

# Turning trash into soil



**Emily Seppelt**  
Opinion Columnist

**H**ow often do you compost? If you've ever tried, you probably know how difficult it can be on a college campus. It's hard to find a compost bin nearly anywhere, and there are only a few near the Caf.

However, not all the blame can be put on the administration itself. A lack of student investment has caused issues in expanding the composting program.

Due to the sheer number of people on a college campus, and the huge amounts of food consumed, it would make sense to compost. According to the EPA (the Environmental Protection Agency), over 30% of what Americans throw away are yard and food scraps. If we were to compost these things, we would waste much less food and money.

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Assistant Director of Dining Services Kevin Birr, says that a "lack of student buy-in" has created problems in managing the existing composting bins. When students put trash into a compost bin, everything is contaminated. When students do not compost compostable materials, it makes the program much less effective.

While a large chunk of food scrap emissions are created by large chain restaurants, each one of us can lessen our carbon footprint by composting our food. Just imagine the difference that the hundreds of people who attend Gustavus could make if they all committed to composting their food.

This is why more compost bins are needed on campus. According to Birr, the only compost bins for widespread use are in the Jackson Campus Center. If composting was more accessible to everyone, more students would get into the habit of throwing their food scraps in the compost rather than in the garbage.

There are currently no compost bins located in the dorms, making it very difficult to prop-



The main composting area of Gustavus lies near the campus' greenhouse.

Katie Mattinen

erly compost one's food.

There are a myriad of benefits to composting, not just environmental, but for people as well. When we compost our food scraps (instead of throwing them in a dump), we lessen carbon emissions. Carbon emissions cause global climate change, which is defined, according to the US Composting Council, as the "increased average temperature of the Earth, oceans, and atmosphere."

Rising temperatures contribute to higher sea levels, the destruction of habitats across the globe, and increased extreme weather. We can directly see these effects by observing the increased amount of dangerous, destructive hurricanes in the recent past. Just look at the devastating effects of Hurricane Maria on Puerto Rico.

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When food scraps are composted, methane and carbon dioxide are used instead of being released into the atmosphere. Composting our food scraps also helps to make our agriculture healthier. Composted food scraps help plants to grow better and in a healthier way, allowing for a decreased use of chemical fertilizers.

Dining Service is trying to work out the issues currently associated with the composting program. While all the compostable to-go cups and utensils are a big step, they become useless garbage once they leave the

Campus Center, as there are no other composting bins. This creates a large expense because the compostable material is already expensive to buy and create.

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Ultimately, Gustavus' goal is to become a zero-waste campus and expand the composting program across all of campus. According to the EPA, zero-waste means that no waste or garbage of any kind is sent to landfills or incinerators.

Gustavus has a facility to process the food that is composted currently, located by the campus greenhouse. It takes about three to four months to process all the food scraps, to-go coffee cups, and compostable containers, straws, and utensils. After completion, the materials are usable as organic material.

If The Caf is going to offer compostable containers, utensils, and straws, they need to be easy to dispose of properly. Making composting accessible to all will also create even more of a sense of community at Gustavus. I

f we all were to commit to the shared goal of composting and a more sustainable campus, everyone would be able to feel better about their contribution to the environment.

"If the student body were to take hold and commit to composting- we would make

great progress. Some of the responsibility does lie with them," Birr said.

If you use compostable containers from the Caf, make sure to throw them in the compost bin when you're done. Don't throw trash where it doesn't belong, and encourage others to do the same.

Support the Dining Service in their efforts to be more envi-

ronmentally conscious and be patient. If every one of us commits to composting as much as we can, the environment, and the entire Gustavus community will improve.

Every person on campus needs to do their part in making Gustavus a more sustainable place to call home.



Food waste makes excellent and nourished compost.

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# Death of a department

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Contributing Writer

Last spring, as students were returning to campus from their J-term break, many students, myself included, discovered that Gustavus had decided to unilaterally dissolve the Chinese department. The decision was founded upon financial constraints which “forced” the Gustavus administration to eliminate a program of study.

At the time of the announcement, (which was never made in an official capacity to the Gustavus student body it was announced by Student Senate in a condemning statement) the Chinese department had one professor who formally taught in the classroom, Dr. Nan Li.

Dr. Li was well-respected amongst her students and she worked hard to make sure they understood the new tonal language, which differs greatly from our West Germanic language (English). Li was a visiting professor who had previously taught at Gustavus for a couple of years before being informed her scholarship and expertise would no longer be needed beginning this fall.

Gustavus claimed the reason for the dissolution of the Chinese department was due to financial constraints, but Dr. Li earned only \$4,000 per month to teach her courses. To put that into perspective, perhaps you have seen the giant fenced-off area behind the Chapel and the giant crane that stands above all else on campus. The whole Nobel expansion is costing Gustavus \$70 million. Aside from that, Gustavus currently has a \$168 million endowment. That basically means they have \$168 million in the bank.

If Gustavus were truly concerned about saving money, \$4,000 per month would not be the first place I would look to save, relatively, pennies to those tens of millions of dollars being spent elsewhere.

Gustavus claims they are a place of diversity and mutual understanding because of their cultural and linguistic education. How can this be the case when they brazenly attacked the second-largest spoken language in the world by kicking it off campus? One-fifth of the global population speaks Chinese so wouldn't it be valuable for students to learn this extremely useful language?

Moreover, China has the second largest economy in the world and one of the largest trading partners of the United States. The economic relationship between China and the United States is strong and will only continue to grow as time progresses.

Just like English, Chinese has become a language for businesses throughout the world and it would behoove those who are interested in global economics to have the opportunity to study Chinese.

Last, Gustavus is working on

implementing a new curriculum aimed at increasing global citizenship and stewardship. It seems counterintuitive to push for this new curriculum while simultaneously alienating the Chinese department.

The administration's unwillingness to reach out and receive input from the student body and overarching community on such a large decision was repugnant.

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A bigger slap in the face is that Chinese is still an option when selecting a class on WebAdvisor. Students click the link in curiosity only to have a red bar with black text reading, “[n]o classes meeting the search criteria have been found” appears.

Furthermore, if one is to search “Chinese” on Gustavus' home website, they are met with a nice home page which says the Chinese department is being “reconstructed” and that Gustavus anticipates offering Chinese in “the subsequent years,” which is laughable. The claim that Gustavus may offer Chinese again in the future is an attempt to quell an outraged student body who received no input on the subject matter.

Finally, because of the decision to dismantle the Chinese department, student organizations like Global China Connection (GCC) struggle to stay active on campus. GCC, which facilitates relationships and networks for those interested in Chinese languages and culture, has been prominent in recent years on campus for sponsoring events like Open Mic Night, a cultural mixer, International Games Night, and the Lunar New Year celebration.

Unfortunately, the Chinese department was the only department who would advise GCC and now they are attempting to find another department to advise their organization, so they may continue to be present and active on campus.

The Chinese department was invaluable to strengthening international relationships and education. Now, it is contingent upon the student body to demand that the administration reimplement the program and honestly seek feedback from the Gustavus community before another brazen act can occur again.

## The Good, the Bad, and the Meh



The CAB trip to Hamilton is on Thursday and you might be going.



You are most definitely gonna have your first quiz this week.



80° and humid ≠ fall.

## Setting it straight

In the September 7, 2018 issue of THE GUSTAVIAN WEEKLY, our front page incorrectly previewed an opinion article titled “A/C is too cool for school” written by Ella Napton. The quote summarizes her argument as “Air conditioning should not be allowed on campus.” This was a misquote and does not accurately reflect the article's argument, which states that out campus has greater needs than residential air conditioning. THE GUSTAVIAN WEEKLY apologizes to both our audience and the article's author Ella Napton, for this incorrect summary and misquote of her argument. We appreciate you understanding regarding this issue.

In the September 7, 2018 issue of THE GUSTAVIAN WEEKLY, our entertainment section featured a distasteful and potentially insulting pun. THE GUSTAVIAN WEEKLY absolutely does not tolerate content that encourages or fosters hateful and intolerant speech, regardless of its form or intentions. THE GUSTAVIAN WEEKLY prides ourselves on inclusivity and diversity throughout our pages and amongst our audience. We apologize to all and sincerely thank our readers for trusting us to bring relevant information on and about Gustavus' campus.

From: THE GUSTAVIAN WEEKLY Staff

# Join the club



**Lauren Casey**  
Opinion Columnist

Going off to college, the one phrase that cannot be escaped is “get involved.” That’s all I, and I am pretty sure the rest of the student body, heard as they started their first day as a Gustie. Many of us already know that being an overly-involved Gustie is a hobby in itself here on the hill.

It is hard not to walk through the Involvement Fair and sign up for everything like an all you can eat buffet. You like animals? Pound pals is the way to go. Want to go Greek? Join one of the fraternities or sororities. Need to learn to juggle that busy schedule you’re creating for yourself? We’ve got the juggling club.

Signing up for clubs, organizations, and intramurals is equivalent to going to Target for one item and coming out with a cart full. So how is being an overly-involved Gustie with no free time a good thing?

It is inevitable to make friends when getting involved. Coming to college as a first-year can be intimidating because it is a blank slate. Being able to go to meals, activities, and hang out with a group of friends is what makes college so great, but finding that group isn’t always the easiest. Joining a club or organization of interest is an automatic set-up to find people interested in the same thing.

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It isn’t uncommon for those who join organizations to make college friendships that last a lifetime. “Joining a sorority brought me some of my best friends, and they all have the same interests and passions as me,” Junior Vanessa Case said. “Getting involved also allows for friendships with students in different years to take place. This isn’t like high school where it is more the norm to only be friends with your own class. Some of my best friends are in grades above me that I met through my organizations



Gustavus Cheerleading was among the many groups participating in the involvement fair.

Abby Anderson

I’m involved in, and I am so grateful for that.”

Getting involved at Gustavus ensures that there is something for everyone. The variety is astounding. Gustavus Women in Leadership, Habitat for Humanity, and Swing Dancing Club, the list goes on and on.

What is great about all of them is that each organization, club, or sport has a place for everyone whether that be a leadership role or as an active member. Clubs give students the chance to be passionate about something other than getting good grades.

They teach skills such as teamwork, planning, problem solving, time management, and comradery. “The biggest skill I have gained from Finance club is leadership. I lead the activities department, and it’s the first time I’ve had a lead role in the

club. It’s been a great experience,” Junior Mitch Munson said. For those of you who still don’t agree that your “something” is here, Gustavus gives students the chance to create their own. Maybe you’re the future president of Fortnite club?

College is the perfect time to try something new, and getting involved on campus with the most welcoming people around is the perfect way to do it. There is no judgement if you realize you just don’t have the time and can’t show up to all the meetings or if you realize the organization isn’t for you.

There is nothing wrong with a little trial and error. “My friends brought me along to juggling club, and I liked it so much that I became a regular,” Senior Peter Varanasi said. Being able to branch out and try something new promotes growth and may

lead to a new hobby. I never thought I would be a part of the Gustavus Barbell Club, but here I am.

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As mentioned before, it is hard to walk through the Involvement Fair, and not stumble upon a new organization that sparks interest. I love all the organizations I am involved in now-most of them stemming from impulsively signing up, and I have not once regretted scribbling my name down. The biggest concern though is time.

While I will admit I have spread myself thin, everything I have gained makes it all worth it. “It is definitely worth the time. It can be stressful, but once you are there it is worth it and a nice way to decompress,” said Case. The friends, memories, and passions made through these organizations stand tall against busy schedules.

When I look at my schedule, all I see is classes that I love, a day full of seeing my friends, working to better the community, spreading awareness and knowledge, fun times, and chances to better myself. Why turn that down?

If being overly-involved were more detrimental than beneficial, the term “involved Gusties” would not continue to live on as long as it has.

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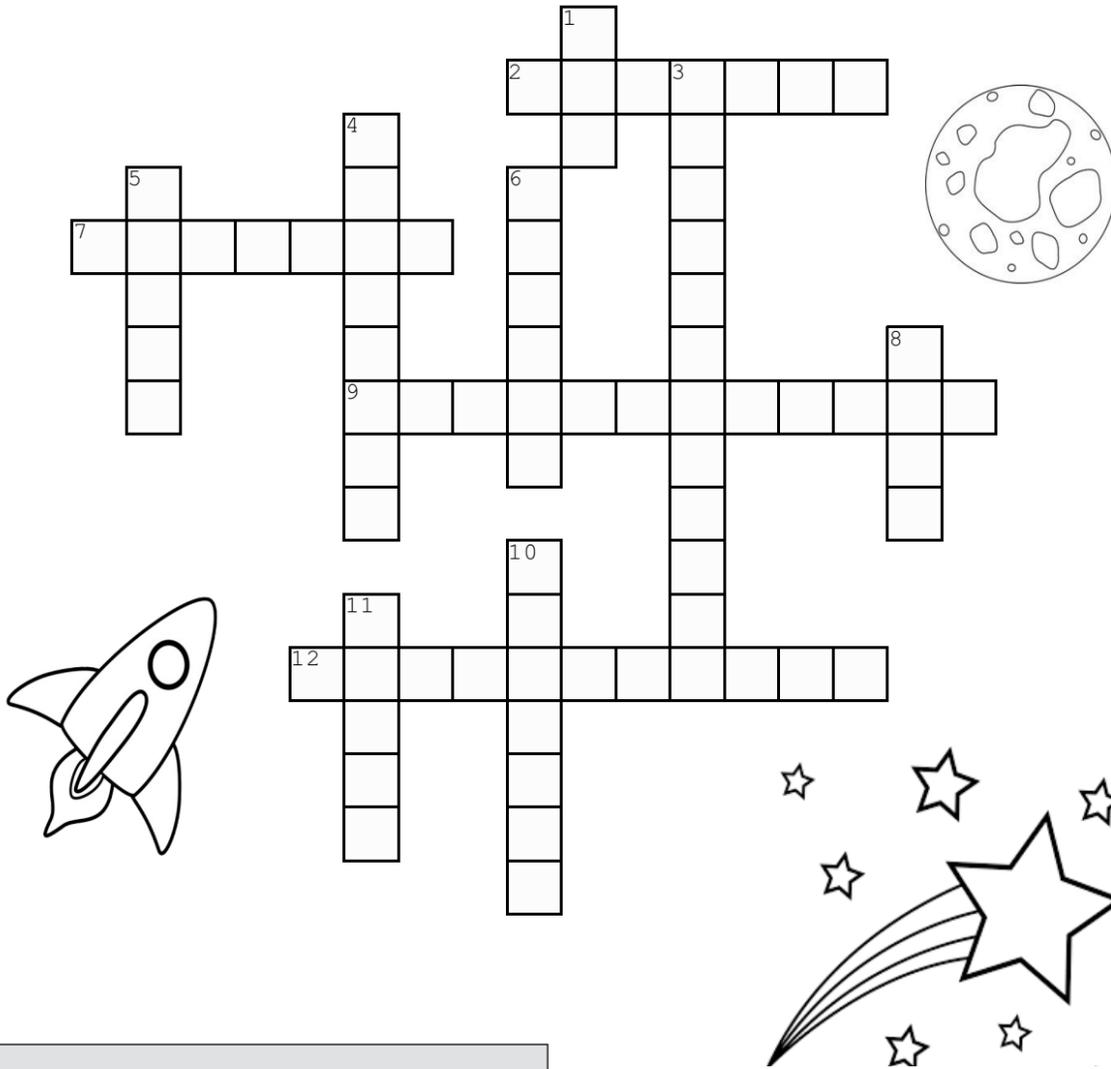
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# Crossword

## Across

### The Solar System



- 2. largest planet
- 7. the force of one object's pull on another
- 9. four planets farthest from the sun
- 12. the sun and the objects that orbit around it

## Down

- 1. center of the solar system
- 3. four planets closest to the sun
- 4. chunk of rock or metal that orbits the sun
- 5. the path the object takes as it moves around another object in space
- 6. a large body of rock or gas that orbits around a star
- 8. hot ball of glowing gases
- 10. smallest planet
- 11. large ball of ice and dust that orbits the sun

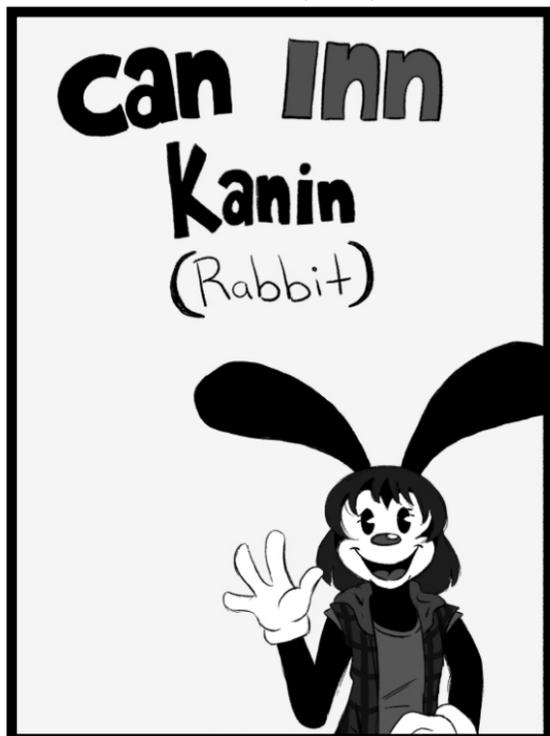
- ACROSS
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  - 9. outerplanets
  - 12. solar system
- DOWN
- 1. sun
  - 3. innerplanets
  - 4. asteroid
  - 5. orbit
  - 6. planet
  - 8. star
  - 10. Mercury
  - 11. comet

**How do you get a baby astronaut to go to sleep?**  
Rocket.

# Word search

## Space

"Kanin: Rabbit" by Bryanna Filip



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- ASTEROID
- EARTH
- GALAXY
- JUPITER
- LIGHTYEAR
- MARS
- METEOR
- MOON
- PLANET
- PLUTO
- ROCKET
- SATURN
- SHUTTLE
- STAR
- SUN
- TELESCOPE
- UNIVERSE

# Women's soccer begins fall season

## Gusties start season with a record of 2-2



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Senior Chase Miller battles for possession of the ball during a game last season against St. Catherine University. The team started their season with a win against Redlands and a loss against Chapman.

### Joe Brandel Sports & Fitness Editor

Women's Soccer kicked off their 2018 season with an intensive preseason practice schedule, filled with three-a-days, meetings, and fitness testing to prepare them for the difficult season ahead.

Finishing sixth in the conference last season, the Gusties were the last team to qualify for the postseason playoffs. They showed their true colors however in this single elimination stage of the year, making it all the way to the MIAC Championship game despite their low seed.

This playoff run was also highlighted by a close game against St. Thomas where Senior goalkeeper Ashley Becker came in clutch in penalty shootouts. Becker made two saves in the shootout propelling the team into the Championship match.

The Gusties faced St. Catherine in a hard-fought game that also went into overtime, but ultimately lost by a score of 1-0.

The team looks to improve on the impressive run they made last season but will have to do so without its First Team All-American Goalkeeper. Goalkeeper. Becker unfortunately suffered a knee injury this summer and will be out for the season.

Gustavus will look to First years Abby Goodno and Leah Pavlish to replace her.

Despite this setback, the team is ready to take on whatever is thrown at them this season and is excited to start conference play, according to Head Coach Laura Burnett-Kurie.

"The great thing about the MIAC is anybody can beat anybody on any given day and you have to have the mentality that no game will be easy," Burnett-Kurie said. "You have to be able to just control what you can control and go one game at a time and put your best foot forward."

The Gusties' season started with a trip to California where they defeated University of Redlands 4-1 and lost to Chapman in a close 1-0 game.

The team showed out in its first game of the season, defeating Redlands by a score of 4-1.

Gustavus scored the first four goals of the game coming from Sophomore Lauren Johnson, Junior Abby Mullenbach and Seniors Chase Miller and Emily Skogseth.

Redlands answered back with a goal of their own late in the second half but was too late to make a comeback.

Burnett-Kurie was excited about the result and the character the team showed.

"Ultimately we worked super hard and worked for each other. This team has a ton of potential and we are excited everyday to get closer and closer to reaching that potential," Burnett-Kurie said.

The next day, the Gusties faced off against Chapman University. The team struggled to break down the Chapman defense, only recording four shots during the contest.

The match was a stalemate until the Chapman offense broke through in the final minute of the game, scoring a goal against Pavlish and ultimately winning the game 1-0.

As the team returned they got right back into action, taking on two more teams in the next week.

In a packed weekend, the Gusties played back-to-back non-conference games against Nebraska Wesleyan and Wartburg Sept. 8 and 9, respectively.

On Saturday, the Gusties took on the Prairie Wolves at the Gustie Soccer Field. This game was particularly significant for the team because it was the Second Annual Team Trina game.

After Senior Trina Rinke was diagnosed with ovarian cancer, forcing her to sit out her junior season, the team implemented a charity game for her and cancer awareness.

Trina is currently cancer free and in remission but the team wanted to continue this charity game to show their support and continue raising awareness about the subject.

The game kicked off and the Gusties quickly got to work, scoring in the 30th minute on a goal from Senior Emily Sk-

ogseth. This proved to be the game-winning goal, as the two teams went scoreless for the remainder of the game.

The next day, the team got right back at it, taking on the Wartburg Knights. After a hard-fought game, the Gusties found themselves on top 1-0 for the majority of the game.

In the 86th minute, Wartburg netted a goal to force the game to overtime. The Gusties ended up letting in a goal to lose the game in the first min-

ute of overtime.

Despite the loss, Burnett-Kurie looks forward to the rest of the season and the direction the team is heading in.

"Today was very promising and exciting for us," said Burnett-Kurie. "While we didn't get the result we wanted, we possessed the ball extremely well. The first half was an exceptional half for our program and it was positive to see our dynamic and creative side come out in the game."



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Sophomore Lauren Johnson controls the ball through the midfield.

# Golf competes at Pioneer Creek Invite

## Both teams look forward to impact of First-years



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Junior Ben Hauge tees off during a match last season. Hauge will captain a strong squad of Gustie golfers, including an impressive First-year player, Jacob Pederson.

### Skylar Abrego Staff Writer

The Gustie Golf season has been ramping up for both the men's and women's teams. The men's team is being led this season by Junior Ben Hauge and Senior Blake Heiman while the girls are captained by Seniors Ellie Brandt and Kennedy Sommerfeld.

After graduating two of its top three golfers last spring, the men's team is eager to continue after their successful previous season, taking 4th place in the MIAC Championship.

This year, they are hoping to return with some promising new faces.

"We got a good recruit in Jacob Pederson who as a [First-year] will come in and contribute right away. I look [forward to] having [Senior] Max Savini back after he didn't play last year, as he'll jump right in and be one of our top contributors," Head Coach Scott Moe said. "Ben Hauge will be playing number one for us this year and I look to him to be one

of our main guys this fall. We have other guys that are going to contribute for us but I see these guys as being our big players right away."

Making his return, Savini is eager to be with his teammates.

"After taking last season off, I'm just excited to be back out there with the guys," Savini said.

*"Looking at all six, I see all of them being contributors, but I really like the potential of our First-years."*

—Coach Moe

The men's team played close to home this past weekend in Maple Plain for the Pioneer Creek Collegiate meet. After the first day on the course, Moe was impressed with the results.

"It was a good start to the 54 hole event for us. It's a very tough golf course and we were able to see what a division one

event looks like. The hole locations were very challenging and the course was very firm."

Pederson began his success by shooting a 72 and setting himself into a tie for 10th place overall.

Hauge brought more strength to the team by posting a 74, and Sophomore Carter Czichotzki shot a notable 75 for the Gusties on day one.

They returned on day two with Pederson shooting a 215 in three rounds and Hauge tying for 27th with a score of 221 (+5).

Sophomore Max Ullan and Juniors Thomas Carlson and Joe Foley rounded out the Gustavus top five with scores of 228, 229, and 232 respectively.

The Gustavus Men's golf team took second place with a total score of 893 in the meet, falling behind St. Thomas.

The Gustavus women's golf team will depend heavily on young team energy, as half of their six member roster consists of First-years, according to Moe.

"I see First-years Emily Kratz and Erin Ericson getting some really low scores for us and I look for Sydney Regalado to be a solid, consistent player. I look at [Junior] Morgan Bleyhl and [Senior] Ellie Brandt to play well for us, as Morgan was our low qualifier in preseason," Moe said. "Sommerfeld will get her chances to hop in the line-up as well throughout the season. Looking at all six, I see all of them being contributors, but I really like the potential of our first-years.

Last weekend, the women's team traveled to Waverly, Iowa for the Wartburg Invite.

Despite the wind and a few hazards throughout the round, Ericson was the low scorer for the Gusties as she shot a 77 which was good for an 11th place finish on day one.

The second low-scorer for Gustavus was Bleyhl who posted a 79 on the day.

Regalado shot an 84 for the Gusties, and Sommerfeld and Kratz each shot 85. Brandt rounded out the scoring with

an 87. The Gusties finished out day one with a 325, putting them in sixth place out of 16 teams.

The team returned even stronger on day two, with a score 14 strokes lower than the previous.

Bleyhl finished by leading the team at 76 for a 155 total earning her 16th place overall.

First-years Ericson posted an 82 with a total of 159 landing her in a tie for 27th place and Kratz posted a 75 with a total score of 160 putting her in a tie for 29th place.

The Gustavus Women's Golf Team finished out the Wartburg Invite with a score of 593 and taking home sixth of 16.

Both teams show great promise and energy for this upcoming season.

The men's team will host the Twin Cities Classic in Elk River, Ramsey, and Edina, Minnesota, starting on Sept. 22, and the women will be in action next weekend Sept. 15-16, for the Division III Classic in Lake City, Minnesota.

# Cross Country opens season at Crown Invite

## Gusties prepare for Augsburg Invitational



Gustavus Sports Information

Junior Sarah Anderson competes in the Gustie Invitational. The team looks forward to its next race at the Augsburg Invitational Saturday, Sept. 15.

### Michael O'Neil Staff Writer

The Gustavus Men's and Women's Cross Country teams headed to Crown College in St. Bonifacius, MN last Saturday for their first official meet of the 2018 season.

The Crown Invitational featured two scoring teams on the women's side and four scoring teams on the men's side.

The women dominated their opponents, finishing with 10 out of the top 11 runners in the field.

Because Northland College participated as a non-scoring team, the Gusties finished with the top five runners for a total of 15 points.

Leading the way for the Gusties was Senior Lotus Schifsky who finished in a time of 20:49.86 and earned the top overall spot in the meet.

The next three finishers for the Gusties were Sophomore Kourtney Kulseth who finished in 21:22.76, Junior Gabriela Passmore who finished in 21:44.94, and First-year Iliana

Ramon who earned a time of 21:51.51.

Junior Captain Sarah Anderson rounded out the top five for the Gusties with a time of 21:52.57.

"We looked a lot stronger this week which was great to see. We tried a different approach and the ladies responded well to it. It was fun to watch them working together and pushing each other," Head Coach Brenden Huber said of the women's performance.

The Gustie men also ran

well, finishing second out of the four teams in the field.

Senior Captain Alex Wischnack led the Gusties with a fourth place finish overall and a time of 16:56.30.

First-year Jack Degonda and Sophomore Casey Olson showed that Gustavus Men's Cross Country has a bright future with two more top ten finishes.

Degonda crossed the finish line in a time of 17:13.84 and Olson finished not long after in 17:24.06.

St. Thomas finished first as a team, and had five of the top six times in the meet and three times under 17 minutes.

"We had some awesome efforts from our guys today. We had some tough competition which was great, because we got to see how well we measure up to others at this point. We have a few of our top guys out right now so seeing the 'next one up' mentality from some different runners was fantastic," Huber said.

Those missing from action for the men included Sophomore standout Andrew Stumbo, who finished fifth individually in the MIAC last year and Senior Captain Ben Madigan, who finished top-50 in the conference last season.

Stumbo and Madigan both participated in the alumni meet on August 25th.

The results from this event are unofficial, but the annual alumni meet is a great oppor-

tunity for the teams to brush off some rust and connect with loyal alums.

"We have a good cross country family here at Gustavus. We have a lot of new faces on this team so for them to see how much pride there is in this program, it's huge," Huber said.

In that race, five current Gusties finished under 17 minutes.

Wischnack had the fastest time amongst current varsity runners with a 16:24, and was followed by Stumbo, who clocked a 16:43.

Degonda and Madigan had the next fastest times with 16:47 and 16:54, respectively. Sophomore Nick Kerbeshian, who also missed the Crown Invitational, rounded out the top five with a 16:59.

On the women's side, Schifsky finished with the fastest time amongst current Gusties with a 20:18 and was followed by Kulseth, Haley Anderson, and Sarah Anderson with times of 20:25, 20:33, and 20:38, respectively.

"Last year we only had a couple upperclassmen and a lot of younger kids so we took our lumps, but now it's going to be really exciting to see a little more life injected into the program from our leaders who can see the goal we have in place," Huber said of his team this year.

The next meet for the Gusties will be Sept. 15, when they head to the Augsburg Invitational in Bloomington, MN.



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Junior Elijah Fourre competes in the Gustie Invitational. The team placed second of four teams at the Crown Invite.