Welcome Back

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Letter from the editor

"Veritas News" revamp began in spring 2012 and was finished during the summer.

By Cody Shepard
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Revamping the “Veritas News” has been a priority since last semester. Returning students will remember the newspaper received a new look for the last two issues of the 2011-12 academic year.

After receiving feedback from students and faculty, the layout was further tweaked this summer to create a modern feel for the student voice.

Sections can now be recognized by colors. News stories will be under ENC-hue red, vibrant orange marks the entertainment/opinion section, and sports stories are labeled with yellow. There is no longer a need to search for hard-to-see section headings that got lost in the pages. You can now easily jump to the stories you want to read.

Also new in this issue of the “Veritas” is an updated opinion section.

This section has varied greatly in the past, including its exclusion during the 2010-11 academic year.

Another change will be the addition of editorials. The newspaper’s editorial board will take a stand on issues important to students. If there are any issues you would like to see the editorial board take a stand on, suggestions can be submitted to enc.veritas@gmail.com.

One aspect we wanted to improve this year is student involvement.

The “Veritas” has been the voice of ENC students since its inception in 1933.

The newspaper gives students the unique ability to voice concerns or complaints about the college. It allows you -- the student body -- to have your voice heard.

Students can often be overheard voicing concerns when sitting in the dining hall, walking through the dorms, or talking with friends. There are topics that will always be annoying.

There is no better forum than the student newspaper to share your concerns. Send in Quick Hits, write letters to the editor, and submit stories.

As students, you should feel comfortable submitting your opinions. You do not have to feel like you will be punished or looked down at. You should hope that your opinion would spark a lasting conversation that may effect change.

If the “Veritas” does not hear from students, we cannot call the newspaper the official voice of the student body.

Welcome Week begins Sept. 3

Welcome Week activities run from Sept. 3-9, beginning with milk-shakes and games in Spange Parlor.

By Amy Wetzel
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Welcome Week with ultimate Frisbee at Memorial Stadium.

Sunday will wrap up SGA’s Welcome Week with ultimate Frisbee at 2:30 p.m. on Bradley Field.

NYC fair nixes pig races and goes to the dogs

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NEW YORK (AP) — Organizers of the county fair on New York’s Staten Island are making a dogged effort to prevent the spread of swine flu.

The Staten Island Advance says this year’s Richmond County Fair is forgoing pig races in response to a new swine flu strain. Instead, the Labor Day weekend fair will feature dogs running down an elevated plank and diving into the water.

Former Detroit Tigers pitcher Mitt Wilcox owns Ultimate Air Dogs, which is hosting the canine caper. He’s encouraging fairgoers to bring their dogs if they like to swim.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have said the new swine flu strain is relatively mild. Some cases have been linked to fairs, so the health organization has encouraged people not to pet pigs.
Full YMCA memberships for traditional undergraduate students

Students now have full YMCA memberships as part of an ongoing partnership with ENC.

By Cody Shepard
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Dr. Timothy Wooster and Dr. Vern Wesley have confirmed that ENC students now have full access to the area’s YMCAs as part of an ongoing partnership. The partnership also included hosting the South Shore YMCA Day Camps on campus this summer.

As part of the partnership with ENC, every traditional undergraduate student will enjoy a full membership. These memberships include use of the aquatics center, basketball courts, weight training equipment, and racquetball court, as well as classes such as Zumba.

The YMCA also offers personal training at an extra cost. Last year, memberships were offered for $45 per semester. Students who had memberships last year will automatically be renewed. New students were able to sign up for memberships during New Student Orientation. Returning students were signed up during check-in and can sign up through the SGA during lunch this week or by showing an active ENC ID at the Quincy YMCA.

Wesley said, “The partnership with the YMCA has provided adequate fitness alternatives for non-athletes, expanded facility options for intramurals and student activities, and provided a field option for flag football last fall. It’s a great opportunity for students to be a member of a gym without the hassle of worrying about monthly fees.”

The Quincy YMCA and the SGA will host an open house from 6 to 10 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 4. Activities offered will include water polo, Zumba, ping pong, volleyball, and basketball.

Buildings on campus used during the summer day camps included Angell Hall, Munro Parlor, Lahue PE Center, The Underground, and the Cove Fine Arts Center.

More than 300 children attended the summer day camps. The Quincy YMCA is located at 79 Coddington Street.

Find out how to write for The Veritas News on page eight.

SGA administrative assistant election to be held today

A new SGA admin. assistant will be voted in today after Raymond Cheung accepted the position of ENC Store manager.

By Taylor Poulin
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As students file into their dorm rooms, greet their roommates and become familiar with their new fall schedule, changes are being made that may or may not affect them in the near future.

Elected SGA Administrative Assistant Raymond Cheung has stepped down from his position to become the full-time ENC Store manager.

“It wasn’t an easy decision to make,” said Cheung, who has been working for the store since 2010. “This was a mutual agreement for me to resign from SGA, and I was not fired or kicked out of the organization.”

Blake Marshall, the store’s previous manager, left for a new position outside of the ENC community. Marshall’s departure came Aug. 1. Cheung stepped in as interim manager. With the students arriving in less than two weeks, a decision had to be made quickly.

After a two-week stint carrying both duties, Cheung and the SGA came to a decision that he step down from his administrative assistant position.

“I had initially aspired to find a way to manage both positions,” the new manager said. “However, after meeting with multiple staff members at ENC, it was decided that I would not be allowed to do both positions for fear of not being able to handle the added stress and pressure on top of being a full-time student.”

Cheung spoke of what he hopes to accomplish as manager.

“As the ENC Store undergoes a transition in leadership, it is my hope and vision that the store continues to serve as an accessible, friendly, and helpful environment for all those who visit,” he said.

“I also plan on increasing communication with students, faculty/staff, and alumni alike so that their feedback is heard and their requests are answered with affordable quality merchandise in the ENC Store.”

An election will take place from 11:30 a.m.–2 p.m. and 5–6:30 p.m. today in the Mann Student Center lobby to select the new SGA administrative assistant.
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The ENC Store began a partnership with MBS Direct at the beginning of the 2011-12 academic year after dissolving the assistant manager position.

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Before the 2011-12 academic year, the ENC Store had run as a brick-and-mortar bookstore. Most books students needed for classes were available in ENC Store) to stay afloat. “This is especially true in the retail environment, where MBS Direct, some students were not happy with the textbook buyback at the end of each semester. Students who previously used financial aid assistance to purchase books can still do so with MBS Direct. Students can receive a voucher number, which is sent by email, from the ENC Student Accounts office.

Another positive with the new system is that textbook information can be matched quickly online if a professor notices the wrong information is displayed for a textbook, or decides on a new book. MBS Direct also covers returns and shipping fees for these mistakes.

While there are advantages to the switch to MBS Direct, some students were not happy with the textbook buyback at the end of each semester. Students who were previously able to make $80-$150 in buyback were now only receiving $20-$40 or less.

Tyler Adcox, recent ENC graduate, said, “When you could buy them in the ENC Store, I got them there because it was easier and more convenient and I wasn’t charged money for shipping. When they switched to MBS, I got my books from Amazon because it was much cheaper and I didn’t have to pay for shipping.”

Raymond Cheung, current ENC Store manager, said, “Our ‘Retail Pack List’ during buybacks shrunk significantly after signing with MBS; this is probably due to the fact that MBS has a giant warehouse full of books and less requirements for replenishment.”

He added, “This, ultimately, leads to many kids walking away disappointed when trying to sell their books back. We try our best to accommodate, but our contract is with MBS Direct as our wholesaler.”

This position covers housing, resi- dent assistants, RAs, and the CCR. Love’s last day was July 6 and she began her new position at PMC on July 9.

Santimano, Watkins selected for “40 under 40” award

Women’s basketball head coach Sacha Santimano and theater producer Tara Broker Watkins were selected to receive the South Shore Stars’ “40 under 40” award.

The award recognizes 40 emerging leaders on the South Shore of Massachusetts younger than 40 for their work with the local community.

Santimano was recognized for her work with the women’s basketball team and the impact she leaves on the athletes.

Watkins is the founder and director of the South Shore School of Theatre, which runs summer theater camps in Quincy. Eric Clark, Karen Marshall, and Delvon Case of the ENC community received the award last year.

This year’s recipients will receive their awards Friday, Sept. 28, at Siro’s at Marina Bay.
Lingo you should know on campus

List compiled by Veritas staff
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As you walk around campus and talk to recently met friends and upperclassmen, you will soon realize that many buildings on campus are referred to by names you may not recognize. No longer should you feel out of the loop. Remember this list of campus lingo and you’ll be set to go.

Hebrews Café

Often simply referred to as “Starbucks,” Hebrews Café is the campus coffeehouse. While not an officially licensed Starbucks, the coffeehouse does sell Starbucks products. Friendly student workers will greet you and make you feel that coffee you will need to get through the first, or second or third, day of classes.

Colonel’s Café

This café is located adjacent to The Dugout in the Student Center. This area sports a foosball and ice hockey table, but is also a great place to watch a sporting event with friends. Vending machines, couches, chairs, tables, and computers can also be found in this café.

Shields Field

This field is between The Dugout and the parking lot behind the Cove Fine Arts Center. More importantly, the field is directly across from an exit from Shields Hall. On a nice day you may find students playing catch, reading a book, or sunbathing on the lawn. SGA is hosting a movie night at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 5, on the field.

Willy

Willy is short for Williamson Hall, another all-female dormitory, which is next to Spangenberg Hall.

Wolly

Wolly, or Wollaston Church of the Nazarene, is where students meet for chapel from 10:25 to 11:15 a.m. Wednesdays and Fridays. “Wolly Field,” pictured on the front of the newspaper, refers to the large area of grass between Gardner Hall and the Wollaston church.

SCA

The SCA is the Student Center Auditorium, which is at the top of the stairs in the Mann Student Center. Home of classes, SCA events, and sometimes choirs, you won't miss it on the way to the...

Caf

The “Caf” is The Commons or, to you, the place where you eat. ENC’s cafeteria is on the second floor in the Mann Student Center, across from the SCA.

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Places in Boston you need to visit before you leave ENC

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Boston Red Sox fans, right, all wearing No. 6 jerseys, line up on the field at Fenway Park to honor the late Johnny Pesky, prior to a baseball game against the Los Angeles Angels in Boston on Tuesday, Aug. 21, 2012. Pesky, who played, managed and served as a broadcaster for the Red Sox in a baseball career that lasted more than 60 years, died last week. He was 92. (AP Photo/Elise Amendola)

Are you interested in being a part of the Veritas News Editorial Board?

The board dictates the tone the newspaper takes on issues important to the student body.

Should electronics be allowed in every classroom? Which campus buildings should the college improve?

If you are interested in applying for the editorial board or have ideas for issues the board should take a stance on, email editor@theveritasnews.com.
"Let this community love you. They really want to."
- Paige Wetzel, senior

"Save some money to go out to dinner on Saturday nights. Trust me."
- Houth Som, graduate

"Don’t be afraid to try something just because you’ll look silly."
- Mike Wright, junior

"Never waste an opportunity to encourage, empower, and love those around you. If none are present, create your own."
- Josh Vachon, graduate

"Take time to enjoy life. Don’t over-commit or get too busy. Enjoy your life."
- Paige Wetzel, senior

"When (not if but when) you go to Fire and Ice in Boston, bring gum, an appetite, and an extra T-shirt for afterward if you don’t like smelling like meat for the way home. Ladies, your hair will smell like meat and a grill for about two days."
- Matthew Brown, graduate

"The ENC student body is governed by a semi strict Community Covenant that derives from Christian morals. It is not for everyone but for those seeking a strong Christian college community away from worldly distractions."
- Richie Crooks, senior

"The squirrels are just as afraid of you as you are of them. But...still don’t provoke them."
- Ellen Wheeler, junior

"It is easy to have fun and gain a number of friends, just put yourself out there and try something new."
- Brent Neely, junior

"Be prepared to have a lot of fun at sporting events."
- Pat Yee, sophomore

"Make sure you’re open and ready to be challenged academically, socially, and spiritually."
- Chris White, sophomore

"There are tons of spiritual opportunities, but they won’t come to you, you have to look for them if you really want them."
- Timmy Greene, sophomore
Quick Hits

Over or under: 3 cups of coffee from Starbucks to get through the first day?

My professor just showed up 11 minutes late. It’s going to be that kind of day.

Spaghetti in the Caf for the third straight meal. Why am I surprised?

Is it just me or is it that these younger ENCers people are getting too smart?


My professor just showed up 13 minutes late. It’s going to be that kind of day.

Carly Rae Jepsen still hasn’t been called?

“Just one trip to Boston every week while I’m at ENC.”

One person from ENC at Chipotle?

Institution. Am I right, dudes? Come on!

Freshmen, wearing your high school senior shirt does not make you blend in.

So we have a Tampa Bay Ray speaking in chapel in Red Sox nation? Hmm.

Why can’t class be like at ENC.

So many squirrels on campus?

Why didn’t you drink my cereal. “I can’t believe she let someone borrow my hairbrush.” “I wish he would not have so many people hanging out in our room every night.” And the scenarios go on and on. How can you as students work these conflicts out? What are the proper steps that should be taken?

Gossip, bad mouthing, and complaining without taking proper action is harmful and will not solve the issue(s). If the problems persist, even after being talked to directly a few times, consult your RA for help and to serve as a mediator. Develop a plan for positive change.

If this plan is not enough to get things going in the right direction and every attempt to make things work has been exhausted, then it may be time to contact your resident director to strongly consider making a switch or finding an alternate plan. Keep the lines of communication open and enjoy living in community here at ENC.

Give a cappella a chance

By Amy Wetzel

There are many reasons to get involved with a cappella. You might have a reputation of singing already. Probably because we have a reputation of singing with your own voices. You'll learn to treasure the last chord of a song resonating in the room, and the magic that settles as everyone holds their breath for the silence, which is indeed a part of the piece itself.

Now some of you may still think we sing is boring or emotionless, or that we don’t really worship God through our style of music. This is the biggest mistake about a cappella choir you could ever make. Our professor (better known as Prof) reminds us every week that we don't really worship God through our style of music, because we don't really worship God through our style of music. The Holy Spirit move through the words we sing, to honor God with our voices, because that will make our music infinitely more beautiful.

If I hadn’t known people in the choir who explained to me what it was all about, I might have skipped right over it, too, thinking, “Why would I willingly subject myself to that?” But I warn you: Skipping it may be a decision you regret.

A cappella choir has a secret beauty to it. Some- times outsiders looking in just don’t understand. Once you step in, though, you may be transformed. You’ll experience the camaraderie of taking on a challenging song all together, working on it for weeks, and finally re-creating an inspiring piece of music with your own voices. You’ll learn to treasure the last chord of a song resonating in the room, and the magic that settles as everyone holds their breath for the silence, which is indeed a part of the piece itself.

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There have been many times when I focus on the awe-inspiring words I’m proclaiming with my voice that I’ve felt the Holy Spirit move through my body and into my song. I’ve never felt more alive and God has never been more worthy to be praised.

So again I ask you: Don’t let a cappella slip by another year. If you’ve ever consid- ered joining, if you have a love for music or would like to generate a love for music, if you desire to worship God through song and praise, please attend an a cap- pella rehearsal. Try it out (it’s never hurt anyone before) and come experience what so many are missing out on.

Write for the ...

VERITAS NEWS

Are you interested in writing for the newspaper this semester?

If you are interested, email editor@theveritasnews.com or stop into the Veritas office located in the SGA hallway.

ENTERTAINMENT BRIEF

ENGLISH - This is a Tuesday Sept. 16, 2008 photo of Oscar Pictures of South Africa, left, as he waves in front of Lux cinema after he won the gold medal in the Men's 400m T44 final at the Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games in Beijing, China. With more global broadcast coverage than ever before, the London 2012 Paralympics Games in London will win its largest ever live television audience, except in the United States, where no events will be screened live by a traditional broadcaster, prompting complaints from some equality campaigners.(AP Photo/Andy Wong, File)
Wes’ reviews: “The Dark Knight Rises”

By Taylor Poulin
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I enjoy most Christopher Nolan movies, particularly “The Dark Knight” and “Memento”. In “The Dark Knight Rises”, this summer’s blockbuster, he throws a lot of themes at the audience without much sense of a purpose. He has said as much in interviews, but that is not necessarily a drawback. Many highly praised movies do that, such as “The Tree of Life”. Unlike that movie though, this one did not leave me in a state of awe. Nor does this movie have nearly the same beautiful sense of montage or camera placement. Like most of Nolan’s movies, this one made me wonder about what held it back from being better. Something felt missing and this may be one of the main reasons there is such critical disputation about Nolan’s filmmaking.

Depending on whose opinion one gets, Christopher Nolan is either a terrific filmmaker or a terrible one. While certainly not a great filmmaker, he is decent. His movies do have a very creative feeling about them, but part of that feeling comes from his movies having a lot of potential that is not fully realized. Indeed, that is what “The Dark Knight Rises” feels like - a great rough draft.

The movie starts off a few years after the end of “The Dark Knight” and people are still mourning the death of Harvey Dent. One might remember that at the end of that film, Batman took the blame for the murder of Dent since Commissioner Gordon had agreed that it would hurt the morale of the city to realize what the Joker had done to Dent. Of course, this meant that the morale of the city would also have to face having a dead hero and living villain.

At the beginning of this movie, Gordon is contemplating whether that was such a good idea. He has even written a speech to tell the truth, but he does not give it. In some ways, this strand of the movie seems to be an apology for the how ending of the previous movie does not hold up to much scrutiny.

Due to that end, the film is retired at the beginning of this one. What will it take to make him come out of retirement? Perhaps it will be the movie’s main villain, Bane, a muscular man with breathing problems. Similar to the movie whole, he is a decent villain but not a great one. More than the previous two films in the trilogy, this movie seems like a typical superhero movie. Much of that is due to Bane’s style of terrorism - to kill everyone after holding the city hostage and trapping the police force underground.

To ask why he does all this can be very confusing. That would be akin to asking how the police force is able to survive months underground so well. Like many action movies, this hostage situation seems to occur mainly to give Batman more time to regain strength.

Before I give any Letterman-esque spoilers, I will just say that this is a fun movie, but not necessarily a deep one. All it seems to accomplish on a philosophical front is give a poor hypothetical argument in favor of trickle-down superhero politics.

3 out of 4 stars
165 minutes
Rated PG-13 for intense sequences of violence and action, some sensuality and language.

Sprinting up the Bunker Hill Monument

By Wes Poulin
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Boston is filled with historic scenery, greatly accessed by tourists, students, and even locals. Film companies shoot movies here, thousands of runners participate in the annual marathon that runs through town, and statues stand erect in significant areas. One statue in particular is not only nearby and free, but offers another beneficial factor: endurance.

The Bunker Hill Monument located in Charlestown, Mass., stands at an impressive 221 feet. It consists of 294 concrete steps that spiral upward toward the top of this obelisk. Always looking for the next challenge, I spotted this concrete mammoth and decided to climb it. Not just climb it, but sprint up it.

In running the monument’s steps, I would complete the day’s work-out, while also learning more of my hometown’s lineage. This monument was erected between 1827 and 1843 to pay tribute to the Battle at Bunker Hill, fought on June 17, 1775. This battle took place during the American Revolutionary War between the British and the Patriot forces. The battle itself was a victory for the British, but Patriot forces saw this as a victory for themselves since they forced numerous casualties against their oppressors.

In summoning Patriot courage, I set out on a Sunday afternoon, since the monument is open all year long from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Boarding the train from Wollaston station and switching from the red line to the orange line at Downtown Crossing, I noticed the weather deteriorating. The wind made the afternoon a chilly 42 degrees Fahrenheit and the rain spit sideways. One small-sized obstacle I thought, compared to the run itself, would be the volume of people also setting out to see the monument that day. The weather seemed to take care of that.

Upon arriving at the Community College T stop, I thought it would be wise to warm-up by jogging down the brick sidewalks of Charlestown to prepare for my self-induced challenge. I got off the train and immediately saw the monument’s awesome height and set out for it. I didn’t know the exact directions to the monument itself, but it became clear that running toward its general direction seemed to be a smart move. I turned a corner and began up Bunker Hill. The hill itself is actually misnamed since the Museum Association, which bought the hill, was forced to sell all but the summit to complete the monument, which now rests on Breed’s Hill. As I got closer to the top of the hill, I noticed Colonel William Prescott’s statue. Prescott was coined with the famous revolutionary phrase, “Don’t fire until you see the whites in their eyes!”, which provoked a small sense of adrenaline within.

With the rain steady, I made my way inside the entrance and used that adrenaline to begin my ascent. The stairs are steeper than one might like, but it helps my cause in the end. Every 25 stairs are labeled with their number and they don’t come fast enough. I get to around 175, more than 100 shy of my goal, and my sprint is replaced with a walk. Calves seizing, breath heavy, I make it to the top and collapse on an iron bench.

Other tourists look out the windows to the nearby brick buildings. One couple even gawks at the Tobin Bridge and the TD Garden, home of the Bruins and Celtics. I don’t see these things since I am bench-stricken with muscles convulsing. One woman asked if I was OK and that was what pried me from my iron salvation.

The monument had won. Whether I blamed it on my form, pace, or overall athletic ability, this site in itself deserved respect. I gave the concrete some props and managed to pull myself off the bench. I took a few short glances outside the window before making my way down for another try.

STUDENT PULSE

What would you like to see put back into the newspaper?
- Columns
- Crossword puzzles
- Devotionals
- Restaurant reviews
- Sudoku
- Who’s who?
- Weather
- Keep it the same!

Which fall sport are you most looking forward to attending?
- Men’s basketball
- Women’s basketball
- Cross-country
- Men’s soccer
- Women’s soccer
- Women’s tennis
- Volleyball

Text answers to 401-287-2404 or email to enc.veritas@gmail.com
WOMEN’S SOCCER

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Overall record during the 2011 season.

#6
The rank the Lions received in the 2012 CCC preseason women’s soccer poll.

1
The women’s soccer team earned its first ever postseason berth in 2011.

42
The number of goals scored by the team in 2011, good for third in the CCC.

2.26
Goals scored per game by the Lions.

1.68
Goals scored per game against the Lions.

24
Points scored by sophomore Juliana Speno in her freshman season.

2
The number of Lions ranked in the top five in the CCC in goals per game last season.

4.1
The Lions’ averaged 4.1 more shots per game than their opponents.
For women’s tennis, the focus is working as a team to help each other improve individually and collectively.

By Amy Wetzel
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Simply believing in ourselves and our talents and capabilities, as well as those of others, has been the driving force of our improvement.

With the leadership of Senior Samantha Jones (Marion, Mass.) credited coach Cristian Popa and assistant coach Joe Anektanasap with significantly improving her game last season. Popa and Anektanasap lead the team again this year, so hopes are high that their support and guidance will continue to boost the players. While tennis is largely an individual sport, with the exception of doubles matches, senior co-captain Elise Sleeper (Sanford, Maine) stressed the importance of teamwork "to grow together as a team as we enjoy learning about each other.”

Jones agrees. “Simply believing in ourselves and our talents and capabilities, as well as those of others, has been the driving force of our improvement.”

Eastern Nazarene’s women’s tennis team will take this advice and mentality to the courts in their first home match at 3:30 p.m. Sept. 5 against Mount Ida College.

The women’s volleyball team improved their record by eight wins from 2010 to 2011. What’s in store this season?

By Megan Bemis
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The women’s volleyball team is optimistic and enthusiastic for the 2012 season. With six returning players and three new freshmen, the team is solid and well rounded. While there are no seniors this year, the leadership is still strong with four juniors.

In 2011 the team’s overall record was 11-17 (2-6), an improvement after winning three matches in 2010. All of the players seem confident that this year’s record will show even more improvement.

“Our team this year had such good unity from the beginning. We may have low numbers but we have a lot of strong talent,” said junior Leann Williams, who plays middle blocker for the Lions.

The team’s opening home game is at 6 p.m. Aug. 31 against MCLA. Volleyball also will play Lesley College and Anna Maria College in a round-robin tournament Sept. 1 in the Lahue PE Center.

### Sports Brief

**Schedule**

*Games listed in bold are at home.*

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