DiChristina Announces Dry Campus for Spring Weekend

AARON CANNON '19 STAFF WRITER

In a follow-up mandate to the announcement this past fall that the parking lot at the end of Vernon Street, frequently used for tailgating before the Homecoming Football Game, would be dry for this year’s game, Dean of Campus Life Joe DiChristina has announced that this year’s Spring Weekend will be completely dry.

“The risks of underage drinking have expanded beyond the College’s control,” DiChristina said in an interview with the Liepod. “Because of that, we decided that the best way to eradicate binge drinking by minors is to ban alcoholic beverages altogether. We’re putting laws and regulations in place to rid the campus of all beverages for the weekend of April 20.”

DiChristina explained that the mandate was originally going only to apply to alcoholic beverages, but after hearing the concerns of Director of Campus Safety Brian Heavren, decided that the best way to reduce student pride, the Dean of Students Office and Trinity Athletics have made a decision to ban dry for non-student residents to the events.

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Joe DiMaggio '20 NEWS EDITOR

President Trump was carried into the Oval Office with anti-immigrant and isolationist declarations. The President promised to revitalize American industry and “Make America Great Again.” Trump and other luminaries are concerned about illegal immigrants swelling over our southern border, but until now there had been little action to combat those troublemakers to our north. Luckily, in a press briefing this week, White House Press Secretary Sean Spicer announced that the United States will be blocking imports of Canada Goose. “It’s ridiculous, they’re costing America jobs and they aren’t even made of geese…” the frequently exasperated White House official exclaimed.

Spicer’s statement was met with a flurry of outrage this week among public declarations. The President’s move has sparked uproar throughout the upper crust of NESCAC is being thrown and chandeliers are being shattered by squash players, as well as the unrest on America’s campuses. The utterance of “It’s ridiculous, they’re costing America jobs and they aren’t even made of geese…” is in fact, from geese. In the past Spicer has attacked cultural icons such as Daft Punk and Dipper Dots. This week’s announcement came as a surprise, neither the president nor his staff are on record opposing the high end Canadian retail brand.

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We Must Fight Administrative Tyranny

I have, myself, full confidence that if all do their duty, if nothing is neglected, and if the best arrangements are made, as they are being made, we shall prove ourselves once again able to defend our Campus home, to ride out the storm of war, and to outlive the menace of tyranny; if necessary for years, if necessary alone. At any rate, that is what we are going to try to do. That is the resolve of Student Government and every man of them. That is the will of IGC and the nation. The North and South Campus, linked together in their cause and in their need, will defend to the death their native soil, aiding each other like good comrades; the utmost of their strength. Even though large tracts of student groups and many famous powers have fallen or may fall into the grip of the Gestapo and all the odious apparatus of Administrative rule, we shall not flag or fail. We shall go on to the end, we shall fight on Vernon, we shall fight on the LSC Quad, we shall fight with growing confidence and growing strength on the Long Walk, we shall defend our Campus; whatever the cost may be, we shall fight on the athletics fields, we shall fight on Fraternity Row, we shall fight in the fields and in the streets, we shall fight in the hills; we shall never surrender, and even if, which I do not for a moment believe, this Campus or a large part of it were subjugated and starving, then our outposts beyond on Allen, armed and guarded by our lawyer parents, would carry on the struggle, until, in God's good time, the influential donor group of times gone by, with all its power and might, steps forth to the rescue and the liberation of the old.

"Never give in. Never give in. Never, never, never—in nothing, great or small, large or petty—never give in, except to convictions of honour and good sense. Never yield to force. Never yield to the apparently overwhelming might of the enemy."

Want to write for the Liepod?

Well, that's too damn bad. Try again next year.

Trinity College
Hartford, Connecticut

You may have come down here to see what our social media is. Maybe you thought that because the Twitter logo and the Facebook icon were here, you would think we had them. But we don't because we don't care about social media.

Corrections
We have no corrections to display this week because we never make mistakes.

Please address all errors and comments to:
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Presidential Tweet Highlights

J. Berger-Sweeney
@JBSweeney

I am on one m. LFG!!! #rollbants #maskoff #hype #fullsend #muck #fredpregame #psiu

J. Berger-Sweeney
@JBSweeney

Soooo hungover this AM, can AD puh-lease keep it down at their darty? #sleepysaturdaze

J. Berger-Sweeney
@JBSweeney

Mather food is so good! I don't know what you kids complain about? #confused

J. Berger-Sweeney
@JBSweeney

Should not have eaten mather yesterday! My stomach is destroyed! I need some banTUMS

*adapted from Winston Churchill
Trinity Admissions Office Announces Regular Decision Admissions for the Class of 2021

GILLIAN REINHARD ’20
NEWS EDITOR

On Thursday, March 23rd, the Trinity College Office of Admissions released regular decision results for the Class of 2021. Overall, 1,691 students were admitted with a wide array of skills, experiences, and backgrounds. The incoming class is a record-setting, diverse group of students from around the country and the world.

The release of admissions decisions comes on the heels of a recent Washington Post article written by Angel Perez, Vice President for Enrollment and Student Success. In “It’s not just about jobs. Colleges must help students find their passions,” an article published with “Grade Point,” the newspaper’s higher education blog, Perez calls for all institutions to help their students achieve meaning and purpose, rather than just a degree, in their time at college. The article stressed the importance of encouraging students to explore opportunities and different paths while at school. Looking for a student body that would pursue all of the resources Trinity has to offer was a major priority of the Office of Admissions.

Vice President of Enrollment and Student Success Angel Perez visited a Hartford Public School to surprise three admitted students.

Letter to the Editor: From President Berger-Sweeney and Board of Trustees Chair Cornelia Thornburgh

In the two years since the Campaign for Community, we have made progress as a community, and we commend student leaders for generating initiatives within the Campaign, through student activism, and through creative collaboration.

We especially appreciate efforts to address sexual misconduct, challenge racism, and promote gender equity and inclusion of members of the LGBTQ community. Student leaders have succeeded in cultivating school pride and promoting engagement with the City of Hartford. And we’re excited for those students who will participate in the “Meaningful Dialogue Across Difficult Boundaries” workshop series that begins this spring.

Amid this progress, we call upon all students to step up in areas in which we fall short of our ideal. One of those areas is integrity.

Integrity includes standing up for your beliefs day in and day out. As President of the College and Chair of the Board of Trustees, we are dedicated to creating an environment in which all members of the community are actively engaged and committed to upholding our shared values of honesty and integrity. For students, the goal of a liberal arts education is one of transformation, where you become an adult prepared to enter society with purpose and meaning.

Trinity is that place where community can thrive when we participate actively in governance, including our holding ourselves and each other accountable for our actions and for the health of this community. That includes speaking out when something just isn’t right. Don’t allow yourselves to lose your sense of identity just to fit in. We hear that students are afraid of being ostracized by their peers. We hear that students here uphold the highest standards of honesty and integrity on Trinity’s campus. But we need it to be more persistent and truly incorporated into our culture.

We do not participate in the social culture on campus in the same way that you do as students. It can’t and shouldn’t be that an adult will be there to monitor your behavior at all times and in all places. If we do not encourage social norms that are peer monitored, the culture cannot and will not change. Improving campus culture is important for those of us who are here now and those who will join the community in the years to come.

Being a good citizen means being committed to building a better society, accountability for your actions, and enjoying the benefits of that society. We encourage you to talk about integrity with your peers, with faculty, and with staff. Make integrity a Trinity value. It is up to all of us to “be the change we wish to see in our world.”

Joanne Berger-Sweeney
President

and

Cornelia Thornburgh
Chair of the Board of Trustees
Letter from the Editor

Liepod Edition is Satire

Dear Readers of the Tripod,

This week, in honor of April Fools, the Tripod publishes a spoof cover sheet, known as the Trinity College Liepod. These articles are fictitious, satirical, and written by members of the Tripod staff and campus community. The edition is meant to be good fun and push some boundaries. It is not the intention of the Tripod staff to grossly offend or hurt any student, however we did not heavily scrutinize the articles to evaluate all possible undertones. We do not believe a satirical guise gives writers to be downright mean and un

funny. The Staff did their best to mitigate any large conflicts, but made a conscious effort to allow most submissions through in as close to original state as possible. To manipulate this tradition into a sterile censored humor section would be an infringement of our duty to promote free speech and discourse on campus.

We hope you enjoy published both the Liepod and the Tripod this week, and wanted to make sure you were aware of the distinction of what is real and what is fake. The Liepod consists of the outer page, the first, second, eleventh and twelfth. The Tripod portion of this edition is marked by the Tripod front page, which is marked page 1, and runs through page 8 in which the standard back is used. In this way, the Tripod is completely removable and will be able to stand on its own. The content in the Tripod is relevant to this weeks campus life and we still encourage you to read it.

Please enjoy the Liepod, and happy April Fools!

-NPF
Berger-Sweeney Elected to Laboratory Board of Trustees

JOE DIBACCIO ’19 NEWS EDITOR

On Mar. 21, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory announced it had elected President James D. Watson, co-discoverer of DNA’s double helix. CSHL’s main campus is in Cold Spring Harbor, NY, but the firm maintains research facilities in Long Island, Harlem, and a secondary campus in Suzhou, China. Throughout its operations, the organization has evolved itself in several important advancements within the scientific community.

In 2000, the firm’s scientists were getting the ball rolling. In early 1904, a small research facility named James Lab was erected, and was nationally recognized with an infusion of capital from the philanthropist and steel magnate, Andrew Carnegie. One of the early pioneers in the cancer research industry, Cold Springs Harbor Laboratory pioneered the use of mice in experiments to understand if not some humans were more susceptible to cancer than others. In 1942, the United States War Department commissioned the firm’s scientists to conduct experiments with aerosol mists, which later resulted in an effective distributor of antibiotics used in the war effort to combat lung infection. In the same year, Milislav Demerec, the then-newly appointed Director of Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, discovered ways to boost penicillin production at a time when penicillin quantities around the world were dangerously low.

In 1987, Cold Springs Harbor Laboratory was designated a Cancer Research Center of the National Cancer Institute. That same year, Dr. James Watson, then the director of the laboratory, presented Congress with the idea of a 15-year Human Genome Project, requesting $3 billion in federal funds. Congress agreed to his terms and made him the first director of the Human Genome Project. In 2000, the firm’s scientists sequenced a mustard plant as part of its ongoing work in DNA mapping. Today, the firm continues to make important advancements across many fields of science.

The current leadership team at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory used to laud high praise for Berger-Sweeney, lauding her contributions to both neuroscience and education at Trinity and beyond. On the day of the announcement, Chairman Jamie Nicholas said of Berger-Sweeney, “Her leadership at premier universities in the United States, as well as her experience and accomplishments as a researcher, make her uniquely qualified to contribute to our governing body.” Currently, President Berger-Sweeney sits on several other boards in the Hartford area, including, but not limited to, Hartford HealthCare, the Hartford Consortium for Higher Education, and MetroHartford Alliance. She is a corporate director of Hartford Hospital and is a member of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Study Section panel. Since her inauguration in 2014, President Berger-Sweeney has been credited with the creation of the Bantam Network, an initiative that provides mentorship to freshmen, and Campaign for Community, which promotes mutual respect amongst Trinity students. As the Chairwoman of the Bicentennial Strategic Planning Committee, Berger-Sweeney prepares the College for its third century of continued prosperity as an elite liberal arts institution.

A few other of Berger-Sweeney’s accomplishments are the creation of the Center for Caribbean Studies and the Task Force on the Prevention of Sexual Misconduct.

Before becoming Trinity’s 22nd president in 2014, Berger-Sweeney was the Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences at Tufts University. Before that, she was an associate dean and director of the neuroscience program at Wellesley College. Berger-Sweeney received a Bachelor’s Degree in Psychology from Wellesley College before earning an M.P.H. in Environmental Health Sciences from the University of California, Berkeley. She finished her education with a Ph.D. in Neurotoxicology from the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health. President Berger-Sweeney’s involvement in Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory will only enhance and continue Trinity’s commitment to work within a greater community, make advancements in academia, and to promote leadership.

SGA Addresses Sustainability, Admissions, Spring Weekend

JUSTIN PORTIER ’18 EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The Student Government Association (SGA) met last week to kick off its usual slew of updates from various committees. Barnyard Entertainment is planning its second Roller Disco and promised it is very close to releasing the name of the spring weekend artist.

The Budget Committee reminded members that there is limited time to lobby for extra funds for clubs on campus, so requests should be submitted as soon as possible. The Office of Admissions is planning several yield events for the Class of 2021 on Monday, Apr. 10 and Monday, Apr. 24. These events are open to current or prospective admitted students to enroll at Trinity. At yield events, students are introduced to on campus clubs and activities, and are encouraged to come to Trinity during these events.

Admissions also wanted to make a special note that the Cave will be closed on these days. In light of the inconvenience Admissions may cause students, the Office is planning a “thank-you” for current students in May. In addition, the overnight program is looking for first years and sophomores to host admitted students. According to Sarah Wolcott ’15 in the Office of Admissions, there is the potential for 97 overnight stays by prospective students throughout April and the Admissions office is seeking engaged students to host a guest on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday.

After last meeting, the SGA unanimously voted to support ConnPIRG’s sustainability goals. SGA President, Ryan Miller ’17, announced that the SGA is taking this campaign on as a big priority. Barnyard President, Griffin Hunt ’17, offered that Earth Day is the day of the Spring Weekend and it would readily accept additional programming with in Barnyard’s framework.

Wellness initiatives continue to be a focus for the Barnyard and group multiple meetings have occurred with the Dean of Students Christopher Card, Dean of Student Life Joe D’Christina, and the Director of Campus Safety Brain Heavern. Administration and staff noted this year will have a special respect the quad campaign in which they are discouraging glass bottles as a danger to students and 30 racks of beer due to risk of excessive alcohol consumption. Administration underscored that when there is a large residual presence left on the quad, or loud boisterous activity fueled by large quantities of alcohol, they are forced to intervene. Because students live adjacent to the quad and many tours walk by the space, SGA concluded that treating the space with respect is an important step forward in working towards education for students to mitigate problems with campus safety, as well as examining schools with open container rules.

On the subject of drinking, Barnyard has been examining other colleges, such as Connecticut College, that have reserved areas at their spring weekend for students to be able to drink in. Hunt made it clear that he did not think this would be accomplished at Trinity this semester, but that he and his Barnyard team were getting the ball rolling.

Two clubs were examined for SGA approval. The Gardening Club with Professor

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Barnyard and the SGA work together to host spring weekend.

Masino was formed with a goal to meet once or twice a year with students interested in learning more about the the Brain and Behavior classes. The club is beginning to grow seedlings in the refrigerator in Mather Hall, but members worked on the Trinfo Cafe on Broad Street. Kenzi Levy ’18 presented her proposal for a Trinity College chapter of the American Marketing Association, arguing that Trinity does not have any public relations, marketing, or communications course work options for students. This club would provide an avenue for students to gain the skill necessary to market and public relations.

The Housing Lottery Appeals will be processed this week, and the draw will be deliberated on and distributed. To conclude, Miller announced a discussion of Bantam’s feasibility and encouraged members to solicit feedback on the current utilization of this expensive program.
Administration Prepares for Annual Giving Day

JUSTIN FORTIER '18
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The fourth annual Trinity College Giving Day is scheduled for Apr. 5. This event is designed to bring alumni student and parent donors together in a big push for Trinity. The idea was designed after a visit to Columbia University in which the Annual Giving office reevaluated their current strategy for fundraising. The thought behind an April campaign is to generate a huge raise and concentration during the academic year where they can clearly be spent. The Trinity Fund, in which the annual giving day contributes, is essentially an annual fund which takes the strain off the endowment and allows it to continue to grow. Previous attempts were based on a high reliance on gifts in June, which in the past created a desire to spread those financial gains toward the academic year June and December were primarily the two highest months because of the end of the fiscal year in the end of the calendar year. Now, however, April has become the hallmark month for giving. 20% of the operating budget at Trinity comes from endowment and the Trinity fund: a strong annual fund preserves the endowment.

On Giving Day itself there will be a fair outside of Mather, thank you notes will be written by students for faculty and donors, to become customized for specific contributors as a special thank you. This year's Giving Day will be the culmination of one week of fundraising hype, as compared to last years' month-long endeavor. The week will kick off with a Connect-a-thon with alumni on Mar. 28 to reach out to donors. The office will also hold big alumni fundraisers events, one in Boston at Cleary's and in New York City at the Wayfairer. Competition has been a successful tool in the past to drum up support for Trinity. Over 100 people are expected to attend each event with faculty delegates set to make the respective trips up and down from Hartford.

In anticipation for the event, the Annual Giving office has pieced together three great snapshots of student life throughout Trinity, featuring DeShawn Adams '20, Austin Duebel '18, and Elise Ogden '17. Stretching across the student journey at Trinity, the Alumni Giving office perfectly captured the Trinity spirit and authentic thank-yous to the donors.

Before Giving Day, the annual giving office is trying to create a $1 million challenge pool with big donors to match donations on Giving Day. The team has set a lofty goal of $2 million raised on Giving Day with 2000 donors and 200 long walk leadership contributions. This year the Office elected to use #allinfortrin to be the mark for social media action. The Annual Giving Office and its Director William Knapp invite students and alumni to share snippets of their Trinity journey and memories across Twitter and Instagram. As a bonus, Trinity athletic socks and dress socks will be given out to donors on that day, encouraging everyone to step up and support the institution.

Incoming Trinity Class of 2021 Breaks Records

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The Class of 2021 is the College's most racially and geographically diverse in its history. Admitted students represent 41 states, with a record of 60% of students from outside of New England. 12% of students are international, from more than 40 different countries. The diversity of the class was aided by representation from 50 community-based college-access organizations, representing places such as New Jersey, Illinois, and Texas. "These varied perspectives will enrich our campus in so many ways. The extraordinary variety of experiences, backgrounds, and points of view in the Class of 2021 are the perfect complement to Trinity's liberal arts and urban setting," commented Perez.

While Admissions has reached out to students from around the globe, several students from the local area make up the Class of 2021 as well. In an interview with the Hartford Courant, Perez commented that admitting local students "has been a priority for Trinity... We want to see more students from the Hartford area." Three students from Global Communications Academy in Hartford were chosen not only as accepted students, but as recipients of full scholarships for all four years at Trinity. In a video that has been shared on countless platforms, the three students were surprised with the news at school, accompanied by their parents, the school band, and the Trinity bantam. In total, 12% of students are international, from 38 different countries. The diversity of the Class of 2021 is not focused on the College's acceptance rate. "Our selectivity is becoming more of an indicator of prestige and a boost in college rankings, Perez made it clear that Trinity is not focused on the College's acceptance rate. "Our selectivity is not how we measure the quality of an incoming class. Our goal has always been to recruit the strongest students most interested in engaging our community." Trinity will be hosting several events for admitted students throughout April. Overall, the community can expect the Class of 2021 to be one of the most diverse, academically motivated, and engaging classes in the College's history.

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An alumni poses with the Bantam at a previous giving day event.

The Office of Admissions celebrates the admissions decisions.

COURTESY OF Trinity College Admissions Page

Three Hartford students were surprised with full scholarships.

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Republicans Need to Rethink Healthcare Approach

JAMES CALEBRESI '20 STAFF WRITER

Last Thursday on the anniversary of Obamacare's passing, President Trump and the Republicans were forced to announce that their replacement, the American Health Care Act, would not be called to a vote due to its lack of Republican support. In a time when the Republican party is in almost perfect control of the government, and has the ability to pass a bill of their wildest desires, their first action has ended in utter failure. Russel Berman in a recent Atlantic article perfectly characterized the hypocrisy of their failure: "To a man and a woman, nearly every one of the 237 Republican elected to the House last November made the same promise to voters: Give us control of Congress and the White House, and we will repeal and replace Obamacare. Now that this promise has been debunked by even the most perfect control of the government, and has the ability to pass a bill of their wildest desires, their first action has ended in utter failure."

"It is possible to avert this crisis... and to avert these looming human catastrophes..."

The Laptop Ban is Unnecessary and Discriminatory

HUNTER SAVERY '20 STAFF WRITER

The United States Department of Homeland Security has announced new restrictions on travel from ten airports in eight Muslim countries. The restrictions will mean that passengers on flights departing from these locations for the United States must check all electronic devices larger than a phone. The targeting of majority Muslim nations in the new Homeland Security rules has led some observers to call it a "Muslim laptop ban." While calling the regulation a Muslim laptop ban might be a stretch, the rule is neither impinging on the rights of Muslims to own a laptop, nor the right of a laptop to freely express its religion. The new rules do place an undue burden on group of people who are so often the object of American xenophobia. Is preventing people on flights from majority Muslim countries an atrocity? Certainly, not but it is a telling act of discrimination. If the concept of banning laptops from the cabins of planes seems ridiculous, well, that is because it is. The Guardian recently interviewed several technology experts who are perplexed. The group pointed out that if a terrorist wanted to turn a laptop into a bomb, it would be as effective in the cargo hold of the plane as it would in the cabin. Technology experts point out as well that the technology related to the ban has not changed in a significant amount of years. Technologically speaking, the ban does not have a leg to stand on. The ban only affects foreign based airlines such as Emirates, as all United States based airlines do not fly directly to America from the ten affected airports. Shortly after America's Homeland Security put out the new restrictions, the United Kingdom announced similar restrictions affecting 14 airlines, six of which are from the United Kingdom. There had been subsidiary disputes regarding the airlines now hit the hardest by the American cabin restrictions, leading some to believe that may be what is behind the ban. US airline carriers have long criticized carriers such as Emirates, Etihad, and others for being unfairly subsidized by their governments. The British ban calls that theory into question however, as it affects British airlines as well. The Muslim laptop ban is poorly thought out, but what else is new from a Trump administration. While the ban on laptops in airline cabins is not exactly a violation of human rights, it is an act of blatant discrimination. If there is logic in this new rule, it is certainly elusive. There is no precedent for terrorists using a laptop to blow up an airplane, no reason to believe that is a serious possibility with modern airport security, and no reason to target only certain majority Muslim countries with the ban. Maybe these actions make Trump supporters feel safer, but they come from a place of fear and irrationality.

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OPINION
Art & Entertainment

Album Review: The Smashing Pumpkin’s “Monuments”

The Smashing Pumpkins, with band leader Billy Corgan at center, with his band mates. COURTESY OF pitchfork.com

TRIP SLAYMAKER ’18
A&E EDITOR

The Box office and critical success “La La Land” may not have won Best Picture over “Moonlight,” but it is likely to draw crowds to Cinestudio just the same. The film is the work of director Damien Chazelle and the first in a filmmaking career that began with the band Smashing Pumpkins’ reunion of 2014. The sublimine music film “Whiplash” among others. As the work of a favorite of the Academy, “La La Land” had long been awaited as the year’s best movie.

Cinestudio Preview: “La La Land” and the Musical

The stars of those classics, though, were all hired not only because of name recognition and acting. They were professional dancers and singers too, an added set of skills that Stone and Gosling picked up and honed for those roles. They are not experts, and the faults that they show in both their vocal and dancing arrangements were allowed to remain unedited for authenticity. This reasoning may seem unusual to those who are comfortable devoting all of your cognitive skills to interpreting Corgan’s encrypted lyrics, “Monuments to an Elegy” will work much better for you.

Comparing the two distinct phases of the band brings to mind another well-known musicians documented transitory chang­es. In the later years of the band’s history, Paul McCartney worked to create some of the greatest psychedelic lyrics of all time, forcing the listener to pay close attention to what was being said, because with even one minute of tuning out, you could completely lose sense of the message. That said, after the Beatles’ dis­integration, Paul formed Wings, a great band that produced fun music. However, their songs were nowhere near as complex as the work done by the Fab Four, and was said by critics to be an unfortunate depar­ture from a great musical path. Personally, “Sargent Pepper” is my favorite al­bum of all time, but if I’m simply in the mood to kick back and listen to some good classic rock, Wings is my choice. The same can be said of “Monu­ments to an Elegy.” While far less detailed than the work done by the band in the early 90’s, that’s not necessarily a bad thing.

To sum up the album, I’d say that it’s definit­ely worth tuning into. If you’ve never listened to, or dare I say even heard of the Smashing Pumpkins’ “Monuments” is a simple introduction to a very complicated band.

Stone and Gosling are the stars of “La La land,” which will play at Cinestudio this week. COURTESY OF Rollingstone.com
The Stella Society Brings a New GLO to Trinity's Campus

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As students enter the final stages of the spring semester, they often find themselves reflecting on their time at Trinity. This past year, Alex Donald '19 and Lex Axon '19 spearheaded the Stella Society, a new organization that has brought new life to Greek Life this year.

The Stella Society began as a group of young women at Trinity realized an opportunity to expand the number of Greek Life opportunities available to women at Trinity, and took action. Thanks to the efforts of the women who first founded Stella in the fall, and those who have joined this spring, Stella is continuing to grow and develop.

TT: What do you hope the Stella Society brings to Trinity?
SS: The Stella Society contributes to Trinity College's ongoing effort to foster a sense of community across the entire campus. Strong communities are built upon strong connections between individuals and members of our sisterhood strive to strengthen our connections with other members, and with the Trinity community as a whole. We are committed to creating an atmosphere in which the connections and opportunities are possible, and we encourage collaboration rather than competition not just within our chapter, but from Vermont Avenue to Crescent Street and beyond. We hope to enhance the communities of which we are a part—Trinity College and the city of Hartford.

TT: What are some of your proudest accomplish­ments so far? What are some future goals you are working toward?
SS: Last semester we accomplished many of our organization's start-up goals. We established ourselves as a group on campus, and participated in spring rush which allowed us to double the size of our membership. Although these accomplish­ments are important to us, the most meaningful work we have done so far has been our work with My Sis­ters' Place. Last semester, we held a very successful fundraiser, and donated all of the proceeds to My Sis­ters' Place. We were thrilled and honored to hear that our donation made a notice­able positive impact on the lives of those who rely on My Sisters' Place. The success of our philanthropic work in the fall got us some great momentum, and we are excited to continue our work with My Sisters' Place to the next level this spring and in future semesters.

TT: You mentioned that the Stella Society has been active in projects with My Sisters' Place, what initiative is this collaboration? And what are your future goals for this partnership?
SS: When we first started up, the Stella Soci­ety was looking for any meaningful way to connect to the Hartford community. We discovered My Sisters' Place, and reached out to them in an effort to start a philanthropic relation­ship. This semester, we have continued our efforts to help My Sisters' Place. This organization changes the lives of many women and children right here in Hartford. The best part of working with My Sisters' Place is that we are able to impact the community immediately surrounding Trinity. For now, our relationship with My Sisters' Place is limited to fundrais­ing, but we are in the midst of conversations about getting even more involved, potentially by mentoring the youth and the chil­dren who live there.

TT: What other future philanthropic goals do you hope to pursue this semester?
SS: We are in the middle of a big philanthropic project right now. We are holding a drive to collect non-food items, which can be purchased with food stamps, for My Sisters' Place. We have a drop off location in the Community Center based in the Middletown of Mather, as well as a Go Fund Me page (https://www.gofundme.com/my-sisters-place-drive) in case anyone prefers to donate money instead of items. We are looking for items like laundry detergent, clean­ing supplies, paper towel­els, bath tissues, diapers, feminine products, socks, gloves, shoes, towels—all essential items that the women at My Sis­ters' place have expressed their need for. Our goal is to raise $1500, or the equiv­alent in donated items. We realize this is a huge goal, but strongly believe we can make it happen!

TT: Have you met with any chapters from the Na­tional Panhel­lenic Council (NPC) yet? What details can you share about that process?
SS: The process of be­coming nationally recog­nized is quite lengthy. It involves a lot of back and forth between the school and NPC, and there are strict guidelines for these interactions. Though it is quite a complicated pro­cess, we are definitely working our way through it, and will have updates in the near future.

TT: It sounds like you guys have already made quite a splash on campus.

ACES Will Host Annual Auction on Thursday in Mather

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STAFF WRITER

Each March, Trinity's Annual Community Event Staff (ACES) hosts an auction in order to raise money for a local char­ity of their choose­ring. The student group solicits donations from local restaurants, service groups, and on-campus offices in order to purchase items to be auctioned off to students and members of the public. Current ACES presidents Alex Donald '19 and Lex­ie Axon '19 say that this year's auction was inspired by the success of last year's event.

The ACES auction to raise funds for IMMACare, a 24-hour emergency shel­ter that provides home­less clients who are often struggling with mental health and sub­stance abuse counseling, marks the second year of IMMACare, an organization that aims to reduce homelessness in Hartford.

The ACES auction will be held this year on Thursday, March 30 in Ma­ther Hall. Presidents Alex Donald and Lexie Axon say that hosting in Ma­ther is intentional so that "students will be there for dinner regardless of our event." Donald and Axon boast that ACES will be auctioning off some pretty cool items this year including "Celtics tick­ets, ESPN merchandise, restaurant gift cards, al­cohol." Trinity students have the opportunity to score some major goods while supporting a great cause.

The ACES auction is an easy way for the student body to actively participate in raising money for a great cause. So, keep an eye out for the ACES auction on Thursday, March 30 in Mather. This auction is a great way to raise money for an organization that helps combat homeless­ness in Hartford, and every Trinity student should be encouraged to participate in this great event.
Men's Hockey Loses Heartbreaking Final to Norwich

After a stellar win over St. Norbert, Trinity played for the National Championship. The Bants fought hard, but ultimately fell to Norwich 4-1.

NATE CHOUKAS '18
SPORTS EDITOR

After a stellar win against Endicott in the NCAA quarterfinals, the Bantams traveled to Utica, NY for the Frozen Four. Thanks to outstanding offense, and stout goaltending from Alex Morin '18, Trinity defeated the St. Norbert Green Knights in the semifinal. In the championship contest, Trinity couldn't establish a rhythm and eventually fell to the Norwich Cadets.

On Friday afternoon, Trinity squared off against St. Norbert (Wisconsin) for a chance to advance to the national championship game. In the first frame, both teams came out flying and totaled 15 shots in the first ten minutes. The Green Knights had several chances to get one back, including a shot from Andy Chugg '19 that wrung off the crossbar, but Cadet goaltender Ty Reichenbach turned away several scoring opportunities. Norwich drew first blood, when Nick Pichette slid a pass across the crease to Anthony Flaherty, who put it past Morin. A few minutes later, Trinity went on the power play and scored the tying goal. Liam Feeney '20 fired a slap shot past the St. Norbert tender's blocker. Johnsen's first goal of the season couldn't have come at a better time, and would be the eventual game winner.

Trinity had a slight shot advantage (12-11), but the St. Norbert penalty kill held its lead for a while, before the Cadets would answer with a back door pass to Anthony Flaherty, who put it past Morin. A back and forth fashion. In the championship game, Trinity, lead by a historically talented senior class, had a phenomenal season. Coach Matt Greason was very proud of this group, and described the class as "the greatest in program history, both in terms of what they accomplished on the ice and as human beings." Despite a crushing loss in the national championship game, Trinity, lead by a historically talented senior class, had a phenomenal season. Coach Matt Greason was very proud of this group, and described the class as "the greatest in program history, both in terms of what they accomplished on the ice and as human beings."

COURTESY OF TRINITY COLLEGE ATHLETICS

Bantam Sports This Week:

Fri.
Baseball vs. Tufts
3pm

Sat.
Baseball vs. Tufts
12pm: 2:30pm

Sun.
Women's Lax vs. Wheaton 3pm

Men's Tennis vs. Tufts
1pm

Men's Lax vs. Bowdoin
1pm

Softball vs. Bowdoin
12:30pm: 2:30pm
Trinity College Bikini Bottom Campus: Greek Life Update

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This past Thursday, SpongeBob Squarepants and Patrick Star attempted to enter St. Anthony's Spit-toon. Unfortunately, these fine young gentle sea students were not tough enough to get in, and the only breather they knew was in the hospital with "Mr. Crabs." This gave the two typical Trident douchebaggos two options. They could either go to Berger-Sweeny Hut-Junior's, or Psi Upsilon. Obviously, SpongeBob and Patrick attempted to get into the U since Patrick's father was a brother in 2003 (Legacy Baby?). The pair first had their spirits lifted when they met up with Nika H. Ladd, who provided a huge ratio improvement. In the end, this improvement turned out to be futile, as the one thing that couldn't happen happened. The Ladd II tried to tell a story to the brother to get the trio in. This prompted an immediate mood improvement.

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As the month of March comes to a chilly close, students across Trinity’s elm-lined campus are all asking the same question: “What’s more goingthic architecture?” watching over the daily classically collegiate than goings-on along the Long isn’t anything wrong with tral quadrangle stands the beautiful school with a beauti·... No, you’re not reading this wrong, the world-re·nowned, critically lauded quartet will be Trinity’s Spring Weekend headlin·er... In the hallowed year of 1991, four talented Aus·tralian best friends all sat down one afternoon, and set genius to paper. No one else, out of all the mu·sicians in the world, pos·sess the unmatched talent to create songs with such simplicity, such beauty. The Wiggles are making a large comeback after their record catalogue began to soar into the charts—which can almost single-handedly be credited to President Trump. After Trump listed the Wiggles as his favorite recording group, his devot·ed followers purchased all the available CDs. Who needs universal healthcare when you can blast the juggernaut will hold Trinity’s student body rapt in attention... The Wiggles. You heard it here first! The ...You’re not reading this wrong, the world-renowned, critically lauded quartet will be Trinity’s Spring Weekend headliner... In the hallowed year of 1991, four talented Australian best friends all sat down one afternoon, and set genius to paper. No one else, out of all the musicians in the world, possess the unmatched talent to create songs with such simplicity, such beauty. The Wiggles are making a large comeback after their record catalogue began to soar into the charts—which can almost single-handedly be credited to President Trump. After Trump listed the Wiggles as his favorite recording group, his devoted followers purchased all the available CDs. Who needs universal healthcare when you can blast the joggernaut will hold Trinity’s student body rapt in attention... The Wiggles. You heard it here first! The idyllic lyrics to “Fruit Sal·ad, Yummy Yummy” out of your car window? The Wig·gles bring us back to the simple years of the early 2000s, back when America was... great! Now, hope·fully, these four men and their Australian charm possess the power to “Make America Great Again!” The Wiggles kindly ask all stu·dents to refrain from im·bibing spirits and liquor prior to, after, and during the concert. Instead, the groups entourage will be serving delicious, home·made fruit salad! Get ready, Trinity, because here come the Wiggles!

Food Review: Long John Silver’s Unfit for Consumption

As part of my restau·rant tour, I visited two restaurants with a shared vision of bringing fish to the forefront of the American menu. We begin in Lexing·ton, Kentucky—the home of Long John Silver’s flag·ship restaurant. I stood before the counter and peered at the illuminat·ed menu above. My eyes were instantly drawn to the “beer battered Cod basket” priced at a mod·est $5.99. I was instantly enamored by this descrip·tion. How could one batter a piece of fish with beer? It didn’t matter; I was al·ready convinced. The lady behind the counter called my name and led me to a blue tray on which was a small white box. As I opened the box and peered into my Cod bas·ket, I couldn’t help but wonder if this fish was fresh. The Cod was any similar to Le Ber·nardin’s Rarely Cooked Faroe Islands Salmon paired with a Warm Bud·dha’s Hand Salad and doused in a Citrus-Tar·ragon-Olive Oil Emul·sion. As I retched to the task at hand, I dipped into Long John’s “100% Wild-Caught Alaskan king Crab meat Dipped in Beer Batter.” My teeth dug through the rough exte·rior of the fried beer-bat·tered dough and into the warm and soft interior. The initial feeling begin·ning to develop on my taste buds was satisfying, yet seemed to fall short in comparison to Le Ber·nardin’s Chilled Beauso·lie Oysters, paired with Sea Grapes and Pickled Shallots and moistened with a Seaweed Water Gelée. Once the initial taste passed through my esophagus, I began to feel a slight pain in my chest, reminiscent of heartburn. This feeling was, similar to that which I felt when I tasted Le Bernardin’s Grilled Es·cargol and Seared Wagyu Beef coupled with a Wild Mushroom Endive Farcie and surrounded by a Red·Wine Peppercorn Sauce.

Despite my relative disappointment in my beer battered Cod Basket I decided to finish my meal in the proper manner by ordering a dessert. I was faced with two options: a Pineapple Cream Cheese Pie or a Chocolate Cream Pie. I did not deliberate for long and soon set down my Pineapple Pie. I was slightly bewildered by the absence of any ripe pineapples when I even opened up my pie in a quasi-archeological manner. Despite this dis·apointment, I was deter·mined to push forwards with an open mind. The Cream Pie was soaked in a rather unsettling pine·apple juice. The Pie was edible and, thankfully, did not leave the same feeling in my stomach as the Cod basket did. Fur·thermore, I appreciated the effort of introducing a fruit based dessert—certainly a praiseworthy endeavor. However, with that Pineapple Cream Pie in mind, I found my self thinking more and more favorably about Le Bernardin’s Chestnut Crèmeux accompanied by a Rum-Candied Chestnut, and topped off with a Tah·itian Vanilla Ice Cream. My doctor told me I had to stop throwing inti·mate dinners for four un·less there were three oth·er people.”—Orson Welles.

Commemorative Statue of Tucker Carlson Erected on Quad

Tucker Carlson, a beauti·ful campus. What’s more talk. Nothing. But hey, there isn’t anything wrong with keeping things modern, keeping things fresh. In the middle of the cen·tral quadrangle stands the statue of Bishop Brownell, watchful over the daily goings-on along the Long Walk. But you know what? We need something new. We need a contemporary, modern statue that rep·resents this evolution of how this college has changed and evolved from the time of our foun·dation. And who better represents this evolution than Trinity’s own alun·mus, Mr. Tucker Carlson. A respected commen·tator on Fox News and CNN, Tucker Carlson is well known for his con·servative outlook, and often erratic manner of speaking. Out with the old and in with the new.

By the time you’re reading this, a new statue, larg·er than Brownell’s, will have been erected on the quad of Mr. Carlson, be·cause after all, regardless of your political leanings, we can all come together when it come to promot·ing our alumni, correct? Recently, Carlson has come under fire by the liberal media pundits for his seeming defense of President Trump’s bud·get. Many on Trinity’s campus were disgusted by his comments concern·ing Trump’s cutting fund·ing for the arts (NEA and NEH), and aren’t proud of their newfound alun·mus. We may go to a lib·erar arts college, as did Carlson, but who needs the arts, right? Pump all that money into the de·fense budget, where it can be far better appropriated. We, as a school, should be proud of a man who es·poses such intelligent, well thought out rhetor·ic. What better way to commemorate this polit·ical and analytical wiz·ard than via marble and stone? Many students may choose to protest the dedic·ation of this statue, which is well within their consti·tutional rights, but this author simply doesn’t un·derstand their frustration. Now, after the com·memorative statue is in·stalled, future generations will look back at Bishop Brownell and Tucker Carl·son as the two primary, pivotal shapers of the Trin·ity College ideology and outlook. Who better than Tucker to represent this edu·cational institution, and for every future bantam to keep in their thoughts?