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Chaplain Sad to Leave Wesley



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By **Brittany Wilson**
Managing Editor
The Whetstone

On June 30, Pastor Scot McClymont will no longer be welcome to serve as chaplain on Wesley College's campus—not because he has done anything wrong, but because “God’s plan” for McClymont’s life conflicts with President Clark’s plan for the college.

McClymont said he will not go without a fight. “All they had to do was say, ‘You’re done at the end



Scot McClymont at Founder's Day

of the year, we no longer need your services’—I have no problem with that,” he said. “I would have even

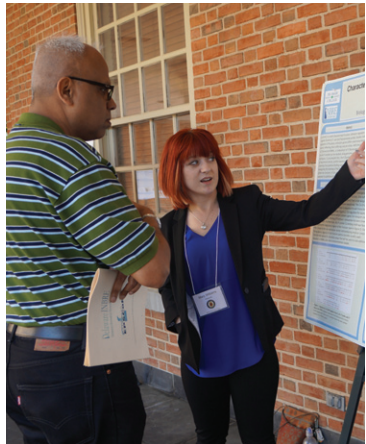
had more respect for them if they just said, ‘You’re fired.’ But that’s not what they said. They said

because I am not United Methodist I am losing my job.”

After a year of friction with the United Methodist Conference (UMC), McClymont decided to voluntarily withdraw from the United Methodist denomination to begin his own non-denominational church elsewhere. The next day, McClymont was told he was no longer “qualified” to be the Wesley College chaplain.

McClymont said he

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SGA Secretary and Chief-of-Staff Elected President and VP

By **Kristen Griffith**
Editor-in-Chief
The Whetstone

Destiny Hollis, Jennifer Jankowski and Adrienne Bautista were elected the new Student Government Association President, Vice President and Treasurer for the 2016-2017 semester.

Running unopposed, Kelsey Fitzpatrick and Monisola Olowere joined the Board as Secretary and Chief-of-Staff.

Hollis, Jankowski and Bautista ran as a team. Their campaigns and posters told students to vote for all three of them.

“My girls and I worked restlessly during this entire

election,” Hollis said.

The other posters plastered around campus pictured the opposing campaign team of Betty Lee, Nick McDaniels, Kenny Ciccoli and Kelsey Fitzpatrick.

The SGA presidential race between Lee and Hollis was the closest race among the candidates.

Hollis gained 269 votes while Lee pulled in 234.

Junior Rashidatu Koroma said she voted for Hollis and Jankowski, but not for Bautista.

“I’m slightly biased, I’m friends with Destiny and I thought Jenn was a good candidate,” she said.

Ciccoli’s campaigning got

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SGA Releases Budget to Students

By **Jake Bradner, Kristen Griffith and Kevin Johnson**
The Whetstone

Creative Attributions President Archael Daniels believes the Student Government Association distributed money poorly this year.

“When budgets were first distributed, we initially received less than half of our budget from last year,” she said. Her organization

puts on the annual fashion show.

Daniels said she was able to convince SGA treasurer Kylie Liberty that Creative Attributions needed more money.

Creative Attributions received \$3,050 during the fall, but only \$2,800 for the spring.

“Unfortunately, the amount was still much less than last year’s budget,” she said.

Daniels’ organization is only one of many that ask

SGA for money to continue to hold events. Sometimes the organizations get exactly what they ask for; sometimes they don’t.

But SGA would not release the budget until after several requests were made to Liberty, SGA President Savannah Durham and SGA Adviser Dr. Cynthia Newton.

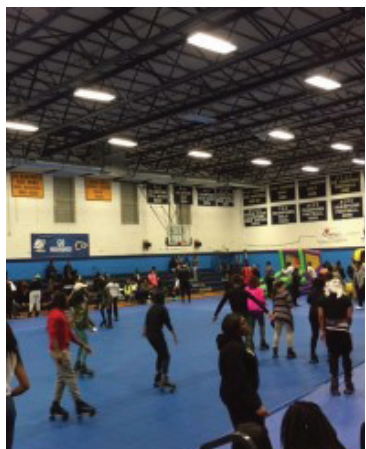
The organization allocations, from this semester and last semester, were sent March 23 in an email to all students.

SGA President Savannah Durham said organizations usually get the money they ask for.

“As long as the justification or amount is not unreasonable,” she said. “If for some reason they are not initially allocated enough money, there is always opportunities to ask for more.”

She said she can’t remember a time, since the three years she’s been on the Board, that a money alloca-

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It’s Official: Gibson is Provost and VPAA

By **Kristen Griffith**
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Senior Amber Roddy said she’s glad Dr. Jeffrey Gibson was selected as the Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost.

Gibson was chosen over two other candidates who made it to the final round of the hiring process – Dr.



Dr. Gibson becomes official VPAA after competing against 89 candidates

Amy Jessen-Marshall from Sweet Briar College and Dr. Samantha Earley from Indiana University Southeast.

Gibson has served as interim for the past year.

“I feel like he’s gotten a little bit of practice at it and it gives him the opportunity to keep doing what he’s learned,” she said. “It shows that he didn’t just use that interim position

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Opinion

What Awaits Me After Wesley College?

By **Brittany Wilson**
Managing Editor
The Whetstone

This is my last week as a junior at Wesley College.

After that, I have one year left.

Two semesters.

Only 365 days until all the time, effort, blood, sweat and tears finally pay off.

All the sleep I didn't get and the 20 pounds I've gained will be the last thing on my mind as I walk on stage, shake the president's hand, and look out into the crowd of familiar faces gathered together for one final lecture, one last goodbye.

Every paper I've ever written, exam I've taken,



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Brittany Wilson

class I've aced will be summarized in just a few words on a single scroll—an off-white sheet of paper that will hang on display behind a panel of glass, framed on my wall even in the years after Wesley has long forgotten my name.

But a sheet of paper can't mask my insecurity about what comes after graduation, even if it is supposed to represent a promising

future.

What if four years at Wesley College isn't good enough?

If I'm honest, this insecurity stems from a journalism conference I attended earlier this month in New York City.

The sun glittered through the glass exterior of the *New York Times* building, transparent and reflective, just like the newspaper itself. As I approached the door, cup of coffee in hand, the glass reminded me of a crystal ball. There, my mirror image stood confidently from inside the building looking out to observe the bustling city as the caffeine slowly crept from the mug into my bloodstream.

I wonder if I'll ever be good enough to work in some place

like this.

Kristen (*The Whetstone* editor-in-chief) and I walked through the revolving door of the Times and into a crowd of 100 journalism students—all brimming with similar hopes, dreams and motivation. Most of the other students were from fancy universities and states large enough to swallow the entire Delmarva Peninsula in a single gulp.

"You're from Delaware? Are there any good schools there?"

"Wesley College? I've never heard of it."

Standing there, among all those students, my own educational experience began to feel inferior. What do I have that could ever set me apart from people

like them in a place like this?

What has Wesley College given me that will make me stand out in a crowd? Is that off-white piece of paper the only thing I will gain from my degree, or will I have an office to hang it in someday?

During the conference, I had a lot of time to mull over these questions, but I couldn't pinpoint answers, just an aching anxiety somewhere in my gut.

On the ride home, Kristen rolled her eyes at the thought of the other students at the conference.

"They were all so cocky," she said. "But if you think about it, they don't do nearly as much as we do."

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Wesley Students Are Racially Divided

By **Brandon Smith**
The Whetstone

During Wesley College president's inauguration ceremony on March 23, President Clark spoke about Wesley being a family, how we work together as a unit and build each other up as a student body.

As he spoke I could not help but contradict his speech because I know the underlying truth. I asked myself, if we are so much of a family, why are we divided as a campus?

When I attend evening events on campus, I always notice the obvious.

The dominant race of



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Brandon Smith

students who attend night events on campus are black students. Few white students attend nightly events unless they are a part of the hosting organization. There has never been an equal

attendance of race at night events and I never understood why.

The two major races on campus are black and white. Those races alone are what create the elephant in the room.

Why do we claim to be a family when we attack and undermine each other?

The black student union posted fliers around campus to advocate the Black Lives Matter movement. I believe it is fair to say the message was strongly voiced, and it offended many white students.

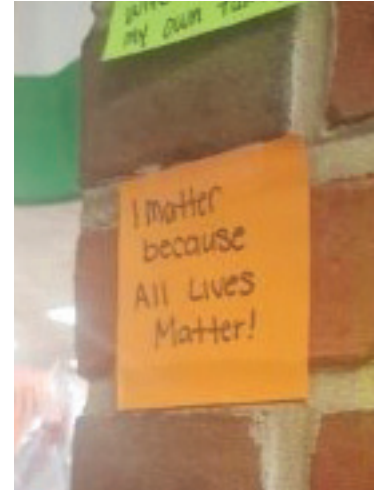
Some students tore down the fliers and, to top it off, Delta Phi Epsilon posted its

own sticky notes.

As an African American student, I believe that all lives matter, but, sadly, I believe the note-posting of the sorority was a petty attempt to mock the BSU organization's actions. As I read some of the notes I noticed one that said, "I matter because I love my dog."

I personally felt the sorority used its platform as a joke. The Black Lives Matter movement is and has always been a serious issue, and to try to undermine it disappoints me.

Students have the right to freedom of speech, but unlike BSU's fliers, no one



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Post-it notes from Delta Phi Epsilon

tore down the sorority's childish post-it notes.

What happened with both organizations' messages shows how divided we are as a campus.

Softball Lacks Proper Scoreboard at DuPont Field

By **Lily Engel**
The Whetstone

As a softball pitcher, I am constantly looking at the scoreboard at DuPont Field on Mary Street to see what the score, inning and count is.

But there isn't one.

Many who have attended one of our softball games has complained about the field not having a scoreboard.

To counteract these complaints, someone improvised a plastic, do-it-yourself scoreboard where someone literally has to



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Lily Engel

stand next to it and flip the numbers themselves.

I don't know which is worse: having a crappy board like that, which is

usually wrong because the person who is manning it doesn't know softball well enough, or not having a board at all.

Actually, they're both pretty bad.

It is a major inconvenience not only to myself but also to other players on the field when the board is not working.

As a junior, I have yet to have a working scoreboard at our home field and probably will not get one until next year sometime – that's if it comes in on time and works properly.

The eyesore of a non-working scoreboard we

have now is falling apart and is an ugly, faded blue color.

Teams in our conference have newer, easy-to-read scoreboards.

It's embarrassing for us.

Meanwhile, over on the football field, they have brand new turf and a working scoreboard. More money is spent on the football team than other athletic teams. It is not only frustrating but also unfair.

I know a scoreboard is expensive but it is a necessity to most sports, including softball.

Pitchers and catchers need to know the count,

and fielders need to know how many outs there are because that controls where the play goes.

Our field is bad enough, besides the ugly broken scoreboard.

For starters, the outfield is uneven, which creates bad hops. Our backstop is falling apart with a dirty, worn Wesley Softball logo padding at the back.

Everything about that field is out of date.

Action needs to be taken.

My team puts so much effort and time into playing the game we love, it would be nice having a quality field to play on.

Opinion

Letter to the Editor: Former Editor Encourages Whetstone Reporters

By Kim Manahan

Dear Kristen,

After reading your editorial, "Whetstone Receives Criticism During Town Hall Meeting," a few things went through my head.

1. This Kristen woman is on her game and definitely has a future in this field.

2. My alma-mater's new president sounds condescending

3. Wesley has not changed much since I was editor-in-chief of the Whetstone some five years ago.

The two parts in your editorial that really made my blood boil were these lines: "When Clark personally told me an article was 'bad,' he was referring to the story in November's issue, 'Security Accused of Acting Unprofessionally.' The reason for his criticism was, 'I don't like surprises,'" and "...here were two different times when Clark referred to an interview with a student from this semester's journalism class who was speaking with



Kim Manahan

him during her attempt to write about the salaries of Wesley's highest earners.... he told us that he had asked her why she was doing the story, and if she was even interested in the story."

Let's stop here. That is quite possibly one of the most disrespectful and condescending things you can say to a student reporter. Let me rephrase that – a student reporter who is trying to learn a trade and who is technically paying your salary. Because isn't that why we attend school – to learn a trade and hopefully one day have a career?

Something tells me President Clark doesn't understand the importance of journalism and this little thing we learn about in school called checks and balances.

Kristen, as well as every student who works for and has worked for The Whetstone, has a right and a duty to report what's going on in the Wesley community. And every student who has ever paid a single penny to Wesley College has a right to know how their money is being spent, what is going on around campus, and of the crime in Dover that student ambassadors won't tell you about during your initial visit.

Kristen – I remember what being in your shoes was like. Though we may have had different experiences, we both had/have to deal with authority figures who don't want things exposed, who belittle us for pursuing a passion, and who want things their way.

I worked on the Whetstone from my freshman

year to my 'super-senior' year. I spent nearly 30 hours a week, or more, on that newspaper (in addition to an off-campus job).

We ran stories on salaries, sex offenders and shootings around campus, the education department losing accreditation – you name it.

I want to share a few of my experiences with you. When the education department was put on probation by, and then lost NCATE accreditation, the students did not know.

My roommate, who was an education major, had no idea.

So, we on staff did our due-diligence to our peers and reported it.

After that article came out, one of my staff members and I were cornered by education professors in Budd Hall who reprimanded us for running the article.

Another time, I did an article on the fact that about 30 registered sex offenders lived less than a mile radius of the college.

I presented this at Scholars Day in 2011 as well. A member of the college faculty tried to criticize me during my presentation for being "negative" and basically making the college look bad.

I think the students have a right to know what surrounds them. Hell, when I lived on New Street, two blocks from campus, our neighbors' house was shot up. Before making my decision to attend Wesley, I was told the college was in a safe area.

So, Kristen – keep doing what you're doing.

You and Brittany are doing a phenomenal job at running The Whetstone. I always check the site, and when I see a hard-hitting story, I smile. You both, from reading your stories and talking with Professor Greto, seem to be very talented, smart, and passionate young women with bright futures ahead.

Don't ever let anyone talk down to you or intimidate you.

You have an important

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Professors Shouldn't Penalize Students for Absences

By Danae' Carter
The Whetstone

On the first day of classes each student is given a syllabus that tells him or her about the course and rules that must be followed to succeed in the class.

Attendance is always a topic of discussion because most professors only allow students a certain amount of days they can miss without penalty.

For me, this semester was a little different. I have two classes where my profes-



Danae' Carter

sors explained that no absences were allowed.

This was a shock to me because professors can cancel class whenever they want and receive no penalty, so why can't students

do the same?

Students get sick just like professors and, believe it or not, things do actually come up in our lives where we just aren't able to make it to class.

Most professors take points off from students' final grades if they miss more than three classes in the semester. This is absurd.

I could get an A on every assignment but end the class with a B or lower because of a few missed classes.

For a class that meets two and three times a week, the

"allowed" absence amount doesn't add up.

As a student athlete, there are a few times each semester where I need those absences to participate in my sport. Unfortunately, some faculty members' policies have no sympathy for this.

Yes, professors are the ones teaching the courses, but there should be some type of compromise.

As much as some professors cancel class, students should get reimbursed for the class they are taking if the professor also cancels it more than three times.

The same thing goes with being late to class. Most professors begin to deduct from students grades after three tardies.

If I am getting my work done and still passing the class, why should I be penalized for missing a few days?

I'm not saying just taking a break from class for a month straight is OK, but there should be a better rule put into place because the current one doesn't work.

By Bryheim Muse



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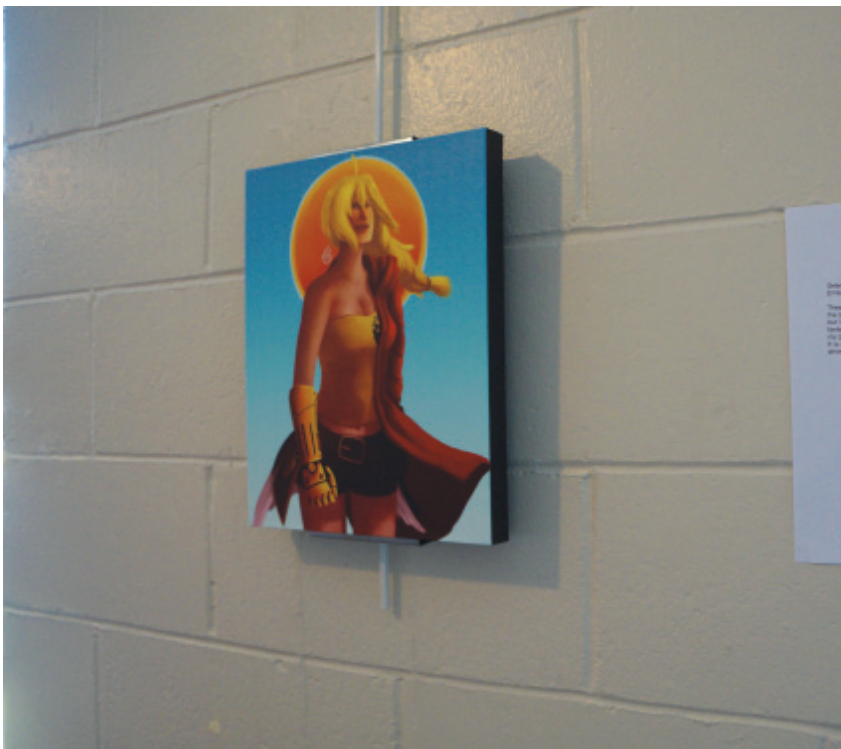
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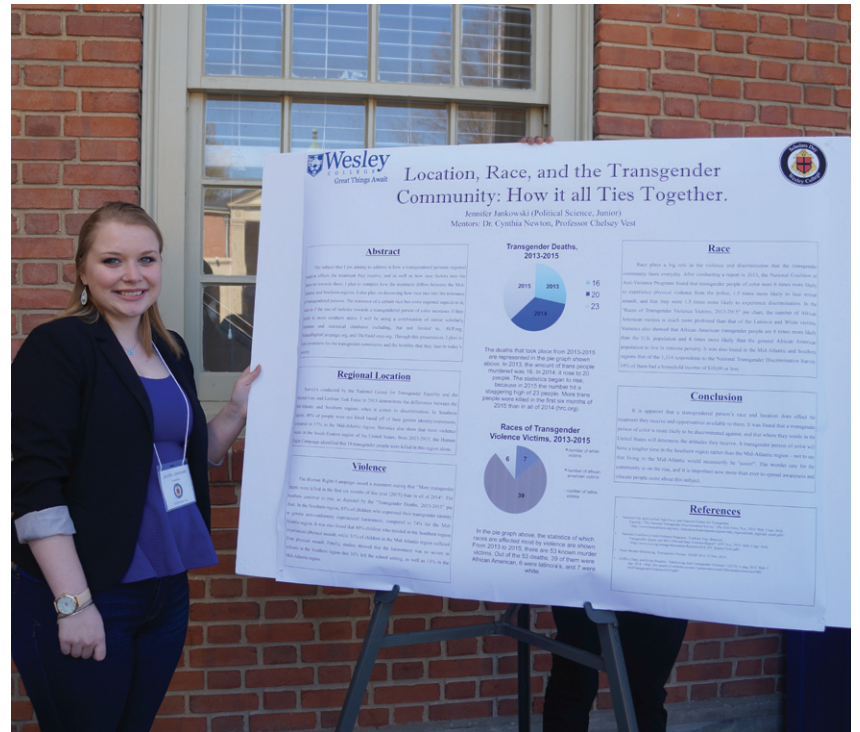
Sustainable Wesley's "Put a Cup on Waste" exhibit in Longwood. The logo is made up of bottle caps



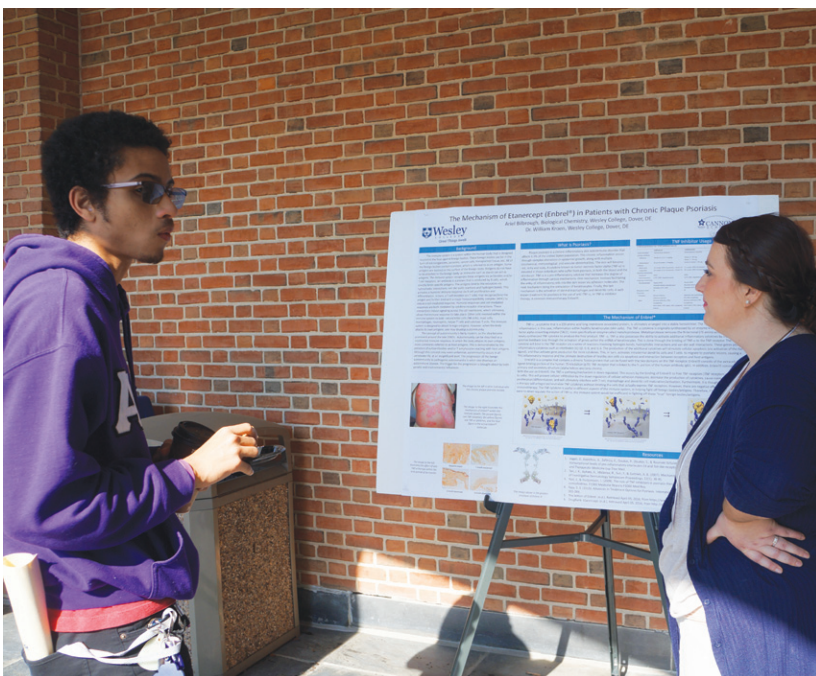
Glenn Aruta explains how students abuse legal substances



Emily Temple's art hangs on the walls in Longwood



Jennifer Jankowski stands next to her poster, which explains how the location, race and gender community all tie together



Ariel Bilbrough shows her poster, The Mechanism of Etanercept Immunotherapy, to Jose Santana



Molly Williams explains her research to Dr. Malcolm D'Souza

Students Inducted into Business Honor Society



Students hold their certificates after being inducted into the Business Honor Society April 10

Front row, left to right: Renee Schneider, Kandace Higman and Princess Baylis

Back row, left to right: Dr. Jeffrey Gibson, Ryan Ramsey, Benjamin Patti, Joshua Ladd, Jarred Geyer, Joshua Freeze and Dylan Chessher.

From Budget on p.1: SGA Releases Organizations' Allocations

tion was rejected.

Dr. Tony Armstrong, professor of political science, said the budget should always be available for everyone to see.

"It's a fundamental democratic principle that allocation should be open to the public," he said. "It would be not be (the adviser's) to share; it would be student government's to share. Dr. Newton is the adviser to student government, not the boss."

Armstrong also detailed the process involved in asking for money.

"You're supposed to put in a budget in the spring for fall," he said. "But the way [SGA] been doing it is they're just going to give everyone minimal budgets. They have been doing that in the fall, I guess, to have something to work with. Before that, they didn't give everyone budgets until later in the semester. They gave everyone \$500-\$600 as a starter, and then you're supposed to put in budget request in the spring."

Liberty said it takes hours for the budget committee to decide on allocations. Before allocating the money, they consider the events organizations put on, their spending and their current balance.

"If organizations do not feel they have been allocated enough money to fund their events, they can put in a request for additional funding," Liberty said. "This has been stated at several Congress Meetings."

Some organizations are happy with their allotment, including the Black Student Union (BSU) and AKA (Alpha Kappa Alpha).

BSU received the most money out all the campus organizations – \$5,000 for both semesters, or \$10,000 for the year, about

Organization	F15	Sp16
African Student Association	\$1,400.00	\$1,500
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc	\$2,350.00	\$2,200
Alpha Phi Delta	\$150.00	\$50
Alpha Phi Omega	\$600.00	\$2,600
Black Student Union	\$5,000.00	\$5,000
Campus of Nerds	\$150.00	\$250
Creative Attributions	\$3,050.00	\$2,800
College Republicans	\$950.00	\$0
De La Warr History Society		\$1,400
Delta Phi Epsilon	\$600.00	\$950
Elite Dance Team	\$0.00	\$750
Wesley Diamond Step Team	\$400.00	\$700
Fairy Godsisisters of Delaware	\$630.00	\$800
FCA	\$150.00	NA
G.I.V.E.	NA	\$250
Greek Union	\$2,500.00	\$1,060
HOOPLA	\$100.00	\$450
IMPACT	\$850.00	\$200
L.E.F.T.	NA	\$200
Legal Society	\$1,200.00	\$1,300
Light to Life	\$0	\$0
Multicultural Student Union	\$2,000	\$750
NAMI on Campus	\$300	\$370
NSLS	\$0	\$850
NSMH	NA	\$2,750
P.E.A.S	\$800	\$1,500
Psi Chi	NA	\$1,600
Psychology Club	NA	\$2,000
SAFE Wesley	\$2,000	\$1,600
SPEAK	NA	\$300
SPA	\$500	\$590
SNA	\$500	\$1,600
Student United Way	\$500	NA
Students for Peace	\$300	NA
Sustainable Wesley	\$700	\$600
Total Adjusted Allocation (some allocations made later)	\$27,680	\$36,970
SGA Student Fee Disbursement	\$66,832.50	\$59,280

SGA shared the budgets with students March 23

SGA Organization

8 percent of the total (\$126,112.50) SGA distributed to all organizations.

Campus organizations are funded through SGA based on active involvement, Newton said. This money comes directly from student fees.

Every Wesley student pays \$47.50 as part of their student fees to go to the SGA. If the college has 1,400 students, that

sum would total \$66,500 each semester for SGA to distribute. If the money is not spent, it will be "rolled over" into the next semester.

Armstrong said students have the right to know how their money is being allocated.

"They should be able to see what money is being allocated, simply because the SGA is a democratic

government elected by students," he said. "How they handle the money is supposed to be something that's transparent in a democracy. The U.S. government has to be open about its budget, it's an open record."

Evan Le'Mon, president of BSU, believes this entitles the students to know what is in the budgets of student organizations.

"The money student organizations are using is coming from our pockets, so we should know where our money is going, how it's being used, and how it is budgeted," he said.

Daniels believes it's not a good idea for students to view the budgets.

"I do not feel as though each campus organizations should have the access of knowing what's in other budgets because it would cause a lot of controversy," she said

Bianca Velasquez, president of AKA, has similar thoughts.

"I think if everyone was aware you would have orgs questioning why this org received a large amount," she said. "Especially if there's an org sitting on thousands of dollar and doesn't host many events on campus."

AKA received \$2,350 in the fall and \$2,200 in the spring.

SGA doesn't want to over-fund organizations that aren't traditionally active, Newton said. If an organization is only active for one out of two semesters, then the next year they will receive less money.

"Sometimes organizations will ask for outrageous amounts of money for no good reason," she said. "For example, if an organization asks for \$5,000, after looking at activities and other factors, we will give them like \$3,000"

Newton said money was allocated based on activity of student organizations.

"The more active you are, generally, the more you are going to need," she said. "There are organizations that have thousands of dollars in their accounts and don't do anything with it. It just rolls over semester to semester."

From College on p. 2: Managing Editor Grows Insecure about the Future

True. Other college newspapers are staffed with a large number of reporters to assign stories to—most of those editors do not actually write any articles themselves. At larger college newspapers there are

editors for every section of the paper—news, sports, opinion, lifestyle—in addition to the Editor-in-chief and Managing editor. We don't even have that many people on our entire staff. It is very rare that a college newspaper is only printed

once a month like The Whetstone is, but it is even rarer for the responsibility of reporting, writing, organizing, editing, formatting and distributing to belong to just two people.

All of these things that appear to be setbacks may

actually be considered advantages – Kristen and I have experienced every job position available on the college newspaper in the two years we have been editors for *The Whetstone*.

Wesley College, in all of its smallness, offers stu-

dents the opportunity to mold the dynamics of their own education, to prove themselves capable, and excel according to their personal motivation.

You just have to want it.

From Chaplain on p. 1: President Says Wesley's Chaplains Must be Methodist



Kristen Griffith/TheWhetstone

President Robert Clark said he never asked McClymont to resign

received an email from Peggy Johnson, the bishop of UMC, which said that she and President Clark expected his resignation from the chaplaincy at Wesley.

"I refused to sign anything," he said. "I'm trying to fight this because it is discrimination. This is religious discrimination."

Clark said McClymont was not asked to resign, but that McClymont's decision to leave the United Methodist denomination was the same as making a decision to leave Wesley College.

Clark said he wanted a full-time Methodist campus minister.

"I had discussed this vision with Pastor McClymont, and thought he would be a good fit if he were willing to take on a full-time Methodist Ministry," he said. "I had the approval of the leadership of the Peninsula-Delaware Conference to move forward with my vision and they agreed to assign Pastor McClymont if he agreed to be our full time Methodist Campus Minister – which Pastor McClymont did not."

McClymont said Clark never mentioned that the full-time chaplain was expected to be a Methodist

pastor.

"I told him in January I was most likely separating from the United Methodist Church," he said. "I was not aware until March after my separation from the denomination and his conversations with the conference that he was looking for somebody who was specifically United Methodist for the position."

In an email to McClymont, Wesley's Human Resources Generalist LaVette Whaley said Title VII of the Civil Rights Act states that, "subject to certain exceptions, religion may not be the basis for employment decisions."

However, she also said an exception can be made "when religion is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of that particular enterprise."

Whaley said this shows that the College "may require that the position of Chaplain be held by a Methodist pastor."

McClymont said his personal affiliation with the UMC is not "reasonably necessary to the normal operation" of Wesley College.

"If I am not a United Methodist, will this school continue to be a school?" he said. "Of course."

Whaley said the college has only employed United Methodists as chaplain.

However, former Wesley College Director of Spiritual Life and Community Engagement Erica Brown said she was not a United Methodist, but a minister in the Christian Church (of the Disciples of Christ denomination). Still, she was employed to fulfill the role of campus chaplain from 2010-2012.

"I was upfront concerning my denominational affiliation when I applied for the position, and I was hired without reservation, as far as I could tell," she said. "Regardless of my official title, I was called 'Chaplain.'"

McClymont said Clark's vision to make Wesley "more Methodist" doesn't make sense.

"Wesley is only Methodist-related," he said. "Our student population tells a different story—7 percent of the student body is United Methodist and 93 percent is not. Why should the chaplain have to be United Methodist? Our president doesn't even have to be United Methodist."

Clark said McClymont was appointed to Wesley College by the Conference leadership, which was responsible for his removal from the position.

McClymont's job description, however, lists Clark ("President of the College") as his boss. The job descriptions for both the full-time and part-time chaplain positions make no mention of the United Methodist Conference or the bishop. It also does not specify that the Wesley chaplain must be Methodist.

"I was hired here—I went through the HR department, I get a Wesley pay-

check, Wesley pays into my retirement," McClymont said. "There is no paperwork, no contract that says that I am under appointment here by the conference."

In an email to McClymont, Amanda Allen, program administrator from the General Board of Higher Education & Ministry said, "While we absolutely hope to see a vibrant collegiate ministry and chaplaincy program on our campuses, the Guidelines do not require that the chaplain be United Methodist."

Vice President of Academic Affairs Dr. Jeffrey Gibson said that although Wesley is not limited to hiring only Methodist chaplains, that does not mean they cannot be preferred.

"I think in an effort to strengthen our relationship with the church, it makes sense to try to work through them first," he said. "I think the main thing is, 'How do we find the right chaplain for our students and for Wesley College?' That is the primary goal."

Wesley junior Sam Frain, who is involved in McClymont's ministry on campus, said he will stay in contact with McClymont, even after he is no longer chaplain.

"It makes sense why he can't be chaplain but I think they should have let him stay," he said. "I think he did a good job and he definitely tried to be involved—it was a blessing to have him at Wesley."

Clark said the college will be working closely with UMC leadership to find McClymont's replacement, who will either be assigned by the UMC, or "more likely through a search we will conduct in consultation with the [UMC]."

McClymont said that although he will not resign, he will have no choice but to leave the position in June.

"Basically they can get away with it and do whatever they want because this is a (private) entity—it goes by the president's vision," he said. "The president wants to make the school's ties with the United Methodist church stronger, and I feel that he really wants to turn this back around to be not only a United Methodist-related school but a United Methodist school."

McClymont said although he is sad to leave Wesley, he is excited about the future.

"I want to be in front of people, build relationships with people, get to know people, walk with people in their journeys," he said.

On Sept. 18, McClymont will be launching a church of his own in Smyrna, 4 the World Ministries—a name inspired by the Eric Liddell quote, "Christ for the world, for the world needs Christ."

"It's really about serving the community and serving others," he said. "We want to lift people up and empower them to make positive change within the community and around the world."

McClymont said although this year has been difficult, it has strengthened his faith.

"The world doesn't cater to us," he said. "But it's OK because God has a plan. Sometimes you get frustrated. There were times that I got mad and I was like, 'I can't believe this is happening. What are you doing God?' And He was just like, 'Hey Scot, I've got this. When are you going to learn?'"

From Letter on p.3: Past Editor Shares Opinion on Whetstone Criticism

job – keeping the students informed.

You do not answer to the

administration, and once Wesley's new president realizes that, maybe he can

learn to appreciate the job you have taken on.

And Mr. President, like

the salaries of Wesley's top earners, my email address is public domain.

Sincerely,
Kim Manahan
Class of 2011

From Election on p. 1: Presidential Race Ends in Close Results



Destiny Hollis at the SGA Presidential Debate

Natalie Trujillo

her vote.

"Kenny approached us in the College Center and gave a good speech," Korum said.

Freshman Justin Vera said Hollis' treats won his vote.

"Some of the candidates came by offering snacks, such as cookies, for a vote for them," he said.

Vera said they gave him the cookie after they made sure he voted "correctly."

Hollis said her cookies and brownies symbolized "thank yous."

"Thank you for taking the time out to listen to our plans next semester, thank you for your vote and thank you for your support," she said.

Freshman Kari Matthews

said she was also offered a cookie.

"They came to my room and said, 'If you vote for me now, I'll give you a cookie,'" she said. "I pulled up the election thing, and she told me who she wanted me to vote for."

Matthews said she voted for Lee's team during the reelection.

Hollis said Lee was a wonderful candidate to run against, but an SGA president needs experience.

"It is very hard to discuss ideas and changes for SGA when one does not know how to go about such change," she said. "My experience and knowledge will make me a good president."

Hollis, the current SGA

Secretary, said she learned so much after serving on the Executive Board for two years.

"I learned the differences and similarities between running one or two organizations versus running 30 plus organizations," she said. "There are many differences but few similarities."

Current SGA President, Savannah Durham, said she publicly endorsed Hollis, Jankowski and Bautista.

"I have had the pleasure to serve with Destiny and Jennifer, and I know their passion and dedication," she said. "With experience comes knowledge, and I believe these two have a lot of it when it comes to effectively running Wesley's Student Government Association."

Lee said she was disappointed she and her team lost. She said she wants to see the new SGA reach out more to the students.

"Right now, when students complain about something, their first reaction is, 'Well, why haven't you been to SGA,'" she said. "However, I brought a friend to a meeting recently, and the first thing he said was, 'Am I allowed

to be here?'"

Lee said students will not come to SGA meetings if they don't feel welcome.

Senior Zaire Scott said he voted for Lee and her team because of their energy and the way they presented themselves.

"They're not afraid to go up to anybody and get their point across," he said. "They're not just going up to their friends and getting them to vote."

Scott said he saw that from the other team, but Lee's team showed more effort.

Jankowski beat McDaniels for the Vice President position by 75 votes. She received the most votes out of her team – 289.

"My initial reaction was there was no way got swept," McDaniels said reacting to his team losing. "I thought worst case scenario, Betty would at least win."

Jankowski said she was more qualified to be vice president than McDaniels since she is the current Chief of Staff.

"I have learned that roles such as vice president or president are not things that you jump into without some sort of background,"

she said.

Bautista won the race for SGA Treasurer against Ciccoli and Paige Goodskye. She chalked up 278 votes while Ciccoli gathered 194 and Goodskye 31.

Sophomore Sam Meck said he voted for Bautista, Hollis and McDaniels.

"I know Adrienne," he said. "I know she would do a good job with finances."

He said he knew McDaniels from their conversations in the athletic training room.

"I think that he would be good in office," he said.

Ciccoli said he will no longer be involved with SGA, but he will continue helping the school on his own.

"Those [SGA] meetings leave me frustrated and with the understanding that not much is getting accomplished on the student's behalf," he said. "This is the reason most do not attend SGA."

Lee said she thinks the elected candidates will do a good job.

"However, I think the SGA board has the possibility of being great," she said. "I would love to see the new board aim for that title."

Voting Error Caused Revote in SGA Election

By **Kristen Griffith**
Editor-in-Chief
The Whetstone

The Student Government Association announced there was a "new problem" in the election process March 31. All the previous votes no longer counted and students had to vote again.

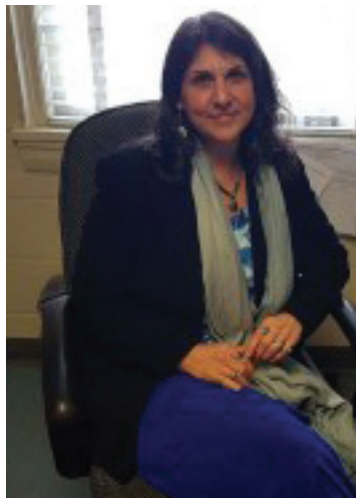
"We realized that each student needed to receive his/her own unique link to Survey Monkey through his/her individual email account," voting monitor Dr. Angela D'Antonio said. "This method would endure that each email recipient could only vote once."

Voting originally began March 28 when SGA sent an email with candidate's biographies and a link to Survey Monkey.

"Remember, you can only vote once!" the email said.

But students were able to vote as many times as they wanted on different devices.

Before, students received the same link to their emails, allowing them to vote as many times as they



Kristen Griffith/The Whetstone
Dr. D'Antonio verified the election process

wanted on different devices.

D'Antonio said she discovered students could vote several times after student pointed it out.

"This was confirmed by testing it multiple times and multiple ways," she said. "I informed SGA officers and Dr. Newton [SGA adviser] and after confirming it, a decision was made to stop the voting."

Kenny Ciccoli said he and his SGA campaign team – Betty Lee, Nick McDaniels and Kelsey Fitzpatrick – brought the errors of the voting process

to D'Antonio's attention.

"We, working from the outside once again, accomplished what should have already been addressed and accomplished by SGA," he said.

Ciccoli ran for treasurer, Lee ran for President, McDaniels ran for Vice President and Fitzpatrick ran for Secretary unopposed.

Ciccoli said the same problem happened during last year's election when he ran for SGA President against Savannah Durham.

"We knew people could vote more than once," he said. "The problem was made known and was subsequently ignored."

Destiny Hollis, current SGA secretary, said the duplicate voting did not affect the previous election.

"I saw the passion and dedication put into campaigning and voting last year, so I know all votes were genuine," she said.

Hollis said she did not have an opponent when she ran last year, but she helped Durham during her campaign.

Durham said the problems from Survey Monkey

last year were different.

"This Executive Board, except the ones that were a part of the election, spent many hours working with Survey Monkey, our IT department, and faculty members in order to address the problem," she said.

She said she copied and pasted student's email addresses into Survey Monkey so they will receive a unique link in their inboxes.

"We were able to have a successful, fair and transparent election, and addressed any problems that could arise in the future," she said.

McDaniels said they should change the way voting is done.

"The best way to make the election fair would be a ballot like system with pen and paper limiting the chance of foul play, like taking someone's cell phone and voting for them," he said.

Hollis said the only time she touched student's phones were to help them find the email with the Survey Monkey link.

SAB President Thanks Students and Executive Board for Homecoming Reloaded

By Cheyenne Lazarus

Thank you to everyone for all the support you have giving Student Activities Board during Homecoming Reloaded week! All of us on the Executive Board truly appreciate it. We started planning that week in November from just a thought during one of our meetings. We did



Students skate around the gym April 5 during Homecoming Reloaded Week
Cheyenne Lazarus

not think it would actually happen, but it did. Thank you to everyone who attended events starting from Monday's Open Mic Night to Saturday's 90s Party. Seeing a crowd of people showing up to our events made us feel like our hard work wasn't going unnoticed. Also, the Step Show went above and beyond anything that we

were expecting. On behalf of the Executive Board, I would like to thank all the volunteers who helped out. If it wasn't for you guys it wouldn't have been so successful. Hopefully, in the end, we showed everyone what our organization is all about and what we can do when everyone comes together.

From VPAA on p.1: Search Committee Unanimously Decided to Choose Wesley's Own

because it was offered to him, he actually wanted to do it." Gibson said serving as interim did not help his confidence during the hiring process. "I wasn't confident that I had any kind of leg up on the other candidates because there were so many qualified candidates," he said. "I certainly wasn't taking it for granted." Sophomore Ray Lewis said he figured Gibson would get the position. "Since he was already working the job, I feel like they were going to give it to him anyway," he said. Gibson admits that his time as interim and a professor contributed to the final decision. "I'm sure it helped me in some ways that people know who I am," he said. "Those kind of things probably did work a bit in my

favor." During the final round of the hiring process, Jessen-Marshall, Gibson and Earley sat with students and faculty to give a background of who they were and answer any questions they may have. Lewis attended Earley's session March 31. "I thought she was very energetic and charismatic," he said. "I feel she could have brought new things to the school." He said she might have trouble adjusting to Wesley's academic system. "I think her system was easier or nonchalant," he said. "She would have to adjust to a more structured system." Lewis said Gibson would not only do a good job, but also improve. Junior Kaylynn Hall also said Gibson would do a good job. But she was

impressed with Jessen-Marshall when she spoke with students March 29. "I thought she was persistent and very eager to take on the position," Hall said. "She was really concerned with the students as well." Hall said the people at Wesley are not focused on the students enough. Several Wesley students were unaware who Gibson was, nor did they know what the job of a VPAA and Provost entailed. Gibson said the Provost is second to the President of the College. "But I serve as Vice President alongside other colleagues on the cabinet who oversee their particular areas," he said. Gibson said part of the VPAA job is to coordinate with faculty and other academic areas of the college. "The folks in our regis-

trar office, student support services and I would say to collaborate beyond academics with the other areas of the college – athletics, student affairs, institutional advancement, and admissions all to help drive the mission of the college – the education of our students." Dr. James Wilson, member of the search committee, did not know who would be the next VPAA when the hiring process first started. "I went into the process being open to any candidate," he said. But after going through 89 candidates, Wilson said Gibson stood out. "Quite honestly, on paper, Jeff Gibson was a top candidate," Wilson said. He said hiring Gibson was a "no-brainer." Professor Paul Olsen, chair of the search committee, said Gibson's

familiarity with the school and ability to get everyone working together will make him a good VPAA. He said his qualifications were impressive. "His campus interview, his Skype interview and his experience all played a part in the committee being impressed with Dr. Gibson," he said. Olsen said the decision to choose him for the job was unanimous among the search committee and other members of the college. "Staff, faculty, Board of Trustees, the President's cabinet – all college constituents viewed him favorably," he said. He said this job will give Gibson the opportunity to prove himself. "What happens over the next two years or three years, only time will tell," he said. "I have full faith in him."

Womens Lacrosse Struggle to Come Back Against St. Mary's

By Justin Vera
The Whetstone

St. Mary's College of Maryland's Women's Lacrosse Team came out fast and scored twice in a matter of minutes. From then on, the Wolverines played from behind, and lost 19-6. Wesley entered the April 2 game against St. Mary's with a 2-8 record as they took the field against No. 19 St. Mary's. After St. Mary's scored



Bailey Olds scored two points against St. Mary's College of Maryland
Wesley Athletics

two quick goals, Coach LeClair of Wesley called a timeout, after which Wesley got back into the game

by scoring a goal and cutting the lead down to 2. LeClair said as the game went along it became more physical. "Going in to the game we knew that St. Mary's was going to be a physically demanding game from year's past," she said. Two of the players that helped Wesley on the scoreboard was Bailey Olds and Fallon Fore. They both scored two points each. "Even though it was a loss, we played well as a

team," Olds said. "I think that it gives us all more confidence going into the next games." After the game, goaltender Savannah Clough said St. Mary's skills were no surprise. "We knew going into the game that it would be tough, fast ball movement, quick feet, and fast shots," she said. "When the game started I believe that the fast breaks was what hurt our defense."

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