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## CSC fundraiser to support Let There Be Mom

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The Greenville-based non-profit organization Let There Be Mom is this year's pick for the Community Service Council's fundraiser at the annual BJU Homecoming.

Each year, the Community Service Council chooses an organization it believes the BJU family will rally around.

The goal is to raise as much monetary support as possible for the organization to give back to difference makers in the community.

Let There Be Mom, founded in 2007 by Kipra Anderson, serves local moms and dads who are fighting life-threatening illness.

Their mission, as described on their website, lettherebemor.org, is to "capture the hopes, dreams, traditions, and life story of mom or dad in tangible forms ensuring that their young children always have a way to get to know them."

Let There Be Mom was



The Community Service Council, the University Marketing Association and the Events Department collaborated to organize the fundraiser. Photo: Abby Anglea

chosen as the fundraiser for several reasons. Bradley Shepard, community service council director, said the CSC tries to choose a local organization and one that the student body can relate to.

"Let There Be Mom is a

very relatable organization," Shepard said. "Most of us have parents in our lives who mean a lot to us." He also said the money raised for Let There Be Mom will be not just be used for one family but for the whole organization.

"We can feel the effects of that right here in Greenville," Shepard said.

During Homecoming weekend, the CSC will provide students and alumni with many opportunities to donate to this organization.

Matthew Weathers, student leadership coordinator, said the Homecoming T-shirt sale will be the main source of funds. He encourages students to purchase the T-shirt that will be on sale the week of Homecoming.

Also, this year, the University Marketing Association has organized a new event for the fundraiser called the Bruin Dive.

Dr. Adele Dunn, a business faculty member with the University, said "See **FUNDRAISER** p. 3 >>

## What to expect: Homecoming and Family Weekend

SETH JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

Pull out your planner and get ready because Homecoming weekend is almost upon us, and with all the events going on next week, you'll need a schedule to remember them all. To help you out, here are three can't-miss events.

The Bruin Nation Talent Show promises to be a night to remember. The deadline for auditions was, Sept. 29, several different types of auditions were submitted.

Andrew Carter, university host, said, "We told people if it's entertaining, we want them to submit audition videos." People listened, sending in auditions featuring music, gymnastics, magic and even weightlifting.

The show is open to all academy and university students as well as BJU alumni. "We want to showcase what all of Bruin Nation is capable

of, not just the student body here," Carter said. "It should be appealing to a really wide audience."

The top 10 auditions will perform live in Rodeheaver Auditorium at 8 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 12. The top three performers will be selected by a panel consisting of one executive administrator, one college student, one BJU graduate and one faculty member.

The winner will be decided by the audience through an online voting system. The finalists will also receive a cash prize—\$500 for first place, \$300 for second and \$200 for third.

After the talent show, head over to the Davis Field House for this year's pep rally, featuring a clash of the classes.

Starting at 10 p.m. with extended curfew till midnight, the pep rally will throw back to an all-American theme with games that we

played as kids. From pool noodle jousting to tug-of-war, the night will be full of friendly competition.

"Friday night is the craziness before the big game," Natalie Larsen, SLC event coordinator said.

Don't forget to pencil in tailgating between the women's and men's soccer games Saturday evening.

The women's game starts at 4 p.m. against Kentucky Christian University, but the hype won't stop after the women's soccer team wins. Students can go straight from the game to the tailgating event on the lower soccer fields.

Katie Albert, ISC co-director, said a hype zone will be designated where students can get their faces painted. Students can also play games such as spikeball and volleyball.

"We have all the spirit leaders involved in the plan-

ning process," she said. "And they're the most hype people on campus so they're getting things lively."

Food will be provided for all students. The tailgating is a student-only event which will help carry energy from

the women's 4 p.m. game on to the men's 7 p.m. game against Kentucky Christian University.



Saturday night homecoming games rally the university family. Photo: Stephen Dysert



## COLUMN



GERSON PETIT  
Staff Writer

Have you ever owned something so special you considered it almost sacred? I have.

Some people venerate their high school sports trophies. Others treasure an heirloom their grandparents handed to them. For me that special something is my Paperblanks journals.

My name is Gerson Petit, and I have a problem with Paperblanks journals.

My problem started almost exactly six years ago. It was a gloomy day in July, and I was in my natural habitat, a bookstore, flipping through books and magazines. In the middle of the ocean of books and magazines, I saw them. I saw Paperblanks journals for the first time in my life.

Their covers were a delight to the eye. They dazzled me. It was a brave new world of journals.

They were exquisite, but they were also expensive. As I reluctantly left the bookstore, See **COLUMN** p. 3 »



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## The Collegian Editorial

# Appreciating our heroes: faculty, staff

Many of us would probably agree that the best part of BJU is the people—specifically faculty, staff and their families.

Last week, *The Collegian* included its first Faculty Spotlight—the beginning of a series we hope to continue as an occasional feature. Often, we hear stories of these members of the BJU family going above and beyond to serve students.

Below are just a few examples:

Dr. Robert Lee and his wife hosting his chemical and physical science class for dinner.

Dr. Nathan Crockett and his wife giving study Bibles to students who don't have one. Mrs. Anne Nolan baking scones and cookies for her students.

Dr. Ted Miller texting former students to see how they're doing. Mr. Mike Butter stopping on the sidewalk

to talk to students, even if they're not in his department. Dr. Darren Lawson having students over for meals.

Mrs. Melissa Page teaching students how to bake apple pies. Dr. Mark Sidwell attending basketball games, sitting in the same stadium seat and wearing the same hat for every game.

Miss Deneen Lawson acting as a prayer partner for a freshman floor discipleship group and inviting them to her home for snacks and fellowship.

Dr. Eliezer Yanson remembering the names of his students after the first day of introductions. Dr. Ken Renfrow accompanying the freshman choir and taking the time to know each member individually.

Dr. Marc Chetta sharing his love for medicine both in and out of the classroom. Mr. David Orr investing in mem-

bers of both the ambassador crew and the usher crew.

These are just a handful of examples of our faculty and staff members making a difference in our lives. These people are our heroes—they sacrifice much for us, and they always seem to go above and beyond.

Many faculty members participate as prayer group partners for residence hall discipleship groups. Many of them are willing to meet with us outside of their normal office hours to help us with our homework or give us practical life advice.

As a student body, we should get in the habit of noticing the little things our he-

roes do for us. Let's appreciate the extra time a professor takes to write specific comments on our assignments. Let's appreciate the opportunities we get to grab coffees and meals with staff members.

And let's appreciate how much our faculty members do outside of class, leading church ministries, grading papers, spending time with their families, pursuing degrees.

Let's try to find some way to let our heroes know they're loved. Whether it's writing a thank you note, treating them to lunch or buying them coffee with your Bruins Bucks, try to think of a creative way to let your professors know you appreciate them.



## TALK BACK

WHAT IS THE WEIRDEST THING YOUR ROOMMATE BROUGHT TO COLLEGE THIS SEMESTER?



sophomore  
**KEVIN ROMAN**  
"Various kinds of duct tape."



junior  
**SYLVIA LAFFERMAN**  
"A broken lamp."



sophomore  
**ANDREW AMBURGEY**  
"Picture frame of the Incredible Hulk."



sophomore  
**MORGAN MATTISH**  
"A stuffed dodo."



freshman  
**DANIEL LEIFORD**  
"A cricket stick."

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I could not stop thinking about Paperblanks. Have you ever seen a stunning painting, a killer outfit, or even a breathtaking sunset and, asked yourself “who is behind this? I must know more about them!” That is how I felt about those journals.

Earlier that year I had started writing poetry as a way to process through my life and the doubts and fears that come with growing up. I thought: what if I could use these awesome journals to write?

A few months later, my older sister surprised me with the best gift anyone could give me: one of the jour-

nals that had fascinated me so much at the bookstore. I was obviously very thrilled to finally own a Paperblanks notebook.

For the next three months, I did not write anything in my journal. It occupied a special place on my bookshelf.

When my paranoia about potentially messing up the journals had subsided, I finally started writing in my journal. ‘I had recently enrolled in the French Alliance, an institute for learning French language and culture. I was very excited to start learning French, so I decided to use my journal for my French studies.

Every Saturday morning,

I would take my journal to class with me. Reactions varied. Some people asked me what I wrote in my “book of spells.” Others thought I was weird for using such a “fancy” journal to take notes.

In February 2013 one of my good friends, Tami, died in a car accident. Her death hit me hard, and it made me question many things.

September of that same year, my best friend gave me another Paperblanks journal for my birthday. So when October rolled around, I decided it was time to write about Tami’s death.

I ended up writing over 40 pages of poetry. I was able process her death and how it

changed my outlook on life as well as my personal struggles. I would write almost every week to cope with the feelings of confusion and pain.

Since then, I’ve used Paperblanks notebooks as journals, sketchbooks and even planners. It might seem strange to be so passionate about notebooks.

I am passionate about Paperblanks because they gave me a voice. In a time when I was struggling to develop and find my own voice, the blank pages of Paperblanks acted like fertile soil for my thoughts and creativity.

Every morning I try to journal for at least thirty minutes in my Paperblanks

notebook. I just got another notebook I will be using as my gratitude journal. I have a sketchbook where I try to draw as much as I can. And I use yet another Paperblanks notebook for my job—planning and writing content marketing articles for BJUtoday.

I know that when I say “journaling,” people think of a sentimental middle school girl writing to her “dear diary.” Actually, there are many kinds of journaling. You can just write out your thoughts.

You can draw and color as a way to express what you’re feeling. You can bullet-journal if you like writing lists. You can even write out your prayers.

Getting your feelings on paper and away from yourself puts distance between you and your emotions. No, you might not understand your situation better, but you do view your feelings more clearly and objectively when they are on paper.

Writing is not an activity I take for granted. It is a special exercise that continues to bring much healing to my life. Writing about Tami and how her death changed my outlook on life helped me move on.

By the end of the long “poem,” my pain had mostly subsided. Writing about this hard time of my life helped me heal.

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versity Marketing Association, said the event will take place in two parts.

The first part will give the BJU family an opportunity to donate. The second part will give students through societies a chance to come together and donate to Let There Be Mom in a group donation.

Bradley Shepard, who worked with Dr. Dunn and the marketing association, said the first part of the Bruin Drive will take place on U-Day, the Saturday of Homecoming Weekend, parents are encour-

aged to bring their children to decorate parachutes for little Bruins bears.

A scissor lift will be used for the Bruin Dive, in which the little parachuters will be taken up to the top of the scissor lift and then released over a large target on the ground. Whichever bear hits nearest the center of the target will win a prize.

Shepard said participating in the event is free, but participants are welcome to donate to the fundraiser while they are there. He said, “If they want to get involved and provide funds that’s great!”

People may also donate by purchasing coffee and doughnuts at the CSC booth on U-day.

Dr. Dunn described the second part of the Bruin Dive that will take place at the beginning of the Bruins men’s soccer game the Saturday night of Homecoming Weekend.

Dunn said each society will have the opportunity to sponsor a bear. To sponsor a bear, each society must raise a minimum of \$40 for Let There Be Mom.

She encouraged every society to raise as much money as

possible, because the society that raises the most money will receive a \$100 prize! Dunn also said 100 percent of all the money raised will go straight to Let There Be Mom.

Dunn said at the beginning of the homecoming men’s soccer game, the bears will be dropped from a helicopter, where they will parachute down onto the soccer field towards a big target.

The society’s bear that lands closest to the middle of the target will also receive a \$100 prize. She said, “It’s going to be so cool to see all the

bears parachuting down, but we really need all societies to participate to make this event a big success!”

Another reason to attend the Bruins Soccer game is the halftime fundraiser game.

Kameron Hamed, student organization liaison for the SLC, said the SLC is organizing a half-time activity that game goers can pay to participate in. Hamed said, “We are trying to find something that people will get excited about.”

Hamed said the halftime game for the men’s game was one of the primary sources

of donations for last year’s Homecoming. “If students want to get involved, I would recommend going to the game, supporting the Bruins, and participating in the half-time game,” he said. “It’s going to be fun!”

All these activities will contribute to Let There Be Mom, and many families will be helped because of BJU’s fundraising efforts. BJU is proud to partner with Let There Be Mom and support the community during the 2018 Homecoming celebration.

# Choral groups to collaborate in homecoming concert

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“Requiem for the Living,” a choral piece by BJU alumnus and world-renowned composer Dan Forrest, will be performed on Oct. 11 at 7 p.m. in Rodeheaver Auditorium by multiple BJU choirs and an orchestra for homecoming week.

This musical supergroup is made up of the Chorale, Collegiate and Concert choirs as well as a 36-piece orchestra. In addition to these student groups, alumni will be joining both the choir and the orchestra for the third annual

homecoming concert.

Dr. Warren Cook, conductor of the university Chorale and Chamber Singers, will conduct the requiem for the homecoming concert. He said that, although this six-movement piece contains similarities to typical requiems, it differs significantly from the typical requiem.

“It’s a funeral prayer,” Cook said. “But Dan’s take on it is [that it’s] for the living—pleas for mercy and rest.” He said the main point of the composition is Jesus’ words in Matthew 11:28: “Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I

will give you rest.”

This verse is included near the end of the requiem, and it’s the first time throughout the entire piece that the choir sings in English instead of in Latin.

In an interview published by the sheet music company J.W. Pepper, Forrest said the verse is sung in English to make it more personal.

“It’s the first time you hear any English in the whole 35-40-minute work,” Forrest said. He also prefers the verse to be translated into the audience’s native tongue for international performances.

Later in the same interview, Forrest said he wants



Chorale, Collegiate and Concert choirs collaborate every Wednesday to prepare for the concert. Photo: Rebecca Snyder

his listeners to get the rest that the requiem prays for.

“I feel like the answer to that prayer has already been given to us,” Forrest said. “And I just wanted to take us along that journey of working through grief and pain in this world, looking to Christ for redemption.” He also hopes it’s clear that the word “rest” in Matthew 28:11 corresponds with the word “re-

quiem,” pointing to Christ as the answer to the prayer for rest.

The requiem will be performed during homecoming week to welcome back former BJU choir members. According to Cook, the program is an opportunity for alumni to relive their college experience of music concerts, either as an audience member or a performer.

“The fifty-year-old will not be able to come back and play soccer like he wants to, but he can come back and sing like he sang when he was in college,” he said.

Chorale, along with the orchestra, will also perform “Requiem for the Living” for the South Carolina Association of Chorale Directors Convention on Friday, Oct. 5, in Charleston.





# Heritage Day to highlight founder's experiences

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Heritage Day has been celebrated in multiple ways throughout the University's history, from formal banquets years ago to today's chapel presentations.

This year's Heritage Day

chapel will take place on Wednesday, Oct. 11, at 11 a.m. in FMA.

Originally known as Founder's Day, the tradition of honoring Dr. Bob Jones Sr. began in the 1960s. On the chapel closest to his birthday, the University honored its founder.

About 20 years ago, the University decided to enlarge the scope to include other notable people, events and historical facets of the University. This is when Founder's Day became known as Heritage Day.

Patrick Robbins, interim director of libraries, said, "The Jones family wanted it to be a little more about the history of the school and the people."

Initially the focus was placed on Jones Sr. and his family and the roles they played in the founding of the University.

However, in more recent years the topics have ranged from notable alumni to notable figures of University history.

This year, in a return to tradition, the program will be about Jones Sr.

Rather than covering the founding of the school, the program will showcase Jones Sr.'s early life and explain how his personal experiences influenced his goals and standards for the University.

Dan Boone, who works in video services, is the creator of this year's program. Boone said



Jones Sr.'s early life laid the foundation for the University. Photo: Archives

he was initially commissioned to create the video in 2010.

When considering which aspect of BJU to highlight in the film, Boone decided he wanted to highlight the early life of Jones Sr.—an aspect of BJU history that he wasn't familiar with.

Boone said this story captures the things that made Bob Jones College a unique school.

The video, which will be shown in chapel, will explain the beginnings of the University, and it will explain why Jones Sr. structured the University the way he did.

When asked which of Jones Sr.'s experiences stood out to him the most, Boone said, "Every experience should be a learning experience. You can take all those things and

create a better life because God can use those things in your life."

The video describes Jones' financial integrity multiple times in the program.

Boone said he views Heritage Day as a very important way to remember our roots, where we're from and what makes Bob Jones University different from other schools."

# TD Market offers fun, enriching weekend experience

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Fresh produce, handcrafted cheeses, unique plants, beautiful pottery and more—local vendors sell these and all kinds of other amazing products on Main Street at the Saturday TD Market.

These vendors fill two blocks of downtown Green-

ville's Main Street with their booths every Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon from May through October.

Park at the Richardson St. Garage for free and take a short walk to the TD Saturday Market where you'll find the everyday city traffic has vanished and been replaced by artisan vendors and their little white tents.

Immersed in a world of colorful produce and fresh smells, people meander among the tents without their usual care for time.

All food is locally grown, and the items for sale are handmade. According to the TD Market website, thousands of people visit every week, drawn in by the chance to explore the tents and dis-

cover vendors selling their products from up to 100 miles away.

With its friendly and inviting atmosphere, the market is a wonderful place to relax with friends. One vendor said that, compared to other city's markets, the TD Saturday Market in Greenville is one of the best.

Will Donovan of Donovan Pottery said he likes being downtown at the market. "The people are always nice to meet, and it's really a great atmosphere," Donovan found his way into the craft after taking a college pottery class. He and his wife have been selling at the market for three years.

Vendors encourage you to try their free samples—taste a flavorful cheese spread on a cracker, drink some horchata, try some maple pecan granola and eat a slice of fresh three-cheese bread.

Each vendor has a story of how they came to the market. Some grew up on farms or were already involved in a similar business; some of the vendors came upon their skills in a more unconventional way.

One booth, called the



Donovan Pottery sells products at market. Photo: Kayla Jacobs



TD Market vendors bring a variety of products to their booths. Photo: Kayla Jacobs

Youth Booth, is specifically designated for young vendors who want to showcase their work. Last week, a girl named Lily sold beautifully-crafted dangly earrings made from colorful beads.

"I like making things, and I've been making earrings since fifth grade," Lily said. This was her first time selling at the market, but she is already loving it.

After getting laid off, Jerry and Heather Dugan started their own vegetable garden.

"We ended up having too much produce," Jerry Dugan said. "So we started High Valley Farm." They sell fresh rainbow trout, fruit and vegetables from the Table Rock area.

Katie Williams, mother of two, started making soaps 10 years ago when her son suf-

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“If I’m in The Den, it’s really distracting, but being surrounded by nature helps me study,” he said.

For a more secluded study place, take 20 minutes to drive to Lake Robinson. Duncan Weniger, a sophomore Bible major, said, “[It has] a gazebo where you can sit and study and listen to the sound of waves against the rocks.”

When you need a little bit of background noise, downtown Greenville is a great place to go.

When it’s nice outside, you can go to the Hyatt Regency on Main Street.

Right outside the hotel, next to Starbucks, is a set of colorful tables where you can go to feel the sun on your face as you study. You can grab a coffee for an added study incentive, and you’ll be close enough to access free Wi-Fi if you need it.

Eliese Gulley, a sophomore business administration major, loves studying at Due South because of its peaceful atmosphere.

“I highly recommend going to Due South because it’s very easy to focus there,” Gulley said. “It also has wonderful inside and outside seating.” Located on Hampton Avenue, Due South is a short eight-minute drive from campus.

For times when you and your friends want to go on an adventure, the Greenville area offers plenty of options.



*“Good food,  
good staff, good  
customers—good  
everything!”  
—Koons*



Sometimes going out to eat makes spending time with friends extra special. Andrew Avinante, a sophomore computer science major, recommends Grimaldi’s, a New York style pizzeria, where he always goes for his birthday.

“It’s by far the best pizza ever,” Avinante said. “You just have to taste it!” Grimaldi’s is located nine minutes away on Woodruff Road.

Joseph Koons, a sophomore business administration major, loves Chin Chin’s for its authentic Korean food.

“I love the quiet and calm atmosphere,” Koons said. “Good food, good staff, good customers—good everything!” Located on East Butler Road in Greenville, Chin Chin’s is just over 10 minutes away.

Marcos Torres, a sophomore mathematics major, likes Fu of Kyoto, which is located on Wade Hampton Boulevard. Torres said the Japanese food is great quality for a cheap price, and the location is very convenient for BJU students.

Crème Shack is a rolled ice cream shop in downtown Greenville. Jared Miller, a sophomore voice performance major, said, “It’s kind of pricey, but so worth it.” Crème Shack offers interesting flavors and allows you to create your own combinations.

Marble Slab Creamery is Elizabeth Haggarty’s favorite ice cream shop in Greenville. Haggarty, a freshman nursing major, discovered the shop when she and her mom first visited the area.

“What’s really cool is that you get to pick your own ice cream, and they make it right in front of you,” she said. Marble Slab is located at 108 N. Main St. in Greenville.

It’s that time of semester when our schedules are packed with projects, papers and tests. Deadlines loom around the corner and reading piles up. It’s important to stay on top of class work, but it’s just as important to slow your pace occasionally.

Sometimes a change in scenery is all you need—maybe you want to focus better on finishing that paper for English class or maybe you just want to relax for a few hours.

Where should you go? What should you do? Students shared their opinions on the best places to study, adventure, or eat in the Greenville area.

If you’re looking for a quiet setting, Joseph Melton, a sophomore sports management major, recommends going downtown to Falls Park on the Reedy. Melton loves to study in Falls Park because it is calm and beautiful.



Jena Burmeister, sophomore biblical counseling major, says her favorite adventure spot is Turtleback Falls, North Carolina. Turtleback Falls is an easy-to-moderate hike that gives views of two different sets of falls.

Although Turtleback is about an hour away from campus, Burmeister encourages anyone who loves a good hike to take the trip. “The drive is totally worth it for the incredible views,” Burmeister said.

Sky Top Orchard in Flat Rock, North Carolina, near Hendersonville, is a great place to pick apples, said Ashli Schmidt, a senior early child care and development major.

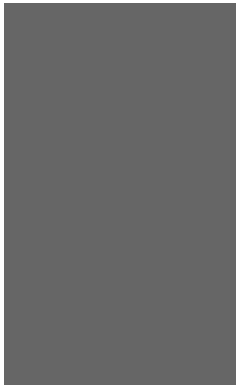
Schmidt said Sky Top has delicious doughnuts, pretty mountain views and goats for the public to pet.

The Greenville Downtown Airport is a great place to view sunsets. Danielle Messer, a junior Christian ministries major, said she loves to watch the planes there.

Located just a few minutes down the road from campus, the airport is perfect for a quick adventure.

Emma Martin, a sophomore studio art major, suggests Black Balsam Knob, a mountain in North Carolina’s Pisgah National Forest, for beautiful views of the sky—especially at night.

“It’s great for astrophotography because there’s not as much light pollution there,” Martin said. “It’s also a lot cooler at the top, and sometimes there’s snow.”



# WHERE SHOULD YOU GO?

GREENVILLE BUCKET LIST

by Christina Laird



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ferred from eczema. Her habit soon became her business, "Peace Love and Soap," which now sells a wide variety of all-natural soaps. "It's been nice because I've been able to work from home and be with the kids," Williams said.

For Elizabeth McDaniel, a truffle-making hobby with her niece turned into the business La Rue Fine Chocolate after they realized how popular their treats were.

McDaniel said, "I quit my corporate job, hopped on a plane, and got my Master Chocolatier Certification

and then came back here and started a business." La Rue Fine Chocolate now sells all sorts of flavors including passion fruit and Thai spice, peanut butter and gluten-free graham cracker.

In 1999 when Jeff Owen discovered his three kids were allergic to cow's milk, he bought a few goats to supply milk. By 2003, they had over 50 goats, and Spinning Spider Creamery was born. Owen travels about 80 miles to come to the market so he can sell his spreadable cheeses each week.

A chef from Chicago, Ker-

rie Ostrander, came to the area to help a lady who suffered a stroke. When this lady decided to close her gluten-free bakery, Ostrander began Cup & Cake, which sells various cookies, cupcakes and other desserts.

Ostrander loves being able to customize for people who have celiac disease and other serious allergies. "[Customizing] is great because it's more personal," she said.

For more information on vendors and for specific directions to the Saturday market, visit [www.saturdaymarketlive.com](http://www.saturdaymarketlive.com).



Main Street is the site of downtown Greenville's Saturday TD Market. Photo: Kayla Jacobs

## Beyond Fifty Fellowship to reconnect former classmates

ANDREW SCHMIDT  
Staff Writer

The Beyond Fifty Fellowship will welcome alumni back to their alma mater during BJU's fourth annual Homecoming and Family Weekend.

This event, hosted by the Alumni Relations office, will

be held in the Applied Studies Assembly Hall at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 13.

Alumni who attend the Beyond Fifty Fellowship are those who graduated more than 50 years ago.

Alumni will have been out of college for half a century, so the event will be a fitting celebration as they return to

campus and reunite with former classmates.

The event typically attracts visiting alumni from all over the country. It will be held in a meet-and-greet format, with dessert, and the Alumni Relations office will showcase videos and clips highlighting the University's history.

Emily Gutschow is one of



Ray and Linda St. John and Ed and Betty Panosian fellowshiped over refreshments. Photo: Jim Block/BJU Marketing



Rev. Donn Heinrich and Dr. Thurman Wisdom chatted at last year's Homecoming. Photo: Jim Block/BJU Marketing

the event coordinators for the Alumni Relations office. She said that alumni are a critical element of BJU.

She said that the alumni relations office wants to reach as many members of the BJU family as possible, and the Beyond Fifty Fellowship is a great way to reconnect graduates with their classmates.

For alumni, the Beyond Fifty provides an opportunity to reunite with former

classmates and friends that they may not otherwise be able to see.

It also allows alumni grateful for Bob Jones University's impact to revisit a college campus that had a great impact on them in their formative years and see how it has changed but stayed consistent over the years.

Bob Shelton is a BJU alumnus and board member who graduated in 1951 with

a Bible degree.

He met his eventual wife at Bob Jones University and a University missions trip allowed him to discover his calling to 70 years of missionary service in Asia.

"I'm really indebted to Bob Jones," Shelton said. "They not only did what a college is supposed to do for a young man during his college days, but the Lord used them to direct me."



# Alumni Association to host Saturday's Bruin Nation 5K

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The Alumni Relations office will be hosting the Bruin Nation 5K on Saturday, Oct. 13.

The 5K will be held at the Activity Center and will begin at 8:30 a.m. The Alumni Relations office will be providing bananas and granola bars after the race.

According to Alumni Relations, a couple of hundred people have already registered for the race.

The deadline to sign up for the 5K is Wednesday, Oct. 10, and participants may register online at [bruin-nation5k.com](http://bruin-nation5k.com).

Emily Gutschow, office and events coordinator for Alumni Relations, said the 5K participants are a good

mix of alumni and students.

"It's a good way for us to bring students and alumni back together during homecoming," she said.

For the first time, the Bruin Nation 5K will be chip timed. Chips will be attached to the runners' bibs and will clock the exact moments each runner crosses both the start line and the finish line.

This chip time technology is becoming especially popular in races like these because it helps runners track their net time—the total amount of time they spent running.

The chips avoid the traffic delays most runners experience before they even get to cross the start line.

Trophies will be given to the overall men's winner and the overall women's winner, in addition to a cash prize.

Prizes will also be awarded to the first, second and third place winners in each gender and age group division.

These age categories are 13 and under, 14-18, 19-24, 25-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60 and over.

The first place winner for each category will receive a cash prize of \$25. The second place winner will receive \$20, and the third place winner will receive \$15.

Children who place for their age group will be given gift cards to the Bruins Shop.

This year's T-shirt design was decided through a contest the Alumni Relations office held.

The winner of the contest, Abby Marasigan, is a junior graphic design student. These T-shirts are included with the entry fee.



Alumni Relations offers cash prizes for 5K winners. Photo: Derek Eckenroth/BJU Marketing

# Bruins Spirit Week to prepare for Saturday soccer games

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Bruins Spirit Week provides many exciting opportunities for BJU students to find entertainment and rally as a student body in the midst of a busy semester.

Spirit Week, which begins on Monday, Oct. 8, will build momentum for BJU's Homecoming and Family Weekend, which officially begins on Thursday, Oct. 11.

The Spirit Week events are designed specifically to unify the student body. Members of the student leadership council have been planning several events for each day of Spirit Week, with some events lasting throughout the entire week.

Bradley Shepard, director of the Community Service

Council, is overseeing the fundraising activities, which begin on Monday.

Like last year, the CSC will sell coffee and doughnuts on Saturday and will have Homecoming T-shirts available for purchase all week long.

Matthew Weathers, student leadership coordinator, said, "It's a sweet redesign of the Homecoming T-shirt which was student initiated, student-designed and student-selected."

Shepard said the proceeds from the fundraisers will go to Let There Be Mom, a Greenville-based organization focused on preserving memories of family members with terminal illness.

On Wednesday, students can participate in a time of prayer and worship in War

Memorial Chapel at 9 p.m. The evening's theme of heaven and the believer's home going is a timely focus, as the very theme of Homecoming week is welcoming alumni back home to their alma mater.

Daniel Kim, men's student body president, said, "It's just a reminder of our longing, of our desire, of where we're going to go in the future."

Tori Conover, women's student body president, said the student pep rally on Friday night is an especially good time for students to bond with their graduating class.

Student representatives from each class will lead the rally in the Davis Field House at 10 p.m.

"[It] will be a festive time for students to have fun, play games, win prizes and have



Derek Eilert and Max Burak lead students in cheers at an athletic event. Photo: Abby Anglea

free food," Weathers said.

Natalie Larsen, the event coordinator for the SLC, has been working with her team of students to organize the pep rally.

Max Burak, sophomore Bible major, and Dillon Frazier, junior communication major, will emcee the evening.

Larsen said the SLC events team plans to have tug of war, dunk competitions, a tic tac toe challenge with a twist, drawings with \$500 worth of prizes and other classic pep rally games.

Larsen said her goal is to keep the games simple. "We've reverted back to simplistic things that a lot of people can join in," she said. Rather than having teams of five or six people competing, she said the competitions require at least 10 participants

on each team.

Larsen hopes students will come ready to cheer and eager to have lots of fun. Saturday, the last day of Spirit Week, begins with U.Day activities. U.Day, a three-hour event held on front campus, will welcome families from the community onto campus.

Dozens of booths will be set up across front campus. BJU students will staff these booths for their respective organization or academic department. U.Day will feature live music, face painting, food and hands-on science experiments.

After U.Day, the women's soccer team will play Kentucky Christian University at 4 p.m. The game will be followed by a tailgating party in the lower soccer field at 5 p.m. and a men's soccer game

against Kentucky Christian University at 7 p.m.

The Inter-Society Council is sponsoring the student tailgating party on Saturday afternoon. The event will be free to both day students and those living in the residence halls.

"Students really look forward to Homecoming," Conover said. Although it is a full, busy week, she said it brings the student body together.

"We're striving towards similar goals," she said. "We're holding to things bigger than ourselves."

Weathers said, "We are thrilled for students to come together around a cause bigger than themselves, interact with the community, meet alumni of Bob Jones University and just have a blast during this week."



Students support the Bruins athletic teams at a soccer game. Photo: Abby Anglea



# Alumni Relations office to honor Patch the Pirate

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The BJU Alumni Relations office will honor Ron Hamilton, or Patch the Pirate as he is fondly referred to by families around the world, with its first Lifetime Achievement Award Oct. 11.

The presentation will be made at the kickoff of BJU's annual Homecoming in the Founder's Memorial Amphitheorium Friday at 11 a.m.

Hamilton's voice and music have reached hundreds of thousands with the Gospel message. He is being honored in front of his family and the entire student body, many of whom grew up under his influence, many of whom now sit in the very seats he once sat in as a student at BJU.

According to Meagan In-

gersoll, director of alumni relations and parent engagement, the idea behind the Lifetime Achievement Award is to highlight graduates who have a record of making significant impacts on others—best seen in a lifetime of ministry.

"The heartbeat of the University is that we are producing graduates who are going to be salt and light around the world," Ingersoll said.

Nathan Leupp, a BJU graduate, has traveled across the U.S. with Patch and has worked at Majesty Music for the past 20 years.

Leupp grew up listening to Patch the Pirate Adventures and singing Hamilton's songs at his church.

"Patch is the best example of a Christlike person that most people will ever

come in contact with," Leupp said. "There are people who achieve great things, but there are few who have gone through the trials that Patch has, maintained a Christlike testimony and continued to serve God."

Ingersoll said that, since Patch is retiring, it seemed like the right time to honor him.

"We also saw that this wasn't just somebody that no one knew," Ingersoll said. "The majority of our student body will at least know who he is: someone who's had tremendous impact."

Most of the Hamilton family lives in Greenville. When considering Hamilton for the award, the alumni association observed Patch's family and his children, and they were able to see his impact on them.

According to Ingersoll, Hamilton's family has been an integral part of the planning for the award ceremony.

"After the many trials and everything the family has gone through, they've been able to see that he has God and He is good," Ingersoll said.

Marty Nelson, seventh grade English teacher and director of the middle and high school choirs at Bob Jones Academy (a position Hamilton held many years before her), is Hamilton's younger sister and middle child of the family.

According to Nelson, the siblings started singing together in Good News Clubs at ages 7, 9 and 11.

They sang out of old, women's trio books with Nelson on the lowest part and the boys singing soprano until "Ronny's" voice changed.

She said Hamilton began writing music after taking a



Ron Hamilton led the University choir and orchestra at last year's homecoming. Photo: Carter Henderson/BJU Marketing

musical theory class as a senior in high school. His first three full compositions were published while he was a student at BJU.

He graduated in 1973 with a bachelor's degree in church music and went on to earn his master's in church music composition.

Nelson has never heard her brother speak ill of anyone—a quality their father also possessed. According to Nelson, his only flaw was procrastination.

She described him as kind, caring and patient, fondly remembering how Hamilton never forgot their mother and father's anniversary after their father died—always bringing their mother flowers and taking her out to dinner.

The Hamilton family has been through many difficult trials. "I think the continual turning to God for help is reflected in his music," Nelson said.

Hamilton lost his eye due to cancer when he was 27. Soon after, he began his ministry as "Patch the Pirate."

The ministry of Patch and Majesty Music has spread worldwide with over 450 ra-

dio and broadcast stations and almost 900 musical texts and 39 Patch the Pirate albums.

Leupp said he's been able to see and hear many accounts of Patch's ministry transforming the lives of children, many of whom are now adults.

"We frequently receive letters for Patch where a missionary tells of how they were called to the field after listening to 'Patch Goes to the Jungle,'" he said.

Nelson believes one of the reasons Patch most deserves recognition is due to the volume of work and the number of people who have raised their children on the solid biblical truth in the Patch tapes.

Nelson likened the multitude of CD's created over Hamilton's life to a diary that mapped everything that was going on in the family's house.

According to Nelson, the man heard on those recordings is the same person in real life. Patch the Pirate is not a character, she said. His songs are not just songs. He is a person relating what God was teaching him at specific moments of life.

At the end of 2017, the Hamilton family announced that Hamilton had been diagnosed with early onset dementia.

According to Nelson, the dementia is taking away the first thing people recognize of Patch and his music: his words. "He's become very quiet," Nelson said.

According to Leupp, even after Hamilton retires, Majesty Music anticipates a bright future under the direction of Patch's daughter and son-in-law, Adam and Megan Morgan.

"I've often said that if I had Adam Morgan's energy, I could conquer the world," Leupp said. "Megan has proved she is great arranger and singer."

Ingersoll believes the student body will understand the tremendous impact Hamilton has had and hopes that his example will inspire others.

"You're in a place in a [university] that is preparing you to go out and have an impact like this," Ingersoll said. "The real purpose of college is what comes after college and how God is going to use you. One day this might be you."



Patch the Pirate's ministry has transformed many lives. Photo: Kayla Jacobs

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