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Seniors to reach the finish line

SONIA MOHINANI

Commencement is a milestone for seniors that signifies years of academic work culminating in one exciting day.

For both the graduates and the entire university family, there is much to be excited about. Those who are graduating are celebrating their years of hard work along with their families. The faculty and staff of BJU have worked to prepare the graduates and to make this day very special for them.

Mike Watt, who will graduate this semester with a Bible degree, said that he has enjoyed the commencement sermons and the bagpipes in the ceremony at past BJU graduations. He is excited that his family will be there at his graduation and is thankful for their support and encouragement

over the years. "You'll get to the end and you'll realize it's all God's grace," Mike said. "It's a good reflection time."

For the graduates themselves, commencement day and the days before it are packed with activities. The graduates attend graduation rehearsal the day before the ceremony and are given tickets to commencement to distribute to their family and friends in addition to other responsibilities, such as packing, finishing class work and attending end-of-the-year activities with the rest of the student body.

Brittany Buchi, a senior piano performance major, said she is excited about being with her friends at graduation because she will be marching with the same music majors that she has been sitting next to for the last four years. She has enjoyed the friendships she



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Graduates will celebrate the culmination of their academic endeavors on commencement day.

has made at BJU, not only with her student peers, but also with faculty and staff, such as her piano professor, Dr. Susan Kindall.

Brittany said that it is nice to

have a graduation with a spiritual emphasis to give those who are leaving a right perspective on God. She said that over the years, she has realized how important it is

to depend on God for strength to accomplish anything.

Dr. Dan Smith, the director of

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Winter's Tale to end year's drama productions



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The Classic Players will perform Shakespeare's *The Winter's Tale*, May 5, 6, and 7 in Rodeheaver Auditorium.

TIM KEESEE

William Shakespeare's *The Winter's Tale* will conclude this semester's Concert, Opera & Drama Series productions.

The Winter's Tale is one of a group of four plays, often called romances or tragicomedies, that Shakespeare wrote near the end of his life. Mr. Jeff Stegall, director of the production, said,

"All of them are characterized by magical elements."

The play starts tragically with a serious misunderstanding

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Service, breakfast to recognize graduates

HEIDI WILLARD

Graduating seniors whose parents or grandparents are alumni of Bob Jones University will have the privilege of attending the Alumni Legacy Breakfast in the Family Room of the dining common at 8:30 a.m. on Baccalaureate Sunday, May 2.

The main part of the breakfast is a medallion presentation for the students in attendance. Parents and grandparents are invited to attend the breakfast so they can place the medallion around their student's neck. The executive committee of the Alumni Association presents the medallions to students whose parents or grandparents were not able to be present. Only students who attend the breakfast will receive a medallion that they will also wear during the graduation ceremony.

According to Mr. Jonathan Pait, events and services manager for alumni relations, nearly half of this year's senior class qualifies to attend.

The first Legacy Breakfast was held in 2005. Dr. Bud Bierman, then director of the Alumni Association, got the idea of a legacy breakfast from another school and presented the idea to Dr. Bob Jones III. Since then, the Alumni Legacy Breakfast has been a tradition.

President Stephen Jones and Mr. Jeff Hargraves, current director of the Alumni Association, will share a few words at the breakfast, but the presentation of the medallions will be the main part of the program.

The breakfast will precede the university's Baccalaureate Service at 10:30 a.m., during which Dr. Richard Stratton, president of Clearwater Christian College, will challenge this year's graduates.



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volleyball
championship**

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MOLLY JASINSKI

I have thought about what I've wanted to write about in this column for so long: all the people I wanted to thank, all the memories I wanted to share, all the spiritual lessons I wanted to impart.

So first, the thanks, mixed in with the memories.

To my *Collegian* family: I don't know what I would have done for the past two years without you guys. You're my family away from family and have made my college experience amazing. When I think back to my two years on *The Collegian*, certain events and memories stand out to me: our Winter Olympic obsessions; Wall of Fame; "the missing

editor"; special detours; the pets; Kashi; the watermelon heads; the server downtime. These moments will always stand out to me and remind me that *Collegian* wasn't just about the journalism experience (though that was great); it was about my friendships with all of you.

To all my roommates, past and present: Thank you for putting up with crazy me (especially those of you who were blessed enough to room with me during my *Collegian* years). I have learned so much from each of you, particularly when it comes to the spiritual discussions we've had, which have challenged me in my faith and brought me closer to the Lord as a result.

To my family: Thank you for everything—the counsel, the love, the encouragement, the steadfast faith in me.

Throughout my college experience, a statement and a verse have stuck with me, and, as a result, mean a lot to me now that I look back over my four years as a college student.

The first, a quotation from Jim Elliot, was repeated over and over to me during phone conversations with my mom. "Wherever you are, be all there." This phrase stuck with me during class periods that seemed to go forever, during artist series performances when I was tempted to dissect a conversation from earlier in the day, and during times off-campus with my friends when I couldn't stop thinking about a test.

My tendency—due largely to my personality type, I believe—has always been to be so immersed and consumed with one thing that I fail to move on and consider the next thing, regardless of how exciting and important the next thing may be.

So every once in awhile, I remind myself to be all there. God places each of us in certain circumstances with express purposes—purposes we will miss if we're not in the present moment.

The second is my life verse, Jeremiah 29:11, which says, "For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD,

thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end."

I decided to adopt this verse for life back in high school, when I was worrying about what I was going to do with college and life after that. It has been a source of comfort and reconfirmation that I can turn to time and time again for a reminder of His goodness and will for me.

During the past few months, I've felt the same waves of the emotional "another-section-of-my-life-is-over-what-do-I-do-now" panic now and again.

I'm graduating eight days from today. I'm heading out into what many people affectionately (in a tongue-in-cheek kind of way) call "the real world." All that I have known up to this point of my life is basically changing. I probably won't live at home for extended periods of time anymore; I won't be going to classes anymore; the days of only going to part-time jobs are definitely gone.

But as I head off into "the rest of my life," I have a promise from God that He knows what's best for me and His will for me is always perfect.

For those of you who are freshmen, you probably doubt that the rest of your college life will go quickly, but I am speaking from experience when I say that it will. So make the most of your time in college, both in your relationship with God and others. Don't slack off. Invest in others. Be all there, always.

For my fellow seniors, we've made it! But as you head off into different careers into various locations with diverse goals, don't forget to follow His will, because He always knows best for you.



Congratulations to the seniors of *The Collegian*



Maybe like an hour. I try to be packed ahead so I can just leave.

Whitney Wood
junior

Maybe around five hours, after getting pictures with friends and family.

Johnnie Choi
senior



An hour.

Luke Cleland
freshman



After he says "amen."

Karl Woodham
freshman

How long will it take you to leave campus after commencement?

It depends on when my family's leaving. It will probably take us a good three hours.

Alyssa Snavelly
sophomore



talk
back

PHOTOS BY CHRIS TAYLOR

Candid moments caught on tape

ANDREA SANFORD

What would you do if the unordinary were to happen on campus?

“What would you do,” is more than just a passing question—it’s the theme of the upcoming Student Body presentation, highlighting social experiments on campus through video clips that catch people’s candid reactions.

This humorous presentation will be held on April 30, a day that will likely find students feeling light-hearted since it is

the last day of classes.

Two students, Kenny Johnson and Cyril Mirasol, were chosen by their society presidents to spice up the program by hosting the show. Earlier in the semester, society presidents were asked to pick two members of their society that were creative, funny and reliable. Student Body presidents, Kristopher Schaal and Emily Cheadle, chose Kenny and Cyril from that list, along with eight other students.

Kristopher and Emily have been working on ideas for this

Student Body since Christmas, putting more than 30 hours into both brainstorming and rehearsing for the final performance.

They enlisted the help of about 30 students, many of whom volunteered to videotape, cast and edit clips for the program in their own free time. Kristopher said that about 10 hours of work go into each minute of a quality video clip.

Students see candid moments every day on campus. “The challenging part behind it has been catching it on video,” Kristopher said. The Student Body presidents want this Student Body program to be unique and not be limited to making jokes about unusual things that have happened throughout the semester.



Kenny Johnson and Cyril Mirasol practice hosting the Student Body program.

Overall, Kristopher said that he hopes students take two things away from the Student Body time—encouragement

from the short time of preaching at the beginning and a good time from the student body’s candid camera moments.

Concert to feature familiar pieces, premiere new music

TAYLOR ANDERSON

This year’s Commencement Concert will be presented by the Symphonic Orchestra on May 7 at 8 p.m. and will center on the theme of “Inspiration.”

The 90-piece orchestra and the combined Bob Jones University choirs will combine to perform in the concert, which will last about 85 minutes.

The orchestra will perform selections such as the “William Tell Overture” and the “Olympic Fanfare” to rekindle people’s love for classical music, according to Miss Christine Lee of the music faculty, who is directing the orchestra for the concert.

“I wanted them to be pieces that were accessible to a non-classically-trained audience,” Miss Lee said. “These are pieces that we all love, and when musicians love something, it actually means

more when they perform it.”

Jill Parry, a sophomore music education major, will be playing the French horn in the concert. She said the concert will be different from others because of the variety of styles of pieces that will be presented.

Senior orchestral instrument performance major Christopher Erickson will be playing the cello for the concert. “There’s everything from the early 1800s to the 1980s,” he said. “There will be something for everyone to enjoy.”

Miss Lee chose many pieces that she knew that people would recognize to re-inspire a love for music in the diverse audience that will come for commencement. She said, “I think a lot of people who aren’t musicians like classical music; they just don’t know it.”

The concert will also be the world premiere of an original piece for choir and orchestra

written by Dr. Dwight Gustafson. Each of the three movements was inspired by one of Dr. Gustafson’s former colleagues who have passed away: Walter Fremont, former dean of the School of Education; Joan Mulfinger, longtime violin professor; and Guenter Salter, former dean of the College of Arts and Science.

He chose texts from Psalms that reminded him of each person and wrote the movement based on that text. The choirs and the orchestra will combine to present the piece for the first time ever under Dr. Gustafson’s direction.

The concert has been a collective effort from many sources who have been working hard to make it a success. The orchestra members and Miss Lee have spent hours of rehearsals over a five-week period to prepare. Miss Lee said she has been working since the summer on choosing

the theme and narrowing the pieces to be presented.

Unusual Films and Video Services have also been working on visual media to support the music. The media will include video montages of many members of the university family with their definitions of inspiration.

Referring to these departments as well as others, including the stage crew, Miss Lee said no

one can put on a production like this concert on his own and the concert could not be possible without the fantastic support staff behind the musicians.

“People can come with an attitude of expecting something fun and relaxing, but also inspiring, for those who are graduating as well as for those who are just finishing their first year here,” Miss Lee said.

Rally to highlight missions, prayer

SONIA MOHINANI

The Mission Prayer Band and the Student Leadership Council will hold a prayer rally to encourage and challenge the hearts of students with prayer, God’s word, fellowship and music.

The rally, which is open to

the entire student body, will be held in Stratton Hall on May 1 from 7 to 9 p.m.

Andrew Minnick, a junior Bible major and the president of Mission Prayer Band, says the Mission Prayer Band has been coordinating with the Student Leadership Council to organize

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Graduation Celebration!

Congratulations to our graduating student staff!

Graduate Program

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ARMED MAN ARRESTED AS PRESIDENT LEAVES N.C.

Joseph Sean McVey appeared in court Monday after being arrested on Sunday in the airport at Asheville, N.C. McVey was arrested after carrying a gun as President Obama’s plane was about to take off.

ARIZONA LAWMAKERS APPROVE IMMIGRATION BILL

Arizona’s state Senate approved a controversial immigration bill on Monday to increase protection along the U.S.–Mexico border.

Packing strategies reviewed

AMANDA SAGER

Whether you're driving to Greer or flying to Guam at the end of the semester, you'll leave your residence hall room exactly the way you found it—empty. While getting ready for the move can be exciting, it may also leave your space looking like a cyclone came through and can zap much time and energy you need to study for final exams. Here, we list some tips to streamline packing up and moving out.

STORING

Make a mental list separating items you'll need for the next few days until you leave and items that can be packed ahead of time.

For many students, especially for those flying home, purchasing storage barrels is necessary. Barrels are ideal for storing items that you don't need until you return. "Stuff the barrels," said senior voice performance major Tamra Jones.

Junior humanities major Gretchen Gwaltney said estimating how much luggage she can take with her helps her pack efficiently. "I have three barrels, and first I start by packing all my winter clothes, and then the things that I always leave at school, such as [an] iron, bedding, and other random school stuff," she said.

Begin by storing items that you don't need now but want to keep for next semester, such as: extra school supplies, school bags, binders, room décor, extra towels and bedding, seasonal clothing, formal wear, video game equipment and

other items that you can do without for the rest of the semester.

Place more fragile items, such as picture frames or jewelry racks, between layers of soft items.

Sophomore elementary education major Catherine Amador said she lines barrels with a plastic bag to protect clothing, and adds sheets of fabric softener. "When I pack my bedding and clothes in the barrels, I place everything in trash bags and pack fabric softener sheets in it as well, so it smells nice when I return in the fall," she said.

Avoid storing liquids, such as laundry detergent, shampoo, lotion, nail polish and gel in the barrels. Containers can crack open or puncture, and the liquids can damage the items in your barrel. If you are flying, either toss the liquids or secure them in clear plastic bags and pack them in your checked luggage.

SHIPPING

Mr. Malcolm Evans of the BJU Post Office said if you choose to ship items, you want to use a container strong enough, with packaging suitable for your items, and make sure it is properly taped. Mr. Evans said it will cost more to send containers other than a box.

"Rubbermaid and Tupperware-type containers do not work well and are hard to secure when shipping," he said. Size does effect the pricing. "In most cases, the larger the package, the higher the cost," he said. "It is possible, when using UPS, to save on cost by using one large box as opposed to using three boxes," he said.

The media rate option is cheapest for shipping books. "Media rate may be a slower option and it does have to be entirely media," he said. "All other options will depend on size, weight and destination."

ORGANIZING

Sort through items that you don't plan to store over the summer. As you organize your things, remember to return any borrowed clothes and rented books, and to collect anything you've lent out.

Senior marketing major Sam Kwok said he has an effective strategy for the organizational phase of moving out. "With living in Toronto, Canada, there is absolutely no way I could take half of the stuff I own back home," he said. "My strategy is super simple," he said. "Sell. Give away. Pack."

Sam splits his belongings into two groups—things to keep and things to get rid of. He said that he first tries to sell many of the items, such as clothes or books, that he doesn't want to take home and gives away the rest. He then leaves suits and other large items with his friends in town. "Everything else goes into the two barrels," Sam said. "And the rest goes into the trash can."

PACKING

Next, pull out suitcases, trunks or boxes and pack anything you want to take home. If you're driving, remember that cardboard boxes and storage bins are sturdier than plastic bags and loose items.

When packing formal clothing,



GREGORY T. SCHMIDT

Students will soon begin the process of packing belongings to head home.

it is best to use a garment bag. If you don't have one, lay the dress or suit flat in the bottom of the suitcase, with the edges hanging out of the sides. Then add the other items in your suitcase. When your suitcase is full, fold the edges of the dress or suit over the top of the other clothes. This will reduce wrinkles in your formal wear.

To maximize the space in your suitcase, try rolling your clothing. First, lay all the clothes flat. Starting at the bottom, roll each piece separately, and stack in your suitcase.

FINISHING TOUCHES

In your room, make a clean sweep of the drawers, cabinets, and especially, the space between the bed and the wall.

Pack the remaining belongings that you plan to take with you. This category should include mainly the necessary items—your toiletries, change of clothes, Bible, laptop, wallet, cell phone charger, etc. If you're flying, consider having your suitcases to check already packed and out of the way, leaving space in your carry-on bag for these items.

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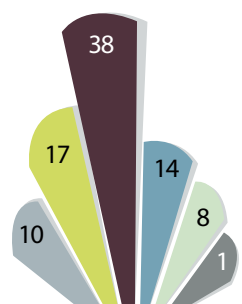
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ANDY KINOMOTO

SUMMER PLANS

what are *you* doing?

survey of 50 students



What are you going to be doing this summer?

- 38 Working full-time (secular)
- 17 Working part-time (secular)
- 14 Working at a camp
- 10 Doing an internship
- 8 Doing summer school
- 7 Other

Multiple choices allowed

What ONE summer activity are you looking forward to most?

- Hanging out with friends 17
- Vacationing 11
- Enjoying free time 6
- Swimming 3
- Sleeping 1
- Reading 1
- Other: 11

Where are you going to be spending your summer?

- 23 South
- 15 Northeast
- 13 Midwest
- 4 Canada
- 3 West Coast
- 3 Overseas

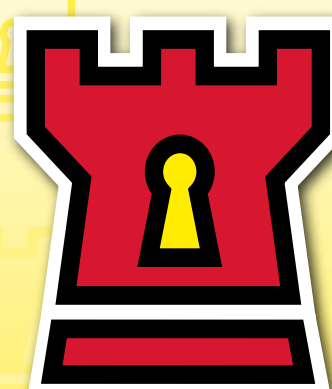
Multiple choices allowed

Do you plan to take a summer vacation?

- Yes 34
- No 14
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Society Memorabilia

Whether it's a T-shirt from a dating outing or a baseball cap for a sports team, society memorabilia can be the most visible representation of a BJU society. In any given year, society members enjoy a variety of designs for everything from new merchandise—T-shirts, hoodies and bags—to outing invitations and posters. These designs, often produced by a society's sergeant-at-arms, reflect the colors, styles and characteristics of both outings and the societies themselves. Showcased here is collection of society memorabilia designs from this year.

Beta takes volleyball championship; beats Alpha

MARY COLEMAN

The Beta Gamma Patriots defeated the Alpha Theta Razorbacks Saturday night, taking the men's 2010 volleyball title in three games.

It was apparent from the first match that Beta was the dominant team. Alpha put up a fight but was unable to overcome the Patriots' skill and height. In the first and second games Alpha never retained a lead of more than two, while Beta pulled away with a nine-

point and a 13-point lead in the first and second sets respectively.

In the third game the Razorbacks recovered from their slow start and forced Beta to fight for the win. Razorbacks' Chip Delaney said, "We started passing better, and getting better sets—just playing more of our game."

For nine consecutive serves the lead switched back and forth between the two teams. However, Beta proved victorious, taking the final

game and the championship with a score of 25-23.

At the net, Beta's Anthony Lehn led the offensive with five of the Patriots' 20 kills.

Fellow teammates Clark Pegram and Anthony Lehn contributed to the offensive effort by showing great consistency at the line with a combined 26 serves, two of which were aces.

Not to be outdone, Beta's Austin Reddington, Brett Smith and Ben Wise made a strong defensive unit, us-



AUDREY KROENING

The Beta Gamma Patriots' volleyball team from left to right. Front row: Travis Gowler, Jon Grant, Clark Pegram and Kyle McVey. Back row: Micah Wright, Jordan Wellin, Caleb Sowers, Austin Reddington, Eric Ritchardson, Anthony Lehn, Brett Smith, Ben Wise and Phil Bacon. The Patriots won in three sets Saturday.



AUDREY KROENING

Beta's Austin Reddington spikes the ball against Alpha in the volleyball championship.

Beta cleans up, earns three banners

BEN OWEN

Soccer season kicked off what turned out to be an exciting year of men's intramural sports.

Beta and Basil, the two favorites, met in the Turkey Bowl for the second straight year. Beta defeated Basilean 4-1 to repeat as Turkey Bowl champions after winning the Turkey Bowl for the first time ever last year.

Flag football's second season overlapped soccer season.

Alpha persevered through tough regular season losses to come out on top of the American League, but lost to Omega, last year's flag football winner, in the championship.

Table tennis crowned a new champion this year as the Pi Kappa Cobras, led by Bart Tuck, beat Phi Beta's dynamic duo of Carl Petersen and Matt Klaiber. Bart and his teammate, Jared Vedder, won in singles.

Beta overcame last year's heartbreaking playoff loss to Sigma by adding another basketball championship title, its fifth of the new millennium. Zeta Chi put up a fight, but lost 71-61.

The Rams beat the Cobras in badminton and Zeta Chi won the racquetball title.

Sigma made it back to the softball championship, which they lost last year to the Cobras. Pi Kappa, the favor-

ite to win the title again this year, was shocked by Z in the American League championship. Z continued its rampage by beating Sigma in three games and taking home the softball title.

Beta beat Alpha in the volleyball championship to hoist its third banner of the year.

Beta's quest to have all four major sports banners raised in its honor was canceled when it was knocked out of softball playoff contention in an extra inning loss to Sigma.

Alpha, the winners of the past three tennis titles, returned to the championship again this year—this time versus Sigma. Alpha's David Polhamus defeated Sigma's Ben Owen 6-3. Alpha senior Damian Petrykevych defeated Sigma freshman Bennett Rowe by the same score to claim his fourth tennis crown.

ing their height at the net to thwart Alpha's spiking attempts.

Throughout the game both teams displayed quick thinking and fast footwork making many unexpected saves and keeping the ball in play.

On Alpha's side of the court, Josiah Baker and Chip Delaney worked the net to combine for six of Alpha's nine kills. Josiah also notched a strong block at the net.

The Razorbacks lacked consistency at the service line making no more than three consecutive serves each. Alpha's Cole Welby and Chad Pack attempted to redeem the serving with an ace each. However, they were unable to bridge the gap between themselves and the Patriots.

Beta took the match in three consecutive games. Patriots' Jon Grant attributed their success to the fact that everybody was hitting well and playing well as a team.

Beta's only loss this season was to Lanier. After that loss Jon said that they adjusted their lineup. The readjustment proved effective against Lanier in the league championship last Friday evening, resulting in Lanier's first loss in four years.

According to Jon, one of Beta's biggest strengths was having six strong hitters on the court at all times. He also noted their good communication on the court.

Beta's communication paid off as they earned the 2010 volleyball title.

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The Collegian recently competed in the annual South Carolina Press Association Collegiate Contest in the "Under 5,000" category. Fifteen staff members attended the meeting and awards ceremony in Columbia on April 23, and the staff received 14 individual awards. Other colleges competing in the "Under 5,000" category included Francis Marion University, Furman University, Wofford College, and South Carolina State University.

First Place Awards

Jen Wetzel — Front Page Layout and Design
Jen Wetzel — Specialty Page Layout and Design
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Gregory T. Schmidt — Photograph
Lynda Hendrix — Sports Photograph

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Gregory T. Schmidt — Photograph
Jon Melton — Sports Photograph

Third Place Awards

Molly Jasinski — Editorial Writing
Molly Jasinski — Front Page Layout and Design
Jeff Wert — Specialty Page Layout and Design
Audrey Kroening — Sports Photograph

Cardinals, Classics split sports titles

TIANDRA WIGGS

From the onset of the 2009-2010 women's sports season to its closing, the season was packed with a mixture of intense athleticism, expert showmanship and emotional moments.

The Pi Delta Classics and the Beta Epsilon Cardinals went head to head in a battle for the most titles.

Beginning with volleyball, the Classics edged past the Cardinals to claim the championship crown, closing down their rivals in an intense 2-1 volleyball match.

Basketball season was filled with more heat as the Classics reclaimed the title previously owned by the Cardinals. The final score was 69-60. Jamie Jeffcott and Abbi Gregory led

the scoring for the Classics with a combined total of 43 points.

Soccer season was a turn-around for the Cardinals. The Cardinals were unwavering in their mission to claim a title. With determination, they vied for a win and succeeded at taking home the soccer title.

Not to be left out of the winnings, the Tri Epsilon Pirates snatched the water polo title.

The Cardinals closed out the season by leveling out the title-winning competition by snagging the softball championship win.

This year's women's sports was an unforgettable one and set a standard for future seasons, challenging women's societies to greater heights.



BEN OWEN

Being a sports fan and writer, I've often wondered whether or not sports add any real value to my life. Can sports help me grow in my Christian walk?

In Hebrews 12:1, Paul tells us to "run with endurance the race that is set before us." Paul is using a sport to relate important ideals to life.

Helpful applications to the Christian life must be available through observing sports if the Bible itself uses sports as an illustration!

It's March Madness, 2010—the NCAA championship. Butler trails Duke by two. Whether you're a Duke or Butler fan, you are watching only two things: the play and the clock. Why? Because the game is limited in duration, and when time stops the score is final.

Guess what? Life, too, has a limited duration. How we live decides the outcome of our destiny throughout eternity.

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The difference with life is that we don't know how long we have until the horn sounds and our time on earth is over.

A sidetracked life lacking urgency and spent pursuing the World is far more foolish than if a Duke player ignored the ball on the final play of the championship to check on his stats.

Why do athletes play with urgency? What is the goal worth competing for? A sports team's goal is to be the winner when the time ends.

The goal of our Christian life is to bring honor to Jesus Christ. This is what we spend our limited duration on earth to accomplish.

This is the goal that we press toward—to bring honor to God so that one day we may stand before His throne and receive honor from Him.

It wasn't easy for Duke to win the big game. Do you think the players stepped onto the court and won the game with no preparation or opposition? Of course not.

So it is with the Christian life. We can only overcome spiritual battles through preparation: time with our Savior each day, pushing and stretching our minds to love God with all of our beings.

Of course there are inevitable challenges. Just as athletes face other athletes, injury and bad calls, Christians must face Satan, failure and various trials that may include the loss of a

loved one, severed relationships, physical pain and your own mind telling you over and over again to give up.

Why do athletes persevere like they do? Why would a Christian ever endure through all of life's challenges? Is it really worth it? Ask Duke. Ask Paul. Was it worth it to win the championship? Is it worth the effort, the pain, and the trials to reach the end of your life having accomplished your goal? YES!

In 2 Timothy 4:8 Paul looks forward with joy to the day when he will receive his crown of righteousness from the Lord Himself.

What could be better? Making the hall of fame? Winning the scoring title? The temporary happiness of this earth's fleeting treasures? Never.

Here's where the comparison between sports and life ends. Winning in sports will bring only temporary satisfaction. Receiving the crown and realizing the importance of hearing "well done" from God Himself is satisfaction that will never end.

Are you on your way to reaching the goal? How are you spending your limited time? Press hard toward the mark that is the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. Honor Jesus Christ. Fight the good fight.

It will be worth it all when we see Jesus.

TOP 10

Volleyball men	Softball women
Patriots	1 Cardinals
Falcons	2 Classics
Razorbacks	3 Tigers
Tornadoes	4 Pirates
Lions	5 Bearcubs
Eagles	6 Gators
Cavaliers	7 Wildcats
Cobras	8 Bandits
Vikings	9 Dragons
Royals	10 Jaguars

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sports **Lingo**

chicken wing

“ (noun) in volleyball when a player is forced to react very quickly and lifts a bent arm to dig the ball **”**

« **Graduation** p. 1

educational services, coordinates the activities that lead up to and culminate on commencement day. He begins preparing in August, at the beginning of the school year, working with the Records Office to make sure students are eligible for graduation. Throughout the school year he is making sure everything is on schedule for the big day, working in advance, for example, ordering the diplomas in February and checking them for accuracy.

Dr. Smith also works together

with others in the university family to prepare for commencement. Mr. Jay Bopp of the fine arts faculty organizes the group of bagpipers who play on commencement day. And Mr. David Orr, admission staff, arranges the flag bearers for the graduating class.

Because so many people contribute, this day is a highlight for the entire university family both in celebrating the present and in remembering the past.

Lauren McMahan, who is graduating with a nursing degree, said she thinks it is cool that every class marches into the FMA at

the beginning of their first year as freshmen and then gathers again as seniors to walk as a class one more time.

"The culmination of everything is really neat," she said "It's only by the Lord's grace and goodness that you can make it this far."

« **Winter's Tale** p. 1

between Leontes, king of Sicilia, and his expectant wife Hermione. He falsely accuses her of adultery based on a comment he overhears out of context during her conversation with his friend. "He instantly goes into a jealous rage," Mr. Stegall said. "It's a quick, tragic beginning to this story."

"*The Winter's Tale* is about redemption, repentance, restoration and the price of all of those," Mr. Stegall said.

Dr. Dave Burke, who plays King Leontes, said of his character, "He is self-assured and totally

confident in his own powers as a king, as a father, as a man."

One memorable character that Shakespeare created for this play is Autolycus. "Autolycus is like a musical rogue—a sort of a shyster, if you will," Mr. Stegall said.

Josh Kopp, a junior organizational communications major, plays the role of Autolycus. "He's a mischievous pickpocket who presents some needed humor after a heavy first half," he said.

The Winter's Tale contains one of the most famous stage directions of any of Shakespeare's plays: "Exit, pursued by a bear."

"That's all Shakespeare gives us, and we have to find a way to make that happen," Mr. Stegall said.

One unique aspect of this year's production is that many of the cast members play multiple roles, some playing up to four characters. Many of the minor characters only appear at the

beginning or end of the play.

"If one actor can play both of those parts, it makes for a more interesting evening for him," Mr. Stegall said.

The cast is made up of about half faculty and half students.

Performances will be held in Rodeheaver Auditorium Wednesday and Thursday at 8 p.m. and Friday at 2 p.m.

« **Prayer Rally** p. 3

and promote this event.

The rally will be divided between times for the speaker and times of prayer and music. The special music will be provided by John Pate, Abbie French, Tim Zellers and Anne Largent.

Mr. Daniel Threlfall will be the speaker for the rally. Mr. Threlfall, a graduate student and former member of the Mission Prayer Band Council, is planning to be a missionary to Madagascar.

The theme of the rally is "Advancing the Kingdom for the Sake of His Name." The two focuses of the evening will be on missions.

The first segment will focus on how students can have a global view of giving the gospel; the second half will address how students can advance Christ's Kingdom from wherever they are.

The Mission Prayer Band also held a prayer rally last year which approximately 225 people attended. Andrew said that he received positive feedback last year and that he is hoping for a good time of prayer again at this rally.

All students are advised to bring their Bibles and a heart open to God's direction.



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