



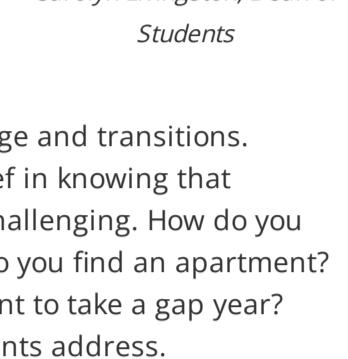
April 13, 2023



A display of messages from donors to current students about why they support Carleton in honor of Maize & Blue Daize.

Update from the Dean

Lengthening days, removal of the broomball rinks on the baldspot, and increased temperatures are indicators that spring is in the air. Happy Spring term! Seniors are celebrating as they count down to Commencement in June. Among my favorite spring moments at Carleton is attending comps presentations, and although our seniors' academic experience was interrupted by Covid, their presentations have not disappointed. If you have not had an opportunity to hear a comps presentation or attend a poster session, you still have time to do so.



Carolyn Livingston, Dean of Students

This term, Student Health and Counseling is continuing to offer a therapy group for seniors that focuses on change and transitions. Participants have remarked that they feel a sense of relief in knowing that transitioning away from Carleton and into a new life is challenging. How do you make friends? How do you navigate your first job? How do you find an apartment? How do you prepare for graduate school? What if you want to take a gap year? These are just some of the questions the group participants address.

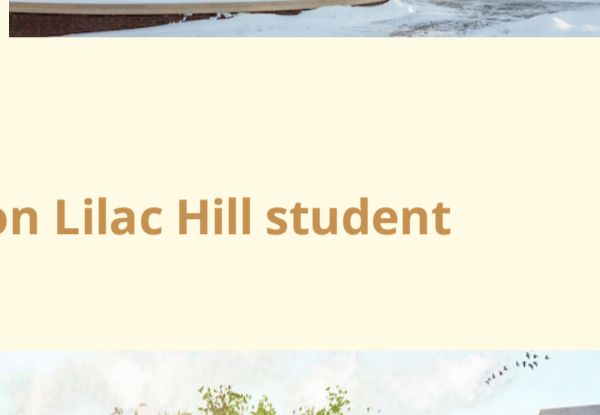
Finally, many of you have likely heard about the disturbing incident that occurred last week at St. Olaf involving materials found in a student's dorm room that officials believe posed a serious threat to their community. [Please read this post](#) from our director of security services and emergency management.

Feel free to reach out to my office if we can be of assistance. Enjoy the continued warm weather.

Campus News

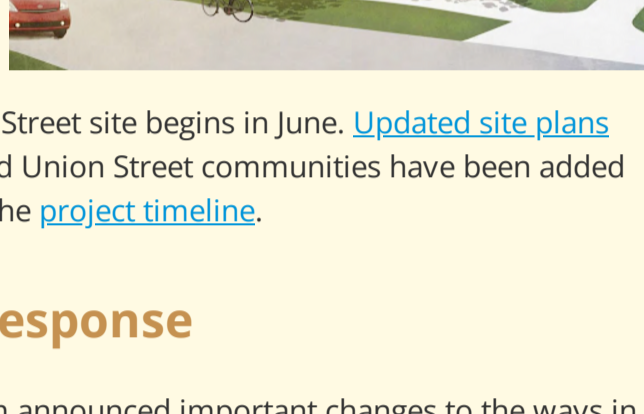
Curricular Innovation grants for faculty announced

Grants from the Curricular Innovation Fund support projects including major curricular revisions for departments or programs, curricular innovations, and individual or team proposals to work on a specific course. [Read more](#) about the work that faculty are doing to strengthen the curriculum at Carleton.



Construction begins on Lilac Hill student housing

This month marks the official start of construction on Phase I of the [Student Life and Housing Plan](#). This week, the campus community can expect to see construction fencing installed on the Lilac Hill residential community site near the Rec Center. Construction at the Union Street site begins in June. [Updated site plans and renderings](#) of the Lilac Hill and Union Street communities have been added to the project website, as well as the [project timeline](#).



Changes to COVID response

Recently, the COVID-19 Core Team announced important changes to the ways in which Carleton will address COVID-19 on campus going forward. The changes, which go into effect on June 5, 2023, followed discussions with the College's consulting epidemiologist, a review of data from peer institutions and public health guidance, and take into consideration the forthcoming expiration of the Public Health Emergency.

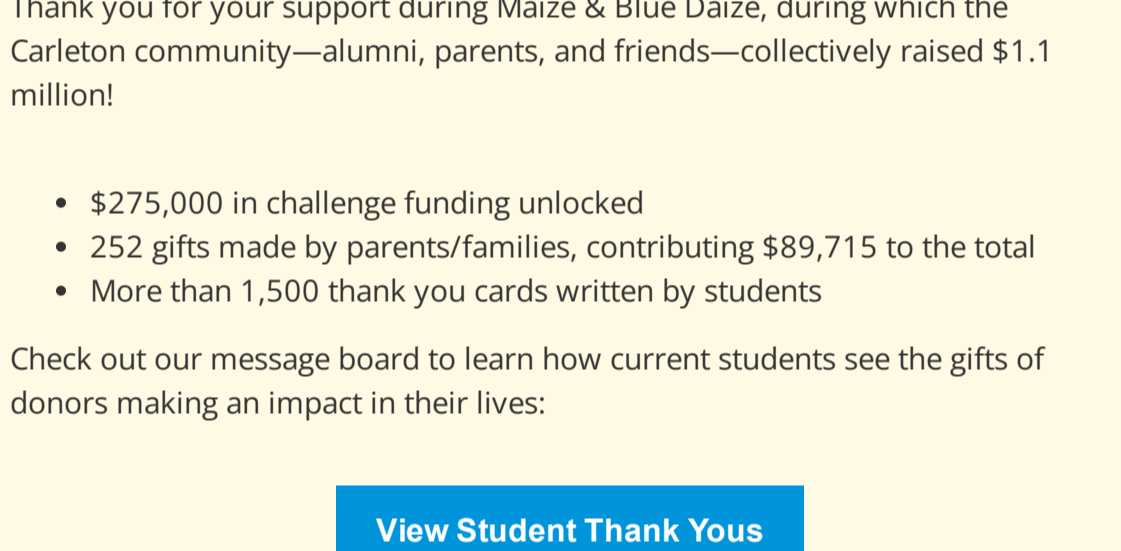
[Read more](#)

'The Lock & The Key' shows that teaching is a radical act

Deborah Appleman, chair and Hollis L. Caswell professor of educational studies, empowers prisoners to transcend stereotypes and discover purpose through writing. [Read about her important work](#) in the recently released winter 2023 issue of the *Carleton College Voice*.



Maize & Blue Daize: \$1,115,070 raised for Carleton!

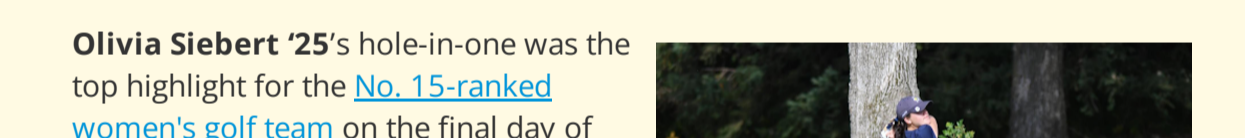


Thank you for your support during Maize & Blue Daize, during which the Carleton community—alumni, parents, and friends—collectively raised \$1.1 million!

- \$275,000 in challenge funding unlocked
- 252 gifts made by parents/families, contributing \$89,715 to the total
- More than 1,500 thank you cards written by students

Check out our message board to learn how current students see the gifts of donors making an impact in their lives:

[View Student Thank Yous](#)

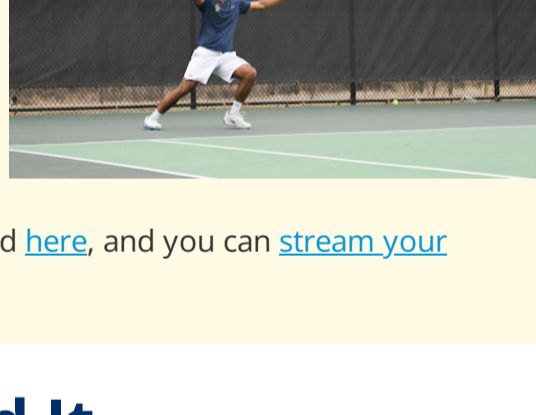


Knights sports highlights

Olivia Siebert '25's hole-in-one was the top highlight for the [No. 15-ranked women's golf team](#) on the final day of play at the WashU Spring Invitational. **Sarah Zheng '26** and **Carter Sichel '26** were the highest-ranked finishers on the team.



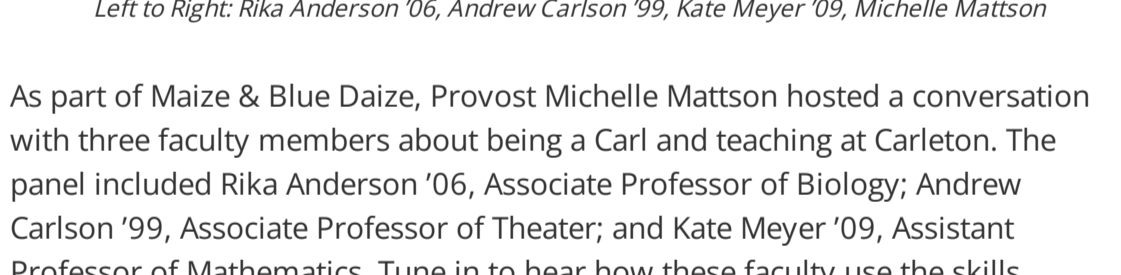
Men's tennis [earned its fifth consecutive victory](#) after sweeping Coe College and improving to 13-2 on the season and 5-0 in MIAC matches. [Women's tennis also continued its hot start](#), defeating St. Olaf to go 15-0 on the season and 7-0 in the MIAC, clinching a playoff berth in the process.



More headlines, results, and the schedule for all varsity sports can be found [here](#), and you can [stream your favorite teams on the Knights' website](#).

In Case You Missed It

Carleton Alumni Faculty Talk



Left to Right: Rika Anderson '06, Andrew Carlson '99, Kate Meyer '09, Michelle Mattson

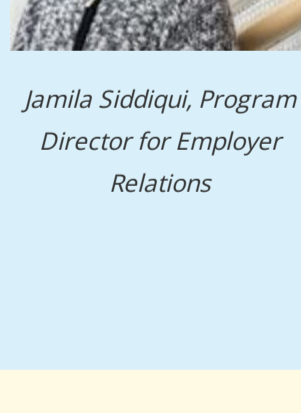
As part of Maize & Blue Daize, Provost Michelle Mattson hosted a conversation with three faculty members about being a Carl and teaching at Carleton. The panel included Rika Anderson '06, Associate Professor of Biology; Andrew Carlson '99, Associate Professor of Theater; and Kate Meyer '09, Assistant Professor of Mathematics. Tune in to hear how these faculty use the skills learned at Carleton to teach the next generation of Carls.

[View Webinar](#)

Career Center

Handshake helps students find career opportunities

Technological tools have both increased the amount of information our students digest on a daily basis and made it easier to sort that information so students can quickly attend to what is most relevant to them. Carleton has partnered with the Handshake app to provide students with a plethora of opportunities to connect with thousands of employers through events, direct messaging, and job/internship applications. Handshake is also smart—it learns about and caters to students' interests.



Jamila Siddiqui, Program Director for Employer Relations

[Learn how](#) your student can maximize their Handshake experience.

Supporting Students

If your student is struggling with a mental health concern, or you'd like to learn more about the issue of mental health on college campuses in general, please explore some of the resources that the Office of Health Promotion has made available.

[Explore mental health](#)

Please note: This website is intended to help parents and faculty provide support to students. If students are seeking direct help with mental health concerns, they should visit [Student Health & Counseling \(SHAC\)](#).

Student Spotlight

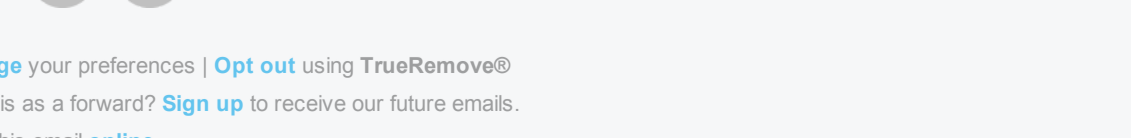
My 'Alternative' Spring Break Trip

Admissions blogger **Lexi Wallace '26** [shares her experience](#) with the CCCE's Alternative Spring Break Program, which allows students to serve the community while learning about the greater social justice implications of their service. Wallace's trip visited the Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center in Finland, Minn.



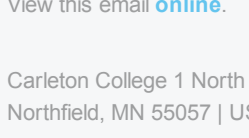
Useful Links

- [Parent/Family Gateway](#)
- [COVID-19 campus updates](#)
- [Weekly Convocations](#)
- [Campus Calendar](#)
- [2022-2023 Academic Calendar](#)
- [Make a gift to the Parents Fund](#)



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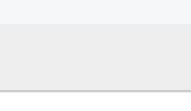
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