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BJU continues the annual tradition Feb. 13 through 16 when students break from classes and visitors arrive on campus for this year's Bible Conference. With a theme of "Revive Us Again," the conference will inform about spiritual revivals of the past and call for similar revival at Bob Jones University and among the thousands who will attend the conference.

This will be the third year Bible Conference adopts a specific theme. President Steve Pettit personally chose this year's revival theme, which he has considered doing since his installation as university president.

"As the president, I didn't want to be too long in my tenure without emphasizing revival because you get what you emphasize," Pettit said. "So we have to emphasize it. It has to be a part of our conversation."

Pettit said BJU has a history of emphasizing revival and See **CONFERENCE** p. 4 >>

## REVIVE

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## BIBLE CONFERENCE

## BJU secures \$1.8 million

*Big gifts provide footing for new vision*

IAN DYKE  
Editor

The entire campus watched Jan. 31 as President Steve Pettit officially introduced the new School of Health Professions from the FMA platform. But what the campus didn't see are the people who work to make that vision a reality.

John Matthews, executive vice president for advancement and alumni relations, and his team in the Executive Offices have been fundraising for months to support BJU's five

new growth initiatives, one of which includes the School of Health Professions (See infographic for more information about fundraising for these five growth initiatives).

Branded BJU Together, these fundraising efforts seek to raise more than \$3 million for the five initiatives and \$4.5 for BJU's scholarship fund.

Pettit announced Jan. 18 via a press release that Matthews' team had found great success in securing two large donations, together totaling \$1.8 million.

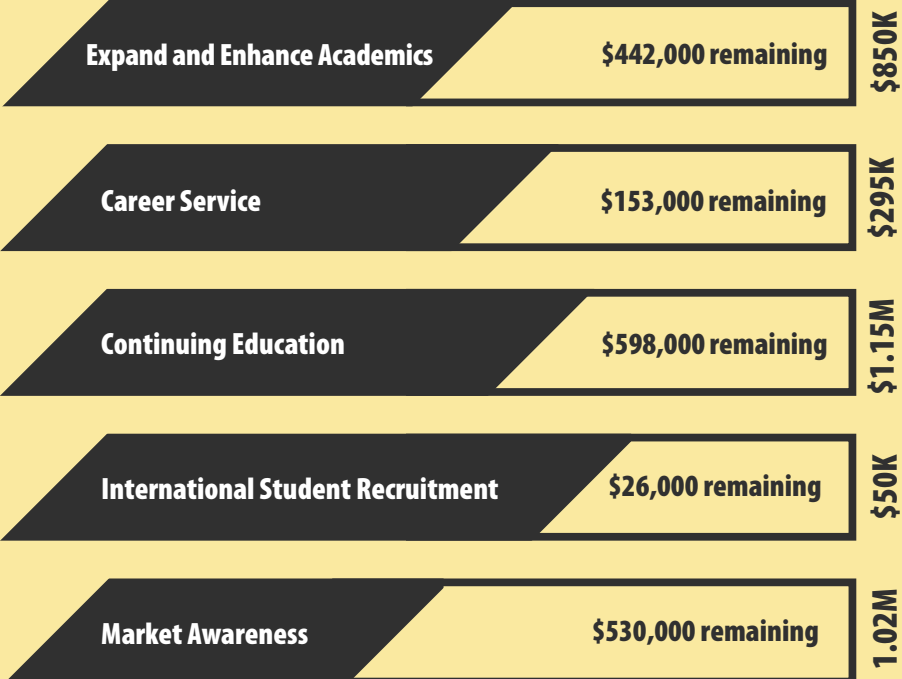
"2017 was a fantastic year for development at BJU," Pettit said. "2018 is shaping up to be an even better year. I'm so thankful for these individuals who have made these donations."

While the donors chose to remain anonymous, BJU Public Relations said both gifts came from parents who appreciated the education their children received at BJU.

The first \$1 million gift was given to BJU's general fund to support the five key initiatives.

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### BJU'S 5 KEY INITIATIVES



## COLUMN



STEPHEN DYSSERT  
Photographer

Some students spend their year trapped in the library like cloistered monks.

I'll admit it: some days I envy those students. I would love to spend more time writing papers and diving into books at the library.

But as a senior cinema production major, it seems my major takes me just about everywhere else.

As soon as I passed my sophomore check I was already working on my senior project: an eight-to-12 minute film.

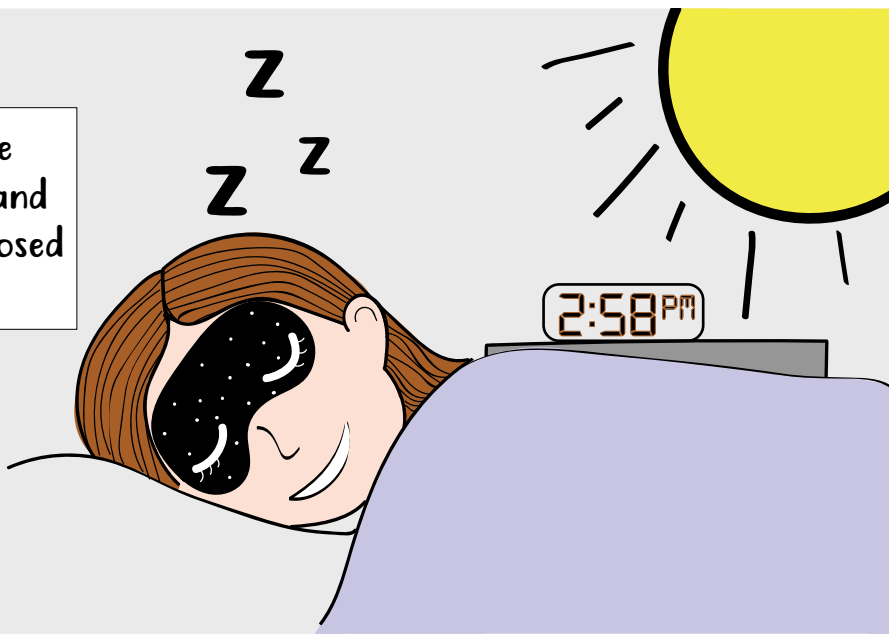
Junior year I worked with as many seniors as I could, trying to learn the process. We filmed everywhere from airplane hangars to the Columbia state capitol building.

The last four years I've been like a knight in training. Senior film looms as the great dragon at the end of the quest.

But to slay this dragon takes an army. I asked all the younger cinema students to come help, and watched in awe as they willingly laid

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Getting the rest I deserve after putting my name and the date on what's supposed to be a 12-page paper...



COMIC: CHRISTIANA WILLIAMS

## The Collegian Editorial

# Develop your leadership, not your resume

Junior and senior year means it's time to get your life together. For most of us the first step toward that goal is finding a job.

So like many others, I'm putting my best foot forward and writing my first real resume. With some advice from the helpful people in Career Services, I now have a working resume.

But despite the advice and the effort at fine-tuning, I don't feel like my resume completely describes me. Fitting 21 years of life experience into a one-page document is a hard task.

My campus leadership experience was especially hard to capture on a resume. For example, being editor of *The Collegian* was hard to condense into four bullet points.

Somehow "Led a team of 23 students to produce a weekly newspaper" didn't fully capture all that went into preparing this issue for publication.

But I'm hardly the only student who works hard in

a campus position. The student body presidents and many society and organizational leaders give their time to provide a valuable service to the campus community.

Some who hold campus positions, however, are leaders in name only. The fact is we all know people who seek out positions only for what they can get instead of how they can serve.

They'll put the title on their resume but won't live up to the responsibility. If they were being truthful, these "leaders" would have no trouble fitting their experience into four bullet points let alone a full page.

The Pareto Principle, also known as the 80/20 rule, says that 80 percent of the work will be done by 20 percent of the people.

Many businesses have used the rule to describe the labor inequality among their employees. Could this rule also be used to describe student leadership at BJU?

To illustrate this point,

imagine an event from last semester like student-led worship, Homecoming or Turkey Bowl.

Now, imagine all the work that must go into planning those events. The Student Leadership Council puts hours into those events and to other initiatives around campus.

Yet last semester one SLC member told *The Collegian* they work around one hour a week for SLC. One hour.

Now think about how many societies or other campus organizations are almost entirely run by the president and vice president despite having seven or more officers?

The fact that these students' titles will look just as good on their resumes as true campus leaders is frustrating.

But I don't mean to attack titles altogether because they're not bad. They're actually useful in communicating responsibility.

But by assuming a title, you promise that you will also assume the responsibility

ties that go with it.

I haven't been in youth group in over four years, yet I still remember my youth group leader telling me that community service isn't about your feeding hungry people: it's about hungry people being fed. That distinction makes all the difference.

The same principle applies to campus leadership. It's not about basking in your own influence, but using your influence to serve others here on campus.

This is my call to all campus leaders, including myself: assume your responsibilities and live up to your title because we have a campus to serve this semester.

Let's focus less on ourselves and more on others.

As a campus, let's learn from the example of Christ who "came not to be served, but to serve."

The question is not what's on your resume, but what are you doing.

—Ian Dyke, Editor

## TALKBACK

## What's the ideal Valentine's Day date?



sophomore  
AMY PE

"Stargazing on a pickup truck."



freshman  
SAM SEHESTED

"Rooftop dinner."



Sophomore  
PATRICIA DUARTE

"A walk in the park."



freshman  
JOSEPH SELL

"Butterfly observation and pizza."



senior  
ASHER VINCENT

"Hiking in the Rockies."

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# Senior class deviates from tradition, sets new precedent

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"I have been campaigning since freshman year for a forty-foot-tall statue of Brody and Dr. Pettit wrestling," Andrew Carter jokingly said about his idea for this year's senior class gift.

Carter and Rebecca Williams, senior class representatives, have been planning this year's senior class gift since last semester.

Although senior class gifts are traditionally announced during Commencement, the representatives have deviated from that tradition by announcing the 2018 gift to seniors last week.

During the senior meeting on Friday, Feb. 2, Carter and Williams revealed the gift to the senior class gathered in Rodeheaver while juniors and underclassmen attended

society meetings as normal.

The gift is a long-standing tradition at Bob Jones University. "The purpose of the senior class gift is to give the seniors an opportunity to leave a legacy from our class that can change and improve the University," Carter said.

Carter said the unprecedented meeting follows some changes to how the gift is decided and funded.

"This year's the first year there is no money set aside," Carter said. "So this is going to be one hundred percent fundraised by the seniors."

According to Carter, in previous years the university would always set aside some money for the gift, and then the seniors could contribute as well.

Consequently, this will be the first year the senior class will have to raise money to fund their gift.

President Steve Pettit, who often refers to himself as an honorary member of the class, has agreed to give to the senior gift if the seniors reach their participation goal.

The class of 2018 is the first class to have spent all four years under Pettit's administration. Consequently, the class and Pettit have had a special bond.

The president even has a photo of the class as freshmen on his office wall.

Williams and Carter said they sent a survey and also spoke with many seniors to think of ideas for the gift.

According to Carter, he and Williams personally choose the gift based on the feedback they received from the senior class.

Carter said the senior meeting gave seniors an opportunity to see the gift and give feedback. The gift can be



Senior class representatives Andrew Carter and Rebecca Williams announce the gift to the 2018 class. Photo: Stephen Dysert

rethought if the current idea receives negative feedback, according to Carter.

According to Williams, the senior class gift is something the entire senior class can rally around.

"While we're the ones who personally choose it;

we're representing what [the seniors] want, not just what we want," Williams said.

Williams said there have been bigger projects that have required funds of previous senior class gifts, such as Palmetto Green, for which two or three senior classes do-

nated money. However, this class gift will be solely given by the current seniors.

While the gift has been unveiled to the senior class, the senior class reps will officially present the senior gift to Pettit during Commencement in May.

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down their free time. Remember that "day of rest" Dr. Pettit announced unexpectedly last semester? My crew filmed over 14 hours that day.

Even though I had nothing to offer them but experience and food, miraculously they kept coming back.

Managing my own schedule was hard enough; coordinating the schedules of a full cast and crew was a nightmare.

But before long I had a band of brothers ready to charge the dragon's lair.

As a time-travel romance, I knew my film would be unusual. But I never realize this would involve reserving the entire auditorium so that organ students wouldn't rehearse while we were rolling. This went on several months. To all the organ performance majors on campus, I profusely apologize.

It took us weeks to figure out how to transform a retirement home cafeteria into a fancy restaurant; then our lead actor had pink eye.

One shoot I spent 90 minutes trying to get a 3-year-old

to topple a load of laundry. I'm currently struggling with the Wi-Fi as I Skype composers in Ireland, Florida and Spain. I've spent hundreds of dollars and worked hundreds of hours, all for an eight-to-12-minute film.

But at the end of the day, it's so much more than a school project. Hopefully this film will live on for years and even enter festivals.

More importantly, if I do this right, people will see the film and feel something.

For a few minutes I get to change how people see

the world. Perhaps, they will walk away slightly changed. I hope so.

Even if they don't, I know my friends and I will never forget the adventures we went on to make this film.

And when all is said and done, we'll be itching to go out and film another one.

I take what I said about being a film major back.

Other students can have fun with their research papers and dissertations if that's what suits them.

If you need me, I'll be editing my film.

# Zoology class observes animal behavior firsthand

CELESTE GAUER  
Staff Writer

Sitting just feet away from a man-eating cat might sound like a horrifying experience for most students. But for 10 biology students, it's the chance of a lifetime.

These students will be spending time this semester at the Greenville Zoo to observe animals such as leopards, ocelots, colobus monkeys, rheas and the giant anteater.

The 10 students in the Division of Natural Science's Animal Behavior Class, are conducting a semester-long project as part of their requirements for completing the zoology class.

The project is not carried out during lab hours but rather on the student's own time. Students gather data by observing, timing and recording

the actions of the animals.

Toward the end of the semester, the students will compile the data into a research report written in scientific format as well as create a PowerPoint. The presentations of these reports to the zookeepers serve to improve the care of the observed animals at the zoo as well.

The class, which meets three times a week for lectures and once for lab, is primarily intended for students in the zoo and wildlife biology major.

During lab, the students work with a variety of animals in differing environments.

Observations between various species of the constricting of snakes, territoriality in insects and courtship behaviors of cockroaches give students a chance to see the diversity within the animal kingdom.

One might assume that observations of animal behavior would tend to be subjective in nature, but this is not the case.

Dr. Chris Carmichael, an associate professor of biology and the instructor of the class, said, "We have to have tools by which we are going to call certain behaviors so we can then quantify those behaviors."

Those tools are ethograms, a list of behaviors and definitions for those behaviors, Carmichael explained. Students develop an ethogram each week because ethograms vary depending on the species as well as the objectives of the study.

Jordan Gillespie, a senior biology major, is part of a group that will be monitoring a leopard and her two cubs.

"Observing, recording

and timing all of their behaviors is the start of the data that we're collecting for our project," Gillespie said.

The group will be observing the general behavior of the animals for an estimated one and a half to two hours a week, Gillespie said.

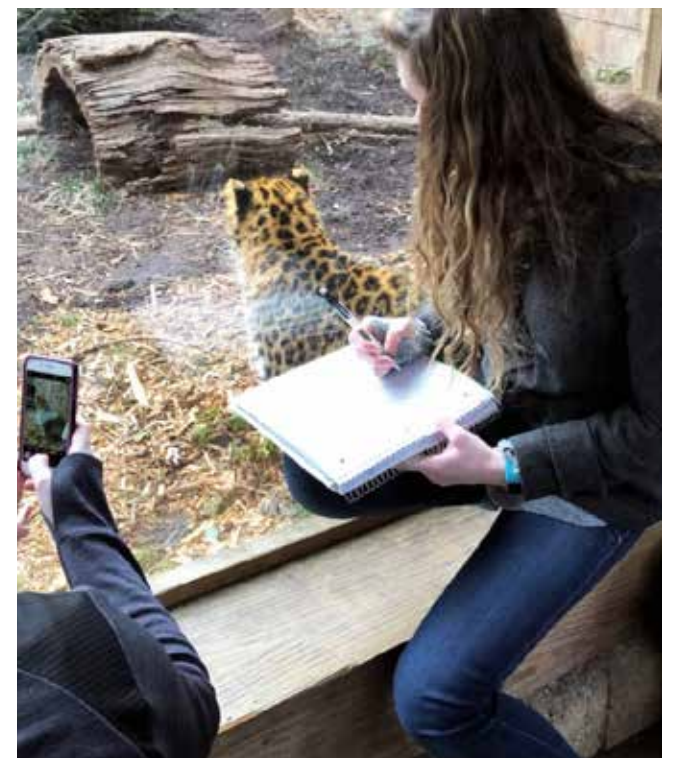
The students have already visited the zoo several times but will now be conducting this project on their own time. At the end of the semester, the students will compile their data and present their findings to the staff at Greenville Zoo.

Anna McKee, a senior biology major, said, "We're able to give them information they need about their animals, and it also helps us learn how to study animal behavior."

The methods that students learn in class will be directly applicable to future occupations in the biology field.

"There's nothing like actually going out and doing your own work and having an original project and observing

animals as they are," McKee said, "That is where you learn the most and get the best experience and understanding."



Animal Behavior Class students study a Greenville Zoo leopard. Photo: Submitted



# CoRE Conference to address counseling and mental illness

KATE JONES  
Staff Writer

This year's CoRE conference will tackle the important yet sometimes controversial issues of psychology and mental illness as well as their relationship to biblical counseling.

Sponsored by BJU's Seminary the counseling conference is scheduled for Feb. 12

and 13 as part of the Bible Conference Week activities.

Dr. Jim Berg, member of the seminary faculty and the spokesperson and coordinator for the event, said the goal of the conference is to help a Christian audience understand biblical counseling and to show to what degree biblical counseling intersects with psychology and mental illness. Berg said the conference

is relevant to Christian attitudes toward psychology. "Biblical Christianity has always welcomed scientific study and scientific data if it's properly interpreted," Berg said. "And unfortunately, even in the Christian realm, people have far more confidence in findings of psychology than is warranted."

Occurring the Monday and Tuesday before Bible Confer-

ence begins, this year's CoRE Conference features several notable speakers from the biblical counseling profession.

Dr. Jeremy Lelek, president of the Association of Biblical Counselors, and Dan and Pat Gannon, certified biblical counselors and medical professionals, will be the primary speakers for the conference covering issues from "Psychology and Biblical Counseling: A Brief History" to "How Do Biblical Counselors View Psychotropic Drugs."

Dr. Greg Mazak, School of Religion faculty and professor of counseling classes who is presenting a workshop at the conference, said it provides a concise, focused format. "It's essential for anyone who hopes to be in any type of vocational Christian ministry," Mazak said.

The conference is available to the entire student body, faculty and staff. Stu-

dents will be admitted with their ID cards. Seminary and some other classes that occur during conference hours will be canceled, and service absences are available to those who register to attend any one or all sessions, according to information emailed to students by the School of Religion.

"I hope it will be a compassionate, eye-opening, faith-building experience for students, and I hope it will drive people to God and His Word in new and fresh ways," Berg said.

BJU published its "Philosophy of Biblical Counseling" statement in 2016 as part of a normal program review of the biblical counseling program. Berg said the biblical counseling philosophy had not been formally stated before.

A committee of external advisers from many areas of ministry was brought together to help define biblical counseling. The booklet was sent to leading members of the biblical counseling community, and their endorsements can be found in the front of the book.

"This conference is part of that articulating what biblical counseling is," Berg said. "We are hoping the program will really build through all of this."

A PDF of the "Philosophy of Biblical Counseling" is available online at <https://www.bju.edu/about/biblical-counseling.pdf>. More information on the 2018 CoRE Conference can be found at <http://core.bju.edu/>.



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said the University itself was founded "in the stream" of revivals dating back to America's First Great Awakening.

According to Pettit, the entire history of the church is founded on revival, beginning with the Day of Pentecost. Pettit said every historical revival has a story and said he hopes next week's Bible Conference will be a story of returning to God and prayer.

Six speakers will preach the nine sessions of the con-

ference. In addition to the preaching, speakers will lead workshops during Thursday's 1:30 p.m. session.

President Steve Pettit and Mark Minnick, senior pastor of Mount Calvary Baptist Church in Greenville, will be familiar to the student body.

Other speakers may be less familiar. These speakers are Aaron Coffey, an evangelist; Les Ollila, the director of Building Great Leaders; Kevin Schaal, the senior pastor of Northwest Valley Bap-

tist Church in Arizona, and Armen Thomassian, pastor of Calgary Free Presbyterian Church in Alberta, Canada.

Jeremy Wray, student body chaplain, is just one of many eagerly anticipating the conference.

Wray said just thinking about the conference has already affected his prayer life.

"Whether that's in the subject of praying for revival or praying for others, I've already grown in anticipation of it," Wray said.

Wray looks forward to the recovery that comes with Bible Conference.

"I think it really is a great time for rest, [but] I love how we don't have to go on spiritual rest," Wray said.

While classes will not be held Feb. 14 through 16, Carter Henderson, freshman Bible major, said the time off is not a vacation but a time set aside for revival.

"It's a break from school, but it's not a break from life," Henderson said.

Other events will occur throughout the week in addition to the services.

A pastor's prayer meeting will be held every morning at 9:15 a.m. in Levinson Hall starting Feb. 14.

Feb. 15 specifically has many events, including a luncheon for pastors and Christian workers at 11:45 a.m. in the Davis room of the din-

ing common (register on the Bible Conference website before Feb. 8), a concert by the Foundation Brass at noon in the Kalmbach room of the dining common, a Beyond 50 Reception in the Davis Room of the dining common at 2:30 p.m. and an Alumni Reception at 8:30 p.m. on the second floor of the Welcome Center.

# Hobby Lobby founder to headline STAND Conference, talk leadership

ANDREW SCHMIDT  
Staff Writer

Bob Jones University welcomes precollege students and their families to the STAND academic and leadership conference on Feb. 12.

The conference will feature Christian businessman Steve Green as the speaker for this year's education conference. Green is the founder and president of Hobby Lobby as well as president of the Museum of the Bible in Washington, D.C.

Because of the recent prominence of Steve Green and his stand for Christian values, rights and freedoms through the Hobby Lobby Supreme Court case, many of the event planners believe that Green is a wise choice to

headline the conference.

"It's important to train our young people to face the situations they're going to be going into as business [professionals] and whatever else they'll be dealing with in life," said Pam Cushman, director of events. "We're hoping that we can bring in some [speakers] who have stood for their faith amidst opposition and did it well."

The conference is called STAND, an acronym for Sound Teaching About Navigating Decisions. Courtney Montgomery, the event coordinator, said the conference will focus on the subject of leadership, discussing ideas such as leading as a Christian in the world and the importance of character.

Although the conference

is geared toward Christian school and homeschool students from 7th through 12th grade, the event is open to the public. Over 1,200 people are expected to attend.

The conference includes two morning sessions by Steve Green, who will also speak during the regular chapel hour.

In the afternoon Matthew Weathers, BJU student leadership coordinator, will hold sessions about developing biblical leadership on a personal level for the high school students. The afternoon will also include an interactive leadership challenge to add a hands-on element.

During the afternoon, homeschooling parents will attend workshops with Dr. Greg Stiekes, a member of

the Seminary faculty, as well as Dr. David George, a consultant. Christian school leaders will attend a workshop with Dr. Bobby Wood, chief enrollment officer.





# Bible Conference FUNDRAISERS

**BUJ Bingo** - Feb. 9 at lunch - Kalmbach Room (Kangas)

**Crush Soda** - Feb 9 through Feb. 14 at 11:30 through 1:30 p.m. - Den (Feb. 9) and outside FMA (Feb. 12 and 13)(Cardinals)

**Photo Scavenger Hunt** - Feb. 8 through 15 - all around campus (Knights)

**Mario Kart Tournament** - Feb. 9 at 7 through 10 p.m. - Alumni 106 (Stallions)

**Phi Beta Pie** - Feb. 9 and 10 at 8 through 10 p.m. - Gazebo and green space (Bulldogs)

**Thrift Sale** - Feb. 10 at 10 a.m. through 3 p.m. in Sunday study lounge (Eagles)

**Donuts** - Feb. 13 through 16 after evening service - Gazebo (Cavs/Bandits)

**Speed Dating** - Feb. 15 at 9:30 through 11 p.m. - Rodeheaver Lobby (Vikings/Kangas)

**Dodgeball Tournament** - Feb. 15 at 9 p.m. through midnight - DFH

**Run or Dye 5K** - Feb. 10 at 1 p.m. - Activity Center (Tornadoes)



**Johnson Burgers** - Feb. 11 through 16 after evening service - (Johnson)



**Family Feud Gameshow** - Feb. 10 at 8 p.m. - Levinson Hall (Dragons)



**International Food Festival** - Feb. 15 at 5 through 6:30 p.m. - Assembly Room (ISO)



**Visit Star lab and hold Reptiles** - Feb. 15 from 3 through 4:30 p.m. - the Applied Studies Building (Collegiate Biology Association)





Students adopt vegetarian lifestyle for health benefits

GERSON PETIT  
Staff Writer

When Rebecca Williams arrived at BJU, she quickly found campus life was less conducive to her vegetarian lifestyle than home.

Growing up with two vegetarian parents, Williams followed their example and has been vegetarian all her life, never eating a single piece of meat until well after her 18th birthday.

Williams is just one of many students who have vegetarian or vegan lifestyles and who are learning how to make the most of the food options in the dining common.

According to Williams, it is possible to be vegetarian on campus although options depend on the day.

Williams said vegetarian students should not rely on carbohydrates too much although those options are readily available. She said stir fry and hummus are good alternatives.

Another vegetarian, Angelica Krystyn, said she became a vegetarian at age 16. Krystyn said she likes to experiment with veggie recipes.

She even claimed that students can replace meat in nearly any recipe with a vegetarian alternative.

“There really isn’t that much of a difference,” she said.

When living on campus, Krystyn cooks many of her meals in the residence halls.

She said she does a lot of gumbo, which is an inexpensive option for money-conscious students. Krystyn also said students can find many quality vegetarian recipes on Pinterest.

“It gets to be fun, creating something unique you don’t see very much,” Krystyn said.

Melanie Schell, nutrition professor in the Division of Natural Science, said a vegetarian diet can be a healthy way to eat, but it requires a lot of commitment.



Students can find vegetarian options on daily dishes through the dining services app. Photo: Robby Jorgensen



Veggie burgers are available upon request in the Dining Common American grill. Photo: Robby Jorgensen

Schell said there are many variations of vegetarian diets now. Those who aren’t ready to fully forego meat can experiment with a flexitarian diet, a diet which alternate between vegetarian and non-vegetarian days.

This diet has become popular within the last five years especially among those who are attempting to regulate their cholesterol.

According to Schell, vegetarian diets are not necessarily healthier than their traditional counterparts.

“It really depends on the [food] choices you make,” Schell said. “People can make vegetarian diets healthy or unhealthy.”

Contrary to a popular belief, Schell said a vegetarian diet is not better for weight loss because it depends more on physical activity than on eating or abstaining from meat.

For example, Schell said loading on cheddar cheese, a vegetarian item, is unhealthy because it adds unnecessary fats to people’s diets.

“A vegetarian diet does not guarantee weight loss,” Schell said.

“The most important thing you’re eliminating from your diet by eating a plant-based is saturated fat that can lead to the development of cardiovascular diseases.”

Consequently, Schell said a primarily plant-based vegetarian diet tends to be a heart-healthier diet.

According to Schell, being a vegetarian requires planning ahead.

She advised vegetarian and vegan students to research plant-based proteins, which are the hardest to get, and eating whole-wheat breads as opposed to the white breads.

She also said vegetarian students should consider eating hummus because it is a good source of protein.

“For someone who is vegetarian, eggs are a really good source of high-quality protein,” Schell said. “So if you’re eating vegetarian, eggs are going to be a really good friend.”

Schell said she encourages students to use the dining services website, [bju.campusdish.com](http://bju.campusdish.com) to plan and check out meals being served. She said students can click on the menus online to read a full nutritional display.

In addition, Schell also said the menus online include symbols indicating if food items are vegetarian (V) or vegan (VE). She said she recommends the dining services phone app.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS TIP

by Melanie Schell  
nutrition professor

Iron is an essential mineral—not consuming enough iron leaves you tired and weak.

Iron transports oxygen in the hemoglobin of your body’s red blood cells.

While some plant products contain small amounts of iron, the most easily absorbed iron is found in beef, poultry and other meats.

And women under age 50, this is one nutrient that you need more of than the guys.



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## Sports Column

## Is Brady still GOAT after his third Super Bowl loss?

ANDREW RYSTA  
Sports Editor

There have been Super Bowls in the past that were disappointing, below par, or just over-all deflating. Last Sunday's game was definitely not one of them.

Leb by backup QB Nick Foles, the Philadelphia Eagles defeated the New England Patriots 41-33 in the "big game," bringing the first Lombardi trophy to Philadelphia.

"We've played this game since we were little kids; we dreamed about this moment," Foles said.

This was the moment Tom Brady was made for, leading his team to the win and solidifying his legacy as the greatest of all time.

He had two minutes, and I felt like everyone in the world knew what was coming. But the Eagles defense had different plans for the Patriots QB.

With 2:16 remaining in the game, as Brady dropped back to pass, defensive end Corey Graham rounded the Patriots offensive line, and punched

the ball out of Brady's hands.

The ball bounced right into the arms of Eagles lineman Derek Barnett. Eagles fans around the globe erupted in ecstatic joy.

It was not the end of the game, and Brady had one more opportunity to rally the Patriots. But the final throw fell short at the end, and the green and silver confetti rained down as the scoreboard read 41-33 in favor of Philadelphia.

As the Eagles hoisted the trophy, Foles addressed the media, saying, "I felt calm. I mean, we have such a great group of guys, such a great coaching staff. We felt confident coming in, and we just went out there and played football."

But what does this mean for Tom Brady? Is he still the greatest quarterback of all time? Patriots fans have been arguing this for years, and they have the stats to prove it.

Boasting five Super Bowl titles, four Super Bowl MVP's and 13 Pro Bowl selections, Brady has clearly shown himself to be an all-time great.

But if you listen to Brady's comments after the game, it seems the quarterback underperformed late in the game.

Brady said after the game that he wasn't very happy with the final drive.

However, even if you want to make the argument that Brady played a great game and then choked on the final

two drives, blame can also be pointed to the Patriots defense, who gave up 41 points Sunday night.

Brady, however, put up more record breaking numbers with 505 yards passing, three touchdowns and no interceptions in Super Bowl LII.

I feel like this debate can go back and forth. I definitely

think Brady is incredible; he just got little help from his defense. The Patriots kicker was hurting the cause as well.

Another big storyline is who will start for the Eagles next season.

Carson Wentz was having an MVP-like season until tearing his ACL and LCL in week 14 against the Rams. Assuming he is back to health, the Eagles will have a decision on their hands.

Do they stay with Foles

who led the team to its first ever Super Bowl championship? Or do they start MVP candidate Wentz in the 2019 campaign.

They could also mix things up and trade one of the two while trying to improve the roster. The opportunities are endless.

All the suspense had led up to this. The Eagles finally captured a championship, and it was definitely a Super Bowl to remember.



Tom Brady has played in eight Super Bowls, winning five. Photo: Submitted

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# Sports join the roster of Bible Conference fundraisers

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The months of February and March bring much excitement to sports fans. The Super Bowl, one of the most famous sporting events in the world, happened the first week of February.

The NBA has its all-star week. March Madness arrives, and the buzz surrounding the upcoming baseball season begins to ramp up.

Here at BJU, February and March bring a whole new meaning to the student body in terms of sports.

During these two months, many societies, staff and other student organizations have decided to take advantage of people's love for sports and organize sports fundraisers to raise money for the annual Bible Conference.

This year, all the proceeds from all the fundraisers will be going to a Camp Impact, the designated recipient of this year's conference offering.

The Epsilon Zeta Chi Tornadoes are hosting the Run or Dye 5K for the second straight year.

Nathan Augustus, president of the Epsilon Zeta Chi

Tornadoes, believes people in general love physical, competitive and social activities.

"When you can take all those elements (physical, competitive and social) and put them together, you get an awesome opportunity to raise money for Bible Conference," Augustus said.

This year, the officers of the Tornadoes are placing a

heavy emphasis on getting out into the community.

According to Augustus, last year the planning process started only two weeks before the actual event; so they really did not have time to market to the community.

"We are working with businesses, and we are working with churches," Augustus said. Because of the empha-

sis on the community and the extra time, the officers believe they will definitely surpass the turnout of last year's event.

Zeta Chi, the Pi Delta Chi Classics and the Pi Gamma Delta Royals also took advantage of the opportunity to raise money for Bible Conference by hosting their first ever ultimate Fris-

bee tournament.

The officers of the Classics and the Royals said the ultimate frisbee tournament was able to capitalize on a factor that many other fundraisers do not offer.

Tori Conover, president of the Classics, said that they have hosted a couple of flag football tournaments in the past. But this year, they want

to do something that was not already a society sport.

"I figured that this is something that our school could really get behind," Conover said. "There are not a lot of other opportunities to play [ultimate frisbee]."

The annual Smith 3v3 basketball tournament always garners attention from the student body and from the Greenville community.

Last year, the tournament was able to get enough people to field 35 teams. The tournament is not held until late in March, about a month after Bible Conference.

Inside residence hall supervisor Jonathan McLean has been charged with the task of running the tournament this year.

"We're actually holding the tournament at the end of the NCAA March Madness tournament," McLean said, "So we can capitalize on the moment and interest of the Final Four." McLean said he hope the fundraiser will continue to be successful in years to come.

Although the event occurs well after Bible Conference, all the proceeds will be added to the Bible Conference offering.



A student team participates in the volleyball tournament hosted by the Colts and Beta. Photo: submitted



# Templeton emphasizes outsider status in speech

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The Public Policy Organization (PPO) hosted gubernatorial candidate Catherine Templeton Feb. 1 as the South Carolina Republican June primary approaches.

Templeton stressed her conservative values during her speech in front of students, supporters and members of the media gathered in Levinson Hall.

Templeton said that during her time as South Carolina Director of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, she fought government bureaucracy and the Obama administration.

She said she angered enough members of the establishment that state law enforcement asked her to start carrying a firearm for defense.

“Can you imagine having a job where you’re doing the right thing and people are so upset that you have to carry a gun to protect yourself,” Templeton said.

Templeton also emphasized her connection to for-

mer Gov. Nikki Haley as a member of Haley’s cabinet.

“Gov. Hailey didn’t recruit me initially because I had a long history of fighting unions,” Templeton said. “She recruited me because I had a long history of beating unions.”

A large section of Templeton’s speech called out both political corruption in Columbia and a Republican opponent, Gov. Henry McMaster.

“Nikki Hailey took on the good ol’ boy system, but now they are comfortably back in these smoke-filled rooms,” Templeton said. “When we were going in the right direction, we lost our governor, and now we’re stuck with the ‘goodest’ of the good ol’ boys [as governor].”

Templeton promised a transparent government and safer state if elected.

She said BJU students who are South Carolina residents should consider voting for her because she is a political outsider.

“We need a conservative outsider, someone who can’t be bought,” Templeton

said. “[Someone who is] not afraid to fight for our values, not afraid to call out the corrupt good old boys and most importantly, take us into the future we deserve.”

Zachary Heltsley, president of the PPO, said the purpose of the visit was to allow students an opportunity to interact with one of the candidates they will soon have the option to vote for in the primary.

“I love to give [BJU] students the opportunity to get to know the candidates who are running,” Heltsley said.

He said staying informed on elections may be hard during busy college schedules but hosting candidates is one way to help.

“[BJU] has a lot of students from South Carolina,” Heltsley said. “While we are in school, we get caught up in chapel, classes and the daily grind, we may forget that there are other important things going on.”

Randy Page, chief of staff for President Petit, said a rise in the political participation of college students has sparked incentive for guber-

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The other gift will be divided between the general fund and the scholarship fund.

Both gifts come after years of relationship between BJU and the donor families, according to Matthews.

“Fundraising and advancement is all about relationships—relationships we have to donors and friends and relationships they have back,” Matthews said. “Nothing like this with a big gift happens quickly.

It’s a process over many years where the relationship grows.”

Matthews said he believes the gifts are a result of God’s leading and blessing as well as a result of the efforts of his team.

“I think the Lord has been rewarding us for humbly leaning on Him and letting folks know that we don’t have all the resources to the extent that people might have thought,” Matthews said.

The University is now trying to communicate to donors

the difference their donations make by connecting large donations to specific initiatives.

“People give big gifts to big vision,” Matthews said.

Regaining tax exemption has also made securing large donations simpler, according to Matthews. Donors can now claim tax breaks for their charitable donations to BJU.

This year’s large gifts follow two different \$1 million donations given to the University during 2017.



Templeton promised a transparent government and safer South Carolina if elected. Photo: Daniel Petersen

natorial candidates to visit the University.

“I think by virtue of the fact that college students are more involved, as well as the Upstate

being a huge hub for conservative Republican votes, you’re seeing [an increase in candidates visiting campus].”

Templeton is the third gu-

bernatorial candidate hosted by the PPO this election cycle, following visits by Gov. Henry McMaster and Lt. Gov. Kevin L. Bryant last fall.

## Indulge in Persian cuisine at Pomegranate on Main

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Restaurant Reviewer

Pomegranate on Main, located at 618 S. Main St. across from Falls Park in downtown Greenville, takes pride in its specialty Persian cuisine.

Starters such as hummus, cucumber salad and eggplant dishes made with fresh herbs and spices whet the appetite. The restaurant offers a select variety of wraps, made with fresh portabella mushrooms, salmon, chicken and more.

Meat kabobs are the signature entrée choices, specially marinated and charbroiled to bring out a strong, rich flavor. The most popular entrée is the tenderloin torsh kabob, made in a pomegranate and walnut marinade.

A unique aspect of Pomegranate on Main is that all entrées are gluten free. Vegetarian options are also available.

Prices for lunch range from \$9 to \$15, while dinner prices are \$16 to \$32.

Daily dessert specials are

available upon request.

Entrepreneur Ali Saifi, a native of Iran and owner of Pomegranate on Main, moved to Greenville in 1982, bringing the Subway food chain with him, which had little recognition at the time.

In 2007 Saifi opened a restaurant of his own, Pomegranate on Main, uniting two worlds in one place.

Debbie Atkins, public relations manager for Pomegranate on Main, described Saifi’s passion for downtown Green-

ville and his native people.

“Ali Saifi has created common ground with the opening of Pomegranate on Main to share his Persian heritage with the Greenville community,” Atkins said. “While the restaurant builds a bridge between two cultures in the U.S., Ali is also working in Iran to help teens and their families.”

On average, Pomegranate on Main caters to approximately 6,000 people per month, nearly 72,000 people per year.

“Being a part of the Greenville community is important to us,” Saifi said. “We offer special programs to convention attendees and patrons of the nearby Warehouse Theatre and have supported fundraisers for local organizations and schools.”

VIP curbside service is available; customers may order food ahead of time and have it brought out to them at reserved curbside parking spaces.

“At home, we would entertain friends serving traditional Persian food,” Saifi said. “Often they would say ‘Ali, you should open a restaurant.’ I decided to start the



The restaurant offers indoor dining and VIP curbside service. Photo: Rebecca Snyder

restaurant as a way of giving back to the Greenville community that has given so much to me.”

More information can be found on their website, [pomegranateonmain.com](http://pomegranateonmain.com), or

on their Facebook page.

Pomegranate on Main is open every Monday through Friday for lunch and dinner and Saturday from 11:30 a.m. until the restaurant’s last customers are served.



Everything served in Pomegranate on Main is gluten free. Photo: Rebecca Snyder



Pomegranate is a short walk from Falls Park downtown. Photo: Rebecca Snyder