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Behind the chapel seat change

MELISSA AFABLE

It's the routine right before every chapel rotation. You open your e-mail inbox one day and a subject title catches your eye: "Chapel Seat Assignment." Quickly, you open the e-mail, cross your fingers and hope for a seat that isn't more than 20 feet from the nearest exit.

On Monday new chapel seat assignments will take effect. For students, a new chapel seat means weaving through dozens of people to locate their new seat in time for the opening hymn. In the flurry of thousands of junior high, high school and college students rushing to find their seats, some students wonder: What exactly goes into assigning thousands of chapel seats?

Enter Miss Christina Shelp, a graduate assistant who works in the Records Office as the chapel seat clerk. She is responsible for assign-

ing student seating for every chapel rotation. Assigning seats for 3,899 students sounds like a daunting task, but her job is expedited with the help of a computer program.

THE ART OF ARRANGING CHAPEL SEATS

While a computer program completes most of the hard work, the student body must still be divided into sections of the Founder's Memorial Amphitheater.

One week prior to sending out thousands of student e-mails, Miss Shelp gathers lists of students who work right after chapel in various campus departments, such as the dining common, Snack Shop, Campus Store and Public Safety. Miss Shelp inputs those students into the program database, which randomly arranges the work department students within sections toward the back of the FMA.



GREGORY T. SCHMIDT

Students scramble to locate their chapel seats in this time-lapse photo.

Then, the program shuffles the seats for the rest of the student body. Day students are interspersed among the main floor with residence hall students; junior high students are scattered throughout the right side of the FMA; and Academy students sit on the left

side of the amphitheater.

Miss Shelp said the majority of students sitting in the front have randomly been assigned to those seats. "People often think that everyone's seat is set by hand, but it really is random," Miss Shelp said.

Changes may be made for stu-

dents who work immediately after chapel but were left out of the work department sections or for students with health difficulties. "If they have a legitimate reason, then we can move them to a different spot,"

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CAMPUS NEWS

UNIVERSITY SINGERS CONCERT

The University Singers, directed by Mr. Eric Rea, will perform a concert in Stratton Hall on Monday at 5 p.m.

RÉSUMÉ WORKSHOP

Career Services will hold a résumé workshop on Monday at 6 p.m. in Lecture Room A.

MEDIA AND WRITERS' FORUM

A panel of recent broadcasting, journalism and public relations BJU graduates will speak for a combined Media and Writers' Forum on Tuesday at 5 p.m. in Stratton Hall.

COLLEGIUM MUSICUM

The Collegium Musicum, directed by Mr. Achim Gerber, will perform musical works by Beethoven, Weber and Faure on Friday at 7 p.m. in Stratton Hall.

Societies put focus on ministries and service



COURTESY KASEY MCCLURE

Members of the Pi Delta Chi Classics pose while ministering at a service event.

HEIDI WILLARD

Earlier this fall, when freshmen were deciding which society to join, one of the most popular questions they asked was, "What kind of ministries is your society involved in?" The question was a good one, especially since this year

societies have refocused on reaching out to the community through service projects.

Societies can participate in different types of service projects. Community ministry outings emphasize involvement in the community, ministry outings involve uniting with churches to reach the

community, and campus ministries often involve doing work for retirees who live on campus.

"There's just a sense of fulfillment in doing something for someone other than yourself," said Mr. Kasey McClure, lead coordinator of student organizations.

As societies are changing their focus to ministry, students are realizing how rewarding it can be.

The Beta Epsilon Chi Cardinals and Beta Gamma Delta Patriots recently participated in Fall Festival, a carnival at Thomas E. Kerns Elementary School in Greenville. For Amber Mills, a sophomore Spanish education major, the festival was a positive experience. "I got to make a lot of kids smile," she said. The coordinator for the Fall Festival was so excited about the BJU students helping that Amber decided, "I need to do more service projects."

The Alpha Theta Pi Razorbacks go street witnessing in downtown Greenville every Saturday morning. For Jon Moreno, extension leader of Alpha Theta Pi, street witnessing has been a "growing

and stretching experience." One freshman in Alpha Theta Pi who went street witnessing was able to lead a woman to Christ the first time he went. "Our service to [Christ] is not a result of our own crafty words or dynamic personalities. It's the Holy Spirit, but we just need to be willing to be used as channels for Christ," Jon said.

Recently the Beta Chi Omega Bear Cubs did a cookie bake in honor of Fran Duarte, a woman who used baking as an outreach to the community. Fran Duarte, who passed away this year, was the mother of Beta Chi Omega's treasurer Katherine Duarte. The cookie bake, designed to take place each semester, involved baking hundreds of cookies, packaging them with Bible verses and a note that says "In loving memory of Fran Duarte," and giving them to Meals on Wheels to distribute to the community.

As many societies have done this semester, the Kappa Theta Chi Stallions made their stag outing

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Getting your car ready for travel

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Beta turns the lights out on Omega

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A note from the Collegian editors

In last week's issue of *The Collegian*, we gave you as our readers an opportunity to interact with the photo story, Guess BJ-Who, by sending us your answers after matching the appropriate trivia with twenty-four faculty members.

We received a lot of e-mails in relation to the story, and we appreciate your willingness to interact with the paper and the enthusiasm you expressed when doing so.

But we want to hear from you more often, not just on an occasional basis for a contest. We want to know if you liked an article, editorial or a column that we ran. Do you have an idea for an article, editorial or Talkback question? Let us know! We want to hear your opinions.

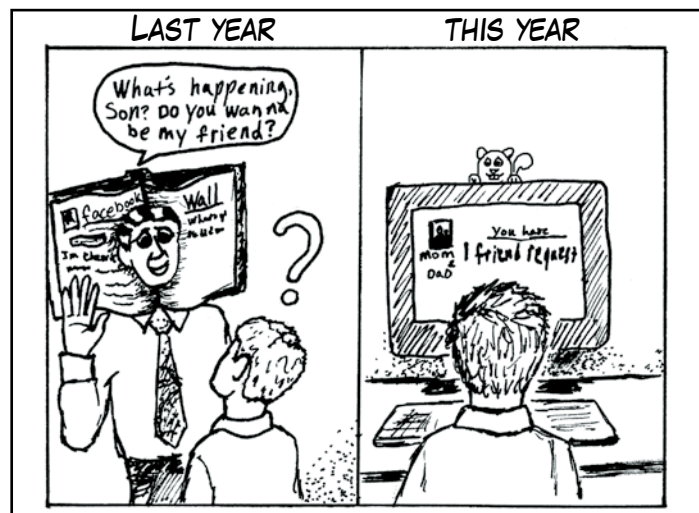
Many of you have asked how *The Collegian* gets ideas for the coverage of various stories that appear each week. Between writing about campus events and using ideas from our staff, we look to you, the BJU family, for ideas and suggestions.

If you have something you'd like covered in *The Collegian*, you can e-mail editor@bju.edu. While we're unable to cover every idea that is suggested, please know that we value your input and do not take your suggestions lightly.

The winners for the Guess BJ-Who contest were Mrs. Jennifer Headley (12 correct), Matt Beach (10 correct), and Rebecca Lemp (8 correct). Each winner will be receiving a \$10 gift certificate to Corporate Deli.

The correct answers for the trivia were: 1-Q, 2-K, 3-D, 4-C, 5-I, 6-H, 7-W, 8-O, 9-M, 10-X, 11-G, 12-P, 13-J, 14-T, 15-N, 16-V, 17-R, 18-A, 19-E, 20-B, 21-U, 22-F, 23-S and 24-L.

Thank you again to all who participated!



OUR PARENTS ARE FINALLY CATCHING UP WITH TECHNOLOGY.



BRANDON HODNETT

I suffer from chronic writer's block. Though no longer deadly thanks to modern science, this disease is very problematic, especially since I'm a creative writing major.

Basically, writer's block prevents me from writing until I've "received inspiration." Not inspiration as in visions of fiery chariots or handwriting on the wall, but the kind where I have that "AHA!" moment, when all the randomly shaped puzzle pieces floating in my head come together. Things start falling into place and words appear on the page.

However, my inspiration generally takes its good old time. I try to get it working in advance, but it seems to cooperate only when it is under pressure.

I try to coax my inspiration out from its hiding place. The process usually looks something like this:

After realizing my paper is due very soon, I lock myself in my room with a bag of Oreos and some paper. I assume the pose of The Thinker, resting my head on my hand. I'm hoping that if it worked for him, it will work for me.

I wake up an hour later—all the Oreos are gone and my paper is covered in a splattering of scribbles and crumbs. It reminds me of a piece of modern art. I search "modern art" on Google but quickly get

bored. While online, I check the sports and world news.

I look at the clock and decide to open a Word document. The blank canvas stares at me, daring me to dump a gallon of inspiration on it. I stare back at the blank screen for a while, trying to force some thoughts on the screen. C'mon, inspiration, you can do it.

Something comes to me. I type my name. And stop.

Again, I'm hungry; my subconscious has been working up quite the appetite. I eat a quick dinner and head back to my room. The Word document is still blank. I chew a piece of gum and type a series of random keystrokes, hoping my inspiration will be able to decipher it into something meaningful. Unfortunately, spell check goes crazy and crashes my computer. Frustrated, I head to the shower.

I hope that the warm water will help my inspiration grow. I contemplate my life's experiences, and it seems the warm cascading water is the solution. Like Archimedes in his infamous tub, I shout "Eureka!"—a little too loudly apparently—it's quiet hour still. I tell my RA to pardon my Greek. I run to my room, dripping with inspiration, hoping to get these thoughts onto a page.

I should take showers more often, I think, typing away. Instead, I decide to keep my hot pot ready on the shelf above my head, for an inspiration boost. My jumbled typing splashes on the screen, washing away the writer's block. My inspiration becomes a reality.

I step back, admiring my work. I realize that the jigsaw puzzle pieces have been there the whole time; but to make them mean something, I just had to get started and take them out of the box.

Batman action figure.

Sirena Jalil
junior

Dress-up with my sister.

Amy Bach
junior

What was your favorite thing to play with or do growing up?

Dirt—being a farm boy, that's what you do.

Caleb Downs
freshman

Basketball.

Michelle Wakefield
sophomore

Cars.

Nick MacDonald
sophomore

talk
back

PHOTOS BY AUDREY KROENING

Kindness: our actions speak louder than words

AMANDA SAGER

Caring for other people—our mission. Living in Light of the Gospel—our motivation. Showing others the light of Christ is a goal of many here at Bob Jones University, and it is what makes our University a family. Here are some examples of people who have carried out this theme on campus.

HEATHER BROWN, JUNIOR

Dramatic production major Kelly Sharpe said a new friend in her society, junior dramatic production major Heather Brown, reached out to her early in the semester with a care package. Kelly said the surprise made her day.

“It was this box, and when I opened it, it was just full of chocolates, and hot chocolate and popcorn,” she said. “I wasn’t having the greatest day, and she knew it, so it was very encouraging.”

KAITLYN ASATO, FRESHMAN

Freshman elementary education major Kaitlyn Asato said her RA, senior middle school education major Andrea Adair, helped her get through a difficult time in late September when her great-aunt passed away. “She made sure I was OK and kept asking,” she said. “She took me out for ice cream and to church with her.”

One week later, freshman humanities major Stephanie Woughter lost her grandfather, and Kaitlyn took time to be there for her. “I knew how it felt, not being there with her family, so I wanted to encourage her,” Kaitlyn said.

Kaitlyn had supper with Stephanie, wrote her a note and gave her a bag of goodies.

Although Kaitlyn and Stephanie didn’t know each other very well at the time, they have since become closer friends.

“Everyone has something they are struggling with,” Kaitlyn said. “And it’s just encouraging to know that someone is not into themselves, but they want to encourage you.”

KARISSA CRONEMEYER, SENIOR

Mathematics education major Christimer Melendez needed dental surgery last semester and didn’t have the necessary funds. Christimer and one of her good friends, senior early childhood education major Karissa Cronemeyer, prayed about her predicament.

A few days before her appointment, Christimer still didn’t have the money.

Karissa walked down the hall of second-floor Mack, and e-mailed friends and members in her society. “She told them the situation and asked them to donate change here and there,” Christimer said.

Between Sunday night and Monday night, Karissa raised \$1,800 for Christimer’s surgery. “I was completely amazed. I was shocked,” Christimer said. “I didn’t know she was doing this at all.” The donations paid for Christimer’s first few payments, and the Lord continued to provide the rest.

Christimer said that people will be blessed by giving to others. “If you see a need and if you have the ability to meet that need,

go for it,” Christimer said. “You don’t know the impact you have.”

LARRY STOFER, SOPHOMORE

Radio and television broadcasting major Larry Stofer began surprising friends last year with homemade sweets and small gifts.

Larry said that many of his friends told him they never get night mail. “And I was like, ‘Well, that’s dumb. The girls on campus should get night mail.’”

Larry said that since he is a day student, he has extra time to do things for other students. He goes to the front desk in the residence halls usually twice a week and asks the RA to take the gifts to his friends. “I do it in large batches,” he said. “I think I baked 100 cookies and split it up between five different [residence halls]. I’ll get four or five bouquets of flowers and send them to different dorms.”

He also writes cards to his friends as a way of encouragement. “Whenever I get in creative moods, I’ll write the whole thing, this side and that side,” he said.

Larry said that little acts of kindness will make someone’s day much better. “I want to challenge guys to really go out of their way, even for girls that are just friends. I’ve been told it really makes a difference.”

Larry believes the campus will benefit as a whole if students encourage each other. “I want to challenge more people to get out of their circles,” he said.

NATHAN CROCKETT, BIBLE PROFESSOR

Three days a week, Bible teacher Mr. Nathan Crockett and

his wife, Abigail, eat lunch with students. Mr. Crockett said that spending time over a meal is a great way to get to know them. “I e-mail students a lot,” he said. “But there is something different about just sitting down and talking to someone—it’s amazing.” He said as a teacher, it helps him to understand his students have a life outside the classroom. “They’re not an ID number; they’re not a grade,” he said.

Another of Mr. Crockett’s traditions—sending cards and candy bars to students on birthdays—began with a memory from his freshman year.

Mr. Crockett said he was about to take his History of Civilization exam and had been completely absorbed in studying that morning. He was sitting next to one of his best friends, who leaned over and told him “happy birthday.”

“And I was like, ‘It’s not my birthday!’” Mr. Crockett said. But his friend persisted in saying that it was, until finally Mr. Crockett

realized the truth. “I look at my watch, and I’m like, ‘Yeah, I guess it is my birthday today,’” he said. “And then I get my test and take it.”

Mr. Crockett said that at home, a student usually celebrates a birthday with family, but at college, a student’s friends may not even know. “So it made me think, ‘I should start sending people cards on their birthdays.’”

Mr. Crockett also sends out several hundred of students’ favorite candy bars each semester.

Students are usually very appreciative. He said he is amazed that busy students take the time to send a thank-you card or an e-mail. “It’s not a lot of money for a candy bar. It’s totally worth it to us,” he said. “They sometimes show so much appreciation.”

Whether it’s helping with a need, sharing a meal or writing an encouraging word, BJU students have countless opportunities to invest their time and resources in the lives of others.



MAJOR PROFIT INCREASE FOR FORD

Ford Motor Co. reported an unexpected \$1 billion increase in profits on Monday. The company’s third-quarter profit report is renewing hope for the nation’s struggling auto industry.

TWO PEOPLE KILLED IN E. COLI OUTBREAK

Two East Coast residents have died, 16 have been hospitalized and 28 have suffered illness from an E. coli outbreak. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention announced Monday that the outbreak might be linked to ground beef distributed in the Northeast.

FLASH FLOODS IN MIDWEST

Unusual fall flooding is causing riverbanks to overflow in parts of Illinois and Missouri. Midwest floods are normally associated with spring and summer.

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International students: from various countries to BJU

SONIA MOHINANI

Representing 50 countries, the 221 international students at Bob Jones University all came here for different reasons, but they share one thing in common: adjusting to America culturally, academically and socially.

Most international students choose to come to BJU for its Christian liberal arts programs, according to Mr. Bryan Boudreau, the admissions counselor and adviser for international students. In today's society, degrees from the United States are very strong and respected in the world. Also, the students who come are looking for the Christian emphasis, he said.

Mikael Römer, a freshman Bible major, from Finland, felt the call to be in the ministry while he was in high school. His father said he should go to the U.S. because of the lack of Christian colleges in Finland, so they began searching for schools. After researching different schools for three or four years and making a trip to America to visit Christian schools here, Mikael decided on BJU.

Mr. Boudreau explained that

international students must follow regulations that American students do not have to worry about. "There is a lot they have to go through that American students don't realize," he said.

One requirement is that before attending school, they must prove they can meet all projected costs, such as books, medical insurance, clothing, vacation, school supplies, personal needs and room, board and tuition. The money must be available in a bank account in order for them to be able to get a visa and other paperwork to come. For this school year at BJU, Mr. Boudreau said the projected cost was \$22,341.

This process is often difficult and frustrating for students. Mr. Boudreau said that before students can obtain their visa, they must meet with an American consul in their own country. In this meeting, they must show the consul that they have the money available, that they have been accepted as a legitimate student, and that they do not intend to stay in the U.S. but will return to their country after finishing their studies.

Mr. Boudreau provides what-

ever help he can for students as they go through the visa application process, and he tries to build a personal relationship with each student before he or she even comes to BJU. Once on campus, the students must meet with Mr. Boudreau who then reports their arrival to a government database that tracks each student.

BJU does all it can to help new students acclimate to American culture. This fall, the Academic Success Center offered a workshop called "Study Tips for Internationals," by Dr. Grace Hargis who teaches English as a Second Language courses. Dr. Hargis teaches the Bridge to College English program for international students who need extra help with the language. The University requires the incoming students to take a TOEFL (Test Of English as a Foreign Language). If the student does not receive the minimum score set by the University, he enters the Bridge to College English program.

Another change for internationals is the differences in teaching styles. Fernande Pierre-Louis, a junior, was born and raised in Haiti until she moved to America five years ago. She said that teachers here are more approachable than in Haiti. "It's one of the facts that I really like here," she said. "You can go to teachers and just talk to them without being afraid. You can ask them questions and they will help you."

Besides academic and financial challenges, international students also face cultural adjustments as they come to the U.S.

Erik Matthia, a junior who was



CHRIS TAYLOR

Solomon Cho, an international student from Korea, meets with Mr. Bryan Boudreau.

born in the U.S. but has lived in Germany since he was 3 years old, said the biggest cultural change he experienced was how people interact. "They are a lot more friendly than in Germany," he said. "Germans are more standoffish. And I had to get used to people that I hardly knew at all coming up to me and being my buddy and asking me all these questions."

To help students adjust, the University provides an international student handbook, with tips on matters such as American expectations for relationships, personal values, health care and immigration information.

For university students who have international roommates or friends, Mr. Boudreau says the best way to help them assimilate is to strike up a friendship with them as soon as possible and provide whatever help possible.

Because of distance and cost, many international students are not able to go home over the breaks in the school year. Fleur Allen, a senior Spanish major, from

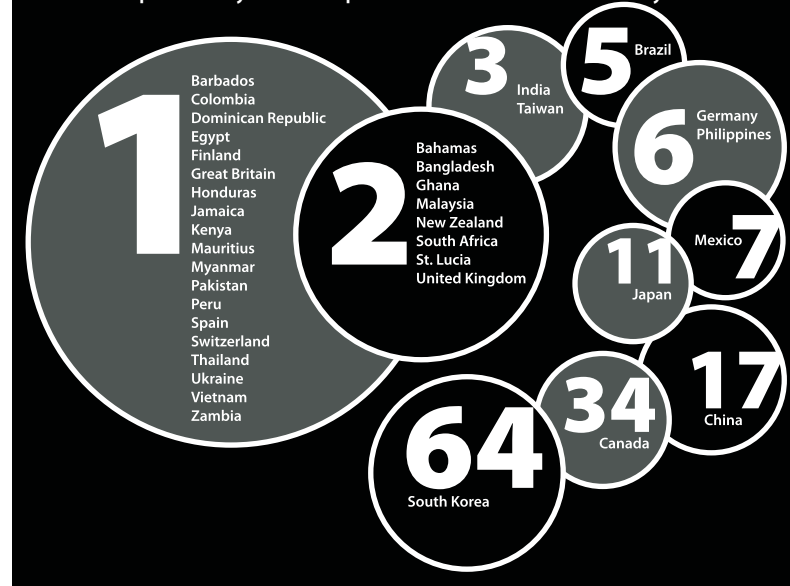
New Zealand, has not been home since she came to school as a freshman. Over breaks she has worked at The Wilds, gone on a missions trip to Mexico, and worked at BJU's summer camps. One of the biggest adjustments that she made as she came to America was adjusting to the cultural expectations. "You learn to not hold on to your own culture, but just to enjoy the culture you are in and see how much you can learn and embrace," she said.

Dr. Hargis said that simply being friendly can go a long way. She also suggested that American students invite internationals to their homes when possible or help them in class by sending them their notes.

Even though the international students have more requirements, they continue to overcome the challenges and enjoy studying in America. "I like being here," Mikael said. "I like being engaged in lots of ministries like extensions and meeting new people, and I like living in the [residence halls]."

INTERNATIONAL FLAIR

The following is a list of the number of international students on a F1 student visa per country that are represented in the BJU student body.



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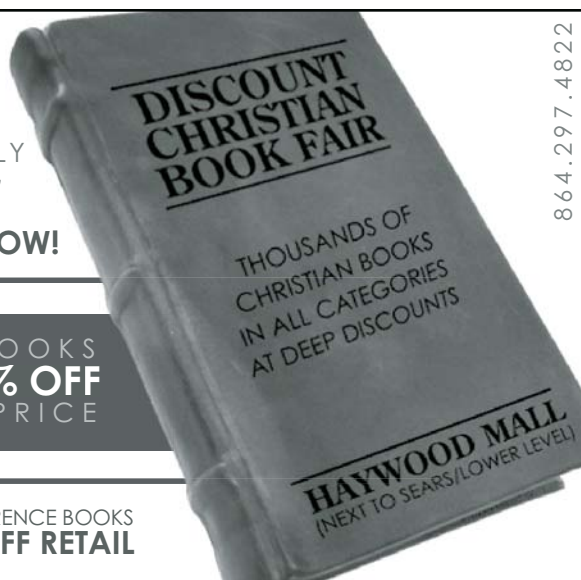
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Thanksgiving break is fast approaching, and many students are anticipating a relaxing time at home spent with family and friends. Some must face a long drive before kicking back and enjoying the break. Before zooming down the road, it is important to make sure the car is as ready for the trip as the driver is to get home. Mr. John Amis and other workers in the BJU Auto Shop provided a few helpful tips to ensure a smooth ride.



Replace worn out windshield wipers, especially when facing potentially rainy conditions.



Check tire tread—use a penny to check that your tires have at least 2/32 of an inch of tread. If you can see the top of Lincoln's head when the penny is placed upside down in the tread, the tire is worn and probably needs to be replaced. Check the tread in several places on the tire.



Check fluid levels: engine oil, transmission, power steering, anti-freeze. Make sure your oil change is up to date. Long drives can especially harm engines that are overdue for an oil change.



Make sure all the lights work. Keep a battery charger or a set of jumper cables in your car. Take a car charger for your cell phone.

Drive the car a week or two ahead of time if it has been sitting for a while. Some problems do not become apparent until the car is driven at highway speeds and the engine heats up. You want to find out about major problems before you leave so there is time to get the car serviced.

SPORTS & HEALTH

Panthers hot streak snapped, Cobras win 2-1

BEN OWEN

The Pi Kappa Cobras defeated the Theta Kappa Panthers 2-1 in a win that the Cobras needed to stay alive in the American League playoff race.

Theta Kappa struck first with 33 minutes remaining in the first half when sophomore Chad Marvin placed a shot past Cobra goalie Joe Cresto. The Panthers protected their lead

and took a 1-0 advantage into halftime.

The Cobras came out strong in the second half, but weren't able to convert their opportunities until midfielder Lucas Wong blasted a shot into the left upper 90 to tie the game 1-1 with 12 minutes remaining.

With the game in stoppage time and apparently headed to overtime, Pi Kappa's Andrew Hilton dribbled up the field and passed to Mark Allamon,

who easily put the ball into the bottom of the net to give the Cobras a 2-1 victory.

Mark credited Andrew for his game-winning goal. "It was a perfect pass," Mark said. "I ran far post, settled the ball, and put it past the goalie."

Lucas Wong, who scored Pi Kappa's first goal, said that even though the Cobras won the game, they can still take lessons away. "We need to have better teamwork and not get compla-

cent," Lucas said. "Today we were able to get it together after being down. We stuck to our plan and won the game."

Theta Kappa defenseman Matt Schnebelt praised Lucas for the first goal. "[Lucas] hit the ball with the outside of his

foot and drilled it in from way out," Matt said. "It was a great goal."

Matt also said that his team will try to cut down on defensive lapses and make sure to "stay hungry" even after they take the lead.



AUDREY KROENING

Pi Kappa's goalie Joe Cresto makes a leaping save in front of the goal.

Rams take badminton crown

BRANDON HODNETT

Badminton action commenced last Thursday with the championship match between the Phi Kappa Rams and the Pi Kappa Cobras.

The Rams overcame the Cobras in two singles sets.

Rams' Samuel Kwok defeated Cobras' Zack Sanders in the first set 15-8. Matt Gill sealed the championship for the Rams by knocking off Lucas Wong 15-8.

Phi Kappa beat Pi Gamma in the NL championship and Pi Kappa beat Alpha in the AL.



CHRIS TAYLOR

Phi Kappa's Samuel Kwok and Matt Gill compete in playoff action.

Game
of the Week

Editor's Prediction

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Beta shines in NL clash, leaves Omega in the dark



The Patriot's Anthony Lehn takes the ball up the sideline as the Lions' Tyler Hacker defends.

DEREK BREITENSTINE

Beta and Omega met Saturday night with the number one playoff seed up for grabs. Omega jumped out to an early lead, but Beta's offense lead the way to a 3-1 victory despite wet conditions and a power outage in the second half that left the teams playing with only two light towers.

The Lions scored at the end of the first half when Zach Roschi ripped a shot past Beta's goalie Caleb Sowers and into the back of the net. Omega controlled the first half and maintained a 1-0 lead going into halftime.

"We passed really well, and we

really played a great half where we controlled the field and limited [Beta's] chances," Zach said.

However, the second half was a much different story, and the Patriots showed much more intensity attacking the net.

One of their attacks led to a corner kick for Beta's John Woodhall who found midfielder Anthony Lehn cutting into the box. Anthony put his head on an excellently placed kick and tied the game up at one apiece.

Beta continued attacking and eventually produced another corner kick. This time, the ball did not find anyone in the box and squirted out to fullback Chris Anastos just beyond the 18-yard line. Chris fired a shot on goal that

was deflected by Omega's Thomas Ginsburg and sent into the net giving Beta the lead.

John Woodhall, who set up both of Beta's earlier goals, netted an insurance goal for Beta when he buried a shot in the back corner of the net from about 25 yards out.

"[Omega] controlled the game and the intensity," Anthony Lehn said. "Soccer is all about carrying the momentum, and we knew if we got the momentum early in the second half, it would get us through.

With the win, Beta wrapped up the NL's number one seed and dodged a potential matchup with Pi Gamma in the first round, a game both teams said they wanted to avoid.



DEREK BREITENSTINE

Last year during the baseball playoffs, I was at school watching my Fightin' Phils finally make a run at the World Series title—without my dad. It was a strange feeling. Sure, we talked on the phone almost every day during the playoffs, but it was weird being away from the one person I loved to watch sports with. Perhaps you can relate to this.

Since I was a boy, my dad and I have watched sports together. Sports brought us together like nothing else could and always gave us something to talk about no matter what else was going on. It was what we did.

Being from Philadelphia, my dad taught me many truths: Michael Jack Schmidt was the best third baseman ever, Dr. J could fly, the Broad Street Bul- lies owned the NHL, and the Eagles could always find the most cruel and unusual ways to break my heart. But the most important thing my dad told me was what would happen if Philly had a winner: we would be at the parade.

He told me this when I was 5 years old after Mitch "Wild Thing" Williams blew the 1993 Fall Classic. I didn't think it would be another 15 years of torture watching all four of our professional sports teams fail on the big stage.

As the Phillies inched closer

to the title last year, our conversations intensified. What if this team would finally bring home a championship to the most parade-starved city in America?

During the intermission of Game 5, I made my plans to re- turn to the city of brotherly love for the parade. But it was looking more and more clear that if we won, my dad would not be able to make it to the parade because of work. I had waited for this pa- rade my whole life, and it would be strange without him there.

We spent the whole final inning of the deciding game on the phone nervously watching Brad Lidge. Then we erupted in a tearful celebration as Lidge struck out Eric Hinske and was mobbed on the mound by his teammates.

The Phillies had finally deliv- ered Philadelphia its first major sports championship in 25 years.

After talking on the phone for a few minutes in disbelief, we hung up so I could pack for the parade. A friend and I were leaving at 5 the next morning for Philly.

When he called me again about 30 minutes later, I was a little surprised. He told me that his boss told him Philly was where he needed to be. We would be together the next night enjoying cheesesteaks and buy- ing our World Champions shirts.

That cheesesteak never tasted better. Putting on our World Champions shirts and standing in front of Citizens Bank Park waiting for the parade was one of the best things in my life.

Now as the Phillies played in the World Series again, I missed my dad as I watched the games. Who knows, maybe I will see him soon enough, standing on Broad Street waiting for the parade.

TOP 10	
Soccer men	Basketball women
Beta Gamma 1	Pi Delta
Omega 2	Beta Epsilon
Basil 3	Tri Epsilon
Alpha 4	Nu Alpha
Pi Gamma 5	Chi Theta
Zeta Chi 6	Theta Sigma
Phi Beta 7	Beta Chi
Sigma 8	Alpha Gamma
Pi Kappa 9	Theta Mu
Theta Kappa 10	Zeta Tau

WEEKEND ROUNDUP

Beta Lanier	80	Phi Kappa ZAP	12
Theta Chi Chi Alpha	010	Phi Beta Sigma	20
Zeta Chi Kappa Chi	70	Beta Omega	31
Bryan Omicron	30	Basil Bryan	40
Basil Alpha	10	Pi Gamma Phi Sig	110
Theta Kappa Pi Kappa	12	Lanier Kappa Theta	20

Women's Basketball

Zeta Tau Nu Alpha	4035	Tri Epsilon Alpha Gamma	5331
Theta Delta Pi Delta	1154	Beta Epsilon Beta Chi	5023
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SOME STUDENTS' CHAPEL SEATS STAY THE SAME

The computer program may assign seats randomly, but it's not always perfect. Sophomore graphic design major Katrina Greenwald, who sits in the Snack Shop worker section, was randomly assigned the same seat for both chapel seat rotations this year. "It actually happened to me last year too," Katrina said. "I wasn't [working] in the Snack Shop last year, but they kept me in the same seat because they accidentally skipped my row." Katrina said although she doesn't mind the chapel rotations, she enjoyed not having a newly assigned chapel seat this semester. "It was awesome because my chapel buddies and I got to know each other really well, and we were really happy that we didn't have to change seats," she said.

FACULTY MEMBERS AND GRADUATE ASSISTANT

Faculty members and graduate assistants do not have assigned seating, but many often sit in a particular area or even the same seat every day.

Dr. Bruce Byers, of the modern

language department, said he often sits in the same spot in the balcony because his wife saves him a seat. "There's usually a particular place where everyone sits, so it's kind of like your territory," Dr. Byers said. "It's out of human nature. We tend to gravitate toward a particular place."

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a ministry outing. They went to a widow's house and did different jobs for her. The guys enjoyed serving so much that although they were scheduled to work only in the morning, they pushed back the cookout and games to continue working through the afternoon.

The Theta Chi Cougars and

Zeta Tau Omega Seagulls did a ministry outing together as brother and sister societies. They went to Cornerstone Baptist Church in Asheville and passed out about 4,000 tracts in a couple of hours. The outing was a bonding experience for both societies and a great encouragement to the church.

Society service projects are all about building relationships. "We're [building relationships] with the ultimate goal of furthering the Gospel for the cause of Christ," Mr. McClure said. "You can't help but be unified around something that's greater than yourself."

The Nu Alpha Phi Flames do a service project at Shepherd's Gate, a homeless shelter for women.

The Flames give free manicures to the ladies every Saturday morning. "The ladies here love it," said Sandy Peebles, the case manager and volunteer coordinator at Shepherd's Gate.

Many students do not feel they have time to invest in community projects. Ben Senn, a sophomore Bible major, did not get involved with service projects as a freshman, but this year he made a decision to get involved. "I think it would be good if we got out into the community and the people could see our motives," he said.

Mr. McClure said he loves getting involved in community service projects. "This is my personality. I love working with the students," he said. Mr. McClure

wants students to see him as someone working with them to serve the community instead of someone who is simply promoting the projects. But he hopes that eventually societies will take the initiative in promoting service projects.

For some students, participating in service projects may be a huge challenge. [However,] if you never step outside of your comfort zone, you're really limiting the ways God can use you," said Brandt Mills, president of Kappa Theta Chi.

Ultimately, service is about Christ. "What a great gift I've been given with the Gospel, and what an awesome responsibility I have to be a light for Christ," Jon said.

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