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Important news from OIT:

- Previously we each had 30GB of storage between our inbox and our Google Drive, now we each have an unlimited amount of storage for our Google Drive. This will eventually be part of a trilo- gey. Book 2 is in process as we speak. You can get a copy from Amazon.com and consider what your “pouches” might be!

### Congratulations!

Dana Cullison and her husband, Mark, traveled to Paris in June. They celebrated 51 years of marriage on Aug 27.

#### The same group as above plus Lisa Coté and Benjamin Louis formed Team Staff Infection to play intermural dodgeball.

### Hats Off to Our Incredible Staff!

Do you know...

The Student Affairs Cancer Foundation (SAFC) created the Lemon Goldwasser Cancer Grant to be used by student affairs professionals from around the country that are fighting breast cancer or brain cancer. The SAFC helps ease the finan- cial burden of cancer with grants to qualified patients/families. For more information or to donate, please go to http://www.cancerfoundation.org/


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Yoga & climbing — Shelby Kalm
Walking my dogs — Kathy Lewin
Walk most days on the beautiful grounds of HSMC during my lunch hour — Sabine Dilligarn
Morning/evening run w/ Under Armour & lots of coffee — Kevin Clark
Walk & drink a lot of water — Philip Fenwick
Indoor soccer — Mary Grube
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Zumba — Stephanie Somerville
Water, drink lots of water! And walk the mall around — Saha Grube
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Long walk followed up with hot chocolate — Mary Johnston
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St. Mary’s by the Numbers

1 the number of unopened mayonnaise jars found during the riverfront cleanup on 9/11.

58 the number of new banners designed by Ashley Stopera and hung by our awesome Building & Grounds staff. The old banners will be used for a fundraiser sometime in the future.

98 the number of candy pumpkins in the jar at the Fall Social event. Brad Newkirk won them with his guess of 94!

450 the approximate number of hotdogs grilled by Olek Brantley, Leonard Brown, Leslie Tucker and students of the Student Athletic Advisory Committee between 4 different athletic games during the week of Oct 26.

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