Note from the Editor
Emma Deignan '18
You may have heard that our campus experienced an incident of hate, ignorance, and bigotry this weekend. As a person whose identity was not threatened by those hateful symbols imprinted on the snow-covered football field, I was privileged to not feel immediate fear. But as someone who considers herself an ally and advocate for those who are oppressed, stigmatized, and discriminated against, I was greatly impacted. On Sunday evening, after standing in solidarity with my friends and classmates on the football field and in the CFL main hall, I walked away with two resounding thoughts: What do I do next? What can I do next? I can't change the world in one night but I can speak up; I can use whatever privilege and platform I have to magnify the voices of those who aren't heard; I can enter into difficult discussions despite my fear and discomfort; and I can follow my school's lead in standing against hatred, bigotry, and antisemitism on this campus, while insisting that we must do better.

"Pray as if everything depends on God, act as if everything depends on you." (Quoted by Pastor Anne Edison-Albright at chapel on March 14 from the Reform Jewish prayer book.)

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

After last weekend's hateful act on campus where KKK and a swastika were stomped into the snow on the football field, I have had the opportunity to be present with students, faculty, and staff. The responses to the incident vary from shock to numbness to fear to vigilance. Unfortunately, we are not immune to such an act and the incident we
Dropped fees and summer internship information

As we close out the first month of the semester, we write to announce, effective immediately, the college will no longer charge the $325 continuing student enrollment deposit. Therefore there will no longer be a deposit required to participate in registration and room draw. The removal of this deposit does not affect previous outstanding balances for which a registration hold may be placed. The college is also discontinuing the $50 summer registration fee.

Beginning this summer, students registering for a summer internship (for 1, 2, or 4 credits in 380 or 381) will pay a one-time fee of $175 per internship. Students will no longer be allowed to apply summer internship credit towards the 36 credits covered by tuition. This change is necessary to bring Luther into compliance with federal regulations. Students who qualify for need-based financial assistance will be considered for additional federal aid to help cover the cost of summer tuition.

Offices are busy updating registration materials and websites to reflect these changes. Contact Financial Services, (563) 387-1015, with questions.

Luther News

‘Understanding and Nurturing Resiliency’

What is resiliency and how can we further develop resiliency both in children as well as adults? Kathleen Brown-Rice, chair of division of counseling and psychology in education and associate professor of counselor education at the University of South Dakota, discussed the neurological factors of resiliency and how resiliency is developed during a guest lecture on Tuesday, March 13, in Valders Hall of Science Room on the Luther campus. Brown-Rice focused on how resiliency is more complex than being labeled a character trait. She delved into the neurobiology of resilience, the socio-cultural considerations that surround resiliency and ways to increase resiliency. Read More

Luther College awarded $200,000 Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust grant

Luther College was awarded a $200,000 grant from the Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust to enhance curriculum and provide educational laboratory experiences for students in the new neuroscience major. Luther will purchase technology that addresses neuroscience education on three levels: cellular, organismal, and cognitive. In addition to benefiting the neuroscience major, the new equipment will enhance the teaching of current and future biology and psychology courses. Read more.
Luther Events Calendar

Buena Vista University - 1x9
Friday, March 23, 2018
3 p.m.
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A Celebration of Song: featuring Iowa State Singers, Luther College Nordic Choir, and Wartburg Choir
Sunday, March 25, 2018
3 p.m.
Orchestra Hall, Minneapolis

Women’s Tennis - Winona State University
Friday, April 12, 2018
5 p.m.
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All Thing$ Financial

- After March 20 students should review registration clearance on my.luther.edu for fall registration.
- Students who owe the college an outstanding balance or documentation to finalize their financial aid for the current academic year will not be allowed to register for fall 2018 classes until these items are received.
- If you have not filed the FAFSA for the 2018-19 academic year yet, please do so as soon as possible. The FAFSA uses information from your 2016 federal tax return.
- Continuing students are not required to pay a $325 enrollment deposit this year.
- During the week of spring break the Financial Aid Office will send missing-document emails to students outlining the documents they need to remit in order for us to process a financial aid award for 2018-19.
- Continuing students who have submitted all the required documentation will receive an award letter email in late-April outlining their financial aid for the 2018-19 academic year.

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