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Kaitlyn Chisholm and David Schwingle play Jessie Mae and Ludie Watts in *The Trip to Bountiful*. Photo: Ian Nichols

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Staff Writer

BJU's theatre arts department is preparing to transport audiences back in time to the 1950s on April 20-22 and 27-29 at 7:30 p.m. in Performance Hall with the production of

The Trip to Bountiful.

Audiences will be introduced to a woman near death named Carrie Watts who is on a journey—a journey from Houston, Texas, back to her small hometown called Bountiful, from which she had been displaced.

Dr. Erin Naler, director of *The Trip to Bountiful*, wrote about this play in her doctoral dissertation.

"[*The Trip to Bountiful*] is just a beautiful story that I think a lot of people will really resonate with," Naler said.

"And I think the play makes

you think about your own stories, your own history."

The Trip to Bountiful is an odyssey written by Horton Foote, an American playwright.

"[Foote] sees small towns as places where you can become rooted in but also where

you can become displaced," Naler said.

"[And] you find out through the play that [Carrie Watts'] experience was fraught with much sorrow and is a combination of hurt and hope," she said.

This play has 11 characters

and the main character, Carrie Watts, is played by Corretta Grass, who has been a part of the communication faculty for over 50 years.

Grass will be retiring at the end of this academic year, and this is an exciting performance

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Lanier presents gift in memory of society brother

IAN DYKE
Staff Writer

Amid the mass of service projects, one act of kindness hit particularly close to campus.

Most residence hall students know Janice Guth, a cashier at the Dining Common, for the signature Hawaiian shirt she sports every Friday.

But students might not know that her shirt is a memorial to her son John Guth, a former BJU student and member of the Lanier Falcons, and that this April marks the 11th anniversary of his passing.

However, Lanier knew and, on Friday, March 17, showed they remembered.

"The guys in Lanier wanted to honor and respect both Janice and her son who was a fellow Lanierian," a senior member of Lanier, Sam Dyke, said. "The brotherhood and

loyalty aspects of society are very important to us, and we wanted to show honor to our brother."

The Falcons voted in their Friday meeting to send Guth one of their new sweatshirts in memory of her son.

Later that Friday, a group from Lanier gathered outside the Dining Common to present the sweatshirt to Guth as she worked.

"Naturally, when this backstory came to light, some guys in Lanier thought it would be great to do something in order to show a small token of appreciation and support," junior Lanierian John Reece said.

"So with the blessing of the rest of the society, a couple of us got together and brought Mrs. Janice one of the gray Lanier sweatshirts that are popular within the society."

Emotion filled both Lanier

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Janice Guth (front center) holds photo of her son and former Lanierian with fellow society members. Photo: Rebecca Snyder

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TORI SANDERS
Staff Writer

When I was 12, I learned that I had a deformity. My mandible, or lower jaw, was growing faster than my maxilla, upper jaw.

As I reached high school, there was something noticeably wrong with my bite.

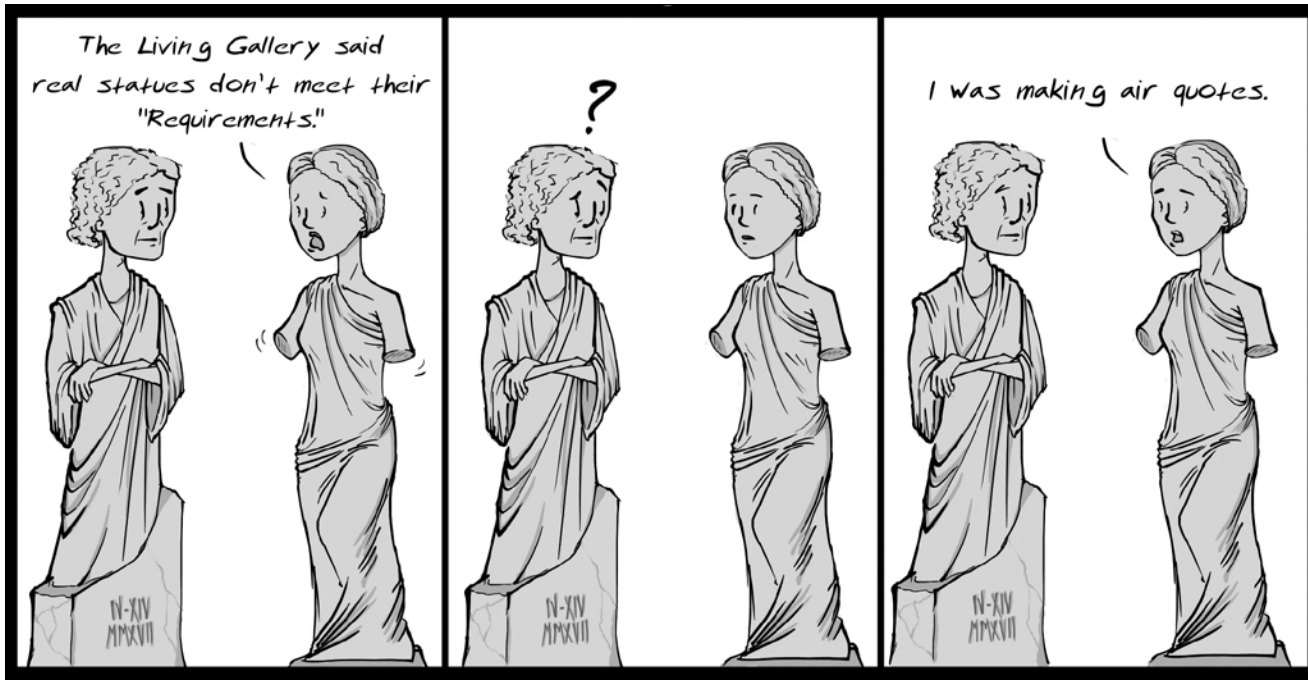
This quickly became a huge insecurity for me. While the underbite was only subtly noticeable when I had a straight face, it was easily detectable when I smiled.

To hide my underbite, I consistently avoided smiling with my teeth in pictures.

When I was a high school sophomore, my mom scheduled a consultation with an oral surgeon who, after one look at my X-rays and bite, told us that I was a candidate for orthognathic surgery.

I had heard that orthognathic surgery was always on the table as a solution. I had always hoped that rubber bands on my braces would be enough to fix my underbite.

Another consultation with the oral surgeon made it clear that the surgery was unavoidable if I wanted to avoid complications such as chronic jaw pain or the pre-See **COLUMN** p. 4 >>



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The Collegian Editorial

When you can't undo mistakes, rise and grow from experience

Click. Click. Click. Undo! Undo! Undo!

If you've spent any time using Microsoft Word or Apple Pages, you've also spent some time clicking that "undo" button at the top of the screen.

More than once has that little backwards arrow saved my life.

You know that feeling of panic when you're typing along, finally making progress on that 1,000-word essay due at 11:59 p.m., then you look up to see a whole paragraph highlighted right as you hit backspace?

Eek! Right as the anxiety sets in, you remember that glorious undo function. Your work has been saved!

Wouldn't it be amazing if we had an undo button for everything—every foolish deed, every unkind word, every sin.

Sadly, we don't.

We're forced to suffer the consequences of our mistakes.

And that's how it's meant to be, as painful as it may be.

It's natural for us to want to undo our sin, forget about it and move on as soon as possible. But that's not how life works. And that's not how God intended life to work.

He wants us to learn from our mistakes, including the consequences we may face because of them.

The possibility of a permanent mistake motivates us to seriously consider the decisions we make—how we act, what we say, how we live.

We want to do right and never sin, but we know that's impossible as fallen creatures.

But with the strength Christ gives us, we can overcome our sin by faith.

Christ helps us make the right decisions if we only ask.

Oftentimes, He grows us the most during the consequence part of the mistake making.

Life sure would seem easier with an undo function.

But we must accept the responsibility of our sins, repent our wrongdoing and learn from it.

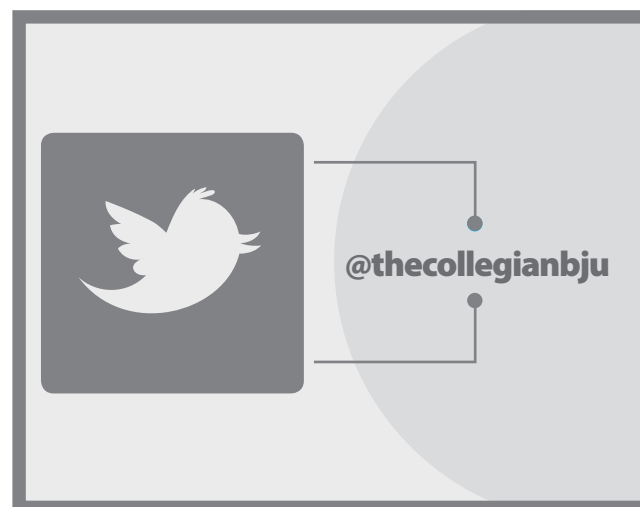
We must ask Christ to grow us in the consequences, to mold us into His image.

More importantly, let's

seriously think about our actions and words before doing or saying something we will later regret.

As Proverbs 24:16 says, "For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief."

Don't go through this life stumbling over your sins. Reach out and let God's hands of mercy lift you up again.



TALKBACK

Your life's a movie. What's the title?



freshman
MARY SHEBS
"Tripping to Joy."



junior
JOHN REECE
"Big John."



junior
REBECCA WILLIAMS
"Procrastination."



freshman
SHAYNE CASTINE
"Miracle."



freshman
MADISON LANDRY
"A Series of Awkward Events."

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“This is my first semester on campus. I’m from Ohio, and I’m living down here with my aunt for the semester. I think my favorite [class] is Theatre History with Dr. Naler. I also really love Themes in Western Thought. I enjoy reading *The Republic*, and the philosophers, seeing all the different stories that people come up with about how the world works and what they think it could be. And then putting that all together and comparing it to the Bible and then saying, ‘But here’s what it really is.’

“I’ve been sewing since I was five. And I love fantasy and mythology and all of that. I have read and listened to *The Chronicles of Narnia* probably hundreds of times—I basically have them memorized. And when *The Hobbit* came out, my best friend and I wanted to go see it and I decided we were going to go in costume. So when I sew the costumes I realize, wait, I love sewing but this is even more fun because you’re building a story...in fabric. It’s really magical. And I just fell in love with it.

“[Three years ago] I was the head costuming designer for a production of *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* [at] our local Christian school. Then I worked with a costume company... doing *The Little Mermaid* so I got to make the costumes for that. I’ve done a lot of projects for myself obviously, and some for friends, some cosplay stuff [and] some historical stuff.”

PHOTO: IAN NICHOLS

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and Guth in the hugs, thanks and tears to follow.

Guth described her feelings after the event.

“It’s so joyful, so heartwarming and joyful,” Guth said. “God gives us tears not just to cry but to love. And these are tears of love.”

Dyke said the gift was not just in memory of her son but

also for Guth in gratitude for her service to BJU.

“Janice has also been a person who shows love to all of the student body constantly,” Dyke said.

“In a way, we were showing our appreciation from the whole Bob Jones [University] student body for all that Janice has done and continues to do for us,” he said.



Communication faculty member David Schwingle plays Carrie Watt’s hen-pecked son. Photo: Ian Nichols

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for her as she finishes her journey of teaching and begins a new stage of life.

“I am honored to be asked to perform in this play,” Grass said. “I am thrilled that the director, Dr. Erin Naler, the assistant director and all of the main characters are my former students. I taught them in many different classes from Voice and Diction to Classroom Communication to Storytelling. It is my privilege to act with them.”

Grass said her performance in this play is her farewell to BJU.

“It is sad to know that I am leaving this wonderful university, my students and classes and my opportunities, including the many plays I have been in over the last 51 [and a half] years,” she said.

“When my character says

at the end of the play, ‘Good bye, Bountiful, good bye,’ I know that will be my farewell to the stage and my teaching career,” Grass said.

Having worked with the cast rehearsing the play for six weeks, Naler said she believes there is benefit for all who attend *The Trip to Bountiful*.

“It is an important piece of American art,” Naler said.

“Horton Foote provides plays that force audiences to rest,” she said. “He wants you to come into the theater and stop and pause. The speed of modern life is halted in the theater.”

With the business of the final weeks of the semester, Naler encourages students to set aside their 21st century culture and step into a different world—the world of Carrie Watts and a town called Bountiful.



Kaitlyn Chisholm plays Carrie Watt’s controlling daughter-in-law. Photo: Ian Nichols

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Consider the future: budget, save for retirement

REBEKAH ANDERSON
Staff Writer

For many college students, it's difficult to think about saving for retirement. The primary financial goal of most students is to graduate college with the least amount of debt possible.

But in today's economy, it's ideal to start considering retirement sooner rather than later.

Bill Burkholder, a professor in BJU's School of Business, is familiar with investments and savings since he

spent several years as an investment adviser.

He said it's important for students to understand and use the power of compounding interest.

Compounding interest refers to earning interest on interest you've been paid the previous year.

"I wish somebody had told me about [compounding interest] when I was 22," Burkholder said.

His advice to college students is to start saving money now—even if it's just a little bit at first.

"Do something to start putting money away while you're young," he said.

Clay Bryant, university host and senior business major, is already saving for retirement. Bryant says he pays himself. "I take the equivalent of one hour's worth of wage, and I put that towards retirement." Bryant rounds up his hourly wage and puts \$10 into a long-term savings account every day.

Bryant also works a second job at Starbucks, and he said those funds go directly toward his school bill.

When making investments, Burkholder said it's important to think long-term. Set aside a reasonable financial fund, but consider other expenses as well.

However, Burkholder warned against taking all extra money and putting it away for retirement.

"Lots of retirement money can't be pulled out before retirement without a huge penalty," he said.

That's why it's important to be frugal and consider storing money in other accounts, such as Dave Ramsey's concept of

an emergency fund.

Another helpful tip Burkholder offered involves asking about financial benefits when interviewing for a job.

"Most companies will match what you put in up to a certain percentage," Burkholder said.

"Maximize that investment. Take advantage of that."

Such benefits are necessary to consider when negotiating with a potential employer.

This is especially important for college students to consider since many are considering their first post-grad-

uation job.

Overall, Burkholder said it's extremely important for college students to get some kind of financial advice.

While retirement seems far away for most college students, it's wise—and biblical—to consider the future.

And while Christian students should use their money wisely and be good stewards of what God has given them, it's important to remember the concept of Matthew 6:19-21.

"Treasures in heaven" are of far greater value than anything this world offers.

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mature loss of my teeth.

The braces were put on when I was a junior and my surgery was scheduled for December of my senior year.

As December quickly approached, I found myself growing more and more nervous. I was beginning to grow terrified of how the surgery would alter my face.

I was certainly insecure about the way I looked, but that didn't mean I wasn't content with the way I looked.

I didn't want my face to be

altered. The thought of going under anesthesia with one smile and waking up with a completely different one kept me up at night.

But, despite my fears, the day of my surgery came.

My favorite verse is Ephesians 6:10, "Be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power," and I repeated these words over and over in my head as a mantra until the anesthesia put me to sleep.

I had my upper jaw cut off and then reattached in a position that came over my

lower jaw.

The surgery lasted eight hours but was a complete success. The days following the

“ But, despite my fears, the day of my surgery came. ”

surgery were very difficult.

My jaw was wired shut, and I was unable to eat. I could be fed only liquids through a large plastic syringe.

During this time of recovery, I found myself relying on God with a desperation I hadn't experienced before.

I truly did not believe that I had the strength needed to make it through the recovery process.

I was constantly hungry,

I could barely talk and I was sick from the various pain medications.

God taught me through this surgery that relying on my own strength was futile. I was full of fear and wanted to give up.

As I gave my frustrations and anger to God, it struck me that I didn't have to be strong for the Lord—I had to be strong in Him.

As humans, we cannot overcome the various trials that we face in this life alone.

We need God and his

strength to overcome our hardships.

God gave me the strength to take recovery one day at a time and even gave me the peace to be a witness to my surgeon and nurses.

Looking back on this surgery, I am so thankful that I made the decision to go through with it.

Not only did it give me the ability to chew and breathe properly, it also helped me realize what it means to be strong *in* the Lord's mighty power.

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» Special Collection «

On the second floor of Mack Library, the Special Collection holds the University's assortment of rare books collected over the course of 90 years.

An impressive number of Bibles, religious texts and hymnals make up a large portion of the collection, but book topics range from the history of fashion

to Shakespeare. The antique boardroom table and matching throne-like

chairs came from the old Administration Building conference room

where the BJU president would consult with his cabinet. Doctoral

students as well as students from other universities, including nearby

Furman, periodically visit the room to use its extensive resources.

And BJU doctoral students often use the room to present and defend

their dissertations when finishing their degree requirements.



The collection contains books so rare and old that guests must wear gloves when handling them. Photo: Rebecca Snyder

Coffee

secret menu



Having an on-campus coffee stop can be a lifesaver during college. After three nights of five hours of sleep, you can run over to Cuppa Jones in the Den or Cuppa Express behind Alumni to get that afternoon kick. Cuppa Jones and Cuppa Express have drip coffee, lattes and

cappuccinos, but sometimes you might just want to mix things up. Here are some new mixes (on the new secret menu) created by your favorite baristas, guaranteed to brighten up your day:

FROZEN

FALL JAVIVA COURTNEY SACCO

A double shot of espresso blended with milk, Javiva powder, ice, maple pancake, cinnamon bun, pumpkin and vanilla syrups. Served with whipped cream and a cinnamon dusting.

HONEY BERRY FRIO AMY SHEETER

White chocolate, honey and raspberry syrups blended with milk, ice and Javiva powder.

COTTON CANDY FRIO. AMY SHEETER

Caramel, blueberry and raspberry syrups blended with milk, ice and Javiva powder.

ICED

PASSION FRUIT HIBISCUS ICED TEA . . . AMY SHEETER

Hibiscus iced tea blended with passion fruit syrup.

IRISHMAN LATTE DANIEL SIMPSON

Iced latte with espresso, Irish cream and almond syrups. Topped with a chocolate drizzle.

HOT

OSCAR WILDE STEAMER DAVID VEATCHHONEY

Hot milk with cinnamon bun, Irish cream and honey syrups. Served with a light dusting of cinnamon.

DUMBLEDORE MACCHIATO RICK VILLANUEVA

A macchiato made with a ristretto shot of espresso with white chocolate, macadamia and peppermint syrups.

ROATAN LATTE BRIANNA HOWELL

Hot latte made with espresso, milk and sweetened condensed milk flavored with Coconut Syrup.

CUPPA JOY LATTE JESSICA WALLACE

Hot latte flavored with espresso, dark chocolate, cinnamon bun and maple pancake syrups. Topped with cinnamon.

EMERALD ISLE LATTE MEGHAN BURRELL

Hot latte made with espresso and green mint and white chocolate syrups.

JANE AUSTEN MACCHIATO JESSICA HOWE

A macchiato made with a ristretto shot of espresso, white chocolate, wild berry and macadamia nut syrups.

Fun facts!

Cuppa Jones in the Den has nearly 30 flavor options.

Several of the Cuppa Jones baristas have outside training and do latte art.

If you're not a coffee person and you want something frozen, you can order any of the frios or flavor combinations without coffee.

Cuppa Express has a more traditional espresso machine but can still make nearly all your favorite iced and hot drinks.

bruins spotlight

1 | What sparked your interest in playing volleyball?

"I started playing at a summer camp during high school."

2 | Who has impacted you the most in your sports career?

"My senior high school coach. He was the best coach I had up to Coach Denny. He knew the game was not just about skill."

3 | What are your favorite hobbies or pastimes?

"I enjoy reading, photography and ice skating."

4 | What do you want to do with your degree after graduation?

"I want to be either a volleyball or basketball coach."

Laura Gaston

freshman

Exercise Science

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Patriots, Colts claim volleyball championship title



The Colts took on the Bear Cubs in Saturday's championship match. Photo: Rebecca Snyder



The Patriots continued their winning streak as they faced the Rams. Photo: Rebecca Snyder



AJ PAPAGNO
Staff Writer

The intramural volleyball season wrapped up last week after a great playoff series for both men's and women's societies.

The Beta Gamma Delta Patriots defeated the Phi Kappa Pi Rams 3-0 to claim the men's intramural society championship Saturday night.

The Patriots' win secured their impressive feat of not dropping a single set in any of their playoff matches on their way to the title.

Finishing the regular season undefeated was another impressive achievement by the Patriots volleyball team as they finished 6-0 to end the regular season.

"I would say every game has been important to my guys," Patriots volleyball coach Kyle Kitchings said.

Leading into the playoffs, Kitchings said there were two players who made a difference this season.

"Impact players for us have been Lorin Pegram and Dion Vidal. They are our best volleyball players, and Lorin has been the leader of the volleyball team since I've been in Beta," Kitchings said.

Despite losing to the Patriots in the championship match, the Rams had a successful volleyball season also going undefeated.

Rams volleyball coach Jonathan Johnston said he was impressed with the effort shown by the guys each match.

The Rams had a big win over the Pi Gamma Delta Royals in the regular season, beating them 2-1 in their third match.

"Our biggest game was against the Royals as we beat them in three sets. It was a very close game and in the end we won by just a few points," Johnston said.

For the women's intramural volleyball championship, the Theta Sigma Chi Colts A team defeated the Beta Chi Omega Bear Cubs 3-2 to win the title.

The Colts A team had two big wins to start the playoffs before entering the championship match, beating the Cardinals White team and the Classics A team back to back.

Saleena Walker, coach for the Colts A team said the regular season went well for the team because of their cohesion.

"Our teamwork is astounding due to the solid unity among the girls," Walker said.

"Our starting lineup is fantastic, and we have a talented team all around. Our subs really bring energy, and the starting lineup does a solid job of bringing intensity to the game," Walker said.

Similar to the Rams, the Bear Cubs also had a tremendous season despite falling short of winning the title.

"The regular season went well with a record of 5-1. As the season progressed we improved in our communication and working together as a team," Bear Cubs coach McKenna Howell said.

Howell said the Bear Cubs' regular season match against the Seagulls was a confidence booster for her team.

"We were down the first [set] and lost, but we pulled together and won the next two to send us into the playoffs," Howell said.

Howell also said the team focused on keeping their energy up and working together as a team leading into the semifinals and throughout their season.



Congratulations

Intramural Volleyball Champions
Beta Gamma Delta & Theta Sigma Chi

Treat your taste buds with Tropical Smoothie Café

LUKE MCCORMICK
Staff Writer

The Greenville area now boasts its first Tropical Smoothie Café, and the café has arrived just in time to meet the energy needs of students preparing for the last few weeks of the semester and final exams.

Tropical Smoothie Café is located at 1118 Woodruff Road in the shopping center with Trader Joe's.

According to *The Greenville News*, the café dedicated to fresh ingredients and healthy

alternatives to fast food was brought to Greenville by two veterans of the restaurant industry who most recently worked with the Denny's Corporation, Bill Ruby and Greg Powell. The two business partners hope to bring several of the restaurants to the Upstate.

Tropical Smoothie Café's modern design and bright colors make even rainy days feel like a day on an island beach.

On a recent afternoon, the restaurant was frequently visited but never crowded with ample seating available and tables near electrical outlets.

The café offers free Wi-Fi making it an ideal place to study alone with a smoothie or relax with friends on a study break.

The café offers a variety of smoothies, sandwiches, wraps and salads. All smoothies are 24 ounces and cost between \$4 and \$6. A smoothie and half a sandwich or a half salad costs \$7.49, and a smoothie can be added to any food item for \$3.79.

Tropical Smoothie Café offers 11 classic smoothies that cost \$4.79 each. The Mango Magic is a delicious mix of mango, pineapple and non-

fat yogurt. The Sunny Day is a creamy combination of mango, banana, orange juice and kiwi.

Tropical Smoothie Café offers eight "green smoothies" that include antioxidant-filled ingredients like spinach, kale, avocado and goji. The Detox Island Green is naturally sweetened and contains spinach, kale, mango, pineapple, banana and ginger.

Supercharged smoothies are ideal for those looking for extra nutritional value and cost \$5.29. The Triple Berry Oat contains strawberries,



Rockin' Raspberry combines raspberry, strawberry and banana. Photo: Ian Nichols



The brightly colored café provides guests with an atmosphere reflective of its tropical fruit smoothies. Photo: Ian Nichols

blueberries, cranberry, multivitamin, ground flax seed, whole grain oats, whey protein and Splenda. In the Lean Machine, Tropical Smoothie Café combines strawberries and bananas with fat burner and energizer.

Indulgent smoothies are a healthier alternative to the typical dessert and also cost \$5.29. The popular Bahama Mama is a mix of strawberries, pineapple, white chocolate and coconut.

The café offers four dif-

ferent types of sandwiches including the Ultimate Club, made with ham, turkey, bacon and Swiss cheese. Most of the menu's sandwiches cost around \$7.

The restaurant also offers 13 types of fresh wraps and flatbreads including two breakfast omelet wraps and a breakfast flatbread filled with peanut butter, banana, honey and granola.

Tropical Smoothie Café is open daily from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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