

Campus Safety Reports: Nov. 16 to 29.

By Julia Leef, Co-Editor-in-Chief

On Mon, Dec 3, 2012

Campus Safety Reports for the week of Friday, Nov. 16.

Incidents of Note:

- **Saturday, Nov. 17** - Suspicious Activity: Students reported at 12:55 a.m. attempting to launch items from a catapult like device in Scribner Village. Officers dispatched and reported a sizable device similar to what was described above observed unattended. Officers disabled the catapult and no damage was observed in the area at this time. Grounds was notified in the morning for possible removal. Report issued.
- **Saturday, Nov. 24** - Suspicious Activity: Four suspicious males reported at 12:16 a.m. in the parking lot of Jonsson Tower. Officer dispatched identified the males as radio DJs. Subjects were requested not to loiter in the area after the completion of a radio show.
- **Monday, Nov. 26** - A person reported being hit by a vehicle at 12:16 p.m. on Perimeter Road. Officer dispatched brought the person to the Wilton Medical Center as recommended by Health Services. Transport completed. Saratoga Springs Police Department and Campus Safety reports issued.

Further Incidents:

Friday, Nov. 16:

- Drug Law Violation: Suspicious odor of marijuana reported at 12:07 a.m. on the second floor of Howe Hall. Officers dispatched reported detecting the odor and recorded the drug law violation.
- Campus Safety Assist: Officers assisted a librarian at 1:20 a.m. with removing students at the Scribner Library after closing hours.
- Suspicious Activity: Suspicious activity reported at 9:40 p.m. at Jonsson Tower. Officers initiated an investigation. Subject was warned off campus for trespass. Report issued.
- Criminal Mischief: Person reported a hole at 7:45 a.m. in the wall of McClellan Hall. Damage recorded by officers. No one in the area at the time of the report. No known perpetrators or witnesses. Report issued.
- Campus Safety Assist: Reports of a student leaning against a vending machine, causing the glass to shatter, given at 6:57 p.m. in the Williamson Sports Center. Dispatched officer reported no injuries. Report issued.

- Criminal Mischief: A poster reported singed and later extinguished at 6:59 p.m. in the Murray-Aikins Dining Hall. No damage to college property. Report issued.
- College Violation: Officers reported excessive noise at 9:30 p.m. from a room in McClellan Hall. Upon entry officers observed several empty beer cans. No other visible violations reported. Report issued for noise complaint.
- College Violation: Excessive noise reported at 11:0 p.m. in the Hillside apartments. Dispatched officers spoke with residents who complied with the request to lower the volume. Officers reported no further problems with the registered party.

Saturday, Nov. 17:

- Criminal Mischief: Officers observed a male subject at 12:01 a.m. kicking a stop sign and causing damage on Perimeter Road. The subject fled the area as officers approached him for questioning. Report issued.
- Suspicious Activity: Students reported at 12:15 a.m. leaving Falstaff's with one having difficulty walking due to a possible intoxication. Officer dispatched reports, conducted a canvas and found all other students to be fine.
- Campus Safety Assist: Officer stationed at an event at 12:25 a.m. in Falstaff's for crowd control as it is at maximum capacity.
- Intoxicated Subject: Concern reported at 2:03 a.m. for an intoxicated friend at Wiecking Hall. Officers dispatched reported the subjects in need of further medical attention. The Emergency Medical System was dispatched and the subject transported to the Emergency Room. Report issued.
- Criminal Mischief: Officers reported holes at 2:05 a.m. in the wall of the south stairwell of Kimball Hall between the basement level and the first floor. No witnesses or known perpetrators at this time. Damage recorded and report issued.
- Intoxicated Subject: A heavily intoxicated female student was reported at 2:26 a.m. in Rounds Hall. Officers dispatched and assessed the subject to be unresponsive and not alert. Officers requested the Emergency Medical System. Subject was transported to the Emergency Room. Report issued.
- College Violation: Loud music reported at 4:15 a.m. coming from the area of the volleyball courts in North Woods. Officer located loud music and requested that the volume be lowered. Subjects complied.
- Parking: Officer advised a vehicle at 4:41 a.m. parked in the Penfield fire lane for hours. A ticket was issued and the towing service removed the vehicle. Report issued.

- Larceny: A bike was reported stolen at 12:25 p.m. from a secured position around a tree near McClellan Hall. Dispatched officer issued a report.
- College Violation: Suspicious activity reported at 7:35 p.m. at Penfield Hall. Officers dispatched found a pong game without alcohol consumption. Report issued.
- Suspicious Activity: Suspicious activity reported at 8:10 p.m. soliciting in Scribner Village. Officers dispatched spoke with the subject who agreed to cease activity.
- Liquor Law Violation: Officer reported a liquor law violation at 8:30 p.m. on the third floor of McClellan Hall. Report issued.
- Campus Safety Assist: Officers reported dispersing a loud party at 11:45 p.m. at Cane Crossing. Report issued.

Sunday, Nov. 18:

- College Violation: Excessive noise reported at 12:27 a.m. at Moore Way. Officers dispatched reported noise from an unregistered party. Officer dispersed the group.
- Campus Safety Assist: 911 phone call received at 1:15 a.m. from the third floor of Wait Hall. Officers checked the area and did not locate the caller. No emergency reported.
- College Violation: Suspicious activity reported at 7:35 p.m. at Penfield Hall. Officers dispatched found a pong game without alcohol consumption. Report issued.
- Suspicious Activity: Suspicious activity reported at 8:10 p.m. soliciting in Scribner Village. Officers dispatched spoke with the subject who agreed to cease activity.
- Liquor Law Violation: Officer reported a liquor law violation at 8:30 p.m. on the third floor of McClellan Hall. Report issued.
- Campus Safety Assist: Officers reported dispersing a loud party at 11:45 p.m. at Cane Crossing. Report issued.
- College Violation: Loud music reported at 2:35 a.m. coming from a neighbor at Dayton Drive. Officer reported that residents were warned and complied with the request to lower the volume.
- Campus Safety Assist: A welfare check requested at 3:03 a.m. on an intoxicated roommate at McClellan Hall. Dispatched officers reported the subject was assessed and found responsive and alert. No further medical attention necessary. Report issued.
- College Violation: Possible verbal argument reported at 3:13 a.m. at McClellan Hall. Officers reported no dispute. Subjects requested to lower the volume.
- College Violation: Excessive noise reported at 3:45 a.m. at Wilmarth Hall. Officers dispatched reported that residents complied with the request to lower the volume.

- Campus Safety Assist: A welfare check requested at 12:47 p.m. on a student off-campus. Officer located and verified the student's safety. The student agreed to contact parent. Report issued.

Monday, Nov. 19:

- Campus Safety Assist: Subject called at 3:12 p.m. requesting student information. Officer explained the College's policy and no information was released.
- Tickets Issued: Five tickets were issued campus-wide as of 4:08 p.m. for failure to stop at stop signs.
- Campus Safety Assist: Officers warned four non-Skidmore subjects at 5:16 p.m. regarding skateboarding in the middle of the road by the Barrett Center, causing a traffic hazard.
- Campus Safety Assist: A welfare check was requested at 8:10 p.m. for a student in Wiecking Hall. Officers located the subject and verified her safety and offered assistance. No further problems. Report issued.
- Campus Safety Assist: A welfare check was requested at 8:35 p.m. for a daughter in Jonsson Tower. Officer was dispatched and made contact to verify the safety of the daughter. Subject contacted the reporting person. Report issued.

Tuesday, Nov. 20:

- Fire Alarm: Fire alarm activation received at 12:04 a.m. at the Sasselin Art Center. Officers, maintenance and the Saratoga Springs Fire Department advised. Officers reported the cause was a faulty heat sensor on the third floor. Report issued.
- Campus Safety Assist: A personal escort requested at 1:56 a.m. from Case Center to Whitman Way. Officer dispatched provided the escort.

Wednesday, Nov. 21:

- College Violation: Staff relinquished all contraband at 11 a.m. found while closing for break in students' rooms in violation of College policies. Report issued.

Thursday, Nov. 22:

- Fire Alarm: Fire alarm activation received at 6:47 a.m. at the Williamson Sports Center. Officer and maintenance dispatched reported the activation was due to a continual problem with faulty heat sensors on the third floor. The Saratoga Springs Fire Department was advised. No response necessary. Report issued.

Friday, Nov. 23:

- Fire Alarm: Fire alarm activation received at 8:15 p.m. for the Williamson Sports Center. Officers and maintenance dispatched. Maintenance reported a continuous problem with the pool boiler room. Electrician contracted for repairs. Report issued.

Saturday, Nov. 24:

- Security Alarm: Security motion alarms activation received at 12:07 a.m. in the computer lab of Harder Hall. Officer dispatched reported the area was checked with no disturbances noted.
- Fire Alarm: Fire alarm activation received at 9:39 a.m. for the Sasselin Art building. Officers and maintenance dispatched and the Saratoga Springs Fire Department notified. Officers reported the cause was determined to be a faulty smoke head.
- Fire Alarm: Fire alarm activation received at 7:46 p.m. at the Sasselin Art building. Officers and maintenance dispatched and the Saratoga Springs Fire Department notified. Officers reported the caused was determined to be a faulty smoke head.

Sunday, Nov. 25:

- Criminal Mischief: Two holes reported at 10:31 a.m. in the wall of the second floor of Kimball Hall. Photographs taken of the damage and the report issued.
- Campus Safety Assist: Father of a student requested a welfare check at 12:38 p.m. on his daughter in Rounds Hall. Officer dispatched was unable to initially locate the daughter. After an investigation, the officer was able to determine the daughter's whereabouts and delivered the message.

Monday, Nov. 26:

- College Violation: Excessive noise reported at 12:24 a.m. in the common area of Jonsson Tower. Officers dispatched reported that subjects complied with the request to lower the volume.
- Larceny: Parts reported missing off the housekeeping van at 1:41 a.m. in North Hall lot. Officer assigned reported an investigation ongoing.
- Campus Safety Assist: An escort requested at 2:08 p.m. to the Wilton Medical Center for a student who may have a dislocated arm. Transport completed by dispatched officer. Report issued regarding the accident.
- Campus Safety Assist: A medical escort requested at 3:47 p.m. from the Sasselin Art building to the Wilton Medical Art Center for a laceration. Dispatched officer provided transport to the Emergency Room. Reports issued regarding the accident.

Tuesday, Nov. 27:

- Medical: A female reported with chest pains at 12:15 a.m. in the Oak Apartments. Emergency Medical System dispatched and subject transported for further medical attention. Report issued.
- Fire Alarm: Fire alarm activation received at 11:24 a.m. in the Scribner Library. Officers, maintenance and the Saratoga Springs Fire Department advised. Contractors' wiring error is determined to be the cause of activation. Report issued.
- Fire Alarm: Fire alarm activation received at 5:43 p.m. at Cane Crossing. Officers, maintenance and the Saratoga Springs Fire Department advised. Cause of activation determined to be burned food. Report issued.
- Campus Safety Assist: Personal escort requested at 7:02 p.m. to residence at Jonsson Tower. Dispatched officer completed the transport.
- Suspicious Odor: Suspicious odor reported at 10:07 p.m. at Jonsson Tower. Dispatched officer reported a faint odor detected but could not determine the source.

Wednesday, Nov. 28:

- Alarm: Officers conducted a test of the emergency blue lights, emergency phones and handicapped doors on campus at 11 p.m. Officers also tested the fire alarm system in the Academic buildings. Testing was completed with all deficiencies documented for proper repairs.
- Campus Safety Assist: Alarm activation reported at 2:20 a.m. at the Hillside Apartments but the source is undetermined. Officers dispatched and canvassed the area with negative results. No alarm detected.
- Suspicious Odor: Officer reported a suspicious odor at 8:16 p.m. on the ninth floor of Jonsson Tower. Officer could not locate the source.
- Suspicious Odor: Suspicious odor reported at 8:49 p.m. at Jonsson Tower. Officers dispatched to assist staff. Strong odor of air freshener noted. Marijuana odor faint but masked by the freshener.

Thursday, Nov. 29:

- Security Alarm: Motion alarm activation received at 7:49 a.m. in the Sasselin Art gallery. Officer dispatched to access the situation. Officer dispatched to access the situation. No notifications made. Officer reported the door unsecured and the lights off. No one in the area, which the officer secured. Gallery administrator advised. Report issued.
- Fire Alarm: Fire alarm activation received at 6:29 p.m. at the Hillside Apartments. Dispatched officers, maintenance and the Saratoga Springs Fire Department. Cause of activation determined to be due to burned food. Report issued.

- Suspicious Activity: A large truck reported at 9:36 p.m. parked at the Baseball field. Dispatched officer reported canvassing the equipment and finding everything in order. No damage to vehicles. Vehicle has vacated property.
- Drug Law Violation: A party reported at 10:17 p.m. on the fourth floor of Jonsson Tower. Dispatched officers located a drug law violation in plain view. Report issued.
- College Violation: A noise complaint reported at 11:17 p.m. on the first floor of Wilmarth Hall. Dispatched officers reported dispersing a large group. Report issued.

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Perspectives on Food: A Middle Eastern Diet

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The aroma of molten cheese and hot dough struck me as I walked towards the kitchen. It was my host sister heating up a slice of pizza, seemingly unconcerned with the clock reading 7 a.m. However, coming from Jordan where I lived until I was fifteen, I was perturbed.

The next few mornings did not come as a surprise, but I struggled to contain my confusion. Chinese food leftovers, steak and mashed potatoes all seemed to convey a fact about the American diet: time does not seem to put much constraint on the type or amount of food consumed.

This was strange for me, as the Middle Eastern diet I am accustomed to puts a special emphasis on time. Time is as crucial to maintaining a healthy diet as the ingredients of the food we put in our bodies. Hopefully, this piece can serve to provide some insight as to what about your diet needs to change in order for you to become a healthier person.

Time

It seems that there is a direct relationship between the importance of a meal and how late in the day it takes place. We know that dinner is a family activity that is given high priority and is regularly prepared in the home. Lunch is not given as much attention as it often interferes with work time. Breakfast is almost negligible because people tend to eat it separately at their convenience.

Understanding this, what aspects of time in a typical American diet are healthy? When the meals are served at a much earlier time, it allows for proper digestion of all meals and proper use of calories before bedtime.

What is unhealthy, then? The relationship explained above is. It may be important to consume a big dinner, especially after physical exercise and to help preventing late-night snacking, but neglecting lunch and breakfast are bad habits. Breakfast in particular is a critical meal that cannot be skipped or simply replaced by coffee. Breakfast is your first source of energy for the day, and plays a big role in maintaining a healthy metabolism.

In a Middle Eastern diet, the relationship between the time of day and meal priority is almost the opposite. Breakfast is an important meal in which many items are served in a sit-down style, and lunch also plays an essential part. It is the biggest meal of the day and is ideally home-cooked. Dinner is hardly

given any attention at all compared to the previous two. People usually eat a sandwich, fruits, or often even just breakfast foods. The Middle Eastern diet is not perfect though, as meal times are pushed back, with lunch served around 3 or 4 p.m. and dinner served as late as 10 p.m.

Ingredients

The expression "Breakfast like a king, lunch like a prince and dine like a pauper," refers to the amount of food that is appropriate for each meal, but it is important to remember that the content of the meals should always be healthy as well. Breakfast should include carbohydrates to provide you with energy but should ideally not be packed with too much refined sugar.

Avoid pancakes, sugary pastries and sugary cereals. Use whole-wheat bread and healthy cereals that are made up of unrefined complex carbohydrates and are abundant with fiber. Don't forget your protein to give a boost to your memory, concentration and learning ability.

A Middle Eastern breakfast consists of pita bread served with various dishes of olive oil, mixed herbs, cheese, eggs, hummus and tea.

Lunch should be a very well balanced meal. It should contain about equal parts carbohydrates, fruits and vegetables, focusing primarily on energy supply because it is served early in the day. Protein should make up a much smaller portion of your lunch. If you would like to have a dessert or a treat, have it after lunch instead of dinner so your system will have a much longer time to process it.

Dinner is theoretically the last meal of the day, and the nutritional group in focus should be protein. Protein feeds both muscles and your brain, and it is necessary for you to get a good amount after your day to enrich those cells. Avoid carbohydrates at dinnertime, and do not consume fried or processed food. These items can cause weight issues and sleep problems if eaten at a late time.

Hopefully, this comparison makes apparent the healthy qualities and flaws of your diet so that you are able to adjust to a healthier lifestyle.

Skidmore Ranks in GolfWeek Poll

By Katie Peverada, Contributing Writer

On Tue, Dec 4, 2012

The 10-man Skidmore golf team has gained national recognition for its achievements during the fall season. The Golf Coaches Association of America voted the Thoroughbreds the No. 15 team in all of Division III in the GolfWeek/Nike Golf Division III Poll. Oglethorpe University was voted No. 1, with Methodist coming in at No. 2.

The Skidmore golf team competed in four tournaments throughout the months of September and October, coming away with two wins. The team's first-place finishes came at the Tim Brown Invitational, on their home course, and at the Liberty League Championship qualifying tournament.

The team also finished second out of 25 at the Middlebury Duke Nelson Invite and then ventured down to Florida where they finished a respectable ninth out of 18 at the GolfWeek Invite. Anthony DiLisio '13, with three top-five finishes, and John McCarthy '13, with three top-ten finishes, have helped lead the charge for the Thoroughbreds. For more information, click here.

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Anthony DiLisio '13

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Skidmore Skates to .500 from the Weekend

Skidmore moves to 5-3-2 after competition from Norwich and St. Michael's

By Katie Peverada, Contributing Writer

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Despite jumping out to an early lead just one minute and two seconds into the game, the Thoroughbreds fell to the nationally ranked Norwich University Cadets to the tune of 7-3. Skidmore looked ready to produce an upset when Ondrej Krajnak '16 fired the first shot of the game past Norwich's Matic Marinsek to get the scoring started. This was followed up by a few nice saves from Spencer Sodokoff '15, who fought off a slap-shot from the top of the circle, stoned a Norwich skater who had blown by the defense, and stuck his leg out to prevent a wrap-around goal.

Norwich finally fought back when, 12:29 into the period, their own Travis Janke took a rebound from a Tory Allan shot and lofted it over Sodokoff's head. Norwich's Dean Niezgodka followed this up with a goal of his own when he won the puck on the sideboard, took it to the net uncontested and backhanded it in. The final goal of the first period came from Norwich's Pier-Olivier Cotnoir, whose slap shot from the top of the circle beat Sodokoff.

Skidmore overcame its three-goal lapse and quickly tied the game up at the beginning of the second period. David Limoges '15, assisted by Erik Nilsson '15 and Zach Menard '13, scored on the power play 2:44 into the period. Just 12 seconds later, Dave Dupuis '14 was fed in front of the net by Limoges and Brendan Cottam '13.

Dupuis calmly roofed the puck into the top right corner with a well-placed shot. That would be the final Thoroughbred tally, though, as the Cadets went on to score four unanswered goals. With 8:06 into the period, Norwich's Kyle Thomas took the puck in on a two-versus-one and fired the shot past the outstretched legs of Brad Cray '15, who was in for Sodokoff.

Norwich's Cotnoir would add his second goal of the game when teammate Chris Duszynski stole the puck from Skidmore near the hash mark and fed him in front of the net. The final two Norwich goals came at 14:40 and 18:45, when Norwich's Janke deflected a shot from teammate Corey Hale and when Niezgodka walked in and ripped a short-handed shot from above the circle that nicked the crossbar and went in. No. 2 Norwich moved to 6-0 in the league and 8-0 overall. While Skidmore as a team failed to create quality-scoring chances, there were a couple of key plays to keep the Thoroughbreds in the game. Phil Buonocore '14 played a hard and physical game with some thundering body checks. Midway through the third period, Cray had a series of close-range saves to keep the game close. On Saturday,

Sodokoff led the Thoroughbred charge, stopping 19 shots to earn the first shutout of his career against the Purple Knights of St. Michael's College. Sodokoff faced two SMC power plays in the second, but a series of nice saves and timely defending helped preserve the lead. The lone goal came in the closing seconds of the first period when Menard scored the only goal Skidmore would need. Jack Even '16 and Vlad Gavrik'14 started the play with a series of quick passes, and eventually found Menard who put it past St. Michael's Dave Donzanti. Despite Donzanti's 20-save effort, the Purple Knight's fell to 1-6 in the league and 2-7 overall. Skidmore now stands at 5-3-2 overall and 4-3-1 in the ECAC East, good for second place. The Thoroughbreds return to action away on Dec. 7 against Castleton State College in Castleton, Vermont.

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Zach Menard '13

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Students may win prizes and enjoy free food at the sixth annual Skidmore Shop Fashion Show

The show also features all-day events, including a holiday discount sale at The Skidmore Shop

By Julia Leef, Co-Editor-in-Chief

On Wed, Dec 5, 2012

Students will have the opportunity to win prizes, receive discounts on holiday shopping, and enjoy free food and entertainment during the sixth annual Skidmore Shop Fashion Show at 8:45 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 6.

The fashion show, which will be emceed by Technology Sales and Social Program Administrator Bob Carlton, and organized by John Neil, Associate Director of Business Services and Director of The Skidmore Shop, and Dawn Greenlaw, Assistant Director of Operations at The Skidmore Shop, is part of an all-day series of activities and events for students and community members.

"We were just brainstorming about a kind of event that would be fun for us and our students and the rest of the community," Neil said when asked about the inspiration behind the event. "It has morphed into something more than where it started from, and that's part of the fun for us, trying to up the ante each year and come up with something new."

The fashion show itself will feature about 22 student, faculty and staff models, according to Neil, including some of the faculty and staff's children. The models will be able to choose their own outfits from The Skidmore Shop, and will hand out free t-shirts on the runway.

"This is an event that takes us months to plan out, talking to vendors and students and aligning everything and getting it to come together, particularly this year," Neil said, in reference to the all-day events that will be going on from 11 a.m. until 10 p.m. "There's a lot of moving pieces to it."

"One of the new things that we're doing is having a photo booth set up at the atrium. We'll have someone take the photos and our friends and office services will have a color printer so students can get their photos for free," Carlton said.

This is just one of the many events that will be going on tomorrow, including the all-day holiday sale at The Skidmore Shop from 11 a.m. until 10 p.m., which features the "Wheel of Discounts" which students may spin for each purchase, the holiday buffet in the Murray-Aikins Dining Hall from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m.,

the Tree Lighting Ceremony, which is sponsored by Skidmore Alumni and the Student Government Association, on the Case Green from 6:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. and the dessert reception in the Spa at 8 p.m.

“Throughout the entire year we’re always sort of working, especially with our sponsors. And we have some new sponsors this year which will be fun and interesting,” Carlton said. “We have some great downtown businesses getting involved this year along with some corporate sponsors.”

Students will have many opportunities to win prizes offered by sponsors such as Max London’s, the Comfort Kitchen, Apple and Vineyard Vines, which they can enter for starting today.

“Come on out tomorrow. Take advantage of the sales, but also take advantage of all the fun things we’ve planned for the evening,” Carlton said. “In a big way, this is our way of thanking our Skidmore community for the support.”

A full list of all the events may be found on [The Skidmore Shop’s tumblr page](http://theskidmoreshop.tumblr.com/post/36816506572/skidmorecollege-december-6th-details) or on a poster in the Murray-Aikins Dining Hall.

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This design will be featured on the free t-shirts students will receive at the Fashion Show.

Courtesy of The Skidmore Shop



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Student Affairs discusses a smoke-free campus in open forums

The committee will release a survey next semester to further aid their research

By Julia Leef, Co-Editor-in-Chief

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The Student Affairs subcommittee of the Inter-Policy Planning Committee, co-chaired by Dean of Students Rochelle Calhoun and President of the Student Government Association Matt Walsh '13, has spent the past few weeks meeting with students, faculty and staff about the possibility of making Skidmore College a smoke-free campus.

There have been three open forum-style meetings inspired by this issue that was first brought up last fall, which have gathered an approximate total of forty people to discuss their positions and opinions of a smoke-free campus. These meetings have been more or less equally divided between smokers and non-smokers, according to Calhoun, who said both parties were respectful of each other's positions on the matter.

Among the ideas discussed, Calhoun mentioned the possibility of creating smoke-free spaces on campus, as well as addressing the tendency of smokers to gather outside the entrances to buildings on campus, which many non-smokers objected to. The discussions also brought up the issue of what exactly it means to tell people that they can or cannot smoke.

The Students Affairs subcommittee, which is composed of a mixture of students, faculty and staff, will collate this information into a survey, which will be released next semester. The results of this survey will inspire the committee's next movements. The committee is also working with the Safety Committee of Human Resources, a group composed of faculty and staff members who have also been working on addressing the smoking situation on campus.

Writing Center opens to public on Saturdays

By Zoe Dartley, Staff Writer

On Wed, Dec 5, 2012

As many have heard, the Lucy Scribner Library's Writing Center is now open to the public on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Center's services are catered towards middle and high school students struggling with writing assignments.

Student coordinator Emma Caruso '13, who became head of the pilot project after a summer of volunteering for the Center, shared details on the project.

"As Skidmore is a huge part of the Saratoga Springs community, I don't think there's a limit to how much we should give back to the town that opens the doors of their restaurants, businesses, and establishments to us," Caruso said. "If we have the skills to offer, then I think it only makes sense to offer those skills in every capacity possible." Caruso said she felt confident that the Center's skilled tutors will be able to proficiently handle the influx of new people.

"We have an incredibly skilled team of tutors that have all undergone a rigorous training class to prepare to tutor fellow college students and are very energetic about helping writers at any point in the writing process," she said.

Writing Center Director Phil Boschoff explained that this program stemmed from his desire to benefit both the youth of Saratoga, as well as the student tutors he worked with.

"I wanted to provide an opportunity for tutors to have more to put on their resume than working just with college-aged students," Boschoff said.

According to Boschoff, programs such as this have been suggested in the past, but it was not until recently that the opportunity to do so became plausible.

"We've had queries from the community before and I just haven't found that we have the space," Boschoff said. "We have a very beautiful, big space now, in a very sufficient place. We have the sufficient strength in numbers with tutors where we can offer this to the community without having any effect on our main responsibility. I felt that the time was right, the inclination of the students was right, to do this."

While the Center's tutors don't need any new training, working with middle and high school students does require a different perspective as their material is based around the fundamental basics of writing, rather than the more advanced writing exhibited by college students. Caruso said she has found that working with such concepts has been beneficial to the tutors as well.

"It's so fun to work at that basic level again, and it helps me too. Sometimes we're working on such sophisticated things [at college], that it's hard to get back to those basics again," Caruso said. "But then this eighth grader I was working with asked me if I could make his handwriting neater and I was like, 'I don't know those skills!' It really puts things into perspective."

Caruso said she has high hopes that students will eventually flock to the Center from areas outside the Saratoga community. While she has contacted both private and public middle and high schools in Saratoga and the Ballston Spa area, she has plans to reach out to schools in the greater area if the project continues to succeed. She is currently in the process of working with the schools to figure out the best way to advertise the project.

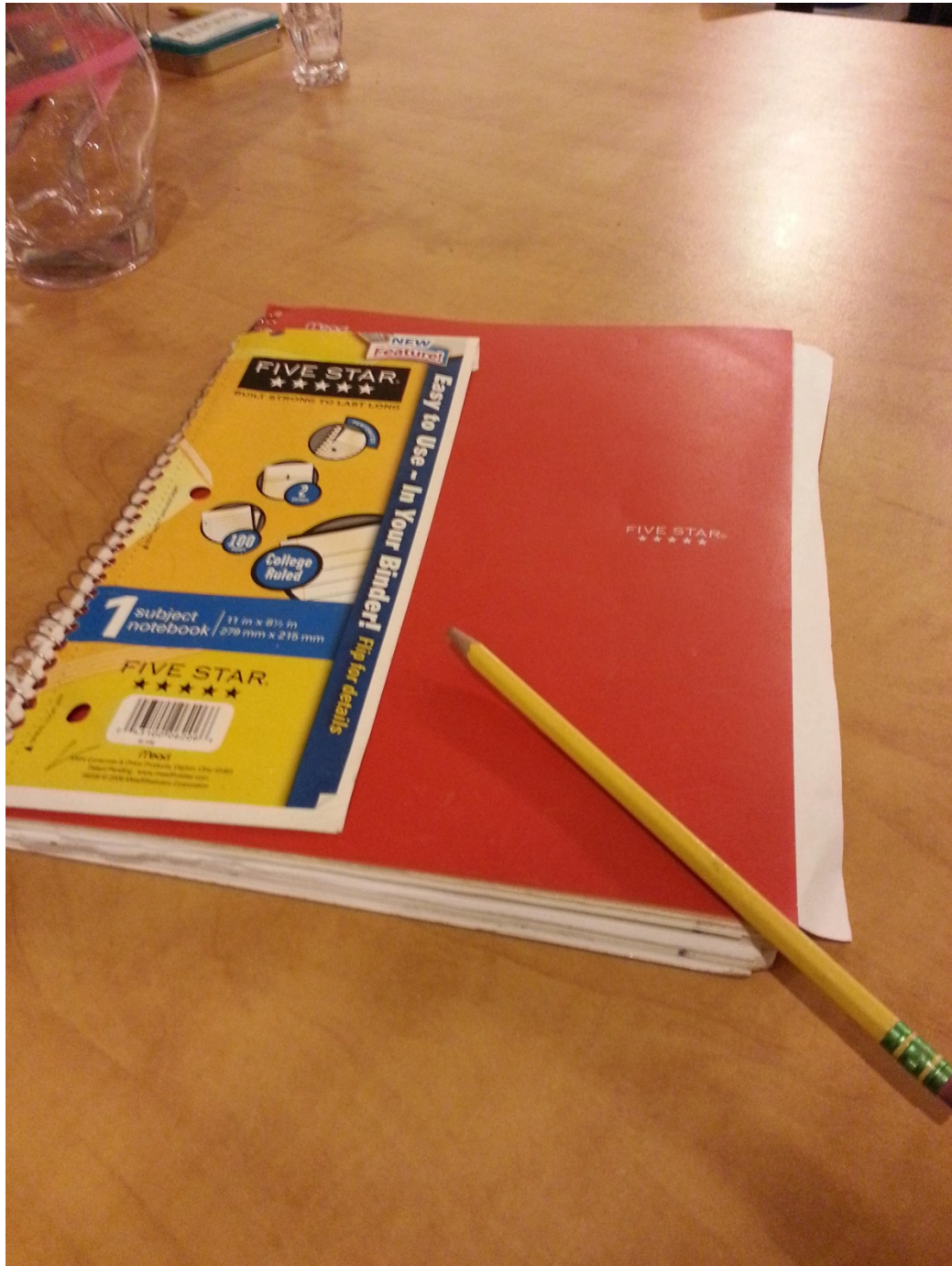
There has been discussion of sending letters home to families of students, as well as talk of using certain Skidmore media outlets available through the Communications Department, according to Caruso.

"It has taken longer than I expected to hear back from schools or programs that would be interested in working together on this project," Caruso said, "but a pilot program must always overcome the obstacles and pitfalls of creating something new, raising awareness and attracting interest, so I have been patient but persistent in making this idea a reality." The Writing Center is open to Skidmore students 12 p.m. to 12 a.m. Sunday through Thursday, 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Fridays, and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays.

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The Writing Center's new initiative should serve to help the public of Saratoga Springs excel at their studies.

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How to keep your brain healthy in 10 simple steps

By Mohannad Aljawamis, Peer Health Educator

On Wed, Dec 5, 2012

Physical exercise is a great method to keep our bodies in good shape, but our brains need to stay fit and healthy in order to function properly. In trying times, some of us experience stress, an inability to concentrate, emotional instability and other issues, many of which can be traced back to mental health. Even if these conditions do not apply and you are simply seeking to boost your brain power, there are a few steps that should prove very helpful.

- 1) Feed your brain! Nutrition plays a huge role in our mental and cognitive abilities. Make sure your diet includes omega-3 fatty acids, which can be found in many foods such as fish, nuts, seeds and legumes. Antioxidants, which can be found in most fruits and vegetables, are another essential part of the brain-diet. well-balanced meal can reduce the risk of certain chronic diseases, boost your memory and concentration and improve your capacity to learn.
- 2) Stimulation. It is important to keep your brain active and engaged in rigorous activities. When you stop exercising for a long period of time, you might notice that your body seems to fall "out of shape." Similarly, not employing the brain for a prolonged time might weaken some of the cognitive skills that you have worked so hard to develop. Exercising your brain by reading, solving puzzles or doing challenging games will help to keep your brain in top shape and ready for use.
- 3) Physical exercise. Regular exercise plays a role in regulating blood circulation through your brain and also reduces the risk of many diseases. Further, the secretion of endorphins after physical activity can positively alter your mood, which also reflects on your cognitive ability.
- 4) Socialization. Engaging in social activities keeps your brain active and engaged. Socializing can reduce stress and promote emotional health. Isolation and loneliness may trigger negative emotions and may be conducive to developing emotional instability, resulting in impaired concentration and cognition. Control your emotional health by socializing with friends and sharing your thoughts and feelings with the people you trust.
- 5) Meditation. While it is important to keep your brain active and in shape, it is equally important to enjoy freedom of thought and peace of mind. Excessive thinking and continuous mental activity may induce overwhelming stress. Find an exercise through which you can relax your brain. People often find yoga, religious practices, massages, hiking, or similar activities to be helpful in this regard.
- 6) Get plenty of sleep. Your brain needs time to recover and it can only do that through sleep.

- 7) Use all of your senses. Some people are visual learners, while others learn by audio repetition. It is also not out of the ordinary that some people might utilize smell or taste as means of learning. Using more senses stimulates more parts of your brain. Find your best strategy for learning.
- 8) Go easy on substances. Alcohol and other drugs can kill brain cells. Caffeine creates a dependence on a chemical that can otherwise be generated naturally. Smoking can deprive the brain of normal oxygen levels. If you choose not to abstain, practice moderation!
- 9) Prioritize your tasks. Do not overwhelm yourself and exhaust your brain. Know the most important tasks and start from there.
- 10) Chill out. Stress is often counter-productive. Believe in yourself, have realistic goals, and seek help when needed.

"Perks of Being a Wallflower" Aptly Captures Young Adulthood

A Car Chase and a Kiss: Admittedly Optimistic Reviews of Upcoming Films at the Saratoga Film Forum.

By Eric Stumpf, Columnist
On Thu, Dec 6, 2012

Stephen Chbosky's "The Perks of Being a Wallflower" plays at the Saratoga Film Forum at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 6 and Friday, Dec. 7, and again at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 9.

Based on the bestselling novel and directed by its author, "The Perks of Being a Wallflower" captures the spirit of youth and romanticizes enduring friendships.

In high school, you might have been a cool kid or an athlete, a drama kid or a geek. Regardless of which group you belonged to (or didn't), this film will surely resonate with you. It accurately captures the general feelings and moods of young adulthood: confusion, frustration and exhilaration.

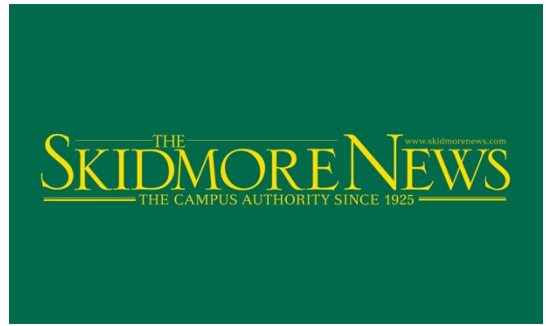
The film centers on a shy high school freshman named Charlie (Logan Lerman), who has a tough time meeting new people. Although his teacher Mr. Anderson (Paul Rudd) tries to console him, Charlie feels lonely and invisible - like he doesn't belong. But when Charlie runs into two seniors, the mysterious and alluring Sam (Emma Watson), and the eccentric Patrick (Ezra Miller), his life is turned around. Laughs are had, love and fighting ensues, and Charlie is finally able to feel comfortable in this new group of friends, who refer to themselves as "Island of Misfit Toys."

"The Perks of Being a Wallflower" allows Watson to show her polished abilities as an actress outside of the Harry Potter franchise, and Miller and Lerman also prove to be excellent performers. Furthermore, Chbosky demonstrates that a novelist with a vision can be an equally skilled director in an excellent and unexpected breakout performance.

Andrew L. Urban of Urban Cinefile proclaims "Chbosky's adaptation from his semi-autobiographical best selling novel is a zinger of a screenplay, and he directs it with verve and sensitivity. Charlie's journey is beautifully conveyed and it's done without sentiment."

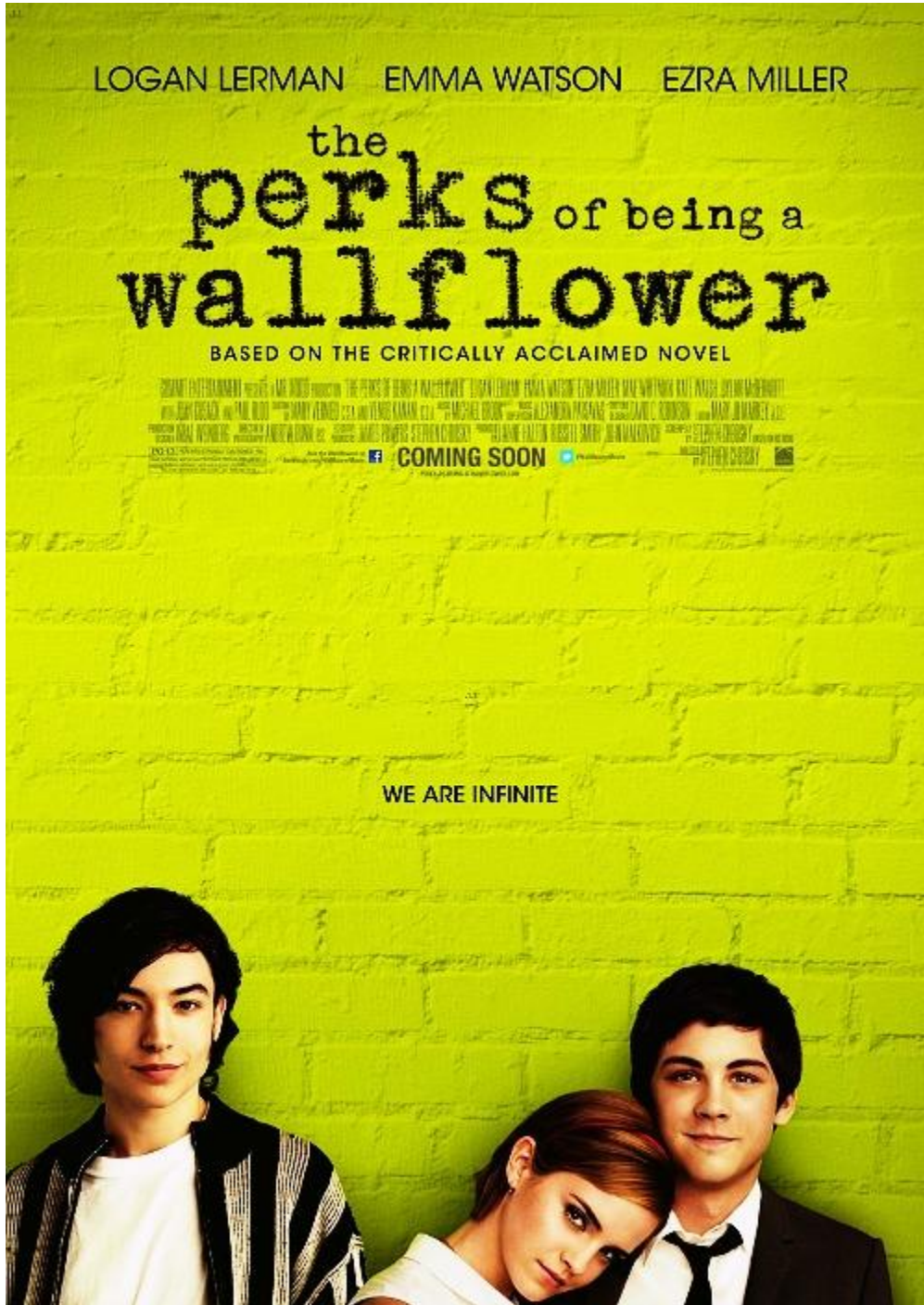
Relevant Majors: English, Dramatic Arts, Psychology and Education.

Stay tuned for next week's review of "Diana Vreeland," which comes to the Film Forum on Dec. 16.



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Summit Entertainment



Editorial: New DOF/VPAA

By The Editorial Board

On Fri, Dec 7, 2012

Breslin, former director of the First-Year Experience and previous chair of the Government department, was recently hired as Dean of Faculty/Vice President of Academic Affairs after a tireless, semester-long search. The Skidmore News commends the administration for both this decision and the process in which it was handled. By having students Kayleigh Kahn '13 and Hale Hall '14 serve on the six-member hiring council, inviting students to attend open forums in which the candidates for the position were interviewed and encouraging students to submit feedback on the candidates, the administration did all that it could to foster student involvement.

Unfortunately, despite the invitation, Dean of Faculty Rochelle Calhoun noted that there was little student participation outside of the students on the panel; few students attended the forums and not much feedback was received from the student body.

The administration sent out multiple emails to keep students informed on the process and to remind them of the open forums. A [webpage](http://cms.skidmore.edu/dof-vpaa-search/materials/index.cfm?) listed all of the candidates' credentials and [another](http://cms.skidmore.edu/dof-vpaa-search/upload/Position-Specification.pdf) outlined the responsibilities of the position. All of the candidates were brought to campus, had lunch with the students involved and were each given a tour of the campus by a student.

President Philip A. Glotzbach noted the position as one that involves little direct student contact, which could explain why not as many students became involved in the process. While this may be true, the DOF/VPAA does have a significant role in the hiring process of new faculty members, as the [webpage](http://cms.skidmore.edu/dof-vpaa-search/upload/Position-Specification.pdf) notes, so one could argue that the position still holds influence over the student body, though not necessarily in a direct way.

Glotzbach also stated that the administration could have done more to help students understand the position, which may have led to more involvement. However, considering the multiple invitations and reminders as well as the webpage coherently outlining the duties involved in the position, it seems like the administration did enough to extend the opportunities for students.

Some students may have seen Breslin as a shoe-in given his advantage in being the only candidate with previous experience at the College as well as the fact that he had been filling the position on an interim basis since June, therefore making the hiring process extraneous and more of a good-will gesture. This would, however, seem unlikely given the fact that the process took almost an entire semester to reach a conclusion.

While Breslin did have somewhat of a leg up on the competition given his familiarity with the College, his experience at Skidmore should not be viewed as an advantage in the hiring process but rather as an aspect that made him the candidate best fit for the College. The ability to successfully preside over the faculty and curriculum should require an extensive understanding of the College.

Whether or not there was a disconnect between the students and the administration in this case is unclear, but if the kinks in communication can be worked out, this inclusive, active method could maximize student involvement in future key College processes. Students should take full advantage of any future opportunities of this nature, especially in hiring new professors.

Skidmore alumnus Christopher Weigl killed in accident on Thursday

The graduate from the Class of 2011 was hit by a tractor-trailer while biking in Boston, Mass.

By Rachel Kim and Julia Leef, Co-Editors-in-Chief
On Fri, Dec 7, 2012

Christopher Weigl, a Skidmore alumnus from the class of 2011 and a graduate student at Boston University, was killed in a collision with a tractor-trailer while riding his bike on Thursday morning, Dec. 6, at Commonwealth Avenue and St. Paul Street in Boston, Mass.

The 23-year-old was hit by the 16-wheel truck at 8:30 a.m., according to *BU Today*, when the truck made a wide right turn onto St. Paul Street. He was wearing a helmet and biking in a marked bike lane. The Boston Police Department is currently investigating the accident.

Weigl, who was in the midst of obtaining his master's degree in photojournalism at the College of Communication, was president of the Photo Club at Skidmore and served as the photography editor for *The Skidmore News*.

In 2009 Weigl, along with Keith Petri '10 who was president of the Photo Club at the time, created the Skidmore Spur Charitable Calendar. As president the following year, Weigl continued the yearly tradition. The successful and provocative calendar, which has raised over \$3000 for charity will be dedicated to Weigl this year.

"Chris was my mentor in photography at Skidmore. He was a really hard worker and really involved club members like me and Lauren. He was amazingly talented," said Melissa Cohn '13. Cohn and Lauren Elsner '13 are currently co-presidents of the Photo Club.

"Chris, to me, was a friend, an inspiration, but also my mentor. His work was unbelievable and he was such an incredible person. I want him to be remembered at Skidmore," Elsner said. Elsner, along with the photography club, plans to hold a vigil in memoriam of Weigl on Tuesday Dec. 11.

Weigl's photos were also featured at the Communications department, which nominated him employee of the year when he was in his senior year. He served a freelance internship at the Panorama magazine and was a freelance photographer for Metrowest Daily News.

"From the wedding day to a simple human interest story, the capture of emotion in a split-second is a truly powerful, almost magical, ability. The seduction of photojournalism lies in its translation of a 4D space to a 2D plane. How does the photographer interpret that change? What decisions does he or she consciously make in capturing this story?" Weigl said on his [website](http://www.christopherweigl.com/).

A vast array of his works can be seen on the site, which includes many photos from his trips to Cambodia, Thailand, Italy, New Zealand and Istanbul, Turkey.

"Chris was by far the most talented photographer I knew personally," Savannah Grier '12, who also served as art director on *The Skidmore News*, said. "Beyond that, he was just such a kind, warm-hearted person. I feel so lucky to have been able to work with him on *The Skidmore News*. I have always considered our club to be like a family, and so losing Chris is losing a part of my Skidnews family."

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Christopher Weigl '11

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Weigl working late in the newsroom.

Courtesy of Savannah Grier '12





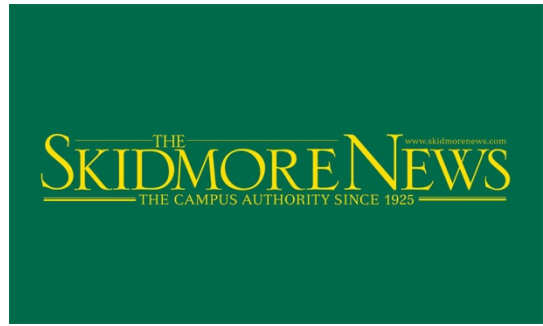
Liberty League Honors

The Liberty League Honors from the week of Dec. 3

By Billie Kanfer, Contributing Writer

On Sun, Dec 9, 2012

Tanner Brooks '16 and Connor Merrill '15 of the Men's Basketball team were recognized by the Liberty League for their performances during a 2-0 week. Brooks was named Rookie of the Week for the second time this season after averaging 21.0 points, 7.5 rebounds, 4.5 assists and 2.5 steals per game in wins over Castleton and Cobleskill. Merrill was named to the weekly honor for the third straight week. He averaged 19.5 points, 8.5 rebounds and 3.5 blocks per game. Skidmore is 5-1 on the season and travels to Middlebury Dec. 8. for its next match up.



Comic: Wait, what?

By Chris Dumont, Cartoonist '14
On Sun, Dec 9, 2012

A comic by Chris DuMont ('14).

Skidmore Heads into a Weekend Showdown with Middlebury Riding High

Wilson Gibbons on the Skidmore Men's Basketball Team

By Wilson Gibbons, Contributing Writer

On Sun, Dec 9, 2012

The men's basketball team, after losing its first game of the season, has now won its last five relying heavily on underclassmen this season.

Perhaps to the surprise of their opponents, the all-freshman starting backcourt of Aldin Medunjanin '16 and Tanner Brooks '16, have not missed a beat. Many wrote off this team due to the high roster turnover from last season, but they are rapidly proving they can play with anyone.

Brooks was recently awarded the Liberty League Rookie of the Week for the second time this season. He submitted a 24-point, four-assist performance against Castleton College and followed it up with a solid 18-point, five-assist game against SUNY Cobleskill. Both games resulted in a win for the Thoroughbreds.

However, the victory over Cobleskill came at a high price as Brooks tore his meniscus in the process, although he remains hopeful about his return.

"I have to get surgery on Friday, but the good news is it should be a quick recovery, hopefully two weeks," Brooks said. "I should be back after winter break for league play."

Medunjanin stepped up in Brooks' absence, notching 26 points, grabbing eight rebounds and dishing out seven assists in a come-from-behind win against SUNY Oneonta. The Thoroughbreds will need stellar performances like that to continue as they move forward.

Still, Connor Merrill '15, who currently leads the team in scoring and rebounding, sees room for improvement.

"We're not near where we should be," Merrill said. "We haven't played our best game yet, we still have a lot of things to work on."

The improvements will have to come fast as the College is set to face defending NESCAC champion Middlebury College on Saturday, Dec. 8. The Panthers are currently ranked third in the nation according to d3hoops.com. They have a total of eight players on their roster who are 6'6" and above, as compared to just one for Skidmore. Obviously, rebounding will be a huge concern heading into Saturday's game.

"We've got to rebound," Merrill said. "[This game] is going to be a slow-paced, grind it out, who's tougher than who type of game."

Despite, or perhaps because of, Skidmore's youth, they remain wholly optimistic about their chances.

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Connor Merrill '15

Skidmore Athletics



Faculty members discuss the possible implementation of online courses

Faculty remains undecided on how exactly to coordinate online and in-class learning

By Emily Singer, Contributing Writer

On Tue, Dec 11, 2012

On Dec. 7, the Skidmore faculty gathered in Gannett Auditorium for the last time this fall semester to discuss news regarding the Skidmore community, including the prospect of having MOOC's, or massive open online courses.

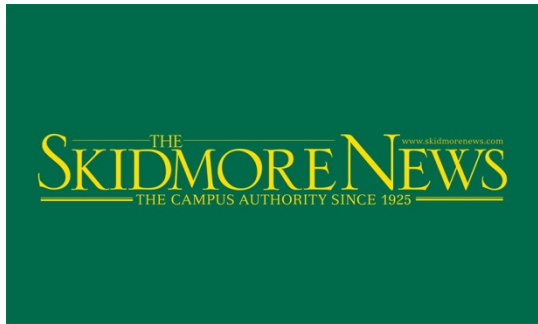
The faculty spoke about the possibility of Skidmore participating in eLearning, through which students would take courses on the computer instead of in the classroom. These courses would either be part online and part taught in the classroom, serve as a mandatory prerequisite for students to take before in-class learning, or completely replace certain classes, such as the introductory, 100-level courses, while teachers merely assist with the student's understanding of the online material rather than teach it directly.

Several faculty members voiced their concerns that technology might replace the benefits of having classroom discussions and take away the experience of a true liberal arts education. Skidmore's number one priority however, they recognized, is enhancing the learning for students, so applying online learning to course curriculums would only be used if it accomplished this goal.

The suggestion arose that online courses could help with admissions, since prospective students could look at course materials that way, although faculty members decided it would be more important to focus on the education of the current students before speculating about future ones.

In addition to the discussion about potential online courses, the meeting brought up several newsworthy events within the faculty, including the distinguished faculty award won by American Studies professor Mary Lynn and the hiring of two new faculty members within the past month for Environmental Studies and Sustainable Skidmore.

The two new members, Rachel Wills and Levi Rogers, will work on a sustainable tour for prospective students and will also develop environment-centered internships and projects for students at the College.



Bias Response open forum addresses the community's response to bias

Students and faculty gather to discuss the recent bias incident reports and future responses

By Julia Leef, Additional reporting by Julia Martin
On Tue, Dec 11, 2012

On Dec. 5, approximately 24 student and faculty members gathered in the Spa for the open forum sponsored by the Bias Response Group to discuss this semester's [bias incidents](http://cms.skidmore.edu/bias/upload/BRG-2012-2013.pdf) and possible responses to take against them.

Dean of Students Rochelle Calhoun opened the evening by discussing the origins of the bias incident alert grid, a system of recording bias incidents. The bias incident alert grid was created after a discussion a few years ago regarding what Calhoun described as aggressive bias incidents. Calhoun emphasized that the Bias Incident Response Group, which was formulated as a response to these incidents, does respond to each individual incident, even though these responses are not easily visible.

"We're doing as much as we can as we get the reports," Calhoun said in an earlier interview. "We're having meetings to talk about the community aspects in the residence halls. These things do not lack an effect on the individuals who have been targeted."

The students and faculty in attendance brought up many concerns regarding the incidents, including a feeling of a lack of leadership from the faculty, students brushing off the incidents as inconsequential, students not having the tools to combat the incidents, and moving forward and making changes.

The open forum also offered up reasons as to why these bias incidents may be occurring. Some of the suggestions brought forward included a lack of consequences in a culture of acceptance, the general attitude that bias is only an issue of color, and the issue that people are not actively trying to learn about the issues.

"These are complicated issues. We've been trying to work on issues of diversity and inclusivity for the past few years," President Philip A. Glotzbach said in a separate interview. "I see incivility as a way of marginalizing or excluding a student from a dialogue. I think we need to find ways to talk about these issues constructively as a community."

Members of the community in attendance at the open forum also offered several suggestions to address the bias incidents, such as requiring professors to speak in class about a recent bias incident, including a question in the course evaluations regarding whether or not the professor addressed these bias incidents, and providing immediate training for first-year students, along the same concepts of the Everyday Leadership Training.

Although many suggestions were brought forth during this discussion, several main motifs were faculty involvement, the education of the student, a focus on prevention in addition to a response and defining what exactly a bias incident is and what it means in the greater context of the community.

Perhaps most emphasized in the open forum, as vocalized by Calhoun and Glotzbach, was the need to continue to expand these dialogues, to continue to have the conversations needed to address these issues.

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Bias Response Open Forum Dec. 5

Members of the community shared opinions and experiences in the Spa last Wednesday.

Meredith Simonds/The Skidmore News



Skidmore Alumna's Documentary Celebrates Diana Vreeland

A Car Chase and a Kiss: Admittedly Optimistic Reviews of Upcoming Films at the Saratoga Film Forum

By Eric Stumpf, Columnist

On Tue, Dec 11, 2012

"Diana Vreeland: The Eye Has to Travel" plays at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 13 and Friday, Dec. 14 at the Saratoga Film Forum at 320 Broadway. The film will also be shown at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 16.

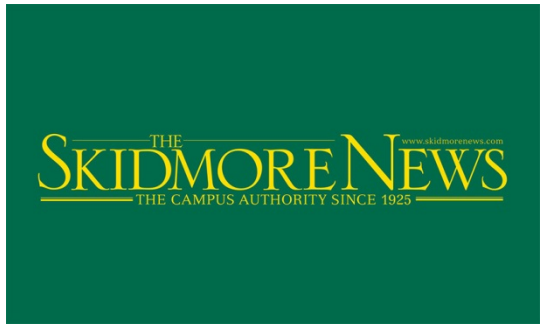
The student body will take great pride in the fact that one of the season's hottest documentaries was written and directed by Skidmore alumna Lisa Immordino Vreeland. This week, the Saratoga Film Forum will bring the documentary downtown.

"Diana Vreeland: The Eye Has to Travel," explores the legacy of one of the fashion industry's most prolific icons. A woman who singlehandedly created and promoted modern fashion in many ways, Diana Vreeland (1903-1989) discovered countless fashion models and made an enduring mark on women's fashion.

Vreeland was the fashion editor of Harper's Bazaar for twenty-five years, after which she became the editor-in-chief for *Vogue*. In addition to holding these high profile jobs, she also cultivated an image of celebrity. Vreeland's friends included notable figures like Jackie Kennedy, Cecil Beaton, Cole Porter, Coco Chanel and Lauren Bacall. Nicknamed the "The Empress of Fashion," Vreeland was regarded as a visionary, and the trends she launched then are still popular today. Her passion and philosophy about art and fashion remain unparalleled.

Skidmore art history major Lisa Immordino discovered the inner world of haute couture when she married Diana Vreeland's grandson. Her newfound family tie enabled her to get incredible firsthand accounts that give this documentary an insider's immediacy and vibrancy.

"But it's not the access that mattered for me," Immordino Vreeland [said](http://www.wwd.com/eye/people/diana-vreeland-firing-up-the-legacy-5066182?full=true). "It was the openness of the people of Conde Nast, Harper's Bazaar and the Costume Institute. Just people wanting to tell their stories, being generous with their time and really wanting to embrace this."

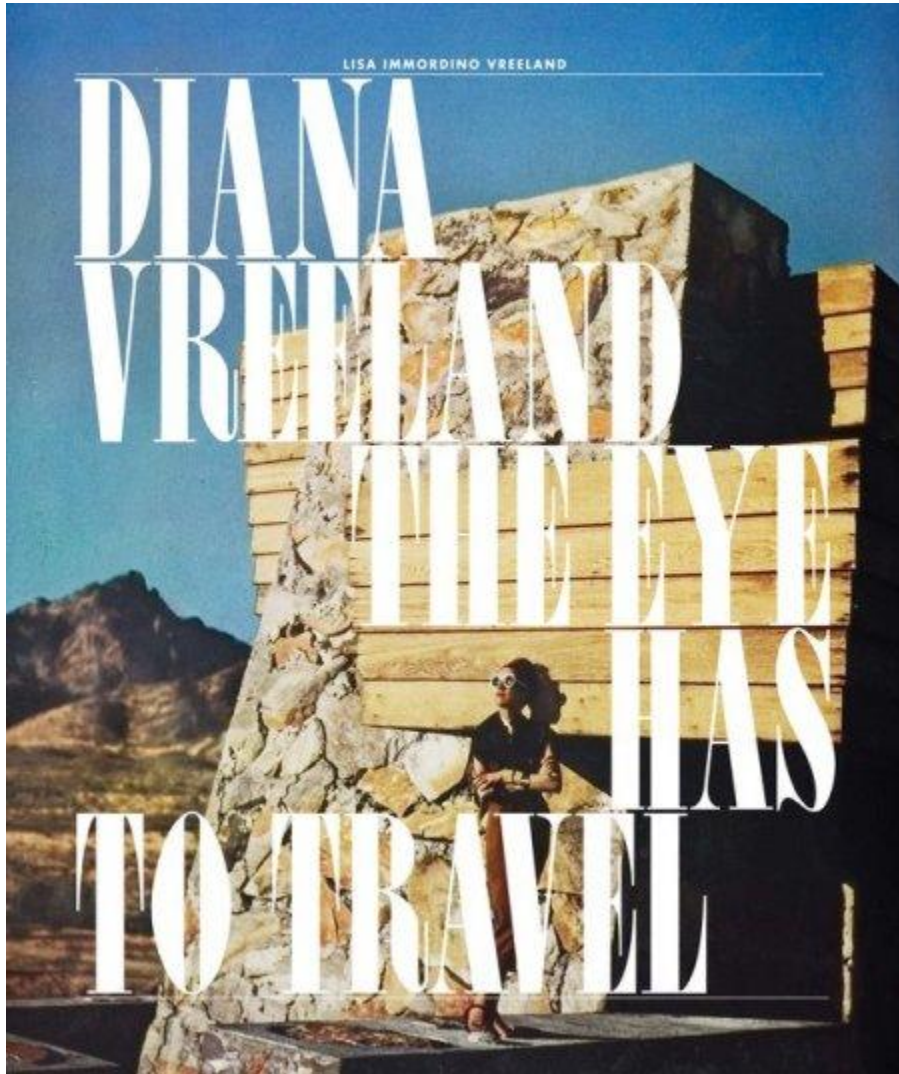


This film is lively, well imagined and informative. Viewers don't have to be a fashionista to enjoy it. More than a story about Vreeland's singular career, it will appeal to anybody interested in the workings of drive, passion and nerve. As Sandra Hall of the *Sydney Morning Herald* says, "She wanted you to look and look again, and this film is full of images which make you do just that."

Relevant Majors: Art History, Business, English, Dramatic Arts, Fashion, Philosophy, Psychology and Studio Art.

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Entertainment One



Campus Safety Reports: Nov. 30 to Dec. 6

By Julia Leef, Co-Editor-in-Chief

On Tue, Dec 11, 2012

Campus Safety reports for the week of Nov. 30.

Incidents of Note:

- **Friday, Nov. 30** - Suspicious Activity: Officer reported suspicious activity at 11:25 p.m. in the Jonsson Tower lot. Subjects were caught attempting to release the tire air on a patrol vehicle. Report issued.
- **Sunday, Dec. 2** - Accident: A person reported at 10:34 a.m. finding vehicle parts near a damaged guardrail on Perimeter road. Dispatched officer recorded the damage. The Saratoga Springs Police Department issued a report. Parts brought back to Campus Safety to be tagged and filed. Owner located. Report issued.
- **Wednesday, Dec. 5** - A suspicious-looking male reported at 1:36 p.m. entering the Jonsson Tower via the stairwell. Dispatched officers conducted a search of the building and located a non-student who was identified and advised not to return to campus or be arrested for trespass. Subject relayed that he understood and left the campus on foot without incident.

Further Incidents:

Friday, Nov. 30:

- Theft of Services: Four males reported exiting a cab at 12:50 a.m. without paying the fare. Photos of the subjects to be turned over for an investigation. Report issued.
- Fire Alarm: Stopper alarm activation received at 2:30 a.m. in Wiecking Hall. Officers reset the device. No one in the area.
- Medical: A student reported having a panic attack at 1:32 p.m in a hallway in Dana. Subjects left the area prior to the officer's arrival, who located the subject and assured his well-being. Report issued.
- Suspicious Odor: A suspicious odor report at 9:39 p.m. on the first floor of Wiecking Hall. Dispatched officer reported noting the odor of marijuana. Report issued.
- Liquor Law Violation: Officer reported a liquor law violation at 9:15 p.m. on the third floor of Wiecking Hall. Report issued.

- Suspicious Odor: A suspicious odor reported at 10:48 p.m. in Kimball Hall. Dispatched officers located the source of the marijuana odor but found no visible evidence of possession. Report issued.
- Liquor Law Violation: Officer reported a liquor law violation and a drug law violation at 11:11 p.m. in plain sight in Penfield Hall. Report issued.
- College Violation: A large, unauthorized gathering reported at 11:36 p.m. at Cane Crossing. Dispatched officers spoke with residents who complied and lowered the volume. The group dispersed.

Saturday, Dec. 1:

- Falsely Report: A fire alarm activation received at 12:03 a.m. in Penfield Hall. All officers, Unit 10 and the Saratoga Springs Fire Department dispatched. Intentional false alarm received. Officer investigation determined the perpetrators. Report issued.
- Criminal Mischief: A person reported at 12:55 a.m. observing someone breaking the light bulbs between Howe Hall and the Murray-Aikins Dining Hall. Officers dispatched but subjects were gone on arrival. No personal injuries resulted. Report issued.
- Liquor Law Violation: A person reported observing an alcohol violation at 11 p.m. in Penfield Hall. Report issued.
- College Violation: Excessive noise reported at 12:41 a.m. from a covered area in the center of the South Quad. Officer dispatched reported that students left the area upon arrival.
- Liquor Law Violation: Excessive noise reported at 1:36 a.m. on the fourth floor of Jonsson Tower. Officers dispatched observed a liquor law violation. Group dispersed.
- College Violation: Loud music reported at 2:06 a.m. at Cane Crossing. Officer dispatched reported that residents complied with the request to lower the volume.
- Intoxicated Subject: Intoxicated student reported at 3:20 a.m. from an off campus party. Officers assisted, evaluated, and escorted the subject back to his room for the evening. Report issued.
- Suspicious Activity: Officer observed a suspicious person at 3:15 a.m. trying to hide alcohol on his person. Subject dropped the alcohol and his coat and fled the Jonsson Tower area.
- Criminal Mischief: Damage to a vehicle's rearview mirror reported at 10:50 a.m. in the Northwoods parking lot. Dispatched officer issued a report. No known perpetrators or witnesses.
- Criminal Mischief: Officer reported holiday lights torn down at 10:35 a.m. near Case Center. Dispatched officer recorded the damage. No known perpetrator(s). Report issued.

- Criminal Mischief: Officer reported observing damage at 12:21 p.m. to the wall on the second floor of Wait Hall while conducting checks. Damage recorded. Report issued.
- Criminal Mischief: Officer reported at 12:22 p.m. noticing a hole kicked into the wall on the east stairwell of the first floor of McClellan Hall. Damage recorded. Report issued.
- Liquor Law Violation: Officer reported observing a liquor law violation in plain view at 12:22 p.m. while conducting checks in Howe Hall. Report issued.
- Accident: A person reported at 4:25 p.m. that a Dining Services employee had fallen and requested an ambulance. Officers and the Emergency Medical System dispatched. Subject transported for assistance. Report issued.
- Medical: A person reported at 9:30 p.m. that a resident had passed out and required assistance in McClellan Hall. Officers dispatched. Emergency Medical System transported the subject for assistance.
- Liquor Law Violation: A loud party reported at 10:52 p.m. in the Oak Apartments. Officers dispatched witnessed several college violations. Report issued.
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- Liquor Law Violation: Officer reported observing a liquor law violation in plain view at 12:22 p.m. while conducting checks in Howe Hall. Report issued.
- College Violation: Noise reported at 10:58 p.m. on the first floor of Wilmarth Hall. Officer dispatched reported that the group dispersed.

Sunday, Dec. 2:

- Emergency Phone: A blue light activation reported at 12:15 a.m. from the McClellan Hall blue light. Officer reported no one in the area. Call determined to be a false activation.
- College Violation: Domestic dispute reported at 1:48 a.m. in Jonsson Tower. Officer dispatched interviewed both parties. Verbal argument determined to be the reason for the call. Subjects separated for the remainder of the night. Report issued.
- College Violation: People being loud reported at 2:20 a.m. in the Moore Quad. Officer dispatched reported that subjects dispersed upon his arrival.
- College Violation: Excessive noise reported at 2:30 a.m. at Jonsson Tower. Officers dispatched reported that residents complied with the request to lower the volume.

- Fire Alarm: Fire alarm activation received at 11:29 a.m. for the Sasselin Art Building. Dispatched officers, maintenance, and advised the Saratoga Springs Fire Department. The source of the alarm was a continual problem with the heat sensor on the third floor. Report issued.
- Campus Safety Assist: A transport for a student requested at 3:52 p.m. to the Saratoga Emergency Room from an off-campus location. Dispatched officer completed the transport for medical attention. Report issued.
- Suspicious Activity: A male subject reported at 7:14 p.m. attempting to gain access to an unauthorized area in the Filene Music Hall. Officer dispatched reported the subject gone on arrival.

Monday, Dec. 3:

- Fire Alarm: Fire alarm activation received at 10:32 a.m. at the Sasselin Art Building. Officer and maintenance responding reported a continual problem with the heat sensor on the third floor. Report issued.
- Fire Alarm: Fire alarm activation received at 12:28 p.m. for the Hillside B Apartments. Officers, maintenance and the Saratoga Springs Fire Department dispatched. Smoke condition from cooking determined to be the cause. Issue remedied. Report issued.
- Criminal Mischief: Officer reported a hole in the wall at 1:57 p.m. on the second floor near the lounge area of Wait Hall. Damage recorded. Report issued.
- Parking: Officer reported booting a vehicle at 2:40 p.m. in the Tang parking lot due to excessive unresolved tickets. Report issued.
- Criminal Mischief: Officer reported at 6:21 p.m. finding a large crack in a wall at Jonsson Tower. Report issued.
- Campus Safety Assist: A physical altercation reported at 10:28 p.m. in the Murray-Aikins Dining Hall. Officer dispatched reported the subjects were gone on arrival. Witnesses reported the subjects were engaged in assumed "horse-play."

Tuesday, Dec. 4:

- College Violation: Noise complaint reported at 1:33 a.m. in Wait Hall. Reporting person had requested that the subjects lower the volume but they refused to. Officers dispatched warned the subjects to keep the volume at an acceptable level.
- Larceny: A student reported his bike missing at 4 p.m. from where he left it. Report issued.

Wednesday, Dec. 5:

- Campus Safety Assist: A personal escort requested at 1:45 a.m. from Jonsson Tower to the subject's residence. Officer completed the escort.
- Found Property: A person brought in earrings and one necklace at 8:16 a.m. that he found in the laundry room of Wait Hall. Items were tagged, bagged and placed in the lost and found.
- Animals: A call received at 5:03 p.m. to report observing a bat in Palamountain Hall. Dispatched officers were unable to locate the bat at this time. Officers will periodically patrol the area in search of the bat.
- Suspicious Activity: A male, not affiliated with the College, reported at 4:22 p.m. having come over to the IT Help Desk in Scribner Library over the weekend who acted obnoxiously and insisted on being served. Employees have been told to call Campus Safety if and when he returns or if he becomes confrontational.
- Fire Alarm: Fire alarm activation received at 8:22 p.m. in a Northwoods Apartment complex. Dispatched all officers, maintenance and notified the Saratoga Springs Fire Department. Officers reported that the fire alarm was set off by burnt food as an occupant was cooking. Alarm was reset and the apartment was aired out.
- Suspicious Odor: A suspicious odor reported at 8:32 p.m. in Wait Hall. Dispatched officer who reported locating the room in question and discovering, upon investigation, that someone had been smoking cigarettes inside the room. Occupants were advised of the College's policy prohibiting smoking in the residence halls and that a report of the incident would be made.

Thursday, Dec. 6:

- A student reported at 6:14 a.m. that her roommate in Kimball Hall had just pulled an all-nighter, is very jittery, may have drunk too much coffee and requested assistance. Dispatched officers requested an ambulance to transport the student to the Saratoga Emergency Room for further evaluation.
- Parking: Officer reported booting a vehicle at 11:15 a.m. parked in the fire lane at the Sasselin Art Building.
- Campus Safety Assist: Transportation requested at 2:52 p.m. for a student to the Saratoga Emergency Room. Dispatched officer provided the transport.
- Campus Safety Assist: A jumpstart was requested at 3:16 p.m. for a subject's vehicle parked in the Cane parking lot of Northwoods. Dispatched officer reported the jumpstart was successful.
- Campus Safety Assist: An escort requested at 9:19 p.m. from the Case Center parking lot to the subject's apartment.

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