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Antianna Terrell performs a dance at Monday's convocation, which celebrated Black History Month.

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This Monday, the Black Student Union (BSU) led convocation to celebrate Black History Month. Members shared personal stories and reflections on growing up as part of the Black community.

Antianna Terrell, Esra Heisey and Quinn Brenneke

shared an interpretive dance to Kirk Franklin's song "Chains," highlighting the emotional power of the struggle of Black people throughout history to break free of their chains: slavery and racism.

Next, members of the BSU told their stories.

Trevor Emory described growing up in a biracial family without a father. As a child, he thought he was White like all of his friends. He recalled an incident in his kindergarten class when a classmate used a racial slur

against him on the playground. That instance started a journey of discovery for him that brought him to fully accept his identity, that he was "indeed Black, but also White: the best of both races," as he said his mother told him.

Jerron Jamerson shared a piece of wisdom he learned through growing up Black and learning to accept it: "Don't let race blind you from getting to know someone." He explained

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President Brenneman up for term review

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The first of July could be a big day for Jim Brenneman. That day may mark the start of a third consecutive term: his second reappointment as Goshen College's 16th president.

Brenneman is currently up for presidential review, a standard process that occurs every four years served. The review involves the input of the GC Board of Directors, faculty, staff, administrators and Student Senate leaders, as well as community and church leaders and the president himself. An appointed Presidential Review Committee facilitates the process.

Brenneman was first inaugurated in September 2006; his second term officially ends June 30. The evaluation process is one he is quite familiar with.

"In some sense, I'm probably more reviewed than almost any employee here," said Brenneman. "I am reviewed at every board meeting, where I present evidence to the Board of whether I'm in compliance with certain policies."

Brenneman is held accountable for a set group of policies, such as asset stewardship, institutional viability, financial planning and budgeting, and

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Campus living changes made for financial savings and sustainability

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Changes to residence halls, small group housing, campus housing and Residence Life staff are to come. Residence Life hopes to create stronger communities and more stable finances.

Chad Coleman, director of residence life and intramurals, said, "We're solving more problems. That's the gist of this whole thing."

The following changes will be implemented for the 2014-15 school year:

Miller hall will be closed, but Yoder 1 and Kratz 4 will be opened. Subsequently, there will be one less Resident Assistant position.

Four small group houses, Hospital, Vita, Valesco, and Adelphian, will all be closed to students next year.

These houses were chosen because they fit more of the four to seven student groups, which can be accommodated by student apartments and other options.

"By keeping Howell, East Hall, and Kenwood, co-ed options are kept," said Coleman, "We have a lot of co-ed living options for juniors and seniors now, just not in first and second year living experience."

To make up for the loss of 30 beds from small group houses, four units of Coffman will be opened. The basement will also be reopened as a communal space.

Kulp South will remain the same, however Kulp West and North will combine to become Kulp One. Each double room will be used as a single for students who wish to live in a 24/7 quiet place.

"We want it to be sort of like 'library housing,'"

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To be president for a day

What's an average day like for GC's one and only president? Reporter Kate Stoltzfus finds out

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When Jim Brenneman dresses for work, he prefers not to wear a tie.

"One of the hard things about having lived in California for 26 years is that I'm uncomfortable wearing a suit and tie," Brenneman said. "I call it my poodle suit, the uniform I wear to do my presidential duties."

He arrives at the college around 8:15 or 8:30 a.m., now that his son is in high school and able to drive. When Brenneman drove his son to school, he liked to be home for breakfast.

Brenneman tries hard to keep his mornings "sacred," with no scheduled meetings or events



Jim Brenneman takes a photo break.

Photo by Leah Stebly

until noon or one. He uses the time to reflect, to prepare for speeches and other events.

After noon, though, there's almost never a time when Brenneman isn't booked down to the hour. What does the afternoon consist of?

He meets with students, faculty, donors and community members on a regular basis, attends Rotary meetings, has

presidential teas in his office. Brenneman doesn't always find time for lunch, but when he does visit the Leaf Raker, his usual is always a fountain drink and a wrap.

Brenneman's quitting time varies each day. Sometimes he'll stay to go to a game or event. With such a packed routine, coffee helps keep him going – a Starbucks caramel macchiato, to be precise.

Introduction to passion, informatics; farewell to Palmer

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Kent Palmer, associate professor of informatics, always wanted to be an environmentalist. In his words, computer science, his current profession, was “sort of accidental.”

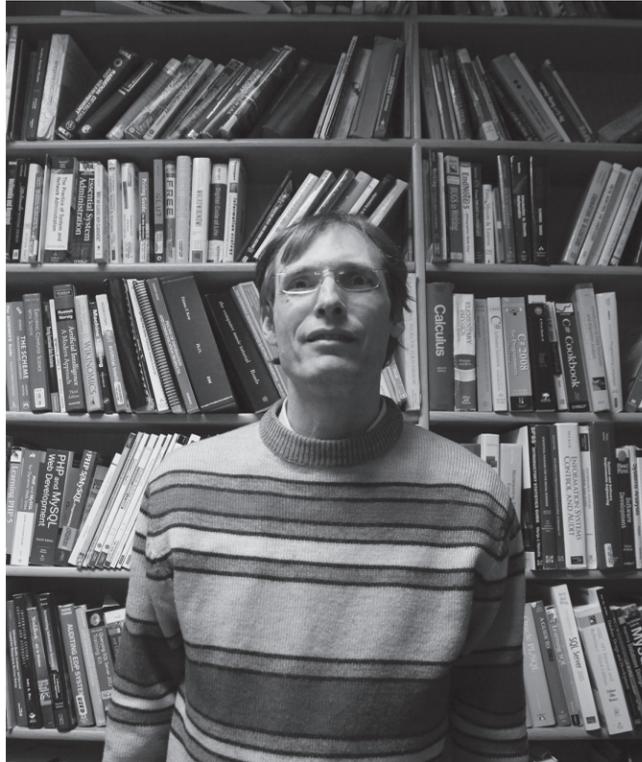
After four years of teaching at Goshen College and helping develop three new majors, Palmer plans to leave this summer to teach at MacMurray College in Illinois. His father, who lives near MacMurray, is sick and needs more care, so this arrangement will be convenient for them both.

After graduating high school, Palmer selected a college that focused on environmental studies. He studied physics at the University of Wisconsin Green Bay, a college known for its biology and environmental science programs.

The first experience Palmer had with programming was a two-credit course in FORTRAN in 1979. Back then, the best thing computers could do was solve complicated physics equations.

While studying at UW Green Bay, Palmer found a job working at a power plant at Argon National Laboratories. This helped pique his interest in computer science as well, since the work was computer-related.

Later on, he returned to school to do some more physics and



Kent Palmer is in his office for a final semester before he goes home to take care of his sick father.



Photo by Isaac Fast, left; Lauren Weaver, right

math research. With the help of a tuition waiver, Palmer was able to spend more time researching and less time teaching. He assisted in computer education for adults.

After finishing his undergraduate degree, Palmer took a break to do volunteer work with the Mennonite Church. Palmer served in Oklahoma City doing home repair. After about one year, he returned to school at the University of Illinois Springfield, hoping to earn a Master's in environmental studies.

During his studies at UI

Springfield, Palmer worked at the Illinois Department of Nuclear Safety, implementing programs to check substances for contamination. One of his main tasks was to check drinking water sources. Political issues forced him to leave work there; he did not want to be associated with the state government at that time.

Palmer then went back to voluntary service. He wanted to travel abroad and tried to get placements that would take him to other countries. He studied Hebrew, Arabic and Polish,

hoping to find an agriculture or environmental science job in Israel, Poland or an Arabic-speaking nation.

He ended up volunteering for Koinonia Farms, in Americus, Ga. This was where his first real “coding” experience came. Koinonia Farms sells pecan products, and at that time had a computer that simply kept track of mailing lists and addresses.

When Palmer arrived, the system needed some huge improvements. Pecan customers had no way to check the status

of their orders, because every record was on paper and was very poorly organized.

Along with computer support, they also needed a general accounting program, so with next to no coding experience, Palmer decided he would buy the accounting program, but write the order processing program himself.

The perfect time came...

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For the RECORD



contest, after all, not a competition for the most important issue).

The truth is all of the topics presented hold society back from achieving a peaceful and just world. All of those issues deserve the recognition that comes with a first place rank.

Choosing the front page stories for this week's Record felt like a competition, too. Which story deserves the limelight? They all do, but the front page only has room for a few.

One story makes it on top of the fold; a couple others snag the space below. The rest fall into rank in pages two through eight. But all the stories are important.

Of the voices reported in *The Record*, there should be no winner. We cover news that affects the GC community, a vast collection of students, staff and alumni who bring unique, equally important voices to the mix.

However, as a compassionate community of Christians and peacemakers, I hope readers pay special attention to the articles that report the voices of the marginalized people with whom we share our community.

I hope that those voices don't have to compete for attention with

other voices, or worse, with each other.

In her speech, Deaton called on GC to have “the courage to invite everyone to the welcome table.”

There is space for everyone at that table, but we might have to squeeze together.

Black people, LGBTQ people, advocates for jail reform, our institutional leaders, international students and athletes all have an equal place. There is no single seat to be won for the marginalized. Those voices all deserve equal attention.

The Record has space for all of those voices, too.

So, Goshen, are we courageous enough to squeeze together – to rub elbows with a person different than us? Will we choose to join that person at “the welcome table” and have the courage to listen to her?

You can begin by reading *The Record*.

But don't stop there.

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Deaton, left, delivers the winning speech on Goshen's hiring policy. Hofkamp, right, speaks about imprisoned juveniles, moved to tears.

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C. Henry Smith Peace Oratorical Contest: Deaton takes first place, Hofkamp second

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Tuesday evening, students gathered to be informed, to be persuaded and to provide support for their peers during the C. Henry Smith Peace Oratorical Contest.

Speakers included Martin Hofkamp, who spoke about juveniles in adult prisons; Lauren Treiber, who made a case for faith-based feminism; Alma Rosa Carrillo Flores, who shared about

the femicides of Ciudad Juarez laborers; Natasha Weisenbeck, who was looking to save Africa from the media through collaboration; and Abby Deaton, who expounded upon Goshen College's hiring policy.

Deaton won first place and a prize of \$500, and will move forward to represent Goshen College in the bi-national contest.

In her speech, Deaton spoke about creating an open space for discussion in relation to the Goshen College hiring policy, which currently prohibits hiring

of LGBTQ faculty. Deaton encouraged the audience to join her in "asking for courage to no longer see sides, to speak honestly, to listen earnestly, to be compassionate peacemakers, and to invite everyone to the welcome table."

Hofkamp took home second place and a \$250 prize for his speech based on his experiences working with juveniles in Elkhart County jails. He was encouraged by a professor to participate in the contest and was moved to share his experiences within a

larger context.

If Hofkamp could leave the audience with one thing from his speech, he hopes that "they understand that (juveniles in adult jails) is both a systemic and a local problem and that there are tangible things they can do to help fix the situation."

"(Juveniles) are human beings trapped in concrete cages," said Hofkamp, who was moved to tears during his speech.

There was a panel of three judges, made up of Cindy Voth, Melissa Kinsey and Jameson

Lingl. Both Lingl and Voth were participants in the contest in the past. Judging criteria included adherence to the theme of peace and justice, form of speech, content, vocal quality, physical movements, eye contact and audience engagement.

The C. Henry Smith Peace Oratorical Contest was established in 1995 to honor Smith's life, scholarship and dedication to communication. The contest is sponsored in part by Mennonite Central Committee and Hans J. and Bonnie Hillerbrand.

Students pack into Prude for Prison Symposium

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On Sunday, over 50 members of the Goshen College community crammed into the Prude House living room for the "Prude House Prison Symposium," an event designed to educate and advocate for prison reform.

Packed tightly into every nook and cranny, munching on homemade cookies and chili, students listened to presentations on a variety of topics relating to prisons and pertinent to Goshen students.

Andrea Moya, a senior, shared about the work being done by Goshen's Social Reform Club and student volunteers in the local jail.

Martin Hofkamp, senior and primary initiator of the event, told the story of an incarcerated youth who is dealing with the reality that his life will be forever impacted by his prison environment.

Steve Nolt, professor of

history, gave a history of the prison system, illustrating how the institution, intended initially as a humane alternative to violent means of punishment for crimes and an opportunity for intentional reform for criminals, has failed to achieve its goals.

For many in attendance, the most energizing part of the symposium was the announced opportunity to meet with incarcerated individuals in a new Peace, Justice and Conflict Studies May Term developed by Carolyn Shrock-Shenk and the PJCS department.

Entitled "Justice in Our Lives," the course will bring 10 to 15 GC students into the Elkhart County Correctional Center to engage in conversation and instruction with incarcerated students.

By launching this course, Goshen will join more than 120 colleges and universities who have been trained through the "Inside-Out Prison Exchange

Program" which originated at Temple University and Graterford Prison in Pennsylvania in 1997.

The intention of the program is to merge two very different communities into one class to learn from each other and explore difficult, real life issues together. The course will combine the topics of criminal justice, restorative justice and transforming conflict and violence.

Ammon Allen-Doucot, a sophomore, said "the most exciting thing about Justice in Our Lives is the humanization aspect. On the whole in our society, incarcerated citizens are portrayed as subhuman, and this class is an opportunity to move from the abstract into the actual and to really learn from what these folks have to offer."

According to Hofkamp, the organizers of the prison symposium attained their goal of spreading the word about opportunities to get involved with the jail. They continue to call



Shrock-Shenk speaks at Prude.

Photo contributed by Darrab Nagarwalla

for student volunteers interested in breaking down barriers between themselves, people of considerable privilege, and the incarcerated individuals who are often shrugged off by society as "other."

According to Hofkamp, "there have been quite a few people who have expressed interest in taking leadership after this year," which is encouraging as many of the current leaders of

the initiative will be graduating in the spring. For the program to continue and grow, underclassmen will need to carry the torch.

Students interested in the May Term class may contact Carolyn Shrock-Shenk for further information. Furthermore, donations of books of all varieties are being collected by the Social Reform Club to improve the library for incarcerated people who are eager to read.

BRIEFS

HJR-3 action in Java

A group from the public policy class will hold a celebration of the termination of HJR-3, a piece of Indiana legislation aimed toward banning same-sex marriage, from this year's legislative session. The celebration will be held in the first floor connector from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. today. Snacks will be provided and attendees will be able to sign a public petition in opposition to HJR-3, which could reappear in the statehouse in future sessions.

Habitat build

Service Club will coordinate a build-a-house event over spring break with Habitat for Humanity. Transportation will be provided. Sign up to participate in the event at Westlawn Dining Hall during lunch hours today and Friday. Contact Isaac Fast via email, isaacf@goshen.edu, for more information.

Corrections

The Record regrets making errors in last week's issue, number 16. Don Steider was pictured in the top photo of page one, not Willie Deegan. Anika Baumgartner was pictured in the photo on the bottom of page four, not Anika Bumsdfd. Micah Miller-Eshleman's last name was spelled wrong in an article on page three of issue number 15.

Open Letter correction

In *The Record's* December 5 issue, an article titled "Open Letter's summit discusses debate over equal hiring policy" ran a quote that was later found misleading. It was implied that EMU's president, Loren Swartzendruber, sent emails to the other Mennonite college presidents when the university entered the listening period, asking them to consider joining in the review.

While the presidents of all five colleges have informally discussed LGBTQ hiring policies, and while Swartzendruber did inform them of EMU's change, there was no formal invitation issued to "join in."

"It is inaccurate to say 'I invited and they declined,'" said Swartzendruber in a phone call Wednesday. "We discussed, 'Is it the kind of thing we could do together?' We agreed as a group that that's not probably something that's feasible or wise to do. ...[But] at no point did Jim Brenneman or Jim Harder or anyone say 'thanks for the invitation but we don't want to participate.'"

Said Brenneman, "The presidents have a very close intimate relationship with one another. We stand in solidarity with each other."

Mennonite leaders discuss LGBTQ issues, immigration**MADDIE GERIG**

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The executive board of Mennonite Church USA met last weekend in a regularly scheduled meeting. The Church's approach

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how some of his most meaningful friendships are across races, and how happy he is for it.

Jesse Loewen was adopted by an all-White family in Goshen. He realized around age four that he was Black. Jesse's story highlighted parallels between all the stories: an experience of realization as a child, coupled with facing hatred or bigotry in some form. Yet his was different. He faced not only growing up Black in a White community, but also learning that the parents

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explained Coleman.

Each room in Kulp will cost \$250 more, which is half the cost of a double used as a single in any other campus housing situation.

Staff positions will also shift with these changes.

Neal Friesen, assistant director of residence life and student activities, will supervise all of the RAs and oversee day-to-day management in Kratz and Miller.

An intern will work part-time to assist Friesen with RA training, day-to-day work and KMY focused events.

"I'm excited about it and we do have someone lined up right now, potentially, who will be great for it," said Coleman

Jeff Hochstetler, apartments manager, will step down from his role and Katie Dwyer-Zeman, assistant director of residence life and student activities, will take over.

Dwyer-Zeman will also exclusively sponsor Campus

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integrating faith, learning and service.

For this larger review, Brenneman does more self-assessment, evaluating what he and the college are doing well and what needs to be improved, both a "looking back and a projection of goals for the future," he said.

This year's Presidential Review Committee has five members: Ken Hochstetler and Phil Bontrager of the GC Board, Roy Williams and Carlos Romero of Mennonite Education Agency (MEA) and Brenda Srof, professor of nursing.

According to Srof, who was asked to represent the faculty, the review has been underway for some time. Surveys have already been sent out to groups, both in and outside the college. Apart from groups on campus, all Mennonite college presidents receive the survey, as do some MC USA leaders and conference executives; the Mayor of Goshen and director of the Chamber of Commerce also weigh in.

"It's important to me that I

to LGBTQ issues and immigration were both on the agenda.

The LGBTQ discussion occurred partly in response to pressure from various concerns of pastors and church members. These concerns stemmed from the

who cared for him were not his biological parents.

Antianna Terrell related how difficult it was for her to grow up in a mixed race family. She described sorting out her family ties and realizing that her identity is not as simple as Black and White, yet learning to be proud of who she is.

Nathan Orr grew up in Connecticut. In his words: "I was dark all my life. There was no working up to it; no tanning process."

Activities Council.

The problems that called for these changes are varied but related mainly to wanting fuller floors, being better stewards of resources, and creating more economic stability for students and the college.

"Our footprint of housing spaces has far exceeded our actual students," said Coleman.



Chad Coleman makes announcements about housing changes last night.

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licensing of Theda Good, pastor at First Mennonite Church in Denver, Colo., by the Mountain States Mennonite Conference.

The EB's discussion also resulted from Eastern Mennonite University's decision to enter a

For him, realization of identity started in school.

He faced slights and insults often as an elementary school student. This affected his choices in many aspects of life, especially in relationships. Yet now, he has accepted it. "Be proud of the race you are," he said.

Malcolm Stovall grew up in a mixed-race family. He left home to live with his White grandmother at age 14. After also facing insults and bigotry, he realized that he could either live

More empty beds, less intentionality and competition for small group housing, and overhead charges for student and school demanded solutions.

"Because we've operated so big with so little, students have absorbed a lot of the cost," said Coleman, "so the idea is to stop students from taking hits from here on."

listening process regarding its hiring policy, which bars people in committed same-sex relationships from being hired.

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as an outlier between White and Black communities, never at home in either group, or find a place in one. He decided to accept that he was Black, and is proud of it.

After the stories, Malcolm sang "Steal Away," and then Jesse Loewen, Lynnina Noel, Antianna Terrell and Tyra Carver recited the poem "Lord, Why did you make me Black?"

Convocation ended with all the students leading the audience in the Black national anthem, "Lift Every Voice and Sing."

Coleman listed what will be accomplished, including: fewer paid student staff, a better living experience in the dorms and the apartments, less of a carbon footprint, more sustainable CAC leadership, more single rooms and more flexibility with summer, winter and athlete housing.

"With these changes I feel that there will be more community on our floors, there will be more RA collaboration... and Neal can be more focused on leadership and day-to-day management," said Coleman.

"And I feel the apartments will be better because there will be someone who is more accessible and has more time to lead with activities."

Coleman admitted to expecting backlash and in response.

He said, "We're being environmentally responsible and we're trying to pass on the savings without actually killing the variety."

worst economic downturn since the Great Depression.

"We went from having highest enrollment in 27 years to a huge drop," said Brenneman. "Ever since, we've been trying to come back out of it - that's been the greatest challenge...I believe all former rules are off. I am no longer comfortable using predictive models [for enrollment] that existed before. So much has changed in higher education."

Apart from the enrollment issue, Brenneman thinks "almost everything else happening here is just phenomenal. It never ceases to amaze me," he said. "We are moving the college in the direction of the vision we articulated about seven years ago."

That vision, with the development of the GC Core curriculum, includes a greatly increased intercultural presence on campus, both with faculty and students; the number of Latino students has nearly doubled in the past seven years.

Other changes included the start of Master's programs

in nursing and environmental science, with a Master's in business administration in the works.

Technology has also changed drastically, with the addition of FiveCore Media, development of online programs, particularly for adult learners, and the iPad initiative.

Goshen College is "at the cutting edge of educational technology in the classroom and beyond," said Brenneman. "...By introducing the iPad initiative, we moved into the digital age in a way that wouldn't have happened otherwise."

As the review process moves ahead, Brenneman finds revival in life on campus.

"Any day I sit up and think, 'I don't want to go to work,'" said Brenneman, "I only have to encounter a student, or go to a convo or a concert...and I am completely revived. It never leaves my mind that we are here to serve students and if we do that right, there's no more fulfilling job for me."

Season best times for five GC race walkers



GC race walkers take the track in competition last weekend.

Photos by Lauren Weaver

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The Goshen College race walking team continued its strong spring season at home in the event hosted at the Rec Fitness Center. On Saturday afternoon, seven Maple Leafs athletes competed and five of them achieved their best times of the 2014 season.

The first race of the afternoon was the women's event where Abigail Dunn, a sophomore, took third place in a competitive race with a time of 15:39.68. She was the Maple Leaf top finisher, finishing before her teammates.

Michelle Moyer, a junior, finished the race in sixth place with a time of 16:43.85, almost 23 seconds better than her previous personal best. She is ranked 14th in the NAIA rankings.

Kayla Gray, a first year, finished in seventh place with a time of 16:53.21. She now ranks 15th in the nation. Meanwhile Hannah Bachman, a senior, debuted as a race walker with a time of 20:20.49, and placed tenth in the event.

Moyer came to GC this year, transferring from Hesston College in Kansas.

"The race at Goshen was really great," she said. "Since I just started race walking, I surprise myself by how fast I can actually walk." She believes that her improvement comes because she ran at home.

"I thoroughly enjoyed race walking at home," she said. "Usually the race walkers have to go to separate meets than the other track athletes, so we don't have very many people we know cheering us on. It was very encouraging to see familiar faces around the whole track. I think it pushed me and helped me go faster."

Moyer started practicing in November because she "wanted to see how race walking was." Of race walking, Moyer said, "I must say it is a lot harder and more complicated than it looks. You have to focus so much more on your form than with distance running."

Until now, Moyer thinks that the season is "going super well." She said, "I am at the point where I am improving a lot because I haven't race walked for very long. I have come a long way in the last two months. I love cutting time off each meet. It's a feeling that you

can't match."

Moyer has high expectations for her first NAIA Nationals. "I hope to break 16:30 in the 3K. I am 13 seconds away," she said.

"The next race will be nationals, so I hope to improve my personal record. It is a little challenging with spring break; it messes up training a little bit since I will be by myself."

As for her teammates, Moyer is very happy with the race walking team. She said, "I love our group of race walkers. We have fun and can be goofy, yet we work hard at practice. It has been a delight to get to know the other race walkers better. They are all super encouraging, but also help to push me to become better."

The last event was the 3,000 meters men's race where junior Mitchell Brickson won with a time of 13:45.41. With this time, he improved his personal best of this season by more than 15 seconds. Brickson was the first GC race walker to qualify for NAIA Nationals and his improvement makes him the fourth fastest race walker in the current NAIA rankings.

Brickson's teammates, Kolton Nay and Brad Sandlin, juniors, have already qualified to NAIA Nationals with B standard before the event, but in the race,



Abby Dunn rounds a corner at this weekend's meet.

both athletes improved their times. Nay got third place with a time of 14:24.43, while Sandlin got fourth with his personal best, 14:45.20. Nay and Sandlin are currently ranked fifth and seventh in the NAIA ranking, respectively.

Sandlin is completing his first season as a race walker as well as his first year at Goshen after transferring from Hesston College.

"The season is going great because I finally learned how to shake my hips like a salsa star," he said. His teammates are helping him improve everyday, "They have taught me so much," he said.

Sandlin also explained how he felt during the home event. "The race in Goshen was marvelous," he said. "It was weird because I felt like the race was done really quickly, but I guess that's because we are so used to walking in circles on that track day in and day out."

He also gave credit to GC students that went to support the athletes. "It was also great to have fellow teammates attend and cheer us on, as they normally go to meets without us," said Sandlin.

Once Sandlin qualified for NAIA Nationals he set different goals, always working hard, but also with humor.

He said, "My goal now is to walk so fast that I finally get carded... Doug Yoder tells me that I'll never get carded because my form is so conservative. Challenge accepted, sir!"

The next event for the Maple Leafs will be the NAIA Indoor National Championships in two weeks in Geneva, Ohio.

Dunn and Brickson will compete in the A standard, while Sandlin, Nay, Moyer and Gray will compete in the B standard.

Moyer said, "My hope is that everyone can get their personal record at nationals and hit their desired times."

End of regular season marks end for Leaf basketball

Men's and women's teams end their seasons with losses

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In a way, the Goshen basketball teams have spared themselves one of the stresses of March: when the regular season ends on Saturday, the Leafs will not need to wait to learn their playoff opponent.

The men were eliminated from Crossroads League tournament contention with a loss

at sixth-ranked Indiana Wesleyan on Tuesday, while the women saw their postseason hopes fall by the wayside on Saturday at Taylor.

Before the unfortunate reality of mathematics set in, the Leafs kept their season alive on Saturday afternoon in a 73-64 men's basketball victory over Taylor in Gunden Gymnasium. Matt Glick, a senior playing his penultimate home game, led the team with 23 points and classmate Jerron Jamerson contributed a double-double in raising Goshen's conference record to 2-14.

Three nights later, a double

double-double did in GC: Indiana Wesleyan seniors R.J. Mahurin and Jordan Weidner combined for 36 points in an 89-67 Wildcat win.

The margins were not as close for the women's team, which shot just 44 percent (11-for-25) from the foul line Saturday in an 82-63 loss at Taylor despite 19 points from Tyra Carver, a sophomore.

Less than 24 hours later, the Leafs hosted Marian in a make-up game: this time, it was the field-goal shooting at fault, with Marian tallying on 43 percent of its attempts compared to Goshen's 29 percent. The 79-44 Marian victory

was Goshen's second-largest margin of defeat this season.

Goshen enters the season's final weekend with matching 24-loss records for its teams. The men are 5-24 with a conference mark of 2-15; the women are 4-24, 1-15 in Crossroads League play, with their game against Indiana Wesleyan last night finishing after press time.

The women will travel to Saint Francis on Saturday for a game that has no bearing on the Crossroads League standings: the Cougars have clinched the league title and Goshen

cannot reach ninth.

Two hours later, the men will try to leverage the last home game of the year into a spoiler role: Saint Francis is currently fourth in the league, but could finish anywhere between second and fifth.

This will be the 23rd season for the Crossroads League tournament, which replaced the NAIA's District 21 event in 1992. For its first 14 incarnations, every team in the league qualified. In the last nine years, the Leaf men have failed to qualify four times; the women have finished outside the top eight on six occasions.

The curious incident of the duck in the nighttime

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“So...do you want a duck?” Steve Shantz of the systems department asks me during break one November afternoon. He is asking me if I would like to purchase a full-grown, free-range duck to have as my next meal. Because I live off campus, supper eaten together as a whole house is a special occasion. Having duck for supper would be the ultimate culinary treat, along with, for some of my housemates, a first time experience in processing (butchering and cleaning) their own meat.

On a fateful Tuesday in January, Shantz knocked on our door with the duck in tow. I’ll spare the gory details, except that Quinn Brenneke, editor-in-chief of *The Record*, was the one to behead the duck as Karina Kreider, fearless EcoPax leader, and I held onto it.

Before deciding to buy this duck, I thought through the ethical implications thoroughly (or so I thought):

1. It was raised well (good job, Steve).

2. Thanks for life was given.

3. Death was as quick as possible to minimize suffering.

4. As much of the bird was used in order to waste as little as possible.

However, after the duck died, a negative space was left inside of me that made me take a step back and look at what I had chosen to do. Did I do something wrong?

Upon hearing of the butchering incident, people generally had one of two responses: “How could you!?” and simply, laughter. When I said that I did not feel good, but was not able to explain why, they decided that I had probably named it. No, I did not give it a humanizing name or make it a pet possession. Why do living beings have to be humanized for us to care? Could not the duck matter as a duck?

And for those who asked me, “How could you!?” when they were still able to eat meat from



the grocery store without a second thought, I have a story for them.

My high school years were spent in a small town in south-central Kansas. My mother was the unofficial social worker and Spanish translator for the growing Hispanic population that had moved in following the work that a new meat-packing plant provided.

She told me stories: the story of a man whose hand was chopped off by one of the machines and no further security measures were taken by management after the accident.

There is also the story of a six months pregnant Latina woman, whose undocumented status robbed her of the right to paid maternity leave, forcing her to work in those same dangerous conditions. She worked to feed her nine year-old son Anthony, who at the beginning of every weekend had to wonder if he would see another meal before the following Monday where he received free school lunches.



Karina Kreider and Carina Zehr carry a duck to their backyard for butchering.

Photos by Isaac Fast

(The school lunches that the government spends less than a dollar per meal on, a total of 4.5 billion over 10 years, roughly the same amount used in one month of military spending in Afghanistan.)

I did feel a sense of grief at the loss of the duck’s life, but that feeling was good in that

it grounded me in very real implications of my actions. It also makes me horrified to think of those who have to butcher hundreds of animals in a factory line. How do they feel at the end of the day because of our demand for factory-processed meat?

But it doesn’t seem to matter

enough. Each day we continue on in the same way – just eating our meat, unless we actually begin thinking about the reality of the way in which our meat is acquired that has been separated from our sight, experience and feelings.

So the next time meat is on your plate, what story will it have?

Delectable dumplings and savory sauces, Czech style

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The first bite is the best one. Once you cut through smooth dough, juice from boiled strawberries leaks out and mixes with melted butter, sugar and cottage cheese and surrounds the whole dumpling.

Oh, so you do not like sweets? Never mind, how about a slice of roasted pork together with stewed cabbage and sliced potato or bread dumplings? Does it make your mouth water? Then come to visit Europe, particularly the country right in its center.

Compared with the U.S., Czech cuisine is less affected by international influences. Older

generations in my home country still tend to cook in a traditional way. Visiting your grandma for a big Sunday lunch, you may be looking forward to tasting roasted sirloin in sour cream sauce made from stewed carrot, celery and onion with bread dumplings, stuffed meat roll filled with sausages, pickles and boiled eggs served with rice or goulash, and chopped pieces of beef in paper sauce. Dense sauces with sour cream are generally popular. You can choose from many great variations such as mushroom sauce, dill sauce or tomato sauce.

What is unique about Czech cuisine is the presence of hot, sweet meals served as a main dish. Apart from sweet dumplings filled with strawberries, plums

or apricots, Czech people like semolina porridge and zemlovka, which is mixture of sliced rolls and apples baked with raisins and a bit of cinnamon.

Generally, Czech women cook and bake at home a lot. Every single weekend my mother spends the whole morning in the kitchen roasting, stewing, stirring. So do my aunts and grandmas. Knowing I can hardly boil an egg, I hope my boyfriend does not have high expectations for our future life together.

Moreover, we eat in a different way than Americans do. Breakfast usually consists of almost the same food as dinner – bread or rolls with butter, cheese, ham, salami and vegetables. The biggest meal is lunch in the middle

of the day. Most of the people normally start with a bowl of soup and continue with a portion of meat with potatoes, rice or pasta as a side dish.

So, when I was eating in the Rott for the first time I was surprised. People were combining a little bit of hummus, pizza and peach compote on their plates at any time of the day, drinking gallons of milk and finishing with dessert after almost every single meal. Compared to my home country, the food also seemed to be generally sweeter and greasier.

I have adopted some of these habits now that I’ve been here at Goshen College for half a year. Spicy Korean beef fights for the best spot on my plate with eggplant caneloni and cottage cheese.

Soup does not precede my main dish anymore.

While I miss especially fresh bread and other baked goods, I admire American peanut butter and all the ways people here eat it. Peanut butter on toast. Peanut butter with bananas. As a smooth American ice cream easily beats out any Czech water based one, peanut butter ice cream with chocolate chips seems to be the heaven on Earth for me.

Czech and American cuisines are different. However, both Czech people and Americans love good food and they always enjoy having a meal with their friends and families. Specific cuisine then serves as a means of connection to people all around the world. Bon appetit!

**inside
outside
voices**

**Ring, ring, ring.
Give us a call.
We'll listen.**

574-538-4322

Hey... me, again. Um, just wondering why you haven't returned my phone calls. I know, like, our date was, like, kind of awkward, but like, I feel like it didn't go that badly. I mean, like, okay, like I'll wear pants next time. I'm really sorry about that. I didn't realize that it would embarrass you, but I mean, I looked good. Anyways, so, I got to go home 'cause I got a date soon, now. You're great, I love... I take it back I don't love you, bye.

-Lauren Treiber

Okay, but like, could you please call her back. This is really rude. Please stop.

-Jake Smucker

Profs say the darndest things



"Phil and his friends; hang out with them or stay away."

-Keith Graber Miller

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Yoder relinquishes coveted position



Yoder admires the sweet, sweet perfume of decaying food.

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Kate Yoder, a Funnies editor who sometimes writes about herself in third person, experienced a life changing event two weeks ago.

At the event, known as a "house meeting," Yoder brought up the subject of "chores," or jobs

performed by members of the household. These tasks include everything from scrubbing the porcelain throne to emptying the food scraps caught in the kitchen drains.

Chores are typically performed while yodeling along with "The Lonely Goatherd" from the Sound of Music, moonwalking, and/or maintaining an animated

Skype conversation.

At a house meeting five months ago, Yoder enthusiastically volunteered for the position of taking out the trash and compost.

"I'll do it!" Yoder said, uncharacteristically excited.

Her quick response induced groans from her six fellow housemates, who said in unison, "But that's the job I wanted!"

Twenty-one candles

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I'm especially excited for Friday this week. Everyone else is pretty excited, too. After all, it's my birthday.

Now, obviously certain birthday conventions must apply. Unfortunately, a "birthday convention" is not a gathering of birthday enthusiasts.

As we all know, your true friends are the ones who post "Happy Birthday" on your Facebook wall. Tomorrow, I hope to have two or even three (!) notifications from well-wishers.

Furthermore, you may be aware that Midterm Break (I refuse to call it "Spring") is coming up. That means this week is the perfect time to use up your groceries. Bake me a cake!

I look forward to anonymous donations of baked goods, containing anything from slightly old spinach to leftover Valentine's chocolate. You can leave it on my front porch, or in campus mail. I'll get it when I check my mailbox next month.

Feel free to top your cake off with some festive candles. Seriously, nothing says "Congratulations on living another year!" like "I'm going to set fire to your food now!"

[Note to Chad Coleman: We totally do not have candles in our on-campus housing unit right now. I repeat, we have no candles. Quit looking at me like that. Go away. I need to go blow something out, I'll be right back.]

Now, since this is my 21st birthday, it's pretty special. The date is also the 21st, so this is known as my "Golden Birthday" - or, in some circles, my "Champagne Birthday." As far as I can tell, this doesn't actually have any significance, but it sure sounds exciting.

I'm also suddenly allowed to do a lot of things. For example, over Spring Break I plan to do a lot of ... paperwork, since I can finally apply to adopt a child!

If you're looking for another major holiday to celebrate soon, have no fear: February 23 is International Dog Biscuit Appreciation Day. Really.

B-Fast Gigz | Phil Scott



Joke of the week

*Knock knock.
Who's there?
Canoe.
Canoe help me with my homework?*

Winter One Acts, a break from the cold

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The Goshen College Theatre Department performed the plays “Stay Tuned” and “Do Not Go Gentle” for Winter One Acts at the Umble Center last Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

“Stay Tuned” was written by Peter Eash-Scott, a 1999 graduate. The play explored the impact of the external voices of our daily lives upon our relationships with others.

Grace Swartzendruber, GC performance venue production manager, directed “Stay Tuned,” which featured Brett Conrad, a junior; Karsten Hess, a senior; Lea Ramer, a first-year; Nick Peebles, a first-year; and Adrienne Schmucker, a sophomore.

“It was my first time performing a One Act play at Goshen College,” said Hess, “but it was definitely lots of fun and people responded positively to the performance.”

“The author of ‘Stay Tuned’ attended the opening night and didn’t say too much, but later sent an e-mail telling us how wonderful it was.”

“Do Not Gentle,” originally written by Suzan Zeder, was directed by Angie Troyer, a senior, as her senior performance. Inspired by Dylan Thomas’s poem “Do Not Go Gentle Into That Dark Night,” the play featured Lillian Boedecker who



Students perform in “Do Not Go Gentle” in Umble Center last weekend.

Photos by Hannah Sauder

realized, upon death, that she could not move ahead without mending the rifts manifest in her family relationships.

The show featured Lauren Treiber, a senior; Brett Conrad, a junior; Ally Medellin, a first-year; Paul Zehr, a junior; and Schmucker.

“It was an intimate process,” said Treiber. “With the shorter production time, shortened play, and a small crew, we had to build our relationships with others, as well as our personal selves with our characters. Everyone felt jointed in the end.”



Brett Conrad sits on stage.



“Stay Tuned,” a One Act, performed in Umble.

What to do in Goshen over spring break

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Looking for something fun to do over spring break? For those who will spend

midterm break on campus, running out of fun ways to keep busy during the whole nine days without classes could be easy.

Cecilia Lapp-Stolfus, a first-year from Washington, D.C., discusses why spending some time in Goshen is important for

students attending the college. “I find it much more fulfilling to be involved in a larger community than just the college because the town of Goshen has more age and economic diversity.”

Since downtown is close to Goshen College’s campus

and a vital part of the Goshen community, it is important to become familiar with the city you live in, Lapp-Stolfus said. “As someone who isn’t from Goshen, I want to feel like I know the area and feel like I’m a part of it.”

If you are in need of an off-campus escape, something fun to do with friends, or just an opportunity to explore, here is a list of activities to consider for your spring break agenda.

1. Habitat for Humanity

Help Habitat for Humanity build a house during your free time. They will need help from February 24 to 28 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. every day. Sign-ups are in Westlawn Dining Hall through the remainder of the week.

2. Eat around the globe

Frances Fonseca, a first-year, discussed the culinary diversity that downtown Goshen has to offer to people wanting to try new things. “There’s Venturi’s, known for its Italian cuisine, Los Primos serving up Latin American food, Memories of China, and the Golden

Monkey, which has a Vietnamese twist to all things food,” she said.

3. Explore Downtown

Make a visit to the South Side Soda Shop and try some of their original fountain phosphate; visit the Olympia Candy Kitchen on Main Street; stroll through Ten Thousand Villages or Better World Books. If you haven’t had the opportunity to enjoy downtown Goshen, next week is a wonderful time to do it.

4. The Farmer’s Market

Located in the historic Mill Race center (near Rachael’s Bread), the Goshen Farmer’s Market offers year-round indoor selling space for local farmers, bakers and artisans. They’re open every Saturday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

5. Scavenger Hunts

Make a list of tasks to complete for points, add a time limit and throw in a little reward for the winner, and you’ve got yourself a creative way to pass the time – not to mention, a great way to bond with friends.



Students volunteer with Habitat for Humanity last spring break.

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