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JOEL GIBBLE

UBA Christmas Party

The University Business Association will host its annual Christmas party on Tuesday, December 4 at 6 p.m. in the Red Room of the Dining Common.

Dinner will include chicken tenders and a full buffet.

In addition, Dr. Brenton Cook of the Bible faculty will be speaking. Each member in attendance will receive a Christmas gift. The party is open to UBA members only.

"It will be a great time of food and fellowship," Keith Rogers, the UBA president, said. "I strongly encourage all the members to come out to this party. It's going to be an amazing time."

Students interested in becoming members of the University Business Association may also attend the Christmas party. UBA officers will be available to sign up any new mem-



Grounds Maintenance crew members Robert Hanson (left) and Brennan Stone (right) string lights in the trees on front campus for the Lighting Ceremony.

Nearly 100,000 lights to illuminate campus

JEANNE PETRIZZO

What would Frosty's Christmas be like with no snow? Or Charlie Brown's Christmas with no tree? Or Clarence's Christmas without wings or the Grinch's Christmas without the Whos? Or a BJU Christmas will take place Friday night at 6:30 p.m. The University Singers, led by Mr. Eric Rea, will start singing at 6:15 to rouse the festive aura. At 6:30, everyone will join in a sing-a-long followed by a Scripture reading by Dr. Stephen Jones, and then the university family and visitors

Turkey Bowl spectators, participants attempted to break world record

ALI ORLANDO

Team rivalry at the Turkey Bowl was temporarily put aside as Lions and Razorbacks alike joined with more than 3,800 spectators to break the Guinness World Record for the largest kazoo ensemble.

The record will need to be confirmed by Guinness, but the Inter-Society Council (ISC) counted more than 3,840 signatures, well past the standing record of 2,679 and the most recent unconfirmed attempt of about 3,600.

During halftime, kazoo-players hummed along to a familiar tune with a twist: "The 12 Days of Turkey Bowl," written by ISC chaplain Mark Lopez. For each group of characters mentioned in the song, volunteers acted the part on the field. Participants ranged from 12 campus guests and nine ushers spinning down to six Classic Players and Dr. Bob and wife. Each verse was finished off by "Dr. Jones with a small goatee."

Five engaged girls with their fiancées proposing were even there to represent the five golden rings.

"It was completely random being up there in front of everyone playing a kazoo and getting proposed to over and over again," Laurel Renfrow said.

BJU staff evangelist Mr. Mike Shrock led the crowd of kazoos. He jokingly claimed the event was the pinnacle of his musical career.

"It was fun; it really was," Mr. Shrock said. "I love interacting with our students. I just love it." The crowd seemed to love it too.

"I haven't seen anybody that doesn't have a kazoo," Mr. Shrock said after the song. "It almost looks like 100 percent."

Morgan Lutz, the ISC women's treasurer, also noticed the enthusiasm. "There seemed to be more of an excitement this year than other years," she said. "No one was worried about looking

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Campus businesses to celebrate the holidays

JEN WRIGHT

The BJU campus will light up with thousands of colored Christmas lights at 6:30 Friday night during the annual Lighting Ceremony. The Museum & Gallery, Snack Shop and Campus Store will also be basking in the director of marketing and business operations for the gallery. Seating will be available for friends and family who wish to watch the elementary school choir's performance.

"This is the perfect setting to start your Christmas season, because celebrating the Christmas season starts with a reflection

bers. The charge to become a member is \$20.

Student Loan Meetings

Students who have not paid their school bill through November should plan on attending one of the four student loan meetings. Meetings will be held on Dec. 1 and 4 at 5 p.m. in Stratton Hall and on Dec. 3 and 4 in Grace Levinson Chapel at 11:45 a.m.

If a student's account is not current, he will not be able to take his exams.

"When we are purchasing any commodity, we must pay for it in some way," Mr. Chris Baker, director of the Financial Aid Office, said. "We all have a responsibility to take care of our financial obligations." without multitudes of twinkling lights decorating front campus? Do not lose hope; the annual Lighting Ceremony Carol Sing will witness the culmination of months of planning and hours of physical labor.

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Hundreds of bows decorate the campus for Christmas.

glow this Christmas with music, parties, sales and prizes.

The Museum & Gallery

The Museum & Gallery will celebrate the Lighting Ceremony with a series of live performances called "Music with the Masters" and its 8th annual Children's Christmas Party.

"Music with the Masters" will feature performances by the University Chamber Singers, the Chamber Harp Ensemble and the BJU Elementary School Choir. Admission to the gallery will be free from 5 to 6 p.m. on Friday. The musicians will be stationed at various locations throughout the gallery, where they will perform festive music, said Miss Mary Chapman, on the birth of Christ," Miss Chapman said. "You can't ask for a better place to reflect than here where we're surrounded by hundreds of awe-inspiring Old Master paintings."

The Museum & Gallery will celebrate the Children's Christmas Party Saturday from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. and again from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. The theme of this year's part is "Christmas around the World," Miss Chapman said.

Children participating in the event will be issued "passports" complete with photographs to carry with them through the gallery. First, they will meet a panel of international student volunteers, who will answer questions

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Opinion: Communication innovations can be efficient, but should be used carefully

Between sports, classes and meetings, college students take advantage of free minutes to catch up with friends, learn the latest gossip and even arrange dates. And it's all done without saying a word.

More than four in 10 teens who instant message use it for things they wouldn't say in person, according to an Associated Press-AOL poll released earlier this month. Twenty-two percent use IMs to ask people out on dates or accept them, and 13 percent use them to break up.

Instant messaging has become one of the most popular forms of communication among college students and younger age groups.

IMs are popular because they are a quick and efficient way to remind or confirm appointments or chat with friends. However, not all conversations should be done over instant messages. Keep in mind that words can be more easily miscommunicated by text messaging than over the phone. Arranging dates such as Vespers or Artist Series should be done over the phone or in person. Breaking up with a girlfriend or boyfriend or discussing tactful issues should not be done over instant messaging.

IMs can be a useful and fast method of communicating but only when used properly.



TROUBLE BREWING AT THE LIGHTING CEREMONY



AIMEE AKAM

"If it weren't for the last minute I'd never get anything done."

"I only work well under pressure." Do these excuses sound familiar to you? Welcome to Procrastinators Anonymous. Even if you are a longtime member of this infamous club, there is help and hope.

Exam week is fast approaching and many of us have been battling procrastination—one of the deadly enemies all college students face. I will admit, even I must fight this formidable foe on occasion. And studies show that I am not alone.

Psychologist William Knaus, author of "Do It Now," estimates that 90 percent of college students procrastinate. Of these students, 25 percent are chronic procrastinators who often end up dropping out of school.

Whether you fall in the occasional or chronic category, the end results of procrastinating can be downright unpleasant—if not destructive. Procrastination wastes time, limits academic performance, angers teachers and increases stress. It traps you in a cage of your own making and leaves you dreading tomorrow. From sweaty palms to sleepless nights, the consequences of procrastination are the things of which bad dreams are made. I fear it and would sacrifice almost any pleasure to escape from its anxietyproducing clutches.

After one mind-numbing experience of sitting out in the hall at 5:30 a.m., bleary-eyed, trying desperately to put the finishing touches on a paper with little time to spare, I promised myself, "Never again!"

Following through on that promise required determination

What's your studying strategy for final

exams?

and a plan. Over the years, I have learned some workable techniques to maximize study time and avoid last-minute pressure.

1. Allow more than enough time for the task. Leave yourself room to breathe and set an early deadline for yourself, preferably one week ahead of the due date. With a jump-start, you will have more time to reflect on your project as well as more time to refine it. If illness strikes, or unexpected demands on your time are thrown into the mix, you will not be hopelessly behind.

2. Break the task into smaller parts. If an assignment seems too complex, it is easy to create diversions to avoid it. To get a more realistic picture of exactly what needs to be done, decide, "What do I really need to do first?" Then set goals for completing each part of the task.

3. Set reasonable expectations for yourself. Are you bogged down trying to think of a perfectlyworded introduction in the perfect environment within a perfect time frame? Perfection can be paralyzing. Forget about perfection and write something down. It will break the mental log jam. You can always improve your introduction later by making revisions. The alternative is doing a last-minute job that will be far from perfect.

4. Remove distractions. After finding a quiet, well-lit place to study, make a no-exceptions rule for yourself. Set a time limit for yourself and determine you will not leave your study spot to check e-mails, make calls or instant message during that time.

By implementing habits like these, even the most chronic of procrastinators can make a complete turn-around and excel (in a stressfree environment).

And looking to God is important as well. Psalm 90:12 says, "Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom." With the Lord's help, we can even better manage our time and our lives.

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Play lots of pool because it helps me relax.

Laura Thompson Senior Bloomfield Hills, Mich. English Education

It would probably be going through my notes and reviewing everything that's highlighted. Tara Mayhugh Freshman Willow Street, Pa. Music Education

My strategy is to study as much as possible as long as possible.

> Jay Hancock Junior Richmond, Va. Culinary Arts

I make up a notebook that has the notes for each class, and sometimes I do a study guide too.







The Symphonic Wind Band prepares for its annual after-the-lighting-ceremony concert under Dr. Dan Turner.

Wind band to perform recently discovered piccolo polka

ANALEISA DUNBAR

The annual after-the-lightingceremony symphonic wind band concert, scheduled for Friday night at 7:30 in Rodeheaver Auditorium, will feature a world-famous flutist and the first modern performance of a recently uncovered piccolo polka.

World-famous flutist Mr. Tadeu Coelho of the North Carolina School of the Arts will be the guest performer. A native of Brazil, Mr. Coelho made his debut performance at Carnegie Hall in 1992 and has performed with the Santa Fe and Boston Symphonies, as well as numerous groups overseas.

Of the four pieces Mr. Coelho will perform, Dr. Dan Turner, band director and member of the BJU music faculty, said the most notable in tomorrow's concert is a piccolo polka. The piece, written in 1880 by Charles Kurth, was recently uncovered by the Moravian Music Foundation, a non-profit organization in Winston-Salem, N.C., dedicated to preserving musical manuscripts.

Through Mrs. Amanda Barrett of the BJU woodwind faculty, the piece was introduced to the BJU Symphonic Wind Band to be performed. "The handwritten manuscript, as it was found, was virtually impossible to read because of the small print and fading notes," Dr. Turner said. So Dr. David Parker of the BJU voice faculty and several graduate students created a new score. "They began work on the piece in January, and it's been a work

in progress up until just last week."

After the piece is performed, the new manuscript will be presented back to the Moravian Music Foundation.

Mrs. Barrett said that the collection of music from which this piece came "is important for us in that this is unknown even to the larger flute community, and we get to have the first modern performance-and with a worldclass artist."



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silly or dumb because everyone around them was doing the same thing. This is one occasion where you would look out of place if you didn't have a kazoo in your mouth!"

Guinness World Records require record-breaking hopefuls to send in a number of materials, including video footage of the attempt, color photographs, media coverage and letters of authentication. It may be several weeks before Guinness responds and breaking the record does not guarantee a place in the Book of Records.

Whether or not BJU makes it into the book, the event was a success

"I couldn't be happier, really," Mark Lopez said. "There probably will be other attempts to break the record, but I really think we accomplished our purpose which was unifying everyone."



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Student Amy Mosier signs up to participate in Bob Jones University's attempt to break a Guinness World Record during the Turkey Bowl.

"The concert will be the biggest concert we've ever done in terms of outside importance," Dr. Turner said.

Other pieces to be performed by the wind band have a distinctly European theme, including "La Mezquita de Cordoba (The Mosque at Cordoba)" by Julie Giroux, "Polka and Fugue" from Jaromir Weinberger's "Schwanda the Bagpiper," and "Song to the Moon" from Antonin Dvorak's "Rusalka."

"Each number we're going to perform has a story," Dr. Turner said. "Each story is vastly different but they all conjure up unique and distinct images."



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Knight to challenge Christians to be salt, light in chapel

TALITA ARAUJO AND ANDREW BRANDENBURG

This year's Soul Winning Conference will take place during chapel Monday through Thursday

with guest speaker Pastor Mike Knight preaching a series of messages.

BJU's Soul Winning Conference is an annual event, and every year a different speaker is invited to challenge faculty, staff and students to be soul winners, no matter where they find themselves in life.

Pastor Knight is a church planter, having most recently started Community Baptist Church in Clayton, N.C., where he currently ministers. He will bring different messages to the university family during chapel, each of them focusing on a different facet of witnessing to others.

"I've been praying about (what to preach about) for a long time-I want it to be practical," Pastor Knight said. "We're supposed to be salt, and we're supposed to be light. We're left here on this earth to share Him with other people."

Pastor Knight said that although Christians understand the Great Commission and the necessity to witness, many of them are unprepared.

"What I'm finding in many churches is that people don't know how to witness and lead someone to the Lord," he said.

Mr. Wilbur Messier, assistant to Dr. Stephen Jones, described Pastor Knight as a passionate evangelist whose church in North Carolina, although small, has already experienced growth as a result of Pastor Knight's evangelistic ministryabout 40 people in the last year have been saved, Pastor Knight said.

Mr. Messier said, "Our prayer is that his passion will be very contagious to the student body as they leave for home on Christmas break."

Mr. Messier said the Soul Winning Conference is designed to accomplish one of BJU's institutional goals: "to instill in students a

Sally Folden, a freshman international studies major, said she is looking forward to experiencing the conference for the first time.

Pastor Knight said he wants the conference to be an encouragement to the students to be better witnesses in their everyday lives. "That's the whole purpose of us being hereglorifying God," he said.

Doug Clark, a senior international business major, said, "We get so caught up here at BJ that we sometimes forget the lost, but (the conference is) a good reminder to be vigilant to follow the command of the Great Commission."

Pastor Knight claims a quote by C.T. Studd, English missionary to China, India and Africa, as the desire of his ministry: "Some want to live within the sound of church or chapel bell; I want to run a rescue shop within a yard of hell."

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about Christmas traditions in 14 different countries.

The children will also make painted lanterns and keychains, watch a skit on the history of the piñata, and eat gingerbread cookies donated by Market Square Deli, located on Wade Hampton Boulevard. Each child will receive a door prize.

"The Christmas Party is very popular," Miss Chapman said. "We have a lot of people that come again and again, and look forward to it every year."

Two groups of 125 children will

attend the party, with a number of openings still available, Miss Chapman said. Participants must be at least 6 years old and accompanied by an adult. Admission is \$5 per child. The Museum & Gallery can be contacted for more information at (864) 770-1331.

The Snack Shop

The Snack Shop will usher in the Christmas season with a dinner buffet, holiday drinks, ice cream sundaes and a live broadcast from WBJU.

The Christmas buffet, which will be served until 7 p.m., will include chicken tenders, beef tenderloin, shrimp and casseroles. The ice cream bar will dish up peppermint and gingerbread-flavored sundaes, and the coffee shop will be serving specialty Christmas drinks.

The Snack Shop will include a dessert bar of baked goods, and another dessert bar may be offered at Cuppa Jones, said Mr. Roy Hulehan, director of Ancillary Retail Operations. The Snack Shop will also set up tables on front campus to serve hot chocolate, cider and cookies. Cuppa Jones will be open until 10 p.m.

"There's a lot of effort being put into this by a lot of people," Snack Shop manager Mr. Jeff Hagans said. "It's a nice family-time for the university, and this is our part in the celebration."

The Snack Shop will also host WBJU's remote broadcast from 7 to 10 p.m. The show will be broadcast live for campus radio and television from a stage set up in a corner of the Snack Shop.

"Once the lights come up, everyone can head to the Snack Shop," RTV professor Miss Kathryn Boole said. "The campus media is working hard to line up great prizes from places all over town."

Students in the Fundamentals

of Radio class will participate in the broadcast to showcase their new radio skills, Miss Boole said. Three different crews of announcers, board interior design staff, the planning operators and a music coordinator will run the production.

Mr. Kevin Delp and his puppeteer extension will perform a puppet show, and a Santa will join visitors at the event.

"I think the Christmas broadcast is just a fun tradition to go along with the Lighting Ceremony," Miss Boole said. "A lot of people get depressed after returning from Thanksgiving break, but the Lighting Ceremony and Christmas broadcast are a high point to look forward to. It gives hope that the end of the semester is in sight."

The Campus Store

The Campus Store will join the celebrations with music, snacks and sales, office manager Mrs. Angela Jezowski said.

BJU music faculty member Dr. Ken Renfrow will promote his new CD titled "It's Christmas!" at the Campus Store after the Lighting Ceremony. The promotion will include a drawing for a free copy of Dr. Renfrow's new CD.

Visitors will be offered free hot chocolate and cookies, as well as special sales on music, clothing, books and Bibles, Mr. Hulehan said. Gift items such as music and clothing are some of the store's hottest items from mid-November through Christmas.

"It's a great time to do your Christmas shopping," Mrs. Jezowski said. "Just come down and browse through our specials."

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Mr. Steve Sindelar, assistant to Dr. Stephen Jones, and Mrs. Teresa Armstrong, head of the Facilities Management's interior design

department, played integral roles in this year's ceremony.

For Mrs. Armstrong and her of every year's Christmas ceremonies has no beginning.

"We think 'Christmas' all year," Mrs. Armstrong said. "We are constantly looking for new ideas even though we realize that they may not get noticed."

Nearly 100,000 twinkling lights are strung on the shrubbery on front campus as well as decorative bows, which are made anew every year. Also, the new entrance has created a fresh canvas for the decorators

"So much of (the decorations are) new because of the new layout of the front entrance," Mrs. Armstrong said. "It's much more spread out than before so we are having to create focal points."

In addition to the new decorations displayed on the new front entrance, the program itself will contain some additional, new features as well.

"We'll be projecting the text to all the carol songs, both sacred and secular," Mr. Sindelar said.

In order to bring the excitement and grandeur to more than those physically present, HomeSat will be broadcasting the ceremony for a special series called HELP At Home Live, hosted by Mr. Gary Moore and directed by Mr. Chris Davies and Miss Juanita Longoria.

All of the planning and logistics take a lot of time and patience, but just like any other university event, the opportunity for witness is recognized and emphasized.

"This is an outreach for the community, and we get comments from people everywhere we go," Mrs. Armstrong said. "It is a draw that brings people in and hopefully gives them a chance to be exposed to the gospel."



compelling concern for reaching the unconverted with the saving truth of the Gospel of Christ."

Last year Dr. Stephen Jones challenged the students to remember that the holidays are not to be spent on themselves, but to be spent on others. When the students returned from Christmas break, he asked the students who had an opportunity to witness to somebody during the break to stand in chapel.

Sophomore early childhood education major Ali Olson said she had an opportunity to witness to a man on the plane as she was traveling home.

"At first I was scared to talk to the man because he was so big, so I just slept for most of the trip," Ali said. "But towards the end of the trip I just had to talk to him."

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People of all sorts participate in Turkey Bowl 2007



Photo Story by Heidi Atoigue

Pictured in the photo story (from top moving clockwise) are evangelist Mr. Mike Shrock, Dr. Stephen Jones, Alpha's Matt Miller and Omega's Josh Kopp, Dr. Bob Jones III, and Dr. and Mrs. Casillas and their children.









Faculty members reflect on their sporting past



Mr. Larry Hunt PAUL FINKBEINER

Most students are accustomed to hearing Mr. Kerry McGonigal lecture in a Bible class or preach a



Mr. Kerry McGonigal sermon for chapel or the Sunday morning service. However, not only is Mr. McGonigal an effective teacher, but he also was an adept sports player during his college

years.

As a member of the Kappa Sigma Chi Knights, he played basketball as a point guard or forward and softball as a pitcher, shortstop or third baseman.

Throughout his college years, several societies ranked among the top five in soccer and basketball. In soccer, Zeta Chi, Chi Alpha, Omega, ZAP and Pi Gamma were the top contenders, and in basketball, Basilean, Chi Delt, Omega, Nu Delt and Beta Gamma were the top societies.

Mr. McGonigal remembers one especially vivid experience in basketball during his college years: "Doing side-to-side shuffle drills at 5 a.m. for basketball practice. Not fun."

Intramural sports have changed significantly since he played sports at BJ.

"Obviously the complex has changed considerably with the new Davis Field House," Mr. McGonigal said. "I remember as a freshman being so crushed when I got here and found out that the basketball courts didn't have break-away rims. I couldn't believe it."

Although probably unknown to most university students, Larry Hunt is a well-known teacher at Bob Jones Academy. While he has the gift of teaching today, he also had the gift of athleticism as a college student at Bob Jones.

As a college student, he was an all-around skilled athlete. Not only was he a setter and hitter in volleyball and a point guard for basketball, but he also played left wing in soccer and left and right field in softball.

During Mr. Hunt's college years, his society, Alpha Theta, won the sports trophy three times. Also, Alpha ranked among the top basketball societies along with Basilean, Zeta Chi and Pi Gamma.

He has several memorable experiences as a BJ sports player, especially when his society "won backto-back basketball championships and (had an) undefeated season".

Intramural sports at BJ have changed slightly since Mr. Hunt was a college student.

"There was no three-point shot in my days. It didn't come into play in the NCAA until 1986. Uniforms today are better with longer shorts, and crowds were larger in my days."

Theta Mu Chi Kappa Dragons overcome

SARAH DERSCH

BJU women's regular season basketball ended on Nov. 13 with a win by the Chi Kappa Dragons over the Theta Mu Bandits 43-34.

"Our team really pulled together," Dragon Erin Gillam said. "It was probably one of the best games we've played."

One of Erin's three-point shots gave the Dragons a 14-6 lead late in the first half. The Bandits' post-players worked hard on defense to stay in the game. Lindsey Dunham and Tsitsi Chenje rebounded and pushed the ball for some fast-break points for the Bandits.

"The Bandits were pretty good at stealing and rebounding offensively," Dragon Melissa Afable said. "That posed a challenge for our team."

Despite the Bandits' efforts, the Dragons kept their lead. Brittany Vanaman and Melissa Afable scored 6 points each in the first half. Angela Vanaman scored her first basket close to the half with a Dragon lead 20-16

Melissa said she realized that the Bandits' defense played loose at the baseline. "I knew if we just drove in more we'd get to score," she said. "We got a lot of points that way."

Assisted by Brittany Vanaman and Aubree Tipps, Angela Vanaman, coach and post-player, found her spot on the outside corner of the court and scored 14 points in the second half. Though point-guard Aubree never scored, her crisp passing and ball-handling kept the Dragons' offense moving. The Dragons pulled ahead in the last minutes for the 9-point win.

"We were looking to end our season with a win, and we got it," Angela said. "We didn't start out (the season) too well, but we ended with a bang."

For those teams like the Dragons

and the Bandits who do not make the playoffs, teamwork and having fun on the court is more important than the competition.

"Winning wasn't our highest priority," said Erin Gillam. "We wanted to go out and have some fun."

Freshman Lindsey Dunham, who scored 19 points for the Bandits, said that at the beginning of the season the team played every man for himself. "But by the last game we were playing as a team," she said.

Jeanna LaCava, point guard for

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Barton got us in shape. She always

pushed us to have confidence, play our best and have fun."

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JOEY HELM

In an intense battle extending into overtime, the Alpha Theta Razorbacks upset the Alpha Omega Lions 1-0 in the Turkey Bowl soccer championship.

With more than 3,800 people on hand to witness the event, the Turkey Bowl came down to the wire in a hotly contested match-up of unlikely league champions.

Alpha entered the playoffs as the American League's second seed and made its way to the Turkey Bowl after a shocking upset of Basilean.

Omega, the National League's third seed, defeated the Phi Beta Bulldogs and the Cinderella Pi Gamma Royals to claim a spot in the Turkey Bowl.

To begin the game, Alpha came out at full speed and quickly let a barrage of shots loose on Omega's goal. However, the Lions' keeper,

Would Like to thank: BETHANY SMITH STEPHANIE SLOCUM CHUCKIE WOOROUFF DAVID BONIKOWSKY DAVE LEBO For Their Work With Martial Arts

Keep up the good work!

Dave Gray, turned each shot aside. Midway through the second half, Alpha's Matt Miller took a free kick from just outside the box. Clearing the wall of defenders and dropping into the net, the shot was just under the crossbar when Dave Gray made an incredible, one-handed save to keep the score tied 0-0.

Omega countered with an excellent attempt on goal. The shot deflected off Alpha goalie Cole Welby and ricocheted off the post, just missing the back of the net.

As the game progressed into overtime, the atmosphere's intensity grew. It had been a hard-fought match the whole way, and it was anyone's guess as to who would come out victorious.

Overtime action went back and forth with both teams creating opportunities on goal. Then Alpha received its break. A miss-kicked corner bounced inside the goalie box and found its way into the net arguably off the foot of Alpha's Jacob Trout to end the game and send the Alpha faithful charging onto the field.

"I thought we played really well. Our defense didn't give them hardly any chances and our offense had a lot of good attacks but we just couldn't put anything away," Alpha's Jacob Trout said.

"I knew we would eventually get one to go our way, and it finally did."

Alpha claimed the Turkey Bowl Cup for the second time in the last four years. In 2004, they last held the Turkey Bowl Cup aloft after defeating Omega 2-0 in regular time. After two years of restocking and refining their soccer skills, the Razorbacks again ascended as champions. Alpha's Matt Miller secured the men's soccer season MVP award.

Alpha's Jacob Trout said, "Winning it my freshman year was awesome, but I didn't really have the feeling that I do now winning it. I had just come out of high school, and it didn't seem like that big of a deal. After fighting for it for a couple of years and coming up short, the motivation was there to win it again."

The Alpha seniors entered as Turkey Bowl champions and will now graduate as champions. The senior soccer players from Alpha Theta have appropriately made bookends to their college career at the pinnacle of Bob Jones soccer.



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