Big Hill Farm ready to turn up the soil

Andy Setterholm  Assistant News Editor

As the school year comes to a close and spring weather heads toward summer, Minnesota hobby gardeners are out preparing their plots for summer crops. A few students at Gustavus, though, have much larger ambitions. For the second consecutive year, a select group of students will don their straw hats and overalls and get to work at Big Hill Farm, Gustavus’ own organic farm.

Started as a senior project by Cat Wiechmann ’09 and Eliza Swedishberg ’09, the Big Hill Farm is a student initiative to provide locally grown organic fruits, vegetables and herbs to the Gustavus Dining Service and also to the St. Peter Farmer’s Market. Last year the farm harvested a variety of crops including tomatoes, peppers, green beans, onions, zucchini and other miscellaneous herbs and fruits.

“Last year went extremely well, and we’re hoping for even better this year,” former intern and Senior Dance and Psychology Major Sarah Jabar said. “It really pushed my boundaries, because I hadn’t done outdoor work before, but it was really satisfying.”

“The farm is really something special to me. I’ll always have a connection to it.” Senior Environmental Studies Major Lucas Neher said, another of the original interns at Big Hill. “It was a really rewarding experience.”

The Farm has taken up a new residence for this season. Previously located at the northwest edge of campus, across from the baseball fields, the new Big Hill Farm plot will be alongside the Physical Plant and very close to the Community Garden. The new plot is equipped with piping to deliver irrigation to this season’s crops, which will include around 250 tomato plants, several pepper varieties, green beans, onions, zucchinis, melons, pumpkins and assorted berries. The focus of the farm this year is to grow a greater quantity of their staple crops, like tomatoes, and smaller amounts of the varied crops. This will allow the farm to provide more organic food to the Gustavus Dining Service.

“Our plan is to be sustainable, organic farming and the food service industry,” Guittar said. “I think that the green movement/organic food movement has a bad reputation because it’s this ‘poofy’ fashionable statement. Big Hill can show that it’s a better solution to an environmental problem,” Guittar said.

Though this is only the second year of the Big Hill project, everyone associated is hoping that it will become a lasting inclusion in Gustavus’ future.

“It’ll be a lasting solution to an environmental problem,” Guittar said.

Big Hill has already begun work for the season, with the help of Physical Plant employees. The plot has been tilled, and seeds are already being delivered. For any students who are interested in volunteering with the Big Hill Farm, there is work to be done before the school year ends and throughout the summer. The plot still needs to be spread with manure and fertilizer, which will begin at the end of the week, followed by another two weeks of planting. Interested individuals may contact Kimberly Braun by email at kbraun2@gac.edu.

Olivia Karns  News Editor

Seniors get ready for Senior Week

Seniors are finishing up classes, the ses-sand finals, but before taking part in Commencement, most will celebrate their time at Gustavus during the activities taking place during Senior Week. Senior Week’s events are scheduled begin-ning from just after finals Wednesday, May 26, to the day just before Commencement Saturday, May 29. Commencement takes place on May 30.

Senior Week is open only to seniors and allows the departing students to spend the couple of days before Commencement celebrating their time with each other at Gustavus. “Senior Week is kind of unique in that most schools don’t have it,” Senior English Major and Senior Week Co-Chair Kady Johnson said. “It’s a way for us to spend that last week together as a senior class [and] to keep the connections and sense of community that we have had over the past four years. It’s a way to have fun too.”

The plans for Senior Week have been in motion since November. Senior week Co-Chairs Johnson and Senior Spanish and Sociology and Anthropology Major Carleen Crouse were selected as presidents in November. They discussed events that had been popular in the past and replaced events that had routinely been poorly atten-ted. Thus, with the help of 12 event chairs, the committee has put together a program featuring both traditional and nontraditional events.

There are events planned for every day during Senior Week, beginning with the Fiesta Kick-Off on May 25 followed with a concert by the Johnny Holms Band in Alumni Commons.

One of the most anticipated events is the Twins game. Before the Twins game seniors visit the Sand Prairie Assisted Living Center to volunteer. The service event was extremely popular this year. “I don’t think in the past the service event had been that successful,” Crouse said.

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Campus Safety Report

Monday, May 3
- A bias incident in Uhler Hall was reported to Campus Safety.

Tuesday, May 4
- A Gustavus employee reported lost Gustavus keys.
- Campus Safety responded to suspicious activity in Uhler Hall.

Wednesday, May 5
- A Gustavus student reported their unlocked bicycle missing from the bike rack at Southwest Hall.
- Campus Safety responded to suspicious activity in the Stadium parking lot.

Thursday, May 6
- A Gustavus student reported an iPod missing from an unlocked locker in Lund Center.

Friday, May 7
- A Book Mark staff member contacted Campus Safety to report a shoplifting incident.

Tip of the Week:
Cyber security:
- Never give your password to anyone.
- Change your password frequently.
- Do not allow others access to your e-mail account.
- Monitor your access time; by keeping track of when and how long you were on a computer system, it will be obvious if someone has gained access to your account.
- Be wary of anonymous “re-mailers.”
- Do not put personal information or photos on your web page and do not give personal information that can identify where you live to social networking sites.
- Never leave your computer/laptop unattended.
- Engrave markings on your computer.
- Shop online only with companies that you know; check with the Better Business Bureau if unsure.
- Use a secure browser that will encrypt or scramble purchase information or pay with a money order or check.
- Update your virus software regularly, or when new versions are available.
- Do not download files sent to you by strangers or click on hyperlinks from people you don’t know.
- Make certain that all your personal information is deleted from your computer prior to disposing of it.

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“[But,] I think that there are a lot of seniors this year that are really involved and [like to] give back … it could be that that is just the dynamic of our class that we are giving and want to serve,” Crouse said.

The other new event in store for Friday is the Canterbury Park event. This event replaced a boat cruise that took place far away from St. Peter and proved to be unpopular. Canterbury Park, located in Shakopee, features horse track racing, a buffet dinner and live music.

“[Canterbury Park] is going to be great,” Senior Political Science Major Amy McMullen said. “Hopefully it will be sunny, and there will be gambling, food and spending time with the senior class. It is going to awesome.”

The main event scheduled for the last day of Senior Week is the Candlelight Service. “It’s a night in the chapel where [students] can go to reflect on the past four years,” Johnson said. “[Students] can hear readings from other seniors, but there is a more spiritual [undernote].”

Senior Week gives students an opportunity to reflect on their time together and their four years at Gustavus before the culmination of their studies: Commencement. “As an out of stater, I am looking forward to spending a week with my best buds doing fun activities without stress before we have to say good bye,” Senior Biology Major Erin Eppler said.

Commencement takes on Sunday, May 30 and is the celebration in which seniors receive their diplomas and begin their lives as Gustavus Adolphus College alumni.
Psychology department symposium presents research

Stephanie Duley
Staff Writer

This Friday the psychology department at Gustavus will be holding its seventh annual spring semester research symposium to showcase the extensive research projects that psychology students have completed. At the end of Fall and Spring Semesters, psychology students enrolled in Statistics and Research Methods II, Research Apprenticeships, Directed Research and the Psychology Honors Program have the opportunity to show the Gustavus community the work that they’ve completed.

Eighteen different research projects will be showcased in the form of posters in the lower level of the Anderson Social Science Center from 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Friday, May 14. The psychology majors who have created these projects will present from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m so as to leave time to answer questions. Several of the senior honors psychology majors will be giving oral presentations of their research starting at 4:00 p.m. The projects cover a diverse range of topics from birth order and its effect on relationships of college students to pro-social behavior in emerging adults. Each presentation will last about 12 minutes, allowing two to three minutes afterward for answering questions from the audience.

Senior Honors Psychology Major Emma Iverson will be delivering her presentation entitled, “Helping Others Helps Me: Pro-social Behavior as a Function of Identity Development and Self-regulation in Emerging Adulthood.” “In my research, I am looking at different factors that affect pro-social [helping] behavior in emerging adults,” Iverson said. “Emerging adulthood is a developmental theory that looks at the period from ages 18 to 25 as a distinct stage involving extended identity exploration before committing to an adult status or role.”

Fellow Senior Honors Psychology Major Jenny Grundman also explored the topic of emerging adulthood in her research project entitled, “Does Parenting Style Predict Identity and Emotional Outcomes in Emerging Adulthood?” “My research project examined the role of parenting style and self-regulation [i.e., what motivates an individual’s behavior] in identity development, self-esteem and satisfaction with life,” Grundman said. “I came up with the idea after reading several pieces from the ‘emerging adulthood’ literature that talked about the ways in which the parent-child relationship changes when young adults are between the ages of 18 and 25. Since we know that parents influence children up to the age of 18, primarily because of the frequent and direct contact and the dependency, I thought it would be interesting to see if parenting style continues to influence children after that age.”

When asked about this event Psychology Department Administrative Assistant Lee Sande commented, “The Psychology symposium is a great way to learn about and celebrate all of the psychological science that goes on at Gustavus. Research is the cornerstone of our discipline and many Gustavus psychology students have spent considerable time designing and carrying out original research studies aimed at addressing very interesting questions about behavior and the mind.”

Most of the research conducted by Gustavus psychology students is done using fellow Gusties as subjects.

“This is the last issue of the year. ... See you next year!
**News**

**Thrill on the Hill brings in many teams and action**

**By Olivia Karns**

Olivia Karns  
News Editor

**B**eginning on May 15 and ending on May 16, Gustavus will be hosting the eighth annual Thrill on the Hill Ultimate Frisbee Tournament. The tournament will host club teams from the Midwest area and Canada. The Gustavus Men’s team, The High, and the Gustavus Women’s team, The Outskirts, hope to see many Gustavus fans as well.

“I am excited for people to come and see that Ultimate is a fast-paced, competitive sport,” Sophomore Psychology Major and tournament co-coordinator Gregg Milbrath said. “Frisbee is a sport not a hobby.”

Though the tournament takes place after the official sections, the level of competition will not change, as evidenced by the number of teams taking part in the tournament. “We had to turn away two teams already this year,” Erik Huemiller, junior physics major and tournament co-coordinator said.

Since the tournament takes place at Gustavus, there will be a surplus of Gustavus athletes and alumni in the mix. Both men’s and women’s teams have been invited. “The B team is generally for people who are interested [in Frisbee], but can’t commit the time because of Lab conflicts or band conflicts or something,” Senior Biology Major and tournament co-coordinator Pat Gaetz said.

A team made up of Gustavus alumni called The Dudes will also be present at the tournament. “This is your chance.” Senior Reli Ringdal said.

The men’s teams will be playing on Saturday and end at 5:00 p.m. with multiple matches taking place at one time. “There will be plenty of Frisbees going around,” Huemiller said.

The men’s teams will be playing on the practice soccer fields and the women’s teams will play on the old rugby pitch. Games will recommence at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday. Visit orgs.gustavus.edu/ultimate/Thrill_on_the_Hill.htm for more information.

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**OH DAM hosts Bollywood event for small Indian community**

**By Chris Stewart**

Chris Stewart  
Staff Writer

**O**n Friday, May 14, the Gustavus student organization OH DAM will host its Bollywood Night event at 7:00 p.m. in Alumni Hall. The evening will be a celebration of all things Indian and a fundraiser for a small displaced community in the Kerala state of southwest India.

“India is a fascinating country... if you’ve ever wanted to know more about the country, this is your chance.” Senior Religion Major Bethany Ringdal, one of the two original founders of the group, said.

OH DAM, an acronym for Organizing Human Development and Appreciating Multiculturalism, was the creative product of two Gustavus students, Ringdal and Senior Religion Major Brendan Wilkes. The two were inspired to start the organization after their study abroad trip to India in the fall of 2009. Supported in part by Gustavus Adolphus, Concordia College in Moorhead and the Indian non-governmental organization Vision, the group offered 16 students the opportunity to study social justice, peace and development while being fully immersed in the Indian culture. Senior Art Studio Major Amanda Skarphol, who took part in the India experience, said of the program, “It was an incredible experience. My parents raised me to be thankful for what I have, but living in India made me realize how truly privileged I am.”

While in India, Ringdal and Wilkes, among others, visited Kerala, a small community of about 10 ethnic Adavasi families living near the Karapuzha dam. Before the dam was built, the indigenous Indians lived in the area in peace. When the dam was built for irrigation purposes, however, it created the massive 158-foot deep Karapuzha Reservoir and flooded the lands of the small community. Lack of resources with which to relocate, the small community has been forced to precariously remain situated at the dam’s edge, susceptible to the effects of flooding. The Indian government has yet to come through on its promises to compensate these families for the loss of their homes.

“We knew that we had to do something when we got home from India.” Ringdal said. “We couldn’t live with ourselves if we saw what we just saw and returned to our comfortable and rich lives.” After returning to campus, Ringdal found a way to continue the mission to help the community near the Karapuzha dam as part of one her courses. Taught by Assistant Professor of Religion Thia Cooper, “Liberation: 2/3 World” seeks to explore contemporary struggles for justice in the face of both globalized and local oppression. “Bethany asked if she and others could continue developing this organization... it was the perfect service and advocacy opportunity for the class,” Cooper said.

OH DAM has had a great deal of success since its inception. In January, the organization sold items that were brought back by the students from India such as hand-knit woolens and jewelry, bringing in more than $1,000 for the cause. The group hopes to better this effort with its Bollywood Night on Friday, which will feature a number of activities aimed at raising funds for the Adavasi people in Kerala. Tickets will be sold at the door for $5. “People should be reminded that this is a fundraiser, so they should bring cash along in order to buy goodies... or donate to the cause,” Ringdal said.

Bollywood Night, which will be put on by OH DAM in collaboration with the religion department and the Gustavus Atheist and Freethinkers Forum, will include a number of authentic Indian activities. Some of the planned events include Indian music and videos, a performance of a native Indian dance and henna artists. The program will also give students a chance to see their picture taken in a native Indian wrap dress (sari), and purchase OH DAM merchandise like handmade Indian jewelry, paper products and OH DAM T-shirts. Finally, attendees will be able to contribute a banner that will be sent back to Karapuzha to show the campus’ support for the plight of the Adavasi people there.

While the event’s purpose is ultimately to raise funds to help the community in Kerala, it will also be a learning opportunity for all those who attend. “We hope people leave Bollywood Night with two feelings: first, that they have been a part of a good thing, and second that they can’t stop there,” Ringdal said. Cooper echoed this thought, saying that “at the level of charity, we are providing funds for those affected by the dam in India. At the level of justice, [we are thinking] about how they can become more involved and should be supporting groups in India to build sustainable lives for themselves.”

All Gustavus community members are encouraged to attend the Bollywood Night event on Friday.

“We’re living in rapidly shrinking world. We simply can’t go on ignoring our brothers and sisters living, like our friends in India, in abject poverty. It’s time to see the poor, to listen to their stories and to ask ourselves what we can do about it together,” Ringdal said.
Thank you,

CAB Executives

for providing the following events this past year:

- Orientation Weekend Hypnotist
- Fall Outdoor Movie: Angels and Demons
- Weekend Movies
- Matt Bellace
- Dueling Pianos
- Comedian: Hassan Minhaj
- Coffeehouse Kickoff: Truman
- Mary Poppins
- Twins vs. Tigers (Fall)
- CAB SNZ: Kickin’ It Old School
- Reading In Common Speaker: Sin Nombre’s Sonia Nozario
- Homecoming Week Competition: Window Painting Kickoff, Scavenger Hunt, Trivia, Coffeehouse: Ari Herstand, One-Hit Wonders Lip Sync Contest, Dodgeball, Variety Show/Coronation, 5K Fun Run, Parade
- Coffeehouse: Variety Show
- Dancing with the Profs
- Coffeehouse: Kalin Garrity
- Gustie Cup: Volleyball
- My Dear Disco Concert
- Gustie Cup: Basketball
- Minnesota Wild vs. Anaheim Ducks
- Coffeehouse: Chasing Friday
- Coffeehouse: Amanda Duncan
- 8 Questions God Can’t Answer Speaker: John Busacker
- Minnesota Vikings vs. Cincinnati Bengals
- Beauty and the Beast
- Coffeehouse: Christmas Party
- Coffeehouse: Chris Koza
- Mall of America
- Swing Club Dance: College Stereotypes
- Gustie Cup: Broomball
- Coffeehouse: Jake Ousley
- Coffeehouse: Zach Spirov
- Coffeehouse: Will Hutchinson
- Mamma Mia!
- Gustie Cup: Floor Hockey
- Mentalist Christopher Carter
- Coffeehouse: Style Your Sole Party with TOMS Shoes
- President’s Ball
- Coffeehouse: Alvin Lau
- Gustie Cup: Bowling
- Coffeehouse: Jenny and Tyler
- Lape Fiasco Concert
- Avenue Q
- Coffeehouse: Gustie Showcase (Dec/Mar)
- One Day Without Shoes
- White Privilege Conference
- Gustie Cup: Ultimate Frisbee
- Post Secret Speaker: Frank Warren
- Coffeehouse: Ellis
- Twins vs. Tigers (Spring)
- White Privilege Conference Delegation Forum
- Gustie Cup: Championship
- Midnight Express (May 20)

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Gustie of the Week:

Natalie Jo Baker: Livin’ the dream

She knows what she wants and goes for it. She puts her heart and soul into what inspires her. It motivates me to do the same. Her absolute love for life is unequaled. She is truly a free spirit and is a blast to be around,” Senior Biology Major Erica Flinn said. “She makes campus a fun place. I look forward to the opportunity to run into her because she is a bright light in a place that can be extremely stressful.”

Senior Environmental Studies Major Lucas Neher agreed. “In spending time around Natalie, it is evident that she puts her humor and character into her passions,” Neher said.

Natalie has worked for the Career Center since she was a first-year. “My sister had a friend that worked in the Career Center, and when I started at Gustavus I figured working in an office was the dream. Well, really I wanted to be a waitress, but an office was good enough,” Natalie said. “I love the camaraderie with the student workers on the staff. Everybody is great, and sometimes they give me real responsibilities and I respect them for that. I like helping other people figure out their lives because it helps me figure out my own.”

She has also been involved in the sorority Delta Phi Omega. “At first I was hesitant to join the sorority because the Greek system here is really different, but I found that it actually was a good fit and I did make a lot of friends in the Deltas. Plus, everybody looks good in maroon. And when I say everyone, I mean I do,” she said.

“I met [Natalie] when we were [first-year] roommates and am now a Delta with her. She is spontaneous, fun loving and always down to learn something new,” friend and Senior Communication Studies Major Emma Moreau said. “Natalie is great because she always makes you laugh when you are feeling down. After we roomed together, I was thrilled she decided to pledge Deltas because she is such a hoot, and I know she would make the Deltas fun. I love her because she loves who she is, and she inspires me to do the same.”

In her junior year, Natalie studied abroad in Florence, Italy. “I’m ready for real life now that I’ve studied abroad. It blew my mind, and it doesn’t seem like it was real anymore but it was. It was such a great experience. I think everyone, if they have the opportunity, should go abroad,” Natalie said.

This year, Natalie devoted a lot of her time to working as an intern for the Gustavus chapter of Habitat for Humanity. “I worked really hard, got super jacked. Impressed a lot of people. Duh. Miami was a choice. A 12-passenger van for 37 hours isn’t healthy for anyone, but it was one of the best experiences I’ve had at Gustavus in the past four years. There’s no escaping bonding with the 12 people in your van for two days straight,” Natalie said. “My sophomore year I went to New Orleans, and it was absolutely fantastic. The bus ride was stressful at best. It was the first time I met people at [Gustavus] that I really clicked with. I enjoy working with a group. Everyone has a job and everyone is needed, and you get to see the result of your work and see a change in the neighborhood.”

After graduation, Natalie plans on continuing her work with Habitat for Humanity in her hometown of Rochester, Minn. “I’ve studied abroad in Thailand,” Natalie said. “It was such a great experience. I think everyone, if they have the opportunity, should go abroad.”

“Her laugh, greetings and almost overused terms of endearment make her an original and one-of-a-kind friend. I think her fresh style of fashion and music taste is very attractive.”

— Shane Jensen

Though she is very involved on campus, Natalie still makes time for hanging out with friends. “Her laugh, greetings and almost overused terms of endearment make her an original and one-of-a-kind friend. I think her fresh style of fashion and music taste is very attractive.” Senior Theatre Major Shane Jensen said.

Natalie is a well-rounded individual whose excitement for life and the well-being of others are beyond measure.
Iron Man 2: This year’s first true summer blockbuster

Following 2008’s Iron Man, Iron Man 2 continues right where the first film left off. With its perfectly cast actors, the performance is not only convincing, but natural as well.

Kevin Dumke
Staff Writer

Hello there Gusties, how’s it going? I’m sure everyone is keeping real busy what with it being spring and finals fast approaching. No one’s checked out for the year, right? Well if you can bear to pull yourself away from your studies for a couple hours, if you are looking to put off the real action. We find Tony alive is slowly killing him without taking the suit off. The battles are more sporadic than you might imagine, though. The movie more than makes up for this with a lot of subtle humor and a plot which deals with issues ranging from the vulnerability which everyone, even superheroes, experience, to the bonds of family and friends, to excessive drinking (we find out that Iron Man can attend the call of nature without taking the suit off). The characters are believably human, with quirks and insecurities all their own, which only serves to enhance the profound story line that much more.

Iron Man 2 is a sequel to 2008’s critically acclaimed Iron Man, and is the second film in a planned trilogy based on the comic book series from Marvel Comics. Iron Man 2 picks up right where the plot of the original movie left off. Literally. The film opens with the closing scene of the original, a cut of the press conference in which Tony Stark, played by Robert Downey Jr., announces to the world that he is indeed Iron Man, the hero bedecked in a high-tech suit of armor responsible for saving the world from terrorists and his company’s own power hungry CEO.

Now let’s fast forward six months to where Iron Man 2 kicks off the real action. We find Tony on the eve of Stark Expo, a year-long festival drawing the greatest minds in the world together in an attempt to right the world’s many wrongs through technology. This is Tony’s attempt to continue his newfound philanthropic streak, turning Stark Industries around from the weapons manufacturer it was into a new, socially aware corporation.

Unfortunately for Tony, trouble is brewing. The U.S. Senate is trying to lay claim to the Iron Man suit, the very technology keeping Tony alive is slowly killing him and there’s a madman waiting in the wings to bring about a more abrupt demise for Tony Stark. Big surprise, things seem pretty bleak for our hero.

Despite all the tragedy, however, Downey manages to portray Stark as the cocky, cynical billionaire playboy he is. His performance just feels natural. Speaking of which, Iron Man 2 seems to have been written with specific actors in mind. The film is cast perfectly.

Mickey Rourke takes up the villain role as Russian prison-hardened, psychotic, psychokraving Ivan Vanko and delivers a truly stellar performance. Scarlett Johansson is the tantalizing assistant, with perhaps one or two unnecessary close-ups. Samuel L. Jackson gets an expanded role as the eye-patched, mysterious Nick Fury. Jon Favreau, who also directed, provides comic relief in the form of Stark’s chauffeur/boxing coach. Oh yeah, the movie also co-stars Don Cheadle and Gwyneth Paltrow. There is even a cameo by Stan Lee, the comic book’s original author.

While movies that attempt to cram so many Hollywood egos into one package often suffer, Iron Man 2 excels. All the actors fit their roles perfectly, and their on-screen chemistry is actually realistic. The movie makes you think that these people might even get together on weekends.

The acting is not all that seems more realistic about Iron Man 2, either. The film departs from other comic book superhero movies in a very critical way: It has depth. If you’re looking for action from previews to credits, look elsewhere. Iron Man 2 does have fight scenes, which are exquisitely done. They leave you wondering how anyone could have envisioned such an innovative and dazzling way to blow stuff up. As someone in the row in front of me so eloquently put it during one of the final fight scenes, “Shit!”

The movie more than makes up for this with a lot of subtle humor and a plot which deals with issues ranging from the vulnerability which everyone, even superheroes, experience, to the bonds of family and friends, to excessive drinking (we find out that Iron Man can attend the call of nature without taking the suit off). The characters are believably human, with quirks and insecurities all their own, which only serves to enhance the profound story line that much more.

All in all, Iron Man 2 is an extremely well rounded movie that has something for everyone. Whether you are an action junkie, a comic book fan, someone who wants to enjoy some top notch acting in a surprising place or just a college student looking to escape studying, Iron Man 2 is sure to please. So if you’re looking for a way to unwind after studying, check it out. Don’t work too hard, enjoy your summer and I’ll see you next year. I give Iron Man 2 three crowns out of three.

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Iron Man 2 has something for everyone, with a comic book storyline, numerous action scenes and well-crafted performances.
Gustavus Greeks honored for their work on campus

Krystal Bundy  
Staff Writer

You may remember Greek Week. You might recall Rock for Tots. You may have heard of Days with the Reds. Death by Chocolate might have been made an appearance in your little black book. These are a few of the many social events and community service programs Gustavus Greeks organize:

“[Being Greek] means being part of a sisterhood or brotherhood committed to one common goal or vision.” - Sara Schnell

On Sunday, May 16 at 7:00 p.m. in Alumni Hall, the Greek Awards Banquet, put on by the Order of Omega, will take place to honor those Greeks who do so much for the campus and the community.

“This year we are changing our goal or vision,” Senior Economics and Political Science Major and Co-Chair of the Senior Class Legacy Andrew Lilja said. “This is a time where we celebrate with each other,” Hochstatter said. “A lot of the chapters are nominated for really phenomenal things.”

There are awards for Outstanding Fraternity and Outstanding Sorority; there are also awards for chapter advisors and new members who, as Hochstatter put it, “take on leadership roles from the get-go.”

After a full year of events, this year’s Greek Awards Banquet promises to be first class, and all members of Greek organizations are encouraged to take part.

Senior Class Legacy wraps up

Andrew Lilja  
Staff Writer

Since 1910, Gustavus seniors have given their alma mater some sort of gift, and in recent years this has meant some sort of financial donation. The Senior Class Legacy is based around the idea that graduating seniors should give back to Gustavus so that students can continue to have great experiences.

“It gives seniors the chance to join a long lineage of Gusties that recognize their opportunity to enhance the Gustavus experience for current and future students” - Mariah Bierl

“It gives seniors the chance to join a long lineage of Gusties that recognize their opportunity to enhance the Gustavus experience for current and future students,” Senior Management Major and Co-Chair of the Senior Class Legacy Mariah Bierl said. Though their ultimate goal is to get seniors to donate, Senior Economics and Political Science Major and Co-Chair of the Senior Class Legacy Sara Schnell stressed that participation is more important than the amount given.

“We happily take a gift of 25 cents or $50. It doesn’t really matter what you give, just recognize the importance of giving back to Gustavus,” Schnell said.
* The Calendar Page is considered editorial. The opinions expressed herein are not the opinions of The Gustavian Weekly, but are, in fact, a last desperate attempt to get the hell out of this office and on with my summer vacation before my freaking head explodes! Have a good summer.

**Friday, May 14**

**Fitness Yoga**  
Lund Center Aerobics Room 12:40 p.m.  
You go, I go, we all go for yoga. ... Meh, whatever, the semester is almost over.

**Root Beer Floats**  
Eck Mall 1:30 p.m.  
If it's less dense than whatever it's in. Ask a physicist.

**College Wide Colloquium**  
Wallenberg Auditorium 2:30 p.m.  
When the weather gets like this people start having their “colloquiums” all over the place.

**Phycology Research Symposium**  
Lower Level SSC 3:00 p.m.  
You’d be CRAZY to miss this!

**English Department Picnic**  
John's Family Courtyard 5:00 p.m.  
I was going to bring some plums but some a----- ate them out of the icebox! ... they did leave a nice note though.

**Weekend Movie: Shutter Island**  
Wallenberg Auditorium 7:00 & 10:00 p.m.  
The premise is simple. If you have a crazy prisoner “shutt 'er” up!

**Time to Soar**  
Anderson Theatre 7:30 p.m.  
You know what else will be sore in Anderson? Your stomach, while the French fries won’t even stay on the plate.

**Oh Dam! Bollywood Night**  
Alumni Hall 7:00 p.m.  
Great, another dam pun.

**The Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra in Concert**  
Bjorling Recital Hall 7:30 p.m.  
To me, the only difference between a good orchestra piece and a bad one is how many times the conductor mouths threats at the strings.

**Time to Soar**  
Anderson Theatre 8:00 p.m.  
Much like an airport, to soar on Anderson's stage you have to take your shoes off.

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**Saturday, May 15**

**Gustavus Birding Big Day**  
Anywhere in the World All Day  
It started fine, but now I have this big yellow one that won’t stop trying to tell me all the different ways the letter “E” can be used.

**Gustavus Birding Big Day**  
Larissa Bergener, Soprano, Senior Voice Recital  
Bjorling Recital Hall 12:40 p.m.

**Benjamin Mordecai, Baritone, Senior Voice Recital**  
Bjorling Recital Hall 1:30 p.m.

**Kathryn Casey, Mezzo Soprano, Senior Voice Recital**  
Bjorling Recital Hall 3:30 p.m.

**Weekend Movie: Shutter Island**  
Wallenberg Auditorium 7:00 & 10:00 p.m.  
Martin Scorcese loves LeonardoDicaprio like Tim Burton loves Johnny Depp ... Sexually.

**Time to Soar**  
Anderson Theatre 8:00 p.m.  
You know what else will be sore in Anderson? Your sides ... after LineUs ... which is in Anderson. Hell yeah.

**Elliott Crouch, Senior Clarinet Recital**  
Bjorling Recital Hall 7:30 p.m.

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**Sunday, May 16**

**All You Can Eat French Toast, American Fries and Bacon**  
Patrick's Bar & Grill 10:00 a.m.  
The American fries will start needless trouble in the stomach, while the French f
don't even stay on the plate.

**Doggie Dash 5k Fun Run/Walk**  
Gorman Park 12:00 p.m.  
Sure, you can race them, you can have them run marathons, but when you have them fight it’s “too far.” Whatever.

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**Monday, May 17**

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**Wednesday, May 19**

**Final Day of Class**  
Campus Wide All Day  
Much like Sarah Palin's second book, Gusties are about to be entirely without class.

**Nobel Conference Reading Group**  
Linner Lounge 3:30 p.m.  
Bring your cookbooks!

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**Thursday, May 20**

**Reading Day Movie: Alice in Wonderland**  
Wallenberg Auditorium 2:00 & 5:00 p.m.  
Reading day movie ... well that’s ironic.
Jenny Behan
Senior Communications-Studies Major
Features Editor
Favorite color: Victoria’s Secret Pink
Office crush: Pizzaman because he’s my favorite person on Wednesday nights.
Favorite mix/song of the year: "All of Liv’s eds"
Favorite quote of the year: "I sneezed up a waffle this week... I don’t know, I haven’t tal-ked yet." —Tom Lany

Andrea Setterholm
Senior English Major
News Editor Fall Semester
Favorite color: Yellow
Office crush: Guestie of the Week
Favorite mix/song of the year: The one with Tamsyn and Rodriguez-Gabriella
Favorite quote of the year: "I’m like, perfect." —Lindsay Lelivelt

Lindsay Lelivelt
Senior English Major
Features Editor
Favorite color: Yellow.
Office crush: Matthew Christian Beachey. Unrequited love is the pits.
Favorite mix/song of the year: Olivia’s first mix CD.
Favorite quote of the year: "What are you going to be for Halloween?" —Lindsay
"Drunk and flirtatious" —Andy

Georgia
Senior Religion Major
Favorite color: Green
Office crush: My secret favorite color is green.
Office crush: Gertrude Tom Lany
Favorite mix/song of the year: Mr. Beach by Tom Lany
Favorite quote of the year: "WE HAD DRAGONS." —Georgia

Steve Palmer
Senior History Major
Commentary Editor
Favorite color: Yellow
Office crush: Beachey
Favorite mix/song of the year: Anything with Bob Dylan. Gotta put him on every mix just for Jenny.
Favorite quote of the year: "Tom Lany, “I don’t like cameras because I’m afraid of myself.” —Jenny

Lynn Olson
Senior English Major
Copy Editor
Favorite color: Blue
Office crush: Becky Krocak, because she always brings in homemade treats or desserts from the Caf for us all to enjoy!
Favorite mix/song of the year: I’ve especially enjoyed listen-ing to mixes with alternative bands like Vampire Weekend and The Black Rebel Motorcycle Club. Also, some of the older-like Bob Dylan.
Favorite quote of the year: "ALL of Tom Lany’s live jingles.

Matt Beachey
Senior English Major
Copy Editor
Favorite color: My secret favorite color is green.
Office crush: Gertrude Tom Lany
Office crush: Becky
Favorite mix/song of the year: Jump (For my Love) by The Pointer Sisters. Thanks for hit mix, Liv!
Favorite quote of the year: "Give me FIVE for FIVE updates!" —Tom Lany

Maddie Lang
Sophomore History and Scandinavian Studies
Copy Editor
Favorite color: Purple
Office crush: The Shady Character
Favorite mix/song of the year: The one with Scissor Sisters
Favorite quote of the year: "I’m like, perfect." —Jenny

Olivia Kams
Junior English Major
News Editor Spring Semester
Favorite color: Purple
Office crush: The Gallant Sir Andy Setterholm for being ridiculously consistent with great stories. Also Lady Lynn Olson. The Clever who took all the dirty stories...
Favorite mix/song of the year: My favorite mix is the one where they talk about "wears'n purple "wears' purple.
Favorite quote of the year: "I just can’t handle tonight to-night." —Jenny

Seth Wisner
Junior Communications-Studies Major
Sports Editor
Favorite color: Red
Office crush: Pam Beachy
Favorite mix/song of the year: Whatever song gets Tom Lany to dance...
Favorite quote of the year: "I can’t access the female orgasm." —Tom Lany

Meet the Staff
Learning from the left

Goodbye Gustavus

The excitement I felt at reading my first article in the paper was palpable—my heart was literally racing as I flipped forward to my article. As I skimmed through the article on women's volleyball (you thought I started as a columnist, didn't you?), I felt a sense of accomplishment in my contribution to The Weekly.

But after reading through the rest of The Weekly, I had a question for my editor that I sent to him in an e-mail. Can people write about whatever they want in the commentary section? He told me, pretty much, and gave me the green light for commentary editor to contact if I was interested in writing a column. From there, I contacted the commentary editor, met to sit down to talk about what I would write about and how the “Learning from the Left” was born.

The freedom to write about whatever I wanted has been a mixed blessing for me. The hardest thing about it is trying to figure out what to write about. I didn’t already have an idea in mind, I wouldn’t know what to write about that week, because I felt that forcing myself to write down the quality of my writing, I figured people would be even less interested in reading about politics if every week or every other week they read about how “Bush is a terrible president because of X reason” or “Obama rocks because of Y.”

Of course, that’s not to say I didn’t write about Bush and Obama, but I’ve also varied my writing to talk about various current events or issues on campus. From alternative energy, to Minnesota culture to faith-based camps, I’ve enjoyed writing the most when I’ve had the opportunity to write about something beyond partisan politics. Hopefully, people will continue to enjoy reading about those issues as much as I’ve enjoyed writing about them.

Before ending my reflections about my time writing at Gustavus, I wanted to take a moment to say thank you. Thank you, to all the students, faculty, staff, admin- istrators and alumni who have helped me along the way. Thank you to everyone who has read my articles, that I’ve written an insightful or well-written article.

If I could, I would want to thank my family, my father for helping me figure out what I’m going to do after I graduate. I know it’s wrong to let someone’s actions color my opinion of our whole campus, but I’ve never been so disappointed in Gustavus. Looking back on these past four years, I was just allowing myself to contemplate, in wonder how much I and those around me have grown since we first came here. This incident knocked my feet right out from under me. It was a shocking—a bit maybe necessary—wake-up call, forcing me to consider the terrifying homophobia that is still present in our community. I’m so angry at you, whoever you are, for taking away a part of my joy and hope for Gustavus’ future right before I leave it forever.

It’s worthless to fight anger with more anger. Despite wanting to punch that guy in the jaw, I’m still glad that I didn’t say or do anything and that I insisted my boyfriend do the same. Giving him what I felt he deserved at the time wouldn’t have changed what a jerk he was being; it would have really only caused a hassle for us. Just to get it off my chest, though: whoever you are, I hope your toilet overflows and your milk goes sour and you stub your toe the next time you are getting out of the shower and the next person you ask on a date tells you you’re sexy and smelly.

There, I feel better now. After that thoroughly unpro- ductive personal jab, I need to do the only productive thing I can think of, short of pressing charges against this guy. This is a call to the students who will not be graduating, but returning next fall. So many students, faculty, staff and administrators who have been here before you or are still here have fought racism, sexism, homophobia and all other kinds of bigotry and bias that have been visible on this campus. Some of you have already joined them in this fight, but as for the rest of you; you need to take up where they have left off. Every one of you.

Acceptance is our only hope for freedom. Don’t buy into these disgusting and self-defeating ways of thinking. Take care of yourself and everyone around you as best you can, regardless of who they are. Fight anyone who says you should do differently every day, not with violence but with the power of your own life as an example.

I can’t look back on my deci- sion to come to Gustavus with anything but regret if I know that it is succumbing to the hatred and fear that drives this bigotry. Open your mind to the possibil- ity that Gustavus can be a better place and that, as long as you are a student here, making this school a better place is the best way for you to make the world a better place.

Make me proud, Gustavus.
College angst

Mindless moments

Have you ever had fun doing something that you may publicly ridicule? Perhaps in high school you surreptitiously liked math or doing Suduko. I have in the past and presently find myself in such a position. Although I have gotten over many of my insecurities of yore, some part of me is still shamed by what I find myself enjoying doing, mathematical logic or something similar. An activity such as this certainly seems to possess little to amuse, and yet I find my self more and more drawn to it.

Finally, the answer inexplicably came to me. These activities are necessary to balance out all the time a person spends observing and thinking critically about the world around us. Speaking as someone who spends many waking hours doing just that, I can tell you that it is both mentally and emotionally taxing. There is only so much time you can spend in a day wondering “why?” and “how?” things work. Eventually, without some kind of respite, your sanity will inevitably slip.

We must occasionally subsume our souls and consciousness into moments of pure action or activity. It is rather ironic, but when you think about it this is also the reason that people love exercise. It allows us to subsume ourselves into one moment. And yet there exists a strange social divide between those who prefer physical or mental stimulation of this nature. I have been fortunate to be able to enjoy both, but as a result I must look on with a curiosity tinged with horror at the idiotic nature. I have been fortunate to be able to enjoy both, but as a result I must look on with a curiosity tinged with horror at the idiotic nature. I have been fortunate to be able to enjoy both, but as a result I must look on with a curiosity tinged with horror at the idiotic nature. I have been fortunate to be able to enjoy both, but as a result I must look on with a curiosity tinged with horror at the idiotic nature. I have been fortunate to be able to enjoy both, but as a result I must look on with a curiosity tinged with horror at the idiotic nature.

Two kinds of people. They both seem to resent each other immensely, and for both of them the source of that resentment seems to be their own insecurities about the strengths of the others. It is profoundly vexing. Here we have people who enjoy their activities for the same reasons and yet manage to despise their counterparts.

Perhaps the true source of their mutual discontent is the fact that they both spend so much of their time occupied with this one kind of activity. Living only in these moments of mental and physical purity can make a person lose perspective. If all we do is exercise or problem solve we will begin to think of the world in only those terms. This is the reason why both the socially maladjusted computer scientist and the blustering football player are both so uninteresting. Having viewed the world as simple they have become simple. To spend your entire existence living in such pure activity, is an animal trait, in order to be human we must learn to appreciate these moments and acknowledge our animal natures but not allow them to dominate our lives.

I admit that it is possible for this rationale to have come from the fact that I view things in some what cynical terms. If my higher brain functions thought of things in terms of how wonderful the world was then I might not view these thoughts as overly taxing. Which could conceivably remove the need to occasionally distance myself from reality. However whatever is the cause of our desire to submerge into these other realities it seems pretty clear that the desire is indeed there, and I feel its important to be conscious of how we allow it to manifest itself in our lives.

Emperor Norton’s Patent of Nobility

Boo to bootstraps

As often as sexism racism sexual oppression and gender oppression are rightfully decried in the pages of the commentary section, I feel as if a certain kind of oppression and consciousness is ignored fairly often. Often enough to warrant an inclusion that is particularly relevant as this crop of seniors prepares to graduate. This omission is class oppression and class consciousness. Like it or not, as Gusties, we are automatically of an immensely privileged class of people.

You might bristle at this—surely you have earned where you are through hard work. Right? Well, by purely looking at the global situation, you are privileged. You are in an elite portion of US society, a group that was able to attend a private liberal arts college with amazing professors. A minority of the US population attends college. An even smaller minority attends private colleges. Think about how small the U.S. population is compared to the global population. You are privileged. God damn it, if you live in campus apartments, you have people coming to clean your room for you.

Also, confronting the issue of class calls into questions many longstanding myths about U.S. society, something I like to call the “bootstrap” mentality. This myth holds that most people got where they are by “picking themselves up” by their bootstraps, by working hard and working their way up. This may be true for some, even many, but for ever more people, class structures perpetuate themselves and are fairly stagnant. Americans mostly end up with the same class background as their parents. Statistics mostly deflate the illusion of “bootstraps” in American culture.

Our status as college students means that issues of class are rarely truly discussed, because discussing it means confronting our own origins, our own successes and our identity as successful people. While a large portion of Americans consider themselves middle class, this denies the reality of income distribution. Think hard about your background. Do you really think you would have come to Gustavus and been able to sustain this lifestyle without a solid base of support from your parents? I am going to admit here that I would not have without their support. While I have loans and debt to pay off, I would not have been able to go here at all if it hadn’t been for the stable class background of my parents. I suspect this is the case for a large portion of Gustavus students. Unless you actually did, don’t feel yourself into thinking you “earned” every aspect of attending here. Even if you worked hard through high school and got good enough grades to attend this school, in some way, your background still played a role in your attendance of Gustavus.

Adhering to the bootstraps mentality brings in an entitlement fallacy that can plague a person throughout life. I feel like we can lose touch with the world at large and lose our empathy with others. It is easy to forget that the whole world is not like yours. This can be heightened with the bootstraps mentality. If we “earned” our position here, that means that those who are not here did not earn it and are not as privileged as we are by choice and decision.

As we enter into the world at large as graduating seniors, we can’t lose touch with our position of privilege. An awareness of our position in life can do something for our empathy for others and allow us some humility that I think we can lose here at Gustavus, surrounded by people of a similar back-
The Editor-in-Chief sounds off

Good-bye, and good luck

The Editor-in-Chief

A year ago I prepared to graduate, I was looking more and more at what I have done in my last four years, and I am left to wonder if I am leaving my school a better place. I hope that I am.

The thing I am most proud of doing in my last four years is being a part of The Weekly. Since I was a first-year, I have had the unique opportunity of having conversations with amazing people, from the President of the College to the newest first-year. I have also had the opportunity to follow some of the biggest challenges facing Gustavus and to share what I find with the community.

Many people have predicted the death of the newspaper industry. I find this hard to believe, the industry will change, but it is still an incredibly important part of our country. Newspapers serve as our country’s critic, raising issues and forcing us to confront our problems honestly. Gustavus Weekly does this for the Gustavus community.

The Weekly, as a campus newspaper, is invaluable. It provides an open forum for the community to discuss issues facing us as a community or as individuals. It provides an outlet for the amazing community of our students. And The Weekly provides the criticism of the community that helps make Gustavus a better place to live and learn.

When I look back at my time at Gustavus, I don’t regret the things I have done, but rather the things I have left undone. There are many things that—due to time, resources or ability—that The Weekly has not been able to cover. Many things come to mind, such as the problems posed by drugs at Gustavus or the fact that haz ing continues—and not necessarily in the Greek community.

I hope that those who follow me tackle these issues and more. It is impossible to know what will be covered in future years, but I hope that The Weekly’s student journalists never shy away from covering difficult issues. I hope that they never allow themselves to be driven away from covering a topic because of pressure from anyone. I hope that they always uphold the integrity called for in the Society of Professional Journalists’ Code of Ethics. And I hope that they receive support from the Gustavus community.

In my final act as Editor-in-Chief, I want to do something to protect the future of journalism at Gustavus. I am asking the College to adopt a new policy against publication theft. The policy, which is aimed at preventing publications distributed without fee to the campus, is from the Student Press Law Center, an organization that provides legal aid to student journalists.

I am asking the College to include the following language in the Gustie Guide: “Publication theft. A person commits the offense of publication theft when he or she willfully or knowingly obtains or exerts unauthorized control over more than three copies of an edition of a publication distributed on campus with the intent to prevent other individuals from reading that edition of the publication. A ‘publication’ includes any periodical that is distributed on a complimentary or compulsory basis. In addition to the imposition of other disciplinary penalties, a person who violates this provision is responsible for compensating the publication for all reasonable costs incurred, including, where appropriate, the refund of advertising fees.”

Finally, I want to recognize everyone who has helped The Gustavus Weekly and me in the last year. I want to thank my wonderful staff, who have worked incredibly hard under sometimes difficult circumstances to produce the best news papers ever at Gustavus. I want to thank my fellow senior staff members—Alex Messenger, Lynn Olson, Matt Beachey and Steve Palmer—for dedicating so much of their senior year to the paper. I also want to thank my Managing Editor, Becky Krook, for keeping me sane and the newspaper running smoothly. On a personal note, I want to thank my girlfriend Amy, who has put up with long Wednesday nights and my occasional strangeness.

Lastly, congratulations to Lindsay Le liveit, who will take over as Editor-in-Chief next year. Good luck to her and everyone on staff next year!
Congratulations Seniors!

The following messages were provided by families and friends of seniors. Best wishes to the class of 2010!

You have a lifetime of college memories and friendships to take along with you. Remember to live, laugh and love daily. You continue to make us proud. Mom, Dad, Alec and Emily

You’ve shared a great college experience, and we’ve watched you two blossom into wonderful adults. Go out and build your dreams. “There are no short cuts to any place worth going”

Hey Cole, that first day of school you were so happy and ready to go...until the bus came! Look at you now, a Physics degree and going off to grad school. We love you, Mom and Dad

We are so proud of you and all you have accomplished. Now the adventure begins! Love, Mom & Dad

The world is your oyster—may it yield much treasure and pleasure! We love you and are proud of you. Mom, Dad, Meagan, Ian, and Misha

We couldn’t be more proud of you. Keep your sights set high and dream big. You can accomplish anything you want to. Love you lots! Mom and Dad

Hey Megs!

We are so proud of you! You have achieved so much through your drive, determination and kind heart. We know you will have continued success. We love you! Mom, Dad, Bryce and Matt
congratulation notices

Way to go, Goody!
Once again you have proven you can accomplish anything you set your sights on! Congratulations on all of your Gustavus achievements. We love you! Mom, Dad and Gustie (the dog)

Congratulations Jenny!
Another milestone attained. We’re so proud of your accomplishments. We wish you continued success in your future and believe you will do great things. We love you! Dad, Mom, Chris, Bob, Jackie

Congratulations Andy!
We are all so glad you made it! Thank you for making us proud of your achievements... on to bigger and better things! Love, Mom, Dad and Beth

Off to the next adventure
Congratulations on your graduation, and more importantly, on becoming such an amazing young woman! You have worked hard and will be a great teacher. We are so proud of you! Love, Mom, Dad, Ali and Christine.

Way to go Lynn!
We are proud of your spirit, independence, and compassion. You will accomplish great things. Good luck in law school. We love you! Mom & Dad, Grace, David, Louise, Caitlin, & Jack

Congratulations Sarah!
Congratulations on your college graduation. We’re so proud of your accomplishments and excited to see where life takes you next. You have so much ahead of you! Love always, your family

Congratulations Kelsey!
What an incredible accomplishment! Continue to make beautiful music. Let your heart guide you as a nurse. We are so proud of you! Love you, Mom and Dad

Congratulations Mike!
You’re a college graduate! We’re so proud of what you have accomplished and look forward to what lies ahead for you. Love, Dad, Mom, and Ryan

Congratulations, Kyle!
Welcome to the club... three generations of Gusties! - Bada would be so proud - We sure are! Love, Mom, Dad, and Andy

Congratulations, Jon
You’ve worked so hard and grown so much — we’re so very proud of you! We love you!! Mom, Dad and Delaney

Congratulations, Kevin!
As this chapter in your life closes, there are many more to be opened. Dream big, work and play hard, laugh often. We are proud of you and your many accomplishments. We love you and are so happy for you! Mom, Dad and Rachel

Congratulations, Tom!!!
Way to go, Alex!
You enliven the world with your creativity, your smile, and your tenacity! All the best for your next big adventure! Love, Mom, Dad, Lindsay & Grandpa

Congratulations, Katie!
Congratulations on your graduation. We’re so proud of your accomplishments. We wish you continued success in your future and believe you will do great things. We love you! Dad, Mom, and Beth

Congratulations, Tom!!!
You did it! We are so proud of all your accomplishments! Keep setting your goals high and know we are always there for you. Look out Colorado! "For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord. Plans for good and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." Jeremiah 29:11
We Love You Mom and Kim

Congratulations Katie!
Another milestone attained. We are so proud of you! We are so proud of you! Love you, Mom and Dad

Congratulations Katie!
We’ve enjoyed the years of wit & laughter, loving and learning, watching the fine man you’ve become. We’re so proud of you! We love you! Mom, Dad, Kevin, and Kyle

Congratulations, Jon
I am so proud of you. Your life’s journey is taking a new, different and exciting turn. All of your hard work and dedication will take you as far as you desire. The sky’s the limit. I love you, Mom.

Congratulations, Kori!
The world’s a better place with your love for others. May your knowledge open doors to great experiences & opportunities to serve. Your Proud Family

Congratulations, Kori!
You’ve worked so hard to get to this point, from playing with kids to track athletics and we are all so proud of you two! We couldn’t be more excited for your life ahead filled with blessings of happiness, love and adventure. We all love you! Mom, Dad, Kaya, Jake, Madeline, Steeven; Mom, Dad, Brooke, Camden & Jasmine Trautwein

Congratulations, Tom!!!
Good for Amy!!
You’re a college graduate! We are so proud of your accomplishments... on to bigger and better things! Love, Mom, Dad and Delaney

Congratulations, Kori!
Your family is proud of the person you have become! You have a rare mixture of intellect, artistic ability and a great sense of humor. You light up a room! Your family is proud of the person you have become! We love you! Mom & Dad; Mike, Julie, Sabrina, Sean & Amanda; Paul, Thea & Toren

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You did it! We know what that school means to you! We are extremely proud of you!! Keep your sights high, and always work hard. We love you Mom and Dad

You took what was inside of you and look what you have created on your own. You’re not done yet, but don’t ever forget the gift that is you! You’ve done so well, Honey! Love from Dad, Mom, Jenna, Chris, Tim!

We are so proud of you! We are proud of you! Follow your passion in life and you can accomplish anything you set your mind to. We love you! Mom & Dad

We are very proud of you! Your future is so bright and the best is yet to come. Your biggest fans, Mom, Dad, Taylor & Clayton & Levi

We’re very proud of you. Keep faith in your heart and Love in your words and follow your dreams! We love you so much! Mom, Dad and Kyle

You made it! A double major in four years is an impressive achievement. You can be very proud of all that you have accomplished. We sure are! With all our love, Mom, Dad, Alex and Adam

An educational journey that took you from St. Louis Park to Santa Barbara and around the world with Gustavus! We’re so very proud! Luv, Dad and Mom!

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God granted you the gifts and you embraced Him. Your love for Jesus Christ, Family and Friends will carry you into life of greater blessings. May God bless you and keep you, may His face always shine upon you and be gracious to you. May you live His grace. We are proud of you Emily! Congratulations, Mom and Dad

You made it! I couldn’t be more proud of you. Keep your sights set high and you can accomplish anything you want to. I love you! Mom

You made it! You’ve chosen your path and completed the beginning of your journey. Keep focused on the horizon and you’ll continue to succeed. We love you! Mom, Dad, Tyler & Elyse

We are very proud of you. It feels like we just helped you move in to your Freshman dorm-oh the memories! We love you. Dad, Mom, Miranda, Chase, Kiel, Shug & Sushi

You did it! Congrats on your extraordinary graduation from our alma mater. Here’s to more “bed fears” together on this road of life! <3 Dave & Zeb

You set a goal for yourself and you completed it with style, grace and determination. Your entire family is very proud of you. Congratulations!

We are very proud of you. We are very proud of you. Keep focused on the horizon and you’ll continue to succeed. We love you! Mom, Dad and Kyle

You made it! We are very proud of you! You did it, and you did it all on your own. There isn’t anything you can’t do when you set your mind to it! Rachie. You are the best daughter and sister a family could ask for! Te quiero mi hija! Mom and Michael and Bebe

We appreciate all your work this year! Thank you Weekly non-seniors
Men’s coach of the year: Mark Hanson

Gustavus Men’s Head Basketball Coach Mark Hanson coached the Gusties to the MIAC Playoff Championship game.

Gustavus Men’s Head Basketball Coach Mark Hanson led the Gustavus Men’s Basketball team to a somewhat unexpected second place finish in the MIAC, along with a berth in the MIAC Playoff Championship game. The Gusties concluded their season with a tough loss in overtime in the MIAC Championship to Carleton.

Despite three seniors in the starting lineup (Sam Paulson, Jesse Van Sickle and Ryan McPartland), the Gusties had to rely on their young and relatively inexperienced bench. Junior guards Dan Schmidtknecht and Phil Wirtjes rounded out the starting five, but the bench consisted predominantly of sophomores and first-years. Sophomores Tyler Grey, Seth Anderson and Paul Blacklock played prominent roles off the bench. Anderson and Grey were fifth and sixth in scoring average on the team with 6.8 and 6.3 points per game, respectively. Hanson also incorporated first-years Ben Biewen and Jim Hill into the rotation as they both received valuable minutes off the bench. All theses players will figure to play important roles for the Gusties next season.

The Gusties’ second place finish was a big improvement from an 11-9 record in the MIAC and sixth place finish in the conference last season. Hanson will look to lead the Gusties to another strong season next year, and with a young, yet slightly more experienced team, the Gusties will have higher expectations.

Honorable Mention: Tommy Valenti-Men’s Tennis

Women’s coach of the year: Jon Carlson

Leading the Gusties to their third MIAC Championship in four years, Women’s Swimming and Diving Head Coach Jon Carlson is the Women’s Coach of the Year for Gustavus athletics. The Gusties were able to defeat defending champion Carleton in order to reclaim the MIAC Championship.

During the course of the season, the Gusties broke three MIAC records, four meet records and 12 school records. Carlson’s team earned 22 All-Conference performances, with 10 different Gustavus swimmers receiving All-Conference honors.

The Gustavus Women’s Swimming and Diving Team compiled 114 points at the 2010 NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships to finish in eighth place. The eighth place finish at the NCAA Championships was the best in the history of the program.

Carley Mosher led the Gusties with a seventh place finish in the 200m backstroke. The 400m free relay team of Mosher, Dajana Vidovic, Jonna Berry and Carrie Gunderson finished tenth at the NCAA Championships and broke the school record.

During Carlson’s tenure at Gustavus, the Gusties have won the MIAC Championship five times and placed in the top three in the MIAC for 11 straight years. Carlson has earned MIAC Coach of the Year twice including for the 2009-10 season and in 2002. Carlson will look to the lead the Women’s Swimming and Diving team to consecutive MIAC titles next season with many returning standout performers from this season’s team.

Honorable Mention: Mike Carroll-Women’s Hockey
Men’s athlete of the year: David Martinson

Gustavus Senior hockey player David Martinson was the most accomplished male athlete in Gustavus athletics for the 2009-10 school year. Besides leading the Gusties to an NCAA Quarterfinal finish, a 20-win season and a regular season MIAC crown, Martinson excelled on the ice more than any other Division III player in the nation. He received the 2010 Sid Watson Award, symbolic of the nation’s best Division III men’s hockey player.

Martinson also earned Player of the Year honors in the MIAC as well as First Team All-American status. Martinson led the MIAC in scoring with 23 goals, 36 points and game winning goals with 5. He led the NCAA with 1.04 goals per game, with 29 goals in 29 games. He ranked fifth nationally in points per game at 1.69, with 49 points in 29 games.

Throughout his hockey career at Gustavus, Martinson has been a standout athlete. Martinson compiled 76 goals and 55 assists in 131 points in 85 career games. He leads the Gusties for 131 points in 85 career games.

In addition to Radtke’s standout performance on the basketball court, she is a three-time Academic All-District honoree as well as a 2010 CoSIDA Academic All-District Selection.

Honorable Mention: Katie Schenfeld-Golf, Carley Mosher-Swimming

Women’s athlete of the year: Bri Radtke

Leading the Gusties to an 18-4 record and a second place finish in the MIAC, Gustavus Senior point guard Bri Radtke was the most accomplished athlete of the year. The team’s second place finish was the best finish for the Gusties since the 2006-07 season due in large part to the leadership of Radtke at the point guard position.

Radtke earned the honors of 2010 MIAC Women’s Basketball Player of the Year. She was also a finalist for the 2010 State Farm Coaches’ Division III All-American Team. Radtke, a two-time All-Conference honoree, tied for the lead in the MIAC, with 4.41 assists per game, and was fifth in assist/turnover ratio at 1.76. Radtke also finished near the top in several other statistical categories including points per game, free throw percentage and field goal percentage.

During her four years on the Women’s Basketball team, Radtke played in 108 consecutive games, tying the school record for career games played. She finished her career at Gustavus ranking second in assists, tenth in steals and eleventh in three-point field goals. In addition to Radtke’s standout performance on the basketball court, she is a three-time Academic All-District honoree as well as a 2010 CoSIDA Academic All-District Selection.

Honorable Mention: Jens Brabbin-Nordic Skiing, Skylar Davis-Swimming

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Year in review

Men’s team of the year: Hockey

The Gustavus Men’s Hockey team had the best finish of any men’s team by advancing to the NCAA Quarterfinals.

Seth Wisner
Sports Editor

This year was a year of firsts for the Gustavus Men’s Hockey team. The Gusties had the best finish of any of the men’s varsity teams for the 2009-10 year. The Gusties finished with an overall record of 20-7-2, the first 20-win season for the Gustavus Men’s Hockey program. They also went 12-2-2 in the MIAC to win the regular season title, which was also the first time Gustavus captured the regular season title. Despite winning the regular season crown, Gustavus lost to St. Thomas on home ice in the MIAC Championship. St. Thomas earned the MIAC automatic bid with a 7-2 win. The Gusties went on to win the National Championship with a 7-2 win. The Gusties concluded their season with a hard fought loss against St. Norbert College in Green Bay, Wis. The loss prevented the Gusties from making their second straight appearance in the NCAA Frozen Four in Lake Placid, NY.

The Gustavus offense, led by a trio of forwards, was first in the MIAC in scoring. Senior forward David Martinson led the MIAC with 36 points and 23 goals. Sophomore forward Ross Ring-Jarvi was second in the MIAC in scoring and assists with 30 points and 18 assists. Senior forward Patrick Dynan was first in MIAC with 19 assists and third in scoring with 23 points. The Gustie defense, led by Senior Tony Palma, Senior Cody Mosbeck and Junior Mitch Carlson, helped Gustavus to have one of the best defenses in the MIAC. This trio of defensemen played the majority of the minutes in the Gustie backline, while also contributing on the offensive end. Anchored by Junior goalie Josh Swartout, the Gusties boasted one of the best goalies in the conference and the nation. Swartout led the MIAC in four major categories: goal against average, wins, shutouts and minutes played. Swartout also had the third best save percentage in the MIAC.

These standout performers along with a deep and talented roster helped the Gusties to an other NCAA Tournament berth and a finish as one of the top eight teams in the nation, earning the Gustavus Men’s Hockey team the Men’s Team of the Year.

Honorable Mention: Basketball, Tennis, Swimming & Diving

Women’s team of the year: Hockey

The Gustavus Women’s Hockey team advanced all the way to the Frozen Four, which was hosted at the Don Roberts Ice Rink. The Gusties finished fourth in the nation.

The Gustavus Women’s Hockey team returned to the NCAA Frozen Four for the first time since its fourth place finish in the 2005-06 season. This year’s Gustie squad also finished fourth but received the exciting opportunity to host the Frozen Four at the Don Roberts Ice Rink.

The Gusties lost in the Semifinal round to the defending champions and top-seeded Amherst. Amherst applied constant pressure on the Gusties and came away with a 4-0 victory. Amherst went on to win the National Championship with a 7-2 win over Norwich.

The Gustavus Women’s Hockey team lost its third-place game to an experienced Elmira team 4-1. The loss concluded the Gusties’ season with a record of 22-6-2. Receiving an NCAA Tournament berth by virtue of an easy 5-1 over St. Kate’s in the MIAC Championship game, the Gusties won both the regular season and playoff crowns. They also compiled a 14-3-1 record to win the MIAC, despite a rough patch at the beginning of the season with two early conference losses to St. Thomas and St. Olaf. The Gusties advanced to the Frozen Four by virtue of a 2-0 victory over UW-River Falls.

The Gusties received key contributions from upperclassmen as well as a trio of first-years. Sophomore forward Allie Schwab led the Gusties in scoring with 22 points and was first in the MIAC in goals with 12. Senior forward Melissa Mackley recorded 20 points, finishing fifth in the MIAC in that department. Freshmen Lindsey Hjelm, Meagan Wanecke and Tam Meuwissen finished with 19, 16 and 11 points, respectively, and were key contributors throughout the season for the Gusties.

All-American Junior defender Kirstin Peterson led the Gustie defense and was also third in the MIAC in assists with 13. Junior Sara Vunger and Senior Alyssa Saunders were also key defenders in leading the Gusties to the best scoring defense in the MIAC.

Sophomore goalie Danielle Justice led the MIAC in both goals against average, .977, and shutouts with 4. The Gusties will only graduate two seniors, Melissa Mackley and Alyssa Saunders, and will figure to be major contenders for a return trip to the NCAA Frozen Four with a young, experienced and talented squad.

Honorable Mention: Golf, Swimming & Diving, Rugby