April 30: Jazz Orchestra
Homecoming Concert (STREAM)
The Jazz Orchestra will perform a homecoming concert after their spring tour. Concert will take place in the Center For Faith and Life Main Hall at 7:30 p.m. and is open to the public.

May 1: Theatre Performance: Metamorphoses by Mary Zimmerman
Mary Zimmerman’s Metamorphoses brings Ovid’s ancient stories to life. The classic Greek myths of Midas, Orpheus and Eurydice, and others are woven together to show the persistence of stories in the face of change. Come see the play on opening night.

Note from the editor
Rachel Brummond ’15
All good things must come to an end, and this newsletter is one more of those things for me. Because I will be graduating in May, this will be my very last Parent Newsletter. I have plans after college and am gainfully employed, but I will miss putting this together every month. Thank you for reading and coming along on this journey with me as we have watched this newsletter grow! —Rachel Brummond ’15

If you have questions, comments, or concerns about this month’s Parent Newsletter, I encourage you to contact us at parentnewsletter@luther.edu.

Message from Corey Landstrom, vice president and dean for student life
Our campus has been blessed over the past week with beautiful spring weather. The sun and warmth have created an easy ambiance on campus. Inside the Dahl Centennial Union where our office is located, it has been breathtakingly quiet over the past few days. All one needs to do is to look around outside.

What do I see? This morning from my office window, I can see a student enjoying the morning sun and studying in one of the Adirondack chairs on the Union patio.

**See full events calendar**

**Career Center Update**

**April 28 and May 5:**  
*Writing Your Resume and Cover Letter*

To learn more about the services offered, visit the [Career Center’s website](#).

**Luther College Dance Marathon**

Luther College Dance Marathon (LCDM) is a student organization that strives to provide a community of emotional and financial support for the children of Children’s Miracle Network (CMN) Hospitals. Dance Marathon is a national fundraising program of CMN centered around the celebration of the lives and struggles of children with serious, and terminal, illnesses. Throughout the year each LCDM member gets to know an incredible child (our “miracle kids”) while fundraising for the University of Iowa Children’s Hospital, a CMN hospital.

The year’s activities include multiple fundraising opportunities, the chance to be apart of a “morale” group that is led by a student captain, and the privilege of meeting and loving these incredible children. LCDM will culminate on April 18 with our second-ever Dance Marathon in the Regents Center, a 12-hour event that is equal parts rave, inspirational talk, and party. It is tradition at these events that attendees do not sit for the entire event, as a sign of solidarity. During the event our CMN kids and their families will present, dance, and play as we celebrate just how far they have come. The event culminates in the final hour with the “big reveal” of our fundraising total.

**Multimedia Feature**

**We Are Norsemen**

Past and present Norsemen share their experiences about Luther College’s first-year men’s ensemble. Like this video? Subscribe to [Luther College Visual Media on YouTube](#) to see more great video pieces.

**All Thing$ Financial**

- The Financial Aid Office sent missing document emails out to students on April 16, outlining the documents they need to remit in order to process a financial aid award for 2015-16.
- Continuing students who have submitted all the required documentation will receive an award letter email in mid-May. This email will direct students to the [LutherCollege.edu Financial Aid](#) section of the website.

**Senior Theatre/Dance Projects 2015**

**Luther News**

**First Farm Solar Workshop shares incentives April 10**

Chuck and Sanna Feldman, who farm in the Cresco area, built a 22.8 kW system in the fall of 2013, and they say it has dovetailed perfectly into the farm. They are not alone in that conclusion; solar panels have been cropping up all across northeast Iowa and beyond, causing farmers to glance over the fence and wonder if they, too, should be farming with the sun.

To help the community learn more, the Winneshiek Energy District, Iowa Dairy Center, Northeast Iowa Community College, and Luther Center for Sustainable Communities teamed up to host a Farm Solar “How-To” Workshop at Iowa Dairy Center, south of the Northeast Iowa Community College campus in Calmar, Iowa, at 1 p.m. Friday, April 10.

**13th Annual Brudos Family Opera Prize**

Jennifer LeDoux, Luther College senior from Minneapolis, Minnesota, is the 2014-15 recipient of the [Alan R. and Sally J. Brudos Family Opera Prize](#). She performed a recital at 4 p.m. Saturday, April 11, in the Noble Recital Hall of the Jenson-Noble Hall of Music on the Luther campus.

The recital included works by John Woods Duke, Charles Gounod, Liszt, Mozart, and Vivaldi. LeDoux is a student of Karen Kanakis, Luther associate professor of music, and Jessica Paul, Luther professor of music. She was accompanied by Paul during the performance.
Students interested in receiving financial aid for summer courses they will take at Luther should have completed a Summer Financial Aid Application. This is available on finaid.luther.edu. The priority date for filing the application was April 15, but applications are still being accepted.

If your student is planning to study away at some point during the upcoming academic year, we have a Study Away Scholarship Application available on our website for completion. These are due on May 21.

Continuing students must have their work-study position secured for the upcoming academic year by May 15.

Money Smart Week is April 20-24, and students can play "Geocache for College Cash" in Preus Library. During this event, students will have their financial knowledge tested and be able to complete for a chance to win a $1,000 scholarship.

Ashley Heffernen named Fulbright English Teaching Assistant

The Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board has selected Ashley Heffernen, Luther College class of 2014, to receive a Fulbright award for the 2015-16 academic year.

The highly competitive Fulbright foreign scholarship award provides funds for a year’s educational experience abroad, including travel, health insurance, and a monthly stipend to cover living expenses.