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PPO seminar to discuss right to life

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The Public Policy Organization will host a Pillars of Personhood seminar Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Davis Room.

The seminar, presented by Georgia Right to Life, will be divided into several sessions, each covering a different topic related to current bioethical debates and controversial political issues. Topics range from abortion and cloning to eugenics and euthanasia.

The speakers are Joshua Edmonds and Bethany Walker. Edmonds is the director of education & technology for Georgia Right to Life. He has also been a political consultant and a Georgia state senate committee aide.

Walker is the bioethics adviser for Georgia Right to Life.

In a preview session held Feb. 27, Edmonds said he became involved with the pro-life movement after his teachers challenged his thinking by simultaneously teaching about the formation of life and the ethics of abortion. The

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contradiction he saw spurred him to action.

Abby Chetta, one of the organizers of the event, worked with the pro-life movement back in high school. She is excited the organization is able to bring the right to life debate to the student body.

“The Pillars of Personhood seminar is specifically geared toward our age group as college students to know the cur-

rent bioethical and political issues in regards to rights to life,” Chetta said.

The seminar will discuss the answer to the question, “When does a human being have the right to life as a person?” The speakers will use

historic examples such as the treatment of Jews in Nazi Germany and antebellum slavery.

“Personhood is not a new area to argue,” Chetta said. “It’s been debated all throughout history.”

Rob Edgar, president of the PPO, said he is glad the PPO is able to encourage student discussion on this and other important political topics.

“The vision of PPO is to

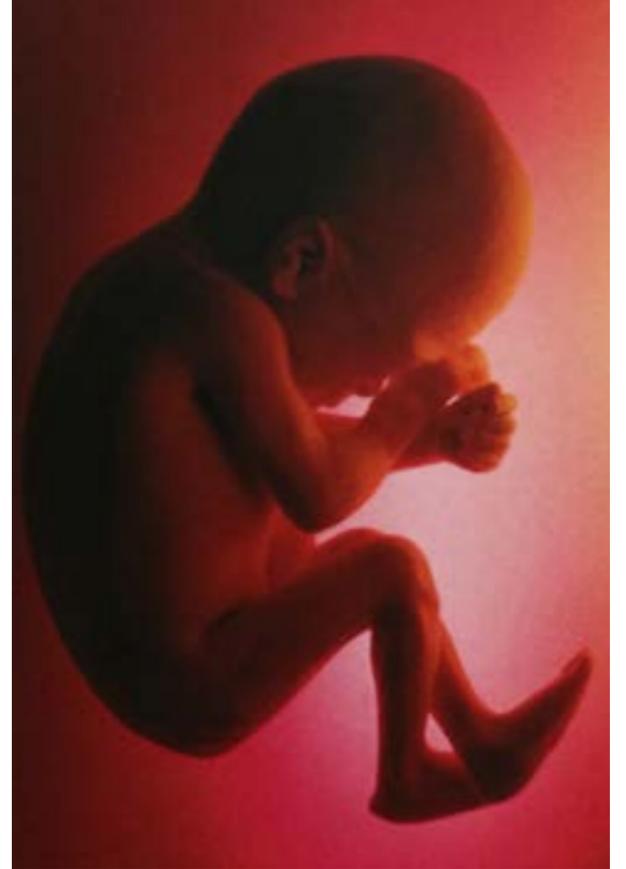
have a nonpartisan view on policy in today’s world,” Edgar said. “Our [core objective] is educating the student body on all policy.”

Edgar said one of the main goals of the event is to equip students with solid information not only about the pro-life stance, but also about having a biblical foundation and correct response when faced with a pro-choice argument.

“A lot of us students are pro-life, but we don’t really know why,” Edgar said. “What the Pillars of Personhood seminar is going to do is help us debate apologetically why we hold the positions that we do.”

The seminar has been especially encouraged for students in medical and other science-related fields of study. The bioethical issues raised in the discussion are especially ap-

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Personhood is regarded as one of today’s greatest ethical debates. Photo: Submitted



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Students fulfill the Great Commission through sign language

PAIGE BAGBY
Staff Writer

On a campus where the vast majority of students can communicate by speaking, several students are learning sign language so they can fulfill the Great Commission and take the Gospel to the deaf in the Greenville area.

For some, this great work doesn’t necessarily leave campus. Gloria Eoute, a member of the nursing faculty, used her signing skills to minister during Bible Conference week when a colleague’s deaf brother visited campus for several services.

Because she grew up with deaf parents, she spent her whole life communicating with sign language.

“It’s basically my first language,” she said.

As a certified interpreter, Eoute also uses her skills in hospitals and doctors’ offices to help some of Greenville’s deaf population to get their health needs taken care of.

Several local churches also reach out to the deaf by offering special services. Palmetto Baptist Church, pastored by Dr. Jason Ormiston of BJU’s Bible faculty, offers a 3 p.m. service for the deaf led by a local deaf pastor. Morningside Baptist Church offers its own separate deaf service as well.



This is the sign for “how,” often used as a greeting. Photo: Stephen Dysert



A student demonstrates the sign for “story.” Photo: Stephen Dysert

The deaf ministry that operates from campus works with Grace Baptist in Landrum. There, children from the South Carolina School for the Deaf as well as two older men go to enjoy an evening of fun, games and Bible stories.

Angie Cater, the leader of the deaf ministry group and a senior accounting major, started participating in the deaf ministry after visiting the deaf dinner, which takes place at 6 p.m. every Tuesday in the dining common.

Inspired by her desire to communicate with a deaf church member back home, Cater learned American Sign Language (ASL) and started participating in the ministry. For Cater, the deaf ministry is a way for her to fulfill the

Great Commission.

For her, one of the best parts of the ministry is when one of the children she’s working with understands the messages.

“When I’m teaching about the Bible, I love that look on their face when they get it,” Cater said.

Karen Girton, a senior communication disorders major and member of the deaf ministry team, started learning sign language because she wanted to be able to communicate with those who cannot hear.

When she first started out helping with the ministry, she had trouble understanding some of the signs.

“I couldn’t understand everything, but I wanted to,” Girton said. In the time since she joined the ministry freshman year, she has learned ASL and started teaching lessons for the older group of children.

Students who want to interact with the deaf community can also go to Haywood Mall every Friday around dinner time to participate in the Silent Supper, a gathering of local deaf people for food and silent but lively conversation.

For more information about ministering at the South Carolina School for the Deaf, see last year’s article by Abby Sivyer at <http://www.collegianonline.com/2015/03/27/bju-students-reach-out-to-deaf-and-blind-children/>.

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MELODY WRIGHT
Staff Writer

In high school, I fractured my right wrist during volleyball practice.

My wrist healed nicely after the injury, but it's never been quite the same. I can't carry very heavy objects with my right hand.

I can't maneuver my wrist any way I would like. And I can't play certain sports without my wrist protesting.

But does my weak wrist keep me from participating in those activities? Absolutely not.

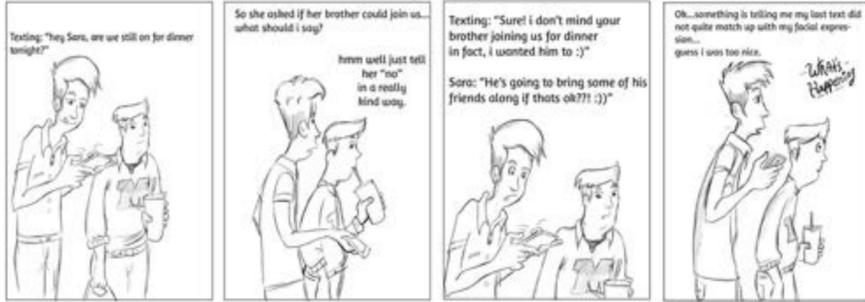
After playing tennis or volleyball and realizing I have a very sore wrist, it's then that I remember I have a brace. I never seem to remember to put my wrist brace on before I play sports.

It's after I have felt the pain and suffered the consequences that I remember I have a remedy. After repeating this nonsensical cycle for several weeks, I have finally begun to remember to put on my brace before I play sports.

Just as I had failed to remember the brace until I had already suffered the pain, we oftentimes only remember God after we've already made a mess of things.

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-A Change of "Plans"-



COMIC: MANNY JUAH

The Collegian Editorial

Avoiding the news makes a bad problem exponentially worse

Some people avoid reading and watching the news because they claim it is depressing, boring or inflammatory.

They see the nightly news as nothing more than a show designed around ratings instead of a respectable report giving important information.

According to them, the good news is never talked about, and the bad is always blown out of proportion.

There seems to be some sort of righteous contempt for mass communicators—even though society as we know it would not function without them.

Well, the naysayers truly do have a point. It's an uncontested fact that bad news sells. But calling all of mass media bad is throwing the baby out with the bathwater.

In a survey done by the Pew Research Center, 20 years of American media consumption was analyzed to determine the most read topics. The results?

War, weather, disaster, money and crime.

In another study, this one done at McGill University in Canada, researchers tracked which political articles test subjects chose to read.

The researchers found most subjects chose negative articles, even when the subjects claimed to prefer good news. People who had a greater interest in current events seemed to pick the most negative articles.

People like to talk about unfortunate happenings more than they like to talk about pleasant ones. It's not that good news is never talked about; people just remember bad news longer and like to discuss it with people.

This is just like how people complain about their problems more than they talk about their blessings. It's not some horrible agenda, and it's not something the media should be solely blamed for; it's unfortunately just a de-

pressing human trait.

As fallen beings, we are intrigued by evil. This is why Paul reminded the Corinthians that love "Rejoiceth not in iniquity; but rejoiceth in truth." (1 Cor 13:6)

Especially in this political season, we've been hearing a lot about the importance of keeping up with current events. Educated voting is a legitimate reason to keep up with the news. But even beyond our duty as voters, we should keep up with current events in order to be useful, interesting members of our society.

Coming from the editorial staff (composed mostly

of journalism majors), the call to read and watch more news may seem a little self-promoting. But the truth is, it's hard to be a part of a community you do not keep up with.

Furthermore, avoiding bad news does not make it any less real. The way to effect change is to recognize bad news for its reality and do something to improve it—not turn a blind eye because it makes you feel uncomfortable.

So don't avoid news just because it's "all bad." Maybe instead, do what you can to change some of that and give them something nice to report on. The reporter will probably thank you too.

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"I'm looking into pursuing something in human resources when I graduate. I really enjoy working with people, and that's what I see myself doing right out of college. In high school I was really into acting and drama, but I didn't really see too much of a career there. It was sort of just a hobby, but I knew that I wanted to stay in speech and communication.

[Where I see myself in the future] is actually related to being a high school principal or school administrator. My high school principal made quite a difference in my life, and I'm really appreciative of that fact. I can see myself doing that for the rest of my life. I really want to be able to make a difference in teenagers' lives and point them to whatever they want to do, but instruct them with sound advice like my principal did with me."

PHOTO: HOLLY DILLER

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We want to do what we want to do, act how we want to act, say what we want to say.

Then, after we've made a complete wreck out of a situation, we remember God—the God we have put in a box.

Many people think of 'putting God in a box' as limiting the power of God and simply not trusting Him as we should.

But we also put God in a box every time we take action without first consulting Him.

Too often, we stress about college without first going to God in prayer.

We rush into relationships oblivious to God's will.

We make plans for our futures while leaving God's plans out of the picture.

But after grades decline, relationships die and plans fall apart, we remember God. It's then that we beg God for the guidance we should've been seeking all along.

Rather than going to God as a last resort, we should go to

God before the chaos ensues.

We should continually seek God—even when things are going right.

Proverbs 3:6 says, "In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths."

If we seek God's guidance in every situation, we will always be shown the way.

God is our spiritual brace. He possesses the power which heals our broken pieces and supports our weaknesses.

God can use our brokenness for His glory.

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plorable to students planning to go into medical or research fields.

But Chetta was clear the seminar is beneficial for more than just premed and nursing majors.

"My goal is to get people thinking [about life] as something bigger than the petty problems we have every day," Chetta said. "We have the opportunity to use this information presented here to

promote the Gospel."

She said she hopes this seminar will give students a passion for pro-life and equip them "to be ready always to give an answer."

Since the seminar is planned for 9 a.m. Saturday, students can bring breakfast and coffee from the Kalmbach Room into the sessions.

Attendance is free, but those planning to attend are asked to RSVP at pillarsof-personhood.eventbrite.com.

Discussion is greatly en-

couraged, and students will be able to text in questions for Edmonds to answer as he presents.



Student Voice: Facebook emojis can't show human emotions



REBEKAH ANDERSON
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Rebekah, a freshman journalism and mass communication major, joined the Collegian staff this semester as a staff writer. She has a passion for words, family, music and traveling—especially when it's with her dad.

If you find security in Facebook, your life just got seven times more complicated.

As of a couple of weeks ago, instead of simply "liking" a post, Facebook users can "react." This seven-option choice allows people greater freedom to express their emotions.

Or does it? "Facebook said it wanted to give users more authentic ways to quickly and easily respond to posts, whether they are sad, serious, funny or happy," said Forbes staff writer, Kathleen Chaykowski.

"Before emoji 'Reactions,' users were often put in the awkward position of resorting to 'liking' a post about a death or one that expressed frustration or disappointment, without distinction from how one would 'like' an engagement photo. 'Reactions' should solve this problem."

She definitely has a point. For instance, you get choked up over a sweet post someone writes about their dead dog. You want to convey support for that individual during this

time of trial.

"I 'like' that your dog died. I mean, I don't. I'm sorry. Solidarity, you know? Not 'like'—oh, forget it."

Sure, simply "liking" a post doesn't quite do justice to the emotions we may be feeling at a given moment.

But, in attempts to make communication simpler, Facebook has proven the true complexity of human emotions.

Robbie Gonzalez, writer for Wired.com, points out, "This actually makes for a pretty restrictive emotive palette."

It's interesting to me that Facebook has tried to limit the vast spectrum of human emotions to a mere palette of seven. We are far more complex than that.

No longer are posts simply "liked" or ignored. Alyssa Anderson, a sophomore business student, said, "I think there should be a dislike button included with the rest of the reactions."

She said that "sad" or "angry" reactions just aren't enough.

Benjamin Brewer, a freshman Bible major, believes they will have little affect on Facebook users.

"The 'reactions' are a feeble attempt at making Facebook feel more like real life, but their impact on people's perception of Facebook will probably be imperceptible," Brewer said. "Most of us will simply use them once or twice, and then we will forget about them."

I have to admit that my initial response to Facebook's upgrade of the "like" button was, "Great. Now I'll never post again."

Why? Because I will question why some people only "like" my new profile picture and others "love" it. I will wonder what about a certain post causes "sad" reactions.

I have yet to discover the art of posting something creative enough to earn myself "wows" and "yays."

And who knows—maybe there will be a day when I'll provoke one of my followers to "anger."

The reactions may make

people wonder, "Is this person angry at me about this event? Or is this person angry with me, on my behalf?"

It sounds kind of petty, doesn't it? But maybe you have been thinking some of the same things.

Without elevating this minor change to the level of a social media war, I do think we should be careful not to evaluate popularity or status in light of whether or not people "love" our posts.

I have to remind myself not to allow the number of "likes" or "loves" I receive to become a thermometer for my own security.

Furthermore, worrying about how much people "like" or "love" my posts should be secondary to my concern for speaking the truth in love.

If I have posted something that should not be said, it doesn't matter if people like it, and vice versa.

Admit it. Sometimes we take people's reactions to our Facebook posts personally. See **EMOJIS** p. 8 >>

TALKBACK

WHAT DOES YOUR NAME MEAN?



sophomore
CAROLINE
COLLINS
"a song"



sophomore
JOSHUA
SKIRKEY
"Jehovah saves"



freshman
BRIANA
WHATLEY
"strong"



junior
BRADEN
JAQUOT
"salmon"



sophomore
DEBORAH
WOOD
"a bee"

PHOTOS: KAYLA PIERCE

A student's guide for navigating this tax season

BOBBY HULL
Staff Writer

Tax season is here. Because Emancipation Day is observed on April 15 this year, the due date to file taxes this year is April 18. For anyone not financially inclined, doing taxes may be hard the first time.

You have to fill out forms and make sure you have all the appropriate information and documents. Filing taxes may seem difficult, but it is really a simple task.

"If you have a simple financial life, taxes are not hard," said Dr. Kris Martin, chair of the Division of Accounting.

Martin said while tax forms look intimidating because of how many blank spaces there are, many students have to fill in only about

two lines at most.

When gathering the information you need, if you work for someone else, the most important document you need is a W2 form. A W2 form is basically a receipt that shows the amount of taxes taken from your paycheck during the year.

The trickiest part of doing your taxes comes from just sitting down and doing it for the first time.

Mr. Jeff Bryson, an accounting professor who has already coached some students on doing taxes, said a basic walkthrough with someone experienced is a good place to start.

"You need a little coaching the first time," Bryson said. "But I think you could learn it very well and do it by yourself maybe the second time."

Both Bryson and Martin

highly recommend using tax software.

Martin said tax software such as TurboTax will guide you through filling out a form and weeding out which questions you do or do not need to answer.

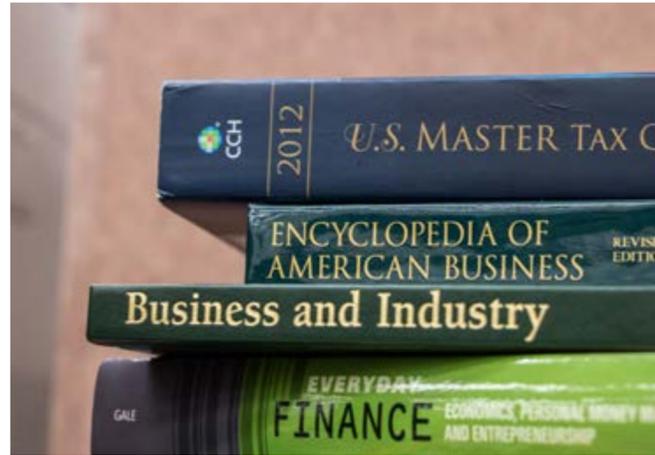
Programs like these make filling out a tax form simplified and less intimidating.

TurboTax products range in price from \$40 to \$100.

If you are within a certain income threshold, the IRS will supply tax software for free. On IRS.gov, search for free filing, and you'll find options for free tax software to download.

James Labadorf, a junior accounting student, uses TurboTax to handle his tax filing and said filing taxes shouldn't be a big problem for BJU students.

If you are having trouble



Students have many resources available to learn about taxes. Photo: Bobby Hull

knowing exactly what to do next, Labadorf said asking questions helps. Talking with professors or other students who have experience is a good strategy during the process.

"A lot of times they know how to handle it, or they know how to figure out how to handle it," Labadorf said.

Martin recommends students file their taxes as soon

as possible in order to get tax refunds quickly.

If filed later, around April, bottlenecks occur, which can cause a longer waiting period before receiving your refunds.

To minor or not to minor? That is the students' question

ABBY SIVYER
Staff Writer

Should I or should I not have a minor?

This is a question most students consider at some point in their college career. Many majors allow for a minor, but for some, the question is already answered when they choose their major.

Comprehensive majors such as education, studio art and engineering have so many required major classes they don't allow for the extra 18 hours of coursework needed to complete a minor.

Some students that fall into this category use the few electives they do have to focus on a specific concentration, even if they can't complete a full minor.

Stephanie Booth, a middle school education major with a principal in math and science, has used her electives to take four English courses and one writing class.

Booth said she chose to focus her electives on English to improve her written communication skills and to expand her knowledge beyond the focus of her major.

Since Christian schools of-

ten ask their teachers to teach subjects outside of their specific areas of expertise, Booth said having a broad foundation in math, science, and English makes her a more desirable hire.

Bradley Arnold, a freshman cross-cultural service major, is working toward a minor in aviation.

Arnold said he chose the aviation minor because he wants to work in evangelism, and he believes learning to fly will help him reach remote parts of the world.

Ashley Anderson, a senior exercise science major, has

chosen a minor in communication. Anderson said she decided to add communication as her minor after taking Fundamentals of Speech because she enjoyed the course and wanted to pursue the rhetoric side of communication.

Because her major is very people-centered, Anderson said learning good communication skills will be helpful to her working in athletic training rooms and sports medicine.

Dr. Darren Lawson, dean of the School of Fine Arts and Communication, said having a minor gives you the advantage

when applying for jobs.

"If you can demonstrate multiple areas of competence and expertise, then [that] puts you ahead of your peers," Lawson said. "A lot of employers are looking for employees who have various skill sets."

Lawson said many students don't think enough about their future careers when choosing their electives.

"I would encourage students to fast-forward into the future to when they're having to market themselves and manage their impression in front of other people," Lawson said.

Dr. Renae Wentworth, dean of the College of Arts and Science, said a minor adds to a student's overall academic program.

"A minor can bring courses into that program that the student wouldn't normally have taken, but still complement what the student is getting in that program," Wentworth said.

Wentworth said the benefits of having a minor or a focus for your electives include strengthening your transcript for graduate school or your profession, and in general can open doors down the road.

Senioritis: medical myth or legitimate lethargy?

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Staff Writer

Senioritis—every year you hear this word being used, especially in the spring semester. Some say they've already experienced this feeling in high school, but in college it hits you on a whole new level.

"I thought I had it sophomore year, but it hit full-force this year," Courtney Sturgis, a senior exercise science major, said.

Daniel Marinelli, a senior engineering major, said he would describe senioritis as having your head in the clouds, everything is groggy, and there is no motivation because you just want to graduate.

Causes

Most seniors struggle with senioritis at some point. The Merriam-Webster dictionary defines senioritis as, "an ebbing of motivation and effort by school seniors as evidenced by tardiness, absences, and lower grades."

Collegeview.com describes it as your brain having already graduated despite your body

still being in school.

But what causes this?

Many seniors are just ready to be done with school. At college you have an end goal of being done in two to four years, and as you near the end of that time span, you just want to be finished.

"As a freshman, I was confused thinking, 'Why would you feel that way?' but it's just that I think as humans we are ready for change all the time," said Charlotte Brown, a senior apparel, textiles and design major. "You're ready for something new and different; you're just tired of doing the same thing."

Yani Juve a senior Christian ministries major, said senioritis hasn't hit her as hard since she is only graduating with her associate degree and plans to come back next year.

Though she still looks forward to Commencement, she realizes that instead of looking for a job or figuring out where to live after she graduates, she'll once again be looking for books and planning to return in the fall.

For others it's not just the desire to move on,



A student falling prey to the effects of senioritis. Photo: Ian Nichols

but job pressure on top of that. Dr. Gary Weier, executive vice president of academic affairs, said, "Job searching is definitely important, but when you're a student, (being a student) really is your full-time job."

Symptoms

Many link the word senioritis with the word "lazy." Though on paper they sound very simi-

lar, the difference is in the reasoning behind the students' actions.

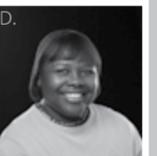
This isn't to say that seniors have an excuse to slack off, but it is difficult, because to them, they are moving on and changing their flow.

The desire to oversleep is astonishing.

"It's real. You'll go to wake up one day and See SENIORITIS p. 8 >>>

GUESS WHO?

You see your faculty in class every day, but do you really know them? See how many faculty members you can match with the correct fact. Email your matched letter/number combinations to editor@bjueu.edu. The first three people to email with the most correct matches will each receive a \$10 Bruins Shop gift card. The correct answers and the winners' names will be published in next week's issue. Good luck!

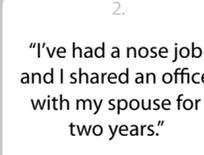


Marlene Reed



Troy Castle

1. "I worked as a weekend DJ for a Christian radio station in high school."



Connie Collins

2. "I've had a nose job and I shared an office with my spouse for two years."

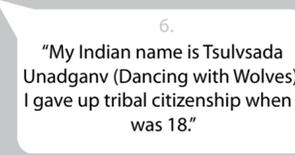


3. "I was a fashion model for two years before college."



Charlotte Burke

7. "I once had a tomato thrown at me during a piano piece I was playing in church."



Jean Cook

6. "My Indian name is Tsulvsada Unadganv (Dancing with Wolves). I gave up tribal citizenship when I was 18."



David Schwingle

5. "I led the pep band for Nu Delta Chi."

4. "I grew up on a quarter horse farm, and I developed my own bloodline: King VIP. I broke quarter horses and sold them to put myself through college."



Robert Hucks

9. "I've landed an airplane without power on a grass airstrip."



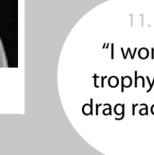
Eric Newton

8. "I served in the U.S. Army."



Tom Lamb

10. "One summer, I gave tours in Colonial Williamsburg while in costume."



Fred Coleman

11. "I won a trophy for drag racing."

12. "I won the 1987 intramural high jump competition."

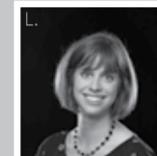


Ted Miller



Mike Gray

17. "I spent 13 summers in Shanghai, China."



Kathryn Gamet

14. "I have worked with four physicians over three years, one of whom was the official White House physician from 2002-2009."

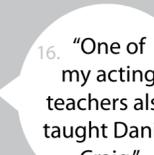
13. "I've visited every continental state except North Dakota and Nevada."



Faye Lopez



Roger Bradley



Warren Cook

16. "One of my acting teachers also taught Daniel Craig."

15. "March 2 is a day named after me by the Greenville County Council."



David Boyd

Bruins dismantle College of Faith Warriors on Senior Night

COLT SCHIEFER
Sports Editor

The four seniors for BJU's men's basketball team went out with a bang Saturday, as the Bruins dismantled the College of Faith Warriors 102-84 on Senior Night. Seniors Ray Holden, Kyle Turner, Noah Smith and Kirtis Yurchak led the way for the Bruins, contributing a combined 74 points to overcome the undermanned Warriors.

The Bruins set the pace from the tip, as Smith hit his first of five three-pointers from the top of the arc. His three sparked the Bruins, and they opened the game on a 14-5 run. That lead quickly expanded to 21-9 with another three from Smith.

The Warriors were barely able to keep up in the first half, and were able to do so only because of sloppy offensive play and a porous Bruin defense. Turner and Marshall Riddle added treys of their own, and the Bruins took a 54-42 lead into the half.

The second half was a reflection of the first. Yurchak and Turner opened the game up with phenomenal passing from the post and in transition, and the Bruins steadily built on their lead. The Warriors made a late run, but it proved ineffective as the Bruins held off the Warriors to win their final regular season game 102-84.

Turner came one point shy of the school record, recording 34 total points while Smith tallied 21. Turner also pulled down 10 rebounds and had three steals.

Both Turner and Holden were part of the original Bruins' intercollegiate basketball team started four years ago, and they obviously have been very influential in shaping the young program.

Turner holds six different program records, including all time leading scorer (1,450 so far), career rebounds (861), and steals (107).

Holden is third in the young program's history in points and steals, and second in rebounds.

Smith, considered a three-point specialist that primarily came off the bench, hit 85 threes in his two years with the program. Yurchak tallied 297 points and 206 rebounds in two full seasons of play for the Bruins.

The seniors reminisced about favorite memories throughout the last few years, including victories over rival Pensacola Christian College and Turner's game-winning three pointer to beat Warren Wilson College last season. But they eventually agreed that the best memories were just spending time together on road trips and the trip to Puerto Rico during Christmas break this January.

Afterward, Coach Ring spoke fondly of the four seniors—and not just about their abilities on the court.

"Noah is a deep thinker—he challenged me to think," Ring said. "He always challenged me with the way he thought. There is no surface Christianity there. He is very deep and very passionate about

his faith."



Turner (left to right), Yurchak, Holden and Smith stand with Coach Ring (center) on Senior Night. Photo: Bobby Hull

his faith."

"[Yurchak] has leadership qualities that have poured over into our team and some of our younger guys that have benefited specifically from his leadership in their life."

Coach Ring also opened up about Holden and Turner—the only two players who have been with the program since its inception in 2012.

"Any time you spend four years with guys and see their struggles and their pain ...

It's not just about basketball. We walk through life together. That's the biggest thing I take away from my seniors. We walk through life together. We sit in that office and we talk about life."

The 2015-2016 campaign has been full of ups and downs for the Bruins squad, as the victory Saturday broke a streak of five straight losses. The team is 15-15 overall, but the season has been about so much more than just basketball.

The Bruins will take the court, perhaps for the final time this year, in the NCCAA South Regional Tournament against Carver College on Friday at 7:30 p.m. in the Davis Field House. The championship game will be played Saturday at 3 p.m.

Since the tournament is held by the NCCAA, tickets are required for entry. For students ninth grade and up the rate is \$2 with a valid ID; the adult rate is \$3.

Alpha Theta Pi Razorbacks dominate Kappa Sigma Chi Knights, 58-24

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The Alpha Theta Pi Razorbacks dominated the Kappa Sigma Chi Knights Thursday night winning 58-24.

The Knights are 5-2 for the season and hold fourth place in the American League. Alpha is undefeated and is in first place in the National League.

Alpha started the game well. They went on a 12-0 run to begin the game, capped by a three from Ben Knoedler. The Knights' Wesley Shebs finally ended the run with a

deep three.

The Knights' Scott Diggs hit a three as the Knights countered with a 7-0 run. But Alpha's Jared Newcomer stopped the run with a layup. The Knights closed the gap to 9-14, but Alpha's Stephen Bruce drove to the rim and made the layup despite a foul. This play sparked the Razorbacks, and they went on a 12-0 run.

At halftime, the score was 36-13 with the game clearly in Alpha's hands.

In the second half, Alpha went on another run. The Knights were not able to keep

up with Alpha's height or superior skill, but Alpha did not let up.

They continued to rotate in the starters and found good scoring opportunities. The final score was 58-24.

"We started off the game really well," Knoedler said. "We moved the ball around and hit the open shots. We also rebounded well."

Alpha's path through the playoffs to the championship seems clear, but whether or not they can handle whichever team emerges from the competitive National League is yet to be determined.



Classics school Cardinals 30-26 in close Saturday game

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The Beta Epsilon Chi Cardinals fell to the Pi Delta Chi Classics 30-26 on Saturday after a fast-paced game.

The Classics trailed behind the Cardinals for most of the game and struggled to make shots. But the Cardinals had little depth. By the second half, they were exhausted, allowing the Classics to step up and claim the victory.

The Classics won the tipoff, but the Cardinals' Bekah Misiura scored the first points one minute into the game. The Cardinals went on a 7-0 run until the Classics' Tori Conover converted a layup.

The Classics struggled to make shots, and the Cardinals dominated the paint and continued to score, ending the first half up 15-10.

During halftime, the Classics reassessed their game plan. Conover said her team knew it was going to be hard because the Cardinals had the height advantage.

"Our team is small and quick," Conover said. "We just made them play our game, a fast

game, and ran them out of the gym."

The battle continued during the second half. The Classics slowly closed in on the Cardinals. Conover, Dani Payne and Leanna Cleveland made several layups and foul shots to tie the game 25-25 with six minutes left on the clock.

After a steal, Conover made a layup putting the Classics ahead for the first time in the game. Jessica Baun made a three-point shot with just over two minutes left to extend the Classics' lead to 30-26.

This put the Cardinals into a fouling frenzy. Each player on the court fouled at least once in the last minute of the game in a desperate attempt to come back.

But the desperate effort to stop the ball and score was not enough to overtake the Classics. The Classics won 30-26 and improved their perfect record to 9-0.

"We stayed mentally strong; that's what won the game," Conover said.

The Classics will be the favorites to win the championship later this month, as they head into the playoffs outscoring their opponents by 142 points throughout the season.



Personhood is regarded as one of today's greatest ethical debates. Photo: Submitted

Women's club volleyball preps for intercollegiate team

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The Bruins volleyball program is continuing to build itself from the ground up.

Coach Vickie Denny has started a volleyball club team. This team is the next step in developing the Bruins intercollegiate volleyball team.

After tryouts in February, 14 players were picked for the club team ranging from freshmen to seniors.

These players will be eligible to be picked for the intercollegiate Bruins team in the fall.

Elisabeth Ennis, who as-

sists Denny, played for Denny at Clearwater Christian College her junior and senior year.

She said many eyes watching and getting others' opinions helped in the selection process.

Mark Cannon and Deon Vidal are volunteer assistants, but Denny said her number one assistant is her husband, Lou Denny.

"My husband is always by my side," Denny said.

Denny works with the passers, while Ennis works with the setters, and Canon works with the hitters.

Vidal, who played for the Dominican Republic men's na-

tional volleyball team, works with the defensive players.

The team has practices twice a week and workouts three times a week.

Denny starts a typical practice with a time of prayer and devotion and ends with game situations and controlled scrimmages.

Often, Denny will have the team play against Ennis, Canon and Vidal. The scrimmages are fast-paced with high intensity.

"We are trying to devise a culture that brings intense energy," Denny said.

Denny plans for the team to play Toccoa Falls College of

Toccoa, Georgia, and Johnson & Wales University of Charlotte, North Carolina.

At the end of the spring, Denny will evaluate the club team's players and pick which ones will be playing for the Bruins in the fall. She is still recruiting more players.

Last semester the focus was on recruiting away from campus, but they are trying to get people to come to campus this semester.

Denny has four requirements for future players. First, they must know that God wants them at BJU.

Second, they must be good students for eligibility reasons.

Third, "They need to have a high level of volleyball I.Q. and experience on the court," Denny said.

Finally, the players must want to play at the next level.

Denny summed it up simply:

"Love God. Love school. Love volleyball."

The Bruins signed their first Bruin volleyball player, Erin Jarvis, earlier this month.

"She captures what I want in a student athlete," Denny said. "[She is] a great all-around player."

"For me it's been really nice to work with Coach (Denny), to see her build this

team from nothing," Ennis said.

Denny's passion for volleyball shows in her coaching. Ennis said Denny's passion is contagious and positively affects the team.

Volleyball is not Denny's most important passion, however. Denny views volleyball as a form of worship.

Denny's coaching philosophy is described in Ecclesiastes 9:10, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."

Ennis said she is most excited to learn from Denny and to see how God brings everything together.

Bruins golf finishes eleventh in first spring tournament

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The Bruins golf team finished 11th out of 12 teams in the Sand Shark Classic—their first tournament this spring.

The Bruins played two rounds of golf on Monday. They followed that up Tuesday with another 11th place finish through the third round to come in 11th place overall in the tournament.

"This was a very strong field of teams," head coach Dennis Scott said. "Fatigue, both physical and mental, was a major factor in the second round of the tournament."

The Bruins traveled to the Oldfield Country Club in

Bluffton, South Carolina, to complete in the Classic. The schools making up their competition were Dalton State, Coastal Georgia, Reinhardt University, Faulkner University, USC Beaufort, Thomas University, SCAD, Point University, Truett-McConnell College, Bluefield College and St. Andrews University.

Tyler Smith led the team through the first round, with Micah Gold closely behind (Smith - 79, Gold - 81, Shannon - 83, James - 83). But, as they had to play another 18 holes that day, fatigue got the best of the team. Micah Gold was the sole golfer to improve (Gold - 79, Smith - 86, Counts - 88, James - 94).

After a good night's rest, the Bruins came out Tuesday ready to play. The Bruins overall improved in the third round, but were unable to climb the leaderboard, finishing 11th.

Gold led the team in the final round with a 76. This allowed Gold to lead the team overall for the tournament.

"The tournament was good," Gold said. "The weather was nice, and it was enjoyable. We didn't play the best, but we had fun."

The Bruins will look to build on their performance as next Monday they will head to Pine Mountain, Georgia, to compete in the Skyhawk Invitational.

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Bucky's Bar-B-Q: a favorite of Greenville BBQ lovers

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With four locations in Greenville and one within walking distance of the University, Bucky's Bar-B-Q has become a go-to barbecue place for Greenvillians and BJU students alike.

But for as much as Bucky's has become a mainstay in the Greenville area, the successful barbecue chain almost never existed at all.

It took the founder, Wayne Preston, nearly going bankrupt and almost getting arrested before Bucky's could become what it is today.

Preston, a Christian, seemed to have life all figured out a few years prior to opening Bucky's.

He owned a successful metal fabrication and wood-working business.

But in the middle of this success, things started to turn south for Preston.

He explains in his personal

testimony on the company's website:

"My business failed, my family was coming apart, and I felt all alone even though I was in church two to three times a week," Preston writes.

"I was trusting Wayne instead of trusting Christ! I lost everything I had. Business, home, cars, retirement account, everything was gone. I was broke. I began to search for help."

Thankfully for the barbecue lovers of Greenville, Wayne's personal journey would have delicious results.

With few other options on the table and mounting debt, Preston, the son of a meat packer, decided to give the restaurant business a try.

In 1999 Preston began selling barbecue out of truck on the side of the road, for which he was almost arrested and shut down by health officials.

But through monetary support from his church, Preston stayed on his feet and was able

to build Bucky's into what it is today.

Like all good barbecue restaurants, Bucky's has a simple and straightforward menu offering a combination of meat (smoked pork, chicken or ribs) with a traditional Southern side such as baked beans, coleslaw or the ever popular sweet potato crunch.

The basic combo (a meat and two sides) starts at \$7.95 and, with larger portions and combinations, goes all the way up to \$10.55 for a rib plate.

A 10 percent discount is available for university students who show their ID card.

"I love all their food," said Daniel Imai, a senior business administration major. "Especially on Friday nights, because they have all you can eat ribs, which are great."

"Every time I go to Bucky's, the food and the service are really good," Daniel Fulde, a junior computer science major, said.

Each Bucky's offers a no frills, down-to-earth environment with friendly service.

Jeremy Simmons, a nine-year employee of Bucky's, shared the high personal standards he maintains while working and what he thinks makes his barbecue restaurant stand out from all the others in Greenville.

"I make it policy to never serve a customer food that I wouldn't serve my own mother," Simmons said.

Simmons admits he might be a little biased towards Bucky's.

Despite being born and raised in Greenville, Bucky's is the only barbecue restaurant he's ever eaten at.

But Simmons says he can personally attest to the quality with which the meat is prepared.

"I've been involved in making the meat for a long time, and at Bucky's we've never sacrificed quality for making things faster or cheaper."



Bucky's is a BBQ mainstay in Greenville. Photo: Stephen Dysert



Plates range in price from \$7.95 to \$10.55. Photo: Stephen Dysert



The decorations at the Pleasantburg location display Southern country charm. Photo: Stephen Dysert

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We're honored if someone shares our post. We're nervous if nobody "likes" our picture within the first five minutes of posting.

We're disappointed or embarrassed if people don't "like" it—we may even delete things that receive fewer "likes" than we want. And plenty of us have even resorted to asking close friends to "like" our posts.

There are exceptions, of course. Sometimes you go out of your way to make sure people *don't* notice the TBT picture your mom posted of your "awkward years" (and yes, we all had them).

So relax. Remember, Christ is your source of security. Facebook is just fun.

Keep it that way, whether your cyber-friends give you a thumbs-up or not.

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won't wake up [at your alarm], and you'll think, I have senioritis," Brown said.

"I oversleep every alarm [I] ever set, and I am much less self-motivated to get up and study because sleep feels better."

The temptation to give in to the apathy is real.

John Naselli, a senior pre-med major, said, "[you devel-

op an] attitude of not caring about school because you're so close to being done."

Cures

"I don't think there is a cure," Naselli said. "It's just a phase of life you're in. You understand that your undergrad is coming to a close, and more important things are coming."

Internationalcollegecounselors.com suggests preventative care. "Senioritis may not

be curable but it is treatable: Stay active. Stay involved. Stay focused. Stay on your regular schedules."

It's important to keep on top of projects and papers and remembering when they are due. You don't want your grade dropping just because you "didn't feel like it."

The cure will come May 6, when you walk across the platform, shake hands, accept

the diploma and know you're free from the disease that has plagued you this past year.

"Make every day count and enjoy it," Weier said.

"[With] a combination of your own planning ahead and dependency and trust in the Lord, the transition will go much more smoothly."

Stay positive, seniors, you soon will be moving on to new experiences.