

Meetings to discuss student loans

JOSHUA PRIVETT

In order to take final exams, any student with an outstanding balance on his school bill by Monday will attend one of BJU's loan meetings.

Mr. Steve Buckley, director of student financial aid, said the meetings will give students an understanding of their current debt situation, explain loan terminology and provide information on BJU's loan programs.

By attending a loan meeting, students can find out the exact amount of money they need to return the following semester and

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CAMPUS NEWS

WOODWIND CHOIR

The University Woodwind Choir will play Monday at 5 p.m. in Stratton Hall.

PMA FORUM

The PMA Forum will meet Monday at 7 p.m. in Room 137 in the Science Building.

RÉSUMÉ WORKSHOP

The Résumé Writing and CareerCentral Workshop will meet Thursday at 7 p.m. in Lecture A.

CONCERT BAND

The University Concert Band will perform next Friday at 5 p.m. in Stratton Hall.

CONCERT CHOIR

The University Concert Choir will play next Friday at 7 p.m. in War Memorial Chapel.

PLACEMENT TESTS AND AUDITIONS

Placement tests will be given Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and auditions from 5 to 5:45 p.m. Read pages 30 and 59 of the Registration Guide for more information.

Gilbert & Sullivan's *Pirates* to capture BJU audience

AMELIA PILLSBURY

The Gilbert & Sullivan Players will be performing *Pirates of Penzance* in the amphitorium for this year's first Artist Series program Tuesday.

The comic opera *Pirates of Penzance* centers on young Frederic, an apprentice to a band of pirates. When he turns 21, he decides to leave the pirate profession, return to respectable society and marry the first woman he falls in love with. The woman, Mabel, is the Major-General's daughter. Frederic is caught in the middle of a conflict when the pirates pursue the Major-General's other daughters.

Mr. Albert Bergeret, the founder, artistic director and conductor of the Gilbert & Sullivan Players, said the pirates are not rough and tough guys, but are really a bunch of softies.

"It's the one show [of the Gilbert & Sullivan Operas] that doesn't have an antagonist," he said.

Mr. Bergeret said the audience can expect a variety of vocal performances.

"It has lots of range, from a contralto to a high soprano to a growly bass," he said.

Miss Jenny Klipp is coordinating this semester's opera with the Gilbert

& Sullivan Players. After Dean of Fine Arts Dr. Darren Lawson saw the opera in New York, he brought back the idea of having them perform at BJU and asked for Dr. Jones' approval. Discussions between the players and Miss Klipp began and centered on things such as what the University would need to provide for the set and actors and the cost.

As with all incoming groups, the Gilbert & Sullivan Players sent a list of requirements for BJU to prepare for them in the amphitorium, including lighting and sound. The University provides hotel rooms and meals for outside groups when they arrive. While Miss Klipp is coordinating these arrangements with the Players, BJU will not have to help out with the setup.

"They come with their whole set, backdrops, props, costumes," Miss Klipp said. "They don't use anything of ours."

In addition to using all their own materials, the Gilbert & Sullivan Players don't waste any time when

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(From left then front) Keith Jurosko as The Pirate King, Laurelyn Watson Chase as Mabel, Phillip Reilly as The Sergeant of Police, Stephen Quint as The Modern Major General, and Albert Bergeret as himself. The cast's presentation of "The Pirates of Penzance" will be adapted to FMA's unique stage design.

Opportunity Days welcomes high school visitors

MOLLY JASINSKI

BJU will welcome high school students from all over the country for Opportunity Days Thursday and Friday of next week.

Numerous activities have been planned for the visiting students, including a walking tour of the campus, a pizza party with student leaders, a Q&A session called "The Floor is Yours" with administration and faculty, and a night of entertainment complete with a skit by admissions counselors and a unique version of "Capture the Flag."

Opportunity Days, an event which is often confused with College Up-Close, allows students from anywhere to come and visit BJU for a few days and get a taste of college life. College Up-Close, on the other hand, brings students to

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Taste-testers invited to try light desserts

MOLLY JASINSKI

Chocolate lovers, listen up. If you like free food, chocolate and have 10 free minutes after chapel next Wednesday, the Family and Consumer Sciences department might have just the event for you.

All students, as well as faculty and staff, are invited to participate in a taste-testing of French silk pie, chocolate brownies and chocolate ice cream, which will be prepared by students in Food Science, one of the department's nutrition courses. The taste-testing is on a first-come, first-serve basis and will accept the first 50 participants who show up.

The recipes for these three desserts have all been adapted to feature healthier alternatives to what are often calorie-filled dishes. Miss Deborah Karasek, instructor of the course and a registered

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Editor's note: striving for fair, equal coverage

Some of you may have wondered why *The Collegian* staff decided to cover the presidential election in last week's issue—which ultimately resulted in a photo of President-elect Barack Obama being placed prominently on the front page.

As we consider what we will put into each issue, the editorial staff of *The Collegian* along with *The Collegian's* administrative committee evaluate newsworthiness, timeliness and appropriateness as well as additional news values that we ascribe to as journalists.

It was that same judgment that led us in our decision to cover for the front-page lead article Barack Obama's election as the next president of the United States.

First, we as a staff had planned months prior to Nov. 4 to cover the 2008 Presidential Elections. These elections collectively make up one of the defining events of this year, which will shape our country for the next four years. To ignore an event so impacting would be nearly synonymous to denying its actual occurrence.

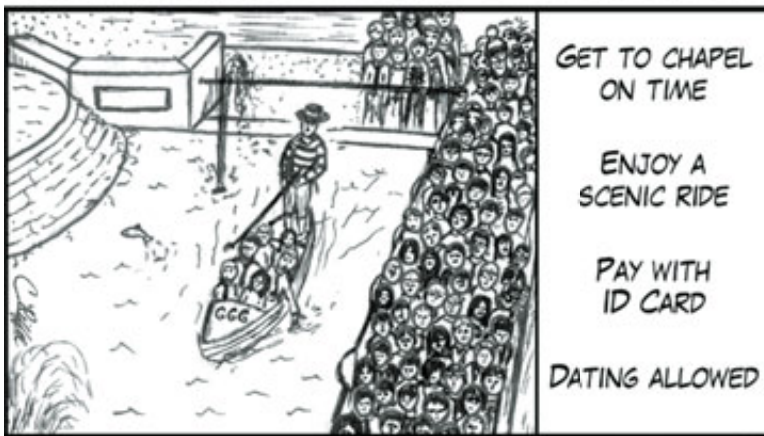
Second, regardless of the winner, we would have given the president-elect the same coverage. Some of our readers, after expressing their disapproval of our decision to feature Obama, admitted that they would have been in favor of featuring Sen. John McCain, should he have been elected. If *The Collegian* had varied its coverage based on preference for the winner, it would have ceased to be unbiased and would have discredited itself.

Additionally, the Bible commands us to honor and pray for our leaders—not only those that we as Christians may favor, but all of them.

Lastly, Obama made history last week. He is the 44th President of the United States and the first black president to be elected.

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SO HOW WILL YOU GET TO CHAPEL?

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JONATHAN BROWN

About this time last year, I heard a friend of mine—bless his heart—say, "Hey ya'll, it's really cold out today. Think it's gonna snow?" I chuckled. It was a cloudless, 45-degree day.

I don't try to bash Southerners, but I do enjoy contrasting our perceptions of winter. Ok, maybe I'm slightly biased—considering I was born and reared in snowy New Hampshire. To illustrate, last December we had 52 inches of snow in my state. And we still drove our cars—not our snowmobiles—to work each day. That much snow in South Carolina would probably set the region several millennia back to the Ice Age.

Our differing perceptions are illustrated most vividly in our response to weather forecasts. Whenever Southerners hear a meteorologist even mention snow, they dash to the stores in droves to buy bread and milk. By contrast, Northerners run to the store to buy Doritos and Sprite.

Ok, I apologize. I'm stereotyping. But both parties are guilty of this. The way some Southerners describe "them Yankees," you'd think everyone above the Mason-Dixon lives in igloos, drives dog sleds on highways forged of ice and

raises pet penguins. I'll admit to the igloo allegation. But the others are completely bogus.

I stereotype Southerners based upon several eyewitness accounts of how they have coped with snow. For example, my sister told me a story about a one-inch snowstorm her freshman year at BJU. Looking out her window, she observed two young ladies clearing a walkway. One was carrying some salt (used to prevent walkways from icing), the other a shovel (used to relocate snow). Pretty simple, right? Well, apparently dyslexia set in. It seems the girl with the salt decided to precede the girl with the shovel. So the shovel bearer followed behind her, scooping up the lightly salted snow and casting it off to one side.

My sophomore year, a blizzard—1 or 2 inches—descended on Greenville, resulting in a Day of Rest. While many students were enjoying making slush men and slush angels, I was intently monitoring my pillow's heartbeat. Around 11 a.m. shouts of glee from a slush ball fight outside my window awoke me. Unable to sleep amidst such a ruckus, I decided to get up and do something profitable with my day.

Several friends and I decided to go shopping. Arriving at Broke checkout desk, we were informed that a curfew was in place due to the dangerous weather conditions. Sporting our short sleeves, we tried to explain to the desk worker that we Northerners could brave the blizzard. No luck.

But the climax of my entire perspective on the South and snow comes each year during the lighting ceremony as we sing "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas." Dressed in my Hawaiian shirt, I mutter, "Keep dreaming."

Probably yo-yo's and trading card games, back in the Pokemon era. And Pogs—that was pretty sweet.

RyanYow
sophomore

Probably watching the Ninja Turtles, because they saved the day.

Nate
Renoll
freshman

I was really into Barbies for a long time. I had the cars and clothes and everything.

Katelyn
Barton
junior

What fads did you like in junior high or elementary?

BookIt was awesome. I read so much to get those pizzas.

Philip
Ogden
freshman

The points on the back of the Doritos bags—we had nasty, dirty bags we collected for the points.

Kassie
Bock
senior

talk
back

PHOTOS BY ROB WHEELER

Internships refine skills, provide work experience

CRISTIE FOX

Some students prepare for their future careers by cramming for tests, acing classes and trying to get the best possible GPA. While these strategies demonstrate diligence and responsibility, another hands-on way of prepping for careers after graduation is doing an internship: a program that challenges interns to master their skills and learn outside of the classroom.

Over 40 majors include internships as part of their recommended course of study, including accounting, nursing, education and writing majors.

Melissa Rivera, a senior nursing major, said interning at a hospital helped her use what she was learning in her major. "I was able to perform actual procedures and do basic things like take patients' blood pressure and basic vital signs," she said.

"It gave me the opportunity to go into a hospital and apply everything I've learned in class."

Melissa strongly recommended that students do internships to gain hands-on experience and to enhance their résumés. "Honestly, a lot of employers won't touch your résumé if you don't have actual experience, and that's where an internship comes in handy," she said.

BJU graduate Jill Wright participated in an internship as part of her major. Jill graduated with a radio and television broadcasting degree and worked as an intern at Jackson-Dawson, a well-known integrated marketing firm in Greenville. "The skills I learned as an audio-visual intern were incredible," Jill said.

She was able to work on a number of projects, including running a camera for a Verizon

Wireless trade show and editing film. "It really helped me harness my editing skills," Jill said. "It's just more practical to go out into the world and get real experience."

Student teaching provides a way for education majors to gain experience. Leila Saleeby, a senior Spanish education major, is currently student teaching at a local public high school. "I'm learning to motivate kids who are impossible to motivate," she said. "This experience has given me an opportunity to get in there and get my hands dirty. After this experience I feel like I could teach anyone!"

Besides experience in the classroom, Leila said student teaching also gives her opportunities to live out her faith outside of class. "Students

know I'm from BJ so they ask a lot of questions," she said.

Many students in the accounting program complete an internship before graduation. Vanessa Vonderharr, a junior accounting major, is currently interning with Deloitte & Touche in Greenville. She said she feels that an internship gives students an advantage over college graduates who haven't done one. "An internship lets you experience things up close; it goes beyond what you can learn

in the classroom," she said.

Duane Anderson, a sophomore accounting major, hopes to do an internship with ESPN. "Doing an internship in the accounting field with ESPN will give me a taste of what it will be like when I graduate," he said. "An internship can open up a better opportunity of getting a job when I graduate."

Interested students should see their advisers to get more information about doing a future internship.



Senior Spanish education major Leila Saleeby teaches her classroom during student teaching at Greenville High School.

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OBAMA CHOOSES CHIEF OF STAFF

President-elect Barack Obama has chosen Illinois Rep. Rahm Emanuel to be his new chief of staff.

LEADERS GATHER AT G-20

Leaders from 20 countries are gathering today in Washington to discuss solutions to the worldwide economic crisis.

CHINA APPROVES STIMULUS PLAN

China announced a new \$586 billion economic package to stimulate the country's economy. It is unclear how the money will be spent.

RUSSIAN SUB ACCIDENT KILLS 20

A fire safety system failure Saturday aboard a Russian nuclear submarine killed 20 and left another 21 hospitalized. The incident is the worst Russian naval accident since 2000.

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Usher crew serves BJU with polish

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The sound of that single word on any given Sunday morning at BJU sets into motion the well-oiled machine that is the usher crew.

With their signature 180-degree spin, they begin passing perfectly polished offering plates down each row.

Plate, receive, skip—it's all in a day's work for these guys.

Many may think the 85-man crew gets paid to stand around and look good, but the truth is that much of the ushers' work takes place behind the scenes.

They are responsible for everything from inserting row monitor sheets in the hymn racks, to carrying fainting women from services, to evacuating the building in case of an emergency. "Pretty much, we [would] sacrifice our lives for you," said Brandon Joyner, a junior organizational communication major who joined the usher crew last year.

The crew functions somewhat like a society in that they have a president and they meet for Sunday school every Sunday morning. Instead of having a chaplain, a different usher shares each week how the Lord

has been working in his life.

"[Some of] the best sermons I've heard here have been from usher Sunday school," said Adam Howell, a senior accounting major in his third year on the crew. "[It's] my peers getting up and saying, 'This is what I've been learning, and this is what God has taught me.' They're just being real."

Ushers must anticipate unforeseeable problems since, sometimes, everything that can go wrong will go wrong.

Chris Ball, head usher and a senior youth ministries major, shared one of his most memorable moments from his time on the crew. His freshman year at Commencement, a woman came into the amphitheater after the processional had started and wanted to be seated.



GREG SCHMIDT

Ushers Mitch Miller, Brandon Hodnett, Jon Ledbetter, Preston Stadtmiller, Austin Reddington, Chris Ball, Jordan Moody, Justin Almas, Josh Lindsey, Adam Howell, Scott Auslund and Adam Vazquez pose for a photo.

Because school policy is that no one can be admitted late, the ushers told her that she would need to go to Rodeheaver Auditorium to see the ceremony.

"She decided she was going to have a little temper tantrum, plopped down on the ground outside of the door and started crying her eyes out, pounding the ground and cursing at the ushers," said Chris. "Right as she was doing this, Dr. Bob walked by and thanked us for our service."

The "usher stereotype" is that they are rude, snobby and cocky—but is that true? Chris thinks the biggest reason students perceive

ushers as stuck-up is because of the nature of the job. "We have to look professional, stand in front of people and take charge of situations," he said. "I can see how that could easily convey to some people that we're proud. I really challenged the guys this year to focus on serving. That reputation will never fully go away because people like stereotyping. But as long as we're doing our best, we know we're no better than anyone else."

Josh Lindsey, a senior practical Christian training major, agrees. "I own one suit, and that's the one I wear every Sunday—I

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GENTLEMAN TIPS

This is Gentleman Tip
No. 1 in an ongoing series



WORK TO APPRECIATE THE ARTS

Appreciating the arts does not necessarily mean that you innately enjoy art and opera or that you read Jane Austen in your spare time. It means that, as a gentleman, you put in the work to understand and learn from the fine arts.

Women have expressed the opinion that nothing can make a night at Artist Series seem longer than a man who complains about it the whole time.

But putting in the work goes beyond just putting on a good face for your date at Artist Series.

Put forth effort.

To aid your appreciation of plays or operas, read the synopsis of a program that you are required to attend. That way, instead of trying to decipher the Elizabethan English or craning to read the opera subtitles, you can enjoy the program more.

When it comes to art, approach a work of art from your perspective.

Start with what you know: if you like chemistry, consider the work involved in preserving Old Master paintings. If you like history, look for the historical stories behind paintings and dramatic productions. Great art has something for even the most macho of men to enjoy.

Above all, look to learn about life. The arts teach us truths about ourselves that sometimes we would not be able to see otherwise. A gentleman is always looking to learn about life and about how he can grow in treating others better.

In the end, not all women need gentlemen to be fine arts connoisseurs—but they do want men to want to learn and show maturity.

Women will appreciate a guy who tries to understand why a piece of music is worth listening to or why a work of art is famous; it's the thought and effort that count.

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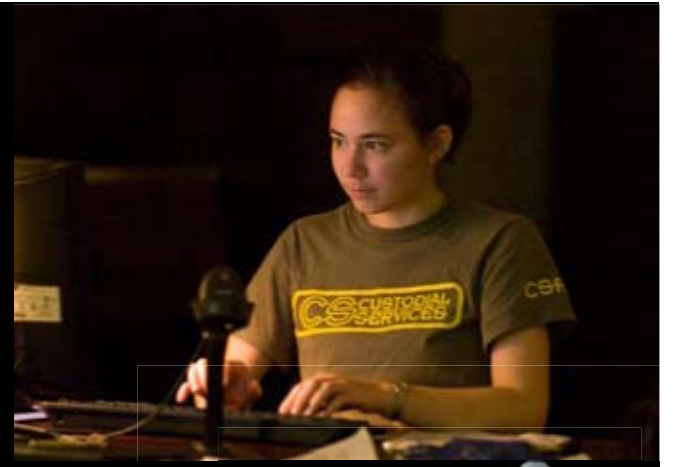
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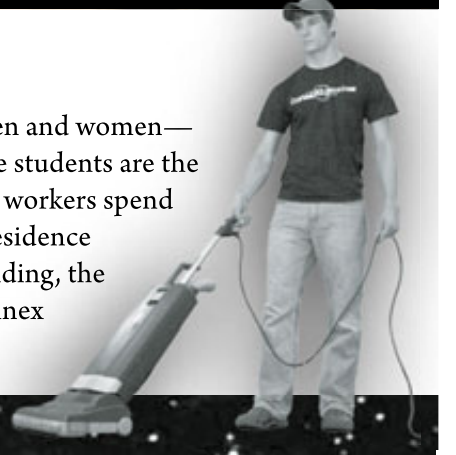
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Custodial Services

After the 10:45 p.m. bell every night of the week, students—both men and women—scatter about the campus to their respective job locations to clean. These students are the custodial workers, and they keep the campus of BJU spotless. Custodial workers spend 11 p.m. to midnight cleaning the halls, lobbies and bathrooms of each residence hall as well as the many buildings on campus, including the Alumni Building, the Edwards Activity Room, the Administration Building and the Office Annex Building.



Vintage

The release of each school year's *Vintage*, BJU's yearbook, captivates students who spend countless hours scanning portraits, reading about student organizations and commenting on friends' photos. But few students probably consider how each *Vintage* reaches their open hands.

The *Vintage* staff spends countless hours—including several all-nighters—editing photos, researching and writing copy and designing and laying out pages every night, all within the walls of their office on the first floor of the Alumni Building.



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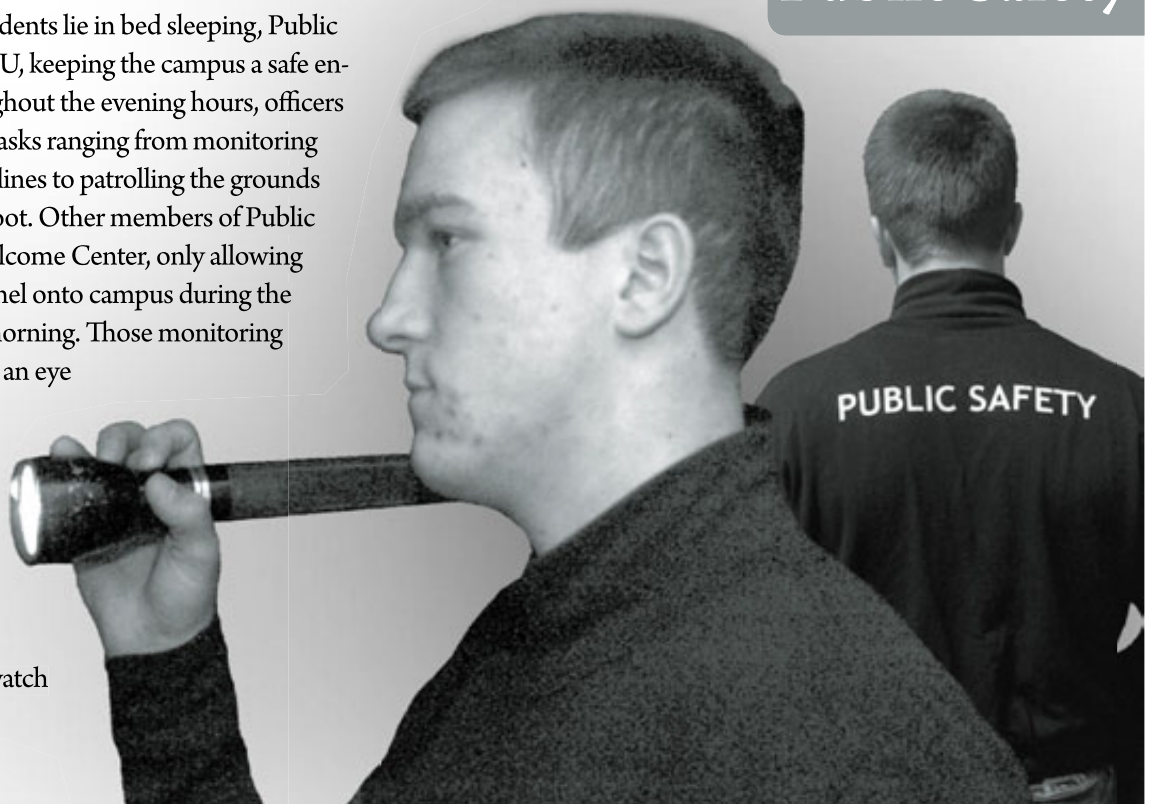
The staff of *The Collegian*—BJU's weekly student-run newspaper—spends its evenings writing and editing articles, editing photos, brainstorming for new ideas, creating graphics and laying out each issue, culminating each Monday night as the staff members work to meet their production deadline. The editorial staff, fueled by a generous supply of coffee, remains in its office in the Edwards Activity Room until each issue is complete.



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Public Safety

While most students lie in bed sleeping, Public Safety monitors BJU, keeping the campus a safe environment. Throughout the evening hours, officers perform multiple tasks ranging from monitoring emergency phone lines to patrolling the grounds and buildings on foot. Other members of Public Safety man the Welcome Center, only allowing authorized personnel onto campus during the wee hours of the morning. Those monitoring the sidewalks keep an eye out for disturbances and patrol each building as well. Other officers patrol in Public Safety's vehicles, keeping watch over BJU's roads.



BJU adds flag football as men’s society minor sport

KENNETH JOHNSON

Flag football—the University’s newest minor sport—will begin tomorrow. The sport has been the latest buzz in the men’s residence halls and talk between classes.

Eighteen out of BJU’s 21 men’s societies will be participating in this year’s season. Mr. Don Ward, head of the men’s intramural sports program, helped make this competition a reality. “Flag football’s been well received by students in the past,” Mr. Ward said. “I composed the idea of doing something more organized than pickup games on the lower fields. The administration asked me to come up with a plan, so I did, and they approved it.” The season begins tomorrow and will run through Saturday, Dec. 13. The league will be following the standard rules of the National Flag Football Association as closely as possible. Societies have been gearing

up with tryouts and practices. With only seven players from a team allowed on the field at a time, societies faced a difficult limitation when selecting from the large numbers trying out. Regardless of whether or not a student plays any of the major or minor sports already, anyone is free to try out for his society’s team. “We’re trying to add something new to get guys involved,” Mr. Ward said. Lots of students on campus have played football growing up and in high school. Heath Hendrickson and Preston Bul-lard, both freshmen from Oklahoma, played throughout junior high and high school. “When I heard about the league, I thought it was one

of the coolest things BJ could add [to the sports program],” Heath said. “I like to play a little bit of quarterback, a little running back and a little punt-returner,” Preston said. Sophomores Adam Lowe and Andrew Zallie are also

excited about the sport. “I’ve played football growing up in a Pee Wee league and in P.E. class. It’s a true American sport,” Adam said. “I was so happy when I heard about the league,” Andrew said. “Last year, when they said we could play offi-

cially, I was the first one out on the field.” The top four teams from each league will compete in single-elimination playoffs. It will be exciting to see which society will be the champion of the BJU 2008 flag football season.

Date	Day	Time	Stadium Field	Field 1	Field 2	Lower Field
11/15	Sat	9:30	Bryan v. Theta Chi	Phi Kappa v. Phi Beta	Pi Kappa v. Kappa Chi	
		10:30	Phi Sigma v. Kappa Theta	Lanier v. ZAP	Chi Alpha v. Omicron	
		11:30	Nu Delta v. Pi Gamma	Zeta Chi v. Theta Chi	Bryan v. Basilean	
		12:30	Lanier v. Kappa Theta	Alpha Theta v. Omicron	Beta Gamma v. Phi Sigma	
11/17	Mon	6:00	Alpha Theta v. Pi Kappa	Phi Kappa v. Pi Gamma		
11/20	Thu	6:00		ZAP v. Phi Sigma		
		7:00		Omicron v. Pi Kappa		
11/21	Fri	5:30		Kappa Theta v. Beta Gamma		
		6:30		Phi Beta v. Pi Gamma		
		7:30		Zeta Chi v. Basilean		
		8:30		Alpha Theta v. Chi Alpha		
11/22	Sat	11:00		Chi Alpha v. Kappa Chi	Bryan v. Zeta Chi	Nu Delta v. Phi Beta
		1:00		Basilean v. Theta Chi	ZAP v. Kappa Theta	Lanier v. Phi Sigma
		2:00		Beta Gamma v. ZAP	Kappa Chi v. Omicron	Nu Delta v. Phi Kappa
11/24	Mon	5:15	Theta Kappa v. Basilean	Omega v. Phi Kappa		
		6:15	Lanier v. Beta Gamma	Sigma Alpha v. Kappa Theta		
12/2	Tue	5:15	Sigma Alpha v. Lanier	Alpha Theta v. Kappa Chi		
		6:15	Theta Kappa v. Zeta Chi	Omega v. Nu Delta		
12/4	Thu	5:15	Chi Alpha v. Pi Kappa	Theta Kappa v. Theta Chi		
		6:15	Omega v. Phi Beta	Sigma Alpha v. Phi Sigma		
12/5	Fri	7:30	Theta Kappa v. Bryan	ZAP v. Sigma Alpha		
		8:30	Sigma Alpha v. Beta Gamma	Omega v. Pi Gamma		
12/8	Mon	5:15	AL East #1 v. AL West #2	NL East #1 v. NL West #2		
		6:15	AL West #1 v. AL East #2	NL West #1 v. NL East #2		
12/9	Tue	5:15	AL Championship			
		6:15	NL Championship			
12/13	Sat	11:00	Championship			



Last AL game: Basil handles Pi Kappa

KENNETH JOHNSON

The Basilean Eagles soundly defeated the Pi Kappa Cobras 5-1 in the final game of the American League regular season. The Cobras’ initial surge of aggression caught Basil on their heels in the beginning of the match. Junior forward Paul Halleck and Jon Hess caused problems for the Eagles’ defense with their own style of penetration and hustle on offense. A

goal by Jon Hess supplied the motivation needed to energize Pi Kappa in the first half. “We started off the game really well,” coach Paul Halleck said. “We can play with Basil, and we showed that in the first 20 minutes.” One of the reasons Basil appears to be vulnerable may be the team’s multiple injuries. Accumulating throughout the season, five of Basil’s 11 starters are currently on the injured list. Junior Ben Honshell, a key defensive player, was added to the list when his collarbone broke this game—forcing the Eagles to fill in the gaps for the playoffs. Co-coach Spencer Schwartz said that a lot of guys are step-

ping up and helping out the team. “Chris Pflug’s been huge for us on defense,” he said. “Za ‘Z’ Lui has also been great back there. They have filled in wherever we need them.”

Regardless of the Eagles’ injurious obstacles, their scoring ability stands unmatched in the American League. The golden boot of Rob Leatherwood tucked away three

goals in Saturday’s match. Based on Rob’s consistent scoring ability, many players have come to respect his performance on the field. Also, the speed of Spencer Schwartz supplied another goal for Basil in the second half. After a final goal by Andrew Adams, the game ended in Basil’s favor. “When we came into the second half, we turned on the hustle,” Spencer said. “Our team will have to bring that same hustle the whole game this weekend for playoffs.”



Cobra Jon Hess watches as his teammate, striker Paul Halleck, attempts to kick the ball past Basilean defender Ben Adams.

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Women students find unique ways to stay active, in shape

MELISSA AFABLE

Society sports have long provided BJU students with a myriad of ways to set aside time for exercise, but some women students have found alternative approaches to staying in shape. Straying from traditional sports such as basketball, volleyball and soccer, these women prefer lesser-profiled forms of exercise that have effectively kept up both their health and stamina.

SWIMMING

Swimming is an excellent form of full-body exercise. Freshman music education major Jodi Lindmark swims twice a week at the Davis Field House. Jodi, a former captain of her competitive high school swim team, helped her team break school swimming records. "I've played soccer and basketball, but with swimming, something clicked," she said.

Jodi said she prefers swimming over running, because swimming exercises every muscle and improves breathing. "It doesn't concentrate on one specific area but is more of a rounded exercise," she said.

Swimming not only tones and builds muscles, but also can be fun. "Even though it's exercise, to me it doesn't feel like it," she said. "There's something about being in the water that just excites me."

AEROBICS

Aerobics is a cardiovascular exercise that benefits the entire body. Ealia Padreganda, a senior administrative management ma-

jor, takes aerobics through BJU's TOP class three times a week and said that it makes her more energetic.

"One time [during] my freshman year I had so much energy after aerobics that I had to jog in place in my room just to get it out before prayer group," she said. Ealia said that aerobics works out her entire body, especially her legs.

Unlike traditional sports, making mistakes in aerobics will not result in the loss of a game. "With aerobics no one really gets mad at you for making a mistake," she said. "You don't have to deal with that pressure from teammates or the audience. There are no points and no losers or winners. You just do your

thing—work hard, go at your own pace, and you eventually get really good at it."

Ealia has stuck with the aerobics program from the second semester of her freshman year to the present and has lost close to 30 pounds as a result. She encourages everyone to give aerobics a try.

TAEKWONDO

Taekwondo is a form of Korean martial arts that trains the body in strength and coordination. Senior apparel, textiles and design major Katie Moore takes taekwondo twice a week off-campus and participates in a Bible club extension that incorporates martial arts. Katie started taking taekwondo last summer and has already seen some improvement in her physique.

"I haven't lost any weight [through taekwondo] yet, but I can see that I'm getting more toned," she said. By doing 80 to 100 pushups a week during her martial arts class, she has seen definite improvement in her upper-body strength.

Taekwondo also builds up strength in the legs. By definition, the Korean word "tae" means "foot" or "leg," indicative of the fact that this form of martial arts stresses active footwork. Katie said that taekwondo has enabled her to kick higher through the stretches and kicking exercises that are part of her routine.

Discipline and respect are non-physical aspects of taekwondo. "If you don't have respect, then [taekwondo] is worthless," Katie said. In taekwondo, respect for the instructors and high ranks



Katie Moore holds a taekwondo stance for a picture.

is as important as kindness to the low ranks.

Taekwondo teaches basic self-defense and boosts confidence. "Your confidence is definitely increased," Katie said. "Once you go through taekwondo, you won't feel like a weakling anymore."

Colts upset 2007 NL champs

HEATHER HELM

The Theta Sigma Colts defeated the Tri Epsilon Pirates 45-30 last Friday night. The hard-fought battle can be described in one word: intense.

Last season the Colts were the defending school champions, but the Pirates defeated them in the NL championship and took the Colts' spot in the overall championship game. With Laura Jeffcott back as a power forward this semester, the Colts have bounced back to be a stronger force on the court.

The Colts had solid and consistent lower defense with their "Big Three": Susan Ross, Laura Jeffcott and Tina Smith. At half time the score stood 21-16, with the Colts holding the lead.

In the last 10 minutes of the game, the Colts turned up the intensity, driving the ball to the

hoop and scoring 10 points. With three minutes left, the Colts called a time out. The game resumed, and the Pirates scored four points in the following 40 seconds—but those points were not enough.

Despite the loss, Pirate Kyla Hoeffler enjoyed the competition and the fans' support. "The Colts were the best competition we've played so far," she said. "It was a fun game, and the fans that came out really turned up the intensity."

Colt Amy Gregory said that the highlight of the game was that her team stepped onto the court and gave it all from the beginning. Both teams are looking forward to their next face-off. "We will both be a little more prepared next time, and it will be a really exciting game," Amy said.



Paige Payne reaches up to block Laura Jeffcott.

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they travel.

"They'll do it that night and leave the next morning," Miss Klipp said. She also said the Players usually travel with a bus of 50 people and a semi truck with all their props. They'll back the semi truck in, set up, perform the opera and load it all back up.

Miss Klipp said the Players are looking forward to performing in the amphitorium.

"I know that they're very excited because it's a huge venue," she said. Compared to a typical performance at the Peace Center which holds about 2,100 people, performing in the amphitorium, which holds 7,000, is

an exciting opportunity.

"Performing in the amphitorium presents certain challenges in terms of it not really being a theater," Mr. Bergeret said. But these challenges aren't anything the Gilbert & Sullivan Players can't work with.

"There are a few logistical things; sometimes they do a little tweaking," Miss Klipp said. For instance, an auditorium like Rodeheaver has fly space to hang backdrops, but the amphitorium does not. Miss Klipp said the second level balcony where the choir sits will be used to hang their backdrops.

The University has sent the stage crew drawings and pictures of the amphitorium so that they will be familiar with the layout.



COURTESY OF THE NEW YORK GILBERT & SULLIVAN PLAYERS

(From left) Pictured above are David Wannan as The Pirate King and Stephen Quint as The Modern Major-General. Both characters will appear in The Gilbert & Sullivan Players' *The Pirates of Penzance*.

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complete loan transactions without waiting in long lines.

BJU has scheduled four different loan meetings to accommodate students' schedules—Friday, Nov. 21, at 11:45 a.m. in Grace Levinson Chapel; Saturday, Nov. 22, at 4 p.m. in Stratton Hall; Monday, Nov. 24, at 11:45 a.m. in Grace Levinson Chapel; and Monday, Nov. 24, at 5 p.m. in Stratton Hall.

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BJU via bus trips from specific states, such as Pennsylvania and Michigan. Some students are coming from as far away as New Hampshire and Nevada to participate in Opportunity Days this year.

"It's a catch-all," said Ben Cochran, an admissions counselor for the University. "It's more of an opportunity to get to know the campus and to get to go to the campus activities."

Admissions counselor Amelia Ray suggests establishing relationships with the visiting

students by inviting them to meals and classes. "Reach out to them," she said. "Take them under your wing. Some kids are going to come by themselves. They want to visit and do whatever they can. We're giving them an opportunity to experience college life as it is."

"We always call [the high school students] after, and we ask, 'Hey, how were your roommates?' and a lot of them say, 'Oh, I really didn't see them,'" Ben said. "I know it's a busy time of the year, but if you can, make the time to interact with them. It's important because usually you don't decide to go to a college because of the activities."

Guest Services graduate assistant Emily Lovely said students should remember that events like Opportunity Days give the university family a chance to practice hospitality.

"Hospitality is seeing a stranger through the eyes of Christ," she said. "It's realizing that every person you deal with is an eternal soul, with a definite eternity. Sure, we want

them to come here as students, but we also want to show them Christ's love as well."

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and licensed dietician, said the desserts will contain ingredients that are lower in sugar and fat and higher in protein and fiber.

Taste-testing participants will be asked to try all three desserts and then rate them on a scale from one to five in various categories, such as flavor, appearance and texture.

Participants should enter the Family and Consumer Sciences portion of the Science Building via the back ramp across from the amphitorium.

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have since my freshman year. That's what a real usher is. Not every usher has 80 Banana Republic suits and 700-something ties. We're a great group of guys who try not to take our reputation too seriously. We strive to be servant-hearted, Christlike individuals."

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