

College should feel like an adventure



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The abundance of activities for first-year students can be both exciting and source of stress, Bhakta argues.

While it's only been a month since I have attended Gustavus Adolphus College, it feels like I have been here for an eternity. Literally. I'm not even joking.

That is exactly what it seems considering all the overwhelming information that has been thrown at us first-years during this time period.

For instance, there was Welcome Week with all the exciting, jam-packed events such as the Square Dance, the President's Banquet, or Work Orientation. If that wasn't enough, we attended our first full week of classes, which was quite the transition for many students.

I sure know it was for me. I wasn't used to all the freedom that came with having to plan out my schedule.

It was always so structured in high school.

The K-12 system organized what we did for seven hours

during the day.

For me, my day began with the following: wake up, go to school, attend activities, go home, study, and repeat that all over again with the same routine.

This particular schedule was laid out for students.

However, in college it hits students in the face with how much independence they have.

It also shocks them with the overload of homework they are assigned.

It may seem like they have all the time in the world, but it is tough when there are other obligations besides college such as sports and music they want to do.

Not only that, but the Involvement Fair which tempts people

to sign up for a billion different things.

Trust me. I signed up for about 15 different clubs just because they looked interesting.

And I know I am not the only one.

There are tons of students who want to get involved (which is actually pretty amazing).

With all of this in mind, people have the urge to work out or spend time with their friends.

This is their way to get rid of the stress or just have some fun once in awhile.

There's honestly so many hours in a day that people have time to do all of this, let alone be mentally sane.

And again, I can relate to the sanity part: just ask my Co-Ed section.

Even though all of this can be quite overwhelming and you might ask yourself, "What is the point of all this? Is it even worth it?" or "Ugh, I have so many things to do in such a short amount of time. I'm never gonna get it done," think of your college experience as a splendid adventure.

It is a time where you should be enjoying yourself, instead of letting the stress and urgency take over you.

Do not let all of your obligations blindsides you from living your life to the fullest and being mentally at peace with yourself.

Even though it can be difficult to look at the positive side, people must do this in order to make college an amusing experience.

Now, I am not saying this is easy. I have struggled with this myself ever since coming here.

It can be really hard trying to block out all the negativity of having to get countless amounts of work done in a short amount of time.

It just seems to hang over you like a dark cloud.

However, students can make it better by changing their perspective on the situation.

By seeing college as a pleasurable endeavour, it can initiate a significant change within themselves as a student and an individual.

They can be relieved to attend college with a peaceful mind, so they do not have to constantly worry about all the demanding tasks.

When allowing the mindset to be calm, it can help ease the pressure that college puts on. By changing your attitude and how you view school in general, it can help further your knowledge in the most effective way.

For instance, you do not have to learn one concept in class and forget about immediately after the test.

You can continue to ponder the information.

It can help you get a greater value out of your education, and also appreciate it more.

Do not see college as a place where you must get an "A" on every assignment in order to be successful.

It is much more than that. It is about creating yourself so you can make an impactful difference in the world.

In my view, that is the real goal and purpose of education.

Political polarization will never get anything done



Oakley Clark
Opinion Columnist

televised debate in American history, and people from around the world were amazed by these two candidates.

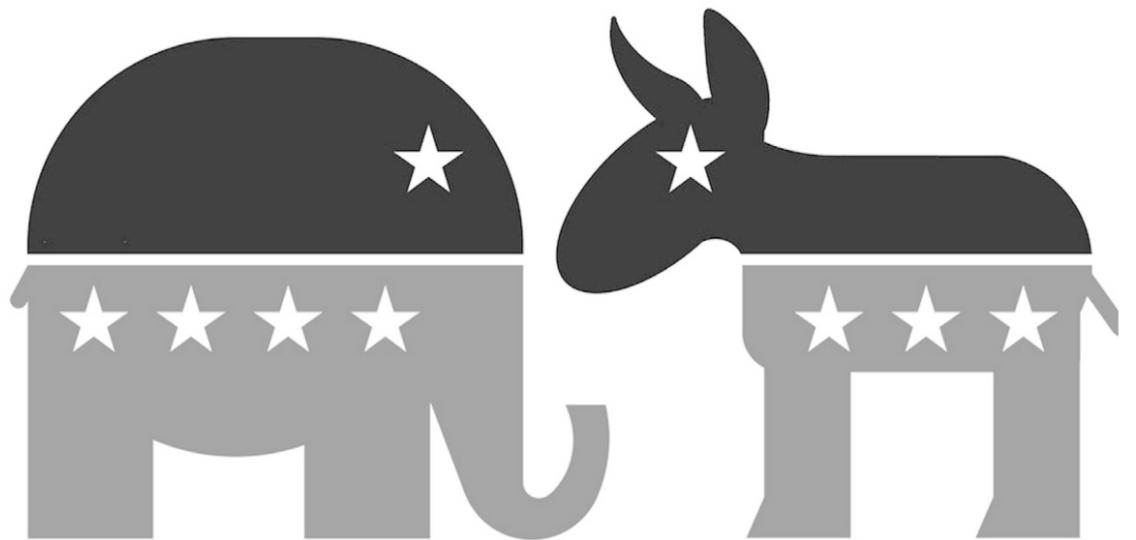
Although Nixon was infamously awkward and unprepared, the fact remained that Americans had not only one, but two qualified, uncorrupt candidates (remember, this was 1960 Nixon) that would more or less keep the country running smoothly—definitely not the case in many parts around the world during that period.

American democracy was the envy of the world purely because Americans were lucky enough to choose between two real leaders.

How the times have changed. Last week—and for the past year—we all have seen the choices the two parties have given us in 2016.

The Democratic Party and the Republican Party have selected candidates that have the highest unfavorability ratings in American history.

One candidate, Hillary Clinton, is an out of touch one percent who has a major problem with transparency.



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The Elephant and the Donkey, representing the Republican and Democratic parties. Clark claims that they have never been as far apart as they are leading up to this year's Presidential election.

Donald Trump is an unqualified madman.

Both are incredibly polarizing figures that will find it difficult—more difficult than President Obama—to get anything done.

Republicans will oppose Hill-

ary because she's Hillary and democrats will oppose Trump because he's Trump.

We will be at a standstill once again, and at a time when the world, and our country, needs action.

Real leaders need to move the

country forward and enact new, out of the box, policies—neither of our main choices this year will be able to do that in this ex-

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It was September 26th, 1960, and over seventy million Americans had their faces glued to their black and white television sets.

When the program began and the lights came on, a little known senator from Massachusetts and a former senator and representative from California suddenly appeared.

John F. Kennedy and Richard Nixon engaged in the first

America's undeniable double standard



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I saw a woman being talked over and down to by a man with far less knowledge than herself.

I saw a woman smile and remain poised while a man ranted and yelled.

What Clinton dealt with on that night and in the Trump campaign's backlash ever since, reveals a double standard with which all American women are familiar.

So it amazes me that some people still deny the existence of this double standard in this election and in our country as a whole.

Many of the arguments Donald Trump made during the debate are dependent upon the different expectations the public has for him as a male candidate and for Clinton as a female candidate.

The discrepancy was obvious for many of the women watching who deal with sexism in their own everyday lives.

But for those who still don't believe, let's unpack what happened during the debate.

Let's begin with perceptions of appearance.

I don't see what appearance has to do with a person's character or capabilities, but Trump loves to talk about women's looks, including Clinton's and many others.

While Trump stumbled through a justification of his previous quote that Clinton does not "look presidential", Clinton brought up Trump's history of shaming women, particularly his treatment of the first Miss Universe winner.

Since the debate, Trump has doubled down on his treatment of Alicia Machado, criticizing her for gaining weight after she won.

Trump has made it clear that



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Schmidtke insists that women in general, and Hillary Clinton in particular, gets judged on her appearance far more than her male counterpart.

whether a woman is a beauty queen or the President of the United States, appearance is an important quality of the job.

Trump is ignorant to the irony of his statements.

We are supposed to believe that Donald Trump, adorned in hairspray and fake tan, looks more presidential than the former Secretary of State.

As for his comments on women's weight, I don't have to point out that Trump isn't exactly an Abercrombie model himself.

But Trump doesn't have to justify his appearance to the world. Men rarely do.

The double standard here is that Trump can look however he wants and still be in the running for President, while Clinton's, and every professional woman's, appearance is under constant scrutiny in relation to their jobs.

Moving on to behavior and temperament, popular topics in this race. Trump closed the debate by saying how Clinton was being 'not nice' for bringing up all the allegedly misogynistic comments he has publically made.

Trump followed up by saying he could have treated Clinton much worse, implying that

he could have brought up Bill Clinton's infidelities.

What her husband's sexual history has to do with Clinton's ability to lead a country, I don't know, but Trump wants to be commended for not bringing it up.

The difference here is that Clinton is judged by how she behaved and what she said during the debate.

Trump expects to be judged by how he could have behaved and what he could have said.

Men are taught to believe that they deserve a pat on the back for not being terrible while women are required to smile and be "nice" even if they're running for the highest office in the country.

Trump is a hypocrite. He bullies women while also pretending to be victimized by one.

He drags up Clinton's husband's affairs while being on his third marriage and openly making comments about his attraction to other women.

He expects to be commended for not saying something awful but won't own up to the awful comments he has already said.

Trump's supporters don't see him as a hypocrite, because he takes full advantage of the sexist double standards Clinton is up against.

This is not to say that voters can't criticize Hillary too.

But that criticism must focus on her abilities, her policies, and her beliefs.

Both her opponents and her supporters must judge her by the same standards as any other candidate whose run for the Presidency.

At the very least, we all must acknowledge the double standard at play in the debate and in this election as a whole. Because we know Donald Trump never will.

The first presidential debate happened this week.

I could write one thousand articles about everything that was said or done by the candidates, but I'm going to focus on the point of greatest personal relevance to myself.

The double standard here is that Trump can look however he wants and still be in the running for President, while Clinton's, and every professional woman's, appearance is under constant scrutiny in relation to their jobs.

While watching the debate Monday night, I saw a connection with Hillary Clinton I hadn't noticed before.

The Good, the Bad, and the Meh



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The temperature will still be in the 60's next week, but lets face it, aren't we all wishing for some serious sweater weather right now?



Mosquitos, seriously, your time is up. Get out. We don't like you and never will.

No matter your political standpoint, assault should not be defended



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The Gustavus cafeteria. Hastings-Ereth urges that, even though political opinion might differ, aggression and violence is never the way to go.



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On September 26, a girl was assaulted in the caf while going to watch the presidential debate with her fellow republicans.

This was because she was wearing a hat that had the slogan "Make America great again" written on it.

Allegedly no physical contact was made, however Minnesota Statute 609.224 states that "anyone who commits an act with intent to cause fear in another of immediate bodily harm or death" or "intentionally inflicts or attempts to inflict bodily harm upon another" has committed misdemeanor assault in the fifth degree.

Because of this an assault report was filed through Gustavus, and a final decision will be reached soon.

This is heartbreaking to know that one of our students was assaulted for such a thing. Gustavus makes a huge deal about

assault, and how it is never okay to assault someone.

Yet, something like this still happens.

A statement from Gustavus read "Gustavus Adolphus College respects the rights of students to engage in the political process and encourages all students—regardless of political affiliation—to contribute to civil dialogue in a thoughtful and respectful manner" yet this girl was not respected at all.

This incident created a wave over social media and many college political websites, both republican and democratic. Throughout my three years here at Gustavus, I have received many e-mails about bias incidents, racial slurs, sexual assaults, and other unfortunate events throughout campus.

Yet, the e-mail sent about this incident was not indicative of what actually happened.

The e-mail that was sent to fellow students described this as a "verbal exchange" when this man charged and threatened two republicans.

I keep going through the scenario in my head and there is no reason why the campus should not be properly notified of this incident.

If this happened to the girl because she was wearing a hat, imagine what could happen to other people wearing other forms of clothing?

I hate thinking that such an "inclusive" and "diverse" college such as Gustavus would tolerate such a thing.

In a recent interview with the female victim, who wishes to remain anonymous, I asked a series of questions regarding the incident, including a run

through of what happened.

"Me and [Name Withheld] were cleaning up supplies from window painting. He spilled paint and so we went to get more cleaning supplies, paper towels and such. As we were walking out of the caf I heard someone yell "F**k Donald Trump!" I looked over and saw a man. [Name withheld] said in response "Vote Donald trump!" sarcastically.

That's when the man came closer and started making threatening remarks.

Like, "I will fight you right now, I will punch your f**king teeth out!" I made no comments but his remarks continued. Neither me or [Name Withheld] said anything aggressive. He charged at us, and some guy had to hold him back, actually

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hold him back. I was so scared. "I could see how scared she was because of this situation. I know that many people are taking this very lightly but in reality this is incredibly serious.

"I am scared to leave my room, I came to Gustavus because I thought it was a safe place. But it's not a safe place"

Hearing this made my heart

sink.

How horrible would it be to feel threatened every time you left your dorm, that is no way to experience college.

In response to what has happened the assailant is pressing charges, he has admitted to the incident but refuses to take any blame.

A source, who wishes to remain anonymous, states "He is a troublemaker".

I personally do not know the assailant so I cannot justify this statement.

But what he has done has made this girl scared and this will affect the rest of her life at Gustavus.

She is afraid that he will walk away without any punishment because of prior incidents and the action that was taken.

With this happening it makes me wonder if Gustavus is really the safe place it says it is.

You shouldn't be afraid to express your opinion but if you're a republican you cant express that because it's offensive.

It is no secret that the Republican Party is a minority on campus, but that should not be a reason for assault.

This campaign has caused uproar throughout the world, not just Americans whom this campaign directly affects.

There have been attacks, riots, and other forms of aggressive behavior in response to things that both Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump have said.

Throughout history politics has been a very controversial topic, and this election is no exception.

No matter your political views, assault is never okay.

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tremely polarized environment.

We have gone from two reasonable choices in 1960 to practically no valid choice today. American democracy is no longer the envy of the world.

The good news, however, is that there are other choices—perhaps not as great or grand as either JFK or Nixon, but definitely more appealing than what the two parties have slopped on our plates.

Both the Libertarian Party's Gary Johnson and the Green Party's Jill Stein provide a breath of fresh air.

Both of these candidates are honest, principled, and talk about the issues.

Johnson, specifically, was a former governor and business owner—instantly exceeding the qualifications of Donald Trump.

Whether you're left, right, up, down, or sideways on the political spectrum, our main third party choices represent a down to earth and practical approach to politics—especially appreciated in the wake of a recovery, illustrated by the one percent and political class, that has left many of us behind.

Voting for principled candidates with out of the box solutions is not "wasting" your vote.

The two parties use rhetoric to bash third parties because they have an interest in maintaining the status quo; it's much easier for them to disregard the good ideas of third parties than actually be held accountable and change themselves.

It is the role of the parties and candidates to appeal to us—the other way around.

If Jill Stein is polling at 5 percent, she isn't "stealing" those votes from Hillary, but Hillary is losing those votes because she refuses to change her positions on issues that resonate with those voters.

It is not a problem of the third party but a problem of the major party.

At the end of the day, we live in Minnesota—which I'm sure you're well aware of.

We live in a state that has not gone red since 1972, and on top of that, Minnesota was the only state where Donald Trump didn't get first or second place in the Republican primary.

With that said, Donald Trump will never win Minnesota.

In US politics, a candidate only needs to get a majority of votes to win all ten of Minnesota's electoral votes—the votes that actually count.

So why not cast your ballot for someone who you actually want to vote for?

The very worst that could happen is that the major parties would be reminded that they answer to us, the people, and that it is their role to provide us with candidates and platforms that reflect our sentiments.

BENEATH THE CROWN



What is one of your biggest passions?

"I really love getting to know people. Everyone has cool stuff in their past, as well as really cool skills and different ways of thinking that I've never thought of. It's one of the main reasons I became a CF last year and why I'm looking into joining something new this year. I just love it."

Are you trying to bring this into your career?

"Yeah! I'm a math major right now and I plan to get a doctorate. People often ask me 'Are you going teach? Are you going to sit in a tiny cubicle?' I really want to work in a place as a sort of manager where I get to talk to and interact with super smart people who know math really well and basically translate what they're doing and saying into layman's terms so that they can get the funding they need or do what they need to do.

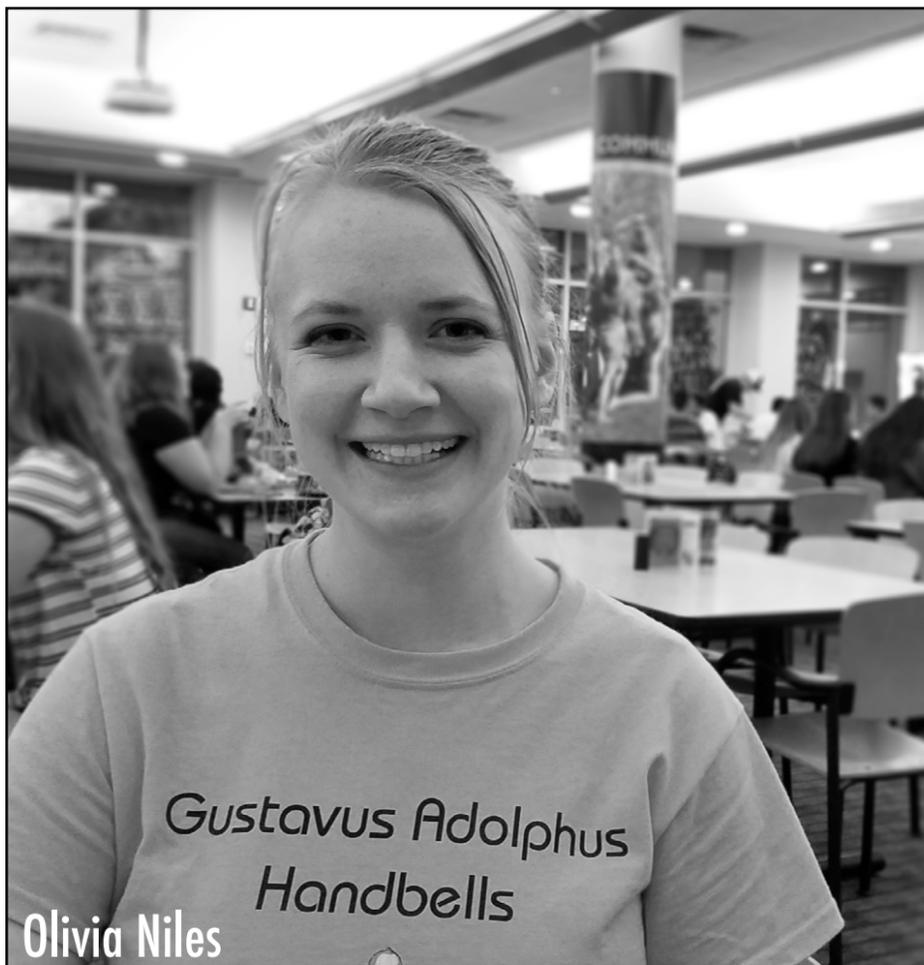
So that's my main goal, but I also want to just get more and more

education about math. It's important to me to not only be good at it, but to encourage more women to do it if they like it."

What kind of advice would you give to someone who wants to meet more people?

"I think the biggest one is to stop being afraid and embarrassed. I think people can be worried about what others think a lot. I have tons of experience with that, but honestly, no one ever cares about what exactly you're doing. Most people are often worrying about themselves, so you can just ask them the weirdest stuff and do the weirdest things and everyone remembers that you were the fun one to be with, not that you were weird. If you're the quiet one who prefers to do their own thing that's great, but if you want to get out and meet people you need to stop being afraid."

Beneath The Crown was created by Nick Theisen ('15). It is inspired by Humans of New York (HONY) and aims to bring the community of Gustavus Adolphus College closer together by providing the perspectives of the many different people who live and work at the school.



Cameron MacDonald

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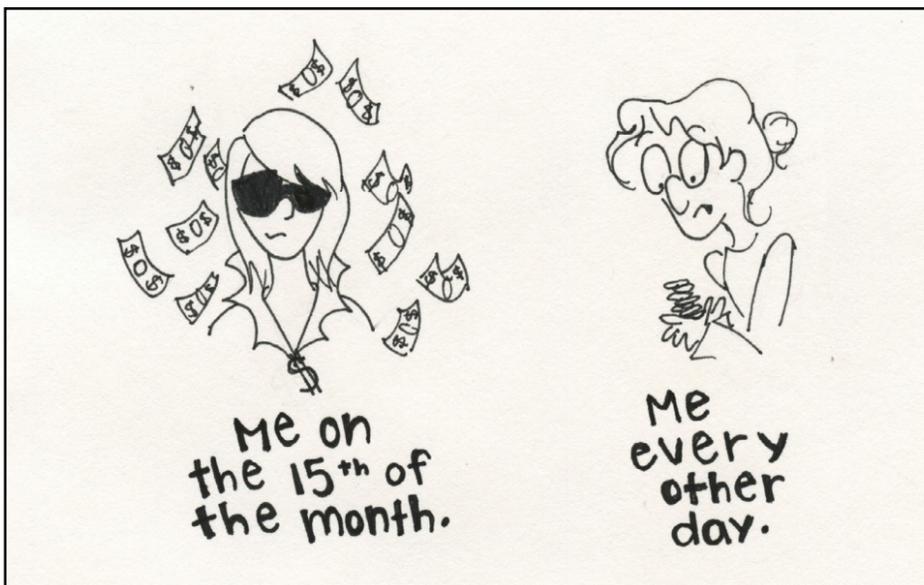
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Men's Tennis sweep ITA Regionals

Al-Houni and Whaling takes first and second to highlight cool fall season



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Junior Mohanad Al-Houni (left) and teammate, Sophomore Patrick Whaling (right), faced off in the finals of the Intercollegiate Tennis Association Midwest Regional. Al-Houni won the match but there were no hard feelings between doubles partners. Al-Houni is now headed to Arizona for the Division 3 National Singles Championship.

Jake Woodrich Staff Writer

Over the past number of weeks, Gustavus Men's and Women's Tennis have both been hard at work during their fall season. This rather brief fall season only lasted about one month. Each team, however, is very pleased with how their short seasons went.

On the Men's side of the court, the Gusties had two competitions this fall. Their first competition took place in Iowa at Drake University in mid-September.

Their second, and final competition was the men's portion of the ITA Midwest Regional, taking place here at Gustavus just last weekend. At both of these competitions, Junior Mohanad Al-Houni played stellar tennis, taking second at the Drake Fall Invite, and winning the ITA Midwest Regional singles title.

The finals of the ITA tournament were especially unique, as Al-Houni faced off against a player he is extremely familiar with: his own teammate and doubles partner, Sophomore Patrick Whaling.

"Playing a teammate in this tournament is something that could get nerve racking. I am very proud of Patrick in the process that he is taking and willing to put in the work that put him to where he is at right now. I am really looking forward to see his young experience develop in the future after a great run in the ITA's," Al-Houni said.

With his first place finish, Al-Houni has earned a trip to Arizona next week to compete in the ITA National Division III Singles Championships.

"Winning the ITA tournament is something really special to me and it's something I am really grateful for. I am really grateful for my teammates for always pushing me and each other to get better, which allowed me to put trust in them," Al-Houni said.

Even though having two finalists was an extremely impressive task, Men's Head Coach Tommy Valentini was also happy with the overall depth that his team displayed last weekend.

"It was certainly an honor to have the two singles finalists, but I was most impressed by the balance and depth we showed throughout the event in singles

and doubles. I was pleased with how our guys embraced the unique challenges of the event, and we grew a lot as individual competitors and as a team as a result of the excellent competition," Valentini said.

For the women, the only competition of the fall took place here at Gustavus in late September, when the team hosted the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) Midwest Regional tournament.

"We had a terrific fall season this year. For the first time ever, we brought in the girls a week prior to school. This allowed us to jump-start our fall season with two-a-days and a lot of team bonding. We had a solid four weeks of preparation for our only competition for the fall, which is our ITA tournament," Women's Assistant Coach, Heidi Carlson, said.

Although the women did not come out with any first place finishers at the tournament, the team fared extremely well in both singles and doubles play.

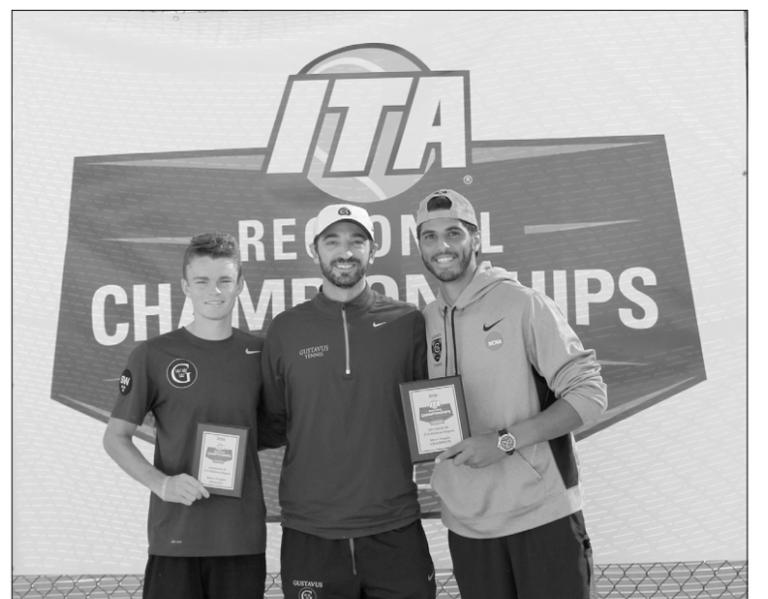
"We had four Gusties in the round of 16 in singles, along with three doubles teams also in the round of 16. Our top doubles team of Michaela Schulz and Ally Baker lost a tough one in

the semis, 9-7, to the eventual champions from UW-Whitewater," Carlson said.

Now that the competition of the fall season has concluded for both the Men's and Women's teams, the Gusties now have some time off before taking the court again in the spring. Although the teams may have

an offseason period, you can bet that all of the Gustavus tennis players will be busy putting in work all winter to prepare for the spring season.

Perhaps in the spring Whaling will get a chance to dethrone his doubles partner.



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From right: Sophomore Patrick Whaling, Head Coach Tommy Valentini and Junior Mohanad Al-Houni celebrate their 1-2 finish.

Volleyball goes one in three against tough rivals



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Junior Annie Ladwig bumps the ball as teammates, Sophomores Brittany Luethmers (4) and Hannah Albers (14) look on. In the last three games the Gusties lost to MIAC foe Augsburg, beat MIAC foe St. Thomas, and lost to non-conference opponent UW-Stout. The Gusties look to bounce back on Friday as they host Carleton at 7 p.m.

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Volleyball's eight-match win streak was snapped by Augsburg on Wednesday, Sept. 28, when the Auggies beat the Gusties 3 sets to 1. The loss also broke a 16-match win streak within the MIAC that dated back to 2014.

"Augsburg played relentlessly. Very strong defense and attacked our block a lot...I felt like we couldn't totally get into a groove and hold our momentum when we did go on runs."

—Coach Sherden

The Gusties trailed for most of the first set until they took a 17-16 lead over the Auggies. The Black and Gold increased their lead to 22-19, but couldn't hold on as Augsburg tied the score

three times then got the kill to win 28-26.

The second set was an all-out battle, with nine ties and five lead changes. The Gusties had the Auggies where they wanted them halfway through the set, leading 18-14, and then 20-16, but a 7-2 run by Augsburg gave them a 23-22 lead that they held on to for the 25-23 win.

The Auggies, smelling blood, fired out of the gate, straining for the shutout, and took a 7-4 lead. The Gusties, not dead yet, rallied for an 11-9 lead. The Auggies bounced back with 5 straight points for a 14-11 advantage, but the Gusties kicked it into high gear and went 14-3 in the rest of the set en route to a 25-17 win.

The final game caught the tired Gusties off guard. Augsburg took a 4-1 lead and never trailed after that, cruising to a 25-16 win.

"Augsburg played relentlessly. Very strong defense and attacked our block a lot on defense. They brought a lot of energy and grit. We played scrappy defense, however we made too many unforced er-

rors on offense and serving. I felt like we couldn't totally get into a groove and hold our momentum when we did go on runs," Head Coach Rachelle Sherden said.

"We came in disciplined and aggressive tonight and played solid defense and on serve receive. Nora made very smart decisions to help our attackers get good opportunities."

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The Gustie offense was again led by Sophomore Lauren Hanson, who had 16 kills. Sophomore Hannah Albers was right behind Hanson with 15 kills, and also put up a team-high 27 digs for a double-double. Sophomore Nora Holtan had a double-double of her own with 52 assists and 12 digs. Junior Shaefer Rugar also played well with 12 kills.

The Gusties bounced back against St. Thomas on Saturday, Oct. 1, winning in four sets.

In the first set the Gusties found themselves down 16-17, but rallied to win 25-20.

The second set was kicked off with a 8-4 Gustie lead, but five straight Tommie points made it anyone's game. Gustavus was able to finish however, scoring eight out of the next ten points for a 25-23 win.

The Tommies jumped out to a 5-0 lead in the third set, forcing a timeout. Gustavus was able to tie the game at 8-8 but couldn't get ahead as St. Thomas won 25-21.

The fourth set was back-and-forth until a 7-1 run in the middle of the set broke the Tommies minds and spirits as the Black and Gold took a 15-9 lead and held on for a 25-18 victory.

Holtan was again fantastic in the win, earning her third career triple-double with 48 assists, 16 digs and 10 kills. Albers added a double-double with 19 kills and 18 digs, and Hanson tallied 18 kills. Senior Taylor Trautman had 12 kills in the win, and Sophomore Brittany Luethmers

was a force on the back line with 20 digs.

"We bounced back well and had good practice Friday," Coach Sherden said. "We came in disciplined and aggressive tonight and played solid defense and on serve receive. Nora made very smart decisions to help our attackers get good opportunities against the Tommie defense. Serving was not perfect but purposeful. Traut, Hanna, and Lauren had a solid night on offense."

Tuesday, Oct. 4 the Gusties travelled to UW-Stout.

The first two sets were close, but the Blue Devils edged out the Gusties 25-23 and 25-18. The Third set saw the tables turn as Gustavus won 25-18, but the Devils dominated in the fourth and final set, winning 25-16.

Hanson tallied a team high 14 kills, Holtan posted 37 assists, and Luethmers tallied 24 digs in the loss.

The Gusties are now 13-4 overall and 4-1 in the MIAC.

At 7 p.m. on Friday Gustavus looks to get back on track as the Gusties host Carleton College (11-4 overall, 3-2 MIAC).

Football falls short on homecoming

Strong final quarters sees Cobbers run away with 46-21 victory



Gustavus Sports Information

A packed stadium brought great energy as the Gusties faced MIAC foe Concordia-Moorhead for Homecoming on Saturday. The Gusties were down 21-26 with 1:50 left in the third quarter, but a big fourth quarter from the Cobbers made all the difference as they scored three unanswered touchdowns, defeating the Gusties 46-21.

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A year after losing to the Gusties in the final seconds, the Cobbers had their revenge.

Despite keeping the score close throughout the first three quarters of the game, the Gustavus football team dropped their Homecoming game to the Cobbers last Saturday, 21-46.

The Gusties faced a very different team than the previous week, when they held Hamline to only 17 rushing yards but struggled against the pass. Concordia, on the other hand, only threw the ball 9 times for 18 yards, but ran the ball successfully 57 times for 400 yards.

The Cobbers were led by Running Back Chad Johnson, who amassed 190 yards and four touchdowns on 21 attempts.

The Concordia offense scored on its second possession of the game, but missed the extra point, to lead 6-0. That score held for the remainder of the first half and the Gusties were never able to regain the lead.

Early in the second quarter, Concordia found the endzone again with their second rushing touchdown, extending the lead

to 13-0. Not long after, Freshman Quarterback Christian Haffner orchestrated a 65-yard drive that ended with a five-yard touchdown pass to fellow Freshman Josh Kirk. The teams went into the locker rooms at half time with the Gusties down 13-7.

Concordia wasted little time in expanding their lead after the half, as they constructed a seven play, 70 yard drive on their first offensive possession. However, the Gusties responded right away, highlighted by a 77-yard touchdown completion from Haffner to Kirk to bring the Cobber lead back to just six points.

This didn't last long though, as Concordia scored in just two plays after a 60-yard kickoff return.

The Gusties' final response was sparked by a fumble recovery by Junior Chris Nelson at Concordia's 17-yard line. With less than two minutes left in the third quarter, Haffner found Sophomore Jamison Beulke in the end zone from six yards out to cut the deficit to 21-26.

The Gustavus offense was unable to put any points on the board in the fourth quarter, and Concordia scored three touch-

downs in the final quarter to stretch their lead.

Haffner finished the game 19-29 with 234 yards, three touchdowns and one interception. The Gustie defense was led by Junior Leeland Lauti, who made his presence felt all over the field with 11 tackles.

Concordia held Gustie Running Back Karim Ortiz to 45 yards on 18 carries after he ran for more than 150 yards in the previous two games.

With this loss, Gustavus moves to 3-2 on the season, and 1-2 in the MIAC. The Gusties now have a weekend off, before they return to the field away in Arden Hills against another MIAC opponent, Bethel University.

Bethel is 1-4 this season (1-2 MIAC), but two of those losses have been by seven points or fewer. In 2015, the Gusties fell to Bethel by a score of 24-33.

The Gustie offense will look to have a productive outing, as Bethel has allowed an average of 34 points per game to opponents this season.

The Gusties don't return home to Hollingsworth Field until Oct. 22nd, when they take on St. Johns in the Hall of Fame Game at 1 pm.

Centennial Celebration



The Homecoming football game is always a special event, but this year it was more so. The game also marked the celebration of 100 seasons of Gustavus Football. Football alumni showed up in massive numbers. The alumni not only got to enjoy the game, but also take a photo with the current players and attend a large celebration in Alumni Hall afterwards.

Despite the Gusties' loss, the environment at the celebration was cheery, as speakers from every era of Gustie Football reflected on their experiences.

Other highlights included a video of key plays throughout Gustie football history, a silent auction and trophies and memorabilia from all of the 100 seasons on the hill.

"The heritage of Gustavus football runs deep, and today we had a chance to celebrate the growth of the program and the strong athletic traditions that we've built here on The Hill," Head Coach Peter Haugen said.