

BIG PARTNER LITTLE PARTNER

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SNOWY STORYTELLING EVENT - TOASTY FUN!



Thanks to everyone who came to the storytelling event despite the cold, windy day! It was nice and warm inside the Interpretive Center where the BPLP pairs worked hard to make their own books, read some new ones and listen to a few short stories told by Raj Sethuraju. The little partners were given an opportunity to be the storytellers as well, which was a lot of fun!

WANTED: NEW PROGRAM COORDINATORS

If you are interested in being a Coordinator for the 06-07 school year, please contact Christine Loos as cloos@gac.edu.

Kid Friendly Recipe: Puff Dough

Kids can use this to form letters, numbers, etc. and paint when they cool.

- 1 cup flour
- 1 cup water
- 1 bag of cotton balls



Mix flour and water together and make a paste. Gently roll the cotton balls into the mixture and let excess drip off over bowl. Arrange the balls on a baking sheet into desired shapes and bake at 325 degrees for 1 hour.

MEET THE PAIR OF THE MONTH: DAWN AND SEAN

Three and a half years ago, my LP and I were both adjusting to new surroundings. Sean had recently moved to St. Peter from Illinois, and I had just moved on campus for my first year at Gustavus. Sean, with some help from his mom, decided that since he was new in town, becoming a Little Partner would be a great way to meet some new friends. I, with some encouragement from a friend, decided that becoming a Big Partner would fill that extra time in my schedule and that hanging out with kids would be fun diversion from the normal school routine. Since we've been partners, Sean and I have shared some very fun times together. Our favorite activities include rollerblading, playing Frisbee, exploring the Arb, playing games of all kinds (card games, board games, computer games, you name it!), planning birthday parties for each other, and going to hockey games (Sean is a great player and I love watching!) Things have changed just a little since we first met. Sean is no longer the 'new kid' in town, but he was right about one thing- he has made some excellent friends and has a great time hanging out with his Big Partner! Things have changed for me, also. I no longer have the same amount of free time in my schedule that I used to, but I was right about something, too- hanging out with my Little Partner has proven to be an extremely fun and rewarding part of my time here at Gustavus. Even though this is our last year as partners, I know that we will remain friends for years to come



**LOTS OF EXCITING EVENTS THIS SPRING:
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

Bowling at Bowlero Lanes

Week of April 9th

3:00-4:30

\$2.50/game with shoes and win prizes!

Shuttle service available.

Sponsored by the Phi Alpha Kappas



Earth Day/Science Museum Trip

Free Omnimax show

Saturday, April 22nd

Meet at 3 Flags @ 12:15 for the bus

Will return to 3 Flags @ 6:30 pm

Watch for a sign up sheet!



Final BPLP Picnic

Week of May 8th

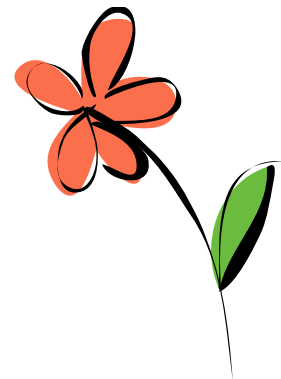


Top 10 Things to do in March:

1. St. Patrick's Day Parade: March 17th, 5:30 pm on South 3rd st.
2. Go see "The Shaggy Dog" with Tim Allen
3. Celebrate the last weeks of snow by drawing a picture, playing outside or sipping hot cocoa
4. Pick a tree on campus and watch it grow this spring!
5. Check out a joke book from the library and have a comedy day
6. Send each other a letter over spring break
7. Take a picture together before it's too late!
8. Make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and cut them into fun shapes
9. Play foosball in the Dive (check out a ball at the SAO)
10. Get cookies and hot chocolate from the caf or the courtyard cafe

MEET ONE OF THE NEW MONTHLY COORDS: MEGAN

Hi! My name is Megan Richards. I was in India this fall semester studying Social Justice, Peace, and Development, but am excited to be back with BPLP this spring. This is my second year as an Event Planner for the program and I love it! When I am not in India, I am a junior Communications Studies major with hopes of working with non-profit, international organizations that help children. I love swinging, chocolate chip cookie dough blizzards, and eating three bowls of cereal a day.



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