Note from the editor
Emma Deignan ’18

April is a great month at Luther for many reasons. The weather is inspiring: snow turns into rain, brown turns into green, icy winds turn into warm breezes. Classes are starting to wind down: professors are wrapping up a semester’s worth of lessons into nice main points, and students are turning in big projects. Lastly, campus is coming alive: “Whippy Walks” are becoming a frequent study-break activity, the library lawn is hopping almost every day after 3 pm, and there’s never a dull moment at Dunning’s Spring. Organizations across campus also plan big things for April, as you will see in this issue of the newsletter. Thanks, April, you’ve treated us well.

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

My favorite season is fall. But, my favorite time of the academic year is spring. Spring arrives with a mixed blessing for me. With over 20 years of spring experiences, I have come to a point where I simply accept the rhythm of departures that are about to take place knowing we await the arrival of a new cohort of first-year students next fall. Nonetheless, I will miss many of our graduating seniors! It is exciting for me to see students moving forward toward their goals and at the same time hearing and seeing them reflect on their experiences. Their love and passion for Luther abound.

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Spotlight On:

**SPIN Theatre Company**

SPIN Theatre Company is a student-led organization advised by faculty member Lisa Lantz. It offers opportunities for students of all years, majors, and experience levels. Students involved explore interests in acting, set design, directing, stage management, lighting/sound, and more. Read more

Luther News

**Dancing with the Luther Stars**

Three Luther College faculty members who were paired with three students from the college's ballroom dance team went head to head (or foot to foot!) in the new competition "Dancing with the Luther Stars." Based on the popular ABC television show, the event brought excitement and some friendly rivalry to the Luther campus on Saturday, April 23, in Luther's Center for Faith and Life Main Hall. Read More

**Luther College presented the Spring Distinguished Lecture April 14: 'The Bond of Truth Seeking'**

In an on-stage conversation on how ideological differences can strengthen relationships, professors Cornel West and Robert George presented the Spring Distinguished Lecture Thursday, April 14, titled "The Bond of Truth Seeking: Friendship and Integrity in an Age of Ideology" West and George discussed the skills they have developed in order to have meaningful and open discussions. Read More

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Luther Events Calendar

**Softball - Loras College**

Tuesday, April 26, 2016
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**Norsemen/Aurora Concert**

Friday, April 29, 2016
Center for Faith and Life, Main Hall

**Theatre Performance: The Illusion by Pierre Corneille and Tony Kushner**

Thursday, May 5, 2016
Jewel Theatre

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- The Financial Aid Office sent missing-document emails to students April 16, outlining the documents that they need to remit in order for us to process a financial aid award.
• Continuing students who have submitted all therequired documentation will receive an award letter email in mid-May. This email will direct students to my.luther.edu to view their financial aid awards for the 2016-17 academic year.

• 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. We are still accepting this application, but the priority date for filing the application was April 15.

• 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.

• Graduating seniors need to complete their exit counseling for any federal student loans they received while attending Luther. Information regarding this was sent to seniors via email.