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Bible Conference 2015

Bible Conference is always a semester highlight at BJU. Pictured here are scenes from last year's Bible Conference. Photo: Photo Services

By: SHERLYN LUCE
Staff Writer

Bible Conference 2015 will be held Monday through Friday next week and will feature a theme: "He comes in the storm," taken from Mark 6. Many of the messages will deal with themes such as how God works and comforts during difficult times and trials.

Karissa Moeller, a freshman biblical counseling major, said the theme is very applicable for the lives of many students at BJU. In the middle of a busy and stressful semester,

Moeller said the idea that God is with us through the storms in our lives is the kind of message that everyone needs to hear, even if they're not presently going through a trial.

The conference will include sermons from eight speakers: Dr. Gordon Dickson, Dr. Edgar Feghaly, Dr. Les Heinze, Dr. Bob Jones III, Dr. David McIlveen, Dr. Matt Morrell, Dr. Steve Pettit and Dr. Mike Sproul. Mr. Kyle Wilcox, special assistant to the president at BJU, said because each preacher has a

different style and emphasis, every speaker connects to a different group of listeners.

BJU Chancellor Dr. Bob Jones III said he purposefully chooses a missionary or evangelist to speak at the conference each year. This year's representatives of that category include Dr. Edgar Feghaly, a missionary to the Middle East, and Dr. David McIlveen, a pastor from Belfast, Ireland.

Jennifer VerWay, a senior elementary education major, said that, based on her past three Bible Conference expe-

riences, students can get the most from the speakers' sermons by taking notes during the sessions and reading the passages of Scripture along with the speaker. She also recommends that students come into the sessions with an attitude of being ready to learn. But most of all, VerWay encourages students to pray. "Start praying that God would work with you in your life," VerWay said.

Dr. Bob said he can't remember a time when there wasn't a Bible Conference on

campus. "Preaching has always been central here," he said.

Bible Conference sets a spiritual focus for BJU. Wilcox said this special time elevates the Word of God so people see that chapel is not meant just to fill a time slot in each day and that Bible classes are not just to supply course credit, but that BJU highly values the Word of God.

Wilcox said Bible Conference is like an extended Day of Prayer. "It's a time to take a break from everything else," Wilcox said, and to spend time

in God's Word.

Dr. Bob said he desires that Bible Conference participants will come away from the conference with God in His rightful place as Lord of their lives, and more in love, more devoted and more obedient to God.

More information about Bible Conference, including information about the schedule, speakers, special events and the Bible Conference offering, can be found at www.bju.edu.

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BJU Preview Day to welcome local prospective students

By: CHLOE' ROLAND
Staff Writer

You may notice a few people pulling out a campus map today as BJU welcomes students for Preview Day — a day the University gears toward local prospective students in the Greenville area.

Students who attend Preview Day can visit classes, tour the campus, meet faculty and meet with an admission counselor. The goal for Preview Day is to help students in and around the Greenville area prepare for college. While it's geared toward locals, Preview Day is open to all students from any geographic location.

David Orr, manager of the Welcome Center, said prospective students can shape their day's schedule based on

their desired major. "We will craft a schedule for [the students] that is based on what they tell us they're interested in," Orr said. Sporting events and fine arts events can be implemented into the schedule as well, Orr said.

"The key thing is we want people to come and visit BJU and see what God is doing here." - David Orr

Orr said the goal of Preview Day is to show off the wonderful campus, students, faculty and staff that God has blessed the University with this year. "The key thing is we want people to come and visit BJU and see what God is doing here," Orr said. "We want them to meet our awesome

faculty and our incredible students. We want them to have the opportunity to hear from Dr. Pettit."

Orr said that experiencing BJU campus life will help the prospective students move forward in their decision-

making process. "Getting people here, to see what actually is happening, is so crucial in helping them take that next step in their college choice," Orr said. "We know that it makes a huge difference at the end of the day."

According to Orr, prospective students are often highly



Prospective students stand outside the Welcome Center during a campus tour on a Preview Day in 2013. Photo: Photo Services

impressed with the University and the friendly students and faculty, which leads them to choose BJU as their place of higher education.

When prospective students visit BJU they're asked to be part of a survey to help the University know what the

prospective students liked and didn't like about their visit.

A prospective student who recently took the survey said, "The highlight of my visit was learning how college worked. I enjoyed getting to know my way around campus. I loved the chapel services and classes

I got to go to. I enjoyed it so much and can't wait to come to BJU in a couple of years."

Orr encourages the student body to make the students feel welcome on campus today. "Be friendly; go out of your way to help prospective students," Orr said.

COLUMN



By: NATALIE WALTERS
Copy Editor

During my sophomore year in college I volunteered at The Crisis Center — an anonymous 24-hour crisis phone line. I still remember my first shift.

I sat nervously at my desk waiting to talk to a teen who, based on my 42 hours of training, was probably battling depression, bullying or abuse. “Am I really qualified for this?” I wondered.

Ring. The first call came in. My supervisor gave me that go-ahead nod. I exhaled and picked up the phone.

“Crisis Center,” I said doubtfully. “This is Emma (we were required to use fake names) . . . erm, can I help you?”

“Oh, you must be new,” said an old man with a cheery voice. “I don’t recognize your voice. My name is John, and I want to tell you about my CD collection.”

Wait, what? Why would an old man call the crisis line? And why would he call to talk about something as mundane as antiquated music files?

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COMIC: LORI WAREMBURG

University’s response to GRACE report sets example of courage, humility, hope

The Collegian Editorial

On March 10, BJU President Dr. Steve Pettit addressed the chapel audience concerning the University’s response to the recommendations of a nearly two-year-long investigation by Godly Response to Abuse in the Christian Environment (GRACE).

Pettit’s response was one of humility, courage and hope, as he sincerely admitted and apologized for the problems of the past and promised change for the future.

Beyond its immediate application, Dr. Pettit’s response to the report also sets an example for the proper Christian response when others have been hurt by our actions.

With empathy and sincerity, Dr. Pettit addressed the sexual abuse victims who were

not helped by the University. “We do want you to know that we are deeply sorrowed that you were hurt, and that we did not help you by our response,” Pettit said. “This was wrong and unacceptable. We ask you that you would forgive us.”

“Some people want us to put this experience behind us,” Pettit said. His courageous answer to this desire? “I want to keep it before us.”

He went on: “I don’t want us to forget what happened, and I know you don’t want to forget that, because we don’t want it to happen again. This is why we are committed to taking the time to change.”

Forging permanent change takes courage and hard work, but the end result is worth the effort.

“We want to learn from our past,” Pettit said. “Our students deserve this. Our faculty and staff desire this. And our God demands this.”

It’s the same for us as individuals. Facing the fact that we may have hurt others is difficult. It requires us to think beyond ourselves.

We must consider who we have hurt by our actions, whether intentionally or unintentionally.

We must swallow our pride, humbly admit we were wrong and love the other with abandon. Then we must move on, courageously keeping what we’ve learned continually before us.

It is then that we can begin to change and to be forgiven, realizing that God is constantly at work in our lives to make

us better instruments for His glory.

“This has not been easy for anyone; it has been particularly hard on a few,” Pettit said of the events surrounding the report’s findings. “But I truly believe that God has meant it for good, and we are going to be a better university because of today.”

Doing the right thing is never easy. But it’s our choice. We can cower in fear of our past actions, or we can choose to trust that God is at work and take every downfall as an opportunity to get back up and stand up even taller than before.

Let’s do the courageous thing and with faith, hope and love press on toward the mark of conforming to the image of Christ.



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TALKBACK

“IF YOU COULD LIVE ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD, WHERE WOULD IT BE?”



BEN PEELER
Sophomore
“With a tribe of pandas in China.”



EMILY MAY
Sophomore
“Fiji.”



ALLY MARTIN
Freshman
“Iceland.”



EVIE BERNARD
Senior
“Haiti.”



JOSH RICHARDS
Sophomore
“Portillo, Chile.”

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I've been working at a funeral home since I was 14, and I was able to do two embalmings over Christmas break.

It started when I was 14 because my dad was a pastor, so I went to a lot of funerals and grew comfortable with that type of situation. At the time, I told my dad that the funeral director seemed like the coolest guy in the world because he knew what was going on, he knew how to talk to people, and he knew how to make a good impression without being obnoxious. A day later my dad said, "Are you serious about that?" And I said, "Sure, why not?" And he said, "Well, you have a job with him next Friday if you'd like."

So I worked with him for two summers and during the school year a bit, and I knew that was what I wanted to do because it's unique and lets you help hurting people at a very crucial time in their lives. A funeral director is a professional counselor and someone you can really confide in. I've seen a lot of hurting families and individuals, and I think that being a funeral director gives me an opportunity to show the love of Christ and to be someone they will remember forever.



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I'm a '90s kid. iPods are all I know. I kept trying to find the underlying issue that he might be too nervous to bring up but soon realized there wasn't one — unless you count loneliness.

As I hung up the phone, I was convicted. John didn't care about his CDs. He just needed a reason to call because, really, he just wanted to talk to anyone about anything. He was lonely, and none of his children visited him anymore.

I shifted guiltily in my seat. When was the last time I called my grandparents? And how did that hospital visit go? Was it for a hip replacement or a bad back? Were they doing all right? My thoughts moved from my grandparents to the

elderly that I always side-stepped in church: the old ladies who point to the newlyweds and joke, "You're next!" or the old men who begin every story with "Back when I was your age. . ."

Over the next few months that I worked at the call center, I took countless phone calls from elderly folks who just wanted to talk about their favorite TV show or what they ate for dinner or their favorite joke. We even had regular callers who became friends with certain volunteers, and we had to set call limits for them.

These calls stick with me just as much as the serious suicidal calls because I put myself in the shoes of my elders and realized how frustrating it must be to have experienced

so much of life and to have so many stories and opinions and wisdom, but no one who wants to hear it.

So often I notice older men and women being pushed to the side because people are not comfortable talking with them. Why not? We are all normal human beings who need meaningful social interaction. The elderly want and need to have casual, humorous conversations and deep, personal conversations just as much as the rest of us.

Talking to the elderly is fun. You get jokes. You get stories. And you get wisdom. And the coolest part is that the wisdom of the elderly doesn't come from long and boring lectures, but from exciting, suspenseful, and sometimes

sad, real-life anecdotes. And the main character, the protagonist — and sometimes the antagonist if they're being honest — is sitting right in front of you. I experienced this firsthand last Christmas. I spotted my grandmother alone next to the cranberry sauce, so I asked her to sit with me and asked her one question. An hour later I was asking myself, "Who is this?"

My grandmother wasn't supposed to have struggles. Yet here she was telling me about the WWII bombings she witnessed as a schoolgirl in France, her little sister who was thrown in front of a train, and the discrimination she endured as a French immigrant to America.

I was stunned. My grand-

mother was finally becoming real to me. She was not just a doting second mother who gave me chocolates and extra kisses, but an aged woman with a complicated past that shaped her present self. Her timeline no longer started 21 years ago when I first met her, but back in the 1930s when she was actually born.

I encourage you to do the same with the older people in your life. Find them. Ask them questions. And listen. Because their non-meme-based humor is rare today and their wisdom is even rarer.

Proverbs 16:31 says, "Gray hair is a crown of glory; it is gained in a righteous life," meaning that if you have grandparents or seniors at your church who are still

walking along the narrow road, then you have access to a flood of knowledge and wisdom that God says is worth "a crown of glory." And it can't be gained through a cram session in the Mack Library, but only over a lifetime of walking hand in hand with God through the peaks and valleys of life.

We mustn't be fooled by outward appearance. Gray hair, weaker bones, wrinkled skin and a crooked smile house a golden treasure chest of wisdom. Will you be wise enough to discern this?

The next time you meet an elderly person, try picturing them with a crown of glory resting on top of their gray hair. Perhaps then we will remember just how precious they are to us — and to God.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

By: Nathan Pittack

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Preview Day

FINE DINING SERIES
5 P.M. | CULINARY ARTS BUILDING

The culinary arts students will prepare a six-course French menu Friday as part of their Fine Dining Series. Seating will be at 5 and 5:30 p.m. The meal is \$20 per person and is open to the public. Tickets can be purchased with a BJU ID card, cash or checks at the Culinary Arts Retail Shop Tuesday through Friday from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

HANDBELL CHOIRS
5 P.M. | STRATTON HALL

The Handbell Ensemble and the Handbell Concert Choir will perform a concert Friday at 5 p.m. in Stratton Hall. The concert will feature a variety of folk pieces and some original music written for handbells. The concert is free and open to the public.

MOVIE NIGHT
7 P.M. | STRATTON HALL

The Bruins Booster Club will host a movie night, showing Disney's "Maleficent," Friday at 7 p.m. in Stratton Hall. Admission is free and seating is first come, first served.

FACULTY WIND QUINTET
7 P.M. | WAR MEMORIAL CHAPEL

Five music faculty members will perform a woodwind quintet concert Friday at 7 p.m. The five will perform one piece by composer Giulio Briccialdi and a rearrangement of selections from "The Sacred Harp," a collection of hymns from the 19th century designed to teach people who couldn't read musical notation. The performance is free and open to the public.

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COMPUTER SCIENCE
PROGRAMMING CONTEST
8:30 A.M. | ML 2

The computer science department will host a programming contest Saturday at 8:30 a.m. The event will begin with a training session, and the contest will begin promptly at 9 a.m. Participants will try to solve eight computer problems in three hours by creating programs to fix the issues. The contest is open to all students and is sponsored by local businesses. The top three prizes range between \$100 and \$300.

French professor receives prestigious award

By: JESSICA PEREZ
Staff Writer

Félicitations are in order for Bruce Byers, a well-known French teacher at BJU, who recently won a prestigious award from the South Carolina Foreign Language Teachers Association (SCFLTA).

Byers, the head of the modern language and literature department, has recently been given a lifetime achievement award from the SCFLTA, in which he serves as a member of the board of directors. This award recognizes educators

who excel in teaching and leading in world language education through their careers.

"I am humbled by the award and thankful to God for His kindness," Byers said.

Byers has employed his skill with the French language to benefit Bob Jones University and its students through several different avenues.

During the years he's spent at BJU, he has developed the current beginning and intermediate French course syllabi, co-authored two high school French

textbooks, and just recently submitted his proposal for a new French major program. He has also led mission trips to both Quebec and Haiti.

Students find Byers' passion for the French language inspiring.

Bethany Ross, a sophomore Christian ministries major, said Dr. Byers' genuine desire to help the students learn French encouraged her during her time in his class.

"I always felt he was eager to help us as best he could," Ross said.

Rob Loach, also a part of the modern language and literature department, studied under Byers while attending BJU and said Byers' facility with the French language amazed the students.

Loach later became one of his colleagues and said that Byers' desire for excellence spurred him on to achieve that same excellence.

"He loves students, and you will often find a student in his office seeking help, chatting or drinking coffee with (him)," Loach said.



Dr. Bruce Byers was recently recognized by the SCFLTA. Photo: Holly Diller

Looking back, looking forward: BJU celebrates past, future

By: ABBY SIVYER
Staff Writer

Bob Jones University has grown and developed in numerous ways over the past 50 years and has worked to preserve some of its ever-changing heritage in a variety of ways, including time capsules. Keeping with this spirit, the members of the Class of 1965 will get to relive some of their past heritage next week when they revisit campus for their 50th class reunion.

Campus Development Since 1965

The year 1965 included many changes to the campus in order to accommodate the growing student body. This year marked the construction of the Dixon-McKenzie Dining Common, whose 3,500-person capacity made it the largest dining hall in the state.

On Thanksgiving Day of 1965, the building that housed the old dining common was transformed into the Museum & Gallery, originally called the University Art Gallery and Biblical Museum.

In addition to these changes, a new wing was added to the Administration Building, 16 new faculty homes were

built on campus, and BJU became the first educational institution in the country to install the Electric Switching System (ESS), which was the most modern phone system at the time.

Class of 1965 Reunion

Despite how the campus changed in that year, the graduating Class of 1965 had no way of predicting how much the campus would change to reach its present state.

The members of the Class of 1965 will get the chance to fully appreciate present-day BJU during their 50-year reunion March 26-27. The reunion will include fellowship, a banquet in their honor, and a class photo in front of the dining common that the class first enjoyed during their senior year of college.

Future Campus Development

Just as the class of 1965 had no way of predicting how the University would develop through the following 50 years, current BJU seniors find predicting what BJU will be like in 2065 equally challenging.

"I think technology will be more advanced, and the rules will be more relaxed," Sara-



Dr. Ed Panosian, 1952 class president, unearths his class's time capsule (left) and presents it to Bruce McAllister, president of the Class of 1977 (right). Photos: Archives

Rose Lefler, a senior science education major, said.

Noah Dargy, a senior engineering major, thinks that in 50 years the philosophy of BJU will be similar to now, but will be implemented in different ways. "I see the school making positive changes that focus more on relationships and less on rule enforcement," Dargy said. Regardless of potential changes, Dargy believes the University will maintain its record of academic excellence.

Time Capsules

One way changes at BJU have been tracked and trea-

sured throughout the University's history is by time capsules. In celebration of BJU's 25th anniversary, the Class of 1952 buried a time capsule outside War Memorial Chapel. This capsule was then dug up and opened by the class of 1977 in celebration of BJU's 50th anniversary that year.

The class of 1977 then buried another time capsule in the garden area in front of the Administration Building.

Twenty-five years later, on an evening during Bible Conference of 2002, the class of 2002 opened that time

capsule, and found among its contents a sermon from Dr. Bob Jones Jr., a printout from an old-time computer and an old-fashioned record of BJU music.

Following tradition, the class of 2002 buried its time capsule in the same spot in front of the Administration Building. The contents will remain a secret until the capsule is opened in 2027, in celebration of the 100th anniversary of BJU.

When asked what she would bury if the class of 2015 buried a time capsule,

Lefler suggested items that are memorable to the University at its current stage. "Definitely something to do with the Bruins," Lefler suggested. Lefler also said she would bury the photo that she and her friends took with the bear rug in Dr. Bob Jones III's office during this year's Instameet contest.

Dargy said he would bury a letter to himself detailing his current struggles and future goals.

"I think it's always good to see where you have come from and how you have changed," Dargy said.



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FAVORITE SPEAKER

A favorite Bible Conference speaker back in the day was Dr. Ian Paisley. He was a regular speaker at Bible Conference. Ellen Boyle of the Center for Leadership Development said she remembers people lining up outside the auditorium an hour before services started to hear him preach. People from the school and community often gathered together outside to have impromptu singspirations where they would sing until the ushers opened up the auditorium.



DATING TRADITIONS

A common occurrence at Bible Conference is what is now jokingly referred to as “Drop-Add Week.” Corretta Grass, a faculty member in the department of communication studies, said going on a date to a service was allowed only after the first of four services. Boyle and Mrs. Christine Boone of the Center for Leadership Development remember that at breakfast the men sat on one side of the dining common and the women on the other, but at lunch they were allowed to date.



MUSIC TRADITIONS

Dr. Dwight Gustafson (1930-2014), former dean of the School of Fine Arts, used to lead the singing. Boyle said, and he would always have the congregation sing “Wonderful Grace of Jesus,” and “Master, the Tempest is Raging.” Boyle said that in the last stanza of “Master, the Tempest is Raging,” Gustafson would have the attendees in the balcony echo those on the main floor. In years past, the SoundForth Singers performed concerts, and various other musical groups have performed as well.

PICNIC ON THE LAWN

One of the traditions that has been around Bible Conference since the 1970s is picnicking on the lawn. According to Boone, sitting on the lawn was a big deal for students because it was a favorite way to “date” back in the day. If there was rain during Bible Conference, then Stratton Hall, the library and a few other locations would be opened to allow students to have other opportunities to fellowship with each other, even if it could not be out on the lawn. “Students used to not go off campus that much,” Boyle said, “so basically, they’d do everything here.”



Bruins hoops: men's and women's teams end seasons with one playoff win apiece

By: **BETHANY WILLIAMS**
Sports Editor

The Bob Jones University Bruins women's and men's basketball teams both completed their postseason runs and wrapped up their seasons Friday, March 13.

Lady Bruins

The Lady Bruins took on the Southern Wesleyan University Warriors Friday night in the regional championship game, coming off an overtime win the night before against Columbia International University. In the regular season, the Bruins and Warriors each took a win from each other, leaving the record of their series 1-1.

In the first half, BJU jumped to an early 8-4 lead by two 3-point shots by Maggi Ford and Hannah Tompkins. Tompkins contributed 13 points in the first half to fend off the attacking Warriors. Junior forward Brianna Delaney made a layup for two to give the Bruins a 24-17 lead, their largest lead during the game.

The Warriors continued to strike back, however, and used their sharp-shooting abilities beyond the arc to take the lead 26-24. After an 8-0 run by the Warriors, the teams retired to

their locker rooms with the scoreboard reading 36-27.

Coming out strong for the second half, SWU began the half with a 5-0 run to expand its lead on BJU. The Bruins continued to push and gained some momentum off two 3-pointers by junior guard Abby Conover, bringing the score to 46-39. With two minutes remaining, the Bruins brought the game within five points. They could not finish, though, and only scored one more point to end the game with a 70-60 loss against the Warriors.

Tompkins finished the game with 15 points while Ford and senior forward Kourtney Hoefler contributed 10 each. BJU won the rebounding battle 37-31. The Lady Bruins finished their season with a record of 18-14.

Bruins Men

The Bruins took a 92-71 loss against the No. 1 seeded Emmanuel College Lions in the South regional semifinal playoff game Friday night.

The Bruins recorded their first postseason win in BJU'S history the previous night against Columbia International University.

Emmanuel College defeat-

ed the Bruins by a large margin both times the teams met during the regular season. The Lions came out strong in the first half, scoring the game's first five points. The Bruins were able to even out the score at 5-5, but the Lions struck back with a 9-2 run. The Bruins continued fighting and, after a layup by junior guard Ray Holden, the score read 17-15 with the Bruins only trailing by 2. The Lions went on another run soon after to make the scoreboard read 41-35.

The Bruins were determined to gain the lead of the game from the start of the second half. The Lions, however, had an answer for every shot the Bruins made. After a 10-0 run by the Lions to bring their lead into double-digits, the Bruins were unable to catch up. The Bruins ended their postseason run with a 92-71 loss.

Leading the Bruins in scoring, junior forward Kyle Turner recorded 20 points and 8 rebounds. Freshman guard Marshall Riddle contributed 14, Holden added 13 and sophomore forward Corey Turner posted 10. The Bruins finished their season with a record of 10-20.



Bruins Dustin Killough, Camden Jones, Chae Dexter and Kyle Turner defend their net. Photo: BJU Bruins

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Classics dominate Tigers in second half, win 40-23

By: **BRADLEY NELSON**
Sports Writer

The Pi Delta Chi Classics overpowered the Theta Delta Omicron Tigers 40-23 Monday night. Both teams came into the game with a record of 2-0, hoping to grab a quality win over their opponent.

The first half was close throughout, as neither team could seem to gain the upper hand. Each time the Classics scored, the Tigers responded with a basket of their own. As the half began to wind down, it pointed toward a close half-time score.

Fittingly, the score was 18-15 at halftime with a three-

point advantage in favor of the Classics.

As the second half got underway, the Classics scored four points in the opening three minutes to take a seven-point lead. Classics freshman Anna Daulton then scored off a fast break to increase the lead to nine. The Tigers responded less than a minute later to stay within striking distance, but Daulton scored again from just inside the arch to keep the Classics comfortably in the lead, 26-17.

A couple of minutes later, the Tigers were able to move the ball around and find the basket, once again pulling

within seven. The Classics continued to pound on the defensive side, making several fast break opportunities for themselves. Daulton recorded two free throws after being fouled on a fast break and converted a left-handed layup two minutes later on another fast break.

The Tigers did not have an answer for the Classics down the stretch and scored just eight points in the second half, while giving up 22 to Pi Delta. Classics freshman Rebecca Teruel had six second-half points, contributing to the final 40-23 victory in the Classics' favor.



Emily Yancey of the Tigers moves to block a shot from Krista Knisely of the Classics. Update. Photo: Tatiana Bento

Have any ideas for The Collegian?

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Beta defeats Z, wins basketball championship

By: **BRADLEY NELSON**
Sports Writer

On March 13, the Beta Gamma Delta Patriots proved why they are the best intramural basketball team this season when they defeated the Epsilon Zeta Chi Tornadoes by just six points, 72-66. Beta came in as the favorite with a perfect 12-0 record, but the 11-1 Tornadoes proved that they could go head-to-head with Beta.

Just three seconds into the game, Beta junior Eric Moisant scored a layup and was fouled; Moisant hit the foul shot, setting himself up for a huge offensive first half. Over the next 5 ½ minutes, Moisant went four-for-four from behind the arch and recorded 17 of Beta’s first 21 points.

Although he cooled down and missed his next three 3-point attempts, Moisant hit another 3-pointer before half-time to go five-for-eight from 3-point land.

Moisant had just five points in the second half, including a three, and ended

with 25 points to lead all scorers.

Beta sophomore Tim Bender also had a big offensive game. Bender recorded nine in the first half and 12 in the second half, including 10 in the last 5 ½ minutes of the game. With 21 on the night, Bender was the second leading scorer in the game.

The two players who have played the biggest role in Z’s success also came out ready to score. Seniors Phil Shiver and Noah Dargy helped the Tornadoes on both the offensive and defensive side, scoring key baskets to gain momentum.

Dargy had the first Tornado points in each half and tallied 18 total, including 10 in the first half. Dargy had 14 points coming from his effective drives through the lane, in addition to four free throws. Dargy’s last bucket came with just over two minutes before the end of the game to bring Z within five, but he was called for his fifth foul just moments later, costing Z a key scorer in the game’s final minutes.

Shiver had 19 on the night, making him Z’s leading scorer. Shiver got to work early, scoring less than three minutes into the game on a free throw. Shiver scored from all over the floor with seven points coming from the free throw line, six from behind the arch and six at the basket. Beta struggled to contain Shiver, who was consistently drawing fouls from the Beta defense. Shiver was forced to play a big defensive role, guarding Beta junior Isaac Sheehan in the post.

Sheehan used his size advantage over Shiver to record 14 points, with 12 coming in the second half. Sheehan had two 3-point plays on the night, in addition to pulling in numerous rebounds along with fellow teammate Ethan Pegram. Pegram, a senior, had only four points on the night but had several rebounds and provided a big defensive presence for the Patriots, using his size to limit Z’s entry into the lane.

At halftime, the score was 43-36 in Beta’s favor. The



The Beta Gamma Delta Patriots defeated Z for the men’s intramural basketball championship. *Photo: Tatiana Bento*

largest lead of the first half was seven for Beta, although Z took a four-point lead on a couple occasions. The second half was back and forth. The Tornadoes quickly closed to gap to one at 43-42 before the Patriots responded by taking a 52-44 lead.

The Patriots looked as if they would run away with the game, going up by nine, 57-48, and then again 60-51 with nine minutes to play. Each

time Beta would start to pull away, however, Z responded to stay within striking distance. A big part of Z’s offensive effort came from junior Mark Osorio, who had 13 points in the game, with 11 coming in the second half.

With just over four minutes left to play, Beta’s Bender was fouled and hit a resulting free throw to put Beta up by 10, 67-57. Shiver, Dargy and Osorio all responded, each

scoring points in the next three minutes to close the gap to three, 69-66, taking all the momentum from Beta.

It was enough, however, as Z could not find the basket again and was forced to foul Beta. Although Beta missed several free throws in the final minutes, Bender locked up the game with three key free throws, propelling Beta on to win 72-66 and claim their first championship in three years.

MLB SEASON PREDICTIONS

AL East

*Toronto
**Boston
Tampa Bay
Baltimore
New York

**Division Winner*

AL Central

*Chicago
Cleveland
Kansas City
Detroit
Minnesota

***Wild Card Winner*

AL West

*Los Angeles
**Seattle
Oakland
Texas
Houston

NL East

*Washington
**Miami
New York
Philadelphia
Atlanta

NL Central

*St. Louis
**Pittsburgh
Cincinnati
Chicago
Milwaukee

NL West

*Los Angeles
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Major League Baseball regular season predictions

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With Major League Baseball’s Opening Day just over two weeks away, the countdown to the official start of baseball season is getting lower every day. Spring Training is in full swing. With it, future stars are emerging, veterans are fighting for roster spots, and every team is trying to find optimism for the upcoming season. Spring Training also hosts a variety of baseball previews and projections for 2015. Here are my predictions for the upcoming season.

The American League East may be the weakest division in baseball, but the Toronto

Blue Jays aren’t listening. They added slugger Josh Donaldson to a potent lineup that will be near the top of the league in runs. The rest of the division is behind Toronto. The Boston Red Sox did add several hitters to revamp their lineup, and may secure a Wild Card. However, Baltimore lost most of its offensive production, and New York has too many injury-prone players on the wrong side of 30 years old. Tampa Bay has a lot of young talent, but I believe the team is a year away from serious contention.

The American League Central is the hardest division to predict. Each of the

top four teams have a legitimate opportunity to win the division. The Chicago White Sox will win the division on the backs of pitchers Jeff Samardzija and Chris Sale and first baseman José Abreu. The Detroit Tigers and the Kansas City Royals are both very good teams, but with the significant players they lost this season, they will struggle to return to the postseason. Because of the division’s parity, the second place team may not earn enough wins to secure a Wild Card berth.

Led by superstars Mike Trout and Albert Pujols, the Los Angeles Angels are my pick to win the American

League West division. Close behind them with the potential to secure a Wild Card berth are the Seattle Mariners. The Mariners continue to develop their young talent, while adding Robinson Canó a year ago to lead their lineup. The Oakland Athletics made several interesting trades over the winter. While they have a bright future, they sacrifice their current talents, preventing them from contending for another postseason berth.

Not only do the Washington Nationals lead the National League East, they may lead all of baseball. Washington boasts one of the best pitching staffs in baseball, as well

as a strong lineup. The Miami Marlins are also a very good team with a young pitching staff and a strong lineup. The New York Mets are young and talented, but remain a year away from serious contention.

The National League Central, like the AL Central, is hard to predict. St. Louis, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and even Milwaukee all seem capable of reaching the postseason. St. Louis, in my mind, is the best team in the division. But after that, it will largely be based on who can stay healthy over the course of a 162-game season.

Finally, the Los Angeles Dodgers will win the Nation-

al League West. They possess the best pitcher in the game - Clayton Kershaw - as well as deep talent up and down the roster. The Padres made the most trades out of anyone over the winter, but will have to fight for a Wild Card spot. The defending World Series Champion Giants will be left on the outside looking in, as will the Colorado Rockies and the Arizona Diamondbacks.

Spring is here, as is the beginning of another Major League Baseball season. Will another team make a playoff run like Kansas City last year? Will Mike Trout finally take the Angels deep into the postseason? Only time can tell.

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MONDAY, MARCH 23

- 9:15 a.m. Preachers Prayer Meeting (LH)
 10 a.m. Dr. Pettit
 1:30 p.m. Dr. Dickson
 7 p.m. Dr. Sproul

TUESDAY, MARCH 24

- 9:15 a.m. Preachers Prayer Meeting (LH)
 10 a.m. Dr. Dickson
 1:30 p.m. Dr. Heinze
 3:30 p.m. Concert Band (SH)
 7 p.m. Dr. Feghaly

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

- 9:15 a.m. Preachers Prayer Meeting (LH)
 10 a.m. Dr. McIlveen
 11:45 a.m. Pastors & Christian Workers Luncheon (Faculty Room)
 1:30 p.m. Dr. Feghaly
 7 p.m. Dr. Heinze

THURSDAY, MARCH 26

- 9:15 a.m. Preachers Prayer Meeting (LH)
 10 a.m. Dr. Sproul
 11:30 a.m. Foundation Brass (SC Mall)
 1 p.m. Beyond 50 Reception
 7 p.m. Dr. Morrell
 8:45 p.m. Annual Alumni Reception

FRIDAY, MARCH 27

- 9:15 a.m. Preachers Prayer Meeting (LH)
 10 a.m. Dr. Jones III
 11:45 a.m. Heritage Society Luncheon (Family Room)
 1:30 p.m. Dr. Morrell
 7 p.m. Dr. McIlveen



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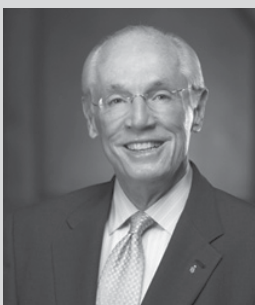
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The following BJU students distinguished themselves at auditions for the **National Association of Teachers of Singing**, held recently at the University of South Carolina.

CONGRATULATIONS!

CATEGORY WINNERS:
Sophomore Women: Jocelyn Lindmark
Sophomore Men: Caleb Nason

HONORS RECIPIENTS,
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ADVANCED COLLEGE WOMEN

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COLLEGE SENIOR WOMEN

Lydia Jackson

COLLEGE JUNIOR MEN

Tim Kamibayashiyama

COLLEGE SOPHOMORE MEN HONORS

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Sydney Gay
 Caitlin Hurd
 Ashley Lowery
 Stephanie Shelburne
 Sydnee Swanson

The following students participated in the **Sixth Palmetto Chinese Star Contest of Language and Culture** sponsored by Confucius Institutes at University of South Carolina and Presbyterian College.

CONGRATULATIONS!

2nd prize, Advanced Level Chinese Culture

Shelley Redlinger

3rd prize, Advanced Level Chinese Language and Culture

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