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Campaign moves Concordia Forward in Faith



PICTURED ABOVE: Campaign Co-Chairs Paul & Cathy Schroeder, with President Kurt Krueger, announce the total amount raised for the Forward in Faith campaign. To date, \$70,152,410 has been raised toward a goal of \$85 million.

CHARLOTTE WAITE CAMPUS EDITOR

On Sun., Oct. 21 in the CU Center, Concordia took their campaign, Forward in Faith, to the next level: public. During this historic evening, Concordia staff, students and the campaign co-chairs presented on behalf of the Campaign and announced exciting news. This included the reveal of the official new name of the Music, Worship, and Theology building, now named the Borland-Manske Center, and the total number of funds that have been raised for the Campaign so far.

The Forward in Faith campaign began in 2013 with the goal to raise \$85 million by 2020. According to the official website, the fundraising campaign "will propel Concordia to national prominence and enable it to fulfill its mission in even more effective ways." This money will benefit a music and theology building, athletics, scholarships, academic programs and the endowment. In President Kurt Krueger's words, "Concordia has a history of moving forward," and with this campaign

Concordia plans to do just that.

The CU Center was filled to the brim for the announcement of the public launch of Forward in Faith. With speeches from President Kurt Krueger; teaching faculty including Dr. Marin Jacobson and Dr. C.J. Armstrong; student McKenna Brand; Exec. VP, University Advancement Timothy Jaeger: State Assemblyman Dr. Steven Choi and the Campaign Co-Chars Paul and Cathy Schroeder and a spectacular performance from women's choir, Donne di Canto, and Professor Steve Young's new rendition of Great Is Thy Faithfulness, the night was one to remember.

Now for the big news... just how much has been raised in only five years? The announcement of total funds raised was as grand as the event. It felt like everyone in the room was holding their breath as a drum roll started sounding and a video graphic started at \$0 and counted all the way up just past \$70 million. This accomplishment grew gasps of "wow" and applause from the crowd, particularly the all-women choir that flanked the guests in the CU Center.

For students, this fundraising improvements around campus. Dr. C.J. Armstrong spoke on the exciting developments coming for Concordia students. This includes the new Borland-Manske Center, the Eagles Athletic Complex, locker rooms, other athletic amenities, and field lights. "Let there be light," quoted Dr. C.J. Armstrong, drawing was a deserved point of celebration, laughs and murmurs of affirmation.

A large part of the fund will go toward scholarships as well. Senior McKenna Brand gave personal testimony about the value of her scholarship. Through financial aid she was able to attend Concordia, "by the grace of God and donors like you," Brand told the audience.

In fact, \$14 million of the goal will go towards student scholarships while \$8 million will support academic programs and learning experiences outside the classroom such as mission trips, study abroad, and research projects. The Campaign is also designed to grow the University's endowment by \$29 million supporting student scholarships and academic programs in perpetuity.

Forward in Faith is the largest campaign in Concordia's history.

Commemorating the evening, State Assemblyman Dr. Steven Choi presented Concordia with a Certificate of Recognition issued by the state and a proclamation marking "this historic night," Choi said.

While the \$70 million milestone there is still a need to reach the goal of \$85 million. "This campaign is our moment to claim our spot in Christian higher education," Paul Schroeder, Campaign Co-Chair, said, "we ask for your support, we ask for your help."

Charlie and Ling Zhang have also challenged and encouraged others to give generously and have agreed to match all new gifts, dollar for dollar, up to \$1 million. This impactful match is slated to last until December 31, 2018. To donate or to find more information about the Campaign, simply go to Forward in Faith's official website www.cui.edu/forwardinfaith

Borland-Manske Center

CHARLOTTE WAITE CAMPUS EDITOR

It is official! The new Music, Worship and Theology building has a new name. On Sun., Oct. 21 Concordia leadership announced that its newest building under construction has been renamed to the Borland-Manske Center to recognize the philanthropic generosity of Mike and Caryn '85 Borland, and, at Caryn's request, to commemorate the vision of Founding President Rev. Dr. Charles Manske.

The announcement brought rounds of applause of the evening as members of Donne di Canto presented Caryn Borland and Barbara Manske with bouquets of yellow roses.

"In my 20 years at Concordia, this was one of those events I will always remember. It was very special for me to thank and congratulate Caryn and Mike Borland and Mrs. Barbara Manske when we renamed the building to the Borland-Manske Center," said Tim Jaeger, Executive Vice President of University Advancement.

Caryn and Mike Borland have a deep love for music and both lead worship for their church. "Music is such a big part of our lives," said Mike Borland.

Borland-Manske Center is a key part of the Forward in Faith campaign. "Forward in Faith is about the students. Everything we do at Concordia, including raising \$85M, is done to give current and future students the best possible Concordia Experience," said Jaeger, "Whether in the classroom, on the field, in a new building, or through financial support, students will experience the generosity of donors as a result of Forward in Faith."

Senator Highlights

KATIE DEPOL ASCUI SECRETARY

Over the course of the year, the ASCUI Corner will be featuring Senators that are going above and beyond in Senate and give you a chance to get to know the faces of those who are diligently working to improve our campus!



Kaylee de la Motte is a freshman studying Biology. She listed her reasons for seeking office as her love for "serving others and my school, while getting involved on campus and learning more leadership." Some of Kaylee's favorite activities interests are participating in intramurals, community service, spike ball, and all things Harry Potter. Kaylee's goals while in Senate are to "increase communication students implement new ideas for the CUI community."



Kiara Zuniga is a sophomore and is majoring in Psychology. Kiara states that she "likes being a part of the school whether that is through clubs or organizing events." was previously a part of Screaming Eagles and a Marty handler her freshman year. In high school, she was the Commissioner of Spirit, so she knows a thing or two about being hyped up on school spirit! Kiara's goals while in office are to improve Campus Safety procedures and enhance the overall experience of being at Concordia.



Renelle White is a studying sophomore Business Administration an emphasis in Finance. Renelle states that she "wants to be more involved in what Concordia and the active students do for the entire campus and to represent unheard voices." Along with being in office, Renelle is also a part of Black Student Union (BSU) and the Gardening Club that serves in Heritage Garden. Her goals for Senate are to "show that inclusion is an important factor and to show that every student in the student body is important."



McKinley Becraft is a junior studying Business Accounting and Finance. Some of McKinley's favorite things include watching hockey, swimming, surfing, power rangers, and pineapples. If you see McKinley around campus, tell her your favorite pineapple joke or pickup line to make her laugh! Her goals for Senate are to merge SAAC and incorporate SAAC with Senate.

All of these Senators, and more, are fully committed to hearing your concerns and ideas for improving campus. If you see them around, give them a crisp high five, a warm hello, and a fresh, new idea to bring back to Senate!

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President's Academic Showcase sign-ups are open!

CHARLOTTE WAITE
CAMPUS EDITOR

Signups for the President's Academic Showcase are happening now until January 18. Signing up is easy as 1, 2, 3. Just head on over to https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/789988de9be042adbaff 00ddd4b35c47.

"Academic showcase is an amazing opportunity for your curriculum vitae or resume for graduate school or any job. It shows that you have experience working with a faculty mentor, researching, having to search and figure out your own path and then also writing. And the bonus is possibly winning money if you win the competition," said Dr. Erin Nelson, showcase coordinator.

Students of any academic discipline and year can sign up. The competition is a chance for top students to work

one-on-one with a faculty mentor on an undergraduate research project that the student chooses. There will be two levels of competition. Upperclassman will be in Tier One, where as freshmen and sophomores would occupy the Tier Two level. Projects that qualify can be an extension of a research project done for a class or it can be a completely new project that the student may even be eligible to earn three units of independent study credit for. Talk to a teacher today about possible ideas and to ask them to be your mentor.

The projects will be presented to a panel of judges comprised of faculty who will represent a wide range of disciplines from Concordia. Prizes for winners range from \$200 to \$1500, with over \$5000 in prizes awarded. You

Hula dance, come give this club a chance

Dominique Yoder Staff Writer

The Hawaii Club is celebrating their second year of active operation on campus and have a number of events lined up for this school year. They offer open arms to anyone who would like to participate and embrace the culture of the Hawaiian islands.

The Hawaii Club is more than just a social gathering, they help out around the campus and community. In fact, the Hawaii Club has linked up with Second Harvest Food Bank in order to hold a campus wide canned food drive. The club will be accepting canned food donations in the designated boxes that are placed in the Admin building until Fri., Nov. 16. Also, anyone who donates is automatically in the running to win a free HydroFlask and Amazon gift card.

On Fri., Nov. 16, the club is holding a Jeopardy night on the culture of Hawaii, and on Mon., Dec. 3 they will be hosting a night full of winter themed activities in order to de-stress before finals week.

Other activities include beach bonfires, beach clean ups, meetings with authentic Hawaiian foods and leimaking. Alicia Wintermeyer, sophomore, said "so far my favorite activity that the club has hosted was the beach cleanup last school year. It is really cool to be able to get to know people who are from or interested in the Hawaiian culture, all while giving back to our community".

Tamlyn Kurata, President of the Hawaii Club, says the club practices the "Aloha spirit" and encourages all students who are interested in the Hawaiian culture to join, no matter if where they call home is 2,500 miles away in the Hawaiian islands or right here in Irvine. "My favorite aspect of the Hawaii Club is tied into my favorite aspect of Hawaii itself, which is its sense of community," said Kurata.

The club is a great way for students to get involved on campus, meet new peers and enjoy learning about the Hawaiian culture all while giving back.

Wintermeyer believes that although the Hawaii Club is a newer club on campus, they want to extend the invitation to join to all students in hopes of creating a stronger community of people who want to practice their virtue of Aloha.

For more information on the Hawaii club, please visit https://www.cui.edu/studentlife/student-leadership/hawaiia-club or email club President, Tamlyn Kurata at tamlyn. kurata@eagles.cui.edu.

can sign up now until Jan. 18, 2019. The research paper must be completed by March 18, 2019 and the academic poster by April 4, 2019. The finalist presentations will be held on April 10, 2019 in DeNault Auditorium.

For any questions please talk to a faculty member or email showcase@cui.edu. Additional information can also be found on the official webpage https://www.cui.edu/academicprograms/undergraduate/showcase along with previous showcase results.

Poetry Night

Ashley Sands, Editor-in-Chief

On Nov. 12, there will be a poetry reading event at 7:30 p.m. in Grimm Hall 302. It's titled "Fire and Rain: Ecopoetry of California." There will be 250 poems by 149 contributors, including Ellen Bass, Christopher Buckley, and Alison Hawthorne Deming. There is no admission cost. Come by to hear from some of the best authors in this genre!

Forward in Faith campaign will benefit and improve Concordia athletics



Pictured Above: Midfielders Michael Oakson (center, sophomore) and Nick Aquino (right, freshman) versus Biola at Eagles Field on Sept. 22. Photo Courtesy of cuieagles.com

Christian Fuca, Staff Writer Sarah Kretschmar,

Sports Editor

Concordia athletics are looking to upgrade their facilities and expand. Switching to the NCAA has started a new era for the school, which is committed to creating wellrounded athletes both in and out of the classroom.With this in mind, the facilities and resources provided to athletics are due for renovation. Through the Forward in Faith campaign, student-athletes will have the ability to improve and achieve higher goals on and off the field. The campaign will build new facilities, strengthen academic resources, sustain top notch co-curricular programs, increase scholarship support and provide for a lasting legacy through Concordia's endowment. This initiative is led by co-chairs Paul and Cathy Schroeder.

Brittany Pereda, Assistant Athletics Director of Operations and Development at Concordia said, "The facility upgrades and expansion projects for athletics will help improve overall campus life by adding activity and encouraging student engagement throughout the University." Lights would allow more academic freedom for student athletes and faculty.

Concordia athletics play a major role in the institution, helping drive the university's brand and national presence. The success of the athletics teams has brought about national exposure. Enhanced facilities, such as lights and a weight room, will allow the student-athletes to continue to succeed.

For sports, this campaign means building a new Eagles Athletic Complex, which will serve all sports here at Concordia. This athletic complex will go in between the baseball and softball fields. The campaign also includes getting field lights for the soccer, softball, lacrosse and baseball teams.

Having lights will allow student-athletes to have increased availability for class scheduling as well as providing

coaches and players with more practice availability. "Lights would allow more academic freedom for student-athletes and faculty," said Pereda. For senior lacrosse player, Mason Roth, "having lights will free up our days, allowing us for a different practice time and even a chance to play a game under the lights." Mckinsey Thorpe, junior Business major is a member of the softball team. "Having lights will allow me to enroll in classes that are only offered in the middle of the day and finish my major requirements on time."

Also, as part of the campaign, a new weight room will be constructed. This will be a huge upgrade for all athletics teams at Concordia. Pereda said, "Having an upgraded weight room facility will help with the overall success of athletic teams as well as student retention and recruiting." A new weight room would give student-athletes chances to train at times that work for their schedule. Concordia men's basketball team's weight trainer Stephen Grosey said "a new weight room would be essential to improving these athlete's skills and will give them the chance to get stronger each and every day."

Currently, the funding for Forward in Faith is still being raised with the goal of \$85 million to complete all phases. Through this campaign, Concordia's student-athletes will be prepared to reach greater success as scholars and competitors. The campaign is paving an even brighter future for the future student-athletes of Concordia. For more information on Forward in Faith, please visit cui.edu/giving/forward-in-faith.

Cafecito

You're invited to the next Cafecito! If you're a first-generation college student (your parents didn't go to college), join us for an intimate conversation, Q&A—and pan dulce!

Tuesday, Nov. 13 10am-11am @ the Eagles Nest (in the gym, second floor)

Guest: The oldest of four siblings and the first to attend and graduate from college—and fresh off the election—congressional District Representative Vincent Sanchez talks about his first-gen journey as a Political Science major with an Economics minor earning his BA from UCI. Vincent is the Deputy District Director for Congresswoman Mimi Walters.



Space is limited. RSVP today to Lizz.Mishreki@cui.edu

College & You

UPCOMING HOME EVENTS

Sat. Nov. 3- Men's Soccer @ 10:30 a.m.
vs. Holy Names University
Women's Soccer @ 1:00 p.m vs.
Holy Names University
Fri. Nov. 9- Women's Volleyball @ 7 p.m.
vs. Academy of Art
Sat. Nov. 10- Women's Volleyball @ 5
p.m vs Holy Names University
Thur. Nov. 15- Women's Basketball @
5:30 p.m vs. Cal State San Marcos



Concordia baseball continues relationship with honorary Eagle and Team Impact

SARAH KRETSCHMAR SPORTS EDITOR

The Concordia baseball team is in their second year of association with Team Impact. Team Impact is a nonprofit organization that pairs children with serious illnesses with local collegiate teams aiming to build promising and fulfilling relationships for all members.

Alex Hayes, age 11, is entering his second season with the Concordia baseball team. Last year, Alex signed his National Letter of Intent to Concordia and is an official member of the team. Alex was diagnosed with Diamond-Blackfan Anemia as a young boy. This disorder affects the amount of red blood cells that travel to the bone marrow and in turn cause Alex to have very soft bones. This disorder also puts him at a higher risk for developing bone marrow cancer. Alex is nonverbal and has cognitive delays due to low oxygen levels as a baby.

Alex is from Orange and lives with his mom Deanna. Alex loves spending time with the coaches and players on the baseball team. Joe Turgeon, Concordia baseball head coach, described some of Alex's hobbies. According to Turgeon Alex loves being outside,

playing baseball, cartoons, dirt, building things, dancing, driving in the golf cart and of course hanging out with the softball and cheerleading teams. Turgeon also discussed Alex's love for Cheetos, McDonalds and sweet tea. Turgeon described Alex as a reminder of "finding joy in life and living each day to the fullest." Turgeon continued that he is proud that his staff and players can serve as "figures to make a positive impact in Alex's life."

Not only has the baseball team influenced Alex, but Alex has made a positve impact on the players on the team too. Carpenter Pagett, junior pitcher from Thousand Oaks, California is an Exercise Sports Science major and raves about the positive relationship that Alex has with all of the guys on the team. Pagett said "Alex always has a smile on his face and whenever I see him it just brightens up my day. I believe that he has showed us that you can be happy even if you are having a bad day."

Haloa Dudoit, Sports Management major and junior shortstop described Alex as someone who makes sure they never take anything for granted. "If Alex is able to smile, no matter what we are going through, we should be able to smile along with him," said Dudoit. He added,

"Watching him run around on the field is an inspiration to all of us."

Bailey Collins is a junior outfielder from Littleton, Colorado. Collins, an ESS major said, "Alex has brought a sense of joy and perspective to our team. It is real easy for us to become selfish and frustrated because we aren't doing well on the field, and then we see that there are some kids like Alex who are fighting battles every day." Collins added, "Alex encourages us as a team probably more then he will ever know."

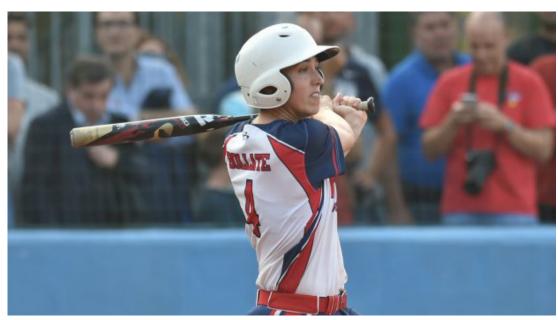
Although the Team Impact relationship is a two year long commitment, Turgeon and all the guys hope that their relationship with Alex will continue throughout his life. "Alex has grown so much in the last year and he demonstrates the importance of treating people right," said Turgeon. The baseball team enjoyed Halloween festivities on Wednesday where they all dressed up in their Halloween costumes. Following a great performance last Halloween dressed up as Waldo, Alex did not disappoint this year and was a very convincing Charlie

Come out during the spring season to catch a few baseball games and say hi to Alex, the youngest Eagle on the team.



PICTURED ABOVE: Honorary Eagle Alex Hayes poses with baseball players Carpenter Pagettt and bailey Collins.

Concordia softball star Amanda Fama chases Olympic Dream



PICTURED ABOVE: Amanda Fama playing for MKF Bollate. Courtesy of cuieagles.com

Ben Rosehart Sports Information Director

The accolades and hits keep coming for former Concordia softball star Amanda Fama.

While at Concordia, Fama was a First Team All-American, two-time All-GSAC selection, and the 2012 GSAC Player of the Year. She remains the all-time Concordia leader with 42 career home runs and a .501 on-base-percentage (minimum 200 at-bats) and is still second in school history with a .414 career batting average.

Fama started every game during her junior season with the Eagles in 2011. She led the Green and Gold with 16 homers and 57 RBI that year in addition to hitting .350 with 15 doubles.

Her senior year at Concordia was even more impressive. Fama crushed 26 home runs and batted an incredible .450 over the course of 53 games. She collected 70 RBI and drew 24 walks while striking out only 13 times all season as opposing pitchers tried to pitch around her whenever they could.

As the leadoff hitter and starting shortstop for professional softball team MKF Bollate, Fama helped her team finish in second place in the 2018 Italian Softball Series Championship against Bussolengo. Fama contributed a RBI single in game four of the best-of-five series but ultimately Bussolengo captured its third title in four years.

This is not the first time Fama has shined on a national stage. She was honored as the Best Hitter of the Super 6 Softball Tournament in the Netherlands this September after helping the Italian National Team to a second place finish against top competition. Team Italy posted consecutive

"Amanda is one of the most dynamic athletes to ever play in our program," -Crystal Rosenthal wins over Great Britain, the Netherlands, Russia, and Greece to finish 4-1 over the span of five games.

The Anaheim native played so well in that tournament that she wound up leading Team Italy in batting average (.636), on-base percentage (.692), slugging percentage (1.455), hits (7), doubles (2), triples (2), runs scored (5), sacrifice bunts (2) and total bases (16).

After such a great showing, Fama appears destined to have a chance to play for an Olympic Medal when Italy competes in the 2020 Summer Olympics in Tokyo.

Fama returned to the states this past Friday and is now training for their Olympic pursuit. Fama said, "Being a part of a smaller school impacts your life in a different way than going to a larger school. Everyone knows everyone and events, games and rallies are all more personal and meaningful and my two years at Concordia were no exception. Concordia helped me to appreciate the life I have and to be grateful even when times are tough."

Although Fama was only at Concordia for two years, she enjoyed every second of it. "My experience at Concordia really was everything I had hoped for," said Fama. She recalled her favorite memories being "senior day, winning conference and everyone breaking records and winning awards." She also fondly remembers the

creation of the "all in" attitude that Coach Rosenthal told her players that season. "This attitude helped us to come together as a team, pick ourselves up and improve. It is something I will always remember," said Fama. Being "all in" is something that Concordia softball continues to stand by.

"I am not surprised one bit by Amanda's success both in the NPF and internationally, as I believe she can compete against and with the best players in the world," said Concordia softball head coach Crystal Rosenthal. "I am so proud of her and all that she has done and am excited to watch her continue to pursue her dreams of having a chance to play in the Olympics."

Fama and her Bollate teammates also won the Women's European Cup Winners Cup Championship title in the Netherlands on August 25, 2018.

"Amanda is one of the most dynamic athletes to ever play in our program," continued Rosenthal. "She made the toughest plays look easy and helped to create a standard of excellence for Concordia softball. Amanda played the game with such joy that it was fun as a coach to get the chance to watch her compete. Eagle Softball is behind her all the way!"

Article Contributions by Sarah Kretschmar, Sports Editor

NEWPORT RIB COMPANY EAGLES OF THE WEEK

SAM SCHUSTER SOCIAL MEDIA & ONLINE EDITOR



Rosalba Cabrera of the Women's Track and Field team snagged this week's Eagle of the Week honor after an incredible run in the 5k race at the Cal State Fullerton Invite. With a time of 18 minutes and 34 seconds, Cabrera placed 15th overall and helped her

team clinch the 5th overall. Heading in on a high note, the track and field teams will compete in the PacWest Championships this Friday.

Sport: Women's Track and Field Hometown: Whittier, CA Class: Junior Favorite Movie: Monsters Inc., Winnie the Pooh Favorite Music Artist: The Buttertones Favorite Color: Dusty Rose Celebrity Crush: Prince Charming Dream Vacation: The Edge of the Earth Hobbies: Reading, Writing Music, Listening to 89.3 Any other fun facts: Is a Baptized Vegan



Eagle of the Week isn't Connor Gordon's only noteworthy achievement this season – He could go down in the Concordia record books forever. After a memorable week on the field, Gordon added two goals and four assists to his tally of now 45 career goals, 110 points, and 12 game-winning goals. Currently holding second place for the school record in all

three, Gordon has two regular season games to surpass former player Jeff Clark who currently holds the record in all three categories. Don't miss Gordon and his team take on Dominican and Holy Names this Thurs. and Sat. at Eagles Field.

Sport: Men's Soccer Hometown: Huntington Beach, CA Class: Senior Favorite Movie: All of the X-Men Favorite Music Artist: Sublime, Julian Font Favorite Color: Blue Celebrity Crush: Blake Lively Dream Vacation: Tahiti Hobbies: Hanging with friends, going to the beach, playing/watching basketball Any other fun facts: Has 2 dogs

The disappearance of journalist Jamal Khashoggi

Mel Melanowski STAFF WRITER

On Tues. Oct. 2, Saudi Arabian journalist, Jamal Khashoggi, walked through the doors of the Istanbul consulate and has not been seen since. This caused an international uproar. Rumors went flying across the world claiming the journalist was smuggled out of the building and held for ransom, while others presumed he was dead. The only solid evidence of the incident lies in security camera footage outside the consulate at 1:14 p.m., just minutes before his appointment. After accusations and assumptions, Saudi officials have officially confirmed Khashoggi's death, but failed to give clear reason as to why. Here's what we know:

Khashoggi was a well-known reporter in Saudi Arabia and has covered stories including the capture of Osama Bin Laden and Soviet invasions in Afghanistan. He was a close friend of the Saudi Arabian royal family but fell out of favor and fled to the United States. Since then, he has written monthly articles for the Washington Post, expressing his issues with the Saudi prince.

On that fateful Tuesday morning, Khashoggi confidently walked into the Saudi consulate and never came out. His fiancée, Hatice Cengiz, was given strict orders by Khashoggi to call Turkish government advisors if he did not return in a cou-

ple hours. Cengiz spoke to the Washington Post a few days after the disappearance saying, "he did not mind walking into the Saudi consulate in Istanbul because he did not believe that something bad could happen on Turkish soil." When her soon-to-be husband took longer than expected, she sprang into action.

But why Khashoggi? Was he killed over a simple feud between royals or did the journalist know more about Saudi Arabian government secrets than most? Khashoggi knew the risk he would take stepping into the Saudi consulate but did so in the name of justice. Leaving two mobile phones with his fiancée as precaution, he arrived promptly for the appointment he never left.

Sincy the incident, the Saudi government has responded. According to BBC online, Saudi Arabian officials have said Khashoggi was killed "in a 'rogue operation' and vowed to punish 'those responsible". Turkish officials say there is strong evidence that private audio recordings prove a violent death within the consulate plotted days before the killing.

"At least 38 people have been questioned so far," said The Guardian online, "and Turkey announced on Friday it was dedicating a total of 750 police officers to the investigation." With so many searching for the truth, the only hope from here is to continue the hunt for answers and find justice for Jamal Khashoggi.

Concordia prepares to honor student veterans



PICTURED ABOVE: The ceremony for the renaming of the Veterans Resource Center was held on November 10, 2017.

Danielle Walker STAFF WRITER

Veterans Day is Sun., Nov 11, and Concordia has many events planned to honor student veterans. Steve Leader, Veterans Resource Center Manager said that the Staff Sergeant Matthew Thompson Veterans Resource Center (VRC) "will have multiple opportunities for student veterans to celebrate Veterans Day on campus throughout the week."

The main Veterans Day event will be held on the official day observed which is Nov 12. Students and faculty are invited to attend a special service that will take place at the Good

Shepherd Chapel from 11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. "It will be a small ceremony to honor our veteran student body," Leader said. The ceremony will include prayer, a special music piece, a minute of silence, a student speaker and will also explain Concordia's role in serving our veterans.

Some other activities for the week include, on Nov. 11, veterans receive free admission to the Lyon Air Museum and a free lunch afterwards. At dawn on Nov .12 Leader said, "We will raise a brand-new flag, which is a new tradition, and auction off the old flag at the 2019 GALA." He added, "There will be free breakfast to follow." On Nov. 14 and 15

the VRC is covering lunch for veterans in the Cafeteria and a group photo will be taken of all student veterans. On Fri., Nov. 16 the VRC will be hosting game night. All week there will be free breakfast in the VRC for student veterans.

The VRC is located in the Administration building room 104. The center is named in honor of fallen Concordia graduate, Staff Sergeant Matthew Thompson, who died in 2016 while serving in Helmand Province, Afghanistan

Editor's note: The Courier would like to thank all those who have served and wish them well on Veterans Day.

The OC Taste: A Celebration of Food and Life



PICTURED ABOVE: The OC Taste event took place in Costa

Natalie Lawer STAFF WRITER

Last weekend, Orange County welcomed The Los Angeles Times for the first time to host "The Taste." For the past nine years this event has been held in Los Angeles,

but recently expanded this year to the OC. This all inclusive food and drink event took place over three days, Oct. 19, 20 and 21 at The MET in Costa Mesa. People came out to sip, savor and celebrate.

Mesa on October 19, 20 and 21 Photo Courtesy of Google

The event was thrown by the LA Times' Food Staff, and featured a special tribute to Jonathan Gold, a cherished food writer who passed on July 21. The LA Times wrote he was a "man whose passion for food, accessible voice and unparalleled insights won him a well-deserved Pulitzer and a permanent place in Los Angeles history."

Throughout the venue were various booths from hidden gems to gourmet restaurants, each offering a sample of one of their favorite dishes. Each person who attended was welcome to unlimited food and beverages throughout the weekend. The event was for those 21 and older which meant an array of beers and wines were enjoyed as well.

Some of the most popular bites included Ice Cream from Salt & Straw, Gus' World Famous Fried Chicken, and pies from The Pie Hole. Shaun Woolsey, food lover and OC businessman, attended the Taste and said, "I loved this event. It was such a great way to discover new places that I never even knew existed! I will definitely be returning next year." He mentioned that he especially enjoyed the cooking demos, which gave attendees

a chance to witness some of the chefs in action. One of the chef's who appeared was Carlos Salgado of Taco Maria and winner of the Times 2018 Restaurant of the Year Award.

The great thing about this event is there is something for everyone. The Taste aimed to satisfied all appetites. Friends and families throughout southern California came out to enjoy a diversity of food and its ability to bring communities together. Local OC photographer Ryan Hac said "It was really uplifting to witness how much everyone enjoyed themselves. Food makes people happy, and the smiles on everyone's face said it all." He added that covering the event was the highlight of his weekend.

If you were unable to attend this year, keep an eye next fall, or subscribe to the LA Times to make sure you don't miss any upcoming events.

Questioning the Questions



PICTURED ABOVE: One of the displays from "Questioning the Questions" Photo Courteesty of Concordia Student

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"The purpose of art is to lay bare the questions that have been hidden by the answers." This quotation by James Baldwin lines the glass windows of the new exhibit in Grimm Hall North. On display until November 17, the "Questioning the Questions" exhibit is a crossroads of art, biology,

and theology.

The exhibit showcases a collection of fossils found in West Covina that were given to the biology department from the family of former lecturer and ameteur paleontologist, Keith Krzyweic. "Questioning the Questions" takes inspiration from Keith's passion for critical inquiry and the sciences, and places his collection as the foundation for an exploration of the for an exploration of the liberal arts. Through the

exhibit the question is asked, how is it that people with different viewpoint can come to understand nature?

answer, professors across departments break down what the fossils and the age of the earth means. " We didn't want to say one way was more important than the other," said Art Professor Rachel Hayes. She added, "it turned into what assumptions do you have? How do you consider the questions you are not asking?"

Along the wall of the display are two claims that viewers are asked to consider: the biblical and scientific perspective. The information given leads to a series of questions that may be asked when encountering these perspectives. Instead of posing a clear answer, the display asks viewers to ask more questions. Consider the things you didn't think of, or chose to ignore, before you saw the exhibit.

"We realized that the way we see the fossils and the age of the earth is different. We each have our own answers that might seem objective but the way we come to nature isn't objective," said Hayes. The display asks to questions the way they come to know things. By putting two ideas side by side viewers can begin to identify the questions and assumptions nature confronts them with.

Along with the fossil displays, Art professors Hayes and Laura Goble have contributed pieces that aim to capture the architecture and human body elements of archaeology. Hayes displays feature the West Covina fossils with modern building materials incorporated. When creating the piece, Hayes noticed that the rock the fossil was set in resembled the building materials of her

Inspired by this, she began to question structures and the way people interact with them.

She wondered what archaeologist would find 200 years from now looking back on how we lived and presents a work that is a crossroads between ancient and modern.

Goble's artwork utilizes clay casts of human body parts. The impressions are a reflection of humans, anatomically and emotionally. Some casts are marked with skin indentations others are smooth but abstract. Still, the display aims to bring viewers to a point of personal meditations.

The exhibit has seen a bit of controversy since its opening, questioning the idea that a Lutheran college should even be displaying these fossils.

However, the discussion is important to understand nature from various perspectives. "Some people may think the Bible versus Science debate is as old as time itself, but it is important to hear valid claims on each side," said Acacia Ingram, Communication Studies and Anthropology major. Ingram added, "When we can marry these items together we get a plethora of opportunities to share and listen, this is where the real learning begins."

While the exhibit challenges viewers continue asking questions, it also sparks conversation. The presentation of West Covina fossils presses audiences to learn and respect that other's ideas may disagree from our own. "Diversity in the modern world means being able to express our opinions and feel validated to live in our truths regardless if people disagree," said Ingram.

Agreeing to disagree does not have to be an end all be all, rather it can work to start new conversation where new questions are asked and differences are respected.

"Questioning the Questions" is on exhibit in Grimm Hall North until November 16. For more information visit https:// www.cui.edu/arts/visual-arts/ events

Taste of Soul Recap

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On Saturday October 20, Black Student Union lead a bus load of students to the 2018 Taste of Soul food festival. Dubbed Los Angeles' largest street festival, the event featured various food vendors, live entertainment, and exhibits from local businesses.

In first arriving to the festival, members of the club were greeted by the smell of sweet kettle corn and the sound of rhythmic drumming. Musicians lined the gospel stages and streets. Community members danced as they rejoiced in the ambiance.

This is the 13th Taste of Soul and the festival shows no signs of slowing. Students in attendance enjoyed listening to gospel music and trying different foods.

With over 20 students in attendance, participants were able to take part in the annual festival.

Joy Polite senior and BSU Social Media Coordinator said "The music, faces of color, and overall community made Taste of Soul very enjoyable this year."

The festival is a great way for students to immerse themselves in another culture. "Living in Irvine, we don't always get the opportunity to explore food from other cultures, said Dailey, adding "this is great for people to get out of their comfort zone and come together over shared values."

With the sun high over Los Angeles, Concordia students enjoyed a day filled with gospel music, foodand community. With over 50 food vendors and local businesses the festival made for a great shopping experience as well.

BSU is planning many events for this 2018-2019 school year! The next event, Wakanda Night, takes place November 8 at 7 p.m. in RPC. The "Black Panther" movie will be played. For more information email cui.bsu@gmail.com

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Netflix Review: Haunting on Hill House

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"The Haunting of Hill House" is a current reimagining of Shirley Jackson's mythical novel of the same name, about five siblings who grew up in the most famous haunted house in America. Now adults, they're reunited by the suicide of their youngest sister, which forces them to finally confront the ghosts of their own pasts... some which prowl in their minds... and some which may really be lurking in the glooms of the iconic Hill House.

Mike Flanagan, who created the Netflix show, makes each episode a story of flashbacks from an ongoing present in which the five Crane siblings all are dealing with sadness and doubts that have been with them since childhood; we see, in retrospect, the permanently marking time they spent as children living in the eerie Gothic manor Hill House.

The manner in which complicated ties of loyalty and enmity come into our line of vision as we meet more of the family makes for a viewing experience that rewards



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attention and delivers painful insight. The episode lengths may be indulgent, but the storytelling within the episodes is sharp, effective, and fairly unadorned.

The Crane siblings came through something together that they might not have been able to do solo, and then they split apart, leaving the first of their number to die, and to do so uncaredfor and alone in her consuming memories.

Mental illness comes up abundantly and it's a rather liberal take on what long has been a cheap, irresponsible straw man in horror. Rather than spook audiences into being afraid of it by deceiving folks in mental hospitals or cutely panicking the diseases as coveralls for why bad guys do bad things, there's an empathy and understanding for the horrors that are at play here that should be the new standard in how these ideas are treated in a genre meant to scare people.

Flanagan gets that, in and of itself, mental illness can be a bad, scary, damaging thing, but that those imposed with it deserve utmost understanding and love, and can always overcome. He treats addiction the same way and casts a judgmental sunlit on the siblings who dwindle in patience Luke's attempt at sincere retrieval.

With brutal effectiveness, "The Haunting of Hill House" will fill viewers' hearts with dread, not at the ghosts and apparitions that do, indeed, play a role, but at the wages of time and of pain that'd be easier shared but that's impossible to talk about. The clever idea to broaden the opening of a horror tale has given viewers a very special show, one that knows the scariest hauntings are not by ghosts but by memories.

Review, SORTEDfood



PICTURED ABOVE: This Youtube channel is great way to get inspiration for new recipes. This group of friends turn cooking into a form of entertainment.

Photo Courtesy of Google

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Cooking is always seen as a chore, especially as a college student that has no time to do anything other than eat, sleep, study, and watch Netflix. I typically do the latter. However, when I am not bingeing a show on Netflix, I spend my time watching the YouTube channel, SORTEDFood. The show inspires me to get out of bed, into the kitchen, and start cooking some delicious and healthy meals. Many of their dishes can be made with relatively little effort, and taste spectacular.

SORTEDFood was started by a group of friends in London who love all things food. As they say in the intro of many of their YouTube videos, "We are a bunch of mates in London looking for exceptional things in food that will make a difference to you". This is true, as Sorted reads the YouTube comments and makes videos that are specifically catered to their audiences.

Those in Sorted that are shown on camera consist of five guys. Ben, Barry, James, Jamie, and Mike. James and Ben are the chefs of the group, while Barry, Jamie, and Mike are "normals". This mishmash of having professional chefs mixed with average joes makes the show what it is, a hilarious and educating cooking show.

The cooking show on YouTube has various types of episodes, ranging from the typical cooking show template, where the boys show how to make a dish, to more fun types of episodes.

My personal favorite episode type are the relay challenges. Essentially this is where the group has 50 minutes to create a dish, but each member only has 10 minutes of cooking time. The other members do not know what the previous person is attempting to make. This intrigues me because you can see how far along the "normals" have come in regards to their cooking skills. Which also gives me hope that I can become a better cook if I keep watching and recreating their dishes.

If I am going to be completely transparent, people used to say to me things like, "You do not belong in a kitchen, get out, seriously" or "Put that knife down! That's not how you cut an onion! You are going to cut your fingers off." Which led me to never step into a kitchen.

This was all until I started watching Sorted. Now, I choose to make dinner daily, and can honestly say that my dishes are quite tasty! The show has even given me the confidence to experiment on dishes in the kitchen.

SORTEDfood not only posts daily YouTube videos, but they also have their own website, sortedfood.com. They post all of their recipes for free. And honestly, what college student does not like free things?

So, if you have a hot date and want to impress them with your cooking skills, or even if you just want to learn how to cook, SORTEDfood is a great first step for anyone.

All Aboard the Queen Mary's Dark Harbor

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From Sept. 27 through Nov. 2 the Queen Mary welcomes guests to the port of Long Beach to experience the season's Dark Harbor. Dark Harbor lures fright seekers through the gates with six horror mazes and a plethora of ghoulish figures roaming the grounds. The haunted evenings provide live entertainment, carnival rides, food and beverage concession stands, and wine tasting. I was dragged by my family to Dark Harbor on Oct. 25 to experience the fear first hand.

The ominous names of the six mazes give a glimpse into the horrors to be found. "Deadrise", "Feast", "B340", "Circus", "Lullaby" and "Intrepid" all have one thing in common: scaring the daylights out of those that visit. These mazes are very dark, with lighting effects and smoke machines amping up the fear and anxiety created by the scary atmosphere. Warning: the more you scream, the more scary faces you attract.

Half of these mazes were found on the dock and the other half were found aboard the ship. Each maze welcomed my group with a wide array of dark corridors, jump scares, and loud noises. Another warning: the lines before the mazes are not safe from scares,



PICTURED ABOVE: One of the mazes at the Queen Mary's Dark Harbor. Photo Courtesy of Google.

and your friend staring at you and grinning widely... they are probably laughing at the scary face creeping up behind you.

Unknown to most of the public includes the existence of secret speakeasies hiding in plain sight among the dark corners of the mazes. For entrance you must look closely within the dark passages of the mazes for coins or speak with the Captain. The Captain, a man who went down with ship with barnacle markings to prove it, may be willing to give you entrance if you answer his questions correctly. We were successful in doing so, and gained entrance into a speakeasy with a complimentary drink. The park's live entertainment included singers, percussionists, and even a snake charmer. The food and beverage stands had the usual sodas, popcorn, nachos, hot dogs, and pretzels. There was also a wine tasting area named "The Last Drop" as a play on words for a noose and a hanging.

As someone afraid of her own shadow, I was surprised by how much I enjoyed my experience at Dark Harbor. I would recommend all to catch the final evenings of the event and or to plan on going next year. Tickets beginning at \$20 give you entry to both the Queen Mary and the Dark Harbor. Food and beverage not allowed inside but you are allowed to take video and picture.

For more information about this event, visit www.queenmary.com