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Welcome Katharine and Jane Welsh Hall

Goucher administrators, donors, board members, alumni, faculty, students, and staff celebrated the naming of the “T” residence hall as the Katharine and Jane Welsh Hall on Sunday, October 5.

The dedication stemmed from an unprecedented \$6.2 million bequest — the largest gift the college has received from a single family. To express gratitude for the bequest, Goucher officials named the college’s newest residence hall, previously known to the community as the “T,” due to its shape, in honor of the Welsh sisters.

The bequest to the college was made by the late Goucher alumna Katharine E. Welsh '30. The donor’s sister Jane W. Russell, a Goucher alumna from the class of 1942, and her niece Katharine A. Russell have offered the gift as unrestricted funds to help the college realize the goals of its capital campaign, “Transcending Boundaries,” which aims to raise \$80 million by 2010.

“The newly dedicated Katharine and Jane Welsh Hall will be a reminder of this wonderfully generous gift, which will go a long way toward helping Goucher improve campus facilities and achieve other ambitious goals outlined in our strategic plan and capital campaign,” says Goucher President Sanford J. Ungar.

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Help Finish the Goucher Community Garden Shed

Looking for something to do on the weekends? Want to learn a valuable skill and meet new people?

Come volunteer at the Goucher Community Garden on Saturday, October 11, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The rain date is Sunday, October 12.

You probably have seen the shed that went up last spring – many of you even helped build it. It's time to finish the job, and the Campus Agriculture Co-op needs your help and enthusiasm again!



The co-op will be applying coats of lime plaster to weatherproof the shed, with the guidance of a local expert. Lime plastering is a very useful skill for rebuilding walls and sculpting baths and showers.

If this sounds like something you would like to be a part of, please e-mail Lindsey Hendricks at lindsey.hendricks@goucher.edu and sign up.

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Free Tickets Available for Outside Events at Goucher

Do you want to attend the Jewish Recovery Houses' benefit at Goucher featuring comedian Craig Ferguson but don't have \$75 to spend?

Thanks to a little-known policy, you might be able to make it after all. Goucher's Events and Conferences Services offers 25 free tickets to students, faculty, and staff for each event held on campus by an outside group. Each person may request two tickets.

With a limited number of tickets available, Goucher community members need to act early. Make your reservation by calling the Goucher Box Office at 410-337-6333.

For a list of outside events being held on campus, check the Goucher Events Calendar mailing or go online to the [Digest web portal](#).

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Music Calendar Change

Traditional Chamber Works

Merrick Lecture Hall

8 p.m.

Goucher Music Professor Lisa Weiss and friends will perform traditional chamber works, including Franz Schubert's *Trout Quintet* and Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's *Clarinet Trio*.

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Kudos

Janet Brown, a lecturer in Goucher's Master of Arts and Arts Administration Program, was named the new executive director of Grantmakers in the Arts, a networking membership organization for arts grantmakers. Grantmakers in the Arts' programs include an annual conference, a major periodical, and research. More than 1,300 individuals from 300-plus organizations participate in Grantmakers in the Arts.

In September, **Dr. Ben Sugerman**, an assistant professor of physics and astronomy, traveled to Heidelberg, Germany, to attend the conference "Cosmic Dust: Near and Far," where he presented his ongoing work on light echoes. With the assistance of junior physics students Sean Lonsdale and Adrien Thomrann, Sugerman has been using Hubble Space Telescope images of two recent supernovae to study the circumstellar and interstellar environments around each object. The team will present this research at the winter meeting of the American Astronomical Society in Long Beach, CA.

Associate Professor of Mathematics **Mark McKibben** has had three articles published in three different scholarly journals in the last few months. *The Journal of Applied Mathematics and Stochastic Analysis* published an article he co-wrote with E. Hernandez of Brazil and D. Keck of Ohio. The article was about a class of measure-dependent stochastic evolution equations driven by fractional Brownian motion. *Applied Mathematics and Computation* published an article McKibben co-wrote with Hernandez on state-dependent partial neutral functional-differential equations. An article McKibben co-wrote with N. Mahmudov of Turkey about backward stochastic evolution equations in Hilbert space and optimal control was published in *Nonlinear Analysis Series A: Theory, Methods, and Applications*.

Biology Professor **Bob Slocum** co-wrote a paper with C.D. Chen that was published in *Plant Physiology and Biochemistry, Volume 46*. The paper is titled "Expression and functional analysis of aspartate transcarbamoylase and role of de novo pyrimidine synthesis in regulation of growth and development in *Arabidopsis*."

Carol Bergfeld Mills, who recently retired from Goucher's Psychology Department, just had a paper accepted to the journal *Perception* (pending minor revisions). The title of the paper is "Development of Color-Grapheme Synesthesia and its Effect on Mathematical Operations." Former Goucher students Shari R. Metzger, Catherine A. Foster, Melaina N.

Valentine-Gresko, and Stephanie Ricketts co-authored the paper.

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Sophomore Sisley Pumilia Recognized Again by Landmark Conference



After scoring all three of Goucher's goals in a pair of non-conference victories from September 15-21, sophomore midfielder/forward Sisley Pumilia was named Offensive Player of the Week in the Landmark Conference for the period ending September 21.

This is the second time this season that the Landmark Conference has recognized Pumilia as her sport's top offensive performer. She was also

Offensive Player of the Week for women's soccer for August 25-31.

Pumilia's goal at 30:49 accounted for all of the scoring in a 1-0 triumph over Washington College (Chestertown, MD) last week. Three days later in a 2-0 win over Lancaster Bible College (Lancaster, PA), she tallied her team-leading 10th and 11th goals of the season at 67:02 and 79:19.

Pumilia has scored at least one goal in five of the Gophers' six games this season.

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Goucher in the News

["Human/Nature"](#)

From *City Paper*, October 1, 2008

Article Abstract: Bestiarum Vocabulum, the current show in Goucher's Rosenberg Gallery, explores the symbiotic relationships between man and beast.

["Maryland colleges go green"](#)

From *b*, September 23, 2008

Article Abstract: Goucher College is one of many Maryland schools to take a larger step to heal the environment.

["Gypsy of the Month: Rhea Patterson of *Wicked*"](#)

From *BroadwayWorld.com*, October 5, 2008

Article Abstract: The article profiles Rhea Patterson, a Goucher Master of Arts and Arts Administration student and cast member of the Broadway musical *Wicked*.

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