Annual tuition hike sparks student reactions

Lake Forest’s increases not as much as other ACM colleges—but still hurt

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Lake Forest College students’ tuition for the 2014-2015 year has risen 3.09 percent from the last academic year, due to increases in tuition, room and board, and student activity costs, which will bring the annual grand total to $50,652. The increases spark different reactions from students, who bear the brunt of the costs with student loans. Foresters, however, will fare better than students at other Associated Colleges of the Midwest (ACM), where tuition increases are considerably more. ACM is a group of colleges that Lake Forest College is a part of.

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“The College has been one of the most generous providers of financial aid in the Associated Colleges of the Midwest,” said Director of Financial Aid Jerry Cebrzynski. “As an international student, I appreciate the College’s efforts to try and ensure that I can afford an education here,” Hsu Yamin San ‘17 said. “But at the same time, I believe that LFC needs to better understand the specific financial struggles international students face (such as requiring housing over breaks) and could create some new and friendlier policies for us.”

Since the tuition increase issue is a controversial one, many students interviewed asked to remain anonymous but still want their concerns and thoughts to be heard.

“I think that we are paying a lot of money for a college that is not well known.”

“We should have more merit scholarships, like a diversity scholarship.”

“Room and board is expensive. Roberts, Gregory, and McClure should be nicer places to live for how much we pay to live in there.”

Students always have the option of discussing their personal financial situation and sharing their ideas with

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Speed Networking helps students build career paths

The Career Advancement Center will host its 7th annual job-finding hot spot Nov. 6

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The Varsity Gymnasium in the Sports and Recreation Center will transform into a future-enhancing, networking hot spot on Thursday, Nov. 6. Since its debut in 2009, Speed Networking, an event hosted by the Career Advancement Center every fall, has become a hallmark event of the college.

“Speed Networking has really become a signature event that alumni, professionals and students look forward to every year,” Career Advancement Center Associate Director Alina Guarise said.

Modeled after speed dating, Speed Networking gives Lake Forest College students the opportunity to meet up to 20 professionals in all sorts of career pathways for a series of five-minute meetings to promote themselves.

 “[The Career Advancement Center] strives to bring in a mix of professionals from a variety of industries and organizations,” Guarise said. “We have confirmed individuals working at many different places, including AbbVie (a pharmaceutical company), Exelon (energy and utilities industry), Google, Teach for America, City Year, The Citadel Theatre Company, Chicago Public Schools, Bank of America, The American Cancer Society, ZENO Group (public relations industry) and The Chicago Council on Global

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First-year students navigating through their long-term relationships

Dr. Jennifer Fast discusses how first-years can adjust through transition period

Many Lake Forest College students’ transition into their first year of college can be very stressful, especially since many of them will begin a long-distance relationship, adding to the challenges of navigating through their freshman year.

“Trust, feeling disconnected, fear of growing apart, fear of cheating, loss of intimacy, peer pressure to break up ‘because it’s college and college is for experimenting’ are many things people in long-distance relationships are fearful of,” Director of Health and Wellness Dr. Jennifer Fast said.

Isabel Serrano ’18 says that the hardest part of her long-distance relationship with her boyfriend, who lives in Ecuador, is having completely different schedules and maintaining steady contact with him, given that he is over 3,000 miles away from Chicago.

For Helen Embaye ’18, the hardest thing about a long-distance relationship is the constant worry that the distance will change her and her boyfriend into different people and the possibility of her Colorado boyfriend finding someone else. However, long-distance relationships are not impossible.

“Despite what many people believe, long-distance relationships do not break up at any greater rate than more traditional, geographically close, couples,” according to a student in a long-distance relationship.

Many couples might feel this way and isolate themselves. However, it is important to encourage one another to spend time with friends, pursue their interests, and other activities that will help them feel satisfied in multiple areas of life.

Being without that special someone can be a sad and frustrating time. The situation may feel unfair, but it is important for both partners to be fully committed to one another. Through trust, communication, and support, any long-distance relationship can overcome the distance.

Counseling Services is offering a “Navigating 1st Year Transitions” group counseling option, understanding that many first-year students may have a difficult time managing their transition to college and welcoming first years to share their struggles and successes with one another in a positive setting.

If you are having a difficult time maintaining your long-distance relationship, or just need someone to talk to about it, schedule an appointment with Counseling Services in Buchanan Hall on South Campus.
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Ayotzinapa: Enrique Peña Nieto versus the world (and the Mexicans)

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On Sept. 26, something that changed the international political agenda occurred. While some students from the Teacher Training College of Iguala, Guerrero, a southern state of Mexico, were holding demonstrations against the new implemented system of teacher selection, police forces began to shoot at the protesters, which killed at least six people and injured 17 more.

Although violence in Mexico is not uncommon, kidnappings, assaults, rapes, and deaths in several parts of the country seem to have been worsening as time progresses. Former Mexican President Felipe Calderon’s tenure as an agent that “changed Mexico for the better” was not enough to make the Mexican people believe that the political reforms would deeply affect the behavior and the development of the Mexican population, which would reaffirm their identity with the common target of looking at their president as someone cowardly and malleable.

One of the political reforms that affected Mexico’s population first was the Educational Reform that was implemented immediately after Nieto’s tour in Europe and New York took place. The Energetic Reform and the Politic Reform were taking place after his wife, Angelica Rivera, former actress of the biggest Latin American entertainment company, Televiña, was seen to have a cover in the internationally acclaimed fashion magazine Marie Claire and People in Spanish showing her personal collection of Oscar de la Renta dresses.

The Educational Reform aimed to evaluate the knowledge of professors by an independent institution that would favor the selection of teachers who were based in urban areas rather than rural settings. Therefore, several demonstrations were held in cities across the country, including Iguala in the southern state of Guerrero. Although the participants of the demonstrations would be mostly people who are related to the educational environment, it was common to see part of the civilian population demonstrating. This showed that the “Saving Mexico” TIME magazine published was wrong and continues to worsen as time progresses.

At least 22 active and identified members of the police forces of the state of Guerrero were related to the disappearance of several juveniles numbering, some media argue, were between 43 to 58 students when the demonstration took place in Iguala, Guerrero. Nevertheless, the Mexican population agreed on a number of missing students who were later identified by family members and classmates.

In addition to the continuous efforts from the side of the civilian population to reach the students, other cities in the country have raised awareness by protesting against the official indifference from the local and federal government. Mexico City, Acapulco, Monterrey, Guadalajara and so on are some examples.

Some political scientists have linked the disappearance of the Mexican students to the business between the local police forces and the organized crime gang known as the Union Warriors. Although this theory could be true, the fact that the entire population is aware that the event took place and that several key people on the political agenda have been linked to it, the indifference remains.

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Lake Forest College celebrates Halloween early

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Lake Forest College’s Halloween party is the most talked about “all campus party,” ACP, celebrated on campus. The International Student Organization hosted the Halloween ACP, which took place on Oct. 25. ACPs occur about every two weeks and are often sponsored by different clubs and associations on campus.

Typically, the number of participants varies depending on the week and who is sponsoring. The Halloween ACP is an exception, as it is centered on a widely celebrated holiday.

With about half of the students enrolled at the college being 21 and over, alcohol tends to be a normal ritual before attending the ACP, which heightens the amount of energy and level of excitement.

Samantha Sricharmorn ’15, Marina Rawlings ’17, and Katelyn Jocson ’16 celebrate Halloween early.

The city of Chicago is full of an endless variety of events; there are restaurants, concerts, sporting events, and my personal favorite, theater. Every resident of the Chicago area should be obligated to attend a performance, whether it is a play, musical, or comedy act.

The college’s decision to have the Halloween ACP the weekend before Halloween allows students who are not strong believers of celebrating the holiday to participate. The Halloween ACP is a longstanding tradition, and according to Jesse Rocha ’16, it is a good way to “see the campus coming together, celebrating, and just having fun.” Rocha reiterated the importance of the ACP shifting the focus from a ghoulish event to a “dance and social event.” This is of particular importance because Lake Forest College is home to many students from around the world who do not typically celebrate Halloween, let alone know what the holiday entails.

Chris Lai ’18, who came to Lake Forest College from Curacao, an island in the southern Caribbean Sea, described Halloween as a “new and different experience.”

Lai was surprised at how the “wild and provocative” campus celebration of Halloween, which is most likely a result of the amount of drinking occurring before the ACP. The college does provide “tamer” alternatives to the ACP celebration of Halloween; for example, the college encourages students to wear costumes, offering events such as the “last-minute” costume sale, in which costumes are sold at an affordable price at Hixon Hall. On the actual night of Halloween, students are able to celebrate as they please and normally wear costumes for fun around campus and to some of the smaller events planned over Halloween weekend.

This year, the college plans to bring ghost hunter, Chris Moon, to campus to share his ghostly encounters and a creepy ghost hunt of one of the campus’ buildings, Hixon Hall.

Overall, the college’s Halloween celebrations are both entertaining and inclusive to the needs of students coming from a wide range of beliefs, countries, and traditions.

Lake Forest College Stentor

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Every resident of the Chicago area should be obligated to attend a performance, whether it is a play, musical, or comedy act.

Over Fall Break, I was lucky enough to attend the Joffrey Ballet Company’s rendition of Swan Lake, and it was flawless. One could not help but stare in awe at the breathing technical skill of the company dancers.

The four-act production told the story of a principal dancer’s fantasy of Odette, the Swan Queen, with whom he falls in love, and for whom he must battle.

The ballet utilizes intrusions of reality as a device to illustrate the struggle of the principal dancer as he becomes immersed in his role as Prince Siegfried. A classical piece, the ballet was brought to life by the choreography of Christopher Wheeldon, the incredible talent and stamina of the performers, and the live musical accompaniment.

Wheeldon’s Swan Lake came to a close on Oct. 26, but the Joffrey Ballet Company has several upcoming performances in the 2014-2015 season; these include the Nutcracker, from Dec. 5 to 28, and Unique Voices, an abstract take on vulnerability in relationships, from Feb. 11 to 22. I recommend attending at least one show; the Joffrey Ballet never ceases to amaze.

Forester in the City: Joffrey Ballet

Photo from Joffrey Ballet

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1. The Social Network: Listen to this movie’s industrial, electronic pieces when it is time to calm down and focus (and maybe, create the world’s next hit social media outlet). Spotlight Song: In Motion - Trent Reznor and Atticus Ross

2. But I’m A Cheerleader: Listen to this indie movie’s indie hits when you are feeling giddy and smitten. As you listen to these dreamy tunes, you will see cartoon hearts in your eyes and feel butterflies in your stomach. Spotlight Song: If You Should Try And Kiss Her - Dressy Bessy

3. Django Unchained: Listen to this Western romp’s jams when you need to get pumped up. Get ready for a test, a game, or every single day, with some hardcore Tarantino music taste. Spotlight Song: Unchained (The Payback/ Untouchable) - James Brown and 2Pac

4. Moulin Rouge: Listen to this musical’s humorous and creative covers of pop songs when you need to brighten your day; it will definitely make you feel Spectacular, Spectacular. Spotlight Song: Like A Virgin - performed by Jim Broadbent, Richard Roxburgh, and Anthony Weigh

5. Guardians of the Galaxy: Listen to this summer blockbuster’s tunes after a great day. These songs are like a big congratulatory pat on the back after an aced test, for finally talking to that person three seats away from you in class, or maybe just for having a super choice outfit. Spotlight Song: Hooked on a Feeling - Blue Swede

Five fantastic movie soundtracks and when to listen to them
Tinaja Film screening attracts Lake Forest residents, students

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Lake Forest residents and students alike gathered at the Reid Chapel Oct. 24 for the Midwest premiere screening of the documentary film The Tinaja Trail, which was accompanied by Lake Forest College professor, Don Meyer's musical score. This screening was part of "Lake Forest Reads: Ragdale," a program which seeks to create a sense of community among Lake Forest residents through reading. The film relates to this year's chosen book.

While most of those in attendance were Lake Forest residents, several students were present as well. The Tinaja Trail is a film by Bruce Newell that documents the heroic actions of "border angels" - United States citizens who provide water for immigrants attempting to make the journey from their homeland of Mexico to the United States. The film's main message is that all human life is valuable, and that the illegality of this form of immigration does not justify the large number of immigrant deaths that occur each year due to thirst and starvation.

These so-called "border angels" are fully aware that those they help are entering the country illegally, even stating that they do not encourage illegal immigration. Despite this, they recognize the value of human life, and thus, choose saving lives over the law. Since they know that a wall surrounding the border will not stop the immigrants from making the journey, they feel responsible for stopping the immigrants' needless suffering and death. And so, they continue to replenish the water stations that they provide to the immigrants, no matter how many times angry United States citizens take them down.

The film highlights the courageousness of the "border angels," while also making an attempt to help Americans better understand the motivation behind immigration from Mexico to the United States. In short, The Tinaja Trail is a great film for anybody who is interested in human rights or government policy and politics.

Q&A: On Campus Arts and Entertainment

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Do you like movies, music, or artwork? Do you enjoy voicing your likes and dislikes? How about becoming a columnist for the Arts and Entertainment section of the Stentor? No prior experience required. Email: harrisas@lakeforest.edu
Stop complaining and start voting

Outside the classroom, organizations like SWAN and PRIDE often organize their meetings on changes society can make that encourage social progress. Other internationally recognized groups, like Habitat for Humanity, have been very active in combating homelessness and poverty since the Great Recession.

Greek life also plays an incredibly important role in supporting various philanthropies that provide services beyond what the government can offer. These groups are a defining feature of Lake Forest College, but this kind of activism on and off campus completely breaks down when we’re placed in the real world with real issues to tackle.

Students will fly to Florida to build houses with Habitat, they will travel to New York to march in the climate-change protest, and they will volunteer their time every week to help children in North Chicago. But when it comes to voting on issues, they are so “active” about it, it becomes too much. We have the opportunity to change how our government functions on Nov. 4. Don’t like the way Congress is handling minimum wage? Then vote in a congressman with the same ideals as you. Surprised at how many feel among students was pure apathy. I heard every excuse under the sun not to register or vote. It takes too long. There’s no one who represents how I feel. I don’t have time for this. And my personal favorite – they’re all corrupt anyway.

But what I noticed when Brad Schneider’s campaign was on campus a couple of weeks ago to register students to vote, the general feeling among students was pure apathy. I heard every excuse under the sun not to register or vote. It takes too long. There’s no one who represents how I feel. I don’t have time for this. And my personal favorite – they’re all corrupt anyway.

Back home, I have the opportunity to vote on the future of our water supply in California for the next 100 years. For those who live in Illinois, all 18 congressional seats, the governor and attorney general are on the ballot. These are highly important issues that deserve time and attention. But a recent report by Harvard’s Institute of Politics finds that less than a quarter of 18- to 29-year-olds are expected to vote. Don’t be among the 75 percent. Instead of taking a nap after your Intro to American Politics class, take the time to vote. You’ll even get a sticker.

Durand Art Institute: Safe house or velociraptor death trap?

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As prospective students take walking tours of campus, many of them may ask questions about extracurricular activities, Greek life, or classes. However, many of them neglect to ask a very important question: is the campus prepared for a velociraptor attack?

This article will focus on the strengths and weaknesses of one of the college’s oldest buildings, the Durand Art Institute. This building, which houses the philosophy and art departments, cuts an impressive figure when seen from Deerpath Road, yet are these students safe from the dangers of a velociraptor hunting pack?

Velociraptors, as made famous by the 1993 documentary, Jurassic Park, are approximately six feet tall, with a top speed of about 25 mph and have a dangerous pack hunting technique. The velociraptor is a talented problem-solver with the ability to operate doorknobs and set traps (as is demonstrated in the acclaimed third installment, Jurassic Park 3).

For the purposes of this article, we will assume that a pack of 10 velociraptors has been seen loose upon campus and the pack leader has set his sights upon Durand.

The Deerpath side of Durand may slow the hunters down initially. Heavy wooden doors with handles that do not turn would be a novel issue to the ferocious dinosaurs and would be difficult to break through, despite their razor-sharp claws.

Velociraptors are not known to be adept climbers, though they have a vertical jump of nearly 20 feet. While the front of the building may allow them entry—given enough time and effort, it is more likely that they would be drawn to the back of the building, where the defenses begin to crumble.

The rear entrance to Durand consists simply of two sets of glass double doors, easily breakable by a powerful animal. Once inside the building, panic ensues. Students and professors will barricade themselves in their classrooms, but the interior doors of Durand do not boast the same defensible features as the front of the building. These doors will be easily broken down by a concerted effort from the pack, leaving those within exposed to attack.

Inevitably, those inside will flee to higher levels of the building to escape the incoming predators. The narrow staircase immediately inside the glass doors will require a single file line to ascend the stairs.

This could potentially give those on the second floor time to escape via the side door and flee to the parking lot or inside of Deerpath Hall (analysis of this building coming soon).

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Center for Chicago Program

Doughnut Crawl big hit with students

Forester's lined up to explore the city through its delectable delights

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The city of Lake Forest has its staple food places such as The Lantern and Ferentino’s, but there's a popular food item that can’t be found in any in town. What’s that you might ask? Doughnuts! Yes, doughnuts!

On October 11th, Lake Forest College students had the chance to remedy their doughnut dilemma and get to try some of the best doughnuts Chicago has to offer. The best part? The event was absolutely free!

the doughnut crawl

was coordinated by the Center of Chicago Programs who provided tickets and transportation for students to partipcate. They were only required to bring money for food and shopping.

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Students embarked on a morning train ride to the city, where they were able to try a variety of different doughnuts such as vegan and bacon.

It’s an option Lake Forest College students aren’t always aware of, but the more people who learn about it realize it’s something worth looking into.

Natalie Robinson ’17 was unaware of the Chicago crawl program. But she wishes she did so she could have gone to Chicago and try some free doughnuts.

“Free doughnuts? It doesn’t get better than that does it? It’s just to much excitement to think that there is going to be an option of free doughnuts! Love it! And the city of Chicago is amazing. I mean eating doughnuts while being in the heart one of America’s greatest cities.

“It’s too good to pass up!”, exclaimed Robinson.

“it’s really nice that the Center for Chicago Programs has that option available for students...and the possibilities really are endless for what you can do. It’s like a great field trip, but without the stress of it being academic related and a chance to enjoy the many amazing things about Chicago.”

The Center of Chicago programs has many other opportunities during the school year such as the Chicago Crawl. Students are encouraged to stop by the Center of Chicago Program’s building or the online website to participate in these and

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However, the terrors of the Cretaceous Period would not bother with the stairs. They would instead break through the second set of doors and take advantage of the open architecture of the building, employing their impressive vertical to leap directly to the second floor, cutting off all exits and chance of escape.

When asked about the legitimacy of this analysis, Public Safety Director Rick Cohen said that aside from having way too much time on our hands, he would have to consider our inquiry and get back to us. The following day, Cohen submitted the following:

"I sincerely doubt that Henry Ives Cobb contemplated the possibility that the Lake Forest Art Institute Club Building (known today as Durand Art Institute) might need to withstand a velociraptor attack since there is no documented evidence that any attacks occurred relatively prior to its construction in 1891. "Further, there has not been a confirmed velociraptor sighting or documented attack within the city limits since then, that might make it necessary to include such an event in our hazard identification matrix. That said, Mr. Vince Sich's and Mr. Jones' (albeit bizarre) knowledge of velociraptors' capabilities are accurate, then I don’t think that in its present state, the building would provide a safe haven."

"Therefore, if I have to take a position on this, I would have to say that Vinkavich and Jones’ conclusions are sound. However, by retrofitting 'Transparent Aluminum' in place of all exterior windows, where velociraptor penetration would be the only possible point of entry, in addition to upgrading all door and window hardware to NRC specifications, you could theoretically fortify the structure sufficiently."

"Unfortunately, even though the door and window hardware is available in the marketplace today, Vinkavich and Jones might find it difficult to locate Chief Engineer Montgomery 'Scotty' Scott of the USS Enterprise as he is the only person knowledgeable enough to fabricate the Transparent Aluminum as he did in Star Trek IV: The Voyage Home. It is my guess that the odds of Vinkavich and Jones successfully locating 'Scotty' are equal to that of a surprise velociraptor invasion and attack in Lake Forest."

From all angles, it seems that the Durand Art Institute is too easily penetrable from the outside and, once inside, the setup of the building with its lack of compartmentalization and lack of available exits from the upper floors, would spell disaster for anyone unfortunate enough to be inside. Durand Art Institute fails our velociraptor safety exam and should make us realize the inherent danger of a Jurassic Attack.

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The last time that the Mexican government shot against students in this magnitude was in the same PRI-jurisdiction on October 2, 1968, when 300 students were killed by the military forces in Tlatelolco as they were protesting against the government 10 days before the Olympic Games began in Mexico City. This event deeply reshaped the relationship between students and the governmental forces on every level.

The international community has not let Mexican government escape its fate. Several non-governmental organizations, such as Amnesty International and the High Commission of Human Rights in Mexico City, have instituted recommendations.

Additionally, the idea of government forces killing students, some demonstrators say, “should not be disregarded or even think of it as unimportant.” Cities in the United States, such as Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, Dallas, Phoenix and Seattle, are among forum. Global cities involved include London, Paris, Milan, Madrid, Barcelona, Rome, Tokyo, Ottawa, Managua, Rio de Janeiro, Buenos Aires and others.

The Mexican government is well known to be indifferent to the demonstrations that are held domestically. However, it is uncertain if Enrique Peña Nieto, being in the international spotlight of the political, economic and social agenda, should act in a morally correct manner—particularly in regard to the discovery of six more mass graves in Guerrero, which ensures that more people are being killed in Guerrero as time passes by.

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**Dowling, Mullins winningest women’s tennis doubles team in history**

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Going into their conference dual tennis match against Grinnell, Grace Dowling ’16 and Gracie Mullins ’15 were well aware that they were on the cusp of making Lake Forest College sports history.

With 32 wins under their belt as a doubles duo for the Foresters, a win against Grinnell would break a 15-year-old school record of most wins by a women’s tennis doubles team.

The dynamic duo of Graces battled from the brink of defeat to squeak out a tight 9-8 (10-7) victory over the No. 2 doubles tandem from Grinnell. What was nearly a disappointing loss for the duo became arguably one of the biggest wins in their tennis careers. The win, which was the 33rd of their career as a doubles tandem, marks them the most successful doubles team in Lake Forest College history.

Dowling and Mullins unfortunately dropped their match against Cornell in heartbreaking fashion, 8-9. However, the two now have 35 wins to their credit as a doubles-team after winning a pair of matches at the Midwest Conference Doubles tournament in Madison, Wisc.

The dynamic doubles team duo has an opportunity to help the Forester team qualify for the NCAA Championships. Dowling has high hopes for NCAAs and is eager to get back on the court for the spring season and continue having success with Mullins, Dowling said.

Mullins and Dowling have their minds set on closing out their run as a doubles team on a high note and are beginning to prepare for the spring season—off the tennis court. The tandem hopes to avenge fall conference losses to Grinnell and St. Norbert this spring.

The two Graces will kick off their 2015 spring season at a spring break tournament in Orlando, Fla., beginning March 9 and featuring some of the top Division I and Division III teams in the nation.

They will be leading the way for the Foresters at the Midwest Conference Championships on April 24 at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where they will be vying for a spot at the NCAA Championships.