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Family Weekend tradition continues

By Quentin Ison
Social Media Editor

For decades, Bowling Green State University has hosted Falcon Family Weekend. The event is designed to welcome parents and siblings to the University for an activity-filled weekend.

Event director Chris Bullins said over 1,600 families registered to attend; however, Bullins estimated 7,500 total parents arrived to enjoy the festivities this weekend.

This year, events were jam-packed with activities such as open houses in the academic buildings, a movie night, brunch, planetarium shows at the Math and Science building, ice skating, Dessert with the Deans, educational sessions and the Falcon football game against Middle Tennessee State.

As always, the University fosters exploration, as many students and parents conducted their own self-guided tours around campus and of the downtown Bowling Green area.

Parents and BGSU alumnus John Lanson enjoyed seeing the Greek houses constructed near Centennial Hall.

“It’s amazing to me how far this campus has come since I graduated many decades ago,” Lanson said. “The new Greek houses truly promote community values, and I think that’s what BG is all about, not just Greek life.”

Students packed the stadium on Saturday afternoon for the BG vs Middle Tennessee State game. The Falcons ended up taking a loss, 41-21.

“I think it is great just to be back in the Doyt watching the Falcons play competitive football,” Lanson said.

While some parents and students participated in the various campus activities offered, some parents wanted to get reacquainted with the college lifestyle.

BGSU parent Michelle Compton went to a few parties on the opening night of Parents Weekend just to relive her college days.

“I was amazed I was able to stay up so late like my daughter can,” she said.

Students and families attended the rainy Family Weekend football game Saturday.

Call Center raises money for scholarships

By Keefe Watson
Campus Editor

BGSU Phonathon employs approximately 60 students who call alumni, parents and friends of the University. Located in Harshman and formerly known as BGSU Telefund, the Phonathon’s goal is to raise money to fund scholarships.

Patrick Jones is the newly hired year-round director of the Phonathon. Hired four and a half months ago, Jones was previously in charge of running six Toledo franchise locations of Cricket Wireless. He is taking his skills and expertise in technology and management from his former experience and applying it to the BGSU Phonathon.

Jones has an ambitious goal for the semester of $380,000. Last fall, the goal was $330,000, but Phonathon fell short on last year’s goal, reaching about $300,000.

“The Call Center in Harshman employs 60 students who make calls to collect scholarship money.

“We’re $50,000 dollars ahead of where they were this same time last year,” Jones said.

It’s an impressive start to the year, but by no means comes undeserved. When Jones arrived at the University he immediately made a few significant changes to the calling script used by the callers.

“There was a lot of points on the script that were just filler,” Jones said. “(It was) too wordy, and by the time they got to point where we were actually asking the prospect to talk back they just didn’t care anymore.”

The new script has been shortened and is now more interactive. Callers and those being called become more engaged in the conversation than they used to be.

Jones is committed to the mission of Phonathon – as he describes: “Getting alumni to help make BG better by providing scholarships to the students that are here now.” The changes brought about by Jones are raising more money that goes towards scholarships for students.

Another change Jones has implemented is in the hiring process of the center. Interviews are more strenuous than they

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Hillary's pneumonia should not impact the fall election

For the last week, I've heard about pretty much only one thing: Hillary Clinton has pneumonia. And because she has pneumonia, she shouldn't be running for president.

I know, it doesn't make any sense to me, either. I'm not a doctor, but I watch a lot of medical dramas, which essentially makes me a doctor (It doesn't. I promise. You don't want me operating on you because I will pass out because I don't like blood and needles). Though I don't have the medical degree to diagnosis pneumonia, I can tell you that it sucks to have it. Especially in the summer months.

When I was going into my sophomore year of high school (six years ago, if you want to know), I got back from a family vacation in Florida and got pneumonia. It was super sucky because it was the middle of July and it was hot, hot, hot. I was miserable and I was in bed for the week I had it.

Clinton had the opposite experience. She's in the middle of campaigning to potentially run the country. And Sunday, when she got overheated at the 9/11 Memorial in New York City, the high temperature for the day was 83 degrees, according to AccuWeather.

On top of the heat and the pneumonia, Clinton was wearing a suit and was probably wearing a bulletproof vest underneath her suit. According to a Quora thread, bulletproof vests usually weigh about five or six pounds, but can be heavier.

That's bound to overheat anyone on a general day. When you have pneumonia? It's going to overheat you even more.

As for claims Clinton shouldn't be running for president because of the video of her stumbling from being overheated and dehydrated? Those are stupid reasons as to why someone shouldn't run for president. Again, going back to when I had pneumonia, I went miniature golfing with my mom and my brother when I was sick (before I knew I had pneumonia) and

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Animal rights law should encourage more progress

Last week a new law went into effect classifying physical harm done to a companion animal as a fifth-degree felony.

This physical harm is defined in the law as anything that involves “acute pain of a duration that results in substantial suffering or that involves any degree of prolonged or intractable pain and depriving the companion animal of good, wholesome food and water that proximately causes the death of the companion animal,” amongst other bullet points included in the document.

Ohio is one of the first to pass a law such as this, which is incredible news for those fighting for animal rights.

Goddard’s law, named after well-known Cleveland weatherman and animal activist Dick Goddard, was first introduced into the Ohio General Assembly in 2013 and then reintroduced in 2015. The later version of the bill was passed into law officially on June 13th of this year.

Goddard has been a meteorologist for over five decades and founded The Woollybear Festival in Vermilion, Ohio. The festival is dedicated to teaching kids about the weather as well as animal rights.

Although I was delightfully ecstatic when learning about the law being passed, I can’t help but worry that this law will satisfy influential animal rights activists and lawmakers, causing them to stop fighting for animals altogether.

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was absolutely miserable. The sun was beating down on me and I felt incredibly dizzy. I probably would have passed out too.

Now, if Clinton was diagnosed with the plague, then maybe we should be discussing getting a replacement nominee. But pneumonia isn’t the plague. You get diagnosed with pneumonia, you take antibiotics and you get better.

Clinton’s personal doctor even said in a statement she’s “fit to serve.” Clinton’s doctor also said that concussion she had in 2012 isn’t going to affect her ability to potentially be the president and that her hypothyroidism shouldn’t cause too much of a problem if she’s elected.

For alarmists about the hypothyroidism, it’s a common condition that means someone’s thyroid doesn’t produce enough thyroid hormones in the bloodstream. The American Thyroid Association reports that 12 percent of the U.S. population will develop a thyroid condition in their lifetime, about 20 million Americans have a thyroid problem and one in eight women will have a thyroid problem in her life.

If a doctor says it, then I’m good with that.

So, to sum it up, pneumonia shouldn’t stop someone from running for president. Now, let’s find something else to focus on for the upcoming election.

Lauren Fitz
Columnist

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Swing Society offers social dancing

By Kari Myers
Reporter

Many may have seen this high-energy dance in passing or on television. Many may have heard of its popularity in the Roaring Twenties. Swing dance was the dance that broke the rules. It was free and loose.

In 2010, Jeff Klein came to the University and noticed that it did not have a swing society. After swing dancing for years and participating in many community and university swing societies, Klein decided to start his own swing society on campus. The Falcon Swing Society (FSS) is open to community members and students.

Eva Sullivan, president of the Falcon Swing Society, began dancing when she was three at Toledo Ballet. After graduating high school, Eva wanted to continue dancing, but also wanted to try something new. She tried swing dancing and loved it.

“Swing dance is a social dance, so every dance you do is not alike. You have to dance with someone new every time, but it is a good way to meet new people,” Sullivan said. “You get to meet a lot of really creative and amazing people.”

Sullivan said she hopes to continue dancing after graduation.

“I’m hoping to move down to Columbus, and Columbus has a good swing society,” she said.

Sullivan describes the FSS as “a good stress relief.”

“I always look forward to going just to turn my mind off and dance to the music with some good friends,” she said.

Other members also spoke highly of the club.

Emma Dickson, Vice President of the FSS, began dancing last year. Although she had never danced before, she wanted to try it. A friend of hers in band suggested FSS and Dickson loved it. She also wants to continue dancing post graduation.

“I’ve actually been teaching this semester, so one year literally since I’ve started dancing I have been teaching lessons, so I am definitely going to be doing this for the rest of my life,” Dickson said.

Elijah Timothy and Mary Joanna are sophomores who have only been swing dancing for one year. Joanna decided to join the swing society because she wanted to dance in college and the FSS appealed the most to her. Both members plan on dancing post-graduation as well.

Kevin Vavrinek, who has graduated, has been dancing “since the scene started, so six years.”

“I’ve always wanted to do a dance, I just wanted one that didn’t have a lot of structure to it, and this is a very solid dance because it’s very laid-back, it’s very easy going. You can make it up on the fly but at the same time it’s got that base structure so you always know what to do,” Vavrinek said.

Meetings are every Tuesday from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. The membership fee is only $10 a semester. That $10 goes towards the trips and events that FSS holds.

In the spring FSS holds an event of its own. It is presently trying to work with the BG Student Jazz Band for live music. FSS also holds “Spaghetti Dinners.” These dinners are fundraisers filled with dancing and food for members and non-members. Typically, members are asked to donate $5 at Spaghetti Dinners while non-members are asked to donate $10.

In mid-October, the swing society plans on going to a swing dance exchange, Time Warp. There, instructors host Lindy Hop (a style of swing) workshops, evening and late night dances occur and two Jack and Jill competitions - partner dance competitions - commence. Time Warp is three days long and the Falcon Swing Society is applying for Student Budget Committee funding to pay for the trip.
Falcons earn second loss of season at home

By Zane Miller
Sports Reporter

The Falcon football team was defeated by the Middle Tennessee Blue Raiders 41-21 Saturday afternoon, falling to a 1-2 record on the season.

“When you turn the ball over, you’re going to struggle,” said Mike Jinks, head football coach. “Those are the things that you can’t do and that’s a simple part of the game.”

The team found themselves behind early as Middle Tennessee took advantage of a muffed punt to score an early touchdown, converting on the extra point to go up 7-0. However, the Falcons rebounded shortly thereafter with a one yard touchdown run from junior running back Josh Cleveland to tie the game up 7-7.

The team then took their first lead of the game on a four yard touchdown rush from junior running back Donovan Wilson for a 14-7 lead. Middle Tennessee then finished out the first quarter with another touchdown of their own, making it a 14-14 tie.

“I thought they were coming off the ball, I thought we were moving bodies, but we just can’t have the turnovers,” Jinks said.

The team retook the lead with another Wilson touchdown run, taking a 21-14 advantage. However, that would be it for scoring for the Falcons.

Middle Tennessee scored back-to-back touchdowns within minutes of each other in the final two minutes of the first half to take a 28-21 lead into halftime.

“If we take care of business and punch a couple of those touchdowns in late, that’s probably all we’re talking about,” Jinks said.

The afternoon did not get much better for the Falcons, as Middle Tennessee took advantage of a number of turnovers to score two more touchdowns in the final two quarters. The Falcons were unable to get their offense back into rhythm, as Middle Tennessee took the 41-21 victory.

“Early on in the game, we realized that we were getting a lot of movement. Balance is doing what they’re allowing you to do and do what’s working,” Jinks said. “The box was tight, the quarterback did a good job of checking us into runs and we were able to move the ball.”

The team’s offensive strategy was also affected by heavy rain that persisted throughout most of the game, forcing both teams to run the ball more often than usual. The team ran a total of 61 times for 316 yards, the most since 1998.

“The rain’s coming down sideways, the kid can’t throw the football,” Jinks said. “It’s crazy to ask him to.”

The team will play next in their final non-conference game of the season on the road against the Memphis Tigers.
Soccer goes scoreless

By Elias Faneuff
Sports Reporter

It was a hard fought game for the BGSU mens soccer team as they fell to the University of Cincinnati by a score of 1-0. This is the team's second loss of the season with both losses coming on the road. This was also the team's first game where they didn't record a single goal.

Early in the first period around the nine-minute mark, UC had a golden opportunity to put BG in a hole early. Following a corner kick, UC's Frederik Lindqvist composed a clear header shot that looked like it was going in the net. However, BG junior Brad Macomber was in the right spot at the right time and cleared the shot attempt off the goal line.

A couple minutes later, sophomore Peter Pugliese provided a great shot opportunity after coming up with a steal in UC territory. Unfortunately, Pugliese's shot sailed wide left and out of play. Shortly after UC's Elliot Williams header shot attempt was missed, senior Pat Flynn found Tate Robertson towards the left side of the penalty area, but the shot attempt went wide due to a tough shot angle.

Around the 28-minute mark, Flynn came up with a steal and tried to bring it out to the 18-yard mark. Shortly after, Flynn fired a long distance shot from about 20 yards out and it sailed slightly above UC's Pedro Diaz. Diaz nearly got his line, but was able to recover and get the save for UC.

The Falcons' first shot of the first period came around the 33-minute mark. Sophomore Vincent Giannini was able to volley the ball into the box where freshmen Adam Wilson was in good position to take a header shot. The shot was ineffective, as Diaz was in position to record the save. With a great performance by Sunjic, who posted 17 kills in the match, the Falcons were comfortably leading throughout most of it. With a combined digs-total of 37 by Nichols and 25-23 in the third set.


With a dominant hitting percentage of .468, Bowling Green seemed to hit all their spots. The Falcons outperformed UMass Lowell in every facet of the game and found sophomore Dominic Grida right in the middle of the field at the 25-yard mark. Grida's long shot looked like it was about to hit the upper part of the net. However, Diaz was able to tip it at the last second to get his team the save.

After missed corner kicks and scoring opportunities throughout the game, BG's hopes of tying the game were dwindling.

With six minutes left, Robert Miller attempted a header shot that sailed wide following a cross pass from a teammate. A minute later, Miller threw a long shot towards freshman Chris Brennan.

Brennan showed off his footwork and attempted a turnaround shot, but it was quickly blocked. Two minutes later, Peter Pugliese attempted a turnaround shot of his own following another throw-in. The shot was blocked, but Pugliese was able to keep it alive as he saved the ball on the end line. Pugliese then slid a pass towards Pat Flynn, who was standing in the box.

Flynn's last attempt was fired towards the low left corner, but an amazing diving save by Diaz kept BG scoreless. Time eventually ran out and UC defended its home field with a victory over BG.

“Winning college soccer games is very tough, especially when you go on the road, it's even tougher,” BGSU head coach Eric Nichols said. “Full credit goes to Cincinnati, they took care of the ball, managed the game well and got the win.”

Nichols was also asked how the game might have been lost and his thoughts on the team's overall performance.

“I don't think we played poorly, but we didn't do the things we needed to do to get a win,” Nichols said. “Like I said, it's tough on to win on the road, but I think we'll regroup as we head back home.”

BG looks to stay undefeated at home as they host the University of Dayton on Tuesday evening at Cochrane Field.

Right Striker

By Brandon Luthman
Sports Reporter

Heading into the University of Illinois Invitational this weekend in Chicago, the Falcons volleyball team was 7-3 and on a four-game winning streak. With three scheduled matches against UMass Lowell, SIUE and UIC, the Falcons were eager to be on the road again after getting their first road win of the year the previous weekend.

The Falcons had success, winning all three matches in dominant fashion, extending their winning streak to seven, just before opening conference play against Miami on Thursday.

To kick off the invitational for Bowling Green on Friday against UMass Lowell, the Falcons showed early on that they were the better team on the court. The Falcons swept the River Hawks in three sets, with scores of 25-10, 25-15, and 25-11.

Madeline Garda, who leads all liberos in the nation with 7.33 digs a set, recorded 22 digs. Jessi Holley led the team in kills with 13.

With a dominant hitting percentage of .468, Bowling Green seemed to hit all their spots. The Falcons outperformed UMass Lowell in every facet of the game with 29 more kills, six less errors, six more aces and 27 more assists.

It was well-rounded effort by the team, where many players contributed to the victory.

“It was great to see all of our players get a chance to play and perform well,” Coach Danijela Tomic said.

On Saturday, the Falcons started their double-header with a much more competitive match against SIUE. Winning in three sets, the Falcons outscored SIUE 25-14 in the first set, 25-19 in the second set and 25-23 in the third set.

Jelena Sunjic and Isabel Kovacic led the team in kills at 10 kills each. Gardner posted another impressive outing with 27 digs, adding to her national lead. The Cougars of SIUE struggled most of the night, posting a dismal .086 hitting percentage.

To end the weekend in Chicago, the Falcons played the now 11-2 UIC Flames. With scores of 25-20, 25-17 and 25-20, the Falcons recorded their third sweep of the weekend.

With a great performance by Sunjic, who posted 17 kills in the match, the Falcons suffered little adversity in the match and were comfortably leading throughout most of it. With a combined digs-total of 37 by Garda and Kallie Seinet, the Falcons had an impressive defensive outing.

“We improved our consistency, which was our goal, and three sweeps this weekend were a result of that improvement. All of our players have contributed to our successes so far, and that’s something that is making this team special. We plan to carry this momentum into MAC play, which starts next week, while continuing to improve as a team and individually,” Tomic said.

After finishing non-conference play, the Falcons are eager to start their conference schedule as they face the Redhawks of Miami University this Thursday.

“We are excited and happy about the strong finish to our preseason,” Tomic said.

The game on Thursday also happens to be dollar day at Bowling Green, where admittance to the game is only $1.
Surviving college as a republican

By Michele Mathis
Copy Chief

In the 2016 political season, Republican clubs in college campuses all across the nation are split between backing the Republican nominee Donald Trump, or making the decision to withdraw their endorsement.

In August, the Harvard Republican Club, nationally known for backing the Republican parties locally and nationally, made a decision to not back the Republican nominee.

In the Harvard Crimson newspaper, the club said, “Americans are a decent people. We work hard, protect our own, and look out for one another in times of need, regardless of the color of our skin, the God we worship, or our party registration. Donald Trump may not believe in that America, but we do.”

This decision is the first of its kind since the club’s founding in 1888.

Since universities are hesitant to back the Republican nominees, it can leave a lot to be said about the goals and missions of Republican clubs nationwide.

The University College Republicans released a Campus Update about joining this past month saying, “(we) will be discussing how to survive on campus as a conservative.”

Kyle Lamb, co-chairman of BGSU’s chapter of College Republicans, said that the Campus Update was in reference to the “liberal bias” present on campus.

“[You can] get a vibe on campus for institutional liberalism,” he said, “(where) the majority of faculty and staff can lean left.”

Lamb wants to use one of the platforms of College Republicans to help conservative-identifying students on campus keep hold of their beliefs without being disrespectful.

“There are ways to maneuver around these obstacles in a way that doesn’t get (students) in trouble,” he said. “You need to be steadfast in your beliefs, but (you) don’t want to get in fights with your professors. There’s a civil way to go about it.”

Lamb spoke of a time in one of his classes when he felt an inappropriate comment was made about the Republican Party, and he confronted his professor about it after class.

Lamb said that the professor recanted the statement in the following class.

According to the official Students4Trump website, Bowling Green State University has not officially aligned with the program “Students4Trump,” and Lamb confirmed that the College Republicans will not be coming outright with an endorsement.

However, Lamb said that many members have campaigned and will campaign for Mr. Trump within local elections.

Lamb said that College Republicans has helped Ohio Senator Rob Portman’s campaign in the past years.

College Republicans meets every Thursday at 7 p.m., with locations varying. For locations and further information, please email President Garrett Reynolds at regarre@bgsu.edu or co-chairman Kyle Lamb at kylel@bgsu.edu.
Aviation outside of class

By Kari Toncre
Reporter

A rekindled campus fraternity is getting students involved with aviation and aerospace in a professional atmosphere.

Alpha Eta Rho is an aviation fraternity at BGSU where students learn about the different aspects of flying.

The chapter was founded on April 10, 1929 at the University of Southern California, making it the oldest aviation fraternity. There are over 60 active chapters in the United States and around the world.

At the University, Alpha Eta Rho disbanded a couple years ago, but sophomores Joseph Spaulding, Carson Blaisdell and Nathan Charter-Harris started it back up again this year. The result has been very positive.

“Alpha Eta Rho gives students a chance to learn about aviation with friends instead of in the classroom,” Spaulding said.

One new way is by visiting an airport’s traffic control tower to see how communication between the pilot and traffic control works. Students also can see who the pilot is talking to while in the air.

“Another way we get involved with aviation is by taking field trips to aviation museums, events and even airport visit,” Spaulding said.

Members learn about the safety of flying when participating, which builds confidence in future professionals of aviation.

Alpha Eta Rho and the flying school at the University are closely connected. BGSU Aviation plans trips for the fraternity and gives special projects to help the flight center. They are a resource for the fraternity.

Alpha Eta Rho is also involved with the BG Flight Team. The Flight Team competes against many other schools in timing events and flying events.

The fraternity helps the BG Flight Team by keeping everything in order, setting up whatever they need and working concessions and getting active within the flying community.

Alpha Eta Rho is not just about the aviation aspect. It opens doors for new friends in a professional setting and allows networking within the members.

Joining Alpha Eta Rho lets students meet people in the professional field.

They can easily get to know and ask questions about aviation to the different people they meet.

Students can also learn about potential pilot careers and other types of jobs within an airport setting.

Alpha Eta Rho is open to anyone who is a student at BGSU and is coed.

A passion for aviation is the only requirement. Any kind of major can become involved. Contact Spaulding at spauldj@bgsu.edu for more information about joining.

The BG Flight Center is a resource for Alpha Eta Rho.
were last year, in an effort to hire better employees who are more committed to the position. As a result, the turnover rate since Jones took leadership is significantly lower than last year’s.

Jones isn’t employed by the University. Since 2014, the University has partnered with Wilson-Bennett Technology – an Arkansas based company founded in 1998. Wilson-Bennett created phonathon software and now runs the software for hire.

Wilson-Bennett runs over 150 year-round campaigns at colleges and universities around the nation. The company uses only student employees, which, according to their website, “establishes a more personal connection.”

Phonathon calls alumni, parents of current students and friends of the University. The information for calling is gathered by the alumni office and transferred to Wilson-Bennett to be formatted. Callers need not dial numbers – at the press of a button the next name on the list is called.

Steven Nicolet, senior director of on-site programs at Wilson-Bennett, credits the company’s success to the innovative software used. Wilson-Bennett’s software includes “more bells and whistles,” Nicolet said, which uses advanced algorithms and generates more accurate data. This accuracy means callers are able to make more calls and waste less time with out-of-date numbers than if they were using other phonathon software.

Of the approximately 60 student employees, five of them are student supervisors. Student supervisors have greater responsibilities than the other callers, including conducting interviews for hiring. They also have their own office space. Student supervisors work an average of 18-20 hours per week, while callers work around 12 hours a week.

Employees at the call center can end up with more than just a college job – some graduates of the University who worked as student callers are now employed with Wilson-Bennett. Nicolet said that he “keeps an eye out” for students with the potential for a career at the company. One alum from the University is the program director for the call center at Oakland University, another travels and runs shorter campaigns.

Wilson-Bennett is a small but growing company – it had a growth of 30 percent last year compared with the year prior.

On Sunday alone, the call center raised $13,000, Nicolet said. Although the software helps the calling process, Nicolet gives most of the credit to the student callers.

“They’re on the front line,” Nicolet said. Nicolet remarked about the alumni of the University, describing them as loyal, faithful and philanthropic.

The Phonathon center is open Monday through Thursday from 5:35 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Sundays 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
### City Brief

**South Side Six owner honored at city council Monday.**

The Human Relation Commission for the city gave out the Honor Roll award to So Shaheen and his family yesterday at the Bowling Green City Council meeting.

According to the official Bowling Green website, the Honor Roll award is given to “business owners, organizations or individuals that recognize local organizations, businesses or individuals for significant efforts to further the betterment of human relations in the community and to promote respect for diversity through educational efforts and advocacy.”

Dr. Emily Monago and Revered Jane Saunders of the First Presbyterian Church presented Shaheen the award, saying that his family are “good neighbors” and “friends to all.”

Shaheen and his business South Side 6, which caters mainly Mediterranean Food, was recognized specifically for his involvement in the Bowling Green Interfaith breakfast for the past two years.

Saunders also expressed that Shaheen collaborated with Not In Our Town during the Islamaphobia series they presented, as an advocate for himself and for his community of faith.

“I want to say thank you to everybody for recongizing us,” Shaheen said. “Most important thing for me is hopefully show my children how important it is to be involved in your community and your faith and everything you do.”

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### Wellness Connection visits USG

By Keefe Watson
Campus Editor

Undergraduate Student Government executive officers gave important updates, four new senators and officers were sworn in and USG was visited by Director of the Wellness Connection Faith DeNardo on Monday evening.

Executive updates from USG President Amanda Dortch included a vote occurring this week by the University Council concerning the structuring of General Studies Writing. If the initiative passes, GSW would essentially be merged with the English department.

“It would no longer be General Studies Writing course…there would be no more 1110 or 1120, it would all be under the Department of English,” Dortch said.

The vote occurs this week, and updates on the initiative will follow if it passes.

Dortch also offered a point of clarification about the upcoming Hunter Hayes concert. The concert has been planned by the Stroh Center, but students can expect a spring concert to be put on by the University Activities Organization. The Stroh Center has only recently been doing its own programming.

Dortch also spoke briefly about Presidents United to Stop Hunger, an initiative that President Mazey has signed. Dortch is interested in pursuing options to create a food pantry or a way for off campus students who cannot afford on-campus prices for food to get food.

An officer also informed the body about the upcoming CAACURH conference. CAACURH – Central Atlantic Affiliate of College and University Residence Halls – annually hosts a leadership conference attended by on campus students. Any student who lives on campus is eligible to attend the conference.

This year, the conference is being held at Temple University from Nov. 3 through Nov. 6. The application can be found on Resident Student Association’s Orgsync page, and it closes on Sept. 25.

During her presentation, DeNardo emphasized the importance of time management and sufficient sleep for University students, who are often balancing a busy academic, extracurricular and social life. Eight hours of sleep is a good target, but every person needs a different amount of sleep to function best, she said.

Two Peer Educators from the Wellness Connection also spoke at USG. The Peer Educator position is a great way to get involved on campus and become more knowledgeable about health and wellness, they said.

The Wellness Connection offers numerous resources for students, including free HIV testing on the first and third Wednesday of each month; the testing is done by an outside agency not affiliated with the University. Students are also encouraged to be tested for other sexually transmitted diseases at the Falcon Health Center.

The Wellness Connection office is located on the main floor of the Student Recreation Center. Students and organizations can request presentations from the Wellness Connection online.

USG Speaker Nadia Oehler addressed the body about senator reports – a responsibility of all USG senators. Senators are expected to submit a monthly report about their initiatives and goals as members and representatives of USG.

Oehler also informed the body about the upcoming visit of Vice President of Student Affairs Thomas Gibson on Oct. 3. USG members will be able to ask Gibson questions pertaining to student affairs.
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SPRING 2017
REGISTRATION

Start Dates
October 17  Graduate Students
October 17  Non-Degree Graduate Students
October 18  Seniors
October 20  Juniors
October 25  Sophomores
October 26  Freshmen
October 28  Guest Students

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October 28 thru January 15, 2017

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2. SELECT > enroll
3. SELECT > add

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