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“When I liberate myself, I liberate others. If you don’t speak out ain’t nobody going to speak ain’t nobody going to speak out for you.” - Fannie Lou Hamer

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Leadership Arts in Africa
6:30 - 8 p.m.
Tuesday
April 25
CWAM

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Evan White '18 initiates The Free Tampon Collective

The goal of the petition is to provide free menstrual products in public bathrooms across campus



Evan White '18 plans to present the petition to Dean of Students Scott Brown and the Center for Diversity and Inclusion (Photo by Mariah Joyce).

Ryan Secard Contributing Writer

Evan White '18 has started the Free Tampon Collective, a petition started on change.org. The petition's goal is "to provide tampons, free of charge, in central bathrooms on campus," so that students who need menstrual products will always have access to them.

"I've been aware of students at Wooster who are unable to afford menstrual products [...]. My hope for this initiative is to provide students who are in need of menstrual care with proper support," said White.

White got the idea for the petition on a 2008 visit to Butler University, where they noticed baskets of

menstrual care products in every female bathroom. They were reminded of it later on when they noticed students at Wooster struggle to find access to the hygiene products they needed.

The project aims to provide tampons free of charge, not just for students who might not have immediate access to hygiene products but also for those who may not be able to afford them.

The petition asserts that "having access to tampons for some College of Wooster students just isn't fiscally possible. [The College] should provide meaningful resources to marginalized groups on campus."

Although MacLeod's does sell tampons, the petition does not consider this an accept-

able solution, asserting that "While the C-Store [...] provides tampons, they are poorly made and have uncomfortable cardboard applicators."

The petition goes on to point out that the nearest alternative location to purchase tampons is the Drug Mart on Beall Ave., a significant walk from campus that would be inconvenient for students who menstruate unexpectedly.

The petition is addressed to Dean of Students and Vice President for Student Affairs Scott Brown and the Center for Diversity and Inclusion.

When reached for comment, Dean Brown, who

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College raises tuition for 2017-2018 school year

Cost of attendance finally reaches \$60,000

Jared Berg Editor in Chief

In November, The College of Wooster announced that tuition and fees for the 2017-2018 academic year will total \$48,600, with room and board raising this figure to a "comprehensive fee" of \$60,000.

In the past, tuition for the succeeding academic year was set by the Board of Trustees at a spring meeting, with the new rate announced over spring break.

This year, the Board decided upon next year's rate during their October meeting, and it was announced to rising students around Thanksgiving, in a letter sent to place of the students' primary residence, according to College President Sarah Bolton.

"We did that in order to help students get financial aid and financial information earlier. There was a change in federal law about the FAFSA and which tax year students could use to fill out their FAFSA," said Bolton.

Bolton continued, "That meant that students would be able to apply for financial aid much earlier because they wouldn't need their 2016 tax returns. It's a real advantage to people to have a sense of what their college costs are going to be earlier. So what we did was try to make it possible for students to apply for financial aid and know what the charges are going to be already by late fall. In order to do that, you have to set the tuition. We moved the tuition decisions earlier so that students could apply for financial aid and actually know where they stood earlier on."

The raise is consistent with a longer trend of rising tuition costs at the College. Since the 2001-2002 academic year, tuition has more than doubled, from \$22,430 in 2001-2002 to \$48,600 in 2017-2018. The raise from \$46,860, the tuition rate for 2016-2017, to \$48,600 is consistent with the rate of tuition increases from year to year over the past 17 academic years.

Since 2001-2002, the College has increased tuition between approximately 3.4 percent and 6.48 percent annually, with an average increase of approximately 4.9 percent.

While the College has steadily increased costs, financial aid grants approximately 85 percent of Wooster students some degree of financial assistance, mostly through the form of merit scholarships, making the "sticker price" tuition of \$60,000 greater than the sum that most students will pay.

When asked about how the College goes about deciding tuition rates, Bolton said, "We try to think about what is nec-

CC charters new European Students Association

Brandon Bell Staff Writer

On Thursday, April 13, Campus Council approved the charter for the European Students Association (ESA), giving it formal status as a campus student organization. The group formed in November to represent the College's European international students and global nomads.

"The ESA filled a niche that had not been filled yet and needed to be filled," Jordan Griffith '19, an at-large member of the Campus Council, said of the decision. "[W]e believe that the existence of the group will help students on campus understand our diversity better."

Marco Roccato '20, the president of ESA, said that the group was glad to have received their new status and felt it would allow them to do more in the future.

"Hearing the news from



Above, several members of the newly chartered European Students Association gather together for an event (Photo courtesy of Marco Roccato).

Campus Council made us more than happy," Roccato said.

Even before being chartered, Roccato explained that the members of the group would frequently meet to spend time with each other, saying that those meetings had helped him

bond with fellow European students.

"[A]fter one of our meetings, I was talking to a couple of our rising seniors in the group, and they were saying, 'We didn't have anything like this on campus for us,'" Roc-

cato said. "And so, having the ability [to spend] time together and sharing a common identity as Europeans — it's definitely nice for all of us."

As a chartered school orga-

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4/15 — 1:33 p.m.
Douglass Hall
Suspect burning incense in room

VANDALISM

4/10 — 10:35 p.m.
Wagner Hall
Witness reported extinguisher shot off

4/13 — 9:28 a.m.
Bissman Hall
Victim reported gum and hot sauce in reader

4/13 — 2:09 p.m.
McDavitt House
Victim reported broken window, witness present at incident

4/16 — 7:17 a.m.
Lot 19
Graffiti on dumpster

4/16 — 2:42 p.m.
Bornhuetter Hall
Graffiti on building

THEFT

4/11 — 7:45 p.m.
Holden Hall
Victim reported card used illegally, suspect admitted to using card

4/13 — 2:09 p.m.
McDavitt House
Victim reported shoes taken

4/13 — 10:06 p.m.
Wagner Hall
Victim reported money taken from wallet, witness provided info

4/14 — 9:55 a.m.
Scovel Hall
Victim reported tires and seat stolen

ASSAULT

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Spink Street
Victim hit in face by townspeople

HARASSMENT

4/13 — 7:43 p.m.
Beall Avenue
Two victims reported crawfish thrown at them from car

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4/10 — 3:38 p.m.
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Resident assistants hold menstrual drive

Coral Ciupak
Viewpoints Editor

For the remainder of April, The College of Wooster resident assistants will collect pads, tampons, menstrual cups and packaged panties as part of a menstrual drive.

The drive, dubbed “Panty Raid,” was started by Olivia Lawrence ’18 and Marlee Pavlechko ’19 as an outreach community builder focusing on service for the greater Wooster community.

Donated items will be distributed to women’s and homeless shelters in the Wooster area.

According to Lawrence, a resident assistant in Wagner Hall, the idea stemmed from the sense of community within her residence hall.

“Being a hall of [first-year] girls, we wanted our programs this semester to be tailored toward building up each other and other women,” said Lawrence.

“This included a bulletin board of empowering quotes from strong female celebrities

and other programs discussing topics from body positivity to self-care. To keep with the theme, we thought it would be appropriate to donate to women’s and homeless shelters in the area since these products are often overlooked in other hygiene drives.”

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-Olivia Lawrence ’18

Lawrence’s observation is evident in the national debate surrounding the disproportionate cost to users of these products.

In February of this year, two state legislators — Ohio State Reps. Greta Johnson and Bridgid Kelly — proposed an Ohio bill that would eliminate the sales tax on menstrual prod-

ucts like those being collected for donation.

universities nationwide.

While Bolton agreed that this increase in administrative positions was also true of the College, she clarified that since “non-teaching” positions encompass every facet of the College beside professors, many of these positions are

““ Our endowment is such so that it only supports approximately 20 percent of the cost to run the College. For us, the tuition and fees are very important for us to be able to do everything from paying professors’ salaries to keeping the buildings vertical.”

-President Sarah Bolton

vital to the College’s operation, from new counselors in the Wellness Center to staff in the Center for Diversity and Inclusion and a full-time Title IX coordinator.

Comparatively, Wooster’s tuition remains relatively average amongst its comparable institutions. In the North Coast

Athletic Conference, which forms the College’s most immediate consortium of peer institutions, Wooster’s tuition for 2017-2018 is fifth amongst nine other colleges, below Oberlin (\$69,372), Kenyon (\$65,840), Denison (\$62,770) and DePauw (\$60,637) but

above Allegheny (\$59,176), Ohio Wesleyan (\$56,640), Wabash (\$51,900), Wittenberg (\$48,856) and Hiram (\$43,230). Amongst the colleges of the Great Lakes College Association, another of Wooster’s primary consortia, Wooster’s tuition lies amongst the mean, although it provides a greater

degree of financial aid, according to Bolton.

The College’s steady increase in tuition raises questions regarding affordability and the ideal for an inclusive and accessible Wooster.

According to a survey by Sallie Mae, 55 percent of families in 2016 eliminated a college from consideration for attendance based purely on published price alone.

Furthermore, a study from Longmire and Company reported that 60 percent of families say that they are unaware that private colleges’ sticker price rarely represents the average cost of attendance.

When asked about the issue of affordability and its ramifications for the College, Bolton highlighted the need for the College to align itself with efforts to provide better information about tuition to prospective students.

“For us being part of those collaborative efforts is an important thing. For us individually [...] some of it has to do with making sure that our admissions teams are visiting a wide variety of communities [...] so we can explain what is available to students and make sure that families have an opportunity to get those questions asked.”

“We were more than happy to do that, to have something to offer to the people coming to the event,” Roccato said.

“We’re all very excited,” Roccato said. “We’re looking forward to the next semester.”

At the same meeting, Campus Council also discussed the charter of the First-Generation Student Organization, but a final decision was not made due to what Griffith called a “procedural misstep.” He said he expected their charter to be approved during the Council’s next meeting.

Tuition cont.

essary in order to sustain the College’s mission and also that will allow people to affordably come to the College. Our endowment is such so that it only supports approximately 20 percent of the cost to run the College. For us, the tuition and fees are very important for us to be able to do everything from paying professors’ salaries to keeping the buildings vertical. If we want our faculty and staff to have a cost of living increase, we know we need to increase tuition because there is no other revenue source that would be able to accommodate this increase in salary. There is a commitment that the College has so that people won’t fall behind the cost of living increases.”

The College is not alone nationally when it comes to trends in tuition increase over the past few decades. According to Ray Franke, a professor of education at the University of Massachusetts, college tuition has been rising about six percentage points above what the rate of inflation would suggest since the beginning of the 1990s.

Oftentimes this increase is attributed to the rise of ‘non-teaching positions’ at colleges and

Tampon Collective cont.

also leads the student affairs division of the College administration, said that he hadn’t received any petitions yet.

However, Brown said, “I always listen to students’ concerns, no matter what form,” including petitions. “My goal is to get a sense of the truly central concern, and see the best way we might address it balancing any competing issues.”

As for his idea of what an initial implementation of the petition’s goals might look like, Brown said “with any issue like this, we might consider a pilot in Wellness, CDI or high traffic restrooms closer to academic buildings.”

As of press time, the petition has 227 signatures of the 500 signature benchmark.

White currently plans on meeting with VOX’s executive board and attending their general meeting this week on Wednesday, April 19.

VOX is the sexual-health group affiliated with Planned Parenthood responsible for the campus-wide free condom service.

ESA cont.

nization, Roccato said that the group first plans to continue and expand its current work.

In February, in lieu of official club status, ESA members worked with the International Students Association to reserve space for a European Dinner in Babcock Hall, where they also prepared the dishes.

Last week, its members also put together an informal European Trivia Night on the first floor of Lowry.

“[The International Students Association] was extremely great at inviting us to be part of the decision-making process,” Roccato said about the European Dinner. “We helped set up the event and did small presentations.”

At the European Trivia Night, audience members answered

““ The ESA filled a niche that had not been filled yet and needed to be filled. [W]e believe that the existence of this group will help students on campus understand our diversity better.”

-Jordan Griffith, Campus Council At-Large Representative

In the future, Roccato said that the ESA would expand the number of campus events it participates in and hosts.

Before finals at the end of this year, he said that he hoped to co-host a FIFA-inspired soccer tournament with the

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Build an inclusive campus

Last Thursday on March 13, the Student Government Association (SGA) hosted a free doughnut event in the CoRE in order to provide a stress-free event and get some comments on the Student Government Association.



MARY McLOUGHLIN (SGA).

Well, I did not attend, but I do have some comments. For a large majority of this campus, last week was Holy Week, which is a special week for Christians leading up to Easter. The month of April, and spring in general is a time for celebrations of many faiths. Spring is universally a time of rebirth and renewal. Now, I cannot tell you much about Holy Week (besides what I Googled), but it ends on Easter Sunday. I'm not Christian, though I do hope all the Christian students here at Wooster had a great week.

I celebrated Passover last week. Passover (for those of you who do not know) is a week-long celebration commemorating the Jews' flight from Egypt. During Passover, many Jews restrict themselves from eating Chametz (pronounced HAM-eTZ), or leavened bread or baking. This is to commemorate the fact that when the Jews were fleeing Egypt they did not have time to allow their bread to rise after baking it; leaving them with the flat Matzah bread we have all come to know and tolerate during this time.

I love Passover, and Hillel threw a huge Passover Seder (the traditional meal supposed to accompany every night of Passover) last Tuesday. It was a lot of fun.

Which brings me to doughnuts. Don't get me wrong, any other week of the year I would be 100 percent pro-doughnut. I understand that to abstain from Chametz is my choice, and I'm not calling for a campus wide

bread ban during Passover. I also get that when I came here this was a Presbyterian affiliated school in a Christian town.

I love it here, and I don't mind the minor things I have to deal with as a Jew to be here, like the pork that's unlabeled in Lowry and the people who try to convert me in the supermarket.

I do not think anyone in SGA was plotting or trying to exclude Jewish students. I think this is just an example of the lack of awareness that plagues this campus. And I find there's no small amount of irony that while SGA was trying to create an event for everyone, they excluded some people. Quite frankly, I think we can do better.

I'm not pushing for a situation where everyone's needs will be accommodated at every single moment; I know that's not always possible. All

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- Mary McLoughlin '20

I'm asking for is that when holiday seasons roll around, somebody does a quick Google search.

As a member of the Hillel Board, I can say that if the SGA had just sent an email to Hillel saying "Hey, we know this falls on Passover but hope you could attend other events in the future," I would be less annoyed.

I want to work to make this campus a more inclusive one for everyone, not just me. I totally understand that I am not the only person sometimes made to feel like an outsider here; I know that my fellow students of color, students from other countries and students from other non-Christian faiths are made to feel the same.

So, what are we going to do about it going forward? Well, an event like the SGA was trying to hold was a good start. The only way we can solve our own ignorance is to talk to each other and learn. In the future, we just need to make sure everyone can attend.

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Decision to drop MOAB was a mistake

In response to the dropping of the Massive Ordnance Air Blast weapon a.k.a. Mother Of All Bombs (MOAB) last week, Donald Trump recently told reporters, "If you look at what's happened over the last eight weeks and compare that to what's really happened over the last eight years, you'll see there is a tremendous difference."



LYDIA SCHWARTZ

This statement makes me wonder if Trump can remember events before 2009.

If he can, then he should be able to recall that using airpower to combat large terrorist groups hasn't really worked out for us. Bombing Afghanistan in 1998 did not destroy al-Qaeda. Bombing Afghanistan in 2001 did not eradicate the Taliban. In fact, it's been 16 years and the Taliban is still in Afghanistan.

After such a rich history of failures, I'm not sure why the Trump administration thinks using a bigger bomb would make a difference.

The impact of the MOAB on the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) forces exemplifies the ineffectiveness of using airpower against terrorist groups. ISIL is

estimated to have 20,000 to 25,000 fighters. Dropping the MOAB killed 94 of them. Eliminating a tiny fraction of the opposition doesn't justify the force of a weapon; it renders it excessive. ISIL will recruit 94 members within weeks but the rebuilding of houses destroyed by the MOAB will take months.

Similarly, the recent U.S. missile strike on a Syrian airbase caused little damage to the actual base but did kill nine civilians, including four children.

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- Lydia Schwartz '17

This excessive use of force isn't saving anyone. This show of airpower isn't about international justice, it's about political gain.

The Trump administration doesn't care about protecting people — it cares about establishing the U.S. as a hegemon.

This is nothing new. Many U.S.

administrations have done this. The only "tremendous difference" here is how Trump discusses military action.

When asked about the Syrian missile strikes, Trump incorrectly stated, "We've just launched 59 missiles heading to Iraq." He then went on to applaud U.S. technology by championing it as "better than anybody by a factor of five."

When asked if he himself authorized dropping the MOAB, he skirted the question and instead praised the military as the greatest "in the world."

Consistent with his campaign, Trump ignores facts and is quick to associate himself with the greatness of America instead. While past administrations have used military force to establish the nation as a hegemon, Trump is using military force to establish himself as the hegemon.

The nationalist rhetoric Trump uses here is the same rhetoric he used in his campaign, which makes me wonder if dropping the MOAB

wasn't just another campaign maneuver. After all, Trump is already registered to campaign for the 2020 presidential election. It's never too early to start.

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America's post-Trump future looks liberal

For most students on this campus, the last year of political news has been one bad story after another.

From the election of Donald Trump to the Presidency, to his appointments (or lack thereof) to key positions in government, to Republican attempts to "repeal and replace Obamacare" and a whole host of other news before, after and in-between, it has basically been a worst-case scenario for liberals from the end of 2016 up until now.

But luckily, for those students with left-leaning beliefs, the future is looking brighter every day thanks to one reason: you.

Yes, that's right, millennials are soon to become the largest voting bloc in the entire United States (69 million were eligible to vote in 2016) and that will be a welcome boon for liberal

politics. According to a poll conducted by SurveyMonkey, if just millennials had voted in the 2016 election, Hillary Clinton would have won more than 500 Electoral College votes (remember it takes 270 to win).

And Donald Trump only compounds this generational problem for conservatives, as a new poll by GenForward found, where 57 percent of millennials believed Trump to be an "illegitimate" president. Only 22 percent of millennials approved of Trump's performance at the time of

the poll, compared to 62 percent who disapproved.

I don't claim to be a psychic, but I'm skeptical that those numbers will improve for President Trump as his tenure matures.

Just think back to a couple of years ago when a 70+ year old self-proclaimed socialist polling within the

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- Alekski Pelkonen '17

margin of error pushed the eventual nominee Hillary Clinton to the brink of securing the party's nomination, largely on the strength of his appeal to young voters. It's a testament to the potential and enthusiasm of young people that issues like student debt were even debated during the campaign.

This is an exciting trend for the country. Think about how much positive change we, as a generation, could affect in this country.

We could further expand health

care coverage in the United States, something that seems to be an inevitability now with the failure of the Trump/Paul Ryan version. We could tackle the issue of global climate change, something that many of our counterparts on the right refuse to acknowledge the existence of or take seriously. We could improve education and make it easier for people to attend college.

Not to mention ensuring the continued growth of the American economy through putting more Democrats in office. Just one example of this comes from California, where the state government imposed the highest state income tax rate in 2012, the vast majority of which was imposed upon the state's millionaires. Since then, California has grown faster than the rest of the country and is consistently one of the fastest growing states in the nation. Now, it's even the sixth largest economy in the world, according to numbers from the 2015 Federal Bureau of Economic Analysis.

So, next time you see Donald Trump antagonizing another world leader or country on Twitter, you can at least take some solace in the fact that it's not likely to last that much longer.

If we survive these next four years, the future looks bright; it also looks decidedly liberal.

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Global and International Studies Department hosts conference

Ellie Kahn
Contributing Writer

This coming Saturday, April 22, the Global and International Studies Department (GIS) at the College will host the 3rd annual Great Lakes Colleges Association (GLCA) Undergraduate International Studies Research Conference. The conference is an installment in a series called "Challenging Borders," which is a collaboration between The College of Wooster and Denison University.

The conference on Saturday kicks off with several presentations by students from various schools within the GLCA as well as other Ohio colleges, such as Kenyon, Oberlin and Ohio Wesleyan.

The student presenters will discuss the research and findings from their respective senior theses, which all relate back to the central theme of the conference.

There are several Wooster students that will present research from their Independent Study projects; Rachel Wilson '17 will present her topic of "Politics of the APolitical,"



Global and International Studies students from the College attend the Amartya Sen lecture in Columbus, Oh. GIS students recently attended the Zakir Hussein concert in Cleveland, as advised by Dr. Amyaz Moledina (Photo courtesy Dr. Amyaz Moledina).

Michaela McNaughton '17 will discuss "To Protect and Serve: Homicide Rates and Policing Policies in Central America" and Sam Waters '17 will speak on his topic of "Economics Under Fire."

Other students from Wooster who will also present include Haley Davis '17, Megan Koeneman '17, Cara Peterson '17

and Sarah Strum '17.

Later on in the conference, there will be a faculty panel discussing "Contemporary Issues in Migration Studies." Moderated by Dr. Amyaz Moledina, the chair of the GIS Department at the College, the panel will feature Dr. Isis Nusair, an Associate Professor of International Studies and

Women's and Gender Studies from Denison University, as well as Dr. Brian Miller, an Assistant Professor of History from Allegheny College.

Throughout the year, both Wooster and Denison have collaborated to bring an array of speakers and events to their respective campuses, featuring individuals such as Arab-

Israeli author and journalist Sayed Kashua, as well as journalist and civil rights lawyer Alia Malek. According to the event's program, "the Challenging Borders project seeks to strengthen collaborative research and teaching pathways between GLCA schools," and the conference will exemplify just that.

First generation students find community on campus

Sally Kershner
Features Editor

This semester, students have come together to form the First Generation Students Organization (FGSO), a group that aims to combat the issues and struggles of students who are the first in their family to attend college.

On April 26, FGSO will host their first event in Babcock that will allow for students to get to know the initiative behind FGSO and gauge what the Wooster community can benefit from this organization.

"Transitioning to college is difficult for anyone, but for first-generation students, it's especially difficult. Too often first-gens are vastly unprepared for the transition and end up dropping out, and that is something we wanted to combat," said Co-President Emilee McCubbins '20.

Co-Presidents McCubbins and Margie Sosa '20 are taking the initiative to organize a community first generation students can seek comfort and understanding in. Advised by Professor Medina, FGSO executive board also includes Alberto Peralta '20 as treasurer, Andre Baronov '20 as secretary and Emily Gamez '20 as public relations commissioner.

Both McCubbins and Sosa recognize that it is a challenge



The First Generation Students Organization will be hosting their first introduction event in Babcock on April 26; the event is open to all of campus (Photo taken from Facebook).

in itself for first generation students to get into college, but notes that there is another challenge in keeping first generation students at college.

"Because The College of Wooster has successfully been making an effort to increase the socioeconomic and racial diversity of its student body, I realized that we put all of our focus on getting first-generation students into college, but do very little to keep these stu-

dents here," said Sosa.

To encourage and guide first generation students, FGSO plans on hosting workshops about FAFSA, discussion panels, study breaks and various social events to bring the first generation student community together.

After becoming further established on campus, FGSO also hopes to branch out to the local community by working with high school seniors ap-

plying for college and financial aid.

They also are planning to invite alumni Jim DeRose to speak about his experience at The College of Wooster as a first generation student. Bringing in DeRose would be real life evidence of how first generation students that have attended the College can succeed.

FGSO is dedicated to working with students of all fa-

miliar backgrounds, aiming to educate others on the stigmas that are attached to being a first generation student.

"Most of the stigma around being a first-gen lies in racist and/or classist views; that first-gens are lazy and poor and that our families simply don't care about education, otherwise they'd just go to college," said McCubbins. "A lot of people don't realize just how hard we have to work to get to the same place they have. By presenting ourselves as serious, professional individuals with a plan, we can combat all the unfortunate and vastly untrue ideas people have about people like us."

Dispelling these stigmas associated with first generation students allows other students to realize that while it is common for first generation students to come from a lower income or minority family, first generation students can come from all socioeconomic backgrounds.

Next semester, FGSO plans to work with the Center of Diversity and Inclusion and Student Government Association to collaborate on different social events and programming related to first generation students.

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Wooster community plans to rally at March for Science

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The College of Wooster's staff, faculty and students will rally at the March for Science on Saturday April 22. The event starts at 2 p.m. at the Wooster downtown gazebo. Speakers from Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center, The College of Wooster and local schools will all be gathering at this time to support science.

Following the rally at 3 p.m., a variety of break-out sessions will be held regarding Economics of Environmental Issues, Science and Food Security, Evidence-Driven Social Policy, Science and Habitat in the Great Lakes Region and Climate Change. The locations for each topic can be found on

posters around campus.

Chemistry Club President, Jake Polster '17, has hung many of these posters in residence halls to get more STEM-oriented students to join the march. All students and faculty are invited to take part in the discussions and all the topics are supposed to relate to the fight for science.

"All of the action sessions look interesting, but I think the 'Pseudoscience & Fake News' and 'Climate Change' should be interesting sessions, given the recent political situation!" said Polster.

Heather Fitz Gibbon, professor of Anthropology and Sociology, is a planning committee member for the Wooster March for Science, and has encouraged all students to get involved along with many other staff members as well. "Those of us

who are teachers and learners should care about supporting a community that believes in the importance of science and the value of making decisions based on the reasoned evaluation of evidence," said Fitz Gibbon.

Many students have already expressed interest in joining certain break-out sessions and are coordinating directly with the session leaders to help participate in discussion. Professor of Chemistry Karl Feierabend will be one of the leaders of the "Pseudoscience & Fake News" action session with Professor of English Nancy Grace. Feierabend has encouraged students from his Environmental Chemistry course to help with the session.

While the March for Science is not affiliated with The College of Wooster, many of our

students and staff have volunteered to help. The event features a range of topics in the hope that the entire Wooster community comes out to support the global movement to defend the role science plays in our lives. Rallies in over 500 cities will be gathering. The event held here at Wooster highlights the importance of science in the modern day. Fitz Gibbon also said, "Sessions will be aimed at generating ideas for action to counter attacks on science and science funding."

If you're interested in the march, stop by both the rally at 2 p.m. in the public square of downtown Wooster as well as the break-out sessions held afterwards. There will be a lot of familiar faces from The College of Wooster attending as well as some from the local community which should make for profound

discussions. If you have any questions regarding the event or where the specific activities take place, contact Fitz Gibbon at hfitzgibbon@wooster.edu. Information can also be found on posters around campus.

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Historical Preservation class seeks to preserve on-campus houses

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Every Wooster student is a temporary guest. Our dorms and houses hold our things, our schoolwork and all our good and bad decisions until we graduate: a stopping-point that never feels real enough. Over a period of time lengthier than our student tenure, dorms and residences too undergo the quiet change of renovations, as well as the more dramatic change of demolitions. Will anyone remember the drama of the Holden Annex's existence in a few years? Will anyone remember Scot Cottage, a building set for destruction at the end of this year? Students in Professor Madonna Hettinger's Historical Preservation workshop are interested in exploring the histories of these buildings, and all the culture and community that exists in tandem with the memories they bear.



Before it is demolished in the summer, Scot Cottage is in the works of being preserved by Professor Madonna Hettinger and her students in her Historical Preservation workshop, alongside the efforts of Special Collections in the library (Photo by Shoshana Rice).

As part of a series of independent research and projects, Hettinger's students are investigating the pasts of campus houses, and the preservation initiatives required for each building's conservation. Houses being studied include ones currently in use, such as Westminster, as well as Overholt House, a special mansion that teams will dismantle and restore entirely at another location.

"My students in this class really decided to take a novel approach to the ideas of historical preservation, so instead of

worrying about paint colors and trying to recreate a perfect house from the past, we focused on these houses as places where communities were built. And so, we are really interested in how people have made a house meaningful. There are plenty of examples of that on this campus," said Hettinger.

Kimi McBryde '18 was excited to join a team exploring Scot Cottage in light of its upcoming demolition.

"In my freshman year, that was a facet of the campus, everyone knows Scot Cottage. To see the

administration take away something so central to student life is really upsetting, and in this project we're talking about how to preserve this space even if we can't preserve the building," said McBryde.

Its history stretches over multiple student organizations, from Men of Harambee and various Greek groups to a Vegan cooperative. Before these student groups became involved with Scot Cottage, its inhabitants ranged from the children of missionaries to U.S. Marines in hiding. These marines were consid-

ered AWOL, as they refused to fight in the Vietnam War.

McBryde talked about discovering that latter bit of history in the journal of an alum, which showcased Scot Cottage as a place with a past more extensive than a mere party house: "It was so special to learn about that history."

In order to preserve memories of Scot Cottage before its demolition, members of the class are in talks with Special Collections about archiving some stories and materials for future generations of Wooster students. For other

houses, especially ones that aren't at risk for demolition just yet, students of the class are interested in rolling their sleeves up for the practical work of house upkeep.

"Professor Hettinger wants us to use hammers and to go in and get that real world experience," said McBryde.

As such, in a future iteration of the workshop, students may get to live in the very houses they're refurbishing. "We'll begin restoring these houses, room by room," Hettinger said; with this energy, these living spaces can endure both inside and outside the archive.

Seniors present Independent Studies at academic conferences

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Although the I.S. process may be nearing the end, some seniors at The College of Wooster are giving new life to their undergraduate research projects as they present their findings at academic conferences across the country.

Earlier this month, political science majors Lucy Brazil '17, Michael Herman '17, Jack Johanning '17 and Anthony Malky '17 attended the Midwest Political Science Association's (MPSA) annual conference in Chicago, Ill., which caters to many graduate students and professors of political science from Midwestern academic institutions in addition to experts from think tanks and other political analysis institutes.

Brazil gave a poster presentation of her I.S. on how female Senators advocate for women's issues during time periods which haven't been dominated by masculine issues.

"I was attracted to the fact that I would be presenting to a group of people that have a genuine interest in my research and could help me think about my process in a new light. Most people I talked to and the other undergraduate presenters I met were impressed not only by my project but also by the idea of I.S. in general. The concept of



Lucy Brazil '17, a political science major, presents her Independent Study at the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Ill. (Photo courtesy Lucy Brazil).

a year-long mentored project that was a requirement for all students was virtually unheard of, and it reminded me just how special this experience is," said Brazil.

Additionally, biology major Avery Wilson '17 found the opportunity to discuss his research with experts in his very specific field of study at the Oomycete

Molecular Genetics Network Meeting (OMGN) in Pacific Grove, Ca. the most rewarding. "Oomycetes are really obscure organisms to the general public," said Wilson. "So it was rewarding to be able to share the work I've done with a group of people who could more easily grasp its significance." Engaging with

other researchers reaffirmed the truly collaborative nature of scientific research for Wilson.

"I think there's an idea in the general public of scientists as people who work independently, locked away in their lab and isolated from the real world. But through this conference I was able to interact with some of the biggest names in

this particular field, and everyone was excited to hear about the work of others, and to push the research community forward through collaboration," said Wilson.

Staying closer to home, Wooster seniors from a variety of social science disciplines presented their independent studies at the Northeast Ohio Undergraduate Sociology Symposium (NEO-USS) hosted at The College of Wooster on April 8. Caitlin Ziegert McCombs '17, a sociology major who gave an oral presentation on her I.S. which explores the role of ethnic enclaves on modern immigrants' integration processes, enjoyed getting to present her project in an academic environment and receiving feedback from students and professors in attendance.

"Surprisingly, I found that I loved the critiques of my project just as much [as presenting]," said Ziegert McCombs, "Hearing fellow students and professors from other schools ask me questions about my methods, theoretical approach and even vocabulary choice has really pushed me to get the most out of my research experience."

To see these seniors and many more present their I.S. research on-campus, stop by presentation and poster sessions during Senior Research Symposium on Fri., April 28.

Environmental tip: Break the paper towel addiction

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Did you know that the average college student uses 2,400 to 3,000 paper towels annually?

This accounts for over a third of the waste stream in each building. Every ton of paper towels requires 17 trees and 20,000 gallons of water. This item is ubiquitous on campus but it doesn't need to be.

If every household in the US used one less roll of paper towels a year we would save 554,000 trees annually and over a million dollars in landfill dumping fees. Shake your wet hands and then fold the paper towel before drying your hands and you will find that your hands get more dry with less paper towel use.

Some dorms, like Douglass, have hooks in the bathroom where students can hang towels. By bringing a towel or keeping one in the bathroom you can help to save energy and reduce the waste stream.

Featured recipe of the week: The Spicy Burrito Bowl

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Step 1: Toss in a base of lettuce from the salad bar or a layer of brown rice from Vegetarian (if it's open). Either ingredient will give you a strong foundation on which to build your burrito bowl.

Step 2: Take a stroll up and down the salad bar and see what tickles your fancy. I usually go with a healthy helping of salsa, a dotting dollop of guacamole, and a soulful spoonful of edamame

Step 3: Glance over the protein bar for some heartier options. This is where I scoop up some of that sweet sweet sour cream and sprinkle in some shredded cheese.

Step 4: For all you crazy carnivores out there, the protein bar also has a fine array meat options. Chicken is available diced — or, if you're willing to take that extra journey, mosey on over to the Grille and ask for a

grilled chicken breast to cut up and mix in your bowl.

Step 5: The seasoning and sauce racks can provide that extra panache for your sad but tasty excuse for a Chipotle burrito bowl. My personal preference is a spicy squeeze of Sriracha (but not too much — my palette is about as strong as Kellyanne Conway's bone structure).

Step 6: Get out of that sucker and enjoy.

Kendrick Lamar does it again with album — *DAMN.*

Kendrick Lamar released his fourth studio album, *DAMN.* The album depicts some of the artist's inner struggles (Photo taken from Wikipedia).

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After creating one of the most critically acclaimed and socially influential hip hop albums, *To Pimp a Butterfly*, Kendrick Lamar has returned with an LP divergent from his earlier works, but no less exceptional.

DAMN., the fourth studio album from the Compton-based rapper, consists of 14 tracks in which Lamar recounts his own life experiences and stories, criticizes the right-wing media and makes meaningful references to the Bible, combining all of these mechanisms to create a reflective and

somewhat political LP.

DAMN.'s opening track, "BLOOD," begins with spoken lines by Kendrick that set the tone for the rest of the album. He tells a parable of meeting a blind woman on the sidewalk, who later tells Lamar that he has lost his life. The track goes on to sample an excerpt from Fox News, in which political commentator Eric Bolling recites and criticizes a line from Lamar's "Alright."

Throughout the album, Lamar mentions Fox News several other times on songs such as "DNA," and "YAH." These references, along with the mention of the disbelief that many Americans felt after the 2016

election, portray Kendrick trying to deal with the aftermath, returning to the regular cycle of life after the Trump election.

This is part of the reason *DAMN.* is so different from *TPAB.* In his previous album, Kendrick was trying to motivate and inspire a group of people, evident by the Black Lives Matter advocates adopting "Alright" as the "We Shall Overcome" of the 21st century. However, *DAMN.* is a more personal album, one that Lamar uses to tell his individual stories and life experiences.

The last track is completely dedicated to the single unbelievable story of Kendrick's father coincidentally

meeting the head of Kendrick's current record label, Top Dawg Entertainment. With the line, "Because if Anthony killed Ducky/ Top Dawg could be servin' life/ While I grew up without a father and die in a gunfight," Lamar tells the audience how his life could have easily been flipped.

Another difference from *TPAB* are the background beats and music heard under Kendrick's rapping. *DAMN.* moves away from the jazzy, soulful instrumentation and instead uses traditional hip hop beats and sounds that put more of an emphasis on the lyrics Lamar is rapping. The overall effect of which creates an easier to listen to and more accessible hip hop album.

Like other Kendrick works, it is full of both implicit and explicit allusions to religion, even citing a specific line from the Old Testament on the track "FEAR." Even the release date for the album, April 14 (Good Friday) added to the underlying biblical meaning of the album.

DAMN. does not represent a decline of Lamar's abilities in the slightest. The album has party anthems like "DNA," and "HUMBLE.," intermixed with more reflective and pensive tracks, such as "LUST.," which details the repetitive and monotonous nature of Kendrick's life.

If there was any worry Kendrick would recede from popularity after *TPAB*, these worries are alleviated with *DAMN.*, which is already on track to be the best hip hop album of 2017.

THE SCENE

ON FEEL-GOOD MEDIA

"Feel-good" content often implies a picture of a cute shiba inu staring at you from the cozy seams of a BuzzFeed article, usually doe-eyed, usually the color of buttered toast. A feel good *story*, on the other hand: that's something surprisingly personal. You've got a whole world of content that can distract you from failing statistics and all your other existential miseries here at The College of Wooster, after all!

As medications vary for different illnesses, feel-good narratives vary based on the relief you're looking for. So, let's move past the universality of the beloved shiba inu for a breakdown of different emotional cleansers on the proverbial narrative shelf:

1. God, I Just Need Something Familiar

This type of story is the feel-good equivalent of a six-year-old sticking their hand in a bucket of popcorn upon their first *Harry Potter* film experience. These stories stick around, unlike a treasured girlfriend or a professor's faith in your ability. Consult *Star Wars*, any novel you actually enjoyed in your K-12 education, Pixar films or ABC Halloween films, the middle of April aside.

2. Almost Real-Life as the Opposite of Escapism

Sometimes, the pressures of building a fictional reality's a painful task for the weary mind. If you can sympathize here, I recommend reality television: *The Great British Bake-Off* offers a wholesome competition for anyone faintly interested in decorous cakes and gentle contestants trying their best. Netflix documentaries and otherwise educational television will enlighten your perspective, without capturing a real-world that's too close to home.

3. Angst Catharsis

If you're drifting in the direction of this relief, you're painfully aware of the world's faults. Stories in this category reemphasize these feelings, reaching the point of a productive numbness. Whether it's the pessimism of *Bojack Horseman*, the sarcastic darkness of the film *Heathers* or a chapter out of David Foster Wallace's oeuvre, you can chuckle wickedly from the shadows of your dorm bed as self-aware writers represent all your misanthropy.

4. Scare It Away!

You know how people always try to spook you whenever you're suffering from the hiccups? This category takes the same approach. Watch something that sends all your negative feelings off edge of your suspense: consider a novel by Shirley Jackson, the films *Get Out* and *Let The Right One In*, or an especially chilling episode of *Black Mirror*.

5. Funny, Hopeful, Or Anything Else: Choose One

You've read all these; you're at a loss. In your worse-for-wear emotional state, you may suffer from apathy or indecision. Fair enough. 'Choose' an emotion you'd rather have. If that's hope, try a Studio Ghibli film; if it's amusement, an episode of *Community* or *The I.T. Crowd's* worth your time. These emotions are only starting points — if you associate something generally "good" with any title, a path's opening for you despite any initial melancholy. Best of luck, and always consult a health care professional if a longstanding wellness dilemma overtakes the power of a good narrative.

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An interview with the band COIN, tomorrow's Springfest headliner

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Tomorrow, Wooster welcomes special guest COIN to campus as the headliner of Springfest, the College's outdoor music festival hosted by Wooster Activities Crew. The Nashville-based band released a new album today titled *How Will You Know If You Never Try*, and *The Wooster Voice* got the chance to talk to band frontman Chase Lawrence about the band's new album, upcoming tour and music videos.

KC: On COIN's debut album, there's a hyper-precision to your sound, very guitar-driven. Can you describe how the band's style has evolved for any unfamiliar listeners?

CL: The Strokes were a huge influence on our first album — well, The Strokes and The Cure — to the point where the producer was like, "If somebody says The Strokes one more time..." We're not trying to fit into any mold or check off any boxes. The biggest change you're probably hearing [on the new album] is that all the tempos have been slowed down, so you're hearing more fluidity.

KC: The music video for "Run" features you and your bandmates performing all these crazy stunts on cars and roofs, to the point that I turned into my mother all at once while watching it. How much of that video was real?

CL: A lot of that is real. It was terrifying. I don't think I would do that again [laughs].

KC: Any inside scoops on *How Will You Know If You Never Try*? What's the significance of the title?

CL: The whole album is centered around this idea of being motivated by the inevitable. The idea for the title and the album artwork [which depicts a hand reaching toward a headstone inscribed with the album's title against a red background] came together, and they can't really be independent of each other. I realized that the dash between the year you're born and the year you die encompasses your entire life, all of your achievements and your legacy, and about a year ago that I realized that I didn't know what my legacy would be. The idea for the album came out so naturally after that.



The band COIN will perform at Springfest on April 22 (Photo courtesy of COIN).

KC: Speaking of the inevitable, I'm a soon-to-be college graduate looking toward the future, and I can't help but ask if forming this band was always your plan when all four of you graduated from Belmont?

CL: Oh, yeah, we obsess over the future. But at the same time, this whole album is me talking to myself, telling me to stop worrying so much. It's going happen. Try your best, or just try. Whatever's going to happen is going to happen. Every step seems ordained, but if you don't give the effort, nothing's going to happen.

KC: Any comments you want to make to Wooster's student body before Springfest?

CL: We're really excited to release this album — it's been a long time coming for us. We're very proud of this new collection of songs, but we're even more excited for our first headlining tour beginning next week, and you guys will be a part of that, so thank you!

COIN, as well as Asher Roth, Gazzo and student openers, will perform at Springfest on Saturday, April 22, at 6:00 p.m. on the Academic Quad.

WoosterStreetStyle:
Showcasing personal style on campus


Rubén Eugenio Agüero Quinteros '17 (Left)
Economics Major

Ah springtime, high season for man buns and smiling boys. Here we see one of Rubén killin' it per usual. His hands lay casually out of his pockets in case he needs to grab something quickly and wants to reduce the time it would take for him to take his hands out of his pockets pre-grab. We like how his outfit is normal, unlike some of those freak shows out there.

Rob Tudisco '17 (Right)
Psychology Major

With an outfit that's one part business executive and at least three parts chin; Robby T confidently strikes the ol' oligarch pose in Lowry student center. He has a real 'business executive' vibe going down in the photo, which is funny given the employment prospects of a psychology major. While we like most parts of this outfit, one can't help but worry about the hands in his pockets. What if he has to grab something quickly? Unlike Rubén, Rob's reaction time would be greatly hindered by his pocket hands. What a freak show.

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Scots baseball cruises past Kenyon College in doubleheader

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Contributing Writer

The College of Wooster's baseball team dominated the Lords of Kenyon College on Saturday, winning by scores of 15-1 and 18-6 at McCloskey Field. "I think the key for this weekend was the amount of offense we brought to the table," said Tanner Kaplan '19. "Our hitters were consistently squaring balls up and providing key hits when we needed them."

The opener was scoreless through three innings before Garrett Crum '19 hit a two-run shot in the fourth to give Wooster the lead. The Scots broke it open with six runs in the fifth. Chandler Dippman '19 and Jake Fling '18 singled to start the rally, then Kenyon pitcher Patrick O'Leary '20 threw away Dan Harwood '20's sacrifice bunt to make it 3-0. After Michael Wielansky '19 walked to load the

bases, Jamie Lackner '17 drew another walk to drive in a run. Nick Strausbaugh '20 scored on Crum's sacrifice fly and Drew Tornow '18 unloaded a three-run bomb to right, bringing the lead to 8-0.

The Scots continued to pile on in the sixth, tacking on five more runs. They would eventually win 15-1, as the game ended after seven innings due to the mercy rule. Starting pitcher Michael Houdek '17 tossed a complete-game gem, allowing just five hits and striking out seven. "I think Michael Houdek set the tone for us early by throwing a few shutout innings," remarked his catcher, Ryan Ostendorf '17. "He kept the momentum on our side until we were able to break it open offensively."

The second contest yielded a similar result, as Wooster's offense was again quiet at the start before breaking out in the middle innings. The Lords took

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- Tanner Kaplan '19



Brian Murray '19 throws a pitch. The Fighting Scots beat Kenyon 15-1 and 18-6 this past weekend (Photo courtesy Woosterathletics.com).

an early 1-0 lead, but it didn't last as the Scots rocked Kenyon's pitching staff for eight runs in the fourth inning. Ostendorf drove in the first run with a triple and scored on an infield single by Jacob Stuursma '19. Strausbaugh later singled for two of his five RBIs and Wielansky crushed a two-run dinger. Trailing 8-1, the Lords didn't go down quietly, answering with four runs in the bottom of the inning to make it 8-5. After both sides added a run

in the fifth, Wooster broke it back open in the following frames. Stuursma and Lackner went deep as the Scots scored nine unanswered runs, again invoking the mercy rule for an 18-6 win.

It was a terrific day for Wooster in all aspects of the game, as the defense also shined. "I know our outfield was a big key this weekend, with Drew Tornow's great catch in left the first game and Jake Fling's running catch in center in the second game,"

said Kaplan. Wooster has won five straight and will try to continue its hot streak on April 19 at Denison. The Big Red are having a strong season, having previously been ranked 17th in the nation. Denison is 19-6 on the season, with a 5-3 record in conference play. Despite the prospect of a tough opponent, Strausbaugh thinks the team is up to the challenge of facing off against a strong conference rival.

Lacrosse teams come up short against conference rival Wittenberg

Taylor Sikich
Contributing Writer

The College of Wooster women's lacrosse team came out firing with a 5-3 lead early in the first half over rival Wittenberg University, but despite the strong start, Wittenberg persevered and defeated the Scots 20-15 on Thursday, April 13 in Springfield, Oh.

However, captain Heather Szymanski '17 hit a collegiate career milestone when she scored her 100th career goal with only 1 second remaining in the game. Szymanski also leads the team with 38 goals.

Wooster (9-3, 2-2 NCAC) came out strong with a different player scoring each of the Scot's first five goals. Wittenberg (9-5, 3-2 NCAC) tied the game up, but Jordan Stone '19 and Laura Papp '19 soon responded by tallying two more goals for the Scots. From there, Wittenberg went on a scoring streak as the Tigers scored 10 straight goals taking a considerable lead with only 22:33 left to play in the game.

The Scots refused to give up; Wooster scored four out of the next five goals to make the score 17-13. However, the Tigers' offense remained vigorous as they



CJ Polak '17 jumps to snag a ball from the air. Despite starting off strong, the men's lacrosse team fell to Wittenberg 13-7 (Photo by Shoshana Rice).

scored two more times in response to Wooster's own streak. Final goals from Papp and Szymanski came in the last three minutes, but the Tigers prevailed and claimed the 20-15 victory. Szymanski finished with five goals, while Laura Papp finished with three goals. Jenny Grossman '20 and Stone had two goals each. Goalkeeper Emma Hambright '20 finished with 11 saves.

Later in the week, The College of Wooster men's lacrosse battled Wittenberg University as they hosted the Tigers at John P. Papp Stadium to celebrate "Senior Day." The Scots recently clinched a spot in the top-four of the conference standings after a recent victory over DePauw University which saw them attain a record of 5-0 in conference. The top-four position ensured the

team a position in the conference tournament after the season ends.

The Scots started the game strong, but the Tigers dominated with a 7-1 second-half run that led them to win the contest 13-7.

Each of the three active seniors tallied points for the Fighting Scots (9-7, 5-2 NCAC). Josh Herold '20 scored two goals and four assists and moved into a tie for third-place all-time in the

program's career assists category with 96. CJ Polak '17 ended the game with two goals while Matt Parmelee '17 had an assist.

Wittenberg (8-5, 5-2 NCAC) scored first, but Wooster quickly countered with four straight goals. Polak tallied the first two goals, as Herold assisted on both. Herold then went on to assist Nathaniel Miller '18. Miller scored only minutes later on an assist from Ian Brim '18. The Scots ended the first period winning 4-1, but the Tigers responded with four goals in the second period to tie the game at half. Sam Kuhn '18 scored the only goal for the Scots in the second period.

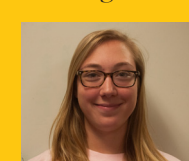
In the third period, Tigers took the lead for the first time, but Parmelee responded minutes later by assisting Herold to even the score. However, the Tigers went on a relentless streak as they scored seven goals to Wooster's one in the second half, which led the Tigers to clinch the 13-7 victory. Next, Wooster takes on Ohio Wesleyan University (8-4, 5-0 NCAC) on April 22 in Delaware, Oh.

Following that, the Scots will play in the NCAC tournament, with times, dates and opponents yet to be confirmed.

MEGAN'S MUSINGS

Media coverage of Isaiah Thomas' family tragedy is a tragedy

The Boston Celtics were the talk of the East last week after outlasting the Cleveland Cavaliers



MEGAN ZERRER

for the top seed. The team was riding a wave of momentum — that undeniably came crashing to a sudden halt the day before the Celtic's playoff opener when star guard Isaiah Thomas' sister was killed in a car accident. Instead of overcoming the Chicago Bulls in Game One, the Celtics fell 106-102.

There is no doubt in my mind that the Celtics are supporting their fellow teammate. Coach Brad Stevens commented on the outpouring of support for Thomas, and stressed that decisions to play would be up to Thomas himself. While no funeral date has been set

for Thomas' sister, Chyna Thomas, Stevens has mentioned the Celtics' plans to attend.

Perhaps the most frustrating part of all of this is the fact that media has used this player's personal tragedy to discuss how this will affect the team's playoffs performances, and instead of writing about the team coming together in a show of solidarity, love and support, they have used this tragedy solely to predict how Thomas himself will play. While I understand that athletes, just like celebrities, give up personal privacy when they step onto the court or the big screen, this complete lack of empathy from the media is undeniably frustrating.

Charles Barkley was adamant in the fact that he felt uncomfortable

watching Thomas cry during pregame warmups one day after the death of his sister. Barkley's comments were crude, emotionless and downright distasteful. But the most irritating comment Barkley made was the following: "I'm not feeling comfortable with him sitting on the sideline crying like that. That makes me uncomfortable. So that tells me he's not in shape to play."

What. The. Actual. Hell. Personally, I'd like to know just who Barkley is to decide whether someone who has experienced a very real personal tragedy is in the right mindset to play.

SB Nation summed things up pretty well with a quote from Lemony Snicket (the author of *A Series of Unfortunate Events* for those of you who have been living under a rock), "When

someone is crying, of course, the noble thing to do is comfort them. But if someone is trying to hide their tears, it may also be noble to pretend you do not notice them."

The media using Thomas' personal tragedy to speculate how the Celtics will do in playoffs is downright disgusting. While I will acknowledge that there was an outpouring of support for Thomas on social media, the fact that people felt the need to speculate about how he would perform is upsetting.

The accident has become a backdrop for everything Thomas has done and will do upon setting foot on the court. It's evident in the fact that we turn tragedies into events that athletes must conquer and overcome instead of giving them time to grieve. And that, in my

opinion, is incredibly unfair to the player. But for many, there is the unspoken reality that sports come first and foremost. It's one of the reasons why Knicks point guard Stephon Marbury wasn't told of his dad's death while he played against the Phoenix Suns.

And just like everything else in this messed up world, it's sickening that people would rather have their players kept in the dark, or ignore their grief on the court, solely for the sake of their team winning. Because in this world, crying for your sister makes people uncomfortable, and winning is clearly more important than shedding tears.

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College changes club sports handbook



Changes to the club sports handbook will affect teams such as Ram-Jam (Photo courtesy Michael Herman).

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Recently, the College has changed its insurance plan that works with the club sports program, which has in turn prompted a new club sports handbook.

The club sports programs on

campus are great ways to promote productivity involving sports that are not offered at the College. There are 17 club sports programs on campus, which regularly travel to competition against other clubs from colleges and universities.

"Given the new insurance plan adopted by the school that covers club

sports, the Club Sports Committee has had to completely rework the manual to fit all of the stipulations," Heather Smith '17, treasurer of Women's Ultimate Frisbee said.

"In order to ensure the safety of all students, there are multiple safety and health trainings that will be required of Club Sports teams. These trainings will be offered by the school and paid for by Campus Council. In addition, there is new documentation that must be filled out semi-annually and before travel to ensure teams are taking precautionary measures and abiding by the regulations in the manual. There will most definitely be more paperwork for leadership, but it is a small price to pay for being covered by the school's insurance," said Smith when asked about what changes were made and how they will affect the club sports here at Wooster.

Club sports play an important role in campuses across the country, and garner high participation rates. With a significant portion of the student body at The College of Wooster being affected by these changes, responses will surely vary.

Notable Numbers

100

Number of Champions League goals scored by Real Madrid forward Cristiano Ronaldo, the most of all time. Ronaldo is followed by Barcelona's Lionel Messi with 94 goals, and former Real Madrid player, Raúl, with 71 goals.

7

Number of consecutive Champions League semifinals that Real Madrid have reached, the longest such streak in the competition's history. Real defeated Bayern Munich 6-3 on aggregate in the quarterfinal.

89

Number of combined points that Cleveland Cavaliers players LeBron James, Kyrie Irving and Kevin Love scored in their Game Two matchup with the Indiana Pacers, the most that the trio have scored in the playoffs.

50

Number of playoff goals scored by Chicago Blackhawks winger Patrick Kane in his career with the Hawks, the fourth-most in the team's history. Bobby Hull holds the franchise record with 62.

17

Number of sacks that Carolina Panthers defensive tackle Kawann Short has had over the past two seasons, third-most in the NFL over that span. The Panthers signed Short to a five-year, \$80 million contract this offseason.

27

Number of points that Portland Trail Blazers guard C.J. McCollum scored against the Golden State Warriors in the first half of Game One of their first-round matchup, the most that the Warriors have surrendered to an opponent in one half all season.

BITE-SIZED SPORTS

FIZDALE QUESTIONS OFFICIATING

Memphis Grizzlies head coach David Fizdale expressed frustration over the officiating during his post-game press conference following the Grizzlies Game two matchup with the San Antonio Spurs. The Grizzlies lost the game, 96-82.

Fizdale claimed that the refs were wrongfully not calling fouls on his team during his rant, and cited many free throw statistics from the game to back up his claim before concluding, "Take that for data!"

Source: SBNation

AMERICAN RUNNERS DO WELL

The 121st Boston Marathon took place last Saturday. The men's open division was won by Kenyan Geoffrey Kirui with a time of two hours, nine minutes and 37 seconds. The women's open division was won by Kenyan Edna Kiplagat, who turned in a time of 2:21:52.

American runners performed well, with two of the top four spots going to Americans in the women's division. In the men's division, six of the top 10 runners were American.

Source: ESPN.com

MEGAN'S AND ALEKSI'S QUICK PICKS

This Week's Games

Megan
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Aleksi
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PREMIER LEAGUE

BOURNEMOUTH v. BORO

HULL v. WATFORD

SWANSEA v. STOKE

WEST HAM v. EVERTON

BURNLEY v. MAN UNITED

LIVERPOOL v. CRYSTAL PALACE

Boro
Watford
Stoke
Everton
United
Liverpool

B'mouth
Hull
Stoke
West Ham
United
Liverpool

FA CUP

CHELSEA v. TOTTENHAM

ARSENAL v. MANCHESTER CITY

Tottenham
Arsenal

Chelsea
City

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
April 16	17	18	19	20	21	22
					7:30 p.m. Jazz Ensemble Concert Freedlander Theatre 7:30 p.m. Messy Twister Event Field behind Bornhuetter 8 p.m. Student Performances Common Grounds	6 p.m. Springfest Residence Quad 7:30 p.m. Wooster Chorus Concert Gault Recital Hall 8 p.m. Earth Day Craft Night Common Grounds
23 2:30 p.m. Guitar Studio and Ensemble Gault Recital Hall 7:30 p.m. Composition Recital Gault Recital Hall	24	25 4 p.m. Baseball v. CWRU Art Murray Field 6:30 p.m. Leadership Arts in Africa CWAM	26	27	28 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. I.S. Symposium Campus 7:30 p.m. Opera Workshop Perform. McGaw Chapel	29 12 p.m. & 3 p.m. Baseball v. Hiram Art Murray Field 7:30 p.m. Opera Workshop Perform. McGaw Chapel

Voice Calendar of Events and Classified Listings

In an attempt to better spread the word of events on campus, the Voice is dedicating our back page to campus-specific events and information.

Anything from sports games to theatre productions can be found in the calendar above, with additional

information provided below if necessary. Campus groups can list events within the calendar for free. If you would like your group's events to be included, you can email Jared Berg at JBerg17@wooster.edu Separate advertisements on the back page are also free.

Advertisements, announcements and inquiries printed on this page are limited to the campus community and to

on-campus events. Events must be open to the campus at large, and are not limited to but may include speakers, performances, movie showings, special club events, etc.

The Voice reserves the right to edit or reject any posts that we receive.

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