Hoopsville returns to Stevenson’s campus; Ten teams compete in the annual basketball classic

by Ryan Winner
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The Stevenson University basketball team will have an exciting start to the season as the Hoopsville National Invitational Classic presented by Buffalo Wild Wings begins on Nov. 21.

In its third year, Hoopsville has become a tradition at Stevenson. Ten teams from across the country will compete in the classic. These teams will all pose stiff competition, making this year’s event entertaining for all who watch.

Teams from six Division III regions will play in what has come to be the biggest on-campus event in NCAA Division I, II or III, according to d3hoops.com. This year’s classic includes 10 teams, six of which were ranked at No. 13 or higher last season and five of which went to last season’s NCAA Tournament.

This year’s teams include the following: Catholic University, Cabrini College, the University of Chicago, Gwynedd Mercy University, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, Purchase College, Randolph-Macon College, Stevenson University, Wittenberg University and Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI).

Randolph Macon, Catholic, and Cabrini are participating in the yearly tournament for the second time.

“The classic brings together some of the best student-athletes in Division III, with their coaches and fans convening at Stevenson’s Owings Mills gymnasium for a competition unlike no other of its kind,” said the tournament’s founder and director, Stevenson head coach Gary Stewart.

“The Hoopsville National Invitational Classic has quickly become one of the premier Division III college basketball tournaments in the country. The quality, diversity and depth of the 2014 field represent an extraordinary gathering of outstanding collegiate basketball programs,” said Stewart in a d3hoops.com interview.

Tip off is on Friday, Nov. 21, when Catholic meets Gwynedd Mercy at 4 p.m. in the Owings Mills gym. That same night, the Mustangs will face Wittenberg at 8 p.m., a game in which the coaches – Gary Stewart and Bill Brown – have combined for 792 wins, 1,334 games and 47 seasons as collegiate head coaches, according to d3hoops.com.

Stewart had a lot to say about his team’s preparation for Hoopsville.

“We’ve just been trying to build our team and get better each season. We have been getting better at each spot and getting more physical,” Stewart explained. “We’re trying to establish a culture [at Stevenson] of excellence.”

That culture change was apparent last year, when the team posted its strongest season ever. “Last season is a good springboard to establish more success,” said Stewart, who looks to build from the team’s momentum. He added, “You have to use every opportunity to go out and prove yourself.” Hoopsville will give the team the opportunity to prove itself once more.

Stewart said that the Mustangs have used the offseason not only to improve their strategic game, but to improve physically as well.

“We have had some young people in our program who have worked on their bodies. Some have gotten stronger, and some have gotten leaner. The off-season has allowed our students to get better at all facets of the game,” said Stewart.

The recruitment process has also helped to improve the team over the last few years. “Recruiting has enabled us to be a deeper team than we’ve had since I’ve been here,” Stewart said.

Hoopsville also provides a learning experience for the younger players.

“I think the spotlight is really beneficial for them,” said Stewart. “They get to see a cross-section of teams with excellent play, whether it’s teams focused on transition, teams that are half-court oriented, great guard play, or strong interior play.

This level of competition will also provide a strengthening experience to start the season.

“The great benefit for us is that our conference is so difficult, so playing very tough competition early [in the season] prepares us for that,” Stewart said.

These games will give us a good barometer as to what is working and what isn’t.”

Hoopsville will take place on Nov. 21-23, and should provide fierce competition and great basketball.

Stewart said, “I would love for the Stevenson community to come out and show the country what we’re all about as an institution and support not only our program, but our entire athletics department as a whole.”
Help Portrait provides students with opportunity to give back

by Alex Parker  
Villager staff writer

Help Portrait is a non-profit global movement that was founded by celebrity photographer Jeremy Cowart in 2008, with the idea of bringing the photography community together to give back to individuals across the globe.

Cowart’s creation for the organization was sparked when he and a few friends did a photoshoot at a homeless shelter in Nashville, TN. Cowart then uploaded a video of footage covering the shoot on Facebook in January 2009, which received a great deal of positive feedback and interest from other photographers. Shortly after, he launched a video promoting his idea to the Baltimore community.

In 2012, Help Portrait gave 26,200 portraits to individuals in 24 countries, at 139 locations with the help of 1,339 photographers and 2,367 volunteers. Last year, approximately 80 volunteers/photographers came to help at three different locations in Baltimore City.

While this event is important to the Baltimore community, it is also very special to Stevenson students. The professional Association of Design, also known as AIGA, uses Help Portrait as their annual community service event. Every year around Christmas time, Stevenson students partner with photographers in the Baltimore area to take photos of those individuals who do not have access to professional photography.

“This is a nice way to give them portraits, so they can have something physically in their hands to see themselves. Most of these people have not seen what they look like in years,” said senior AIGA president Megan Kaplon.

In the past year, 15 students, three alumni, and a handful of professors have given their time. An exhibit of their work will be displayed from Nov. 6 - Jan. 9 on Owings Mills North in the School of Design Gallery.

“Getting people to open up and feel comfortable is a rewarding experience. Last year, I was able to connect with a man who was not really big on getting his picture taken. After I was able to make him smile, the look on his face when I showed him the photo through the camera really made me feel like I made a difference,” said Kaplon.

In addition to Help Portrait, the Stevenson group works hand-in-hand with the Baltimore chapter on different design events throughout the year. Most recently, AIGA put on Baltimore Design Week from Oct. 18-25. This event included various art talks, tours through design studios in the city, an appearance from the Ravens’ marketing team, and several guest speakers. While most art-based majors participate, Help Portrait is open to all majors and all are encouraged to participate. Those interested in becoming a part of Help Portrait feel free to attend one of the informational AIGA meetings (Nov. 14 from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. or Nov. 17 from 10:15 - 11 a.m.) or visit the official website at for more information.

Stevenson’s American Chemical Society chapter to be honored at national convention

by Courtney Parro  
Villager staff writer

Stevenson University’s chapter of the American Chemical Society, known as ACS, has been recognized on the national level. The chapter, which includes 30 members, was named a “Commendable Student Chapter” for the 2013-2014 year.

Nationally, 50 schools are awarded “Outstanding Chapters.” 75 are recognized as “Commendable Chapters, and 100 as “Honorable Mention.” Stevenson’s ACS is proud to be one of the 75 schools in the nation to receive this award.

Shelly Litz, the president of the SU chapter of ACS, says it feels great to be the president of a club that is being recognized. Litz says that they are all excited to travel to Denver and attend the conference. While there, Naanaa will not only accept the award on behalf of the group, but he will have the opportunity to present research that he’s been working on with associate professor Dawn Ward on Hepatitis C inhibitors as well.

“There are over 1,000 student chapters across the nation, and it feels really good to be one recognized out of a thousand,” said Litz. Stevenson’s chapter of ACS only began two years ago. Last year the club was recognized as an Honorable Mention, and they are especially proud of the progress that they have made just in two years, as well as the recognition that they’ve received. Litz said that he club has been working hard this year because they are hoping to progress to the Outstanding Chapter award next year.

To congratulate the Stevenson chapter of the ACS, students can attend the annual Chemistry Magic Show on Friday, Nov. 14, at noon in Knott Hall 23.

Nursing students promote poster session

by Julia Cooke  
Villager staff writer

Health and culture will be the topic of a poster session held by the junior nursing majors on Nov. 19 from 10 a.m. - noon in the Greenspring gymnasium.

The event gives the students who are in Nursing 310 and Nursing 311 the opportunity to present what they have learned by inform participants about health issues in multiple cultures. Rebecca Diaz, instructor of nursing, explained the purpose of the session. “This session will share others the importance of awareness in regards to health disparity among certain populations and different cultures.”

The students have researched and created posters to share that includes health statistics, risks, beliefs, and disparities of each population examined.

As an incentive to attend and to learn, each person who completes the “passport” will be entered to win one of five Starbucks gift cards. In order to be eligible to win, attendees will need to go to each of the 15 stations and listen to the presentation. Each presentation will take between five and 10 minutes. Students who attend are encouraged to ask questions and engage the speakers. Diaz said, “We want the students to learn, and to understand what health disparities exist in other populations.”

After listening to a group, attendees will receive a sticker. With all 15 stickers, the passport will be complete, and students, staff and faculty will be eligible to win.

Students have been working all semester on their presentations, and are excited to present their work. As a part of the project, each group was assigned a person from their population to interview. This gave the students the opportunity to experience what they have been learning first-hand.

Nursing student Catie Canner was assigned the African American culture. She and her group learned how the African American lifestyle impacts the health of the culture.

“My favorite part of the project was definitely the interview,” said Canner. “We gained so much insight into not only the culture, but his experiences within the culture,” she explained. Being able to learn about the culture on a personal level was a significant part of the project for Canner.

The poster session will impact both the nurses and the people who attend because it transforms the informative process into an educational experience that embraces academics and culture.
Renowned public relations expert to speak at Shapiro Lecture

by Julia Tobin

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This year marks the seventh year for the Shapiro/Rouse lecture series in business communication, and the department is eager to announce this season’s speaker, Sandy Hillman of Sandy Hillman Communications of Towson.

Attorney, author, civic leader, sports agent and negotiator; Ronald Shapiro, Esq. and his wife, Kathryn, donated money in the name of the department of business communication and its chair, Chip Rouse, to sponsor these annual lectures.

Hillman will join an impressive array of notable figures from the world of Baltimore area communications who have spoken at this lecture series. Those names include Steve Battista of Under Armour; Laura Pasternak of MarketPoint, LLC; Peter Stanton of Stanton Communications; and economist Anirban Basu, to name a few.

Over the last 40 years, Hillman has become one of the nation’s most well-known leaders in public relations. She has advised presidents, governors, mayors and corporate leaders, including the former mayor of Baltimore—William Donald Schaefer.

Her firm helps clients with branding, advertisement, image development, and product placement.

The lecture this year will be held in the Rockland Banquet Hall on Tuesday, November 18, at 7 p.m. Following the event, guests are invited to a reception in Hillman’s honor.

Sandy Hillman is scheduled to speak at Stevenson Nov. 18.

Stevenson goes to New York City

by Alaina Maracotta

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Travelers can see a show on Broadway, shop on Fifth Avenue, ice skate in Rockefeller Center, or just walk around and see the sites. All will have the opportunity to use their time in New York however they see fit.

“The Office of Student Activities annually sponsors and organizes the trip, and has been doing so for almost 10 years now,” said Kipp Calvin, associate vice president of student activities. “It’s just a unique feeling to see New York City at that point in time [Christmas].”

“We hand out snack bags on the bus, we usually like to play Christmas movies, and we raffle off prizes for each of the buses to keep people engaged and involved,” he added.

This lecture series addresses the interests of the all business students and of the university as well.

That same evening, students from the business communication major will also present a poster session on internships experienced this semester. All are welcome to attend.

Balto. Speaker Series features award-winning film maker

by Maia Milas

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With numerous Emmy Awards, Academy Award nominations, the S. Roger Horchow Award, and the John Steinbeck Award, a wing named after him at the Jerome Lipking Center for Film, Photography, and Video at Hampshire College, and more than 25 honorary degrees, historian Ken Burns will appear locally at the Baltimore Speakers Series on Tuesday, Nov. 11, and on the same day, the award-winning documentary will pay a visit to Stevenson University for a discussion and Q&A at the Inscape Theater at 1 p.m.

A historian for over 35 years, Burns wrote and produced a PBS series on Theodore and Franklin Roosevelt, as well as a proclaimed series about the Civil War, along with many film documentaries.

“We are so fortunate to have speakers like Ken Burns come to our campus,” said Cheryl Sunderland, special assistant in the president’s office. “You get to be in a small room with and hear someone who has touched people’s lives and made a positive difference with his career.”

Burns graduated from Hampshire College in Massachusetts and went on to become one of the co-founders of the production company, Florentine Films.

He has a wide range of interests ranging from history to music to baseball, so Sunderland encouraged students, as well as faculty to attend the discussion.

According to the background information provided about him on the Baltimore Speakers Series’ website, David Zurawik of The Baltimore Sun once claimed not only that Burns is “the greatest documentarian of the day,” but also that he is “the most influential filmmaker, period.”

“Opportunities like this are the gems of a liberal arts education,” Sunderland said. “This is a gift that everyone is likely to remember for a long time.”

Burns just finished his new seven-episode series, “The Roosevelts: An Intimate History,” and is currently working on other projects, including films on topics including country music, Jackie Robinson, and the Vietnam War.

Sunderland’s hope was that as many people attend the event as possible.

“If you have class, ask the professor to bring the whole class down to the discussion!” she said. “You don’t want to be the one saying ‘Wow, I really missed something cool,’ the next day!”
What has happened to the friendly neighborhood police officer?

by Matthew Staud
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The news media is blasting police nationwide about incidents similar to the Ferguson shooting, so it's hard to know whom to trust. Young children are very impressionable and growing up watching these incidents has caused a generation to become less trusting of the police.

The problem of police officers taking advantage of their position has prompted many potential solutions to address this issue. One of the leading solutions is to force police officers to wear body cameras, but some officers view this as an infringement of their rights. In one such case in Baltimore, in an article written for WVPR, P. Kenneth Burns stated that Eileen DiPietro, a solicitor for Baltimore City, is fighting to prevent police officers from being forced to wear those body cameras. She states that the city cannot force laws upon police departments. She added that because police departments are under the jurisdiction of the state, they don't fall under the city's power.

At Stevenson University, the journalism class surveyed that 83 percent of the students believed that police officers should wear body cameras, but only 38 percent said they would wear those same body cameras themselves.

Unfortunately, there is no clear-cut answer to the issue; however, most of the time the police officers that we pass on the road are there to help us. We must continue to respect those who are trying to make the world a better place and help them in that effort.

What does Veterans Day mean to you?

“I honor those who have served our country.”
-Mario Amaya, business communication

“It reminds me that I can live freely because of the sacrifices made by brave soldiers.”
-Dalonte Simpson, computer information systems

“I remember those who have earned our freedom.”
-Colleen Martin, medical technology

“It means being thankful for those who have served our country, both past and present.”
-Darren Shoop, criminal justice
**“Judge” is a touching yet lighthearted movie**

**by Rachel Dolle**

Villager staff writer

David Dobkin brings an eventful yet comical drama to the big screen in “The Judge,” giving viewers well-depicted characters and a solid examination of family ties.

The two main stars of this movie, Robert Downey Jr. and Robert Duvall, demonstrate some significant father and son conflicts when dealing with tragic events.

While Hank Palmer (Downey) goes back home to Indiana to attend his mother’s funeral, his father Joseph (Duvall) is suddenly accused of murder. As Hank’s father has been a judge in the state of Indiana for 42 years, the news shocks both his family and the people of the town. Hank, a lawyer himself, feels the need to stay home to defend his father’s case despite their many differences.

Downey’s role in “The Judge” is very different compared to his roles in previous movies. Most famous for his roles in “Sherlock Holmes,” “Iron Man,” and “The Avengers,” Downey is usually portrayed as amusing or sarcastic. Though he still occasionally plays the sarcastic funny-man in “The Judge,” giving the audience some good laughs at times, he plays the role of a successful lawyer who is consumed by his work and has difficulty finding time for his family.

Downey performs wonderfully in this movie. We see his role change from a tough lawyer in the beginning to a caring son by the film’s end. It is nice to see him in a touching movie that could bring the audience to tears.

Duvall, as Judge Joseph Palmer, undertakes a tough father role in the movie. He is depicted as a stubborn, strict man who has had a hard time showing love and appreciation towards Hank, yet has no problem showing it for the rest of the family and Hank’s two brothers. Eventually this is why problems start to arise for Hank and Joseph.

This film does a superb job demonstrating the difficult times that this family is going through. Surprising truths begin to unfold and reasons behind each turn are eventually revealed. Viewers are taken on an emotional roller coaster ride while watching “The Judge,” but the ride is worth every second.

The HP Envy offers a quality all-in-one laptop and tablet experience

**by Katlyn Lamp**

Villager staff writer

The HP Envy, an all-in-one laptop and tablet, is a quality product to invest in if one is in the market for a new laptop. According to hp.com, the HP Envy weighs 5.3 pounds, is about 0.9 inches thin and 15.6 inches wide, making it an easily portable device. This laptop has a 360° 2-in-1 design, allowing it to flip and fold into several different positions. The Envy can be partially folded to act as its own stand, fully folded to turn into a tablet, or opened-up fully into a laptop.

The HP Envy Touch-Screen laptop sports many attractive features, such as a backlit keyboard, Intel Core processor, the special, advanced Control Zone trackpad, and a touch-screen.

The laptop’s full-size, backlit keyboard allows easy typing in lowly lit areas, and includes a numeric keyboard, which makes it easier for users to do calculations on their computer. The keys are separated just enough for typing to be a smooth and easy experience.

The HP Envy has a fourth generation Intel Core i5 processor. According to intel.com, the fourth generation Intel Core i5 processor delivers amazing performance, stunning visuals, and built-in security for deeper protection.

The mouse pad for this laptop is known as the Control Zone. The Control Zone trackpad allows users to easily switch and close apps by supporting extra multi-touch gestures, which also makes it easier to interact with apps and the built-in Windows 8 operating system.

This laptop also has a touch screen, which can be utilized regardless of its position, allowing for a quicker and much easier way to interact with the computer. It also includes a touch-screen keyboard, which is useful when you are using this laptop as a tablet. Zooming in and out is easier when using the touch-screen, which lets users zoom in and out by either pulling their fingers apart or closer together on the screen.

This laptop also includes many programs on Windows 8 that are beneficial to users, such as Apps for Windows and the note-taking program OneNote. Apps for Windows, the Windows’ application store, allows users to download many different apps onto their computer. Such apps include games, work software, and even social media applications such as Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and Netflix. Having these apps on a laptop is a quicker and easier way than searching and browsing them on the web.

OneNote aids in the organization of notes on a computer and also allows users to share their notes with others. Users can use OneNote at home, school and work to record thoughts, ideas, and to create a to-do list.

Despite being a user-friendly laptop, the Envy heats up very easily and has a loud fan. It is recommended that you purchase a laptop cooling pad if interested in this laptop.

Overall, this HP laptop is a quality laptop to invest in. It has several different features and programs that are beneficial to users. For more information, visit hp.com.
Study abroad during January term encourages experiential learning

by Justin Elam
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The January term in 2015 at Stevenson University enables students to travel worldwide in trips that allow for learning enrichment.

“It’s experiential learning, so our students are going abroad with our faculty to earn credit,” Dr. James Salvucci, founding dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, said. “They are all study trips. They involve our faculty teaching our students.”

Salvucci explained what students can gain from the trips. Going to places like India and Haiti can give scholars a chance to experience cultural diversity. They will be aided by professionals, guiding them through their experiences for a clear learning process during the trips.

Students will not be simply reading about travel; they will directly learn about other places and be offered opportunities for a change of perspective.

The January term 2015 booklet explains each traveling experience in more depth. Students and faculty will travel to places like Kerala in India where they will able to visit several social service agencies.

Haiti is another trip that is specifically aimed at undergraduates with an interest in French.

The booklet states, “French students will work with students of biology and photography to conduct field research on resident, endemic, and migratory birds and will assist non-French speaking participants in communicating during the trip.”

Information systems and management professors will host a trip to New Orleans in January. Their collaborative work will include installing and implementing computers in school classrooms.

The biology and environmental sciences programs are also offering a one-credit option (OCO) trip to the Galapagos Islands. Salvucci said it will be the “center of environmental science” where students will be “viewing nature, right in the field.”

There are many challenges to planning and executing a safe and successful trip, and student trips must be carefully managed, Salvucci said.

“There is a rule in Study Abroad,” said Salvucci. “There’s two kind of people who want to do it: people who do it and then can’t stop doing it, and people who do it and don’t want to do it again.”

He explained that problems like language barriers, personality differences, and safety make travel with students quite complicated but ultimately rewarding.

Inaugural January term provides additional academic opportunities

by Tony Rossi
Villager staff writer

The new January term to be offered during the winter of 2015 allows students to take courses of multiple disciplines to earn university credit.

Under the direction of Dr. Paul Lack, Stevenson University’s Vice President of Academic Affairs, members of the faculty have been working hard for years to plan and establish a January term. The inaugural year’s term will begin on Jan. 5 and finish on Jan. 25, 2015.

The classes to be offered are condensed versions of unique courses, lasting only three weeks. The short length of this term is beneficial to students who need to get caught up on credits in order to graduate according to plan.

It is also beneficial for students who want to gain more experience in the professional world while applying their learning to the curriculum at Stevenson.

Some courses allow students to travel by studying abroad, enabling them to experience other cultures while making lasting relationships with fellow Stevenson students. The January term courses are designed to enrich students’ academic experiences at Stevenson University.

January term is meant to provide courses that are out of the ordinary for students during the regular semester. Courses are available in biochemistry, chemistry, English, environmental science, history, human services, information systems, management, and service learning. The courses are also structured differently than normal courses in order to provide a unique learning experience.

“These courses are not your average courses,” Tracy Bolt, registrar, said. “They are meant to give depth to your transcript and your studies at Stevenson University.”

In class, students will practice working through real-world problems and connect course work to their community. Some of the courses will better prepare students for the workplace and give them an advantage when applying to jobs because of a heightened ability to apply course work to workplace situations.

January term will replace May term, and in this first year, only a limited number of courses are available. Students who wish to live on campus should be in touch with the Office of Residence Life in order to live in a residence hall during the three-week session.

The cost of courses will be included in spring semester’s tuition. This means that students who wish to take 15 credits in the spring can take a maximum of three credits in January so that they will not be charged for exceeding 18 credits. Additional tuition will be charged if students exceed 18 credits from January and spring terms combined.

Those wishing to study abroad will need to pay additional fees for travel.

January term courses can be found in the PDF document that was emailed out to all students by the registrar.
Veterans Association at Stevenson helps military adjust

Until spending time in the military, no one can begin to understand the opportunities, challenges, and relationships that have affected people who have served time in the armed forces.

Matt Morris, veteran and president of the Veterans Association at Stevenson, spoke about the opportunities and community he is trying to create for the vets, reservists, active duty members, retired members, and military dependents here at Stevenson.

The group meets the first Wednesday of every month at 6 p.m. in the Ratcliffe Community TV room on the Owings Mills campus. However, they have been having difficulty assembling consistent members, either because of inconvenience of the day, the anxiety of meeting strangers, or forgetfulness. This is unfortunate because, as Morris said, you “can’t have a community without people.”

The Veterans Association’s purpose is to connect those affiliated with the military on the GI Bill because they understand the challenges they have to face coming to a college campus. While 32 percent of veterans finish college, this organization believes they can create a relatable and comfortable environment.

The Post-9/11 GI Bill was created by Congress as an educational benefit program for individuals who served after Sep. 10, 2001. The amount of time spent as an active member determines the percentage of benefits they can receive. Under certain circumstances, the GI Bill can also be transferred to immediate family members, such as a spouse, child, and any combination.

There is also an extension of the GI Bill called the Yellow Ribbon Program, which pays a lower portion of private school tuition. This is the program that allows Morris to attend Stevenson University. Stevenson splits the remaining tuition and fees with the government, which allows him to further his education.

There was a time, Morris recalled, when he was a younger man, and he and his wife ran out of gas. As they attempted to push their car up a hill, two of his friends, from the Army, and five cavalry soldiers, who were strangers, came to help him with no hesitation. They saw a fellow soldier in need of help and came through without a second thought.

“That’s what it means to be a part of the military and the Veteran’s club, helping one another with no questions asked,” said Morris.

Many students associated with the military are used to moving from place to place for work or traveling with their parents who are in the military. The friends they have are experiencing the same thing.

However, coming to a college campus is completely different, as there are fewer people with shared experiences. The “shared experiences give a sense of history,” Morris said. “The camaraderie you find in the military, you can’t find anywhere else.”

The veterans themselves, having served in the armed forces and starting school at the age of 30 or 40, often have little in common with many traditional-aged students on college campuses. At Stevenson University and most other colleges, it can be difficult, at times, for veterans to feel like they belong. Stevenson does its best to make sure veterans have a sense of belonging and get the true college experience just like anyone else. The Veterans Club is one place where they can get together with those who have shared experiences.

Stevenson University is a great place for any veterans looking to advance their education and look toward a future career. Smaller class sizes, career-focused programs, and personalized support services will help move veterans into the careers they wish to obtain. Stevenson University also supports veterans through financial aid programs when they need it. The Stevenson website, http://www.stevenson.edu/admissions-aid/getting-started/veterans, includes information about financial aid, career fairs for veterans, and federal programs to which Stevenson subscribes.

Anthony Allen and Jasmine Moses also contributed to this article.
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### Tuesday 11
- **Baltimore Speaker:** Ken Burns
  - 2 p.m.
  - St. Paul Companies Pavilion
- **Student-Alumni Mentor Mixer**
  - *CODE GREEN EVENT*
  - 5:30 p.m., register online

### Wednesday 12
- **Art Talk:** Painting in Circles
  - 5 p.m.
  - Greenspring Art Gallery
- **Meditation session**
  - noon
  - Menning Meditation Center

### Thursday 13
- **SU Production:** Light Up the Sky
  - 7 p.m.
  - Inscape Theatre
- **Under Armour Summer League Info Session**
  - 3 p.m., SOE 101 (OM), register online

### Friday 14
- **Light Up the Sky**
  - 7 p.m.
  - Inscape Theatre
- **MAP Game Weekend:** Board Game Bingo
  - 7 p.m.
  - Rockland Banquet
- **Legal Society’s annual Thanksgiving potluck**
  - 7 p.m.
  - Rockland A

### Saturday 15
- **Light Up the Sky**
  - 7 p.m.
  - Rockland Banquet
- **Men’s basketball vs. Covenant**
  - 1 p.m.
  - Men’s & women’s cross country
  - 11 a.m.
  - MAP Game Weekend: Candaland Dance
  - 9 p.m., Rockland Banquet

### Sunday 16
- **SGA Shuttles to Towson Town Center**
  - noon-3 p.m.
  - Radcliffe
- **Light Up the Sky**
  - 7 p.m.
  - Inscape Theatre

### Monday 17
- **Financial Literacy Workshop**
  - 2 p.m.
  - Mustang Room in Rockland
- **Men’s basketball vs. Cairn**
  - 7 p.m.

### Tuesday 18
- **Culture and Health poster session**
  - 10 a.m.
  - Greenspring Gym
- **Light Up the Sky**
  - 7 p.m.
  - Women’s basketball vs. Washington (Md.)
  - 7 p.m.

### Wednesday 19
- **SU Production:** Light Up the Sky
  - 7 p.m.
  - Inscape Theatre
- **Under Armour Summer League Info Session**
  - 3 p.m., SOE 101 (OM), register online

### Thursday 20
- **Light Up the Sky**
  - 7 p.m.
  - Inscape Theatre
- **Men’s basketball vs. Penn State Berks**
  - 7 p.m.
  - Women’s basketball vs. Salisbury
  - 7 p.m.
  - Residence Halls close
  - 6 p.m.

### Friday 21
- **Light Up the Sky**
  - 7 p.m.
  - Men’s basketball vs. Wittenburg
  - 8 p.m.
  - Women’s bball vs. Bridgewater
  - 8 p.m.

### Saturday 22
- **Women’s swimming at Diamond City Invitational**
  - 2 p.m.
  - Mustang Room in Rockland
- **Gospel night & soul food Sunday**
  - noon
  - Greenspring Theatre & Manuszak Center
  - Catholic Campus
  - Ministry Mass
  - 7:30 p.m.
  - Mass at Sacred Heart

### Sunday 23
- **Nursing Career Fair**
  - noon
  - Rockland (OM)
- **Men’s basketball vs. Cairn**
  - 7 p.m.

### Monday 24
- **Legal Society’s annual Thanksgiving potluck**
  - 7 p.m.
  - Rockland A
- **Men’s basketball vs. Bridgewater**
  - 8 p.m.

### Tuesday 25
- **Legal Society’s annual Thanksgiving potluck**
  - 7 p.m.
  - Rockland A
- **Men’s basketball vs. Penn State Berks**
  - 7 p.m.
  - Women’s basketball vs. Salisbury
  - 7 p.m.
  - Residence Halls close
  - 6 p.m.

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### STEVENSON SPOTLIGHT: SU SENIOR DAVID PARKER

**by Chloe Redmond**

**Villager staff writer**

**Please, God. I want to walk again.**

This was the thought racing through David Parker’s mind, the thought that continually running through his mind as he lay in a hospital bed on April 20, 1996. Parker had turned 5 years old on this chilly spring afternoon. He was playing Frisbee with his friends in the streets of Baltimore city. The red and golden Frisbee sailed high in the cloudy blue sky, and skidded across Parker’s side of the street. The young child looked both ways and ran to retrieve his prize.

Approaching from down the street was a black Pontiac Firebird, which Parker believed was parked at the time. The young child turned around for a second, and within a blink of an eye, the moving car knocked him to the ground. He remembers slowly opening his eyes and seeing a group of neighbors and fellow Frisbee players surrounding him. He was quickly rushed to the nearest hospital, where from a hospital bed, he overheard the doctors say, “He will never properly run again, or be able to play sports…”

Never run again, play sports, or throw a red Frisbee with his friends? This vision raced through the young boy’s mind, and at that moment he was determined to let nothing stop him from being the strongest, fastest, most athletic person ever.

Parker said, “This event in my life is the source behind my perseverance.” As a junior criminal justice major with a psychology minor, Stevenson University’s 2014 Mr. SU is a confident, outgoing, and likeable individual.

He played football at Stevenson and is involved in many clubs and activities, including M.I.L.E. (Male Initiative Leadership and Excellence), manager for women’s lacrosse, Peer One mentor, and a student worker in the Office of Student Activities.

Parker’s life-threatening experience as a child helped push, prepare, and motivate him to achieve his goals, no matter how hard or narrow the path appears. His dedication has inspired his friends and family as well.
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If you have any questions, please contact Zakia Wright via email zwright@stevenson.edu, or by phone at ext. 4400
Men’s and women’s cross country looks to finish season strong

by Andrea Brown
Villager staff writer

This year Stevenson’s cross country team started its 2014 season by welcoming a fresh face at the helm. Dave Berdan, 2013 Baltimore marathon winner, began his first season as head coach at Stevenson after serving at the Garrison Forest School as the head varsity coach.

Berdan’s experience competing at the collegiate level, along with his impressive history of accomplishments, certainly provided Stevenson with a competitive edge.

On Oct. 21, Stevenson held the Mustang Twilight Tune Up, the first cross country meet hosted by the school in program history. Both the men’s and women’s teams took third place at the event.

Top scores for the Mustangs came from freshman Thomas Adie, who ran the 4K in 13:53, taking 13th place overall. Freshman Brittany Appleby and junior Lanie Swanhart finished in the top 10 for the Mustangs with outstanding times as well.

“It’s tough…distance running,” said Berdan. He added, “It’s difficult to change week to week, but our main focus is actually the last couple meets of the season. We have a conference meet on Saturday and regionals two weeks after that. Training throughout the season has been gearing them up for those meets.”

Even though they train individually, cross country is ultimately a team sport. Berdan expects everyone to train seven days a week. The life of a cross country athlete includes six days of four to six-mile runs, with an additional day of personal workouts.

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Impressive win over Lebanon Valley makes Mustangs top seed in playoffs

by Alex Parker
Villager staff editor

The Stevenson University women’s soccer team has battled this year, finishing the regular season with an overall record of 9-5-4. The team’s success this season has been a collective effort from the offense and defense.

The Mustangs won three straight games against Albright, Alvernia, and Lycoming.

On Nov. 1, the Mustangs played one of their best games this season against Lebanon Valley College, continuing their winning streak.

Junior midfielder Allie Ondrejcak controlled the offense, totaling a career-high two assists. Senior defender Kaylee Yapps scored the first goal of the game off a corner kick from Ondrejcak. This was her first goal of the season.

The duo has these shots down; 13 of Yapps’ attempted shots this season have been headers off corner kicks from Ondrejcak, according to gomustangsports.com.

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Women’s basketball prepares to win 2014-2015 conference championship

by Sean Smith
Villager staff writer

Stevenson’s women’s basketball season is just around the corner. As a group, the team has set a goal of winning the conference championship.

Jackie Boswell is entering her fourth season as head coach for the Mustangs. Before coming to Stevenson, Boswell was the head coach at Seton Kough High School, where she had a 233-82 record for a decade.


Last year, she took the Mustangs to the semifinals of the Commonwealth Conference tournament, which was only their second post-season appearance in school history. Boswell believes that last year’s season was a huge success with a school-record 14 wins and knows the team is headed in the right direction.

“Defense was the strength of the team, and we were the second-best defensive team in the conference,” said Boswell. Currently the squad have 18 players on the roster along with six assistant coaches helping manage the squad.

The eight returning seniors will be a key part in the team’s success. Senior guard Amanda Janasek was the heart of the team’s offense, making her the leader of the team. According to Boswell, these are two players who will produce on the court.

Last year was the first time several players faced strong competition and pressure in big games that mattered in terms of standings. The team hopes past experiences will help them reach the conference championship and improve their record from last year.

The Mustangs had a very strong presence at home, posting a 9-4 record last season. However, on the road the team was only 5-9.

Last year’s squad averaged 59 points per game and this year the team looks to increase that average while maintaining defensive pressure. The Mustangs believe they have more than enough talent to do this.

The team’s season opener is at home on Nov. 19 against Washington (Md.) in the Owings Mills gym. Tip off is at 7 p.m.
Men’s basketball continues to build program in Middle Atlantic Conference

by Edward Bennett
Villager staff writer

In 1994, Stevenson University’s athletic programs were accepted into the NCAA’s Division III, and the basketball team’s first year was challenging to say the least. There were no recruits, no gymnasium to practice and play in, and seemingly random game schedule.

The first season of Mustang basketball finished with a record of 2-21, but Brett Adams, director of athletics at Stevenson University, described it as a successful season that set the tone for every basketball season yet to come.

In the 2005-2006 and 2006-2007 seasons, the Mustangs were selected to play in the NCAA tournament. Things were starting to look up for the Mustangs, as Gary Stewart, the current head coach of the team, was hired.

Stewart has taken the program into the Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC) where they have thrived. The most recent Mustangs team had the most wins in school history with 21 victories. This year’s team hopes to gain another NCAA tournament bid.

“Coach Stewart is one of the best coaches in the country and a well-respected individual,” said Adams, adding that Stewart has taught these young men how to be successful on and off the court.

Adams explained that the team includes disciplined, purposeful, and career-oriented young men who are much more than just basketball players; they are guys who care about the university and about each other.

The returners have had a taste of success and are eager to win, while the rookies are adjusting to the system and meshing well with the returning players.

Adams is excited for the upcoming basketball season and is confident about what this team can do. He believes this team has the opportunity and ability to achieve and if Stevenson students continue to support the Mustangs, they will be entertained, proud and become connected to the team.

The team kicks off their season on Nov. 15 at 1 p.m. against the Scots of Covenant College in Georgia.

Strong bond keeps football motivated for end of season

by Brittany Punte
Villager staff writer

Stevenson University’s football team is a family like no other. The brotherhood this team shares is so strong that senior quarterback Zach Jefferson and sophomore linebacker Daniel Miller refer to the team's bond as “unbreakable.”

Jefferson and Miller explained that before games, the team likes to get pumped up together by praying and listening to music of their choice.

“You need to be ready because you never know which team will come out to play,” said Jefferson.

Much of the team would agree that they have created bonds that will last a lifetime and have experienced the highest of the highs together as well as the lowest of the lows.

The Mustangs defeated FDU-Florham 57-0 during Stevenson’s homecoming game on Oct. 25. Sophomore running back Trey Lee was named Middle Atlantic Conference Offensive Player of the Week on Oct. 26, while senior linebacker Tevin Isley was named to the MAC Honor Roll.

According to gomustangsports.com, Lee tied a single-game school record for rushing with four touchdowns and 153 yards on 17 attempts. Isley had two sacks and helped the Mustangs hold FDU to 162 total yards on offense.

After the team loses a game, the heat between players in the locker room is palpable. However, each loss has helped motivate them as a whole.

“I will fight with these guys until hell freezes over, and after that...we shall fight on ice,” said Jefferson.

This quote perfectly depicts the team’s relationship and persistent nature. They will stop at nothing to reach their goals.

Joining the team means having a “2.0 GPA and [being] a model citizen,” said Miller.

These requirements have never discouraged Jefferson or Miller, but rather encouraged them. Jefferson said that he joined the football team because of “LOG, the love of the game, and [for] the opportunity to start a legacy.”

The Mustangs will play their last conference game away at 12 p.m. on Nov. 15 against Misericordia University.

UPCOMING GAMES

Men’s basketball vs. Covenant --- Saturday, Nov. 15 at 1 p.m.
Women’s basketball vs. Washington --- Wednesday, Nov. 18 at 7 p.m.
Ice hockey vs. Chatham --- Saturday, Nov. 8 at 5:15 p.m.

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ATHLETES of the WEEK

Allie Ondrejcak
Junior
Women’s soccer

Allie Ondrejcak totaled a career-high five assists to lead the Stevenson women’s soccer team to a 2-0 Commonwealth Conference victory over Lebanon Valley at Herbert Field.

Sam Edmondson
Freshman
Cross country

Sam Edmondson ran a 29:02 8K to take 68th place overall at the MAC Championships, hosted by Lebanon Valley.

Athletes of the Week selected by The Villager’s sports editor