”

The Market Place is already active in purchasing many locally grown and produced products. According to Kjellgren, if a major distributor cannot bring in something local, then the Market Place will find someone who can, even if the cost is slightly higher, because this will decrease the size of Gustavus’ carbon footprint. One of the biggest problems is that students are on summer vacation when most local produce is in season. In order to provide fresh fruit throughout the winter months, it must be brought in from across the country and across the globe.

This leads to another problem. While some believe that only local foods should be purchased, others are willing to compromise in order to have fresh fruit throughout the winter months. To what degree should non-local foods be purchased, and who should make this decision?

Lauren Fulnér, a junior communication studies major and member of the Gustavus Greens and SHIFT, said, “The best thing that we can do is enter into the conversation and learn how to work with the local communities.”

The Kitchen Cabinet, composed of staff, faculty, administration and students, is an advisory committee whose mission is to work on food-related projects and to disseminate ideas. “The goal is to address the many ways in which Gustavus can, should or might realize that mission with regards to health, aesthetics, environmental and ecological—food carries meaning!” said Lisa Heldke, professor of philosophy and co-head the Kitchen Cabinet with Kjellgren.

The Kitchen Cabinet is currently working on several projects, including the to-go box issue. The best solution for this problem could be what Heldke calls the “Come back to the Cafe campaign—Eat here!” The Cabinet is also creating several paid internship positions beginning spring semester. The

Abby Travis
Weekly Staff Writer

Buying foods which are grown and produced locally reduces our carbon footprint. Some Gustavus organizations are hoping to increase the amount of local food that the Market Place serves.

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Foods in the Market Place which are already local include:

- Shelf-stable produce (apples, squash, potatoes, pears, etc.)
- Canned and frozen corn, beans and peas
- French Fries (from Park Rapids)
- Eggs
- Cheese and milk
- Pork, chicken and beef
- Lettuce (from the St. Peter Green house when available)

that we can “eat lower on the food chain and lower on the processing and packaging chain. [Choose] things that take less than three layers of packaging to get to. We should also learn to eat more reflectively. Learn to notice each bite and notice the ways in which our food choices are related to every other worldly sphere.”

If you are concerned about these issues, consider shopping at the St. Peter Food Co-op, which is located on the corner of Minnesota Avenue and Broadway. The Co-op offers organic and locally grown and produced food. Concerned students can also join the “clean plate club” by taking less food to begin with, which is possible via the Market Place’s à la carte system. Since the Market Place adopted this system, waste has decreased by 80 percent.

Caleb Phillips, a junior environmental studies and philosophy double major, said that the student organizations on campus are “working towards education, which can lead to action and, in turn, to change.” “Change comes because someone has an idea,” said Kjellgren. “In a setting like this, the majority of this is generated by students.” He encourages anyone with ideas to contact any of the aforementioned organizations. The Market Place can be reached at chef_jake@gac.edu.
Dissapointment rains on Gusties’ Homecoming parade

Gusties stride into MIAC Championships

Cross-country regular season success hopes to translate into a solid Championship run for both the men’s and women’s cross country squads.

Ryan McGinty
Weekly Staff Writer

With the season quickly coming to a close, the Gustavus Women’s Cross-country team continues to put out great results. The team finished in eleventh place at last weekend’s Tori Neubauer Invitational in La Crosse.

Senior Laura Edlund, who has been the team’s fastest runner all season, finished first for the Gusties in sixteenth place overall. Behind her were Senior Sarah Bernhardson in twentieth place, and First-year runner Megan Lundgren in 48th.

Lundgren has really stepped up for the team this year, finishing strong in 38th place at the Roy Griak invitational two weeks ago. “I felt really good about my race,” said Lundgren. The team finished in seventh place overall, placing behind two MIAC schools, St. Olaf and St. Thomas fifth and sixth place respectively. Lundgren said, “We did really good as a team as well, beating some key teams in our conference.”

As the team prepares for the MIAC championships on October 27, they can look back on their successful season with pride. “The team has had a really good year so far. We would like to be in the top three at conference, and I think it is a goal we can definitely accomplish.”

- First-year runner Megan Lundgren

The men’s cross-country team has also performed well this season. The team finished in seventeenth place at the Jim Drews Invitational at La Crosse last Saturday, behind MIAC competitors St. John’s, Hamline and St. Olaf. Top finishers for the team were Senior Chris deLaubenfels in thirtieth and Junior John Leaf in 68th place.

- The #3 ranked Johnnies came into the new Hollingsworth Field on its inaugural Homecoming game and walked out with a 40-0 victory along with legendary Head Coach John Gagliardi’s 450th career victory.

- Gustavus was able to compile only 133 yards of total offense while the Johnnies amassed 508 yards of total offense including 356 yards in the air. Senior quarterback Jordan Stolp was 7 for 23 passing for the Gusties but threw two interceptions and was sacked four times.

- The team will not compete this weekend as they rest up and prepare for the big MIAC Cross-Country Championships on Saturday, October 27, at Como Park. According to deLaubenfels, the team’s performance will depend on how well they can “put the pieces together.”

Both the men’s and women’s teams are looking for support during the upcoming championship season. As deLaubenfels said, “If Gusties want to see some fast ladies and gentleman harriers clad in spandex and short shorts, respectively, come check out the meet.”
**SPORTS SCHEDULE**

**Friday**

Men's Soccer  
vs. Santa Cruz - 3:30 p.m.

Volleyball  
@ Concordia - 7 p.m.

**Saturday**

Football  
vs. Macalester - 1 p.m.

Women's Soccer  
@ St. Catherine - 1 p.m.

Volleyball  
@ St. Benedict - 3 p.m.

**Saturday (10/27)**

Men's Soccer  
@ St. Thomas - 1 p.m.

Women's Soccer  
v.s. St. Thomas - 1 p.m.

Cross-Court  
@ MIAC Championships

Football  
@ Augsburg - 1 p.m.

Swimming  
@ Northfield Relays

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**Gustie volleyball looks to finish regular season schedule on a high note**

Gustavus can make up for lost ground in MIAC playoffs

Erin Luhmann  
Weekly Staff Writer

**Well into the heart of their season, the Gustie volleyball team was recently put to the test. After a three-match losing stretch (St. Thomas 3-0, Bethel 3-0, Carleton 2-3), the team went into a reviving weekend tournament.** The results were refreshing; a 3-1 win over Central, 2-3 loss versus Simpson, 3-1 win over Coe and a 3-1 victory over Buena Vista.

Sophomore defensive specialist Tara Kramer said of Gustavus’ successful tournament play, “We went in there knowing what we had to get done. We worked as a team and got back on the winning track.”

Confirming the uplifted team moral, Sophomore middle hitter Meghan Gehring said, “I was proud of the way we played at the end of our last match because we were all extremely tired; however, we decided to push through because we wanted it. We could have quit, but we didn’t.”

When asked how pre-game team goals may have changed at this point in the season, Kramer said, “The goals that we had in the beginning of the season still apply, but our main focus is making playoffs.” Their pump-up rituals remain secret, but they surely have the mindsets of champions. Gehring said, “We are ready to redeem ourselves in the conference. We played well this weekend, so we are ready to continue that pattern.”

Keeping perspective is crucial when gearing up for playoffs and Senior outside hitter Jennifer Thelemann shared some valuable insight after the weekend tournament. “Minnesota (Gustavus, St. Thomas, Carleton and Augsburg) went 13-3 this weekend at the Border Battle Tournament in Iowa,” she said. This domination over the IIAC conference goes to say a lot about the overall talent in the MIAC conference. The MIAC is stacked with some of the areas toughest competitors and Gustavus is currently ranked in the middle of the conference pack with a 3-4 record.

Even when the girls are getting down to business, they know how to appreciate a moment of comic relief. When asked about her favorite memory from the Iowa tournament, Sophomore right side hitter Jamie Laird said, “Bridget was going to set and then she slipped in her puddle of sweat and Andrea Sminianich came out of nowhere and bumped it over the net.” Off the court, they seized the chance to down around. “We walked through the Arby’s drive through,” said Laird. Not everything that happens in Iowa stays in Iowa.

With four matches left until playoffs, however, our Gustavus Volleyball team still has a lot to prove. Their cause for celebration was stilled this past Friday when they lost to Hamline in five games. Head Coach Kari Eckheart said, “I think, as a team, we are working on getting everyone to play well consistently.” She mentioned the fact that Junior Emily Klein got 40 digs in the match and praised the finishing efforts of Junior setter Bridget Burtzel and various hitters. “It’s about bringing all these things on the same night,” Eckheart said. “We’re hoping to put everything together and play well these next two weeks.”

A preceding match against St. Catherine also deserves mention. In just a little over an hour, the Gustie players completed one of their most efficient victories. Capturing the team’s confidence and personality, Laird said of the weekend tournament, “We were really cohesive. We were tight like braids.”

This Friday they play at Concordia and after that there are only two remaining opportunities to catch the girls at home before playoffs. Fan support enriches the competitive experience, so choose to be a part of the team’s success. Professor Bob Douglas, a frequent spectator who appreciates both the individual players and the sport, said, “I think Emily Klein is a very exciting player to watch. She can do these unbelievable digs and not just save it, but she’ll put it right where it’s supposed to go for Jennifer and Andrea to pound it back.”

His enthusiasm is exactly what the team needs while heading into playoffs. Building momentum is the focus of these next two weeks. “[Our playoff schedule] is probably going to come down to the last match,”

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Senior outside hitter Jennifer Thelemann got her 1,000 career kill in a tough loss to Carleton last week.
Through tough competition the Gustie women return to .500

Improved squad looks to make noise in MIAC tourney

Andy Setterholm
Weekly Staff Writer

The Gustavus Women’s Soccer team struggled through its last four games, finding themselves at .500 once again. After morale-boosting wins against opponents Buena Vista and Hamline, the Gusties were shut out in three consecutive games by Augsburg, Bethel and UW-La Crosse.

Prior to those losses, Gustavus rolled past Buena Vista scoring five goals on 46 shots and shutting out the opposition, allowing only two shots on net. At Hamline, the Gusties had another convincing win, scoring the first four goals in a row and winning the game 4-2.

Junior forward Christy Tupy led the team, scoring the first and fourth goals, while Senior Jenna Iaizzo contributed a goal and an assist. Junior goalkeeper Ashley Ohlson made three saves in the second half to make sure Hamline could not recover from the early deficit. It was another one-sided game, despite two late goals from the Pipers.

After winning by a combined score of 9-2 in the last two games, the Gusties let the next three games slip through their fingers, losing by a combined score of 5-0. The team traveled to Minneapolis on October 9, where their two-game winning streak was snapped by Augsburg.

Augsburg’s Noreen Hogan scored on a rebound after Gustavus was unable to clear in front of the net in the 37th minute. The Gusties earned six corner kicks but were unable to finish from set pieces. Augsburg keeper Maggie DeGroot made eight saves on 22 Gustavus shots to earn the shutout, taking her within two shutouts of the school’s career record.

“Augsburg was one of the best games we have played so far, but the little things just killed us,” said Head Coach Mike Stehlik.

From Minneapolis, the team returned to their home field to take on Bethel College on October 13. The Gusties were again held goal-less and gave up two goals to the Bethel squad. The second came on a rebounded corner just three minutes before half time. Gustavus controlled the play throughout most of the game, having only minor lapses that Bethel managed to capitalize on. The Gusties tallied 16 shots and eight corner kicks, but failed to score for the second game straight.

The shutout streak followed Gustavus to Wisconsin as the team played UW-La Crosse. A goal by UW’s Aimee Schneider in the first minute of the match took the fight out of the Gusties, and another Eagles goal in the 39th minute ended the scoring. Schneider’s goal was deflected by First-year keeper Chelsea Bayer, but managed to find the netting. The second goal was scored by UW’s Ramsey Weyenberg on a passing combo with Jennifer Schlesinger. The game was an even match, with both teams taking 20 shots each. UW’s Amanda Clark made five saves to Bayer’s two, giving the Eagles the advantage.

“We’re producing good chances, but the goals just aren’t there for us,” said Stehlik. The coaching staff does not plan on making any major changes in roster or formation because the games have been very competitive, despite the scores. The team is taking some time off before their next set of games, and is hoping to pull together and rally at the end of the season.

Off the field, team chemistry is as high as it has ever been. “We get along well and we are very supportive of each other,” said Bayer. Coach Stehlik stated that the team is well conditioned and very solid academically.

“None of the team members are out getting into trouble. They are a good bunch of players,” says Stehlik. The team is strong, and with some hard work in the coming weeks, the Gusties stand to finish the season with a good record.

Senior forward Jenna Iaizzo and the Gusties hope to be the Cinderella of the upcoming MIAC tournament.
Economic conservatism

Representative Charles Rangel (D-NY), chair of the House Ways & Means Committee, is set to introduce a self-described “mother” of all tax reforms. The plan carries with it a hefty price tag of more than $1 trillion. That is trillion, with a “t.” What has yet to be explained, though, is who is going to be forced to pay for such a bill. As the Weekly Standard reminded me, it is difficult to forget just how much money is spent and raised by the ever-growing government. According to data released by the IRS from the latest tax year, the top one percent of income earners pay an incredible 36.89 percent of the income tax burden in this country.

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number crunching demonstrates that the top 25 percent of earners pay 86.4 percent, and the top 50 percent of all income earners pay 96.7 percent of all federal income taxes. In 2000, the top 60 percent of taxpayers paid 100 percent of all income taxes, meaning that the bottom 40 percent collectively paid nothing and were actually being subsidized by the government. These numbers demonstrate the complete top-heavy approach to taxation in this country. It is with this basis that one can turn to the notion of tax cuts to understand why it makes perfect sense to ease taxes on the “rich” while simultaneously creating more jobs, more taxpayers and more tax revenue.

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Capitalism and the notion of incentive work quite well here. Tax cuts create incentive for private industry or for individuals to invest more of their money into the market. The assumption these people are making is that they will see an economic return from their original investment. Putting this money into the market and into industry creates jobs. These jobs are filled by people who earn income and thus become taxpayers, adding to the overall number of individuals that the government can collect money from. As the Heritage Foundation sums up: lowering tax rates encourages the taxed behavior and expands the tax base, offsetting some of the revenue loss. Tax breaks do not necessarily lead to higher tax returns, but one must look at the data to find out their effectiveness.

President Bush pushed for these sorts of tax cuts, commonly referred to as the “tax cuts for the rich,” which are regarded by some liberals as a moral evil. Recent economic data, though, has confirmed the effectiveness of such tax cuts in terms of raising revenue. New data shows that the federal deficit is now at its lowest point in five years. The deficit is at $162.8 billion, which is actually $81 billion lower than the projection in February.

Since the Bush tax cuts have been instituted, the deficit has been reduced by one quarter of a trillion dollars. Of course, this deficit is still not a good thing, but the numbers are falling and heading in the right direction as projections put the federal treasury into a surplus by the year 2012.

Job growth is extremely strong; for the previous 49 consecutive months, dating back to August of 2003, the American economy has added 8 million jobs. Tax revenues are also above their historical average. These tax revenues correlate with economic growth, which comes from investment and an expanded tax base, not from tax rates.

All of this is happening while the country is involved in two military conflicts and still recovering from two disasters (9/11 and Hurricane Katrina, which have both required heavy spending). The answer for Representative Rangel and others who seek even more tax payer money to continue the already record government spending does not lie with raising taxes, but somehow I think that the possibility of raising taxes will remain on the table as a lucrative choice.
Your nagging conscience

The dangers of climate engineering

Alya Aziz-Zaman
Weekly Staff Columnist

Global warming is finally a mainstream concern. Good news, right? By and large, yes. We are heading in the right direction as we explore alternative forms of energy and CO2 reduction. But the increasingly widespread acceptance of global warming has triggered the proposals of some solutions that are, at best, unusual, and at worst, catastrophic to the environment itself.

Climate engineering is a rapidly growing field of research that develops “quick-fix” methods for offsetting the damage done by global warming. Climate engineers have proposed reducing solar radiation and greenhouse gases by “pumping reflective particles into the atmosphere,” “modifying microbes to eat methane” and dumping iron into the ocean to stimulate the growth of CO2—removing plankton, according to a recent article on Wired.com. Reducing, reusing and recycling aren’t enough, these scientists claim. Instead, they believe we need to use human ingenuity to actively reverse the process.

This wouldn’t concern me if I believed the world could laugh at these potentially disastrous solutions, as I was originally inclined to do. But climate engineers occupy much more than just an obscure niche of the scientific community. NASA recently held a conference on climate engineering, a topic they referred to as “managing solar radiation,” according to an article in the Wilson Quarterly.

Among those in attendance was physicist Lowell Wood, who claimed that the time has come for “an intelligent elimination of undesired heat from the biosphere by technical ways and means”—rather than the costly “bureaucratic suppression of CO2”—using methods that would provide “instant climate gratification.” His proposed solutions include increasing Arctic sea ice by using military artillery to shoot millions of tons of “sulfuric aerosols” or specially engineered nanoparticles into the Arctic stratosphere to deflect the sun’s rays.” The increased Arctic ice, he claims, would cool the planet like a global air conditioner. Other potential solutions included “making marine clouds thicker and more reflective by whipping ocean water into a froth with giant pumps and eggbeaters,” and spewing “diatomaceous earth—the chalklike substance used in filtration systems and cat-litter—into the Arctic stratosphere.”

These solutions are frightening examples of the same mentality that created global warming in the first place. Our ability to manipulate our environment is the basis of our entire civilization. It’s the talent that propelled us towards our current position as the most advanced species on Earth, but it’s also an idea we took too far. Now we’re considering taking it further.

But what happens when a hospitable climate becomes completely dependant on human technology? What happens when the resources we’re using to manipulate the climate run out?

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On the lighter side...

I am a five-year-old boy

Maggie Sotos
Weekly Staff Columnist

In his book Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man, James Joyce explores the concept of an epiphany. He experiences this phenomenon on the streets of Ireland one night when he suddenly discovers that he is, in actuality, an aspiring artist. His true identity emerges like a tortoise crawling out of the sea. It is one of the most enlightening moments in the history of all literature.

I was sitting in the Gustavus library the other day and experienced what I’d like to think was a Joyce-like epiphany. As I read quietly to myself (on the silent floor), I heard a rather resounding noise: a fart. There was no mistaking it, either. After a quarter hour of this rolling around on the floor. I soon found I was laughing into hysterical giggles, this situation. But I burst out their own reaction fairly well in this situation. It was at this point my epiphany hit me: I am a five-year-old trapped in a grown-up’s body. I am not an adult who will be entering the real world in a few years; I am not a college student who understands the biological process of natural gas and knows it is nothing to be ashamed of. Therefore, in the wake of Coming Out Week, I encourage all closeted immaturity children to embrace their identities. Release your inner child, I say.

At first I was surprised by my epiphany, but then realized I have always known it. Perhaps my fellow “children posing as adults” will recognize the signs. My eating habits alone should have outed me. I still eat sugar-coated cereal every day, while most of my peers settle for toast or fruit for breakfast. I chug chocolate milk and Juicy Juice while most here at GAC wait in line for their caramel mocha lattes. I snack on Fruit by the Foot and Gushers; my friends eat NutriGrain. I can subsist on string cheese, pickles and nippy hot dogs for weeks at a time while others actually strive to maintain a balanced diet. And vegetables? Enough said; I cannot understand people who volunteer to eat broccoli, peas or string beans. I do not trust these foods, and they make me uncomfortable. If you break the plate on my plate. I feel the

Maggie-Veggie hatred is unspoken and mysterious in origin, yet mutual from both parties. Other habits give us five-year-olds away. I keep Jenga in the closet for rainy days, and I sleep with a menagerie of stuffed creatures. When cranky, I know intuitively that a nap in my fort will refresh me far better than any pep pill or espresso shot in the world. I also show affection through small forms of physical violence, such as a firm punch on the arm. I feel this fulfills the primal urge to touch others, while still getting the Grumpies flushed out of my system. When in department stores, I still head straight to the toy aisle. If I see people I know, I bluster out some excuse about “shopping for my cousin” or getting a gift for the kids I baby-sit. Bullpuckey, people: I am probably shopping for the newest Star Wars Lightsaber or Gak silly putty.

In some ways the brain of the five-year-old is limiting. When crises pop up, the instinct is neither fight nor flight, but instead, “Sit Down and Throw a Temper Tantrum.” This is very inconvenient and embarrassing. For example, if a paper is given back with a B instead of an A, I rev up the screaming mines; my legs begin kicking the bottom of the chair in front of me; I hyperventilate and start getting dizzy.

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What happens when we dis- cover new forms of environ- mental damage triggered by climate engineering? This might be irreversible, or at least as difficult to reverse as global warming? Technology is a wonderful thing, and I believe it will play an enormous role in the multi-faceted approach we will use to solve, or at least mini- mize, global warming. But we should be using technology to reduce our footprint, not further embed it into the planet.

Climate engineering threat- ens all of the recent headway that has been made in trans- forming the public attitude towards the environment. Not only have we learned to see the climate as a formidable force that has been made in trans- forming all of the recent headway we’ve made in trans- forming the public attitude towards the environment. Not only have we learned to see the climate as a formidable force that is capable of revenge, but we’re starting to see just how dependent we are on a very specific set of climatic condi- tions. They are the conditions we have evolved to thrive in.

They are the conditions upon which our whole civilization stands. Would we ever have built a major city near a coast if environmental disasters were occurring with the frequency that global warming may trig- ger? Would we ever have plant- ed such a large portion of our food supply on land as prone to drought as the Midwest may soon become?

Trial and error have taught us, over millions of years, to utilize our environment to best suit our needs. We’ve tried our current model of civilization; we’ve recognized the error. Now it’s time to learn from our mistakes.

Climate engineering, a so-called quick fix to global warming, could end up doing more damage to our climate and natural landscape.

Letters to the Editor

After reading Andrew Evenson’s article entitled “Hillary’s Health Care,” I am compelled to point out a few glaring misconceptions that Andrew portrays as fact. He characterizes Hillary’s plan as “socialized medicine” and rants for several paragraphs regarding problems with gov- ernment control of healthcare. If you actually read Hillary’s proposal, however, it’s evident that the new plan does not cre- ate a government-run medical system. To the contrary, it preserves our current system of private insurance.

The most important element of Hillary’s proposal is the requirement that all Amer- icans have health insurance. Within that context, however, it allows Americans to keep their private health insurance if they like their present plans and current doctors. In addi- tion, it offers all Americans the same insurance options that members of Congress receive and also allows us to choose a public plan option very simi- lar to Medicare.

By requiring insurance for everyone, this new system will actually make health insur- ance cheaper. Our taxes will no longer be spent subsidizing expensive emergency services for those who, because they lack health insurance, are forced to delay receiving health care until their situations require immedi- ate attention. So contrary to Andrew’s belief that the system will “create a financial burden on average Americans,” it will lower premiums as well as government spending currently dedicated to providing medical care for the uninsured.

Simply put, Andrew Evenson and the Republican presiden- tial candidates seek to paint Hillary’s healthcare plan as a bureaucratic governmental program that will, according to Evenson, “control your lives.” However, Hillary’s plan will not force you to change your insur- ance and will not create any new government administra- tions. Critics such as Evenson rely almost entirely on caricatures of universal healthcare sys- tems in Europe and Canada. Rather than relying on these horror stories grounded more in politics than reality, why not look at the numbers? The U.S. has a lower average life expectancy and higher infant mortality rate than most Euro- pean countries and Canada.

Frankly, Evenson’s con- clusions that “time and time again [universal health- care] fails around the globe” couldn’t be farther from the truth. France and Italy, the two countries topping the WHO world health systems rank- ngs, provide healthcare to all their citizens while valuing personal choice. This is exactly what Hillary’s Healthcare 2.0 does. It allows those who want to keep their present private insurance to do so, while providing all Americans with cheaper, more efficient and government guaranteed choices.

Matt Toppin ’08

As an ally, I absolutely love Coming Out Week. I was delighted in my first year to dis- cover the chalk messages around school sidewalks, and the idea that Gustavus students were so open was a treat as well. However, this year, it seems as though there are a few students who are not nearly as open, if not downright disrespectful toward a week that is supposed to bring tolerance to our community.

A few days after the chalk draw- ings were made and the flyers describing different events for the week were posted in our dorms and around campus, I started noticing some worri- some changes.

First of all, when I was on my way to class one morning, I saw that every flyer on the staircase had been crumpled. Consider- ably frustrated, I smoothed each one out. However, they had all been removed by the time I got back from my classes.

Then, I noticed that some of the chalk drawings had been altered, and new ones had been added. Some of these included “You’re gay? Ask me if I care!,” “I chose to be heterosexual the first time I saw tits,” “I like women, you should too!” and “All We Need Is Love!” with “For Men and Women!” added underneath.

I was extremely disappointed by this. I wish the students who had taken the time and effort to ruin someone else’s hard work would have spent it on actually getting to know a GLUT com- munity member instead.

Respect is something ex- tremely important to a college campus—people respect their teachers, their roommates and each other’s property. Why can’t we respect all of the other students as well, even if we don’t agree with how they choose to live their lives?

Emily Philippe ’09

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Five-year-old boy: Continued from page 14

Just on the brink of a full-out ex- plosion, I suddenly muffled my tears. This prevents me from making a fool of myself, but just barely. If the professor asks me, “Why do you think I gave you a D?” I could actually muster a better answer than, “Um, I don’t know, maybe because you’re a Smelly Poopy Pants Jerk Face Jerk Head Poopy Pants Jerk Face?” That probably won’t fly on a G.R.E. or when I ask my advisor for a recommendation. Instead, it is difficult pretending to be an adult when I am not.

So, inspired by the messages of Coming Out Week, I will no lon- ger deny my identity. From now on, I hope to refrain from saying about myself: “My five-year-old inner child. Yes, I still enjoy Goofy Pumpkins; yes, I still buy cool toys like Buzz Light- year; and yes, I will laugh at you if you fart on the silent floor of the library. Got a problem with that, Poopy Pants?”

On Monday, October 7, I was fortunate enough to observe Asitha Jayawardena and Jing Han Soh, Building Bridges co-chairs, present to Student Senate requesting enough financial support to bring Paul Rusesabagina of Hotel Rwanda to Gustavus.

I arrived at that meeting feeling anxious and uncertain about what would be decided. However, I left feeling quite the opposite. I was elated about their decision to pro- vide full funding for Building Bridges’ requested amount. Even more so, I was impressed by Student Senate. Senate is often in a difficult and uncom- fortable position. Anytime a large sum of money and 30 or more uniquely opinionated college students are involved, you are bound to run into op- position, lengthy discussions and displeased individuals. (Hey, that’s politics!)

It is unfortunate that stu- dents often forget the com- plexity of Senate decisions. Senate has not always received the best reputation regarding their monetary distributions. My hope is for them to realize that Senate deserves a lot more credit. Contrary to common misconception, Senate is not out to “horde money for itself.” Rather, it is a group that must be finan- cially responsible, but at the same time, understanding of when particular investments are worthwhile. Not only do I appreciate Senate’s recogni- tion of a valuable cause and their co-chairs’ tremendous efforts, but I also respect how careful and thorough Senate was in their decision process.

Senate cannot afford to give money to every or- ganization, but I trust that Senate members will con- tinue to make fair decisions regarding the appropriate circumstances for providing financial support.

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Letters to the Editor
of these rants are to be taken seriously.

Explore Gustavus
9:00 a.m.
Explore Gustavus. Kind of like in Middle School when they tell you, “Don’t be embarrassed or ashamed; explore your body.” So go ahead: explore Gustavus.

Shabbat Dinner
7:00 p.m.
It does suck that you can’t eat during the daylight hours, but neither can vampires. Do you hear them complaining? No, so eat your matzo balls and be grateful!

Saturday, October 20

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
BELA LUGOSI!
Kudos to a man who can seduce you into relinquishing your vital life fluids. I don’t care who you are, that’s hot.

Football vs. Macalester
1:00 p.m.
Rumor has it Kofi Anon will be doing drumline during the half-time show, since Mac is his Alma mater.

Women’s Soccer at St. Catherine’s
1:00 p.m.
I wonder what a soccer riot at the all-women’s St. Catherine’s would look like? I’m picturing “Catholic Girls Gone Wild.”

Sunday, October 21

This day in history:
1945 — Juan Peron marries Evita. Andrew Lloyd Webber fans everywhere simultaneously orgasm, since Mac is his Alma mater.

Hillstrom Museum of Art
All Day
I wonder if the art comes alive at night, like in Night at the Museum. If so, I’m staying the hell away from any Body Worlds exhibits we get.

Monday, October 22

This day in history:
1964—Jean-Paul Sartre turns down the Nobel Prize for Literature. How about that for a line to use at a party: “Yeah, I got awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature. Yeah, I turned it down. Whatever—wanna go make out?”

Reading Day
So go out and read. Might I recommend Where the Wild Things Are?

Government Job/Internship Fair
10:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m. on a Reading Day? I don’t know about you all, but I’ll be unresponsive well into the afternoon. I don’t think I want government employers to see me in that state.

Service Award 2007 Presentation
Give it to Lauren Fuller! She recently got a sweet tattoo, which hopefully will convince my parents they are actually OK to get. I call this a great service to the community.

Van Training
1:00 p.m.
Yeah, go learn how to drive a van, you environmentally-insensitive miscreants. You’d think Nobel would have opened your eyes to the rape of Mother Nature, but noooooooo . . .

Wednesday, October 24

This day in history:
1929 — The Stock Market crashes. After a decade of excessive spending and isolation happiness, the country will experience ten years of hardship and desperation. Think of it as America’s “Manic-Depressive” cycle.

Water Aerobics
12:40 p.m.
Not recommended for Virginia Woolf.

Mom, Dad, I’m a Philosophy Major
5:30 p.m.
You’re a what? Now look, you’ve gone and upset your mother. And all this time we thought you were a Religion/Poli Sci major. Are you sure about this? Have you talked to an academic advisor? I know college is a time for experimenting with subjects you like, but have you ever tried simply NOT being a philosophy major? Well, it might take some getting used to, but we love you no matter what you study.

Women’s Soccer at Macalester
7:30 p.m.
Beware, women. The only thing separating “Macalester” and “molester” is a couple of letters.

Holden Evening Prayer
7:30 p.m.
This is a quiet, meditative worship service as opposed to a loud, meditative worship service.

Thursday, October 25

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
PABLO PICASSO!
Imagine the finger paintings that child made in kindergarten. It’s best not to think about it.

Yoga
12:40 p.m.
Hopefully the only place on campus where you find corpses, crows and children in the same room.

columbinus****
8:00 p.m.
Come see a two and a half hour show about the Columbine High School shootings and the twisted, warped minds of the shooters who massacred their fellow students. Critics are calling it the “Feel Good Show” of the season.

**** On a serious note, this play is very intense, filled with adult language and mature themes. This is not for the faint of heart, fellow Gusties. Go see it, but don’t bring your Little Partner.

Quotes of the Week:

Laura Danielson: “Oh Gustavus, where you can’t get away from people no matter where you go, and awkward situations follow you. I just love that sense of community.”


Megan Bren: “I kind of wish I wasn’t such a fuzz bucket.”

David Lick: “Ooh, ‘columbinus’—I bet it’s a combination of Columbine and LineUs . . . so that’ll make it funny!”

ATTENTION READERS:
Got an event you want publicized? Got a funny quotation? Do you need someone to tell you are beautiful, no matter what they say ‘cause words can’t bring you down?

If you answered yes to any or all of these, test out my e-mail alias: thepickle@gac.edu.