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Campus Safety Report

- Sunday, September 19, 2021**
- At 0035 hours, campus safety responded to a mental health concern in Sohre Hall.
- Sunday, September 19, 2021**
- At 1130 hours, Campus Safety received a call from a student concerning their mothers intention to visit campus and that is was an un-welcomed visit.
- Sunday, September 19, 2021**
- At approximately 2355, Campus Safety responded

to a welfare check in Sohre Hall.

Note: Case dispositions are available online by viewing the daily crime log on the Campus Safety web page: <https://gustavus.edu/safety/incidents/index.php>

Tip of the Week:

Run, Hide, Fight...Do you know what it means?

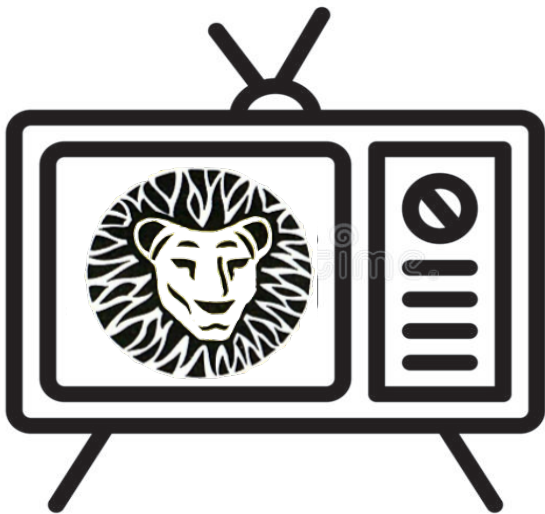
Run, Hide, Fight, is a national campaign that Gustavus uses in providing notification during an active threat situation on campus. Basically the run part is that your first option is to get away, get as far away from the threat as you can. Second, if you can't, then you hide. You barricade yourself wherever you are. You often see the words shelter in place, when it comes to the hide element. You shelter

in place to try and keep yourself away from that threat. The last is if you just have no other option, that you can use your mental and physical capacities to defend yourself. That as a last resort to save your life, there may be a need to fight.

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Daily Sabbath Calendar

Open Space- Tuesdays (Christ Chapel)
Come to Christ Chapel for an unstructured time of prayer, meditation, reflection, or rest. Light a candle for the healing of the world.

Morning Praise- Wednesdays (Christ Chapel)
Join together with Gustavus Choirs to sing the Morning Praise liturgy. Coffee and pastries await you at the end of the service. Morning Praise is also live streamed on the Chaplains Office Youtube Page.

Holy Communion- Thursdays (Christ Chapel)

- September 22nd, 2021
- Morning Praise
- September 23rd, 2021
- Holy Communion

COVID-19 mask restrictions lifted for dorm buildings

Lauren Ruth
Staff Writer

This week, Gustavus saw a new masking criterion on campus. Students are now allowed to forgo wearing masks in living spaces such as dorms or dorm buildings. It is still required to wear masks in all other indoor spaces on campus, including classrooms.

Many students are wondering why they are still required to wear them in classes if the college feels it is safe enough not to have them in the dorms. Others are “worr[ie]d about the possible uptake in cases because of the new masking criteria,” junior Tessa Pieper said. Gustavus is aware of the risks and has made their decision based on CDC recommendations and on student comfort.

Gustavus’s top priority this year was for students to be learning in person. Another priority is for students and faculty to feel safe doing so. In classrooms, students are generally seated for an extended period in class and are within 6 feet of other people. “Gustavus wanted to keep the mitigation strategy of masking in place for this setting” Barb Taylor, the COVID Response Coordinator, said.

Gustavus has created a new leveling system for masking criteria. Previously, the policy was that masks were either worn

everywhere or off everywhere. The new leveling system is more responsive to the current risk level on campus. There are 4 Levels depending on the criteria gathered for risk levels on campus. As the campus moves up the levels, the masking requirements become stricter.

The criteria for moving up levels include positive cases on campus, cases in the surrounding area, and Minnesota COVID-19 hospital admissions. As certain criteria are met, the level of risk increases as does the level of masking criteria. Gustavus is currently at Level 2 where masks are required in all indoor buildings on campus other than one’s residence halls. The masking criteria was developed by the COVID Leadership Team and approved by the President’s Cabinet.

Homecoming looks a bit different this year because of COVID-19 restrictions. Gustavus intentionally tailored the events to be outdoors or in large spaces where social distancing can be employed. Masks do not need to be worn outside on campus, including at the stadium. However, students are encouraged to use masks at their own comfort level.

Social gatherings are an essential part of college life.

Gustavus faculty understand that socialization is crucial for student’s mental health and enjoyment of college life. Nonetheless, it is important to be aware of the COVID-19 guidelines and recommendations.

“Even though people are tired of COVID, now is not the time to stop worrying about this virus” Larson -Taylor said.

The College recommends that gatherings be outside where students are masked and maintain physical distance between people. It is also important to note to try to keep the gathering small.

Students can help ensure that COVID cases remain low on campus. The COVID Leadership team has some suggestions. The most effective way of reducing the likelihood of contracting and transmitting the virus is by getting vaccinated.

However, vaccinated people are still able to test positive for COVID-19. “The Delta variant is much more contagious than the original virus and Minnesota is seeing high levels across the state,” Larson-Taylor said. Students should test when they develop symptoms or when they have been in contact with someone who has tested positive. Continuing in keeping with a smaller circle of contacts



Students study with masks on

Ellie Gunderson

is also recommended.

While the college makes recommendations to ensure student safety, it is ultimately up to the students to take responsibility for themselves and the well-being of others in the community. Gustavus is keeping a close eye on COVID-19 cases on campus and in the state. The COVID Leadership team assesses the risk and changes policy accordingly. Following Gustavus, guidelines are the best way to make certain the community is safe and able to have an excellent year.

Lund Center construction planned to continue until 2023

Carter Brown
Staff Writer

The \$60 million expansion and renovation of the Lund Center is coming along nicely. It is a multiphase project that will span over the next two years and should conclude by early to mid 2023. The project will include new and improved spaces for wellness, health and wellness related academic programs, athletics, and training.

With all the changes happening in Lund one might wonder

how the status of operations might be affected. Director of Athletics Tom Brown provides some insight on this topic.

“There should be little or no effect on classes held in Lund this fall or in J-Term. As for the spring semester, there will be minimal classes held in Lund. Students will [still] be able to use Lund for the majority of this academic year. I am waiting to hear back from Health and Exercise Science (HES) on the exact effect on classes in Lund, so my response might change.” Brown said.

This project is broken up into two phases. Phase One is primarily focused on the expansion of Lund, which is a 72,000 square foot addition to

the center. Phase Two will be the conclusion of the project which is projected to be in 2023.


“The 12-month Phase One of the expansion and renovation... includes fitness facilities [that can be] utilized by all members of the Gustavus community such as expanded cardio and weight room spaces, locker room renovations, and new office spaces.” Brown said. “If funding goes as expected, we will start the renovation part of the project sometime in April or May of 2022.”

There are a few new additions that students can look forward to seeing after everything is said and done with. These additions include wellness facilities, a new academic wing

with new classrooms, faculty offices, and a 118-seat lecture hall, a Human Performance Lab which will support student research, a new 53,000 square foot field house with synthetic turf to allow for all-season practice, recreational spaces for students, teams, varsity sports, and intramural leagues, and new locker rooms described as “state-of-the-art” to provide better in-class environments for students and employees alike.

It can also be noted that the wellness facilities will be more than triple their original size and will house an expanded weight room, cardio, and group fitness spaces. In addition, the Human Performance Lab will

be more than double the size of the original as well. These renovations mean bigger spaces for all and much needed improvements and updates. This will be a beneficial change from the previous Lund Center.



CAMPUS ACTIVITIES BOARD
Homecoming Schedule

Friday,
September 25th

Boom Boom
Bingo
8pm-10pm
Evelyn Young
Dining Room

GraysonDeWolfe
10:30pm
Eckmann Mall

Insomnia Cook-
ies
Midnight
Old Main

Saturday,
September 26th

Food Truck
Festival
11am-1pm
Sesquicentennial
Plaza

Homecoming
Rave
9pm
Homecoming Tent

Letters from the Former-Editors



Cole Trebelhorn '20
Former Editor-in-Chief

First and foremost, I am honored to be able to contribute once again to the pages of the *Gustavian Weekly*. It's been a couple of years, a couple of varied, and I might even call them formative years. I'd like to thank this year's staff for inviting me to contribute again. Some of you might know me, and many may not. I proudly graduated in 2020, I had the unique and—brace yourselves—unprecedented experience of graduating during a global pandemic. Not only was navigating classes and finals a wild ride, but attempting to lead a group of nearly 35 incredible peers was equally, if not more challenging during the final few months of the 2019-2020 school year.

My time with the *Gustavian Weekly* began in 2017 as a sophomore. I primarily wanted to be involved on campus, contribute to the Gustavus community, find valuable work experiences on campus, and most of all challenge myself. I was willing to learn and willing to fail while trying so “graphics editor” was it. For the 2017-2018 school

year, I learned how tight-knit the *Weekly* team was and saw firsthand that journalism was alive and well among our team, burrowed down in the CoEd basement.

A year later I returned to campus as a Junior but this time a couple weeks early to campus, and in-charge of nearly 40 staff members.

“Editor-in-Chief”. I hardly even knew what that title meant, and what I had to do. Of course, I knew what I had to do: run the paper. But, what would that entail?

Realistically, I had no idea what was ahead of me. I thought I did, but it was overwhelming at first. All summer I orchestrated the building blocks leading into the new school year, compiled the *Weekly* staff, and prepared as much as I could. Taught myself journalism standards, familiarized myself with the APA guidelines beyond what a typical student used in their classes and interacted with Gustavus faculty. The *Weekly*'s advisor, Glenn Kranking, absolutely deserves a standing ovation for his dedication and continued passion in seeing the *Weekly* is successful. Without his expertise, experience, relentless support, and his stout advocacy, the *Weekly* likely wouldn't exist, just as with so many college campus' across the nation.

I digress. If you aren't familiar, the *Weekly* staff moves onto campus early to compose the “Orientation Issue”. Hopefully the First-years love it.

Those first couple of weeks on campus before the official move in date were, and are, so critical to team bonding and allowing us all to get our feet wet. I had little training prior to this and I really embraced jumping



The Weekly 2019-2020 Staff gathers for a picture in The Weekly office.

Submitted

into the fog. It was so fun.

I really believe many individuals climb Ring Road to the Gustavus campus without a clue of what they're going to do with themselves. Certainly, many may know what field they want to go into, classes they may want to take, sports and activities they want to pursue, or a major they might want to study. However, I would wager that a Gustie or two found themselves graduating four years later, a changed, and perhaps an improved person.

Gustavus has this unique thing where everyone feels compelled to be a part of so many things. Is it good? Is it bad? Maybe. Is it challenging? For many, probably. It was for me. However, to be challenged and put yourself in that environment of growth doesn't require you to stretch yourself thin—don't burn yourself out. It's happened to all of us no doubt. But it's the variety of

communities Gustavus offers that allows and pushes us to grow.

I couldn't have done it without this community. I often argue it's my experience at the *Weekly* that changed me most as a person whilst on campus. As Editor-in-chief decisions had to be made, some good, some could have been more thought out. It's such a cliché, “pushing yourself into uncomfortable experiences lends itself to overwhelming growth”. That's not easy for everyone. Attempting to lead all these people? That was tough. Who was I to lead a team of journalists? Regardless, I loved it. All hours of the day and night, working with peers I might never have even spoken with, much less given the opportunity to see them contribute to something so much bigger than each of us individually? That was so rewarding.

Then came COVID-19. That

was a wild ride. Nobody knew what the hell was going on. What to do, how to do it, where to go—but what am I saying? You all know, you lived it. But unfortunately I never got to really say goodbye to the *Weekly*, I never was able to thank the many people that unbeknownst to them, meant so much to me and my journey. So, long story short, the *Weekly* was incredibly formative, and an honor to work with so many amazing individuals. I didn't necessarily see this being a love letter to the newspaper but I'll embrace it as such. I owe an enormous thank you to President Bergman for her support of the *Gustavian Weekly*, and of course, thank you Glenn. Jag har lärt mig så mycket tack vare dig.

I'll look back fondly at my time not only at Gustavus, but also at the *Weekly* where I will consider it to be a little piece of home. Thank you *Gustavian Weekly*!



Corrine Stremmel '21
Former Editor-in-Chief

If someone were to tell me that I'd be coming back to Gustavus for Homecoming just four months after I graduated... yikes, I would've said close the yearbook, Corinne.

But here I am freshly graduated and coming back to my alma mater to do whatever it is you do at Homecoming—pet llamas and pretend I know how football works...?

Enough snark, I have some good things to say.

When I was a First-year at Gustavus, it used to really bother me at orientation how all the Greeters and CFs would say “welcome home” or “Gustavus is your home now.” Home home home, and I'd think “this isn't home. I just got here.” I didn't understand what they were talking about and I wished they'd just Gustie Rouser themselves into oblivion.

But now, at 22, living my post grad life, I think I'm starting to understand their sentiment. No one talks enough about what an adjustment post-grad life is, starting full time jobs, being confronted with finding a purpose in the world, and for me, finding a sense of what home is.

Home is such a tricky, fleeting concept with it being more than just a physical place but also a feeling that entails a sense of belonging.

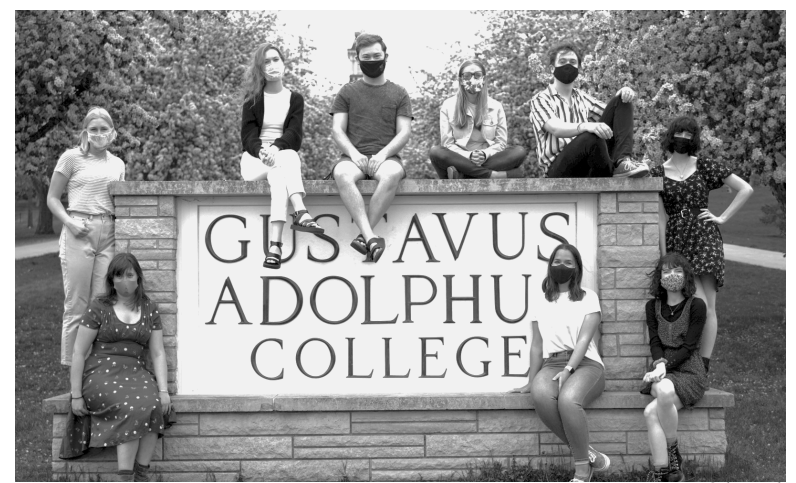
My best friend (hi Lily) and I have had long talks illuminated by the Mankato Burger King sign about what it feels to live somewhere you don't feel you belong. And I think my whole time at Gustavus was building up to my current sense of

belonging among the many alumni who now congregate in my part of Minneapolis.

My most formative connections were at the *Weekly* (and possibly the second floor of Pitman. You know who you are). I remember my first day at the *Weekly* descending the stairs to the basement of CoEd, where the door always slammed in a way that's burned into my memory.

The smell of Godfather's pizza hung in the air and the crumby fans were on full blast, but I knew this was the place for me. I loved the chaos of the newsroom then, and I love it now. Later, I'd become Editor-in-Chief of the *Weekly* during a global pandemic and that chaos was all mine.

Anyone who works for the *Weekly*, or reads it for that matter, knows it's truly a last ditch undertaking, but it's the most fun you'll ever have with your friends hashing out headlines and crossing your fingers that InDesign didn't crash. And for that I'm so thankful for the connections I've made at the *Weekly*. There's something spe-



The Weekly 2020-2021 Staff gathers for a sign picture

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cial about working with people who truly care about working toward the same goal.

Just as I've found home in the *Weekly*, I've found home in the people I met at Gustavus. During my post grad life, I've found that when I needed help, my Gustavus friends were right there for me. There are countless times that I've had Gusties volunteer to help me out. I really believe the greatest asset of Gustavus is the people and the friendships you'll make with

those people during college.

It's been a pleasant surprise how things turned out. I'm working as a journalist thanks to the *Weekly* and hanging around Minneapolis haunts with my friends thanks to the Gustavus Com department.

Wherever you are in your search for home, I hope Gustavus can help bring you a little closer to where you want to be.

Student orgs Gogh and show their artistic talent

Korri Wojack
Staff Writer

2021 Homecoming kicked off on Monday, September 20 with the Evelyn Young Window Painting Competition. Sponsored and organized by CAB (Campus Activities Board), it served as a great way for organizations on campus to show their Gustie Spirit. Members of CAB started off by painting the theme of this year's homecoming, 'Bold and Gold,' onto the center window. Surrounding the theme, CAB listed daily events leading up to homecoming, bright and there for all students to see as they eat in the Caf.

The event was open to all Gustavus student organizations and sign-ups were held the previous week. Any student org is allowed to enter the annual homecoming window painting competition, and those that chose to participate this year had two hours to complete their masterpiece. When they were done their art was showcased before a panel of judges chosen to evaluate their work and choose which organization did the best job.

Junior Andi Chase of CAB, who sat at the head table checking in the thirty-one orgs that signed up, explained that judges were given a set of criteria to focus on. The three categories were how representative the painting was of Gustavus, Homecoming, and the individual organization. Each organization was scored one through ten on each criteria, for a total score out of thirty. Judges milled about analyzing each window, and set to discuss amongst themselves who the winner should be.

The prize for first place was one-thousand dollars, for second it was seven hundred and fifty, and for third place it was five hundred. senior Katie Ashpole,

"All of this money goes to the student orgs who can use it in whatever way best fits the purpose and goals of their organization!"

co-president of CAB said. When asked what they would do with the money if they won, orgs had similar but still ranging plans. New equipment, uniforms, better technology, special events, and expansion were among the many mentioned. With money, glory, and

friendly competition hanging in the balance, organizations took very different approaches to make their windows stand out.

Sophomore Carter Learned, a member of the improv group LineUs, explained how their game plan started days in advance. "One of our members, Audrey (Ochtrup-DeKeyrel, senior) spent a lot of time drafting up an amazing design for us to work off of beforehand," Learned said.

The group passed around the small tablet to whoever was painting, so they knew exactly what they were painting. When asked his thoughts on the event, Learned motioned to the other groups around him. "It's so exciting to finally be able to see all of the organiza-

tions out and show Gustavus what they have to offer. It's a great way to get to know others, and I am super happy I get to be a part of it through LineUs. I can't wait until next year"

Most students quickly ended up covered in splashes of brightly colored paint, but none quite like the girls painting for Big Partner/Little Partner. Their design, a tree full of bright fall leaves, required the painters to paint all over their hands, using their handprints to create the beautiful illusion of leaves. When asked about their design, senior Emma Peterson and junior Kelsey Miller explained that the tree has been Big Partner/Little Partner's tradition for quite some time now. "The tree signifies the growth that happens for both partners dur-

ing the program," Miller said. When asked what they would do if they won, both agreed that they would try and plan a special event for the organization.

After the judges evaluated each window, the winners were finally chosen. The Game Club took third, with a play on a monopoly board featuring Old Main and other Gustavus locations. Taking second place was the Gustavus Cheer Team. Their window featured the silhouette of a flyer in a Liberty stunt, supported by her teammates, holding golden pom-poms. Finally, taking home the grand prize for first place, was sorority Alpha Sigma Tau (AST). Their design featured Old Main with its beautiful crabapple blossoms, as well as bees and honeycomb

spelling out their greek letters.

Although this is the only window painting event, there are many other arts and crafts events throughout the year that CAB provides, helping Gusties stay engaged with their peers and school spirit. Congratulations to the winners, and to all organizations that participated.



Participants of the CAB window painting competition smile in front of the window done by: Big Partner Little Partner.

Korri Wojack



Katie Ashpole, fifth year senior

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GUSTIE of the WEEK

Katie Ashpole

Michaela Woodward
Staff Writer

Three pieces have built the foundation for this Gustie of the Week's time at Gustavus: soccer, CAB (Campus Activities Board) and community.

Senior Katie Ashpole, originally from Chaska, was recruited to play soccer for Gustavus and knew she was in the right place when she arrived on campus.

"I did a visit and an overnight and I just kind of fell in love with the campus. I really liked the soccer team and I thought this is the right place for me," Ashpole said.

As a First-year, Ashpole was interested in studying psychology, but her plans changed when she took Cultural Anthropology.

"I just fell in love with it. I've always really liked sociology and psychology. After my first anthro class, I was like 'Oh I think I'm interested in this, I should take a couple more.' I just feel like it can go so many ways, and that's one thing I really appreciate about [the field]. I loved the open-mindedness. With anthropology you just have to be willing to let things go and to learn new things," Ashpole said.

Now a fifth-year senior with a major in Sociology & Anthropology and a minor in Public Health, Ashpole came back for a ninth semester to be able to experience some normalcy after a full pandemic school year.

"With Covid, I was definitely missing out on that in-person class and actual feeling of being at Gustavus. Especially with soccer, our season was pushed back – we usually play in the fall, but we ended up playing in the spring – we played eight games, which I'm so thankful we even got to play those eight games, but it's just nothing close to what we usually get to do. I just wanted that closure and that normal semester where it's my senior year and everything feels like it's supposed to," Ashpole said.

Soccer has been one of Ashpole's main involvements on

campus, and one of her favorite aspects of the program is that the team volunteers and is able to give back to the community.

"I learned so much about working on a team, playing soccer, and I'm staying physically fit; but at the same time I'm gaining these life experiences that I just wouldn't have [otherwise]," Ashpole said.

Those who know Katie on the team, including Women's Soccer Coach Laura Burnette-Kurie, know that she embodies the ideal athlete and person.

"It's been incredible to watch Katie grow and develop over the last four plus years on and off the field. She has incredible emotional IQ, connects well with others and strives to always be a positive contributor to our Gustavus community. Her great personality brings people together and she instills a sense of confidence in others. On the field, Katie has grown into an exceptional player during her time at Gustavus-- her technical skill is something to be admired, which, paired with her eye for net, makes her a formidable player," Burnette-Kurie said.

In all of her involvements, Ashpole finds seeing results to be the most rewarding, especially knowing they've had a positive impact on others. Having served as CAB co-president for the past two years and social media executive before that, Ashpole finds herself guiding the other board members and celebrating their successes with them.

"When I look back, before I was on CAB, some of my main memories from Gustavus are homecoming or going to SNLs or CAB events that I hadn't really known the process behind. Seeing that impact [in students] and these environments that make lasting memories for people is such a cool feeling to have. The co-president role is tough because it's a lot of moving parts, but it's so rewarding to see Cabbies plan something and

then see that out through the event. Seeing the passion that they've put into these events and then see them execute them and to see how excited and good they feel afterwards... It's just so good to see the people I've helped plan this event feel so good about it," Ashpole said.

Her supportive nature has not gone unnoticed by her peers. Fellow Cabbie junior Emma Thompson sees Ashpole as a role model.

"When I first joined CAB halfway through my freshman year, Katie was so welcoming, helpful and patient with me. After getting to work with her for nearly two years, I look up to her as a leader, student, athlete and person. Katie always stands quietly behind and never asks for any credit for what she does, she is one of the most humble people I know. While she has a lot on her plate between being captain of the soccer team, CAB co-president, and full-time student, she always puts others first and gets what she needs done," Thompson said.

Outside of soccer and Cab, Ashpole is also a member of the Sociology and Anthropology honor societies and works at the Lund desk. She enjoys nature and spending time outside or hanging out with her friends.

While in the future Ashpole would like to work in the public health field, she is staying focused on the present and enjoying her last semester at Gustavus.

"I'm super thankful for my time here at Gustavus and having the opportunity to come back has been such a blessing. I just want every day to go by so slow because I just never want it to end. It's definitely going to be hard to leave. I'm just really trying to embrace the time I have left and indulge myself in all these things that I do because it's only going to last so long," Ashpole said.

Do you have a suggestion for a Gustavus student, professor, or staff member who could be our next Gustie of the Week?

If so, send their name, position on campus, and a short description of why you think they should be recognized to weekly@gustavus.edu for a chance to be featured!

A representative from the Gustavian Weekly will be in contact with you via email if your suggestion is chosen to be featured in an issue of the paper.

The “Great Gustie Gathering” for Homecoming 2021



Homecoming event

Gustavian Weekly Digital Archives, 2002.

Kaitlin McCoskey
Staff Writer

Saturday, September 25, will mark the return of homecoming to Gustavus with The Great Gustie Gathering.

Among the uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic last year, Gustavus homecoming festivities were put on hold to ensure everyone's safety. This year, however, homecoming is back, with both current Gusties and alumni returning to campus for the celebration. Students, staff, and alumni alike are excited for the event.

Senior Hailey Magnison is especially looking forward to this homecoming.

“I’m excited for that traditional college experience, going out with friends, going to the game and cheering”

Magnison said. Due to personal circumstances and the pandemic, she has never experienced homecoming at Gustavus.

“In retrospect, I am sad I didn’t get to have that experi-

ence with the pandemic. Although, at the time, I had bigger worries,” Magnison said. For Magnison, and all current students at Gustavus, homecoming is a time to celebrate GAC.

“It’s really a chance to see the whole community, and just celebrate being a Gustie,” Magnison said.

Homecoming is not only a time for current students at Gustavus, but also a very special time for alumni. Kali Johnson graduated from Gustavus in spring 2021, and is excited to return to campus for the first time as an alumnus.

“Homecoming means something different when you’re an alum. It’s more special because you’re not there all the time. As a recent grad, you miss it, you want to be there again. You’re on the outside looking in now, and it’s nice to feel like you’re inside the community,” Johnson said.

Being such a new alumnus, Johnson explains that she is excited to simply come back to campus and feel the joy of being there again. “Homecoming is really special. Everyone is just really happy and it’s a super fun day. Homecoming is one of those things that always warmed my heart, like ‘This is what community means,’” Johnson said.

Angela Erickson, Director of the Alumni and Parent Engagement Office, agrees that homecoming is an extra special time for alumni.

“It’s always so fun to see alums walking through campus with young children, and thinking about all of the great times they’ve had”

Erickson said.

Erickson also added that, due to the pandemic disrupting homecoming and students’ college experience the past two years, her office has made a special effort to invite the Gustavus classes of 2020 and 2021 back to campus for homecoming this year. She encourages current students to attend all the fun homecoming events that are planned, as well as make an effort to interact with the alumni who will be returning.

“If students get a chance to just say hi even..our alumni just eat it up, they love interacting with current students”

Erickson said. For alumni, homecoming is a unique time to come together with students at Gustavus today, ask about life on campus, and enjoy one another’s company.

This year’s homecoming schedule includes events for Gusties of every age, as well as their friends and family. For alumni, there will be lots of time for fellowship and reunion, a preview for the expansions to the Lund Center, a celebration of the 60th anniversary of the construction of Christ Chapel, and several college lectures just for alumni. There will also be a service of remembrance of those Gusties who have passed since the last homecoming, with both alumni and current students performing in the choir.

For current Gusties, there are lots of fun homecoming events taking place as well. On Friday, September 24. Boom Boom Bingo will be held in the Evelyn

Young Dining Room at 8pm, followed by the Grayson DeWolfe concert at 10:30pm in Eckman mall, and Insomnia Cookies at midnight in Old Main. From 9pm to midnight on Saturday, September 25, the homecoming rave will take place for students in the homecoming tent.

Saturday will also be filled with events for both current Gusties and alumni to come together. The Homecoming Gustie Pub and Family Fun Zone will open at 11 am for Gusties and their friends and family. The homecoming football game against Concordia will begin at 1pm.

The Great Gustie Gathering will definitely be a homecoming to remember, so come join in the fun, wear your Gustie gear, and celebrate the community at Gustavus! In the words of Kali Johnson, “Why wouldn’t I go to homecoming?”

Taking a look back

Burgers trimmed “with everything”

“Pass the Burgers Again”, GAC’s Homecoming slogan was but a mild warning for the unfortunate Auggies who fell to Gustavus on Saturday. The Black and Gold fried the Augsburgers 40-0 in it’s most unbalanced victory since 1970 when the Gusties stomped Bemidji State 62-6.

Quarterback Mark Pfundstein hit tight end Brad Langmo for the second touchdown and Jim Alker scored the third. Both were in the second quarter.

The third quarter saw Vincent scoring from the two after the Gusties longest drive of the day, 89 yards in 12 plays.

Freshman quarterback Kevin Lindstrand for the final TD. Noseguard Jon Bakken added two points tackling an Auggie in the end zone.

Final yardage gains were 436 for GAC, 114 for Augsburg. Pfundstein completed 12 of 19 passes for 168 yards and Gustavus led Augsburg in first downs 25 to 8.

Biggest Celebration In History
Of Gustavus Slated For Old Main
Jubilee And Annual Homecoming

FESTIVITIES WILL COMMENCE AT CHAPEL EXERCISES SATURDAY MORNING AND WILL CONTINUE UNTIL SUNDAY EVENING.

DR. BRANDELLE WILL SPEAK SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Rededication of the Old Main Will Take Place Sunday Afternoon With an Anniversary Program in Building.

STUDENT BODY, GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS COLLEGE



Students dress up in Rocky Horror fashion. (Photo by Carla Kamrath)

Cob stomping wasn’t
Homecoming



The Alberts (22) and Smith (21) celebrate a good play during Gustavus’ 30-18 win over Concordia.

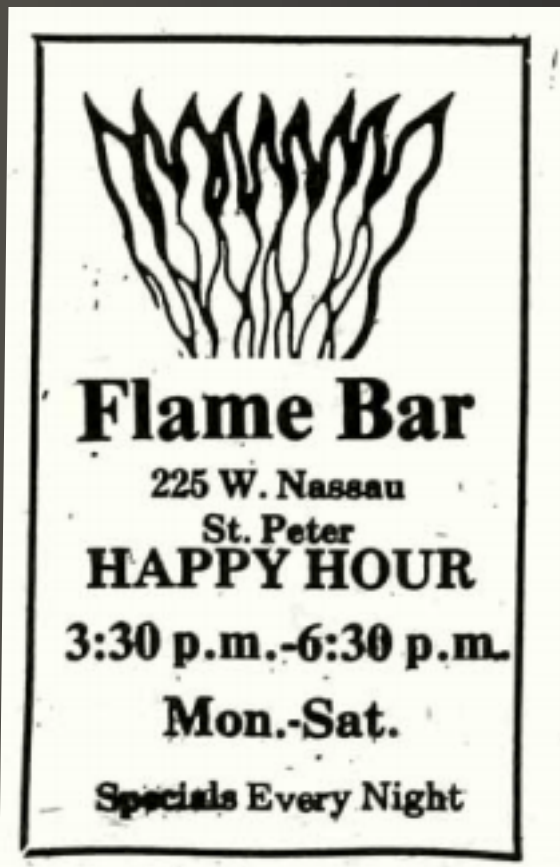
Buy a Button!

“Stompole” homecoming buttons will be needed to gain admission to the variety show tonight. Buttons will be sold for fifty cents at the fieldhouse by members of the APO, campus service fraternity, and also at the Gustie-Ole game tomorrow night.

Russ Paulson, homecoming chairman, urges all students and alumni to purchase these buttons; the sole financial support of homecoming comes from these sales.



Drinking at Gustavus: no easy answers



Frosh Queen Carmen Brink and King Al Gustafson chatted after their coronation last night at the union party.



Don't ask me my major



Jonas Doerr
Opinion Columnist

Hey, what's your major?" A common question, I'll grant. One that's rather easy to ask as well since we're all in college. But also a TERRIBLE question.

Why? What could be wrong with such an innocent question? No one has ever died from asking someone's major.

Well, one's social life might. See, there is a place and time to ask people's major. An academic advisor planning courses. A potential employer. A mom trying to figure out what the heck her kid is doing with their life. But when getting to know someone, "What's your major?" is the wrong question.

First of all, the person being asked might be undecided. They might not know what they want to study and that's completely OK. However, asking them their major puts them in an uncomfortable situation. They now have to justify themselves to try not to sound indecisive when they have done nothing wrong.

If that sounds maybe a little presumptive, it's not: I went through a whole year of answering *the* question, trying to make jokes instead of saying "undecided" and hoping that I didn't come across as the hopeless shipwreck of a person lost on the sea of indecision that I now felt I was.

And so I started inventing majors. To one person, I was an entrepreneur who wanted to start a sword fighting academy; to another, I wanted to become the next trust-busting Teddy Roosevelt. When saying I wanted to major in the Data Science of Predicting Major Choices was met by a blank face I realized that the topic was just not that interesting. Which brings me to my next point:

Talking about majors is boring. It's a conversation-killer! Imagine someone answers, "I study physics." Physics is very interesting, but not to all people. So what does one of those people say back to the physics major? The conversation can be salvaged, but it just got a lot more awkward. If the asker isn't curious at all about physics they either have to fake it, stand in silence, change the topic, or say the classic phrase of indifference, "Wow, that's interesting." At which point the conversation is about as finished as having two people per table in the caf.

And lastly, asking about majors categorizes people. When someone says they are a computer science major or a music major it is really easy to think, "They're one of those



The new department signs outside of Old Main

Jayne Mapstone

people" (Although I think those people are great; without them we wouldn't have Tecmo Super Bowl or the Wii Sports Theme Song). The thing is, a major is a very small part of who someone is. What about their morals, what they love, or what they put on their waf-

fles (Greek yogurt and fruit, if you were wondering)? No one should be categorized by their major choice.

What is there to say instead, then? Well, the best questions for starting a conversation are one that take more than one word to answer. Some exam-

ples include what are you excited for? What do you do in your free time? What makes you happy? Would Kanye and Black Widow make a cute couple? What's your opinion on [insert controversial topic at Gustavus that everyone rants about]?

While it may seem awkward at first to step outside the social norm it will make conversations far more interesting. Plus, no one is going to refuse to answer a decent question, so it's a low-risk, high-reward situation.

However, there's one magic tait to help improve any conversation - curiosity. Asking questions by rote is stale and boring, but asking questions with a desire to learn is awesome for the asker and the answerer. It can be infrequent in today's society that someone is truly listened to even on seemingly trivial topics such as in small talk. This means that showing curiosity towards someone is a gift that makes people feel heard and appreciated, which, by the way, is a great way to make friends. Plus, everyone has something to teach, so asking the right questions can lead to a gold mine of new insights.

Of course, some people would rather not make new friends, have more intriguing conversations, and learn new things. For them, they can keep asking each other their majors. But for everyone else try this stuff out! It just might make a (wait for it)... major difference.



Gustavus Missed Connections



The Neon Ghost

I was in my dorm in Rundy later in the evening and I heard something in the hall. I peaked my head out to see a neon clad figure going down the stairs.

Window Painting

I saw you painting a breathtaking window. I quick went to the market place to get a cheesecake, when I came back you were gone. I was painting window #6. Meet me there

Hypnosis

I was sitting next to you on stage. While every one else was hypnotised by the professional, I was hypnotised by your handsome face. If you feel the same meet me at the field before the football game.

Not the HoCo Queen

You weren't voted homecoming queen but you will always be the queen in my heart!

Gus Bus Sad

To the kid crying on the Gus Bus, I hope you're okay my guy.

Do you have a missed connection?
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missedconnections-gac@gmail.com

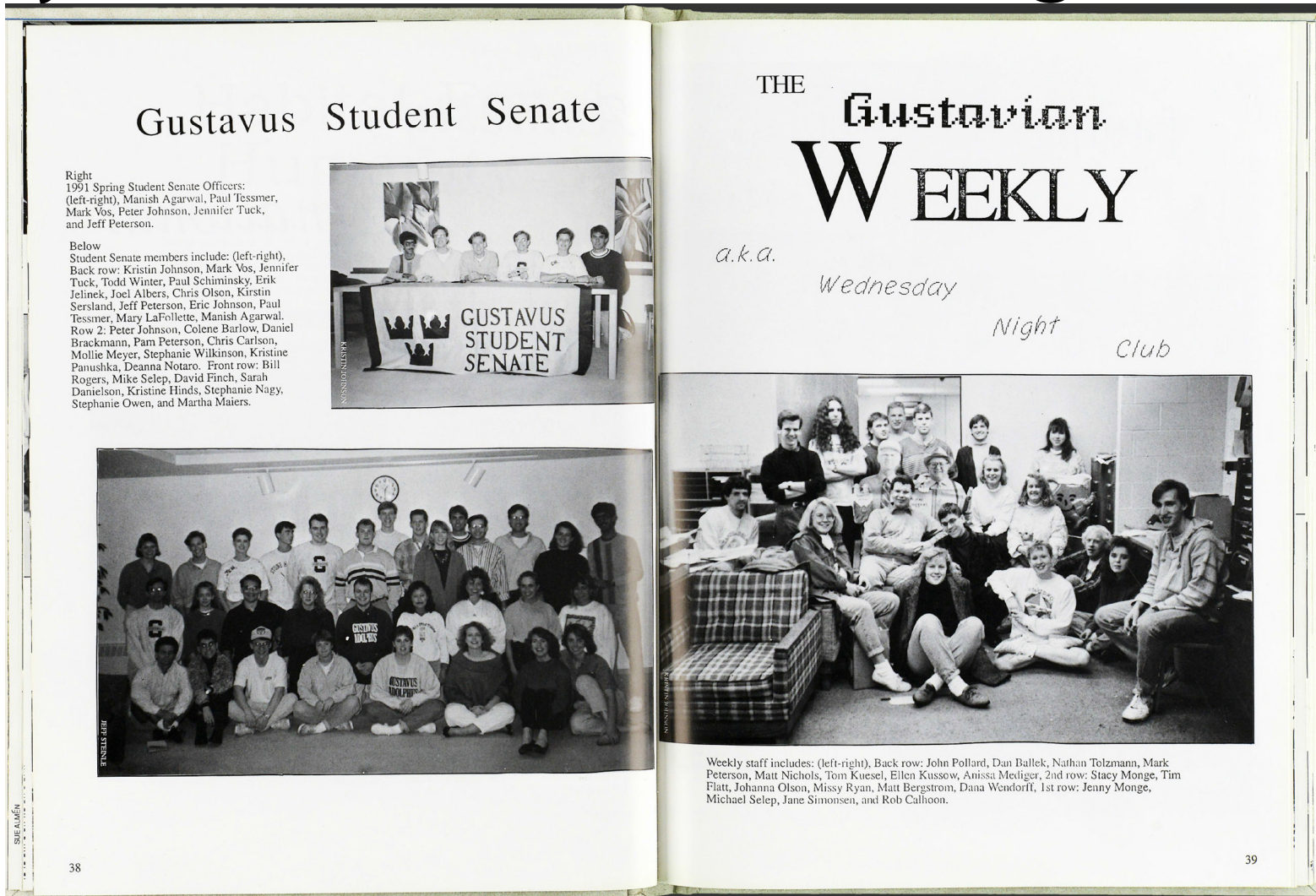
100 years of student lead change



Alma Jorgenson
Opinion Columnist

Joining *The Weekly* was one of the best things I have done during my time at Gustavus. It is my opinion that writing for a college newspaper is one of the most impactful things that a college student can do. One thing I tell my writers over and over is that the administration actually reads the paper, sometimes even writing a letter that they want to be published. During my time at Gustavus I have seen a variety of student organizations trying to get the administration to listen to their voices. Some noticeable rise ups being the protest of the Kavanaugh window in 2018, the Groundswell that was in spring of 2019, and the demand for clarity from the administration on indigenous relations last spring.

Without knowing exactly what happened after these events, I find it hard to pinpoint whether or not they were successful. What I do know is that I hear students talking about the same problems year after year. It's always been my understanding that administrators just tell



Weekly year book page from 1991

them that it'll take 4 years to fix whatever the student is passionate about in hopes that it'll go away after they graduate. Which means that the students need their own systems to rise up in.

Luckily we have a few of those things already established.

"We are 100 years old this year. Generations of Gusties have been putting pen to paper to make changes."

The Good, the Bad, and the Meh



We finally get to celebrate Homecoming again in person.



None of us will be getting homework done this weekend.



Alumni will soon swarm campus creating oodles of human and vehicular traffic.

The Weekly is one of them. We are 100 years old this year. Generations of Gusties have been putting pen to paper to make changes. One thing that carries this legacy is the college archives (if you haven't had the opportunity to check them out you should do that soon). Back in the day they were able to publish things that we now classify as untouchables. There are also a bunch of articles about John Denver and who doesn't love that.

Along with *The Weekly*, Student Senate also is a vehicle for change on this campus. Sometimes projects take longer than 4 years to complete but luckily there are representatives from all class years at the table. I had the honor of being on Student Senate my first two years at Gustavus and I remember many conversations about getting compost bins into dorm rooms. I was pleasantly surprised to find my little green bin during move-in.

The college radio station KGSM has the potential to be one of these Gustavus powerhouses as well. It is struggling more than the other two because it doesn't get the funding or technical support it needs. It also doesn't necessarily have the inter-class representation that is really needed to keep these organizations strong. When new leadership comes in it is like they are stranded on a boat in the middle of nowhere with no compass or maps, no fault of their own.

Us Gusties are very socially minded for the most part. We have diversity that if given a space to do so can help create some beautiful change, not just within the campus but when we leave the hill as well.

Getting practice on speaking

From The Gustavian Weekly Archives
up and following your value systems is one of the main reasons college's exist. We get to be in safe closed door classrooms with professors who are supposed to be helping us understand how to use our words to express ourselves. It seems like something you learn in kindergarten but it is important to the average adult as well.

Right now I'm taking a class called Book Burning. It may be the coolest class I've taken thus far. We talk in depth about the power that literature has over society, the power of words is like no other. How do we as adults wield that power in a world where the average tweet is 260 characters? Or in a world where fake news and the threat of fake news is at every corner?

I don't have an answer. But being able to be part of Student Senate, KGSM, and *The Weekly* have really opened my eyes to the backworkings of change. Let me tell you, it's messy. Making policy changes, staying on air, and creating news that you can hold in your hand is so challenging. Hard work keeps it going.

The Weekly has had over 100 years of hard work, so has KGSM. That's something that we should all be proud of. The generations of students who care enough about the campus to record and report what is going on. It's a legacy that I am truly honored to be a part of.

Some days I really complain about Gustavus, and there are lots of things to complain about, but going into Homecoming Week 2021 after a year and a half of COVID and seeing *The Weekly* and KGSM turn 100 really makes me proud to be a Gustie. Happy Birthday to *The Weekly*, and here's to another 100 years.

College like expectations as a COVID high school



Tegan Hirman
Opinion Columnist

I took a gap year. That's right, I decided to wait a year for COVID to calm down and then start school again. I am not sure any of us really knew what to expect when going to college during a pandemic. I certainly didn't, and I was terrified at the prospect. Long story short, I graduated high school right when the pandemic started. 'Go Class of 2020' was printed everywhere and people felt sorry for us.

So when people ask me what my expectations were when coming to GAC, I really

didn't know what to expect. I had been literally stuck at home for a year and a half, so my life felt very secluded from reality. My already tight knit bubble only grew smaller and the outside world felt like a distant dream.

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College for me was a way to pop that bubble I had grown accustomed to and start up my education again. I will say, despite not having any expectations, it's a lot different from what I thought it would be.

For example, making

friends in college is much harder than I thought it would be. I suppose I expected that it would be a tight knit community of intellectuals right from the beginning. I find that I am always thinking about school and always busy so forming multiple friendships is close to impossible. Trying to fit in breaks and times to eat seems near impossible as it is, how are we supposed to add friendships on top of that? I have yet to master my own schedule. My close friend here at Gustavus, Kallan Kychenthal, also feels similarly, and I imagine many First-years can relate.

We both came to the conclusion that it is very hard. Harder than we expected, but it's ok if you stay on top of things. For example, in highschool Kallan didn't use a planner and that made it very difficult for her to transition to college. Using a planner in college helps her stay organized and relieve her anxiety and stress, I also find this to be very helpful. When it comes to assignments, class times, and when exams are

due are things that can go into your planner.

"I thought it would be life changing," Kallan said. Life changing? I suppose this is a common theme amongst first year students. I blame this on the stereotypical movies we see on TV like, "Legally Blonde", or "Life of the Party". I have yet to have my bend and snap moment. But, I will say there are some great things about Gustavus that I was pleasantly surprised to find. For example, the Gustavian Weekly. In high-school writing was a part of my everyday life, so being able to contribute weekly to the newspaper is so exciting.

Also, all of my professors are so kind. I was expecting, like 'Legally Blonde,' to be confronted with stern and rigorous professors that look down on you. However, I find that the professors want you to succeed and they care about how you are feeling. Yes, the classes are rigorous and meant to be challenging, but that's the best part. I am in a classroom learning again after a year and a half

of doing absolutely nothing.

In the end, college life is different because of one big thing, and that is Covid. Wearing masks and having to do your daily self-screening is not something I imagined I would be doing my first year of college. Yet, at the same time it does feel somewhat normal. If I am being honest, I have been dreaming of this experience since I was 8 years old. I told my mom in the line of the Holiday car wash 11 years ago, "Mom, I think I am going to go away for school. Like Zoey 101." She of course said no, and shot down my glorious plan. Yes, I dreamed of this day, and it finally arrived.

I didn't think it was going to be possible, everything considering, and yet here I am. It's different, stressful, but exhilarating nonetheless. I am glad I found this community, and no matter what new and challenging experiences I will face, I will move forward in my college career with a brave face.



A dorm that is freshly moved into

Cadence Paramore

HOMECOMING WORD SEARCH

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Gustie Game Guide

By Cadence Paradiddle and Moona SkyWalker

1. Make sure to bring your best baseball glove, you won't want to miss catching any field goals! It's mandatory that the audience participates in winning points
 2. Make sure to shout as loudly as possible when the offense has the ball. It gets them hyped up!
 3. Always cheer for your team when they score a basket. No questions asked.
 4. See those five people lined up? Those are the goalies! They keep the puck from going into the endzone.
 5. Be good sports! Make sure to cheer Concordia on when they score points too! It's all about friendliness in football! No hostility allowed.
 6. Did you know that another name for a football is a pork rind? Now you do!
 7. Every time David Peal scores a touchdown, you have to enthusiastically do the macarena! This is a Gustie tradition.
 8. Wearing the Concordia colors, maroon and gold, is completely fine. Even encouraged! Everyone loves the visiting team!
 9. The record for the most waves done consecutively at a Gustie football game is 21. Try to break that this year with your friends! Or strangers! :)
 10. Make sure to get a good view! Feel free to stand on the sidelines of the field, and even give the players advice when applicable! They love this!



By Grace Kearney

Men's soccer starts MIAC play

Gusties shine in first big game against St. Scholastica

Luke Siegle
Staff Writer

The Gustavus Men's Soccer team was on a roll entering the first week of MIAC play, riding high on a three game win streak including a big victory over nationally ranked Luther which moved the team to number one in the region. Opening conference play Wednesday against the newly added St. Scholastica Saints, the Gusties were ready to go and dispatched the Saints 6-1 with a combination of intensity and talent. They then faced the Carleton Knights at home on Saturday and suffered a narrow 2-1 defeat to their conference foes.

"We were all fired up for the first MIAC game. It was a long bus ride up to Duluth, so we were all ready to win and enjoy the bus ride home. We came out strong and a lot of our freshmen and sophomores played strong," Senior Cole Schwartz said, who scored his third goal of the year against St. Scholastica.

First-year forward Ethan Miller started the scoring against the Saints by netting his first goal of the season in the 12th minute to give the Gusties a 1-0 advantage. Senior midfielder Trace Dobson then doubled the lead in the 23rd minute. However, St. Scholastica capitalized on a Gustie mistake a minute later to cut the lead to 2-1. That was as close as the Saints got. Forwards Matthew Gibbons, Nick Katzman, and Schwartz scored a goal a piece while Miller netted his second goal of the contest to put the game well out of reach.

"Ethan Miller had a phenomenal game and showed



Submitted by Jayne Mapstone

Forward Leo Spry dribbles the ball between two defenders.

that he belongs in the program," Schwartz said following the game. And belong he does; Miller impressed everyone with two goals and an assist for the Gusties in his first ever MIAC conference game.

Going into the weekend the Gusties were firing on all cylinders as they faced off against Carleton. It was a hard fought first half as the teams traded goals. Gustavus got on

the board first with a goal by Schwartz. "A really good ball by Nick Leach and then Ethan Miller got on the end of it and I got the rebound," Schwartz said. The Knight's knotted it up at 1-1 late in the first half when a deflection found the back of the Gustavus net. Early in the second half the Knight's struck once more when the Gusties couldn't clear the ball out of their own end.

The Gusties did all they could to tie the score, even adding 6'5" sophomore defender Jared Hecht to the attack to try and cause some mayhem. "I was thrown up there in the last ten minutes to see if we could play a little bit more direct and see if we could get a goal, but unfortunately it didn't work out," Hecht said.

It was a tough one to swallow for the Gusties, given that

Carleton is expected to be a challenger for the MIAC regular season title, which Gustavus won in 2018 and 2019. "I think it was another one of those games where we expected to win, we kind of expected the other team to roll over and just let us win because we were home and are the favorites to win the MIAC. There were a lot of key moments where we just shut off and didn't make the right decisions and made some silly mistakes," Schwartz said.

Even after the loss, the expectations remain high for this group. Both Hecht and Schwartz believe the team has a ton of potential if they can work out the kinks. "We have probably the most talented program that I've been a part of...the expectation is to go far in the NCAA tournament, we want to win the MIAC, we want to be the best team in the north and maybe even the country at some point," Schwartz said.

The Gusties will look to build on those expectations, and their 4-3 record, this week as they host Bethany Lutheran on Tuesday and travel to St. Johns on Friday.



Gustavus Men's Soccer Instagram

Gusties visibly disappointed following close loss versus Carleton.



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Cole Schwartz' roster photo.

Women's soccer kicks adversity to the curb

Team takes tough loss against Carleton

Luna Walker
Staff Writer

The Golden Gusties are excited to fight for their right to compete in the MIAC this season. Currently sitting at a 3-3 record, the squad seems to be comfortable with the lessons they've learned and the progress they've made despite the undesirable losses to teams such as the Carleton Knights and Dubuque University.

"Though we didn't get the result we wanted against Carleton, we played well and that's something we took away from that game. Now, we are focusing on being able to play well and get the result to prove it. We definitely want to use this as motivation going into our next few games," Senior Katie Ashpole said on the tough loss against Carleton.

Something this team prides itself on is its culture both on and off the field. "Each season we start by setting goals for ourselves. A lot of them refer to building good character and pushing each other to become the best that we can be. We definitely are a close team and love spending time together, which I definitely think embodies the culture of Gustavus," Ashpole said. Clearly, this team knows what it wants, and this squad is willing to put in the work on and off the field to achieve its goals.

Not letting adversity drag them down, the three wins and three losses won't bring them down. The Golden Girls of Gustavus have their eyes set on the prize, the MIAC championship. "I would love to make a run for the MIAC title. This team has a ton of talent and depth. It has been great to be able to play with such a range of players and learn how to play with new people. It's definitely an adjustment but I think the team is really



Gustavus Sports Information

Forward Rachel Rehnelt goes up for a header over a St. Scholastica defender.

coming together and meshing well, so I'm definitely excited to see where that takes us this season," Ashpole said on the future outlook of the team. This team has only just begun its season, and the disappointing start is something Gusties should not be worried about. This is a team to believe in, and this squad shouldn't be discounted just yet.

"I'd say coming together and bonding definitely helps us adjust to the highs and lows of the season. At the end of the

day we are a team and we win together and we lose together. Although we sometimes don't get the result we'd like, we always have one another to lean on. Now we just have to motivate each other for our next game," Ashpole said.

This team definitely has healthy ways of dealing with a not so desirable situation, and the team is bouncing back already. The squad is looking good in practice, and with a captain like Ashpole leading the charge, nothing can stop this tank of a team. Kicking down every obstacle in their way is something this group of women are very familiar with, and the maturity of the squad shines through with Ashpoles' leadership and the positive environment being fostered both on and off the field.

The Gustavus Women's soccer team has its fair share of leaders and role models, but Ashpole has shone through as a woman of great skill and leadership, and has really made an impact on this team.

"I can't even begin to express how thankful I am to have the opportunity to be here for a 5th year. Everyday I'm reminded of why it is such an amazing place. We have so much potential and I feel so lucky to be surrounded by such amazing teammates and friends. Aside from making lifetime memories, I want to do all I can to leave a positive impact on my teammates, within



Submitted by Luna Walker

Gusties surround a Knight as she drbbles the ball.

the program, and at Gustavus," Ashpole said. Ashpoles' dedication to the program and her teammates has proven to be a major part of the Golden Gusties' success, and the only way this team is going is upwards and onwards.

"Moving forward I would say you can definitely expect a lot of energy and motivation out of us! We are so excited for the rest of the season. We take everyday and every practice seriously and constantly push each other to become better. We

are really excited to see what the future has in store for us," Ashpole said.

With all of this in mind, Gusties and the members of the St. Peter. Community can expect great things moving forward, and Gusties can expect to see their next matchup on September, 22, 2021.



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Gustie Defender kicks to clear the ball.

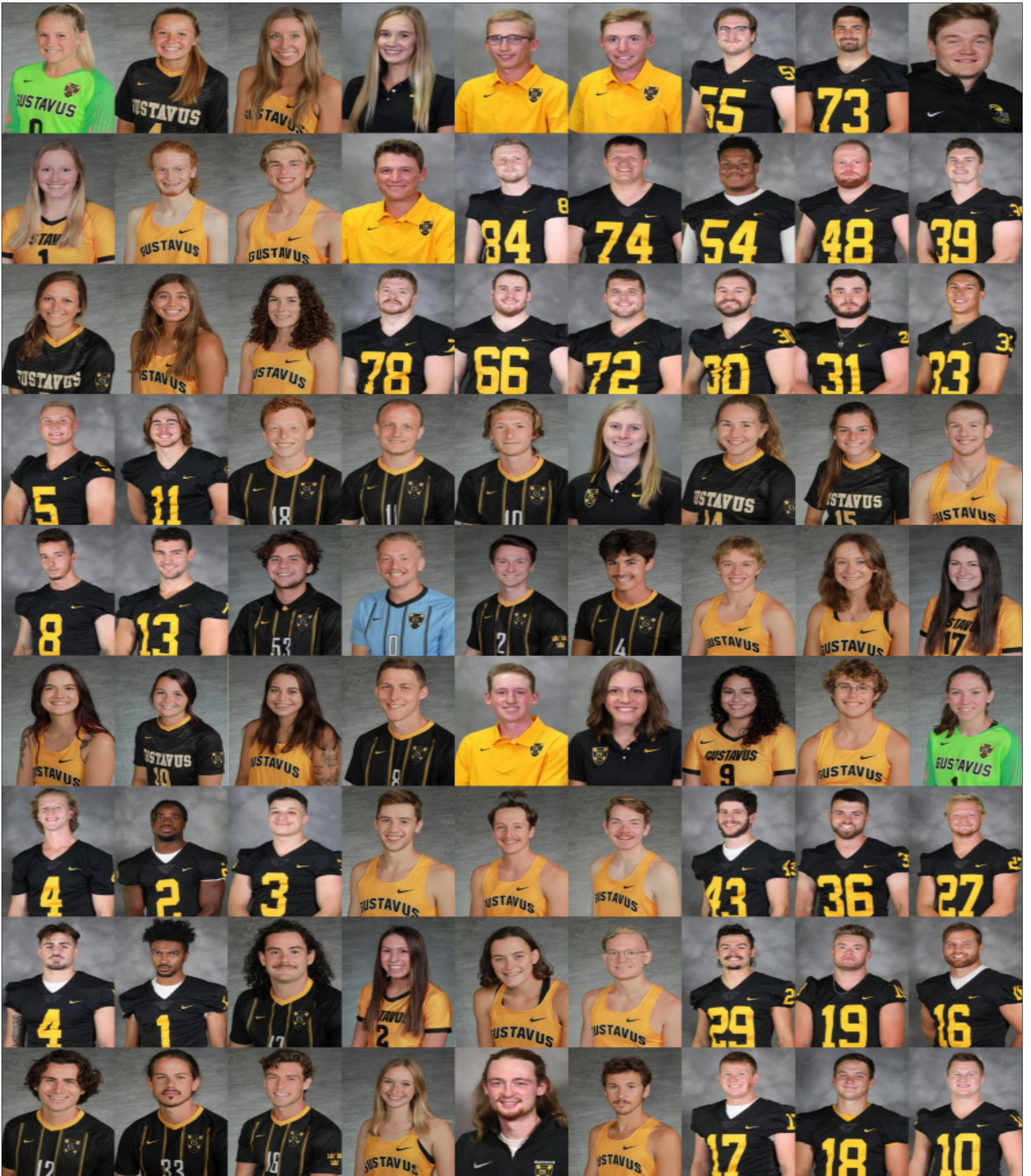
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