Students celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month

Since 1988, National Hispanic Heritage Month has been celebrated from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15, a 30-day period honoring the cultures of Hispanic and Latino Americans. This is by no means an easy task, since the Latino heritage encompasses about twenty different countries made up of a diversity of races, religions and traditions, all sharing one commonality, their linguistic origin.

Celebrating the contributions Latinos have made to the US becomes an important rallying point for many who feel that subjects like immigration have at times overshadowed all the positive contributions of this group in areas of the arts, politics, science and sports.

OLAS has worked to foster dialogue and raise awareness of Hispanic heritage year-round but especially during this month at Davidson, the Organization of Latino American Students (OLAS) has been fully engaged in creating a variety of social, cultural and community service events. Thus far, OLAS has put on several events, including a screening of Favela Rising, a documentary that brings awareness about the effects of poverty and its connection to violence in Brazil. Additionally, the organization co-sponsored After Midnight and Trivia Night with the Union Board, offering free Qdoba along with a chance to learn and practice salsa dancing. Also within the realm of food, OLAS sponsored a walk-up taco truck on campus last Saturday.

In addition to gastronomic offerings, OLAS has also worked to foster dialogue through their event, Latino Voice, for students to speak frankly with faculty and administration about their experience at Davidson as Latino students. On Tuesday, Sept. 25 in the 900 Room, OLAS invited students, staff, faculty and administration to offer their input on the state of Hispanic students on campus. This was the third consecutive year that Davidson hosted this event, originally created by Jesse Johnson ’12. Mel Mendez ’13, president of OLAS, explained the impetus behind the event. “So often at Davidson we all complain about a lot of things... but we are saying it to the wrong people... and that doesn’t cause any action,” she said.

Some of the topics touched on from last Tuesday’s forum included retention, resources and education. “A lot more focus on academics and curriculum... diversifying curriculum [as well as] the faculty,” continued Mendez, emphasizing the importance of “more role models that look like us.” Student and faculty diversity have

OLAS members Javier Robles ’15, Yessenia Coto ’13 and Antonio Rodriguez ’14 raise awareness of Hispanic Heritage Month. Events on campus have ranged from free food to student forums. Photo courtesy of Mel Mendez

Review of “End of Watch” declares it a fast-paced police film full of depth and suspense, with both great acting and great directing. The film has been called one of the best movies of the year.

The Sparrow’s Nest’s history is finally revealed. As one of the oldest buildings on campus, the Sparrow’s Nest was built in the 1840s and has served many purposes over the years.

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Elizabeth Allred, the campus dietician, arriving in Davidson April of this year, students choose more nutritious options. Phillips explained. "I love talking to the people at work and hearing about all the incredible achievements that people at this site have been a part of," he added. "Every Wednesday during lunch, my department watches part of a series of movies about the Apollo missions. It's inspiring and wonderful." Allred plans to use the space to focus on different issues, such as liquid calories and stress eating around exams, with a new flat screen television to display information. Phillips emphasized her desire to receive and incorporate feedback about any aspect of Commons dining. "I can’t change what I don’t know," she said. "If there’s room for improvement, I need to be informed of that.”

Dining hall explains menus, addresses dietary restrictions

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"The highlight is definitely living in a house with another intern and a 27-year-old full-time NASA employee, named Larry," he said. "Larry gives great advice, tells us the best things to do in Huntsville, and he brings us to hang out with all of his NASA friends.

"I'm sure this will strengthen my resume and help me earn future opportunities," he said, "particularly if I want to continue working for NASA. I’m considering working more for NASA in the future, but I also have some other ideas to fit into the picture." For students considering something similar, Sam’s advice is filled with his characteristic enthusiasm: “Do it! I may be graduating a semester later than originally expected,” but, he added, “this is absolutely worthwhile!”

"The online application process can work," he said, "but contacting people is better. I talked on the phone to NASA engineer Michael Ciancone, who my friend Graham Whittington met on campus, and Tom Marshburn, who graduated from Davidson and is scheduled to launch to the International Space Station in November. Both of these people work in Houston, so I actually did get lucky and got a job based on my online application, but I still think it is a great idea to talk to as many people as possible to get your name out there." Sam welcomes communication from his fellow Davidsonians. He can be reached at sacastle@davidson.edu.

Junior Sam Castle spends semester interning for NASA

 Physics major is spending the semester studying meteors at NASA’s Alabama base

Eric Sawyer Staff Writer

Sam Castle ‘14 is one of many junior faces that has temporarily disappeared from campus. Stationed at NASA’s Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Ala., Sam is working fulltime in the Meteoroid Environment Office, studying how meteoroids break up as they enter the Earth’s atmosphere.

In January 2012, I was looking for opportunities for the coming summer," he explained via email, “and through simple web searches and by studying the NASA website, I found the online application.”

“With his application having been submitted in February, Sam got a phone call in August as he was leaving a hiking trail with Odyssey. It was from a NASA employee at the Marshall Space Flight Center offering him a full semester internship. "This wasn’t exactly what I was expecting," he said. "I did my best to not decide abruptly," he said, "but once I found out how smooth it would be for me to miss this semester of school, the decision was pretty easy. It was a great opportunity in a field that I’m passionate about and considering studying more in the future.” Working at NASA and living in Huntsville is, according to Sam, quite different from Davidson life.

Sam Castle ‘14 is interning for NASA in Huntsville, Ala. Though he initially applied for a summer internship, Sam was presented with a semester-long opportunity to study how meteoroids break up as they enter Earth’s atmosphere. Photo courtesy of Sam Castle

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The Sparrow’s Nest: a reminder of Davidson’s long history

Archives aid in understanding the history of one of the oldest structures on campus

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Staff Writer

Have you ever wondered about the small brick building sitting in between Belk and Chambers? Often passed by on a trip to Commons, the Sparrow’s Nest has been a source of mystery for many students. “My friends and I always talked about what it was,” said Jaime DyBuncio ‘13, “not only because of its intriguing name, but also because I’ve never seen anyone walk in or out of it.”

Cate Hendren ‘14 also described continuing fascination with the Sparrow’s Nest. “Once I thought I saw someone in the window so I tried to look in, but I couldn’t really see anything. I wonder about it every time I walk by.”

Other students were also unsure of the building’s purpose. Some speculated that it serves as a supply closet or miniature dorm, while others suggested it had more mysterious origins. Ben Wilde ‘13 speculated, “I heard it once served as a passageway for students to get to a secret brewery underneath Belk.”

Although most of these theories proved incorrect, evidence from the College Archives revealed that the Sparrow’s Nest has actually served a surprising variety of roles. Thomas Sparrow, one of the town of Davidson’s early residents, built it in the 1840s to house his slaves. Sparrow, whose home sat on the lot next to the current Richardson Dorm, purportedly had four daughters who attracted such a number of male suitors that their home became known as the “Sparrow’s Nest.” The name stuck to the former slave quarters even when the property fell out of the family’s hands.

After the college acquired the property in 1908, the building became known for a short period of time as the “Trough.” One of the cheapest boarding houses in Davidson, it provided students with meals for only $18 a month throughout the 1920s. Once the boarding house stopped operating, the college used the Sparrow’s Nest only sporadically. At one point, it housed a widow the college decided to sponsor. According to old issues of the Davidsonian, the woman was known on campus for emerging to pass out religious materials to students she believed needed moral guidance.

More recently, the Sparrow’s Nest has served a number of practical purposes. In the 1960s, it stored supplies for the college laundry, keeping it stocked with soap and machinery parts. In 1974, it was remodeled and turned into a Campus Security office that housed a night watchman.

In 1990, Physical Plant took over the building, turning it into office space. In 2004, the Sparrow’s Nest is one of the oldest buildings on campus still in regular use. Built in the 1840s, the Sparrow’s Nest has actually served a surprising variety of roles over the years, its history should not be overlooked.

To celebrate World Habitat Day this past Monday, Oct. 1, Davidson’s Habitat for Humanity chapter decorated welcome mats for new homeowners, who are part of the local Habitat program. World Habitat Day encourages recognition of the global need for affordable housing through grassroots action. The club is involved in weekly projects each Saturday in Huntersville.

Photos courtesy of Paige Donnelly
Faculty spotlight: Political science professor Josh Putnam

A relatively new face to campus, Dr. Putnam specializes in US political elections

John Soper  Staff Writer

Though one of the newer faces on campus, Dr. Josh Putnam has quickly gained a reputation as a particularly knowledgeable and enthusiastic professor. Joining the Political Science Department in 2011, Dr. Putnam is on staff as a visiting professor after teaching at Wake Forest University since 2009.

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been a topic of heavy discussion at Davidson, but this subject did not dominate the discussion.

The main idea of the event was “making sure we are happy at Davidson,” explained Mendez. President Quillen was in attendance, giving all the voices and concerns an attentive ear.

Mendez explained that President Quillen’s presence and proactive work with groups was especially appreciated by OLAS.

Hispanic Heritage Month will run until Oct. 15, and OLAS still has many events left to share. “Almost every event we have this year is new to Hispanic Heritage Month," Mendez shared while describing the remaining events.

On Wednesday, Oct. 3, OLAS will hold a cooking class on different ways to prepare plantains. This will be followed Thursday by a Hunger Banquet, in conjunction with the Pi Mu chapter of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. This event will focus on the theme of hunger and deprivation through a Latin American context.

Saturday, OLAS will partner with the Swing and Salsa Club to go to venue in Charlotte where such skills can be practiced. Finally, on next Tuesday, Oct. 9, speaker Bobby Gonzalez will come to campus to talk about Latino heritage.

With each week hosting at least two events, the campus has been filled with new experiences and opportunities to learn more about this culture. “This is the most participation we have ever had in OLAS,” said Mendez. The support and engagement of the community can indeed go a long way on Davidson’s campus.
Students and alumni will celebrate the college’s embrace of diversity since 1962

Michelle Wan  
Staff Writer

The Davidson College of 50 years ago looked strikingly different from the school we know today. Today, 24.2% of first-year students identify as students of color, nearly a decade after the U.S Supreme Court’s decision in Brown v. Board of Education. By the time that Board of Trustees released a new statement of policy:

“Neither the Charter of Davidson College nor the By-laws of the Trustees have ever stipulated that race, nationality, creed or class should be a condition for admission to the student body of the institution. The presence of the SKY chapter would affirm the spirit of that first charter, and in doing so would reflect the Faculty to consider carefully all applications received from prospective students.”

With this statement, the Board of Trustees ended segregation in the school and opened the doors for students of all backgrounds to attend, nearly a decade after the U.S Supreme Court’s decision in Brown v. Board of Education.

The Half the Sky movement developed from Pulitzer prize winning authors Nicholas Kristof and Sheryl WuDunn’s book, Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity. The documentary, filmed in ten countries, features the movement focuses, and a discussion.

Half the Sky is determined to promote solutions for the many oppressed women in the world

Grace Hauser  
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Women’s empowerment is the main focus of the Half the Sky movement, which aims to spread awareness and promote concrete solutions for oppressed women worldwide. Olivia Wilde, Meg Ryan, Desmin Bautista and Hillary Clinton are just a few names of celebrities and activists who endorse this mission and will be featured in the movement’s documentary.

The Half the Sky movement developed from Pulitzer prize winning authors Nicholas Kristof and Sheryl WuDunn’s book, Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide which explores the pervasive exploitation of women’s rights in the developing world. The movement focuses on five main issues: forced prostitution, economic empowerment, gender-based violence and maternal mortality. According to the mission statement of the Half the Sky movement, the movement aims to “ignite the change needed to put an end to the oppression of women and girls worldwide, the defining issue of our time.”

Emma Steinberg ‘15 and Morgan Yeutter ’15 lead the Davidson College chapter of Half the Sky, which was established at the beginning of this year. Although the chapter is just beginning, they are already beginning projects on campus. They have already actively promoted awareness on campus by showing the premier of the movement’s upcoming documentary on this past Homecoming Weekend.

“I first and foremost need to know what’s going on. Then, you can figure out how to make your own impact.” Steinberg said, describing the mission of Davidson’s Half the Sky Movement.

Currently, the Davidson Half the Sky chapter is selling bracelets to raise funds for an Afghan school. They decided upon this fundraising project, as they will for future fundraisers at their last meeting. Although they have only met a few times, Steinberg says that a typical meeting consists of members bringing in articles or videos which address the key issues upon which the movement focuses, and a discussion. Emma describes the chapter as focusing on “advocacy first and then pairing that with activism.”

Preparation for the showing of the Half the Sky documentary in the Union has currently been the focus of the chapter. The film has two parts, the second of which will be shown at a later date yet to be determined. The documentary, filmed in ten countries, follows author Nicholas Kristof and celebrity activists as they campaign for women’s empowerment.

The chapter is also eagerly anticipating a visit from Half the Sky author, Nicholas Kristof, who will be speaking at Davidson on December 3. Kristof will be discussing both his book and the documentary at the lecture. Emma is hoping to organize a meeting between the Davidson Half the Sky chapter and the author who started the movement while he is on campus.

If you’re interested in participating in the Half the Sky Movement, meetings are every other Tuesday at 9:00 p.m. Email Emma (emsteinberg@davidson.edu), or take a look at the Davidson Half the Sky Facebook page for more information on the movement at Davidson and how you can get involved.

New club pursues world-wide empowerment of women

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**Stressed? Try yoga and gain a balanced, healthy college life**

Yoga not only tones the body, but relieves mental as well as physical stress

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Have you always wanted to try yoga, but never had the time or courage to do so? Yoga, in addition to sculpting and toning the body, relieves mental and physical stress, making it the perfect addition to a healthy, balanced life at Davidson.

According to Women’s Health Magazine, Americans practice about fourteen different kinds of yoga nationwide. With exotic names like Anusara, Ashtanga, Bikram, and Hatha, yoga classes can sound intimidating. Here’s a quick cheat sheet on the different types:

• Anusara yoga is best for way beginners. It takes a slow, methodical approach to the poses and focuses on mental “inner light.”

• Ashtanga/Yinyasa yoga is a fast-paced, cardio-intensive, weight loss yoga which focuses on six strenuous pose sequences. You should be familiar with the poses before attending this class.

• Hatha yoga encompasses nearly all varieties of modern yoga. According to Women’s Health Magazine, it is best for “calming down, de-stressing,” and a myriad of physical benefits.

• Power yoga is particularly good for the athlete in search of an off-season workout. Power yoga is fast-paced and focuses on strength.

• Bikram Yoga (Hot yoga), possibly the most infamous of yoga practices, aims to replicate the heat, humid environment of India during your yoga practice. The temperature in the yoga studio may exceed 100°F so make sure to bring a full water bottle and a small towel.

Davidson College offers yoga classes through the Physical Education department, free to students who sign up for the for-credit courses. The Davidson community and surrounding area also offer a variety of yoga classes. Community Yoga in Cornelius offers a free Hatha yoga class the first Sunday of every month from 6:30–7 pm. Classes are $5 for new students, $4 for returning students. The Bindu, another yoga studio in Cornelius, will be hosting Yoga on the Green (the Davidson Village Green) on October 13. Take time if you are still on campus during fall break for a free, one-hour yoga class from 5:30-6 pm. The Bindu also has its own regular class schedule on their website. Feeling adventurous? The Tree Yoga Studio in Davidson offers a “yoga on horseback” class. If you do not have time to drive to go to a yoga studio, feel free to download one of the many yoga apps for smartphones. One in particular, YOGA Free, is free and offers hundreds of poses for beginners, intermediates, advanced, and “guru” yogis. Each individual pose has pictures and step-by-step instructions.

Perfect Morning Workout Routine: Sun Salutation Sequence

- Stand straight, feet planted about a shoulder’s width apart, hands pressed together at heart’s center.
- (Inhale) Raise your arms up, lean back slightly and look up.
- (Exhale) Fold in half, touch your fingers/whole hand to the ground.
- Send your right foot back into a deep lunge.
- Bring your left foot back to meet your right foot, plank position.
- Lower yourself to the ground (using your triceps), so your whole body comes down at the same time.
- (Inhale) Upward-facing dog: keeping your pelvis on the floor, extend your arms and back backward and look upward.
- (Exhale) Downward-facing dog: Raise your hips so your body makes a triangle with the ground.
- (Inhale) Step your feet back up to meet your hands, so you’re in the same standing forward bend as before, then exhale.
- (Inhale) Bring your arms back up to the sky, back into standing.
- (Exhale) Bring your hands to heart center. Repeat as many times as you want!

“Follow the sequence of breathing. Don’t worry about timing this exercise.

**Movie review: fast-paced police film full of depth and suspense**

“End of Watch” called one of the best movies of the year, due to great acting and directing

Tommy Barquiner  
Staff Writer

“End of Watch” is one of the greatest cop movies I have ever seen. Whereas many Hollywood productions have examined the worlds of crime and law enforcement from the standpoint of a sanitized police procedural, “End of Watch” takes an unflinching look at the lives of two partners in the LAPD who fearlessly confront some of the city’s most heinous criminals. The movie does a wonderful job of providing an overview of what it means to be a cop. Rather, “End of Watch” examines the physical and emotional toll of the profession. The film is full of gut-wrenching action, but it is also a thought-provoking contemplation on friendship and courage. “End of Watch” is the first must-see of the fall, a movie of surprising depth and spectacular suspense.

Jake Gyllenhaal and Michael Pena both deserve Oscar nominations for these less performances. The two men have surely been the subjects of debate and tragedy. Both actors have accomplished careers, and both deliver their best work in “End of Watch.” Anna Kendrick (“Up in the Air”) and Natalie Martinez are also tremendous in small, but crucial supporting roles as the wives of Brian and Mike. The scenes of romance between the policemen and their wives provide some of the movie’s most poignant moments.

One of the film’s many strengths is its unpredictability. The two protagonists are often in the line of fire, and the movie creates an atmosphere of unease and worry because the moments leading to tragedy are indistinguishable from the moments that lead to triumph. The movie’s final sequence is a stunning tour-de-force that takes a firm hold of your emotions. Without giving the ending away, let me just say that it movingly reinforces the themes of friendship and courage in a way that does not feel the slightest bit false or manipulative.

The cinematography also deserves mention. David Ayer has a keen grasp of set-piece action and spectacular suspense. The streets of Los Angeles pop off the screen with ferocious energy. With its scenes of brutal crime and violence, “End of Watch” does not present a rosy view of the urban bustle. However, the movie makes exhilarating use of its setting. The scenes at night are especially powerful. The darkness serves as a metaphor for the perils that await Brian and Mike.

“End of Watch” is not for everyone. The movie pulls no punches in its depiction of inner-city crime. But the movie is magnificent. “End of Watch” is reminiscent of “The Fugitive” in the way it brilliantly balances thrilling action and quiet nuance.

Jake Gyllenhaal and Michael Pena starring as Brian and Mike, two Los Angeles policemen who patrol some of the city’s grittiest, most dangerous neighborhoods. The movie transports the viewer into the unsettling world of gang violence and drug cartels, and the scenes of confrontation between the policemen and the criminals are extraordinary. But the movie’s greatest emotional power comes from the relationship between Brian and Mike. The two men form an inseparable bond; their individual flaws are outweighed by their heroism and selflessness. Much of “End of Watch” is conversational, as the two cops chat about matters light and serious. The relationship between Mike and Brian gives the movie a realistic feel. This sense of authenticity is furthered by scenes of tragedy. Such scenes, while at times difficult to watch, powerfully demonstrate the precariousness of the protagonists’ lifestyle.

The feeling of realism is aided by the movie’s documentary-like style. Many scenes are shot from the perspective of Brian’s personal camera, which he is using for a project in his film class. This technique allows the viewer to form an intimate emotional connection with Brian and Mike. Writer-director David Ayer, who has a penchant for police movies (“Training Day”, SWAT”), “Dark Knight” does an extraordinary job of mining incredible suspense. For 90 minutes, I was on the edge of my seat, pulling desperately for Brian and Mike to persevere uncathed through situations of intense disruption.

Jake Gyllenhaal and Michael Pena both deserve Oscar nominations for this masterpiece of cinema.
The Tweet of the Week:
@DepressedDarth: Join the Dark Side, we don’t drug test.

This Week’s Emotional High Points

Eudora Doerty, ’15 – For first time this year, when she used the phrase “I think I made an enormous mistake last night,” she was only referring a minor MLA citation error on an upcoming assignment

Timothy “Big Tim” Curlédic, ’16 – Now that his new nickname’s been legitimized by The Yowl, believes “Big Tim” will replace the name which has haunted him since birth

Al Lynchburg, ’14 – Got to class early and nabbed the perfect seat: in the professor’s blind spot, next to the window, and with a prime view of the hot girl scrolling through her Facebook photos

Kate Dukevult, ’13 – After three years at Davidson, decided to see what this whole “library” deal was about and realized that she hadn’t been missing anything

Nicholas Bisstel, ’15 – Figured out that the sloppy scrawl in the bottom corner of his C+ paper says ‘signs of promise in a few spots’

Christina Busch, ’14 – Could have sworn that she was all out of tea bags, but decided what the t@ck and rooted around in the back of the box – next thing you know, a steaming cup of Earl Grey

Ezra Clinton, ’15 – Entered to win a lobster-embroidered bowtie on Facebook; didn’t get it, but loved the thrill of the hunt

Caroll Grufless, ’16 – Aced his exam, fell in love, and had a religious vision all within twenty-four hours, in what people around campus are now calling The Grufless Trifecta

Openly Tall People Stand Together

Last week saw the outbreak of a controversy over the recent founding of All Tall Welcome Here: A Romantic Support Group for the Height-Advantaged. According to the group’s charter, its purpose is “to promote healthy romantic relations within the tall community at Davidson, and to stimulate positive impressions of the tall lifestyle amongst non-tall students.”

As the club’s President explained, “Tall Davidson students face a unique set of romantic challenges: luring their romantic partner to a staircase before hooking up, meeting a shady, track-suited man in the dead of night to buy an extra-long mattress, trying to con-"
Women's Perspectives

STAFF EDITORIAL

This year marks forty years of coeducation at Davidson, and to commemorate this occasion various events are being held over the course of the semester. The Davidsonian will be sponsoring a talk Back to encourage dialogue about what this milestone means for the campus. A series of evening discussions, open to a limited number of students and faculty, are being held throughout the semester. One such discussion, “Personal/Professional: Gender and Success in the Twenty-First Century”, will take place on October 7. In addition, on October 1 and 2, the documentary “Half the Sky” was screened in the 900 room. The documentary focuses on ending the worldwide oppression of women and girls.

While acknowledging that women have been part of the Davidson student body for forty years, it is also important to note that for 135 years, Davidson was a male-dominated institution. Clearly, women have made great progress in the relatively short time they have been included in Davidson’s academic environment. We recently inaugurated our first female president, a testament to the extent of women’s involvement on campus. Still, there is room for more progress. Some women on the editorial board of the Davidsonian feel that women are underrepresented in certain academic disciplines on campus such as Physics, and others believe that the social structure at Davidson is archaic in terms of gender politics.

The forty-first anniversary of women attending Davidson has rekindled interest in gender studies on campus, and reopened dialogue about women’s role in today’s society and how that role still needs to change. Hopefully the multitude of events taking place this semester will alert students to the fact that though women are now an integral part of Davidson College, their time here still represents less than half of the College’s history and women’s roles on campus still have plenty of room to evolve.

Don’t Waste Your Waste

It is time to face this crisis and to do something. Trash needs to be recycled.

Zhao Xu

As I stood there, taking off my gloves, looking back at the mountain of aluminum cans, paper, and plastics that the Eco-Rep colleagues and I had just sorted from the trash bags, I was totally astonished by how much waste the school can produce within only forty-eight hours and by how much value we unknowingly lost.

And this is only for a tenth of the 125 tons of trash that the school produces in a month, according to Brahm Wood, the Assistant Superintendent of Building Service, “Davidson College spends $100,000 each year on trash recycling.”

In this state, according to re.org, each year North Carolinians throw away more than $74,072,000 in aluminum cans, enough to fill more than 11,800 tractor-trailers, paper worth more than $164,375,460, enough plastic bottles to line the Blue Ridge Parkway 642 times, and enough trash to circle the earth twice.

And in the world, according to a new report from the World Bank, 1.3 billion tons per year or 2.6 pounds per person per day of garbage is being produced, which by 2025 would likely to be doubled, with the cost to manage that surging to $375 billion from $205 billion annually today.

The World Bank calls the problem a “looming crisis”. “When you add the figures up we’re looking at a relatively silent problem that is growing daily,” said Dan Hoornweg, a co-author of the report.

It is time to face this crisis and do something. Trash needs to be recycled.

In fact, Davidson began its waste recycling years ago. Many organizations and programs on campus aim to recycle waste and build a more sustainable environment.

The Davidson College Sustainability Program has had a good practice on campus reusing and recycling wastes. Office paper, metal cans, glass and plastic are recycled. New employees are taught the procedures and value of recycling. A large recycle dumpster is located behind Vail Commons. Thirty tons of cardboard has been recycled each year for the last three years. Vail and the Café are the main sources of cardboard on campus. In addition, Vail Commons also makes boxes available to students at the end of the semester for use in packing and moving.

China, flatware, and glasses are washed and reused in the main Dining hall to reduce paper waste. Bar towels are washed and reused in all dining locations to reduce paper waste. Vail staff set out and collect their own food waste and send it to the grounds department. The food waste is then processed to make compost used on campus. The tables and chairs in Vail Commons are being replaced by those made from recycled tap water. This eliminates the need for chemical usage. And please know as students, we can do something as well.

There are recycling bins in the lounges of each residential hall. Please put plastic, glass, aluminum and paper in each bin according to the labels. As for batteries, all rechargeable batteries contain a characterized gene. Genes are soluble and can be recycled and dealt with specially. Please bring them to the Union and put them in the battery recycling bin. Don’t throw them into the trash. For more information about what to do with the waste you produce, please see Davidson Recycling A-Z at http://www3.davidson.edu/cms/33316.xmel.

Feel a little dazzled by all those? Don’t panic my friend, because you still have time. The Eco-Rep, short for Ecologe Representative, are here to help.

Aiming to raise awareness of sustainability among the student body, and appealing to action, we post bullet boards and write articles in The Davidsonian weekly, as well as hold activities such as trash sorting. Every one of us would be more than happy to talk with you about what can be recycled and how to do it. Please use us as a resource to learn how to better treat your waste.

As long as human civilization exists, waste is going to be produced. But we can take as much advantage of it as possible, so that waste is not wasted, but reused.

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Sustainable agriculture must include GMOs

A response to Franciscasa Kang and Elizabeth Welliver

Eric Sawyer

In last week’s issue of the Davidsonian, Franciscasa Kang and Elizabeth Welliver argued that the global food industry is unsustainable because of its over-exploitation of fossil fuels, land resources in the developing world, and new biological and chemical technologies. I agree that the environmental consequences of food production must be carefully scrutinized. However, while the authors concede that bioengineering and agrochemicals have increased the efficiency of crop production, they incorrectly conclude that these technologies are bad, stating that they contaminate the land and increase crop disease.

Genetic manipulation has always been integral to human agriculture. The differences between modern cultivars and their wild ancestor are striking. Belgian Blue cows carry pockets of muscle and fat in places that are impractical for their wild counterparts, bananas are much larger than their wild ancestors and lack hard seeds inside, and corn is substantially larger and sweeter than wild varieties. These differences are caused by heritable genetic changes that have accrued throughout generations of selective breeding.

Today, we have a growing and impressive understanding of how genomes, the set of genetic instructions that build living organisms, work. Fields like synthetic biology are expanding our technological horizon toward the ability to engineer more controlled and sophisticated genetic systems. Laboratories around the world are working to program microbes to produce fuels, pharmaceuticals, and even renewable, biodegradable plastics.

The same technology underlies genetically modified organisms (GMOs), a term that in many circles has regrettably become a bad word. Unlike the haphazard genetic modification that produced Belgian Blue cattle, bananas, and corn, GMOs are the product of the careful introduction of a characterized gene. Genes are short pieces of DNA with a particular function. Every living thing contains genes: plants, animals, bacteria, and more—including you.

GMOs have been on the market for decades, and despite claims to the contrary, no ill health effects have ever been observed. In fact, a substantial amount of our current biological understanding would be overturned if GMOs were discovered to pose a health risk.

Like any technology, GMOs cannot be judged purely by their deployment. What should instead be judged is how GMOs are deployed. Monsanto’s line of Roundup Ready plants encourages excessive and repetitive application of herbicide, which in turn selectively breeds herbicide-resistant weeds. And genetically modified crops are unable to produce the trout liver parasite flies in the face of the biological knowledge on which their products rely (e.g., prosecuting farmers whose crops are pollinated by Monsanto plants).

See AGRICULTURE, pg. 9
While President Obama promises to scrutinize his opponents’ budget plans in the upcoming debates, in less than two years he has allowed gross federal debt to increase by more than any other President in U.S. history and consistently lacks any concrete deficit reduction proposals of his own.

As of today, September 28th, the Treasury reported that Total Public Debt Subject to Limit clocked in at $16.027 trillion. On President Bush’s last day in office in 2009, gross federal debt stood at $10.626 trillion, meaning that President Obama has allowed the debt to increase by $5.401 trillion. While running for office in 2008, then Senator Obama scolded President Bush as “irresponsible” and “unapartiotic” for increasing the national debt. What he has yet to provide is a serious, straightforward budget plan that considerably reduces the deficit is disturbing at best.

You may remember President Clinton’s so-called Democratic National Convention wagging his finger and claiming that simple “arithmetic” shows that President Obama’s most recent budget proposal reduces the 10-year deficit by $4 trillion. This could be one of the most baseless claims of the election yet as reports from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Congressional Budget Office (CBO), independent nonpartisan budget analysts, and the House Budget Committee show zero support for this statement.

For instance, the non-partisan Committee for Responsible Federal Budget reports that under a realistic scenario the President’s budget slightly trims the deficit by $2.6 trillion over the next ten years.

Former CBO director Doug Holtz-Eakin points out that an examination of the President’s budget reveals no indication that the Administration’s proposals even come close to reducing the deficit by $4 trillion. Table S-2 displays an estimate of deficit without the President’s budget proposals and the Administration’s “baseline budget” and, the deficit with the President’s plan. The White House estimated the “adjusted” baseline 10-year deficit to be $8.663 trillion. However, when President Obama’s $6.684 trillion. So within their very own framework, the Obama Administration only reduces the deficit by $1.979 trillion over the next ten years,

Another key issue that President Obama does not take the steps needed to secure our nation’s financial future. Meanwhile, he continues to demonize his opponents who’ve proven themselves willing to tackle these long-term problems. While Governor Romney, Mitt Romney was able to work with his state legislature to eliminate a $1.5 billion budget deficit. According to the Committee for Responsible Federal Budget, Congressmen Paul Ryan’s well known budget plan reduces the deficit by $5.6 trillion over ten years.

Besides the conservative Ryan Budget, President Obama has had several opportunities to throw support behind numerous bipartisan deficit reduction plans, including Bowles-Simpson and Domenici-Rivlin. Each time, however, this President has not had the same courage as his opponents to tackle the Joint Chiefs of Staff calls the number one threat to national security.

Nevertheless, President Obama refuses to take responsibility for the last four years by still blaming President Bush and allows his liberal allies such as President Clinton to callously mislead the American public about the Administration’s own budget plan. In the meantime, our President is endangering our future. If the leader of the free world allows the debt to keep growing at such a rapid rate, he will imperil our economy and we students are the ones that will have to pay for these disastrous policies, experiencing sluggish future economic growth and potential austerity.

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Believing in Respect

Lyla Halsted

It cannot be denied in the wake of the controversy over the Presbyterian affiliation of the college that Davidson is a place where religion plays a very important role. Although there is no indication of any sort of Christian affiliation, there are students of all faiths represented in our student body. There are also students who choose no particular religious affiliation. Perhaps what upset me most was the reason they were written. Blasphemy is defined as “the act of insulting or showing contempt or revering for religious beliefs or objects.” While I understand that students have the right to express their feelings freely, I do not understand why anyone would make a holiday out of the idea of insulting or showing contempt for something that means a lot to someone, no matter how trivial that belief may seem to you. I am sure that atheists are not always given the respect their beliefs deserve on this campus, but I don’t think any religious group is universally accepted.

One of the columns in front of the Union had the words, “Believe in God! What if you’re wrong?” written on it. Since these students have the right to express themselves in this way, I would like to use my equal right to respond. What if we are wrong? What if there is no God? Does that change anything? Not to me. At least I spent my life believing in something meaningful to me and gleaned a wealth of rewarding experiences from it.

Some people say that faith is the blind belief in things unseen. I would argue that religious faith protects the kindness, nuture and, enriches our lives. I am sure some people on campus have a much stronger set of religious convictions, and I do not at their ideas more. I feel, I don’t think this act was productive in any way. Just because you have been disrespected or mistreated does not mean you should retaliate. I wish that these students who choose no particular religious affiliation or Davidson is an institution of higher learning, and as such, is supposed to support the sharing of ideas. We all came here to learn, to become open minded, and to better ourselves. I do not believe that what was written on the sidewalk embodies any of these things. Seeing those words did not encourage me to learn more about atheism (which I imagine was the intention), but made me associate it with disrespect for my personal beliefs. It showed a lack of tolerance and a lack of acceptance of those who differ from me, the very thing I would assume atheists are angry about.

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Football slips to final non-conference rival, Presbyterian

Carkhuff ‘14 becomes second quarterback in school history to reach 1000 pass attempts

David Benusa
Staff Writer

Davidson football returned home last weekend for their final non-conference game of the season against Presbyterian College. The Wildcats, still looking for their first win of the season, fought the Blue Hose deep into the fourth quarter. However, a 28-13 loss sealed the fate of Davidson’s seventh straight loss. Despite suffering a heartbreaking loss, Davidson coach Tripp Merritt found some positives from the game saying, “If we can play the next seven games with as much intensity, emotion and execution as we did tonight, we’ve got a chance to win our last seven games.” The ‘Cats will look to do just that building on the strong rushing effort by Perry and the defensive efforts of Dorman (ten tackles) and Patrick Moynahan ‘13 (eight tackles). The Wildcats (0-4, 0-1) continue their conference schedule next Saturday at 1 pm as they host Dayton for this year’s Homecoming game.

Cross Country makes strides

The men’s cross country team moves to No. 11 in the reankrings after recent meet

Sean Cunningham
Staff Writer

The Davidson Men’s and Women’s Cross Country teams both competed at the McAlpine Park this weekend, with strong performances. The men’s team finished 3rd overall and ran a time of 24:45.50 for 4th place overall. The women’s team finished 6th place overall.

The women’s team ran the 6k in “Gold” and “Green” events, and in the “Gold” event went with an average time of 23:03:22, while finishing with an average time of 24:35.35 in the “Green” race. In the “Gold” race, the team was led by Spencer Perry ‘15, who finished 20th overall in a time of 22:24.66, and Erin Osment ‘15, who finished 28th, and ran a time of 22:35.73. Clemenson ended up with the best team score in the “Gold” race, followed by Appalachian State and Richmond. The “Green” race was won by South Carolina,while the Wildcats top performers included Mary Dombrowski ‘16 with a time of 24:45.70 for 17th place, Anna Armstead ‘13 with a time of 24:09.34 for 21st overall, and Lauren Carter ‘15, who finished 33rd with a time of 24:45.50. The men’s team was able to vault itself back into the Southeast Rankings with their strong showing this weekend. The team was led by Vincent Weir ‘13, who ran the “Gold” 5k course in 24:56.73 to finish 17th, Demetrios Pagonis ‘13, who finished 18th clocking in at 24:59.68, and Wes Reynold’s ‘13 who finished 22nd with a time of 25:08.53. The ‘Cats also took fourth in the “Green” race, where they were led by Grayam Sailor-Tynes ‘14 who finished 8th with a time of 26:09 and Wesley Laythen ‘15 who finished 12th in a time of 26:27. The women’s team is competing again this Saturday as they take on conference rival Dayton.

Men’s Soccer shutout by Phoenix, Demon Deacons

In the game against Wake Forest, Matt Pacitti ‘15 led both keepers in saves

Jip Richards
Staff Writer

The Davidson Wildcats men’s soccer team opened the conference season on a sour note with two straight home losses. The rough week dropped the ‘Cats to 4-4-1 overall and 0-2 in conference play. Despite suffering a heartbreaking loss, Davidson head coach, Matt Spear said, “UNCG was the sharper team tonight and they scored good, early goals to seize the night.” The Wildcats lost the Spartans 16-13 in the contest, but could not find the back of the net. Greensboro forward, Hakahn Illhan, tied a school record with four assists to lead the Spartans. After an hour and thirteen minute lightning delay, the ‘Cats hosted the Elon Phoenix on Friday night. Elon forward Chris Thomas scored both goals to give the Phoenix a 2-0 victory and also tie a school record for career goals in the process. Brian McGuire ‘13 led Davidson with six shots. Starting in the 68th minute, the Wildcats fired four shots and took three corner kicks over a three-minute span but could not get on the scoreboard. Elon outshot Davidson 23-12 and Matt Pacitti had two saves for the Wildcats.

Tuesday night, the Wildcats took on No. 15 Wake Forest Demons. Having been unbeaten for the last six games, Wake Forest continued to improve to 7-1-3. The Demon Deacons overtook the the Wildcats 2-0. Matt Pacitti ‘15 led both keepers with seven saves. Brian McGuire ‘13 had two attempts, while Peter Paris ‘13 had shot that hit the cross bar. Davidson will conclude its homecoming schedule this Saturday at 7 pm against Georgia Southern.

Want a unique chance to see the game from the front lines? Sign up to be a Davidsonian Sports Photographer. Contact marickard, mibrown or trippbartholomew.

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**Wildcat Pulse**

**GET TO KNOW YOUR WILDCATS!**

Name: Kelsey Krueger  
Year: Junior  
Sport: Soccer  
From: Keller, TX  
Position: Forward

- **Favorite game (meet)/ practice memory:** That time Marley and I earned the nickname “Thug Brotias”
- **Pre-game (meet) music playlist:** Anything I can dance to
- **Favorite Food:** Breakfast
- **What is your favorite sandwich filling?** Meat
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**Around Campus**

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Field Hockey overcomes Radford, App State

Finley ‘13, Fisher ‘13 named offensive, defensive players of the week for NorPac East

Thomas Morandi
Staff Writer

The Davidson Wildcats’ women’s field hockey team split two games this week, falling to No. 2 in the nation North Carolina on Tuesday before bouncing back to beat Radford on the road on Friday.

The Tar Heels’ high-powered offense proved too much for the ‘Cats on Tuesday as they fell 6-0. Loren Shealty netted the first two goals for the Tar Heels early in the 8th and 11th minutes, both of which were assisted by Kelsey Kolojejchick. Charlotte Craddock added a third goal in the 19th minute, while Katie Pylyer and Caitlin Van Sickle also found the back of the net in the 22nd and 30th minutes respectively, giving the Tar Heels a 5-0 lead heading into halftime. In the second half, the ’Cats were unable to bounce back from the deficit, but played much better all around and held the Tar Heels to one goal, coming on Rachel Magumaner’s shot in the 60th. The ’Cats’ offense was stifled by a tough Carolina defense all game and managed only one shot by Tyler McFayden ’14. Too many times, the defense seemed overrun by the explosive Carolina offense. However, goalkeeper Sarah Fisher ’13 made 15 saves, moving her into fourth place on Davidson’s all-time saves list.

On Friday, the ’Cats bounced back from their loss to UNC with a thrilling 3-2 road win in overtime against Radford to move to 2-0 in NorPac play.

The Highlanders took the lead in the first half with a goal off of a corner in the 26th minute by Stacey Mackinisch. Outside of the Radford goal, the first half was even with both teams almost equal in shots and saves. In the second half, Finley Amato ’13 netted her 7th goal of the season off of a pass from Annie Evans ’13 to tie the game at one. Radford answered about 12 seconds later in the 57th minute with a blast from Jana Beyer to give the Highlanders a 2-1 lead. Not outdone, McFayden scored on a rebound in the 67th to once again tie up the game. The game went back and forth as time wound down in regulation with Fischer making two great stops and the ’Cats having their shots blocked before the whistle blew to send the game to overtime.

In the overtime period, Amato took a pass from Evans again and sent a one-timer into the net for the game winner. Not only did her second goal give her team the win, but Amato became Davidson’s All-Time Leading Scorer with 41 career goals.

Tuesday evening, the ‘Cats took on the Appalachian State Mountaineers. Tyler McFayden, Annie Evans, Finley Amato, and Brooke Osborne all contributed goals for the win. Now, Amato has 102 career goals leaving her only one goal short of tying Davidson’s all-time record for career goals. Amato’s second goal give her team the win, but Amato became Davidson’s All-time Leading Scorer with 41 career goals.

Volleyball celebrates mixed success

A crowd of around 500 came to watch the ‘Cats take on Charleston at ‘Pack the House’

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This weekend the Davidson Wildcats Volleyball team took on The Citadel and College of Charleston, earning mixed results.

The Wildcats crushed The Citadel 3-0 on Saturday, and fell to College of Charleston 0-3 on Sunday, to bring their overall record to 6-8 and 2-2 in conference play.

Against The Citadel, the opening set of the match started off fairly even with both teams winning six points. The ‘Cats gained a slim advantage through kills by Caroline Brown ‘14 and Tindall Sewell ‘14, but the Bulldogs battled back to draw the score level at 11. The teams went back-and-forth, going point for point until Davidson pulled away, scoring four consecutive points to secure a 20-16 lead. However, the Wildcats held their nerve and finished off the set with an ace and kill by Brown and another kill by Hannah Rua ‘16 for a 25-20 win.

The ‘Cats got off to a blistering start in the second set, taking a 9-5 lead before Ariel Ley ‘13 pushed the advantage to 15-8. The Citadel again fought back to try and steal a win from Davidson, but the Wildcats would none have of it, with Michelle MeNeight ‘16 and Sewell finishing off the set with big kills to secure the 25-21 set victory for the team.

The Citadel, down 2-0, summoned all their remaining spirit to make the third set a highly entertaining conclusion to the match when they raced out to a 12-7 lead. The Wildcats responded to the challenge, with Brown sparking the comeback with a kill to tie the game at 19 and an ace to put the ‘Cats ahead. Both teams traded errors to preserve the slim lead until the Bulldogs committed one too many and gave Davidson the sweep with a 27-25 win.

The ‘Cats started strongly, opening up a 6-2 lead on the Cougars. The Cougars put together a 5-1 run of their own, locking the teams up at seven points each. Davidson once again seized the advantage through a pair of kills by Brown and a block by Sewell and Taylor Piel ‘14 for a 13-10 lead. CoC tied the game at 19 and went on to claim the spoils in the first set 25-22.

The second set saw the Cougars nudge the ‘Cats to a 10-4 lead. A pair of errors by the Wildcats gave CoC a 17-10 lead. Both teams committed many errors to bring the score line to 22-19, with the lead still firmly in the hands of the Cougars. A Cougar kill would eventually give the victory to CoC for a 2-0 set lead in the match.

The teams exchanged points early in the set, slugging it out to a 6-6 tie. Megan Chamberlin ‘14 procured a 10-8 lead for the ‘Cats with a kill, but the Cougars tied the score again at 10. Davidson took a 12-11 lead on an attacking error by the Cougars, but victory was not meant to be for the ‘Cats on this day. CoC then seized the lead for good, ending any hope of a comeback attempt with a clean sweep and a 25-19 victory.

The Wildcats’ next opportunity to rebound comes this weekend when the squad takes to the road to face SoCon opponent Western Carolina. The next opponent to visit Belk Arena will be Georgia Southern on Oct. 6, kicking off an important three game home stand in SoCon play. Go ‘Cats!

Women’s Soccer falls to App. State, overwhelms WCU

Newmister ‘13, Singley ‘15 score two goals in matchup against Western Carolina

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On Sunday, the Davidson women’s soccer team lost a tough overtime match to Appalachian State. In the 109th minute, Appalachian State’s Grace McColl scored the only goal of the match, the game winner, breaking a scoreless tie that persisted throughout the game despite multiple scoring opportunities for both teams. McColl scored on a corner kick that deflected over goalkeeper Rachel Locke ’15 four minutes into the second overtime period. Locke took the loss despite making six saves. Overall, the Mountaineers outshot the ‘Cats 14-12. The ‘Cats were unable to convert despite having eight corner kicks against App State’s three. The loss dropped the cats to 4-5-2 on the season and 1-1-1 in Southern Conference play.

Overall, Davidson is still a dominating 19-3-3 against the Mountaineers. Tyler McFayden; Annie Evans; Finley Amato, and Brooke Osborne all contributed goals for the win. Now, Amato has 102 career goals leaving her only one goal short of tying Davidson’s all-time record for career goals. Amato’s second goal gave her team the win, but Amato became Davidson’s All-time Leading Scorer with 41 career goals.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Men’s Cross Country Team
Davidson, NC

The Men’s team ran so well this past weekend at the Charlotte Invitational that the team has returned to the Top 15 rankings of the SouthEast Region in a poll released by the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association. The team is now ranked 11th in the weekly rankings.

PLAY OF THE WEEK

Finley Amato ‘13
Field Hockey
Lake Forest, IL

The senior hit the jackpot this past Friday night when she tied the Davidson All-Time record for career goals with a goal against Radford in the second half. The game went to overtime and Amato ended up scoring the winning goal to clinch both the Wildcat win (3-2) and the All-Time record (41 goals).