

## E-mail Issues Continue

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STAFF WRITER

The Chestnut Hill College Information Technology (IT) recently switched to a new e-mail server that left many students and faculty confused about how to access their school e-mail accounts.

Paul Suarez, director of IT, along with the rest of the department, saw it as a necessity to switch to a new larger server because the capacity of the old server was insufficient to the number of people (students and faculty) using. The old server could not handle the amount of mail being sent and received.

The problem was solved by transferring students and faculty to a server that runs on the latest version of Microsoft Exchange. The new server now allows students with Apple computers to use the Microsoft Outlook program. This does not give anyone unlimited space in their e-mail, but it does run much faster and has ten times the capacity of the old server, according to Suarez.

The old server was at its capacity because no old accounts had been deleted; any student that had graduated from the College or transferred to a different school was still a part of the old server.

To resolve this issue, select students and faculty were transferred over in order of their account activity. Those who are frequently checking their e-mail and deleting unnecessary information were put on the new server first, while those who check their webmail less were switched later. The system of switching people over in this way gives the IT department the opportunity to look at the 5,600 accounts on the old server and remove anyone who no longer goes to school or is employed on campus.

To advertise that this switch over was going to occur, the IT department sent out e-mails to inform everyone affected by the change. There were also signs posted throughout the

school which relayed the alert that there may be interference. While the IT department did everything they could to let people know that the server was being changed, some may have still been caught by surprise because they were not switched immediately and were unaware of the implementation of the new server if they did not check their e-mail.

"I was mildly inconvenienced by the server change, the beginning of the semester is stressful enough with e-mail access," Matthew Jessop '14 said. He emphasized the need for e-mail in the first week of the semester because it is when professors notify students of guidelines for their class, or in some cases a classroom change.

"It was a great inconvenience to me because I really needed to get in touch with my professors and was unable to," Elisa Agosto '14 said. "My e-mail still won't let me respond to the messages that I get."

Professors on campus also encountered problems during the transfer of users to the new server.

"I think the move to the new server was important and much-needed," said Suzanne del Gizzo, Ph. D., associate professor of English. "I appreciate the College's effort to provide reliable technology services to the entire College community, but I found the process disruptive and disorienting."

It is important to the IT department that students and faculty impacted by snags in e-mailing know that their office is in the basement of St. Joseph Hall.

"Contact us if you have any problems," Suarez said. "Do not wait for difficulties to escalate or repair themselves. We are here to help, so call immediately." Suarez emphasizes the importance of frequently checking and deleting e-mails to preserve and enhance the capacity of the recently installed server.

## FROM THE OPINION SECTION

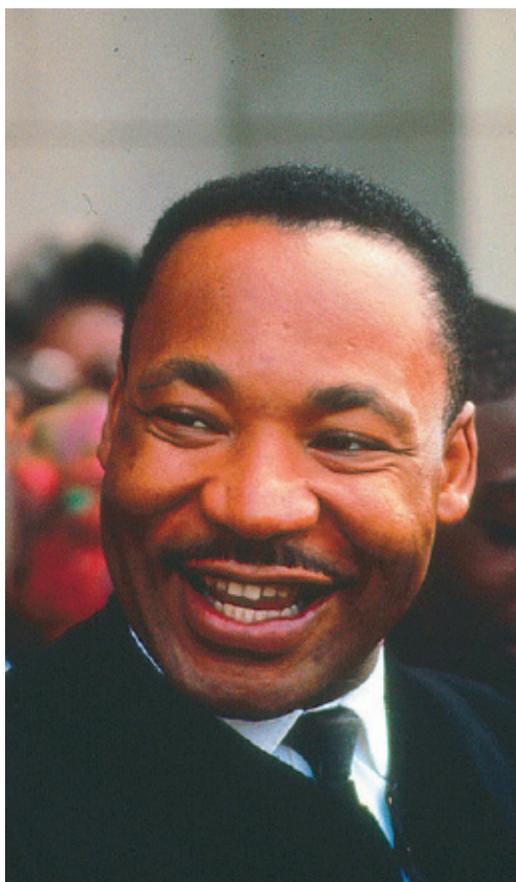


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## A Quest for Equality & A Day Off

KAILA KANE '16

Jan. 21, 2013, was an important day in American history. Not only was it Martin Luther King Jr. Day, but it was also the day marking the second inauguration of America's first African American president, Barack Obama. In my elementary, middle, and high schools, Martin Luther King Jr. Day (MLK) was always an observed holiday, and students were given the day off. Community service projects were promoted throughout school as a way of continuing to recognize Dr. King's life and the work that he did for his own community and the country. In my high school, Barack Obama's first inauguration was broadcast on every television in school, so that students would not miss such a groundbreaking event.

At CHC, I figured that a big hype would be made over what I thought to be an important day. I knew that

the College paid attention to the presidential race between Barack Obama and Mitt Romney, so I expected to see some light being shed on the inauguration. I also know that the school frequently promotes community service opportunities and is always ready to extend a hand to dear neighbors. Therefore, I expected Martin Luther King Jr. Day to be recognized as well. However, I was surprised when I didn't hear any mention of either event. Jan. 21 was a day that proved the significant progress our country has made by re-electing a man of color, an accomplishment that we owe in part to the leader of the Civil Rights Movement.

I was asked if I was offended that Martin Luther King Jr. Day wasn't recognized since it was my holiday. Being an African American young woman, I can understand why others would think that Dr. King's holiday would be of most significance to me. However, Dr. King's holiday is not just a day for African Americans. It is a

day that symbolizes the unity of a country, which includes everyone. Martin Luther King Jr. was the leader of the Civil Rights Movement, which not only benefitted African Americans, but other minorities and women as well. The day reminds us to be accepting of others despite their differences, and to think that it only applies to black people shows a misunderstanding of Dr. King's dream and work. Barack Obama's inauguration landing on the same day as MLK day is a testament to how Dr. King managed to impact future generations, and shows the strides this country has made since the days of segregation. To answer the question posed by a friend, no, I am not offended that the College didn't recognize MLK day and inauguration day. However, I am disappointed, seeing as how the values of the College and the significance of Jan. 21 seemed to coincide with one another.

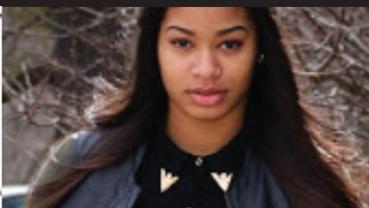
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# Professor Tells of Study Abroad

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A sabbatical is a semester-long period that professors spend outside of the classroom--during which they can explore their scholarly interests on a more-focused level. Professors at the College are able to take one sabbatical every seven years after receiving tenure.

Suzanne Conway, M.A., Associate Professor of Art History, applied to take her sabbatical during the Spring 2012 semester and travel between the States and Europe. She was to present numerous papers, research at libraries, and study at museums, with the ultimate goal of creating a new course for the College and gaining newfound knowledge in her area of scholarly interest—childhood studies in visual and decorative arts.

After her sabbatical request was granted, she spent the first three weeks of January in London. There, she presented a paper to a childhood studies conference at the University of Greenwich. Following the presentation, she spent a full two weeks researching in the British Library.

While she found London to be a great start to her sabbatical, Paris was the trip she was looking forward to the most.

"Paris is just beautiful," Conway said. "It is the city I know the best, and familiarity breeds appreciation."

During her two-week, early-October stay in one of the world's most important art historical cities, she began to

research one of her most recent scholarly interests, an art patron named Jean-Joseph de Laborde.

While she was out one day looking for porcelain owned by the nobleman, she came to a brief standstill in her research; a snippy museum attendant gave her grief when she tried to gain access to the collection.

As she lamented the issue to one of her Parisian friends, who, oddly enough, she met in London on her last sabbatical in 2000, he gave her an outstanding connection. After an exchange of e-mails and phone calls, Conway secured herself a visit with a porcelain expert from Sotheby's. If anyone could help her jump start her research, it was him.

She met with him at the prestigious office the following day and was seated in a private meeting room full of scanned documents and books that pertained to her interests. When the man entered the room, he showed Conway a porcelain saucer that he thought was de Laborde's.

With this connection, she was able to finish her research in Paris and to begin preparing a paper that she would eventually present during her second trip to London in January 2013.

In between her trips to Paris and London, she also presented papers in San Antonio, Texas and Grenada, Spain. In Texas, she presented a paper titled "The Influence of Rousseau on 18th Century Imagery and Decorative Arts" to an in-

## BOOKDRIVE EFFORTS GET COMMUNITY SUPPORT

BRIANNA DAVIS '16

Despite the recent press and numerous accolades, Jessica Kahn, Ph.D., Professor of Education, is not letting herself get distracted from her goal of creating libraries for underprivileged schools.

Since an article on Kahn appeared in the Philadelphia Inquirer last month, e-mails have poured in to her inbox, several being offers to help sort and catalogue books.

"Many places would like books but don't have someone to catalogue them or a room to put them in or even a library or librarian," Kahn said.

Kahn received an offer from a man who has a pickup truck. The man had offered to take 35 bags of books to Hostos, one of the charter schools that were in need of books, located off of 5th Street in Philadelphia.

On Jan. 29, Kahn and some

fifth graders from Abington Friends School took a van full of books to Pantoja, another charter school in need of books and located off of American St. in Philadelphia.

Kahn's colleagues have helped her a lot through this process. Some of them brought in reusable bags, books, and others helped sort the books by grade level.

Service groups, honors groups, schools, and boys and girls clubs are now collecting books for Kahn's project. A graduate of Chestnut Hill College who runs several boys and girls clubs, sent 18 crates of books to Kahn in support of her library initiative.

Kahn says that she does not want to keep sending books to Hostos and run the risk of overwhelming the school. Instead, she is thinking about expanding to other places that might need children's books, like women's shelters or even



image: Beth Bachmayer '16

**After six months abroad, Suzanne Conway, M.A., Associate Professor of Art History, settles back into her office. While she was gone, Conway traveled from England to France presenting lectures at universities and studying some of her favorite patrons. Conway notes the influence that her studies abroad have on both her students and published works.**

terdisciplinary conference on American childhood studies. Similarly, while in Spain she presented a paper to a childhood studies conference.

While she ultimately had only fifteen weeks to expand her knowledge-base from sources around the world,

Conway sees this type of research as cyclical.

"I need to conduct this research to be able write papers to be permitted into conferences," Conway said. "And each conference is an incubator for the article to eventually be published."



Sophomore Interdisciplinary Honors Program student, Andrea Wentzell's logo, was selected for the National Collegiate Honors Council conference in New Orleans, LA, November 6-10, 2013.

She receives a complimentary conference registration for the annual conference, a cash prize of \$500 (\$250 to the Student and \$250 to the honors program), recognition in the online pre-conference program, and in the final printed conference program.

the Ronald McDonald House.

"I don't care if they take the book with them," Kahn says. "They didn't cost me anything."

Kahn has even gotten an offer from the executive director of Philadelphia Reads, a nonprofit organization that distributes free books to kids on a larger scale, to partner with the College. The executive director of Philadelphia Reads has a grant to publish 300 to 400-word children's stories that will be illustrated. The stories will be put on a free database online and anyone can contribute.

"This could change the way children and parents interact and could help parents get their children ready for school," Kahn said. "Making books available for free on a device closes the gap between the have's and the have not's. All of our kids have to succeed at school."

# NEWS

## Intern Diaries



Many students at the college are involved in exciting internships. The *Intern Diaries* is where students are invited to share their experiences.

This issue's diary entrant is Staff Writer, Taylor Eben '14.

This semester I am interning in the public relations department of Brownstein Group, a Philadelphia-based branding agency with clients ranging from the Philadelphia Auto Show to Ikea. I found the company through a simple Google search, e-mailed them cold, interviewed, and got the internship.

I originally became interested in public relations (PR) during my freshman year here at CHC when I started working in the College's Office of Media Relations. However, PR in an academic setting is very different from agency PR, and I knew I wanted both experiences under my belt.

Twice a week I trek into the city, braving the cold with my commuting brethren. (I have never appreciated warm weather so much in my life.)

Because it is such a creative industry, the offices are, for a lack of a better word, cool. It is a very fun, upbeat atmosphere, with lots of younger employees (pretty promising in terms of my future). Design-wise, it is really modern: lots of glass and bright colors. It is definitely not a sea of gray cubicles.

A lot of the work I am doing is actually very similar to what I do here at the College, namely compiling media lists, or spreadsheets of different journalists, publications, among other things. Another big part of the job includes researching industry trends to better support the clients, specifically with social media, which has hugely impacted the PR industry. Other jobs include typical "office tasks," like making copies.

These days, internships have become a vital part of the job-hunting process that lingers after college. It is a great way to get your foot in the door and gain experience, but like any other job or class, it is what you make of it.

Part of why I enjoy my internship so much is the fact that I am actually utilized and I feel like a part of the team. I am not being treated like Andrea Sachs à la "The Devil Wears Prada." There is always something to do and every day is different. I am never bored. It is a pretty fast-paced environment, which I fully embrace, and I am looking forward to the next few months there!

## New Academic Adviser Hired

GABI VALVANO '16

Academic advising has a new enthusiastic addition to their staff, Kaitlin Wolfert, M.A.

Wolfert graduated from the University of Delaware with a Bachelor of Science in leadership in 2009 and got her Masters of Arts in Counseling in Higher Education in 2011. Always wanting to help people, whether she was their personal chef or just by volunteering, she knew she was pretty much destined to be in this position. Wolfert's mother was a counselor and her father was a lawyer so that helped her career choice as well. Growing up she lived in Plymouth Meeting, not far from Chestnut Hill College so this job was definitely a golden career opportunity.

"I am really looking forward to working with the students," Wolfert said.

Wolfert has been in academic advising at Chestnut

Hill College since Jan. 3, and has already started working with several students. As an academic adviser, Wolfert is responsible for having weekly or biweekly meetings with students and helping them if they have any questions about their academics or just life in general. Wolfert is also responsible for making sure students are on top of their work and focused on their class work, helping them to figure out new study strategies and confident in classes and provides insight in many different areas.

Academic advisers may often get confused for a faculty adviser, which every student also has. Although they are both advisers, there is a difference between the two. Faculty advisers keep students on track by making schedules and working toward their major goals, while academic advisers can address a broader spectrum of advising issues. They often work with the students

to provide insight on courses, discuss students' workloads, and address academic and attendance problems.

To meet with an academic adviser, students can make an appointment, or stop in during their adviser's office hours.

"The thing that is really different about this school is that it is really focused on building relationships with the students and helping them to succeed," Wolfert said. By becoming an academic adviser, Wolfert is not only here for a job but to care for each individual student that comes to her office. She wanted to work in higher education, ranging from high school to college, because college students are more aware of themselves and can notice the progress and work they are making.

She also noted another difference between Chestnut Hill and other colleges. "I really love the architecture."

## A Network Should Work

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### From the Opinion Section

Throughout the school year I've grown increasingly more frustrated with the quality of Internet on campus. Our school is so tiny you'd think the Information Technology (IT) part of it would be running like a well-oiled machine, but that isn't the case. Weathering an Internet blackout, which typically occurs at the most inopportune of times, is like a rite of passage here at CHC.

I get that running an efficient IT department is hard (my dad works in IT at Kutztown University, so I've always had some understanding of it) and it's tough keeping up with rapid changes in technology, but when students can't even rely on a basic service

like school e-mail, I have to question the quality and consistency of the Internet. Why does e-mail have to go down when I need it the most? Why, even after installing dozens of new access points in the residence halls, does my connection move at a glacial pace? It's incredibly frustrating, whether I'm working on a paper that requires me to do research online or just watching Netflix.

A few months ago I read an article on the Huffington Post about a "U.S. News & World Report" on the most connected colleges in the country, which says that Bowdoin College in Maine is the most connected college in the U.S.

Bowdoin College only has 1,778 students. Granted, their endowment is also over \$900 million so they have money to play around with, but they're obviously doing something right in order to take first place. Of the 25 schools on the list, 12 have an undergraduate enrollment of less than 5,000 students and 19 schools have less than 10,000 students. Smaller schools are clearly succeeding.

I don't expect Chestnut Hill to be ranked number one, but I do expect it to run a little more efficiently. After all, this is an expensive place to go to school. Shouldn't we have the luxury of reliable Internet?

And webmail. Good old webmail. Most of my qualms lie within our e-mail system. Because our IT department hosts our e-mail, there are several costs associated with

doing so, like hardware and software maintenance costs. I think Chestnut Hill should look into outsourcing our e-mail to a service like Gmail or Microsoft Live, which a number of other schools, including larger state schools like Kutztown University and Lock Haven University, and smaller, local schools like Arcadia University and Rosemont College, have already done.

Granted, Chestnut Hill would lose control over our e-mail service by making the switch, but it would free up the IT staff to work in other areas. E-mail maintenance would go down tremendously, e-mail addresses would stay the same, we would have a lot more storage (no more "inbox overload" reminders), and, most importantly, it's completely free. Making the switch would take months of planning, but I think it would be worth it in the long run.

This is not meant to be a mean-spirited attack towards the IT department. They're an incredibly hardworking staff and are always so willing to help – we've all seen it – but they need more to work with. Clearly, not enough of the budget is allotted to this growing, quickly progressing department. If we want our IT department to run more effectively, administration needs to give the department more support.

### SENIOR DINNER

Thursday, April 18 at 6:00 p.m.  
Commonwealth Chateau  
at SugarLoaf Campus

- Vote for a staff or faculty member who has truly inspired you or made a lasting impression to speak at the dinner
- Submit memories and photos to be a part of the slideshow

Don't forget to RSVP!

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## Finding An Apple a Day

DANIELLE MOLINO '14

It may seem as though eating healthy and living away at college cannot happen at the same time. We are all tempted to eat fast food, get Dunkin Donuts, and drink soda because it's cheap, convenient, and it keeps us awake to do our last-minute homework.

However, there are a few things that we do not think about when we choose to ingest certain food and drink: the consequences. Eating fast food, drinking soda, and drinking flavored coffee can have harmful effects on our health and appearance. Some of the risks that come with having an unhealthy diet are obesity, heart disease, diabetes, and even poor school performance. To help you make the right decisions while you are away at school, below is a list of choices you should and should not make.

Keep in mind that you do not need to follow this list strictly in order to eat healthy. As a college student myself, I know how hard it is to make healthy choices every day. The choices in the "Do Not" column are fine to eat as long as they are eaten in moderation.

Making healthy choices in the Dining Hall and in the Griffin's Den can seem hard, as well. However, it is not as difficult as you might believe. While eating in the Dining Hall, we should remember that there is a salad bar, a sandwich station, and an made-to-order station. The salad bar is usually stocked with greens, vegetables, fruits, and other healthy food choices. The sandwich station has a variety of breads, cold-cuts, and different deli salads. Remember to ask for wheat bread instead of white bread. At the made-to-order station, you have the option of getting your food cooked

any way you want. During the breakfast, the best option would be to get egg whites instead of the whole egg. The egg white is the source of the egg's protein, while the yolk is mostly a source of unhealthy cholesterol.

While you are eating in the Griffin's Den, you can get a salad or a soup. Try to avoid getting soda and choose a healthier alternative like water. Salads, veggie wraps, fruit cups, and low-sodium soups are also available to you for lunch and dinner. These foods are available to you through the meal plan so it should not cost you any money if you specify that you want your food to count as a meal.

The McCaffery Lounge has a wonderful selection of healthy food. They offer sandwiches, salads, fruits, and other healthy snacks. Also, fruit smoothies can be prepared according to your liking. Furthermore, you should try to avoid getting flavored coffees because they are filled with unneeded sugars that will only harm your body in the long run. Choosing to drink black coffee without any sweeteners is a healthier alternative.

Now, you may be saying to yourself that the food in the McCaffery Lounge is expensive. But, you can use Griffin Points. As students with meal plans, we are given fifty dollars on our ID cards to use every semester. It would be a good idea to save your points exclusively for the McCaffery Lounge.

DO	DO NOT
Eat three meals a day (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) and a snack (ex: carrots and celery)	Skip Meals
Choose whole grains, such as whole wheat bread, brown rice	Choose refined grains, such as white bread, and white rice
Drink low-fat or skim milk	Drink whole milk
Eat grilled or baked foods	Eat fried foods
Choose water or seltzer	Choose soda, ice tea, and other sweetened drinks
Eat fresh fruits	Eat cookies, cake, ice cream, etc.
Eat salad greens	Eat red meats

## Story Spotter: Mary Fran's "More Than Love"

AMANDA FINLAW '16

Mary Frances Cavallaro, senior English major at Chestnut Hill College, seems to have fallen into "More Than Love" with writing a novel for which she has acquired a publishing deal.

Mary Frances began writing her novel, "More Than Love," about a year ago during a creative writing class she took over the spring semester of 2012. She came to realize that what she wanted to achieve with the piece would require something much longer than a standard assignment for class, and decided to present the opening chapter to a publisher.

The novel "is a bildungsroman," Cavallaro said. "It is the

story of a woman named Frances "Fanny" Dickens who gets involved in a scandal. She arrives at Chesterfield College to student-teach a class having a most peculiar professor named Charles Christle. He is an elderly man who is not "all there" and has quite the affinity for William Shakespeare. Throughout the story, Christle takes on the role as her mentor and, using Shakespeare, he guides her through the year."

Life events inspired the story, and some important friends helped to inspire some of the characters, including the professor and the sister of the main character Fanny. Mary Frances has also been influenced by Edgar Allan Poe and Wil-

liam Shakespeare. The title of her book "actually comes from Poe's 'Annabel Lee,' and Shakespeare's plays echo throughout the novel," Cavallaro said. The main character times life lessons and advice from the professor--which coincides with her actual life events.

"I have always been writing, as long as I knew how to spell," Cavallaro said. "I have been captivated by writing, and by other authors." Her favorite written works include mostly short stories and plays such as "Pygmalion," "The Crucible," "Oedipus Rex," and "Luella Miller." She says that she enjoys classics "that can usually be found on a syllabus." While loving standard

# STYLE

## GOING OUT GUIDE: FEB. 2013

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Feb. 17, 24

Tickets - \$10

**Lights Out Glow Party ft. Seven Lions w/ KDrew and more**

Soundgarden Hall  
520 N. Columbus Blvd.

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**Sweat Fitness and Frames Unlimited Bowling Sundays**

**All Star Weekend Concert**  
with Cute Is What We Aim For, Beneath The Sun, and Tiffany Alvord

TLA (Theater of Living Arts)

Feb. 15

Tickets - \$20

**Green Day's American Idiot Broadway Performance**

Merriam Theatre

250 S. Broad St.

Feb. 12-17

Tickets - Starting At \$20

**Titanic the Artifact Exhibit**

Franklin Institute

222 N. 20th St.

Running through April

Tickets - Starting at \$19.50

It is also wise to leave food in your dorm room for those nights when you miss one or more of the three main meals. Healthy options include Greek yogurt, baby carrots, light soups, and low-fat or fat-free milk. Although these items would have to be purchased off campus, they are just one more way to help you on your way to a healthy lifestyle.

Just as you should read the ingredients on the food labels found in the McCaffery Lounge and the Griffin's Den, you should also read labels on the food that you choose to keep in your room. When looking at labels, be sure to keep a

search for low-fat and low-calorie foods. This will help keep your weight down and help you to stay healthy overall. Remember, just because you are eating healthy does not mean you have to stop eating the unhealthy foods, altogether. Everything is good if you have it in moderation.

If you follow these simple tips, you will be able to start and maintain a healthy lifestyle while studying at Chestnut Hill College!

*Look for a Commuter Healthy Eating Guide in the March 2013 Edition.*



image: Jess Veazey '13

**Mary Frances Cavallaro '13 transitions from student to author in the making. All while carrying a full course load.**

masterpieces, a childhood favorite "Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs," was the first to come to mind when asked about her personal favorite.

Getting a novel published is an amazing feat for anyone, but especially so for a college student. How did she pull it off?

According to Cavallaro, she found a post on elance.com, a freelance writing website, that was in search of a writer for a collaborative work. When she applied for the job, she noticed that the company, Kellan publishing, took applications for books. She applied, and they wanted to publish her story.

Her first draft is due quite soon, on March 1. For updates on the writing and publishing

# STYLE SPOTTER: FEBRUARY 2013



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*"Clothes are a way of telling the world who they are without saying a word."  
- Meghan Gerry '14*



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## My Favorite Pop Culture Couples

BLEU LANE '13

In the spirit of Valentine's Day, here is a list of some of my favorite celebrity/pop culture couples both fictional and non-fictional.

**SETH AND SUMMER ("THE O.C.")** – If you've ever watched "The O.C", then you know that despite all the romance and affairs that take place, Seth and Summer were the poster couple for the show. At first, I didn't like the couple because Summer's character was bratty and Seth's character was the ideal indie boyfriend, but after following the romance throughout the seasons, it became hard to deny that they were just perfect.



but hey, what couple doesn't? Their winding up together may not have seemed apparent in the beginning, but by the end it was hard to picture either of them with anyone else. Except maybe Chuck with me.

**BEYONCE AND JAY-Z** – These two are an obvious pick for any sort of "top couples" list. They're both ridiculously talented, they look good together, and they've even collaborated on hit records. Plus, they scored extra points with me when they named their daughter Blue.

**WINONA RYDER AND JOHNNY DEPP** – Yes, I'm aware that they are no longer a couple, but I wish that they were. They both had the dreamy and slightly rebellious 90s look down pat and when photographed together, they just looked perfect.

**CHUCK AND BLAIR ("GOSSIP GIRL")** – While it seems that every "Gossip Girl" character dated each other at some point throughout the seasons, Chuck and Blair were the true power couple. Sure they both schemed a lot, stirred up drama, and had their ups and downs,

**BRITNEY SPEARS AND JUSTIN TIMBERLAKE** – Yes, I am also aware that these two are no longer a couple, but things just haven't been right with either of them since they broke up, am I right? Sure Justin went solo and became an actor and got rid of that awful bleach blonde curly hairstyle he had going on, but he could have done all that with Britney by his side. Not to mention, the matching all denim outfits they wore to the 2001 American Music Awards were adorable. A couple who wears all denim together should stay together.

**KANYE WEST AND KIM KARDASHIAN** – At first, I wasn't sure whether their relationship was for real or for publicity. Now that their relationship has outlasted Kim's marriage to Kris Humphries and the two are expecting a baby, I guess it's safe to say the Kimye relationship is for real.

## Lights. Camera. Prediction!

AZIAZ GILL '14  
STAFF WRITER

### Best Actress

Unlike its male counterpart, the Best Actress category is not as competitive. Jessica Chastain and Jennifer Lawrence are the frontrunners for their portrayals of the CIA analyst whose determination led to the capture of Osama Bin Ladin, and a grieving widow who becomes a sex addict after her husband's death. It is possible that Chastain's chances of taking the Oscar home may be hurt due to the controversy surrounding *Zero Dark Thirty*, even if she is the rightful winner. From the very first scene where Chastain's character (Maya) witnesses one of the CIA's "enhanced interrogation" sessions, it's apparent that this is a masterful performance. Chastain captures all facets of Maya's complex character whether it's her steely-reaction as a torture scene unfolds, her sheer determination in the face of overwhelming odds and skeptical superiors, or her simmering rage when she is unable to capture the man she has hunted for 8 years. Though people have called ZDT the "Bin Ladin" movie, it really ought to be referred to as the "Jessica Chastain Show" after her tour de performance.

### Best Director

Upon the release of the nominations, the Best Director category gained the most buzz entirely for the wrong reasons. In what has to be one of the biggest snubs of Oscar history, the Academy Awards neglected to nominate Kathryn Bigelow (*Zero Dark Thirty*), the only female director to ever win this category. The tragedy does not end there. The Academy Awards also ignored Ben Affleck, who directed

one of the year's most interesting thrillers: *Argo*. What has made the Academy look even more foolish is the fact that Affleck has been dominating this award season. He has captured several critics' choice awards and won the Golden Globe for Best Director. In the absence of those two heavy-hitters and Quentin Tarantino (*Django Unchained*) it's tough to see Steven Spielberg losing the award. After all, Spielberg managed to make a movie, which realistically displayed the political genius of Abraham Lincoln, into an entertaining two and a half hours. Of course, there is a chance that Ang Lee may have impressed enough voters by bringing *Life of Pi* (a book considered unfilmable) to the screen. Nevertheless, it's difficult to foresee Spielberg losing the award.

### Best Actor

In all likelihood, this will be the toughest category for voters, as several actors turned in performances which would normally be good enough to win. Denzel Washington portrayed an alcoholic pilot who flies while intoxicated, a nuanced performance of a damaged man. Joaquin Phoenix turned in the performance of a lifetime as Freddie Quell, a sex obsessed, alcoholic World War II veteran who struggles to assimilate back into civilized society. Phoenix brings a raw intensity to the character that reminded audiences why he was viewed as one of the brightest stars of his generation.

Any other year, Phoenix would be sure to win, but he runs into the man who is seen, by many, as the best actor in Hollywood: Daniel Day-Lewis. Despite having the unenviable task of bringing a nearly mythical figure in American history to

life, Lewis turns in a remarkable performance as the 16th President. One can literally feel the pressure that Lincoln was under as he attempted to pass the 13th Amendment. For his brilliant work, Day-Lewis is favored to take the Oscar home.

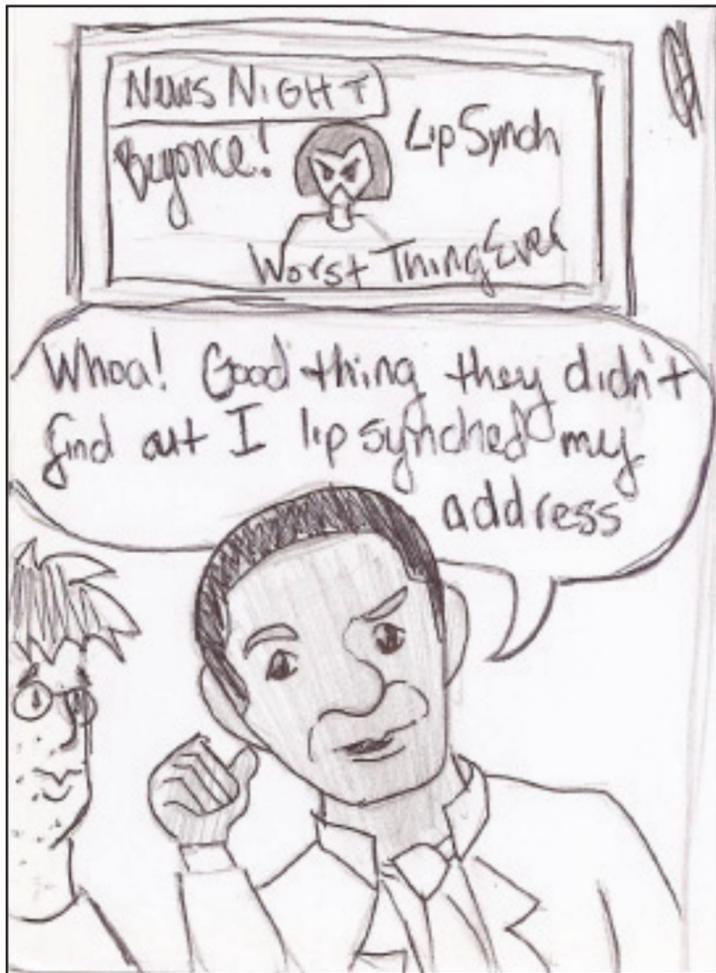
### Best Film

After a woeful slate of films last year, the category for Best Film has made a tremendous comeback with several strong contenders. *Les Misérables* and *Lincoln* are both possible candidates to win this coveted trophy but they don't have much in terms of momentum. *Zero Dark Thirty* and *Django Unchained* may have their chances of winning the award diminished due to subject matter, but that could be good news for *Argo*. Ben Affleck's snub for Best Director and his subsequent wins at other award shows may make the Academy realize that they made a mistake. To make up for their gaffe, it would not be implausible for them to award *Argo* with Best Film. Moreover, the momentum that *Les Misérables* and *Lincoln* have been so desperately seeking has gone to *Argo* thus far, as it won at the Golden Globes and the Producers Guild Awards. It certainly would not be a shocker if *Argo* is awarded the most coveted prize in the business.



## Subjective Scrutiny

GABRIEL HENNINGER '15



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# OPINION

## Con: Say No to Gun Control

ADAM DRABINSKI '15

It has been over a month since an elementary school in Connecticut was attacked, and since that time an all-out war on the Second Amendment and our right to bear arms has been waged. It has culminated in President Obama backing Dianne Feinstein's assault weapons ban. However, gun control is not the solution to the recent gun massacres around our nation.

In recent years, no correlation between gun ownership and murder has been found, and data does not show that an assault weapons ban would magically stop or even decrease mass shootings. In fact, when the assault weapons ban was previously in place from 1994 to 2004, mass shootings actually showed a slight increase. Also, at the time of the shooting the state of Connecticut had a ban on assault weapons. Therefore, not even a ban on assault weap-

ons would have stopped this massacre.

All of these new gun control requirements being introduced over these last few weeks requiring fingerprinting, photo identification, and enhanced background checks would not have stopped what happened at Sandy Hook that day. It comes down to the fact that criminals do not follow laws. So, what makes us think that new gun control laws will stop criminals in the future?

The majority of gun crimes are not committed by law-abiding citizens. The only solution to a bad guy with a gun is a good guy with a gun. For example, a 2009 workplace shooting in Houston, Texas, was halted by two co-workers who carried concealed handguns. In addition, a 1997 high school shooting in Pearl, Miss., was halted by the school's vice principal after he retrieved the Colt .45 he kept in his truck. However, we

do not remember these events because mass shootings leave a more lasting effect on our mind. Many deaths are more likely to receive coverage in the media than a heroic effort made by the aforementioned.

So, why do these mass shootings keep happening? In my opinion, it is because the media makes these shooters into household names. The shooters know that if they commit a mass shooting that they will become more famous than if they commit suicide. The media needs to stop giving these shooters a household name and just deliver the facts of the massacres.

At the end of the day, the only way to stop these mass shootings is good people with guns and these new gun control laws will stop the law-abiding citizen from obtaining and concealing guns that could stop mass shootings. So, we as a country must say no to gun control.

## Pro: No Gun Intended—Why We Need Gun Control

MEGHAN GERRY '14

"A well-regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed," reads the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution.

Honestly, up until recently, I had never given this statement much thought. There was a time when I did consider wearing really hairy, bear-like sleeves over my arms to go dressed as the Second Amendment for Halloween; however, as hard as it is to believe, that was more for the chuckle of a good pun rather than anything that the amendment actually stood for.

Then, on Dec. 14, 2012, that all changed when I held my breath for a second that lasted an eternity and suddenly no one was laughing. In almost an instant I went from being someone who never really cared about political issues to becoming very passionate about one in particular: strengthening gun control.

In response to the National Rifle Association's statement, "Guns don't kill people, people kill people," comedian Eddie Izzard brings up a good point in saying, "But I think, I think the gun helps."

And he's right; the gun does help. "I just think just standing there going, 'Bang!' That's not going to kill too many people, is

it? You'd have to be really dodgy on the heart to have that," continued Izzard.

Wayne La Pierre and other advocates across the nation have blamed gun violence in this country on violent video games, music, movies, but not on the actual weapons themselves and the easy access people have to them. The key word in the phrase, "gun violence" is the word "gun." Guns are what should be controlled.

Allow me to be clear about something I do not have a problem with the Second Amendment, with people who arm themselves for the protection of their families and homes, or with people who enjoy going out hunting. I am not suggesting that all guns should be banned and that the government should start barging into citizens' homes to strip them of all their weapons. No, my problem lies with the 15 killed and 24 injured at Columbine High School in 1999, the 33 killed and 30 injured at Virginia Tech in 2007, the 28 killed at Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting not two months ago, and with the 11,000 or so Americans who have been killed as a result of gun violence in the United States.

Do I believe that more restrictions and gun control laws will magically fix these problems? Of course not. Do I believe that more restrictions and gun con-

trol laws will help prevent these problems from reoccurring in the future? I can't say for certain, but I would much rather try and make an effort to change things rather than sit around and wait for the next tragedy to happen. Under Obama's Gun Control Proposal there are several congressional and executive acts that would add more restrictions to gun laws. Some of the acts in the proposal include requiring more criminal background checks for all gun sales, including for private sellers who at the moment are exempt, reinstating the assault weapon ban and strengthening it, and limiting ammunition magazines to 10 rounds. If you want to own a gun or guns to protect your family and home, go out hunting or to simply practice your right to bear arms, these restrictions shouldn't have a negative effect on you. They can, however, help prevent weapons from falling into the wrong hands.

Looking at the three biggest school shootings in U.S. history, all of them could have been prevented or at least downsized had there been harsher gun control restrictions in place. During the Columbine High School shooting in Littleton, Colo., the two shooters used an Intratec TEC-DC9 assault pistol, a Hi-point 9mm Carbine, a Savage 67H pump-action shotgun, and a Savage 311-D 12-gauge shotgun.

The two shooters had one of their friends, who was 18 years old at the time, purchase the two shotguns and the Hi-point 9mm from The Tanner Gun Show in December of 1998. Under Obama's Gun Control Proposal one of the acts is to "increase criminal penalties for 'straw purchases,' people who pass the required background check to buy a gun on behalf of someone else." The friend of the shooters at Columbine who bought three out of the four guns used in the shooting made a 'straw purchase' and if there were bigger criminal penalties, that might have made a difference.

The Intratec TEC-DC9 was the fourth gun used in the Columbine shooting and was an assault pistol. The assault weapon ban was put into effect in 1994 and it expired in 2004. While the Columbine shooting took place in 1999, during the time that the assault weapon ban was in place Obama plans on strengthening the ban after reinstating it. Had it been a stronger ban to begin with that could have made a difference at Columbine. If the ban had been reinstated and strengthened before now, it could have also made a difference at the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting in Newtown, Conn. because one of the three guns the shooter brought into the school was a Bushmaster AR-15 rifle which is classified as an assault

type weapon.

On Friday Dec. 14, 2012, after hearing there was a school shooting in Connecticut, my home state, I couldn't breathe. Instead images of my brother, my cousins, the kids I babysit in neighboring towns and the danger they could have possibly been in flooded my mind. Fortunately for me, only a second had passed in between hearing about a school shooting in Conn. and hearing that it was in Newtown, meaning everyone that I knew was safe.

While that was the longest second of my life, it was just that, a second before I could breathe easy. But there are parents, family members, friends, and loved ones of the victims who will be living in that second for the rest of their lives.

It is true that I have no idea whether or not any of these restrictions in Obama's Gun Control Proposal will in fact help the gun violence situation we are facing and have been facing in this country for a long time.

But if there is a chance that strengthening gun control laws will help prevent a 6-year-old from having to face their own mortality when they've barely started life, or any parent from having to experience a second of panic, whether it lasts a second or a lifetime, then it's more than worth it to try.

# SPORTS

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## Upcoming Game Calendar

**FEB. 14**

**AWAY**  
Men's Basketball  
vs. Caldwell C.\*  
Caldwell, N.J.  
8p.m.

**AWAY**  
Women's Basketball  
vs. Caldwell C.\*  
Caldwell, N.J.  
6p.m.

**FEB. 16**

**HOME**  
Men's Basketball  
vs. Felician C.\*  
Sorgenti Arena  
3p.m.

**HOME**  
Women's Basketball  
vs. Felician C.\*  
Sorgenti Arena  
1p.m.

**FEB. 16 - 17**

**AWAY**  
Men's Tennis  
Drew U. Tournament  
Drew, NJ  
8a.m.

**FEB. 19**

**AWAY**  
Men's Basketball  
vs. Holy Family U.\*  
Philadelphia, PA  
8p.m.

**AWAY**  
Women's Basketball  
vs. Holy Family U.\*  
Philadelphia, PA  
6p.m.

**FEB. 21**

**HOME**  
Women's Basketball  
vs. Nyack C.\*  
Sorgenti Arena  
6p.m.

**FEB. 23**

**HOME**  
Men's Basketball  
vs. U. of the Sciences  
Sorgenti Arena  
3p.m.

**HOME**

Women's Basketball  
vs. U. of the Sciences  
Sorgenti Arena  
1p.m.

**AWAY**

Men's Lacrosse  
vs. Le Moyne C.  
Syracuse, NY  
2p.m.

**FEB. 26**

**AWAY**  
Men's Basketball  
vs. Philadelphia U.  
Philadelphia, PA  
8p.m.

**AWAY**

Women's Basketball  
vs. Philadelphia U.  
Philadelphia, PA  
6p.m.

**AWAY**

Men's Tennis  
vs. Eckerd C.  
St. Petersburg, FL  
3p.m.

**FEB. 28**

**AWAY**  
Men's Lacrosse  
vs. Notre Dame de Namur  
Belmont, CA  
3p.m.

**MARCH 2**

**AWAY**  
Men's Tennis  
vs. St. Thomas Aquinas C.  
Tenafly, NJ  
7p.m.

**HOME**

Softball  
vs. NY Institute of Tech.  
Softball Field  
1p.m.

**MARCH 3**

**AWAY**  
Men's Lacrosse  
vs. Dominican U of CA  
San Rafael, CA  
1p.m.

**MARCH 4**

**HOME**  
Women's Lacrosse  
vs. Fort Lewis C.  
Plymouth Whitmarsh  
4p.m.

**MARCH 5**

**AWAY**  
Men's Basketball  
vs. Lincoln U.  
Lincoln, PA  
3p.m.

\* denotes a CACC contest

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## Phillies Prepare for Bounce Back

TIFFANY URENA '16

As baseball fans get ready for the upcoming season, the players are also preparing for 2013. This time, with the hope for better results. With pitchers and catchers having just reported, the unofficial start of the baseball season has begun. Soon, the Philadelphia Phillies will be preparing to compete in the Grapefruit League, giving fans a first taste of new players such as Ben Revere and Mike Adams. Before the team can take the field and get ready for their games, there are a few remaining pieces of the lineup the team needs to put together.

Despite acquiring Revere to play center in place of the traded Shane Victorino, the Phillies are still weak in the outfield, especially at the corner spots. Right now, the expectation is that a platoon of Laynce Nix, Domonic Brown, Delmon Young, and perhaps even Darin Ruf will be the solution. That said, General Manager Ruben Amaro is looking for a guy who can be a true contender for the upcoming season. *MLB.com's* Todd Zolecki interviewed

the Phillies GM on this topic and the GM is quoted as saying: "We don't have proven everyday Major League players on our corners right now. If we can create some depth there, if we can create some competition, I would like to do that."

According to Ken Rosenthal of FOX Sports, a possible name is Alfonso Soriano, a seven-time All-Star who has received MVP votes five times.

In addition to the outfield, the Phillies are also mindful of their pitching situation. The team especially is keeping their eye on their number one pitcher, Cole Hamels. At the end of the 2012 season and during the offseason, he was feeling some discomfort in his shoulder. According to Jim Salisbury of *C.S.NPhilly.com*, Hamels said it was just normal pains of pitching for a long period of time. Considering that the Phillies rotation consists of the aging and possibly declining Cliff Lee and Roy Halladay, the team will need Hamels healthy and ready to go if they stand a chance at competing in the tough NL East.

The biggest and most important player to watch this season will be Ryan Howard. He spent the first three months of the 2012 season trying to recover from his torn Achilles surgery and did not have his usual numbers when he came back to play. In 2013, he will be the highest paid hitter on the team. If he stays healthy, the expectation is that the slugger will lead the team in RBIs, just as he did from 2006 to 2011.

There are reasons to be optimistic. Howard is a player still hanging on to his prime and should have a few more great seasons left in him. Others, such as Jimmy Rollins and Chase Utley, are fighting off the twilight of their careers, and like Howard, could be primed for one last final run, if the team stays healthy.

Without this core of players, the Phillies don't stand a chance, especially considering the major improvement both Washington and Atlanta made in the offseason. In order for the Phillies to compete with these teams, they will need to find the consistency they lacked this year and really step up, in all facets of the game.

## EAGLES SEARCH LEADS TO A CHIP

MARILEE GALLAGHER '13

After a long and arduous coaching search that lasted weeks and included hours of interviews, the Philadelphia Eagles got the man they had wanted all along, University of Oregon's Chip Kelly.

To say the Kelly hire came as a bit of a surprise would be a huge understatement. The head coach of the Oregon Ducks had actually been one of the first candidates the Eagles' personnel had interviewed, but his intent to remain at the university and the program he had worked so hard to build was publicly announced. It was just a few days after he made a recruiting visit to one of Oregon's top high school prospects that Kelly, as he put it in his first Eagles press conference, "made the jump" to the NFL.

There is a great deal of excitement, among fans and players alike, about Kelly joining the Eagles as their new head coach. In his four years as head coach at Oregon, Kelly led the Ducks to three consecutive Pac-10/Pac-12 Championships, two Rose Bowl appearances and a National Championship game. While Kelly's record in bowl games was just 2-2, he was otherwise unstop-

pable during the regular 13-game season. His overall record when at Oregon was a phenomenal 46-7 and a near flawless 33-3 in conference play.

More than his incredible winning percentage, Kelly is known for two things: a preference for wearing visors over wearing hats and second, the way he redefined how a college football offense can play.

In his first season with the team, the Ducks averaged 36 points per game, including back-to-back contests where Oregon scored 94 total points and held their opponents to just nine. The following year in which Kelly won Division I's Coach of the Year Award, Oregon averaged 47 points a game and in two of their first three games, shut out their opponents 141-0. In 2011, the team never had a game scoring less than 27 points and eleven times bested the 40-point mark. In 2012, they finished second in the NCAA by averaging 49.6 points a game and third with an average of 315.2 rushing yards a game.

The key to Kelly's success has been on offense but it has also been in terms of personnel. Part of the reason why Kelly is such a good fit in Philadelphia is

because the team has the pieces that will work well in Kelly's style of run-and-gun, read-option offense. They have speed on the corners with wide receivers DeSean Jackson and Jeremy Maclin, and as last year proved, the potential for a two-headed monster in the running game with Pro-Bowler Lesean McCoy and his protégé, Bryce Brown.

Of course there are the doubters. People around the league believe that what Kelly did at Oregon may not work in the NFL, citing the fact that NFL defenses are much stronger, smarter, and more physical than anything Kelly would have faced at Oregon. There is also question about the Eagles' QB situation. Nick Foles is a pocket-passer and not much more. He is not the kind of quarterback that would necessarily be successful in the Kelly offense.

That said, Kelly seems to be enamored by Foles, who he had the opportunity to face while at Oregon. "I'm a huge fan of his," Kelly said in his press conference. "He's tough. I remember just standing on the sideline shaking my head, going, 'I don't know what we have to do to stop him.' He's a competitor. He's accurate. So I'm excited about that."



image: Jess Veazey '13

# SPORTS

## Baseball Gets an Early Start High Hopes as CHC Welcomes Track and Field

CHELSEA MAGUIRE '15

The winter weather may be brutal so far this semester, but that does not stop the Chestnut Hill Griffins baseball team from preparing for the upcoming season. The team consists of 25 players this season; 17 returning players and eight new players joining the squad. The Griffins are led by head coach Robert Spratt, who has been at the helm since the program's inception in 2008. Before joining Chestnut Hill, Spratt revived a baseball program at Penn State Abington that had not competed for 15 years.

In what was the best season in the program's history, the team won a record 19 games in 2012. They also ranked second in the All-Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference (CACC) in runs scored per game (5.71) and with 135 stolen bases (135), were the tenth best team in all of Division II. Current sophomore Taylor Steen, considered one of the team's most explosive players, led the team in categories such as runs scored (33), doubles (6), triples (4), total bases (60), and sacrifice bunts (11).

Returning senior players this year include Robert Hopkins, Timothy DiMonte, Joseph Crane, Richard Cavazza, Ryan Lanzalotto, and Travis Kakareko. Also returning are juniors Desmond Lites,

Jonathan Bernhardt III, and Joseph Mullin. Sophomores Dane Gahr, Vincent Manzella, and Seamus Finnegan are also returning. Alumni Jesse Daywalt, who led the team in hits (44), and stolen bases (29) last season, will also return to the team this season as an assistant coach.

During the College's spring break, the team will be traveling south to warmer climates to compete in tournaments. From Feb. 22 to 24, the team will be playing in the Northeast Challenge hosted at the Ripken Experience Tournament in Myrtle Beach, S.C. for the third consecutive year. There they will face fellow NCAA Division II teams the Molloy College Lions, the Southern New Hampshire University

Penmen, and the Franklin Pierce University Ravens as a tune-up for the upcoming regular season. Afterwards, the team will head down to Fort Pierce, Fla., to play in the Florida Coast Spring Training Program. There they will play double-headers against fellow Division II rivals Northwood University and Mercyhurst College.

The Griffins continue their quest to be a strong presence in both non-conference and conference play and are very optimistic they will be able to build off of last season's success. The triumphs of the returning players in previous campaigns look to have the Griffins poised for a promising spring trip and season.



image: Griffin Athletics

**Head Coach Robert Spratt giving tips to players during the 2011-2012 season.**

## CHC BASKETBALL: SHOOTING TOWARDS THE CHAMPIONSHIPS

JAMES GEE '16

Already more than half-way through the season, the Chestnut Hill College basketball team has seen much success. The Griffins, as of late January, maintained a winning percentage in the .500 range in both conference games and in the season overall. As of Jan. 30, their win percentage can be attributed to their success in home games, despite struggling in away games. During an interview, Coach Jesse Balcer gave insight into what he feels could be done better and what is already going well in the season.

Balcer feels that the team struggled early on in the season, but they made a strong comeback towards the latter

half. One point that Balcer wants to emphasize is playing well at the end of the season. The end of the season mostly consists of conference games, which are important for progressing in conference rank, which allows for better playoff seeding.

As with many sports teams, defense is a vital part of overall success. Balcer is generally pleased with offensive production. However, he feels that the defensive aspect of the Griffins could improve. Balcer wants to emphasize defensive rebounding since he sees it as one key area in which the team can improve.

According to Balcer, one of the positive aspects that has led to the team's success is their cohesion, both on and

off the court. Balcer cites the friendship and camaraderie amongst the players while off of the court as a major influence for their on-court success. "Their ability to work together and remain focused on the same goal has allowed them to play well together, complementing each other's skill sets" Balcer said. "This applies to both offense and defense. It is in this unity, that the team can strive for their specific goals."

Speaking on the goals and aspiration of the team, Balcer says that he, as well as the team as a whole, "is looking forward to winning the conference championship," with that being the ultimate goal of the season. He believes the team has a chance of winning,

given the history of the Griffins usually making the playoffs and playing well during the postseason. While there are parts of the game that Balcer feels the team needs to work on, he ultimately feels that they generally play the right way. He also claims that the players are very capable of correcting and improving the aspects of their game that need improvement and making the necessary adjustments in a timely manner, something that all playoff teams must be able to do.

Ultimately, Balcer is hopeful about reaching the playoffs. "If we continue to progress on offense and defense, in terms of consistency, this team has a chance to win the championship," he said. "That

is what we are striving to do."

And if the team continues on the track they are on, dreams of a championship could become a reality in only a matter of time.



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**Mark DiRuggeris '13 led the Basketball team against Wilmington University to a win of 85-67.**

ADELE GIANGIULIO '15

It is an exciting year for the College this upcoming spring season because Chestnut Hill will be welcoming a new team of Griffins to their athletic program. The College's first track and field team will make their debut as a club team this spring to ease the transition to the full Division II NCAA team it will become next year.

One of the biggest reasons a track and field team was started at the College was to create a stronger cross country program. Keeping the long distance runners in shape and competing year round, as well as giving them more NCAA Division II opportunities, are essential to the cross country team's desired success.

Coach Philip Reilly, entering his third year as Chestnut Hill College's cross country coach, says, "We want to be one of the best distance running programs around." Reilly added that: "I took the job with the goal of starting a track and field team. Or else I didn't think we'd be successful with cross country."

Now as the head track and field coach, Reilly is excited to see how the program will blossom and succeed in the near future.

While building a stronger cross country team is the primary goal, Coach Riley hopes to have an all-around strong team. "We also hope to have very competitive jumping and sprinting programs as well," Coach Reilly said. By the 2013-2014 seasons, Reilly is planning on bringing in a sprinting and jumping coach to cater to the athletes interested.

With the addition of a track and field team, Chestnut Hill College hopes to bring in more talented prospects in bigger numbers. The team will be competing in the Collegiate Track Conference and hopes to be up to par with the other Colleges. Reilly as well as the athletes have high hopes for the program and aspire to be one of the top schools.

If anyone is interested in becoming a part of the team do not hesitate to e-mail Coach Reilly at ReillyP@chc.edu.