A major effort to establish a campus master plan is in progress under the guidance of the Facilities Task Force (FTF) as part of the Master Planning Steering Committee, a subcommittee of Calvin’s Planning and Priority Committee (PPC). Phil Beezhold, director of the physical plant and co-chair of the FTF along with engineer- ing professor David Wunder, explains the aim of the process is to examine and evaluate Calvin’s buildings and facilities going forward.

The master plan is a look at the future to say, ‘Here is where we are today.’ What are we going to need to change, do better and improve for the future?” said Beezhold. “It basically is taking a look at the circulation, pathways and entrances on campus, as well as the landscaping on campus and student housing. It also will be asking lots of questions, such as what do you like about campus? What don’t you like about campus?

The process of creating a master plan began in late May when Calvin sent out a request for proposal to 19 different architectural consulting groups. This group was narrowed down to four before the task force appointed Ayers Saint Gross in late June.

In July and August, the college provided an overview of relevant documents with information on student activities, faculty, staff, facilities, sustainability and campus planning. The consulting team will meet with the board of trustees during their October 24 meeting after bringing back ideas to the faculty. Student senate will be the first of the focus groups to be meeting with the team.

“Student senate will then name other students that would be important to be part of process. What we are trying to do is get as much feedback as possible from faculty, staff, students and alumni,” said Beezhold.

An important outcome of the master plan aims to tackle questions that could seek to revamp the campus as a whole.

“My hope is that we get answers to questions like the effective use of existing space, what kind of things can we do to enhance our classroom and teaching spaces, do we need a student union and if so where will it go and what will it look like?” said Beezhold. “We also need to look at the various departments on campus and more suitable spaces for the Calvin Center for Innovation in Business.”

Among the questions the master plan aims to answer, the future of the Hekman Library. Beezhold says some people have raised ques- tions about whether the library is an effective use of space with a high percentage of books going unused.

“The new concept today for libraries is called information centers,” said Beezhold. “A lot of people use computers or technology more than paper books. So the question is what is the future of Calvin’s library and how will students use the library?”

As part of the process, the consulting group will receive base information on library data, including most recent library volume statistics, total number of volumes by type, the number of study stations and projections for how many book volumes will be added per year.

In a letter to be sent to stu- dents, President Michael Le Roy explains “a thorough master plan does not start from scratch, or happen in a vacuum; rather, it should flow from the historical development of the Knollcrest campus and from the mission, which we as a community reaffirmed in the strategic plan.”

The planning process for the master plan finds its roots in the Calvin 2019 Strategic Plan, which includes an objective to “develop and imple- ment a comprehensive campus master plan that prepares fully for key college needs and their long-term sustainability requirements.”

Calvin recognized as top school for undergraduate research

Calvin has been recognized by the U.S. News and World Report as a top liberal arts college and an institution with top-notch undergraduate research programs.

In this year’s rankings, Calvin is one of 32 colleges and universi- ties nationwide receiving special recognition under the category of undergraduate research and creativity.

This past spring, college presi- dents, chief academic officers, deans of students and deans of admissions from across the country were encouraged to nominate institutions they felt had stellar examples of research programs, among other cate- gories. Other institutions recog- nized for their undergraduate research include Yale, Harvard and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

“The recognition from U.S. News and World Report is a tremendous affirmation of the strong undergraduate research programs at Calvin and the sup- port of the Calvin administration to sustain these programs,” said chemistry professor Eric Arnoys, who worked with several students this summer in research involving membrane proteins.

Calvin offers research opportun- ities, both during the summer and year-round, to students in a diverse range of fields includ- ing biology, chemistry, mathematics, astronomy, speech pathology and the social sciences.

Kelley Veldkamp, a senior chemistry major, had the opportunity to do research in her depart- ment for two summers. Alongside Professor DeJong, she studied the bacteria and viruses found in the digestive sys- tems of snails, with the po- tential that these findings could be translated into better understanding of human digestion.

She said that the chance to work closely with a professor was “invaluable,” and that the indepen- dent aspects of the re- search helped to build skills and gain confidence.

“It forces you to take learning into your own hands,” she said.

Senior Monica Langeland expressed similar feelings about the research program, emphasizing the importance of hands-on work outside of the classroom. When studying the effects of pollution on Michigan waterbirds with other Calvin students, she says, “I was able to explore a field of science that wasn’t covered in any classes I’d taken.”

Not only is research a valuable learning experience for students, but it often provides students with a chance to take their findings beyond Calvin, making presenta- tion about their research in other academic settings.

“Students work as collabora- tors with faculty, pushing the boundaries of science in proj- ects that will be useful to schol- ars outside of Calvin,” explained Arnoys, also citing the fact that some students co-author as many as five aca- demic papers during their time at Calvin.

Arnoys points out that the quality of the research programs at Calvin has also been recognized by agen- cies that provide funding for research, such as the National Institutes of Health, American Cancer Society and the Dreyfus Foundation.

“In a highly competitive en- vironment when funding is rare, my colleagues continue to secure grant funding - nearly $5 million in the last five years - to support undergraduate research,” Veldkamp agreed, saying, “For Calvin’s being the size that it is, we have incredible research opportunities.”

She added that the open- ended nature of research was one of her favorite aspects of the experience.

“Students don’t know what the answer’s gonna be, and your professor doesn’t know what the answer’s gonna be,” she said. “That’s what’s exciting.”
Beets-Veenen dominates 45th Annual Chaos Day

In a major comeback after Grand Rapids’ annual Celebration on the Grand was moved to the Fourth of July weekend. As a result, weekend programming approached residency life to fill the then-vacant Friday night activity slot for the first week of classes. “It’s always a risk to change tradition,” said John Witte, dean of residence life. “We had talked about having a Friday night Chaos Day in the past, and the precedent of the last two years was indoors because the weather was sketchy, so we said, ‘Let’s try it!’”

The new date and time also aimed to get more students to participate. “It’s a good option for students who had conflicts Saturday morning with work, or just didn’t want to get up early. We can all ways change it back if needed,” said Witte.

However, one downside of the change, to the dismay of free-loading upperclassmen, was the diminution of the annual Chaos Day cookout. “Each hall went back to doing its own social event [instead],” said Witte. For sophomore Caroline Ray, some unique aspects of holding Chaos Day in the morning were missing. “I liked last year when they woke us up; it was chaotic,” said Ray.

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Work Study offers student opportunities

BY LAURA SHEPPARD
Campus News Co-Editor

Approximately 1600 Calvin students are eligible for a program that few know exist: the Federal Work Study program, which provides low-income college students with employment opportunities through the Work Study program.

The money Calvin receives from the government for Work Study can be used to pay eligible students to work on or off campus, but at least 7 percent of the funds must be allocated to students who are part of the Federal Work Study program and are enrolled in courses or who are involved in community service work as tutors at nonprofit organizations.

About 25 organizations currently partner with Calvin to hire students in the Work Study program, and Hollebeek says she helps students find work for many partners. Students can work as administrative assistants, accountants, interns, reading tutors or publicity writers, among other positions.

According to Hollebeek, the Work Study program is beneficial for all those involved. “Calvin students not only use the money for money,” said Hollebeek. “It’s a great way to learn about the world of nonprofits. This is a good fit for Calvin students, she says, because “Calvin’s mission is for students to be God’s hands and feet in God’s world.” In this way, students who work with nonprofits are engaging in work that is a “support” to the community.

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BY KATE PARSONS
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This summer, after six years of heart problems, Calvin alumnus and friend Stephen Okeyo paddled away from the bank of Calvin, washed in seven major surgeries, including a heart transplant, leaving at Calvin. But despite the frequent hospital visits, his friends and family do not remember Stephen for being sick, but for his quiet, passionate faith in God.

“At his funeral everyone said they would remember him for his smile. It’s not something you’d think of for someone who’s had as many cardiac arrests as he had, and a heart transplant, and how other relatives had with that. That’s crazy because for some of us who don’t face health challenges, we find it hard to smile,” said Jona Eigege, a friend of Okeyo.

When Stephen came to Calvin College as an international student from Kenya in 2007, Eigege said his biggest worries were whether he would like the food, understand the culture, or fit in with his dorm. No one predicted his week away would see him utility to Cleveland for major heart surgery during his second semester. After a traumatic procedure, during which he went into cardiac arrest and had to have his heart restarted, he faced months of rehabilitation. His improvement, many believed, was a miracle. In 2011 he returned to Calvin, supported by many friends and continued to succeed.

It was during his first hos- pitalization that Calvin assoc- iate chaplain Nate Bradford met Stephen. As he coordi- nated student groups for students to visit Okeyo, Bradford was impressed by the soft-spoken student.

“He had a quiet side,” he said. “My question is, how do you do it? I mean, do you ever have a bad day?”

But it was his sense of joy that united them by just looking at him, you could tell that his faith was for him, “It just flowed out of him. There was no and on off switch.”

Okeyo came back to campus in 2010, he came with a sign of a significant point in his life,” said in an interview with Calvin News and Stories. He simply caused me to seek God in a deeper way.”

According to Mefer, Stephen came to him after the surgery and said, “God has given me a new life, a new home, and I have a new perspective.” After this experience, Stephen began reconsidering his plans for a busi- ness-economics career towards ministry and eventually applying to Asbury Theological Seminary, where he was to begin fall.

Much of this new focus came from something that happened to him during the moments dur- ing his first surgery in which he could not feel. He said, “I spoke sparsely about my experience, afraid it would sound “too crazy.” But Okeyo then con- vinced him not to worry about the story be shared.

In the moments before being shocked back to life, Bradford said, “He was living in the presence of God in ways that I just don’t see, that I don’t even think, that I don’t even understand, and I think that very much I think that very much.”

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“I know that Stephen prayed a lot for Calvin College,” said Eigege. “When Regis night start- ed, he was heavily involved on the calorie intake...”

BY LAURA SHEPPARD
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Campus garden expands in first season

BY EMILY COLE
On-Call Writer

Following the approval of the new Calvin community garden last spring, the plot, located be- hind the Spiedel Fieldhouse on Hampshire Street, has experi- enced a flurry of growth.

The new garden had some hurdles to jump over in its first season, including a late start due to the cold winter, late approval of the project as well as the time, energy and construction neces- sary to turn a grassy backyard into a fenced-in garden.

Sunshine Cahill, one of the student garden managers, ex- plains that when they initially started the project, the college was con- cerned about the garden, especially the new connection with the dining hall and getting students connected with where their food is coming from.

Currently, the dining hall is only receiving handfuls of salad greens and other produce, but the vision for next year is to create a more regular stream of garden contributions.

Once we start bigger pro- duction next year we’ll be able to supply the dining hall with a sizable quantity of what they rigation systems and in successive years an operational geo- thermal system will help the roof-top produce healthful leafy greens year around.

Students in Dornbos’ biology 123 and 364 classes will closely observe the garden this semester, investigating and evaluat- ing soil content and food produc- tion processes focused on ecosystem health.

Those involved with the garden stress involvement in the garden on all levels. Jon Gorter, coordinator of sustainability more who volunteered at the garden often this semester, said: “It’s really important to connect to where your food comes from. You gain a respect for the earth and what you’re eating. You know how much work goes in it.”

Over the summer, a number of students took part in garden care, but garden leaders hope to see greater student involvement this semester.

“Spend at least a bit of time in the garden. It’s really cool that it’s started by students and that something that big can come out of a little bit of investment and dedication,” said Gorter.

Students interested in the garden are welcome to meet at the garden at 3:00 p.m. every Friday, weather permitting. It is for students to be God’s hands and feet in God’s world.” In this way, students who work with nonprofits are engaging in work that is a “support” to the community.

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Grand Rapids faces problems with panhandling

Both city and citizens voice their opinions on potential anti-panhandling laws in Grand Rapids

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Local News Editor

On the corner of East Paris and 28th Street in Grand Rapids is a woman named Gene. She holds up a long sign explaining that she is a mother of two boys and homeless, while working a part time job. But her goal is having a full time job, which she can't get because she lost her ID and birth certificate when her truck was stolen.

At the end of her message she writes, “We apologize for resorting to this.”

Every big American city has its panhandlers — people who beg for money on the street. They stand on street corners and on medians with their cardboard signs that explain their situation in hopes you will spare them a few dollars. There has been a recent push to get rid of this practice in west Michigan.

In 2008, Michigan passed a law criminalizing peaceful panhandling. The state was concerned about safety, traffic and fraud.

Gene is aware of panhandling politics going on in Grand Rapids.

“I think people should have freedom of speech,” she says. “I don’t think everybody does it for the right reasons but you’re going to find that with anything.”

She explains how difficult it is to go out and ask for money.

“I don’t enjoy getting up and doing this,” Gene explained. “If I didn’t, we would literally be outside.”

Many panhandlers were arrested while the law was in effect from January 2008 to May 2011. Among those arrested were James Speet and Ernest Sims. With the help of the American Civil Liberties Union, Speet and Sims sued the city of Grand Rapids and won on the grounds that it violated the first amendment. But the ruling was appealed. The city and state stressed its concerns about safety and fraud.

The appellate court upheld the original ruling. Broke Martin Jr. explained his reasoning in a 17-page ruling. “Because it prohibits a substantial amount of solicitation, an activity that the first amendment protects, but allows other solicitation based on content,” Martin wrote.

This past May, the issue arose again. Grand Rapids city officials proposed to restrict panhandling by making it illegal to ask for money from motorists, along with other restrictions that included minimum distances from ATMs and bus stops.

But the ban failed when city commissioners came to a tie vote in June and no restrictions were made.

Since then, the residents of west Michigan have been pushing for an end to panhandling in the state. A Facebook group called “West Michigan Hardy Homeless Panhandlers” formed and currently has over 4,000 members.

The group’s mission statement is written in their Facebook page. “Quitting giving to the corner and donate at your local mission to help the real homeless,” the page reads. “Time, money and supplies are needed at all homeless shelters. Do your research and make an educated decision to donate your dollar to an organization that gives back to the community!”

Others argue an anti-panhandling law criminalizes people for being poor and inhibits their right to free speech.

In response to the Facebook group, Gene explains that shelters aren’t a place she wants to take her family because of all the drug and alcohol usage.

“Families do a lot of worse things I could be doing,” Gene said. “I’m not stealing from anybody. I’m not begging or knocking on people’s doors... You choose to help me or you don’t and that’s fine.”

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Gene, “Panhandling”
2014 Fall TV has plenty to offer in comedy and drama

**“Gotham,” “Mulaney” and “A to Z” among most anticipated shows for fall**

**BY CHRISTIAN BECKER**

**Arts & Entertainment Editor**

Fall is an exciting time of the year for fans of television because it's the season with the most show premieres. A gag batch of new shows is set to premiere every year in September and October, but not all can survive. A new show needs to go above and beyond in the ratings to announce its chances of making it past its first season. For every show that does arrive, there are some promising freshmen shows worth tuning in to.

Networks are trying hard to push their comedies this season. One of NBC's biggest players is a new couples comedy “Marry Me,” put together by the talent behind the hit “Happy Endings,” Ken Marino and former SNL star Casey Wilson star in this new comedy as a couple who seem perfect on the surface, yet can't seem to make it to the next step of their relationship. It sounds average, but the talent in front of and behind the camera should be enough to help the simple sounding comedy stay afloat.

Another show that sounds average is a TV version of the hit indie film “(500) Days of Summer.” If it stays afloat, the show will probably be compared to the hit show “How I Met Your Mother.” The series is being compared to the everyday struggles of living as a young boy moving in next door to the everygirl (you guessed it: engagement).

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The festival screened a marathon of Murray's most iconic films, including “Stripes,” “Groundhog Day” and “Ghostbusters.” Christian Becker, “Bill Murray Day”

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The Internet can take away from fans the experience of seeing films from different media platforms. Becoming a part of the conversations, fans know when to expect new singles and albums from their favorite artists sometimes a year in advance and the element of surprise is basically gone.

U2 broke that trend this Tuesday by releasing their newest album. “Songs of Innocence,” exclusive to iTunes for free. Much like the most recent single pulled back in December with the release of her surprise album, the band gave no warning of the drop of these new songs. There had been talk of a new album ever since the band released their single “Invisible (Red) in February, but no official date had ever been set.

In addition to unveiling the iPhone 6 and Apple Watch, Apple got exclusive first rights to Apple Watch, Apple got exclusive first rights to the band's new album ever since. There had been talk of the release of her surprise album, “Songs of Innocence” now makes fans believe you have over half a billion subscribers to iTunes, so could you get it to them? Within moments, the album listening through, you can tell what the gifted musician is talking about. From the acoustic melody “Songs for Someone,” to the fast-paced “Volcano,” the band has created a string of songs more reminiscent of previous albums of theirs, such as “All That You Can’t Leave Behind” and “How To Dismantle An Atomic Bomb.”

The second half sounds like a looser, a little more expansive...and a lot more Danger Mouse. “Songs of Innocence” is only available in a digital format now, the physical album will be in stores on October 13 and will include all of additional content not included on the iTunes version.

Critics are already weighing in on the band’s latest efforts, calling it a step up from 2009’s subpar “No Line on the Horizon.” It's easy to split the album roughly into halves, with the first half-dozen or so songs feeling like Classic U2 in the give-the-people-what-they-want mold. The second half sounds like a looser, a little more expansive...and a lot more Danger Mouse,” wrote Yahoo music critic Chris Williams.

Bonob and company clearly compiled a set of songs with the intention of reaching as many people as possible.” Only time will tell if the success of this strategy, but the accessibility of “Songs of Innocence” will no doubt result in wide listening by both lifelong fans of U2’s work and first-time listeners alike.

**“A to Z,”** a romantic comedy that chronicles a relationship from beginning to end between Andrew and Zelda (“How I Met Your Mother’s” Cristin Milioti). This series is being compared to a TV version of the hit indie film “(500) Days of Summer.” If it sounds average, yet has a lot going for it is within seconds of the song’s release strategy. The question is now how do we get it to as many people as possible?” stated Bono, “because that’s what our band is all about. If you do believe you have over half a billion subscribers to iTunes, so could you get it to them?

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A Brief History of Calvin’s Largest Dorm Competition

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45 YEARS OF CHAOS

“Seize the day, Knights, make your lives extraordinary.”

Indeed, Chaos Day is now one of the most celebrated traditions shared by the Calvin student body, though it has undergone some significant changes throughout the years. John Witte, dean of residence life, related how “the games used to be announced ahead of time and the dorms were able to practice. But then it became high pressure and unless you were athletic you really couldn’t participate.” So they began to add random events.

“It went so well that in two or three years, no one knew what games would be played, except for the tug of war,” Witte said.

In fact, tug-of-war is the only event on which students can depend any given Chaos Day. When asked about this, Witte laughed and responded, “We paid a lot of money for the rope.”

But beyond dorm pride, Chaos Day has been the springboard for connections that last far beyond September and even beyond graduation.

“I could lengthen my list of relationships that still exist because of dorm camaraderie,” said alum Rachel Cooper-Aupperlee, ’92. “Chaos Day certainly started that sticking process.”

Aupperlee didn’t remember the exact events she competed in, but many of the changes made to Chaos Day came from trial and error. Witte reflected fondly on the many escarpades and injuries inherent in the enthusiasm of several hundred 18-20-year-olds in one place. “I’ve seen plenty of injuries,” said Witte. “They go from blisters to concussions. One year we played a game where we drew a big circle and 25 students from every hall stood around it and had an area where they could get to. Seventimes 25 equals mass collisions, especially when some halls decided, ‘let’s tackle other teams so they can’t get across. It turned out badly, and we didn’t do it again.’”

In 2004, student Miriam Maring questioned in a Chimes article: “Who came up with the idea to stick four people in an inner tube and make them run down the field with a volleyball between them?” We haven’t seen that game in a couple years.

While the events of Chaos Day differ from year to year, the attitude of dorm pride is always strong as the cheers that rang out over the din last Friday night. “Ultimately, the fun for Chaos Day is the love for your hall that draws out everything else. It’s the only time students feel that proud about the name of their hall and see everyone else as the enemy,” Witte joked.

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Cross Country to host 21 teams at Knight Invite

BY BRIAN EXNER Sports Editor

Twenty-one cross country teams will be competing this Saturday at the Gaineys Athletic Complex in the first official meet of the season for the Calvin Knights. Last year, the Calvin men took third place behind two top-of-the-line NAIA programs, while the women took first by 61 points.

For best team results, the Calvin Volleyball wins 20 straight sets and remains undefeated

BY BRIAN EXNER Sports Editor

Calvin Knight’s Volleyball, which was ranked number one in the nation in a preseason poll, won 20 straight sets from August 29 to September 6; six of those wins occurred this past weekend in Illinois.

The ranking came after winning a national championship, but the team is not allowing last year’s victories to make them complacent. "What happened last year was so incredible, but it’s in the past, and it’s a new year with new goals to accomplish. We have a new team so we were discovering what running alongside them. It is the motivation you need to keep going."

Several other runners agreed with her sentiments, especially sophomore Cassie Vince, who took second last year in the women’s 5k with a time of 17:45.8.

Seniors of the men’s team, Josh Ferguson, said it is the basic level of hard work and training that excites him about the sport. Ferguson finished second among the Calvin men and 7th overall in the men’s 8k with a time of 25:58.8.

For the men, sophomore Zach Nowicki finished with the best time of the team at 25:15.3 and placed seventh overall. His motivation is to be "the guy on the bench that helps drive me in races and on workouts."

"The most exciting thing overall is watching the team come together and grow more unified throughout a season," added Ferguson.

This weekend’s meet is especially exciting for the rest of the runners, since it is on Calvin’s campus. They also noted that the course is very spectator-friendly. The team is looking forward to having the support of the Calvin student body behind them Saturday. The meet begins at 10:00 a.m.

Souders was pleased with his players' arrival and how they "kept it together" throughout the entire weekend.

Notable Athletic Team Results From the Past Week

September 6

Calvin Men’s Golf: 3rd Place - MIAA Tournament at Alma (Pine River CC)
Calvin Women’s Golf: 9th place - Olivet College Invitational (Medalist GC)

September 8

Women’s Soccer vs. Alma: Calvin 1 Alma 2

September 9

Calvin Men’s Golf: 8th place - North Central Invitational (Springbrook GC)

September 10

Volleyball at Kalamazoo: Calvin 3 Kalamazoo 1
Calvin introduces uniFLOW to increase ease, reduce waste

WebPrint's replacement prompts questions and excitement from students and faculty

By Hayley Cox
Features Co-Editor

This summer Calvin's information technology department (CIT) introduced a new printing system, uniFLOW, which offers benefits and frustration for students and faculty alike.

According to Michael Mandeville, head of student technology services, the complete overhaul of Calvin's printing system only took two years in the making.

"When WebPrint," he said, "the first year it was hardly used. Then the second year it was the most used [service]. By the third year, we had outgrown WebPrint's capacity."

There were many annoyances with WebPrint, which most students considered as one shot or another. Sometimes students would go to a printer and only discover afterward that the printer was out of toner. Some students never picked up their papers, which led to paper waste. Or if a student was queued far behind, they might send it to multiple printers, resulting in a system and contributing to further paper waste.

"We had outgrown the infrastructure," said Mandeville. "uniflow is no different in that relationship. There is less paper waste."

The philosophy behind the new system is called "follow me printing," or as Mandeville explained, "print to anywhere from anywhere."

"This will be the biggest mind-set change," said Mandeville. "If there's a long line at one printer, you can just go upstairs to another one. Students already get their print from department printers without charging the department because students have to swipe their id cards. After that, students need only swipe their cards — magnetic strip facing self — and the printer is an item stored document then and there.

One of the potential drawbacks of uniFLOW affects professors, who now have to carry around their own id to print. "Otherwise professors can choose to set a pin," Mandeville explained. "Also, because the printing system is so personalized, departmental employees will now be able to see who prints the most."

"I do think it saves paper," said junior Kayla Scholten, "but I don't think it's any easier.""n

Scholten went on to explain that uniFLOW has never contacted with her student Gmail, no matter what she has tried, she can only print directly to specific printers from her general Gmail. "Junior Sandra Sfardos has had mixed feelings about uniFLOW, commenting: "it's a good thing for the future."

Fifth-year student Lauren Cremenle likes the new system best. "Being able to get a print anywhere on campus, to the HelpDesk, is when there are issues either with Cloud Print or something else that may or may not be related to the uniFLOW system."

"If there is a question, issue, or concern, it should always be reported to the HelpDesk."

"The main issues we've been having," continued Mandeville, "is when there are issues with uniFLOW."

We have not yet seen a case for any of our students printing via Google Cloud Print or uniFLOW when the system has not been working."

For those seeking answers or assistance uniFLOW questions, or issues, the HelpDesk can be contacted at x6-8555 or helpdesk@calvin.edu.

ALS has been challenging researchers for decades

The popular challenge is just a drop in the bucket to decades of ALS research

By Natasha Strydhorst
So- Tech Editor

The viral "ice bucket chal- lenge," pervasive on social media for the past few months represents only a fraction of time compared to the decades-long research of Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) conditioned to date. Even so, the condition remains poorly understood.

Commonly known as Lou Gehrig's disease, ALS is a degenerative motor neuron disease and is grouped with such neurogenerative conditions as Parkinson's disease and Alzheimer's disease. ALS is a debilitative condition; patients in its advanced stages struggle with degenerating conditions seemingly as simple as opening a paper or even scrolling through a web page.

ALS patients experience a progressive loss of voluntary muscle movement due to the weakening and death of motor nerves, which control muscles and spine cord. The communicative fibers in the nervous system, voluntary muscle cells atrophy (waste away) and progressively lose functionality.

In the latest stages of the disease, a patient's brain is unable to initiate or control muscle movement, and he or she is dependent on ventilator support to breathe. ALS patients maintain the ability to see, hear, taste, smell and sense physical touch, and the mobility of eye muscles is unaffected. A patient's intelligence is likewise unimpaired as the disease progresses, though the ability to speak is compromised. The ALS Association reports that life expectancy ranges from two to five years following diagnosis.

The cause or causes of ALS remain unknown, but the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS) reports that over a dozen genetic mutations have been linked to the disorder, and any one of these might point to a possible cause.

What research has uncovered is that ALS, though rare (affecting 3.5 individuals per 100,000 U.S. population, according to NINDS), is one of the most common neuromuscular diseases around the world. There have been cases in every race and ethnic group, but ALS is most commonly experienced by individuals between the ages of 40 and 69. Only about 5 to 10 percent of diagnoses are familial, according to NINDS. Of these, about a third have been linked to a defect in the gene C9orf72, or chromosome 9 open reading frame 72) whose function remains unidentified.

As far as a cure or even treatment for ALS goes, scientists are still largely in the dark. The primary avenue of research is build- ing an understanding of what causes ALS to begin in the first place. It's still largely a mystery. Potential therapies are another component of ALS research; research investigations currently focus on drugs, gene therapies, and cell-based treatments. The most advanced form of treatment in drug therapy, according to NINDS, was the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval of the first drug treatment for ALS specifically in 1995. Riluzole, or Rilutek, is suggested to decrease neuron damage, and clinical trials of the drug have shown it may increase a patient's life expectancy by up to a few months.

Grand Rapids' Van Andel Institute, a research facility established in 1996, has had a Center for Neuro-degenerative Science since 2011. That same year, according to Verge magazine, Allison Schepers (then a Calvin College senior) worked in the VAI as an intern studying ALS. The VAI expanded this past March with the hire of two specialists in the field of neuro-degenerative disorders.
Ali Abunima speaks at Calvin on injustice in Gaza

Abunima mourns death and destruction in Gaza following Israel bombings and calls for action

BY KATLYN BOSCH
Religion Editor

Ali Abunima, a renowned activist and author, spoke in the chapel undercroft about Gaza’s plea for help on Monday, Sept. 9. Abunima is the author of “One Country” and “Battle for Justice in Palestine” and co-founder and executive director of The Electronic Intifada, an online publication that serves to advocate for Palestine.

Abunima began by showing pictures and videos of the destruction that has occurred in Gaza since the bombings first started. History professor Douglas Howard is a board member of Healing Children conflict and the faculty mentor for the Middle Eastern club at Calvin. He served as MC for the event.

Howard said that the pictures were quite powerful: “(Abunima) is an effective speaker, the material was very sad.” Abunima spoke with remorse for the lives lost and the destruction that has occurred since the siege in 2007 and the more recent bombings. One in 1,000 people were killed in span of 51 days. The bombings of Gaza from Israel have recently drawn significant attention to the issue, however, Abunima also spoke about the injustices that Gaza has been facing since the siege in 2007.

This has only gotten worse with the bombings as factories and homes have been targeted, and no food is coming in. This means food and other essentials are scarce.

According to Howard, Israel is a hot topic for debate in the U.S. “When you bring Israel up people start yelling at each other. You can get a caricature view,” he said.

But for Abunima, the issue is clear. Israel put a siege on Gaza and bombed civilians. A condition of the ceasefire was that Israel would open the siege, but they have not.

“This ceasefire agreement will not hold if Israel does not open crossroads, and right now there is no pressure on Israel,” he said.

Abunima emphasized the pain of the people. They have faced uncertainty everyday and severe displacement as many homes were destroyed.

“It is a prison. A physical prison, but also a mental and psychological prison,” he said.

Abunima ended his speech with an appeal to boycott services and products that are enabling Israel, including Caterpillar and Motorola.

Howard encouraged anyone who wants to learn more to look up Abunima’s site at http://electronicintifada.net/.

Additionally, there will be a screening of the film “We All Live in Gaza” by Maurice Jacobson on Thursday, Sept. 18 in the Covenant Fine Arts Center. The film will be shown in preparation for a corresponding exhibit in ArtPrize.

Calvin professors describe ISIS and implications

BY KATLYN BOSCH
Religion Editor

The Islamic State of Iraq and Syria, or ISIS, has recently received much of the news about ISIS. Howard stressed the militant Islamic law,” he said. “They believe that previous attempts to beheadings of journalists have been “forgone conclusion.”

According to Howard, ISIS is the result of the “long picture.” ISIS is one of the “long picture.” ISIS is one of the motives are.”

However, Westra questioned whether this attention is warranted. “All the things they have done have forced people around the world to pay attention. Now whether that attention is appropriately directed is another question,” Westra said.

Professor Howard stressed the necessity of viewing ISIS in terms of the “long picture.” ISIS is one group that stems from the original weakening of the Iraqi government in 1991 and the second Iraq war beginning in 2003 that led to the complete overthrow of the Iraqi government.

To me, it’s easy to get lost in the details of this episode when it is part of the longer war in Iraq,” Howard said.

Both Howard and Westra say it is important to be well informed about ISIS.

“We need to understand what the goal is in order to assess more clearly what sort of response is appropriate... much of the news coverage has just been focused on the violence,” Westra said.

Westra believes that with the additional U.S. involvement is a mistake.

According to Howard, ISIS has caused much suffering and violence in effort to reach their goals. “That man who lost his life, it’s sad,” he said in reference to American Journalist James Foley being beheaded.

Westra agreed the political goals of ISIS have caused suffering and even persecution. “It certainly is the case that religious groups are being persecuted,” he said.

“It is essential for Christians to pay attention to this because ISIS is inflicting a lot of pain and suffering on people’s lives.”

Language Chapel Schedule

German Chapel: Every Tuesday
-Chapel Undercroft Choir Room
Spanish Chapel: Every Tuesday
-Meeter Center Lecture Hall
Dutch Chapel: Wednesday Sept 17, Oct 15, Nov 19
-Chapel 220 (Meditation Chapel)
French Chapel: Wednesday Sept 24, Oct 21, Oct 15, Nov 12, Dec 3
-Meeter Center Lecture Hall

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Dialogue is now accepting submissions for the fall issue. Send poetry, prose, photography, art, or questions to dialogue.submissions@gmail.com.
Ice Bucket Challenge Prompts Giving

BY KATE PARSONS
Campus News Co-editor

I’ll admit: I rolled my eyes when the barrage of videos hit my Facebook feed. It seemed like every other post was about the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge, and I was at first: something to be ‘liked’ and shared and forgotten almost immediately. People were proudly showing their frozen social media — Facebook had even made a post inviting users to share separate videos — people began to take the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge.

The Ice Bucket Challenge, which started as another viral stunt, is the most recent of a wave of fundraising powerhouse for ALS could be dismissed, like one comparison to the 9/11 Memorial and Park Shake of this summer.”

But I still think this is a step in the right direction.

If you’ve watched YouTube in the last three months, you’ve seen the Ice Bucket Challenge, but did you actually know about the ALS Association? The Ice Bucket Challenge deserves praise for capturing the public’s attention, and uniting interest around, a great cause. If you’ve watched the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge videos, you’ve raised $100 million for ALS research since July, an incredible amount for any nonprofit. On an average day, the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge has been viewed over 10 million times, which is hardly surprising. The ALS Association raised approximately $2 million, equivalent of their annual earnings last year. 

Nonprofits struggle to persuade passersby or even capable donations during the best of economic times. But with the Ice Bucket Challenge, the $106 million new donors contributed to the ALS Association, and if my social media, the Ice Bucket Challenge videos have been posted on Facebook — that’s amazing. While the sharing is amazing, one of the most prolific and most politically appealing aspects of the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge was the speed at which buckets bandwagon. The only big ques- tion: What happened at the bottom of Putin or the Pope? 

While it’s great that the campaign was successful, it’s time to take the next step. The ALS Association need to move from social campaigns like the Ice Bucket Challenge to strategies that raise more in-depth awareness, and of the issues than dumping a bucket of ice on your head can.

The Ice Bucket Challenge did not do enough to inform the general public, unlike ALS. The Ice Bucket campaign focused more on its central gimmick and the celebrities involved than the cause itself. While we’ve heard of the Ice Bucket Challenge, a viral stunt, and the ALS Association, you may not have known the ALS Association does, or how you can participate in it.

Building awareness involves more than just saying that a problem exists. It means educating people, having a mission. That is, why their participation in ending the disease matters, and, most importantly, showing people how they can get involved. This is a cause is important, a meaningful, meaningful value than any one time donation. That kind of education doesn’t happen when campaigns don’t move beyond the gimmick. They have to be deep, dense, complete, such as personal invitations to volunteer for and make donations, and helping the ALS Association, as well as in-depth examining the existing research process.

The biggest problem with the Ice Bucket Challenge is the strategy that raised more in-depth awareness. The Ice Bucket Challenge was pushed towards a culture shift towards generosity, but it only pushed far enough. American pop culture, which glorifies individualism, and Hollywood, with the help of the Ice Bucket Challenge to remind people of the ALS research process. We are motivated to donate by altruism is too important to give up the importance. I hope that giving is a zero-sum game. 

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Calvin Community Garden
Photos by James Li