Student Art Commissioned for Permanent Installation

On October 24, the artwork of 14 students was permanently installed in the Cecil W. Robbins Library. These works of art were specially commissioned by the College from the students of Professor Will Hinton’s Foundation Drawing class. At the reception, Dr. La Branche and Dr. Eck presented each student artist with a $25 commission check for their color wheels.

You can view the vibrant, poignant, and personal results of this project, along with a revealing description by each artist, via a digital gallery on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/LouisburgCollege.

Remember that video contest we mentioned in last week’s Mid.Week.Message? Louisburg College has been chosen as a finalist in this national contest, and we need you to VOTE to help our students win the #1 spot! (No sign-up required; simply click “Vote Now” under the Louisburg entry.) Vote by the end of Thursday, November 1 at http://promoshq.wildfireapp.com/website/6contests/255105/voteable_entries.
The Plan for Louisburg College

Functional Team Update: Student Support Programs
By Jason Modlin, Vice President for Student Life

The student support programs functional team has finalized our guiding questions, has conducted a literature review, has completed a best practices report and has completed an assessment of the College’s strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats related to student support issues. The team’s guiding questions include:

1. What student support services (academic, non-academic, and co-curricular) currently exist at Louisburg College that are successful in supporting our students?
2. What are the student support service (academic, non-academic, and co-curricular) best practices that Louisburg College should consider adopting?
3. What student support services additions, enhancements, or improvements are needed to support students and ensure their success?
4. What student life programs and social experiences can be developed or enhanced to foster success in college?

Some of the best practices at other institutions that we’ve found so far include learning communities, paired courses, bridge programs, structured pathways to graduation, and trained peer tutor programs. The team continues to review literature and institutional websites for additional ideas on how we can continually improve our support for students.
Athletics

Men’s Basketball
The #4 men’s basketball team wrapped up a successful preseason last week, and will kick things into high gear as they open up their regular season Thursday when they host Vance Granville Community College. LC will also host the Coca Cola Classic on the weekend, with the Hurricanes playing games on Saturday (Southside Virginia Community College) and Sunday (Germanna Community College).

Women’s Basketball
The #3 Lady ’Canes also wrapped up a successful preseason last week. LC will open up regular season play on Friday when they host the Pizza Hut Classic in the Taylor Center. The Hurricanes will take on Frederick Community College Friday night and Florida State College at Jacksonville Saturday afternoon.

Football
The #15 football team ran into a very strong #5 Nassau Community College this past Saturday afternoon. The ’Canes had some solid individual performances but were downed 45-6 in the road Northeast Football Conference game.

Patrick McElveen (Greenville, SC) and Stephen Williams (Reidsville, NC) led the Hurricane defense as McElveen had seven solo tackles, all for losses, while Williams had a team high nine solo tackles.

Men’s Golf
The Louisburg golf team hosted their fourth and final home event of the fall where they bested Chowan University by 35 strokes. Sophomores Juan Fernandez (Panama City, Panama) and Ty Niday (Lexington, NC) tied with freshman golfer Sumner Tate (Raleigh, NC) with a low score of 79 at The River Golf & Country Club at Lake Royale.

Men’s Soccer
The #4 Hurricanes men’s soccer team had a busy week that was capped off with a Region X Tournament championship. LC defeated USC Lancaster (14-0), Wake Tech CC (3-1) and Spartanburg Methodist College (7-3) and upped their season record to 18-0.

With the regional title the ’Canes qualify for the NJCAA National Championship Tournament held November 12-17 in Albany, Georgia where Region X Most Valuable Player, Rene Legien (Hamelin, Germany), will lead the ’Canes on a bid for a national title.

Women’s Soccer
The Lady ‘Canes soccer team also earned a Region X title as they too won three playoff games last week. In opening round play, the Hurricanes dominated Wake Tech Community College (5-0) then traveled to Spartanburg, SC to defeat Spartanburg Methodist College in penalty kicks (4-2) and #16 Cape Fear Community College in double overtime (1-0).

Region X MVP Jessica Scales (Roanoke Rapids, NC) and her teammates will host the District L Championship this Saturday at 11:00am where they will play the Region 20 champions, Community College of Baltimore County – Essex. The winner of this Saturday’s home game will advance to the 2012 NJCAA Women’s Soccer National Championship in Melbourne, Florida, November 12-17.

Volleyball
Volleyball finished their regular season with a split as they were downed (1-3) by Pitt Community College, but they bounced back to close out 2012 with a 3-0 blanking of Brunswick Community College in the Taylor Center.

The seventh-seeded Lady ’Canes opened up the Region X Tournament Monday night in Louisburg with their best-of-five win against tenth seed Brunswick Community College. LC hits the road this weekend for the tournament quarterfinals in Supply, NC, where they will take on second seed Cape Fear Community College on November 2.

Kudos for Our Award-Winning Dining Staff
Congratulations to Rob Hudson (pictured above), Chartwells Production Manager at Duke Dining Hall, for his wins at the Siren 2 Cook-Off Contest! Rob, sponsored by the College and competing on the Epsom Volunteer Fire Department team, won First Place for his sauce and Third Place for his barbecue chicken. The cook-off is an event of the United Way of Franklin County.

Save Big Money and Support the Arts at Louisburg College
The Louisburg College Drama Club has teamed up with Belk stores to raise money to clean and repair the Norris Theatre.

How You Can Help:
1) Buy a $5.00 ticket from the Louisburg College Drama Club
2) Shop at Belk on Saturday, November 3rd, between 6:00 and 10:00am
3) Get your $5 plus up to 75% off your purchase
4) The first 100 customers on November 3rd get a free gift card!

All of the proceeds from the Belk Charity Days tickets sold by the drama club go directly to Louisburg College.

Purchase Tickets From:
• The Students Event Office in the Jordan Student Life Center
• Louisburg College Business Office in Main
• Jessica Anest’s office (Taft 112) or Mr. Hurst’s office (Taft 219)
• The Box Office at the Seby Jones Performing Arts Center

[3] Celebrating 225 Years of Building Strong Foundations for Great Futures
Upcoming College Visits to UNC-G, ECU, NCSU

Parents and instructors, encourage your students to be on the lookout for LC-sponsored visits to their four-year college or university of choice! Students should contact our Great Futures Coach, Marla Peoples, to sign up (919.497.3333 or mpeoples@louisburg.edu).

UNC Greensboro
Wednesday, November 7
Van leaves from Main Building at 12:45

East Carolina University
Thursday, November 15
Van leaves from Main Building at 12:15

NC State
Friday, November 16
Van leaves from Main Building at 12:45

LC Runs the Race

The Lady ‘Canes softball team – along with their coach Don Stopa, VP for Academic Life Jim Eck and his wife Wendi, and President Mark La Branche – participated in the Grace Haven 5K Rock ‘n’ Run in Youngsville this past weekend. The event benefited Safe Space, Inc., a non-profit organization helping families to break the cycle of domestic violence in the Franklin County area.

We Want to Hear from YOU!

To have your news included in the next Mid.Week.Message, please email your submission by Monday at 5PM to: Melinda McKee, Director of Communications and Marketing, mmckee@louisburg.edu.

SADD Encourages Wise Decisions

Last week, students benefited from an alcohol awareness program led by Jim Matthews, Special Assistant to the Vice President for Alcohol and Other Drug Programs at Keene State College in New Hampshire. The program addressed misperceptions about alcohol and its usage, and featured real-time, text message-based polls that kept students engaged.

Out in the lobby of the Seby B. Jones Performing Arts Center, an artistic display was set up by our SADD chapter depicting alcohol-related traffic accidents in each state.

If you are interested in participating in SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions), please contact Fonda Porter at fporter@louisburg.edu.