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Weekend Weather

Friday

Hi 78°
Low 51°

Chance of
precip. 20%



partly cloudy

Saturday

Hi 68°
Low 50°

Chance of
precip. 30%



few showers

Sunday

Hi 70°
Low 53°

Chance of
precip. 40%



t-showers



LYNDA HENDRIX

Campus News

JONNA DAWSON

Mack Library Book Sale

The Mack Library will hold a book sale in the Periodical Room tomorrow from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Prices will run from 50 cents to \$2 with only a few exceptions.

A variety of topics will be available including history, business, religion, literature, biographies and health. The books are being sold to make room for new additions to the library collection.

University Chorale

The University Chorale, under the direction of Dr. Warren Cook, will present "An April's Evening Concert" tonight at 6:30 and 8 in War Memorial Chapel.

The concert's program will include sacred pieces from both the Renaissance and 20th Century eras and secular pieces from Rutter, Clausen, Debussy and Durufle.

"We have two or three beautiful love songs everyone will like," Dr. Cook said.

University String Orchestra

The University String Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Jay Pinner, will present a concert today at 7 p.m. in Stratton Hall.

Pieces by Parry, Holst and Finzi will be performed. The Parry and Holst pieces were written specifically for strings. Finzi's "Eclogue" will feature a guest pianist, Mrs. Katharine Acree, and is the debut performance here at BJU.

"Mr. Pinner has done a wonderful job of choosing music that is enjoyable for the audience and the performers," said Amy Baus, concertmaster of the orchestra.

Leaders chosen for next year

JEN WRIGHT

BJU students have voted, and the results are in. Ten new Student Body leaders will take office in fall 2008 for another year of class parties, Student Body programs and opportunities for spiritual growth.

These 10 newly elected students will participate in the first-ever Student Body leadership seminar before the beginning of next semester, director

of Student Organizations Mr. Kasey McClure said. The seminar will provide more extensive training than Student Body leaders have previously received.

Even with the extra training, the incoming Student Body leaders have a lot to learn about their new jobs. Fortunately, the outgoing officers have plenty of advice and encouragement to offer their replacements.

Outgoing Vice President Leila Saleeby has one important piece of advice for those organizing

the class parties: watch out for the cotton candy machine—it has a way of catching fire.

On a more serious note, Leila added, "Don't let yourself develop the 'burden mentality.' View your responsibility as a privilege. It's all about glorifying God."

Past and present Student Body leaders have worked hard for their fellow students, but many students are not even

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Finals to be held for music contest

ANALEISA DUNBAR

The annual BJU music contest finals will be held Monday and Tuesday April 21 and 22 at 7 p.m. in the War Memorial Chapel. The program will feature finalists from the divisions of piano, brass and strings on Monday night and voice and woodwinds on Tuesday night.

Three finalists and one alternate from each division have advanced from the first rounds of competition. According to Dr. Ed Dunbar, chairman of the division of music, the preliminaries for the contest began in early February.

For the final rounds, the judges are music faculty whose students are not competing and other staff members with music degrees.

"(The vote) is by secret ballot," Dr. Dunbar said. "Each judge gives a ranking (I, II or III) and a rating (numerical from 70-100). The winner is generally determined by the ranking, but in the case of a tie, we use the numerical rating to determine the winner. We have seen some contests come down to tenths of a point."

Performers spend hours preparing their contest pieces. Diction, pitch, see **Music finalists**, p. 3

Bears, Rams prepare to battle in competition of minds next Tuesday



Bryan finalists Joe Moughon and Matt Baker will debate the Rams.

JEANNE PETRIZZO

"I call it the Turkey Bowl of the intellectuals."

Michael Bixby, a junior political science major in Phi Kappa, was referring to none other than the Championship Debate to be held in Stratton Hall on Tuesday at 7 p.m.

The Bryan Bears and Phi Kappa Rams will face off in a dispute over whether trade restrictions with China should be implemented by the United States.

"U.S. policy toward China is definitely a hot button, considering the 2008 Olympics are being held in Beijing," Michael said. "A lot



Michael Bixby and Scott Auslund represent the Rams in debate.

of political analysts point out the need for trade restrictions because China has a bad human rights track record, unfair domestic economic policies and because it presents a threat militarily to the power of the United States."

Bryan will assume the affirmative role while Phi Kappa will take the

negative role. Of course, specifics on both their cases cannot be revealed until that evening.

"This year Bryan has fielded one of the strongest squads in recent history, breaking two teams to semifinals," said Matt Baker, a senior accounting major in Bryan. "We

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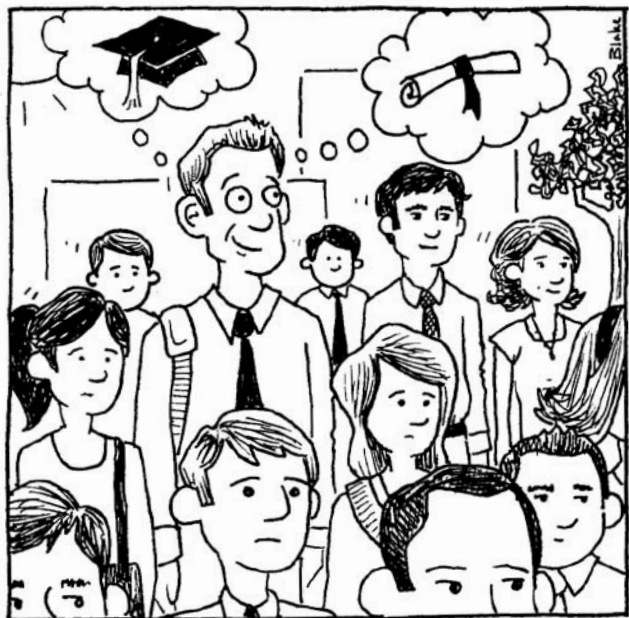
The signs are everywhere—an anxious look, scurrying feet, deep sighs. College students are stressed, now more than ever. A recent study by the Associated Press and mtvU found that four in 10 college students are stressed often, and one in five are stressed most of the time. Stress symptoms include trouble concentrating, sleeping and finding motivation. Students also report feeling lonely, and 13 percent say they have been diagnosed with a mental health condition such as anxiety disorder or depression.

It doesn't stop with mental health conditions, however. The study found that one in six say they have friends who in the past year have discussed committing suicide, and about one in 10 say they have seriously considered it themselves. Stress, which can lead to isolation and feelings of depression, may even play a part in school shootings. Harvard Medical School psychologist William Pollack said a federal study of school shootings found that most school shooters had feelings of anger, sadness and isolation, as well as homicidal and suicidal thoughts.

Today's college students are faced with more stressful situations than before. They are pushed to exceed expectations and to excel, they are pressured into being involved in numerous activities that will make them stand out, and they deal with the omnipresence of technology which enables them to do more academically and socially.

Many students—including students right here at BJU—struggle with stress on a daily basis. And yes, some BJU students even struggle with suicidal thoughts, have attempted to commit suicide or know someone who has.

Even though Christians deal with stress just as much as the average college student, we have Someone to turn to when we face hard situations. I Peter 5:7 says to "Cast all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you." When we give our worries to the Lord and put our focus on heavenly things, we are freed from the plaguing anxiety other people try to face alone. As we place each situation in God's powerful hands, His peace will triumph over the stress and free our minds to focus on His will for our lives.



KRISSA SMITH

In 15 days I will walk across the stage, fulfilling my life-long dream of graduating with a bachelor of arts degree in journalism. A 25-second walk in an oversized cloak and square hat with a white tassel and only a little piece of paper to show for it will conclude 960 days, 53 classes and more than 400 tests, papers and projects.

But it doesn't matter if the paper becomes dusty and forgotten: it signals the end of a busy four years and represents a penniless start to a new life (i.e., no longer am I a poor college student, I am now a poor college graduate).

But aside from having no money, the paper reminds me of the opportunities and activities I've experienced and the lessons I've learned (and trust me, there've been many). My classes and extracurricular activities have taught me to resolve room conflicts, handle work-related relationships, lead meetings and present my thoughts and ideas in small group meetings.

But more importantly, the last eight semesters have taught me to love people—including roommates and chapel buddies—with a love that does not flow from the inner goodness of my heart. In fact, while I appear friendly and oh-so-sweet, in the deep crevices of my mind I may actually be tempted to short-sheet your bed or duct tape your mouth. Then I remember Someone who loves me every time I talk too much, every time I leave my friend waiting in the dining common because I forgot to come to lunch, every time I cancel a date because I remember I have a meeting, every time I don't answer the phone because I'm not in the mood to talk, and yeah, the

unthinkable—Someone Who loves me when I'm just plain unlovable. Such unconditional love reminds me that life isn't about me. It's about a God Who showed His love by sending His Son to die for me.

And now, as an almost-graduate, I can't end this column without a few last words and a bit of advice.

To the student body: Thank you for an amazing two semesters as your editor. I have treasured the moments working on the paper and hope it has provided you with news, some "fyi" tips, and a laugh now and then.

To the Collegian staff: I love you guys and couldn't have done this year without you. Collegian will be one of my favorite memories when I look back to my college years... especially as I remember the pink ball from Chuck E. Cheese's, the "cuties" and the quotes on the board.

To my roommates, past and present: Thanks for the lessons you have taught me and for your patience when I was tired and stressed. Stay strong in your devotions and your commitment to the Lord.

To my society: Thanks for the opportunity to be your chaplain and your president. I love each one of you and am thankful for the strong support you showed me when I went through hard times.

To underclassmen: Get involved. While graduating with a 4.0 is impressive and does hint at hard work and intelligence, it doesn't necessarily mean you're well-rounded or that you know how to act in a social environment.

To upperclassmen: Enjoy college because it goes by fast. Yup, you knew that advice was coming. Every graduate I know has said that because it's true—you may never again have the opportunity to live with this many young Christian adults and to learn about God from so many different people.

To fellow seniors, I say congratulations. We did it. I join you as we confidently walk from these "hallowed halls" across the stage to shake hands with Dr. Jones, accept that little piece of paper and begin a new life. Enjoy your graduated status, and wherever you go and whatever you do, go and do with God.

TALK BACK

What is one goal you have for your college career?



Derek Adams
Senior
Greenville, S.C.
Accounting

To utilize the communication skills I've learned that will help me get a job in the business world.



Kara Gaffney
Freshman
Cartersville, Ga.
Graphic Design

To learn how to use my talents to glorify God without attracting any attention to myself.



Eric Inafuku
Senior
Waianae, Hawaii
Radio and Television
Broadcasting

I want to graduate—it's taken five years.



Kaye Andrews
Freshman
South Paris, Maine
Creative Writing

I think it would be to learn how to rely more on God for everything.

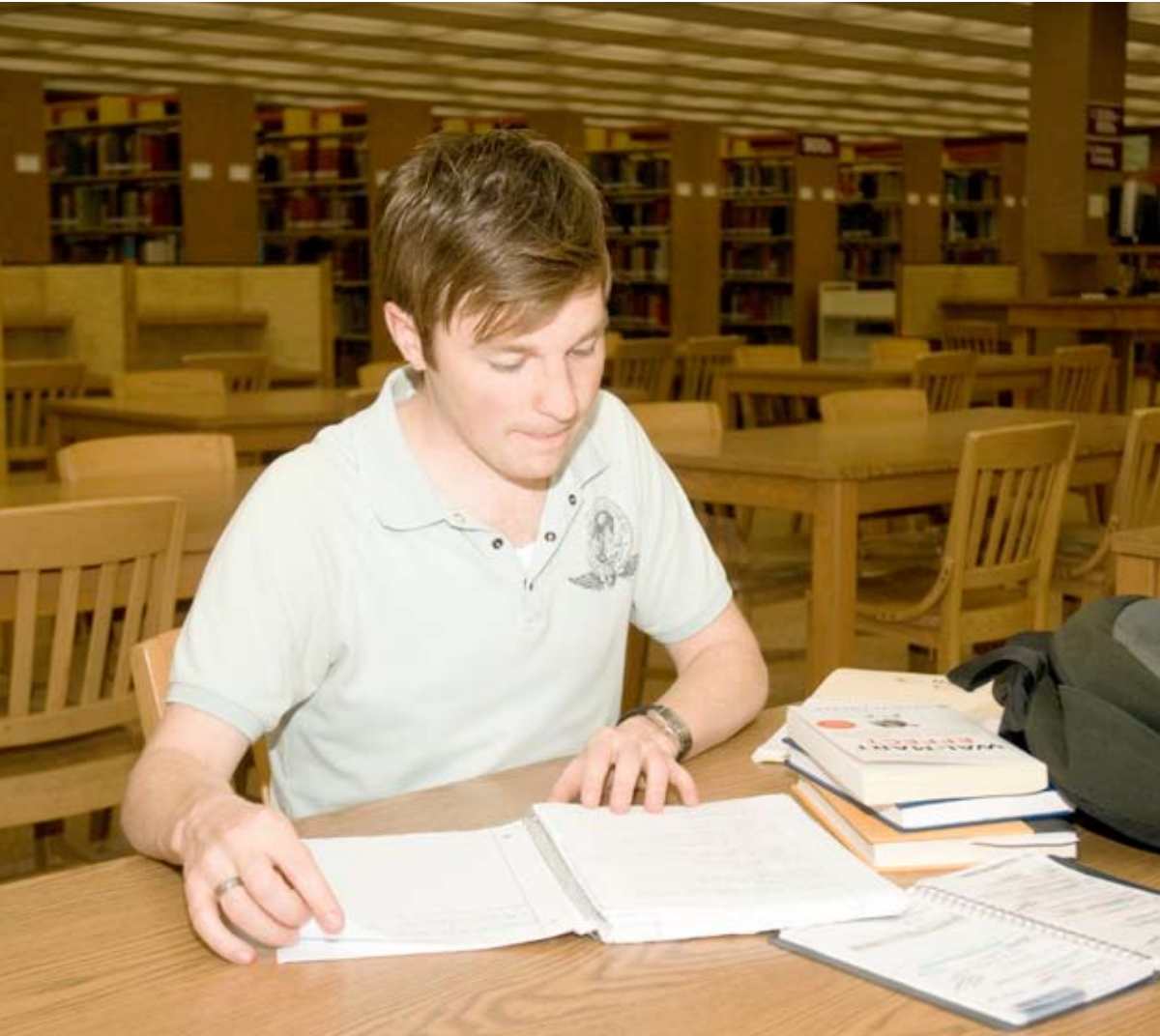


Josh Bilodeau
Freshman
New Durham, N.H.
Radio and Television
Broadcasting

I want to make a network or friends in different areas and regions.

CAMPUS

Students encouraged to ‘CRAM’ for exams



Senior publishing major Tim Johnson studies his notes for one of his classes in the Mack Library.

AIMEE AKAM

You’ve got mail—a little green slip in your post office box, announcing that exams are just around the corner, and it is time to start studying. On April 26, university students will begin taking their final exams.

Before April 26, students will start preparing for their finals, and the studious ones will begin now. Miss Chris Dewey, who teaches College Study Skills, said that studying beforehand is essential to a student’s success. She recommends students begin studying at least three to five days before a test.

“Don’t wait up until test time to learn the information,” Miss Dewey said. “Start well in advance—don’t wait until the day before to study. Make out a plan. Figure out the time that you have and divide it up. Give more time to the ones that will be more difficult.”

Miss Dewey recommends that students review their lecture notes and textbook reading day

by day. She said students can review by making flashcards of basic facts and summarizing the information in their own words for clarification.

Some students, however, are more pressed for time, and might not be able to study three to five days in advance.

Tim Johnson, a senior publishing major, said he usually studies a day or two before his exams.

“Finals can be tricky tests to study for,” Tim said. “Teachers are piling on papers and projects right up until the last class days, so it’s hard to begin studying early.”

In order to make the most of the short time he has, Tim plans how long he wants to study for each exam, drinks a cup of coffee and then heads over to the library. He then sequesters himself in a quiet area on the second floor of the library to ensure that he will be free from distractions.

“I think the advantages to my methods are the caffeine intake and the solitude,” Tim said. “This year I’ll probably do the same thing.”

Matt Baker, a junior accounting major, also studies in the library alone.

Matt said when he studies in a group he ends up helping others understand concepts or talking about other things.

“Studying in a group is synonymous for not studying,” he said.

Instead of studying in a group, Matt said he learns exam material by reorganizing it in his mind. He looks for lists and patterns in the information to help him memorize it.

“I generally take it one exam at a time,” Matt said. “I review the notes and the important chapters for the class the day before the exam.”

Matt, however, is less concerned about exams than he is about his semester grade.

“My goal is to have a strong grade going into the examination and simply make an average grade on the tests,” Matt said. “It’s damage control.”

Lauren Reyes, a senior music education major, agreed that keeping your semester grade up is important.

“I work hard all semester and get my grades high enough so that the final exam can’t hurt my grade,” Lauren said.

Christa Pelc, junior international studies major, said she starts studying when her teachers pass out the review guides in class. Throughout the year, Christa takes notes on one side of her notebook and leaves the other side blank. When she is studying for exams, she copies her notes onto the other side of her notebook.

“I’ve always heard that you need to engage as many of the senses as you can,” Christa said. “So, while I copy my notes, I whisper what I’m writing. And if I’m really nervous about the exam, I’ll go back and highlight the important things.”

Dr. Steve Buckley of the Office of Career Development and Placement recommends that students implement a four-step plan he calls CRAM when studying for exams.

Dr. Buckley’s plan, CRAM, is an acronym that stands for confirm, review, ask and master. Dr. Buckley said that before studying, students need to create a two-column list of terms and definitions and then confirm the accuracy and completeness of their notes with their teachers. After students are certain their notes are accurate, they can begin reviewing the key terms and definitions that will be on the test.

To make the information stick, students should ask questions, quizzing themselves and others. Dr. Buckley said that quizzing others always helps you to be thinking of the right answer before they answer the questions.

In addition, Dr. Buckley said students should master the information they struggle with the most by identifying problem areas early in their review sessions.

By implementing these strategies, Dr. Buckley said students will be more thoroughly prepared to take their exams quickly and confidently.

“Rather than simply praying for God to help you pass the test, whether or not you studied, you can now pray that He will help you remember the information that you have studied and reward you for being a good steward of your preparation time,” Dr. Buckley said.

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accuracy, memorization, nonverbals and many other areas are the focus of hours of intense work.

Catherine Jones, a sophomore flute performance major and woodwind finalist, said much of her recent practice has been done in front of a mirror. “Besides communicating something through the music, I have to complement that with communicating it through my body language and facial expression,” she said.

Men’s voice finalist, Jason Rush, a sophomore church music major, said his greatest challenge in contest preparation has been language. His piece, “Una Furtiva Lagrima” by Gaetano Donizetti, is in Italian. “I’m from America, and from the South at that, so trying to sing clear Italian is difficult,” he said.

Preparing as an alternate for any division of the contest is difficult. Chris Erickson, a freshman cello performance major and alternate in the string contest, said he has been focusing a small amount of time on his piece. “(My contest piece) hasn’t been my main priority, but I’ve been working on it enough so that I won’t be too surprised and unprepared at the end of the semester if I get a chance to compete,” Chris said.

Another huge part of preparation is knowing how to manage nerves. Some performers have rituals they go through before each performance. Horn finalist Peter Bailey, a senior horn performance major said, “I exercise, read a Psalm before I perform and I eat a banana and do not touch caffeine. The banana has potassium, which lowers your blood pressure and helps you feel a little more calm.”

“Most of my nerves stem from pride and not wanting to look bad in front of people,” said Amberley Cox, a sophomore piano performance major and finalist in the piano contest. “If I change my mindset to wanting to make God look big from my performance and reflect some of His beauty through music, then I can be more calm.”

Preparing for a performance also motivates students to work harder. Junior Sam Arnold, finalist in the string contest and a church music major, said, “Having a contest to practice and aim for always helps us musicians to accomplish so much more than we would otherwise.”



Brass	Piano	Voice – Women’s
Thomas Aldmon, trombone Peter Bailey, horn Jocelyn Sorrell, trumpet Alternate: Dustan Chevalier, trombone	Amberley Cox John Hudson Dani Wuthrich Alternate: Kathryn Greenwood	Heather Fordham Tamra Jones Jennifer Olinger Alternate: Kara Halleck
Voice – Men’s	String	Woodwind
Joseph Hoelscher Ye Young Daniel Lee Jason Rush Alternate: Timothy Renner	Samuel Arnold, violin Aubrey Elliott, harp Jessica Miskelly, violin Alternate: Christopher Erickson, cello	Brittany Batdorf, bassoon Catherine Jones, flute Meagan O’Malley, oboe Alternate: Kate Liebfried, flute

LIFESTYLE

Students from all over attend BJU, learn life experiences, prepare to graduate in May

Profiles by Ben Blanton Photos by Heidi Atoigue and Rob Wheeler



David Marko

David Marko doesn't want to be president. A political science major from West Virginia, David grew up in a politically active family and hopes to run for office one day. But being president?

"That's not a goal of mine," he said.

What is a goal of his is landing an internship this summer at Fluor Daniel which he hopes will turn into a job in the government relations department.

"That will help me get my feet wet and do a lot of networking with lawmakers and their staffs right off the bat," he said. "That's the immediate goal. The long-term goal would be to run for public office."

David said his upbringing had a lot to do with why he chose his major. Several of his relatives have run for local offices such as sheriff, magistrate and state representative.

David graduated from a Christian high school in West Virginia and said he never considered coming to BJU until he visited the campus for AACCS his senior year.

"I really thought there were going to be pink and blue side-walks," he said.

Not only did he find guys and girls walking side by side, but his roommates that week went out of their way to make him feel welcome.

"They treated me like a king," David said. "It made a big difference. I realized that this was a place where I could further my relationship with God."

David is an avid nonfiction reader and can be seen browsing at Barnes & Noble several times a week.

"I love reading history—especially ancient Greek history and World War II," he said.

When it comes to politics, David describes himself as "a conservative first, a Republican second."

With the most wide-open presidential race in years, David is cautious about making predictions. "The only prediction I can make is that if it's Hillary and McCain, McCain will win," David said. If he could pick anyone to be president, he would choose Senator John Thune from South Dakota.

"He beat Tom Daschle—the first time in history an incumbent majority leader has ever lost," David said.



Matt Brinkley

Matt Brinkley always knew he would be involved in music.

"When I started eighth grade I suddenly discovered I could sing," he said.

Throughout high school, Matt was active in the music programs at his church and school. He sang special music and participated in choirs and competitions. Before his freshman year he debated between majors in church music and music education—and decided to go with church music.

"I've always had a desire to teach," he said. "But I know God wants me to use music as a ministry in the church."

Upon graduating in May, Matt plans to return home to West Virginia to work at a pharmacy and pay off student loans. He wants to help out with the music program at his church. After that, there are only two things he knows for sure about the future.

"I know I will be involved with the music program at a local church somewhere," he said. "And I want to stay in the South."

Matt was born and grew up in West Virginia. He graduated from a Christian school and became the first member of his immediate family to attend college.

In college Matt continued his participation in extracurricular music activities. He sang in choirs, played in the tuba and euphonium choir, and participated in the opera all four years he has been in school. He is currently interning at Oakwood Baptist Church in Anderson where he leads the choir and helps out wherever he can.

"It has taught me to be flexible," Matt said. "If someone is sick and can't do the special music, I have to be ready to step in and prepare something."

Like most seniors, Matt has changed since he came to BJU as a freshman.

"If there was one thing I could go back and do differently, it would be the choices I made for my friends during my first couple years," he said. "Your friends define your character."

Although many seniors give freshmen advice on study habits and class registration, Matt has some other practical tips to offer.

"Don't try bowling in the hallway with a real bowling ball and IBC root beer bottles," he warns. "They will break."

Some things in life just have to be learned the hard way.



Robbie May

Like many students at BJU, Robbie May did not start out in the major he's completing. It took him until the first semester of his sophomore year to realize that he didn't want to remain a premed major. He switched to composite science education.

After the switch, several people reminded him that he wouldn't make as much money as a teacher as he could with a medical career.

"If you're in your major because you want to make a lot of money, you're in it for the wrong reason," Robbie said.

During his senior year of high school, Robbie knew he wanted to go to a Christian college, but had no idea which one.

"I made a list—and BJU was at the bottom," he said.

He visited other Christian colleges, and one by one crossed schools off the list. Then a family in his church offered him a ride to BJU to visit. The only catch: he would have to cancel his plans to spend spring break in Florida with friends in order to go. With his list getting shorter and time running out, he decided to make the trip.

"Even in the car on the way to campus, I knew God wanted me at BJU," Robbie said. That week he applied and came to BJU in the fall.

His freshman and sophomore years were filled with highs and lows.

"I tried to bend every rule as far as I could without breaking it," Robbie said. "The irony of it all was that I knew God had called me here, and I knew what the rules were. But for my first three semesters, I had the wrong attitude to authority."

Robbie said a high point of his college experience was a message he heard during Bible Conference his sophomore year by the Rev. Kyle Paisley.

"It was literally life-changing," he said. "I was on the verge of physical and spiritual exhaustion, and he preached about how God's service isn't easy but if we persevere, we will be rewarded."

When he leaves school, Robbie plans to minister to teenagers through teaching.

"Teens are one of the most overlooked groups in society today," he said. "I have a burden to go to them—and I'm still really a teenager at heart."



Louretta Landon

When Louretta Landon came to South Carolina from Scotland, she had to make a few adjustments. For starters, she learned that it helps to drive on the right side of the road—especially when you are taking your road test.

"It was the correct side of the road to me," she said.

The instructor disagreed, and Louretta still does not have her license.

"I still find the left and right thing intimidating while driving," she said.

The biggest adjustment, however, was the openness and friendliness of people in the South.

"In Britain, you never, ever talk to the people behind you in line at the grocery store," she said.

Louretta has dual U.S. and British citizenship because she grew up in Edinburgh. Since 1994, her family has worked with a small Presbyterian church in the city. Louretta said missionary work in Britain is extremely difficult. Most people are either openly hostile or simply disinterested in the Gospel.

When she came to BJU, Louretta started as a cinema major but quickly decided she was not technically minded enough to pursue it. She became a creative writing major instead. Although she always had an interest in writing, Louretta said the idea of majoring in it was intimidating because she did not know how good she was.

"But I felt confident that my writing was good enough that I could get to a level where I could use it after I graduate," she said.

Louretta has applied for graduate programs in modern literature at three graduate schools in Scotland. She hopes to eventually get a doctoral degree so she can teach writing and literature at the university level.

"I really don't want to have a five- or a 10-year plan," Louretta said. "I want to leave myself as many options and as many possibilities as I can. Whether that will be backpacking across Europe or working a stable job at a company in the United States, I don't know."

Besides the cultural adjustments Louretta made when moving to the States before her freshman year, she also made some personal strides. She learned how to use a washing machine.

"That was my 'what I learned in college' story that I gave in freshman speech," she said.



Martha Tomlinson

Martha Tomlinson's roots run deep. Her family has lived in Vermont for 11 generations. They have lived in the same house since the 1700s. They have maps of their town dated before the Civil War showing the location of a family-owned farm. This is where Martha grew up, and this is where she wants to return when she finishes school.

"My heart is in Vermont, and unless God changes my heart, that's where I'll be," she said.

Martha has known for a while what she wants to do with her life—work in youth ministry.

While attending her Christian high school in Vermont, Martha began using drama as a ministry tool. She directed and acted in plays at her church and school. She wants to return when she graduates to coach in the high school, help direct plays, counsel and serve on the youth staff.

"I want to use speech and drama to help teens work on their issues and challenges in life," she said. "My heart is teenagers."

But her church, like most in Vermont, is small, and cannot afford to hire her. To pay the bills, Martha will return to a job that she began a year ago while taking some time off from school—at the Department of Homeland Security.

"I could tell you what I do, but then I'd have to kill you," she joked.

Martha is an accounting technician in the Immigration and Customs Enforcement sub-department. With no financial or accounting experience in her background, Martha said there is only one explanation for why she got the job—God's grace.

When she's not doing homework or working, Martha enjoys reading, especially the classics, drama and children's literature. At home one of her favorite things to do is go shooting. She is not allowed to buy her first gun until she has shot through her relatives' massive gun collections and decided which one she likes best.

"My favorite is the Walther P22 because it's cheap, fun and solid," Martha said.

She prefers target shooting to hunting.

"My uncle says that if I ever needed to shoot anyone, I'd probably only hit their big toe," she said.

CAMPUS

BJU's softball season offers friendly competition for women's societies



Photo Story by
Rob Wheeler



Starting top left and moving clockwise, catcher Cortney Slayton throws to first; Emily Peppard pitches the ball; second baseman Abigail Heffernan throws to first; Alaina Rogers hits the ball for a base hit, while Emily VanHouten prepares to bat; and Andrea Moger, Katie Niarchos, Ilene Anderson, Lisa Seltzer, Kristin Mittan, Lija Willis, Jenna Fenderson, and Caitlin McKinney stand in line, waiting to pray before the start of the game and listening to the rules of the field.



The women's softball season this year was a wet one. During the university's annual season, sporadic rainfall delayed multiple games, keeping the teams and their coaches watching the skies.

Five American League and 10 National League teams competed in this year's wet softball season. The Tri Epsilon Pirates returned to defend the championship title they earned last year, but fell short of their goal in a disappointing upset during the championship game versus the Pi Delta Classics.

Despite the muddy shoes, wet ponytails and messy buns, the women's softball season ran its course, leaving the players to pack up their bats and gloves, prepare for the end of school and look forward to next year's season.

SPORTS

Razorbacks win AL championship



Alpha's Brent Horine jumps to block a hit by Z's Tyler Jones as Stephen Yates and Tyler Dowland watch.



Zeta Chi's Tyler Jones goes up to block as Alpha's Mark Tucker hits a low set from John Boley as Justin Witt watches the play unfold.

SARAH DERSCH

Alpha Theta played against the favored Zeta Chi for the American League volleyball championship and won in four games 25-18, 25-22, 22-25 (Z's win), and 25-19.

Though Alpha was not the team expected to face Lanier in the intramural championship match, all the starters—John Boley, Brent Horine, Ben Jarvis, Jacob Trout, Mark Tucker, and Justin Witt—played at the top of their game against Z to pull off the win.

“I'm proud of my team,” Alpha's coach Ben Jarvis said. “We went a long way and made Lanier earn it. What else could I ask for?”

Women's softball weekend recap

bottom of 4th - As Alaina Rogers waited at third base, Beta Chi hit the ball right to the Pirates' Andrea Moger at second. Andrea tagged second then threw the ball to first for a fantastic double play, but left Alaina untouched for Beta Chi's only run of the game.

top of 6th - The Pirates' Lija Willis stepped up to the plate and crushed a home run deep into center-field.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Final
PIRATES	0	1	2	2	0	1	2	8
BEAR CUBS	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1

bottom of the 2nd - An infield pop fly from Beta Chi resulted in a diving catch from the Cardinals' pitcher Emily Peppard.

bottom of the 3rd - With two outs, the Bear Cubs' Emily VanHouten drove the ball just inside 3rd base to bring in a run.

bottom of 4th - Beta Chi's Alaina Rogers smashed the ball deep over the left fielder to bring in two runs.

	1	2	3	4	Final
CARDINALS	0	0	0	0	0
BEAR CUBS	0	4	3	3	10

Softball Women

- 1 PI DELTA
- 2 TRI EPSILON
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SPORTS

Lanier sweeps volleyball season, claims championship

LANIER STARTERS	Jamie Bumanglag	Mark Ferguson	A.J. Gillespie	Brendon Harcourt	Cyril Mirasol	John Pobuk	Brandon Thomas
Hometown Classification	Waianae, Hawaii Freshman	Atascadero, Calif. Sophomore	Waianae, Hawaii Junior	Atascadero, Calif. Senior	Waianae, Hawaii Sophomore	Kaneohe, Hawaii Freshman	Waianae, Hawaii Senior
Major	Youth Ministries	Residential Construction Management	Business Management	Humanities	Cinema and Video Productions	Electrical Engineering	Bible
BIO	Jamie played volleyball for his Christian school for five years. He started his last two seasons and was the team captain his senior year.	Mark started playing volleyball for fun with his youth group when he was in junior high, but never played for an organized team in high school. After high school he played in a co-ed recreational league for four seasons.	A.J. started playing volleyball in seventh grade because all his friends (Brandon Thomas, Cyril Mirasol, and Dane Mokuahi) played the sport. Because he was short, he sat on the bench his first two seasons. After growing and working hard, he started for Maili Bible School.	Brendon began playing volleyball for fun when he was 14 years old. He took volleyball classes for three semesters at a community college before transferring to BJU.	Cyril started playing volleyball in eighth grade and played for his Maili Bible School for five years. His senior year, volleyball Olympic gold medalist Misty May watched one of his games.	John started playing volleyball for his Christian school in seventh grade. Because the league only consisted of four Christian schools, his team played some public schools on the side. John played in a rival school of the other Hawaiians in Lanier.	Brandon started playing volleyball for Maili Bible School in seventh grade. He always played as the setter. This season he coached and played as setter for Lanier the whole regular season. Though he couldn't play in the championship game because of a sprained ankle, he still coached his team for the victory.
Favorite Volleyball Thing	"My favorite thing about volleyball would have to be how we work as a team. In Lanier everyone has a good time and is so relaxed and not so uptight."	"There is nothing like the feeling of a solid block! I would play volleyball all the time even if I only got to block."	"Teamwork. Playing with a bunch of guys who play as a team is so much fun, and that's what makes the game exciting."	"Everything! But if I had to choose one, it would be hitting."	"My favorite thing about volleyball is when my whole team is playing at the top of our level, when we're just clicking, running on all cylinders and knowing what each other is thinking without saying a word."	"I love the teamwork involved. There's nothing like pulling off a perfect quick set and slamming it in the ten."	"TEAM."
Earned Points from Hits and Tips	7	16	8	8	5	4	0 Coached from the bench because of injury

Lanier defeats Alpha Theta

SARAH DERSCH

Though the Alpha Theta Razorbacks won the first game of the volleyball championship match 26-24, the Lanier Falcons came back to win the next three sets 25-22, 25-19, and 25-19, sweeping the volleyball season and winning the championship.

"We in Lanier knew we were coming into the season as favorites to win, but we played every game as the underdogs," Cyril Mirasol said. "That was key to a lot of our success because as a team, we knew it wasn't right for us to go into every game thinking we'd trample every team. We had to keep a humble spirit and play for God. God gives me the ability to play, so He's the one that deserves the glory—not me."

Lanier's team was built on tight friendships, some which go back

seven or eight years. Some of the key starters, known to many in the student body as "the Hawaiians," grew up and played volleyball together in Waianae, Hawaii. One of them was Brandon Thomas, who played as the setter for Lanier almost the entire season.

"We struggled more than I expected against Alpha because our setter and coach [Brandon Thomas] was out with a foot injury," Mark Ferguson said. "But Cyril and John [Pobuk] both stepped up and set extremely well for us."

"The greatest and most rewarding thing about this entire season has been playing, hanging out, laughing, and growing in volleyball and in Christ with the guys—both on and off the court," Brandon Thomas said. "The championship win is just icing on the cake. That's what Lanier is all about."



LINDA HENDRIX

Lanier's Cyril Mirasol tips the ball over the net as Alpha's Mark Tucker goes to block in the championship.

BRANDON HODNETT

Lanier continued to dominate the National League, sweeping Beta in three games during Friday night's National League volleyball championship match.

Lanier started out the first game with a quick 9-1 lead, thanks to the brilliant setting of Brandon Thomas and the spiking combo of A.J. Gillespie and John Pobuk. Beta's offense remained stagnant until Austin Reddington came off the bench. Austin immediately brought some life to Beta's offense, blocking a spike right back at Lanier. However, Beta could not muster enough

offense to stay close in the first set. Lanier soared past them 25-8, ending the set with a pounding spike from Mark Ferguson.

After switching sides, Lanier resumed right where they had left off, taking a 3-0 lead off of blocks from John Pobuk and A.J. Gillespie. This set, Lanier's lead was kept slim by Beta, which apparently was not going down without a fight. Beta's Mikey Chai scored off a spectacular behind-the-back tip over the defense. Teammate Austin Reddington added another point by gently tapping the ball into an unoccupied area on Lanier's half. He followed up his own score with a solid block that resulted in another Beta point, cutting their deficit to one point.

The rally went back and forth, with Beta hanging tightly on Lanier's heels. Lanier's John Pobuk spiked the ball over Austin Reddington's block, upping Lanier's lead to 18-14. Austin immediately responded with a powerful spike of his own. Lanier finally surged at the end of the set, winning 25-20. John Pobuk said, "We simply took each play one at a time

and focused on each rally. Brandon kept feeding us amazing sets which we were able to put down and stay ahead."

In the third set, Beta desperately tried to keep its playoff hopes alive and climbed to an early 9-4 lead. Their lead quickly vanished as Lanier chugged back into the game. John Pobuk blocked Beta's Micah Wright, giving Lanier a 21-16 lead. Lanier's Mark Ferguson ended the game 25-19 with a kill off of a perfect set from Brandon Thomas.

Brandon Thomas, Lanier's coach and setter, commented about his team's success this year. "Our team is exactly that, a TEAM. We are such good friends on, as well as off, the court," Brandon said. "The three factors that we have stressed from the beginning are hard work, humility, and having fun. Within the game of volleyball itself, the stress has definitely been on defense and teamwork. Without these factors, Lanier would not be Lanier."

Still undefeated, Lanier moved past Beta and into the intramural championship Saturday evening.



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Student leaders, page 1

sure what the Council does, Mr. McClure said.

“Student Body officers may seem like ‘glorified event planners’ to some students, but they are much, much more,” Mr. McClure said.

Most students know that the officers preside over class meetings and Student Body events. What they may not recognize is the amount of planning that goes into each event.

For every class meeting, the officers come up with a specific theme and an objective. Each program promotes unity in the student body and encourages students to honor and glorify God, Mr. McClure said. The programs also include specific facets: a body such as a drama, a film or a game, a fine arts number and a challenge.

Student Body officers meet with Mr. McClure on a weekly basis for discipleship and leadership development. They also join Dr. Stephen Jones and Dr. Jim Berg for leadership luncheons that focus on the spiritual temperature of the student body, Mr. McClure said.

With the responsibility inherent in a Student Body office, Senior Class Representative Amanda Jackson quickly discovered the importance of organization.

“My advice would be to keep a list of things that have to be done and cross them off whenever you finish them,” Amanda Jackson said. “Green sticky notes stuck all over my computer work for me.”

Sophomore Representative Allison Campbell agrees. “Keep a very detailed schedule,” Allison said. “Invest in a good planner and write down every detail of your life, even the things you think you’ll never forget.”

With all the opportunities to get involved in student life, Junior Representative Cassie Chin reminds the officers to keep their focus on a personal walk with God.

“Some advice Mrs. Berg gave me one time was ‘there will always be more ministry than you’ll be able to do,’” Cassie said. “Pray and ask the Lord to show you the ministry opportunities He wants you to help out in.”

“True leadership is one on one,” Student Body Men’s President Joe Fant added. “You

“Student Body officers may seem like ‘glorified event planners’ to some students, but they are much, much more,” Mr. McClure said.

can only be a leader if you’re following the true leader, Jesus Christ.”

When it comes to unifying the student body, Mr. McClure advises the new officers to pray that God will work in students’ hearts, and then to put feet to those prayers.

“You won’t be able to have good Student Body meetings unless you get down in the trenches where the students are,” Mr. McClure said. “The focus of the officer should be to get to know the people they represent.”

Senior Representative Stephen Freeland advises the new senior representatives not to take this opportunity for granted. “Not only do you get to serve your fellow seniors,” Stephen said, “but you also get to build friendships with the other council members,

friendships that will be a blessing to you long into the future.”

By spending so much time together, members of the Council become like brothers and sisters in a family, Junior Representative Chris Pennington said. Chris urged the new officers to enter their new positions with right motives and a servant’s heart.

“You will spend hours and hours of work that no one will ever notice,” Chris said. “If they do notice, they likely will not be impressed. You do it to please God, not men.”

“I don’t do these programs for the Student Body,” Jessica Pittman said. “I do them for Christ.”

Debate, page 1

have a great research team backing and prepping us for the final round. I think that will make the difference in the end.”

Even though the true version of the Turkey Bowl attracts more spectators, the Debate Championship contributes significantly to the point totals societies earn.

For those involved, debate “develops confidence and organization in public speaking, as well as a strong analytical mind,” Michael said.

In addition to the skills development, the research provides learning opportunities.

“Learning more about trade with China has been awesome, and I’m eager to face a formidable team,” said Joseph Moughon, a freshman physics major in Bryan.

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