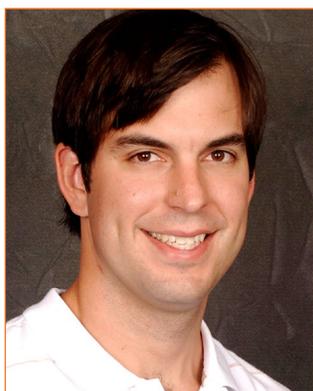


# FROM the DECK

The Official Newsletter of the Bucknell Swimming and Diving Program

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## NOTES FROM COACH Dan Schinnerer

goals. All told on the season, both men and women combined to set 11 new school records and had 52 new entries into our program's all-time top-10 performers lists. While certainly not satisfied by our men's 4th place and our women's 5th place finishes at the Patriot League Championships, both squads competed well at championships and provided many highlights. In addition, the women's team did go on to capture second place at the ECAC Championships. Worth noting is that the women's team scored nearly 100 more points at the Patriot Championships than the previous season. In addition, in the 2015-16 season we were 135 points out of second place as a team and last season we were 35.5 points away from second. For both the men's and women's team we bring back a strong group of returners and have added a very large and talented first year class. Thus, we are optimistic we can improve upon last year in both performance and placement.

Outside of the pool, our team also continued to earn accolades last season and we certainly plan to do so again this year. On the academic front our women's team was once again recognized as CSCAA Academic All-Amer-

ican Team and Chris Devlin and Julie Byrne both earned CSCAA Scholar All-Americans Honorable Mention All-Americans. In addition, we had over 30 individuals named to the Patriot League Academic Honor Roll in the spring to go along with the five swimmers who earned All-Academic Team honors from the Patriot League. Finally, on the fundraising front, we eclipsed our program record for money raised with our final tally of \$149,109.

The competitive phase of the 2017-18 swimming and diving season began for the team with our annual opener against UMBC and the alternate "Triple Distance" format which allowed our team to get up and race multiple times in a short window of time, thus making it both an opportunity to compete for the first time in a season while also getting in some good training. Furthermore, the meet presented the first chance for our large class of first year male and female swimmers and divers to perform as Bison. With the initial performance marker set, we moved forward focusing on improving the next time out. As I told the team, regardless of how pleased or disappointed you were in your performances at UMBC, this is

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## Homecoming Events and Alumni News



I wanted to take this opportunity to let everyone know about the Bucknell Swimming and Diving related events going on at this year's Homecoming Weekend on the November 3-4. First off, a big congratulations to Lectie Altman '06 who will be inducted into the Bucknell Athletic Hall of Fame on Friday night of Homecoming Weekend. Information about the HOF ceremony can be found on [www.BucknellBison.com](http://www.BucknellBison.com) or by clicking here.

### HOMECOMING WEEKEND INFO

On Saturday, November 4, we will be hosting our annual "Quad Meet" with the American, Lafayette, and Navy. The meet will begin at noon and following its conclusion we will be hosting a "Bison Swimming and Diving Reception for Parents, Alumni, and Friends" in the McGee Room of Sojka Concourse. The reception will be a great chance for alumni, parents, friends, and current team members to mingle following the meet. We anticipate the reception beginning around 4:00 p.m. In order to have an accurate head count for the reception RSVP by e-mail to Joan Click at [jls101@bucknell.edu](mailto:jls101@bucknell.edu).

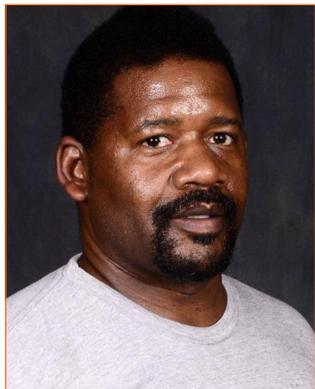
We look forward to seeing you at the upcoming meets. Thank you for your steadfast support of the team! ■

Greetings from the deck of Kinney Natatorium here in the heart of Bison Country!

We have past the midterm point of the fall semester and November has arrived. As I write this newsletter our countdown to Patriot League Championships sits at 113 and the ECAC Championships at 122. It has been an eventful fall and we have faced challenges and obstacles as a team, but through these tests we are progressing towards becoming a better team with a fuller understanding of what it takes to maximize our potential. It is clear that we as a program still have much to be proud of, but it is also clear that it is crucial that we continue to strive to improve as individuals and as a team. We are focused on building on the positive aspects as we move forward through this season.

For the Bison Swimming and Diving program, 2016-17 was a year of "almost" in many ways when it came to achieving our

# FROMtheBOARDS



Greetings Alumni, Families, and Friends,

I wanted to share some of what we've been doing thus far this semester, and introduce you to our newcomers. Without going through the whole history, we began the semester looking to seven strong returners, but

now we're down to just four. Our current divers include senior Tally Ford, a past Patriot League and ECAC finalist; sophomore Paige Schoelkopf; and two freshmen, both standout products of Pennsylvania, Alaina Schumann and Garrett Sommer.

Although a very young team, we have been working very hard this fall, and with a few competitions under our belts we've been improving steadily as we go along. So far half the team has qualified for ECACs and we are working towards getting our lists put together to make us as competitive as we can be.

We've had 1st place finishes from both Tally (against UMBC) and Garrett (vs UMBC and Boston University), as well as 2nd place and 3rd place finishes. In addition,

Paige has posted a 2nd and 4th place finish vs UMBC, and Alaina has garnered 3rd place finishes vs UMBC and Boston University. I'm very excited about this group – there's potential for much growth and there seems to be a willingness to try almost anything that's thrown their way. I believe they also have lofty goals for improvement, and are eager to score well for the overall team.

Thanks for your continued support. Looking forward to seeing you all at the meets that you can make. ■

Take care and



Errol Carter

## Notes from Coach Dan Schinnerer

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only a starting point. It is a long ways to February and we have countless opportunities to improve; however, it is imperative we take advantage of them!

The team got to enjoy a “long weekend” for Bucknell’s Fall Break. Meaning that we had practice Friday morning, and then following the last academic commitment of the day, we allowed the team to have off until Monday afternoon’s practice. Some of our team took the opportunity to travel to home or visit friends, while others just took the weekend to relax on campus. At any rate, we jumped back into a busy week that culminated in a busy weekend of travel and competition to New England.

Overall we were pleased with how our “New England Road Trip” went as we competed against Bryant University on Friday and Boston University on Saturday. Our women swept both meets. The victory over Boston marked our first win against the Terriers in a dual meet format since they joined the Patriot League in the 2013-14 season. While our men dropped both meets, the guys did show good progress in their times in the pool and marks on the board.

The team is now enjoying a block of three weeks of intense training before returning to competition on Saturday, November 4th. We will be hosting our annual “Quad Meet” with the American, Lafayette, and Navy.

We look forward to seeing you at the upcoming meets. Thank you for your steadfast support of the team! ■



## Annual Fundraising Goal and Specific Needs

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Our fundraising goal as we begin this annual drive is set at \$125,000. This is the same goal as last year and I believe this is recognition of the outstanding level that our alumni, parents and friends gave back to the program for the last few years. Our fundraising goal has not changed, but our needs also remain very similar to last year as well. The exact allocation of our fundraising dollars varies from year to year based on our travel schedule, recruiting efforts, and equipment needs. The chart below will give you an idea of what the money we raise goes towards:

**\$5,000 Meet Management/Set-up:** Cost of running dual meets, invites, etc.

**\$35,000 Team Equipment:** Training gear such as stretch cords, parachutes, and fins, practice suits, championship suits, video for stroke analysis, etc.

**\$50,000 Team Travel:** Hotels, meals, buses, flights, etc. Of specific note is this year’s multiple away championship meets.

**\$25,000 Recruiting:** Coaches travel for off-campus contacts and evaluations, official visits, etc

**\$10,000 Kinney Natatorium Upgrades and Maintenance:** As our natatorium passes the 13-year marker of its existence, in pool life terms it has hit the point of needing several makeovers. Over the last few years, Bucknell has made many enhancements to air and water quality systems, but replacements of touch pads, starting block mounts, and other items continue.

Also, the money that we raise in excess of our goal that is not immediately utilized in a given fiscal year by the program is rolled forward into the next year. It does not go towards other Bucknell athletic teams, thus any and all gifts are utilized to support the Bison Swimming and Diving program.

We need your support so that we can continue to build on the tremendous tradition and achievements of the Bison Swimming and Diving program. I will continue to keep everyone posted on the happenings both in out of the pool throughout the season. In addition, we will continue our annual “Decades Challenge” Fundraising Contest and once again see which “generation” can be the biggest supporters of the team in both total dollars given and total number of gifts. As a reminder the 1970s took both titles last year for most dollars given and for most gifts given.

Thank you to all of you who help make Bison Swimming and Diving so special. ■



# 2017-18 SCHEDULE

Sat, Sep 30	UMBC	Lewisburg, Pa.	1:00 PM
Fri, Oct 13	Bryant	Smithfield, R.I.	6:00 PM
Sat, Oct 14	Boston University *	Boston, Mass.	1:30 PM
Sat, Nov 04	American *	Lewisburg, Pa.	12:00 PM
Sat, Nov 04	Lafayette *	Lewisburg, Pa.	12:00 PM
Sat, Nov 04	Navy *	Lewisburg, Pa.	12:00 PM

## Bucknell Invitational

Fri, Nov 17	Invitational Prelims	Lewisburg, Pa.	10:00 AM
Fri, Nov 17	Invitational Finals	Lewisburg, Pa.	6:00 PM
Sat, Nov 18	Invitational Prelims	Lewisburg, Pa.	10:00 AM
Sat, Nov 18	Invitational Finals	Lewisburg, Pa.	6:00 PM
Sat, Nov 18	Invitational Finals	Lewisburg, Pa.	6:00 PM
Sun, Nov 19	Invitational Prelims	Lewisburg, Pa.	10:00 AM
Sun, Nov 19	Invitational Finals	Lewisburg, Pa.	6:00 PM

Thu, Nov 30	USA Swimming Winter Nationals	Columbus, Ohio	TBA
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Sat, Jan 13	Boston College *	West Point, N.Y.	1:00 PM
Sat, Jan 13	Army West Point *	West Point, N.Y.	1:00 PM
Sun, Jan 14	Columbia	Lewisburg, Pa.	1:00 PM
Sat, Jan 20	Lehigh *	Bethlehem, Pa.	1:00 PM
Sat, Jan 27	Navy Invite	Annapolis, Md.	12:00 PM

## Patriot League Championships

Wed, Feb 14	Championships Finals	Annapolis, Md.	6:00 PM
Thu, Feb 15	Championships Prelims	Annapolis, Md.	10:00 AM
Thu, Feb 15	Championships Finals	Annapolis, Md.	6:00 PM
Fri, Feb 16	Championships Prelims	Annapolis, Md.	10:00 AM
Fri, Feb 16	Championships Finals	Annapolis, Md.	6:00 PM
Sat, Feb 17	Championships Prelims	Annapolis, Md.	10:00 AM
Sat, Feb 17	Championships Finals	Annapolis, Md.	6:00 PM

## ECAC Championships

Fri, Feb 23	Championships Prelims	New Brunswick, N.J.	10:00 AM
Fri, Feb 23	Championships Finals	New Brunswick, N.J.	6:00 PM
Sat, Feb 24	Championships Prelims	New Brunswick, N.J.	10:00 AM
Sat, Feb 24	Championships Finals	New Brunswick, N.J.	6:00 PM
Sun, Feb 25	Championships Prelims	New Brunswick, N.J.	10:00 AM
Sun, Feb 25	Championships Finals	New Brunswick, N.J.	6:00 PM

## NCAA Championships

Wed, Mar 21 -Sat, Mar 24		Minneapolis, Minn.	TBA
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All dates and times tentative and subject to change  
\*Conference Games

## First-Years Making An Impact Already!

Two first years have already had an impact on our program's all-time top-10 lists.



**MAGGIE  
WYGOWSKI**

7th-4:25.03-400 IM  
8th-2:20.27-200 Breaststroke



**GARRETT SOMMER**

8th-253.30 -  
One Meter Diving  
(6 Optional Dives)

8th-249.08 -  
Three Metre Diving  
(6 Optional Dives)

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- **Credit Card:** The university accepts most major credit cards. Monthly payment plans can be arranged.
- **Gifts of Stock/Securities:** To arrange a stock transfer, call the Office of Development & Alumni Relations at 570-577-3200.
- **Pledges:** You can set up a payment schedule when you make a pledge, and payment reminders will be sent to you.
- **Corporate Matching Gifts:** Many corporations match their employees' charitable donations to nonprofit institutions. Check with your benefits department for matching gift information and to see if they will match gifts to athletics.

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