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BJU students show appreciation for faculty, staff on special day

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BJU set aside April 18 as the official day to appreciate the faculty and staff and the work they do.

This day gave students a chance to reflect on the times when faculty have helped them grasp the impossible or an on-campus staff member has shown them kindness and understanding.

Students were able to let their favorite faculty and staff members know how much their service here at BJU is appreciated.

Here is what some students are saying about BJU's faculty and staff who have made an impact on their lives at college.

Jessica Scott, a freshman communications major, spoke about how much
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FACULTY & STAFF!

Students find new alternatives for summer storage

SAMANTHA VIERA
Staff Writer

For as long as students and many teachers can remember, the University has offered students storage barrels over the summer so students wouldn't have to face the hassle of shipping their belongings home or trying to find a way to store them nearby.

When that service was discontinued this year, because of insufficient storage space, many students wondered what they should do with all their things.

However, just because the University isn't offering barrel storage doesn't mean it's offering no storage at all.

For a \$20 fee, students will be able to store a mini fridge on Bob Jones University grounds over the summer. Storage tags for



As of this year, BJU will no longer store students' storage barrels over the summer. Photo: Dan Calnon

the mini fridges will be available for purchase until April 19.

Students will also be able to store their clothes with the University Cleaners for the regular cleaning

rate for each item with an additional \$2 for every four garments. Some of the item prices are shorts and sleeveless blouses for \$5, skirts for \$5.25, light jackets for \$6, pants for \$5.25,

formal dresses for \$15 and shirts for \$2.50. Prices for other items can be found on the University Cleaners website.

Some students may opt to use storage facilities in

the area instead. In some cases, student discounts are available. A few of the facilities that offer student discounts include Lockbox Storage, Reedy River, A Perfect Storage,

Haywood Congaree, Go Store It and Midgard Self Storage.

In addition to student discounts, some facilities also offer other deals. Midgard Self Storage offers 25% off the monthly rate of \$33 for the first month of storage for a 5x5 storage unit.

Reedy River storage is offering rent, insurance and a lock for \$25 as a move-in special. Cube Smart Self Storage offers 50% off the next month's storage if you refer a friend.

Other ways to cut down on storage facility costs are to split a storage unit with one or two other people, especially if you'll end up with more extra space than stuff.

Elizabeth Hunter, a senior journalism and mass communication major, See **STORAGE** p.6 >>

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Sometimes I forget God. When I deny Christ out of the fear of man, I am ignorant of His sad gaze.

I close my heart to what is higher. I say no and choose myself instead, and as I walk away, I have forgotten God again.

Sin is a sick scream inside of me that stretches around my heart and snaps out of my mouth with every opportunity.

Sin deafens me until I'm numb with excuses, numb with apathy, numb with comfort.

Sin outside of me resonates with that within, and the new vice slips inside my heart to join the old.

I'm convinced that this is the best; I am told the ancient lie that I will not surely die, and I believe.

But the lies suffocate me, they turn me blue from lack of innocence and I gasp for truth.

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The Collegian Editorial

The students' role during Faculty and Staff Appreciation Day

A prevailing theme in conversation at the end of every school year is that of leaving campus.

From seniors who will probably never return as students to the rest who will be on campus again before long, almost everyone is thinking, "I can't wait to get out for the summer."

And after four years, give or take a couple semesters, we will all have graduated and left. But in our haste to start our lives and careers, let's not forget those who will not be leaving BJU with us.

Faculty and staff have made Bob Jones University their home and students their priority. Some faculty and staff members have worked at BJU longer than their students

have been alive. Yes, it is their job. But that doesn't mean they have to do their jobs joyfully.

With a scowl and cold glare, a professor could stand up and lecture, demonstrating how unhappy he or she is.

Or an HVAC worker could enter your dorm room muttering under his breath, "They probably had the AC running full blast with the window wide open again. Students don't know how to operate a simple air conditioning unit."

Instead, the vast majority of BJU's faculty and staff demonstrate a love for students on a regular basis. Sure, bad days happen. As humans, we all know that. But there is a reason many staff open

their homes to students and get to know them in a personal way. They want their hard work, and the students', to pay off, both with a career and with a lifetime of Christian service.

Hard work, yes. Long nights, check. But also, a group of dedicated faculty and staff who helped the current seniors succeed to the point of graduating.

BJU is built around helping students succeed. Why else would they have unrequired programs dedicated to coming along-

side and helping students?

So take some time and show your thanks to the individuals who make this University a place you choose to learn. You can simply say "Thank you" to the staff you interact with. Or even demonstrate your thanks by how you interact with them, by not trashing facilities they have to repair or by actively listening when they are speaking in class. It doesn't matter how you show your thanks. What matters is that you show it.



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TALKBACK

What is something you love about Easter?



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"I love doing the Easter cantata at my church."



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RACHEL POWELL

"The victory of Christianity."



sophomore
KEVIN ROMAN

"Sunrise service—it's an awesome experience."



junior
MADISON SKILLMAN

"Spending time with family and friends remembering what God has done for us."

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Then I see Him again. Not all of Him . . . I glimpse a glowing white corner of His robe, and I feel the weight of His

just hand on my guilty shoulder. Immediately my heart throbs and breaks the bonds of that horrid moment of forgetfulness, and

I breathe to remember eternity and to grieve my unfaithfulness.

When Peter caught Christ's sad gaze after he denied Him, he wept bitterly. Peter remembered.

When I remember God, His Word whispers to me with such deep love and forgiveness that I wonder: how could I ever forget again?

God has freed me from the power of sin; why would I pick up that chain and willingly begin to wrap it around my waist and over my shoulders?

How could I ever commune with a holy God when I repeatedly choose separation?

Paul, an apostle of Christ, shares in Romans 7 his own incessant struggle with the captivity to sin in himself.

"For the good that I would I do not," Paul said. "But the evil which I would not, that I do."

Paul continues in Romans 8, rejoicing that there is no condemnation to them who are in Christ Jesus.

"For the law of the

Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death," Paul said.

Praise God the righteousness required of me for fellowship is not my own, because I have none to offer.

Instead, my hope is in Christ, who has redeemed me from the penalty of my unholiness. My hope is in the Holy Spirit, who guides me to victory over the lies sin offers. My hope is in God, who never forgets me.



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Student Spotlight:

Student reflects on value of military service

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Husband, military sergeant, junior Christian ministries major and servant of Christ—these are just a few of the roles Kenny Smolinski fills.

Smolinski's journey started when he felt the Lord calling him into the military shortly after he graduated high school in 2002.

After briefly attending college classes but ultimately deciding that they just didn't fit, he decided to go in to the military.

"It's just something I wanted to do, something I wanted to prove to myself to see if I could do it," he said.

So he called a recruiter and decided to enlist. He went on to spend 15 years in the army and is currently a Sergeant E-5. As a Sergeant E-5, he interacts directly with soldiers in his unit as the first line of command.

After 15 years of active duty service, Smolinski began to feel called to go to college so he could become a chaplain.



Kenny Smolinski is a junior Christian ministries major. Photo: Rebecca Snyder

"The army needs good chaplains, and I want to fulfill that role," Smolinski said.

Initially, he resisted putting his long-held military career on hold to return to college. However, he eventually followed the call, saying, "What led me here is that the Lord has been pressing on my heart to go to Bible college for a long time."

After deciding to go back to school, Smolinski began filling out applications and included prayer as part of his application

process.

When his acceptance letter from Bob Jones University came in the mail, he saw that as an answer to his prayer. "The Lord answered that prayer, and here I am," he said.

Now, Smolinski is enrolled in Bob Jones University and is also a part of the ROTC program to learn more about officer roles in the military.

Even before Bob Jones University began offering the ROTC program this year, he wanted to join

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A Week at a Glance

Monday

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Traveler in the Dark

Watch this Performance Hall play by the BJU theatre program from April 22 until April 27. Each performance begins at 7:30 p.m. The play is directed by Nathan Pittack, a BJU theatre masters student. Those interested can get their tickets for \$8 each at bju.universitytickets.com/w/default.aspx?cid=180.

Tuesday

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Safety Awareness Seminar: Social Media

This seminar on April 23 will talk about various topics such as how to stay safe on the internet. The seminar, lasting from 6 until 7 p.m. in Levinson Hall, will be hosted by the Greenville County Sheriff's Office in cooperation with BJU Public Safety. There will be a short question and answer time at the end of the seminar.

Thursday

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Symphony Orchestra

The BJU Symphony Orchestra will end its spring season with Mahler's Symphony No. 1, "Titan," and with the winner of the annual Concerto/Aria Competition. The concert will be in Rodeheaver Auditorium at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 25. Michael Moore, Chair of the Division of Music, will conduct the concert.



Will Woodham is a faculty member in the engineering department. Photo: Charles Billiu

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of a blessing her first-year adviser Phil Adams was to her. "[Adams] wants to make sure I succeed not only in college but once I've graduated as well." Scott said.

Krista Hagglund, a freshman piano pedagogy and harp major, talked about two of her professors, Dr. Mark Parker who teaches her piano, and Emily Waggoner, who teaches her harp.

Parker challenged Hag-

glund to grow musically and spiritually each lesson. "Although I nearly quit several times, he encouraged me to continue and inspired me to pursue a double major." Hagglund said.

Waggoner was an excellent example of humility, brilliance and wisdom to Hagglund. "[Waggoner] cares deeply for all her students, and I treasured each of my lessons with her," Hagglund said.

Lauren Bethea, a freshman nursing major, talked

about how much impact Dr. Marc Cheta, who teaches her Human Anatomy and Physiology class, had on her.

"Even though his class is difficult, he makes it so interesting, and I've just fallen more in love with my major because of it," Bethea said.

Tim Martin, a freshman cross-cultural services major, deeply appreciates Dr. Jason Ormiston as a Bible professor. Martin spoke of Ormiston's prior-

ity of helping his students to think and spoke of his outstanding personality.

"[Ormiston lets students] hold any conclusion and gently examines it to make sure they're actually thinking for themselves," Martin said. "He sets the standard for constructive criticism as well."

Katie Beeson, a freshman educational studies major, deeply appreciates Dr. Greg Mazak. Last semester, Beeson took Fundamentals of

Counseling with Mazak.

As a result, her life was changed forever. "Because of things he said, it led me to the Lord last semester," Beeson said.

Sinjin Seiber, senior engineering major, spoke about how impactful Will Woodham, faculty member in the department of engineering, was on Seiber.

Seiber talked of Woodham's humility and heart of service. "One time, he

got out of a meeting late in the evening and heard that I had a flat tire," Seiber said. "Without hesitation, he made a round trip to his house to get tools to help me fix it."

Joanna King, a junior graphic design major, talked about how much of a blessing Dr. Ted Miller and Dr. Rhonda Galloway had been to her during her college years.

"They're both very firm in their teaching, but



Phil Adams is a first-year academic adviser. Photo: Charles Billiu



Dr. Paul Radford is the head of the department of communication studies. Photo: Charles Billiu

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and asked President Steve Pettit about adding it.

Now that it's available, Smolinski is an enthusiastic member. There he learns more about leadership skills and other aspects of officer roles.

Smolinski also sees the program as beneficial for younger students. "If you want to learn more about the military, ROTC is the way to go," he said.

Smolinski plans to finish his bachelor's degree and attend BJU seminary.

After graduating, his plan is to return to the

military and become a chaplain.

He said chaplains fill several roles and that a major part is providing soldiers with biblical counseling.

"I have a heart for soldiers; I have a heart for serving," he said. "Being there to provide sound spiritual advice for soldiers is very important."

With many different responsibilities to balance, Smolinski said time management is extremely important.

"I'm always trying to make time as a husband,

make time as an ROTC cadet and prioritize my life to make sure there's an equilibrium," he said. "So time management is key."

According to him, people will make time for the things that they want to succeed at.

"My grades are important to me, being an awesome husband is important to me, maintaining my relationship with the Lord is important to me," he said, adding that he finds God gives the time to do everything necessary.

they always made sure everyone understood [the lessons], and [they] shared their passion for what they were teaching throughout the entire course and made you feel energetic," King said.

Katie French, a freshman journalism and mass communications major, talked about how Dr. Paul Radford made an impact on her this semester. "He makes class fun and engaging while teaching us worthwhile material," French said.

Jan Binns, head of cus-

todial, is another BJU staff member who has impacted students. Olivia Thomas, a freshman journalism and mass communication major who works for custodial, said that even though Binns is the head of custodial, she understands the little trials of the job.

"[Binns] encouraged us that night to rely on our coworkers for help, to invest in each other as people, and to form friendships," Thomas said. "But most of all she encouraged up to remember that our

work is a service to God, to the University, and to all our professors and fellow students."

Thomas added that she was thankful for Binns' encouragement, understanding and hardworking spirit.

Even if we did not list all of them, every single faculty and staff member has made a major impact on the students of BJU.

We greatly appreciate you all and hope to learn more from your excellent Christian example for years to come.



Emily Waggoner teaches in the Division of Music. Photo: Rebecca Snyder

Easter Sunday

With Resurrection Sunday coming up this weekend, students plan to celebrate Christ's resurrection through a combination of worship and fellowship.

Many of the freshman class are discovering new ways to enjoy Passion week and Resurrection Sunday as they experience their first Easter at BJU.

Freshman Tim Martin, a cross-cultural service major, said he has been preparing for Easter by reading through the biblical account of the week before Christ's death.

"On Easter day, I plan to read all of the resurrection accounts and then leave early in the morning to go to a sunrise service held downtown in a park," Martin said. "In my mind, you get the most out of holidays when you invest into their deeper meaning."

Jessica Scott, a freshman communication major, said her plans for her first Easter here at BJU are simple. She wants to attend an Easter service at Suber Road Baptist Church in Greer.

Those students who've experienced Easter at BJU in past years have created some of their own traditions for celebrating on campus. Many of them visit friends' homes to spend the afternoon and evening fellowshiping with other believers.

Elaina Lehner, a sophomore cross-cultural service major, said she loves celebrating the special day with her church and then heading to a friend's house for a meal and games.

"I love getting to celebrate with so many people and different kinds of people in maybe different ways of celebrating," Lehner said. "Also, it's a great way to open conversations with anyone that can lead to spiritual things very quickly and naturally."

Abby Leaman, a sophomore communication disorders major, said she too loves to attend Easter services at her church here in South Carolina. She will also go to Easter dinner at a

church friend's house. "[It's good] to have friends who love Jesus," Leaman said.

For many students who have family that live nearby, their Easter is spent worshipping and fellowshiping with relatives.

Jessica Teruel, a sophomore journalism and mass communication major, shared some traditions she enjoys celebrating with her family at Easter time. Her mother still hides Easter eggs around the house for her to hunt. "[That] means a lot, because I am a very sentimental person," she said. "Yeah, it's pretty weird, but what can I say? I like holding onto memories."

Teruel also said that on Easter Sunday she enjoys eating breakfast with her family, reading the Easter story from the Bible together and then heading to Sunday services.

Kyle Calhoun, a junior Bible major, said he spends his Easter morning at his church and then goes to his cousin's house for a meal in the afternoon. "I've not been in a lot of places where I had a lot of people around me who were solid Christians," Calhoun said. "So being able to celebrate [Easter] with these people around me is very real to me."

Other students enjoy participating in special events on campus that take place around Easter time.

Glenn Faris, a junior history major, said he will spend his second year in a row being a model in Living Gallery. "Being able to see and hear the production multiple times throughout the week is neat because you really hear the lyrics to the songs," Faris said. "In the green room there have been great times of praise, reflection and discussion among the cast members."

Faris said this year will be special because his family will be traveling from Indiana, his home state, to see him perform. "Seeing Living Gallery from the stage . . . is my favorite part of Easter at BJU," he said.



Carlos Santana, a computer science major, is one of many students using local storage facilities. Photo: Rebecca Snyder

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recommended this idea. "BJU is unique in having offered storage," Hunter said. "My friends at other out-of-state schools split a storage unit, and it's pretty reasonable price wise," she said.

The next step for students planning to go the storage unit route is to find a way to move their belongings.

For students who might not have access to a car, some storage facilities offer transportation services for an additional fee or rent moving trucks out to customers.

Yani Juve, a senior interior architecture and design major, bought barrels from the University a few years ago and still reuses the containers whenever she puts her things

in storage.

For any students looking to travel with their belongings, Juve recommends making a list of everything to pack beforehand, only bringing things that are necessary and storing the rest.

She advises anyone planning to travel by plane to try packing heavier items like shoes in a carry-on bag to help avoid

putting suitcases over the weight limit.

Hunter's main tip for students struggling with finding enough storage space is to start getting rid of things. "My freshman year I stored three barrels of stuff," Hunter said. "When I opened my barrels back up in the fall, I'd forgotten about half of that stuff. The next year, I gave away tons of things I didn't need, and only had to

store one barrel."

She also recommends finding space in unusual places such as storing her socks in her shoes.

Jillian Rogers, a sophomore educational studies major, said she rolls her clothes instead of folding them so they take up less space. She also puts them in large plastic bags to protect them from dirt and damage.

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We Answer

Q: “Can we hear more about the golf and shooting teams?”

A: The Bob Jones University Bruins shooting team closed out its season in early April, and the golf teams finish their season with a tournament this weekend.

Dan Seibert, the coach of the shooting team, said the team did very well honing their shooting skills throughout the season. Seibert said getting good at the fundamentals allows shooters to reach more advanced levels.

Sophomore Brandon Jackson focused on muzzle control over the semester to make his shot more precise. “We have to practice that endlessly to make sure we can shoot fast but still hit the same spot every time,” Jackson said.

Scoring in shooting matches is determined by the time it takes to shoot the targets plus the number of points hit on the actual targets; the lower the calculated time, the better. According to Seibert, the individual team members’ times consistently decreased.

The golf teams also improved over the season. Coach Denny Scott said he was pleased with the level of competition the women’s team achieved this spring. As a team, they placed second in two of their four tournaments, and individual scores improved as well.

According to freshman Kate Matthews, her team started conditioning and working out to improve endurance. She said one reason her team has cut down their scores is because they are not as tired during the last few holes.

Matthews along with senior Tyler Smith from the men’s team was named to the first place all-tournament team at a spring tournament. Tyler Smith also received All-American honors for being one of the top 10 golfers at the national tournament in the fall.

Scott praised the commitment levels of both teams as well as their desires to help build the program. “Next year we’re trying to continue to build on the successes of the past and continue to move in the right direction,” Scott said.



Ashley Ellis, a junior history major, competes for BJU's shooting team. Photo: Submitted



Kate Matthews, a business administration major, placed first at the Hiwassee College Spring Invitational. Photo: Submitted

Pump Up the Iron

While iron is needed in tiny amounts, it represents the most common nutrient deficiency in the world. Without enough, you can feel sluggish because your hemoglobin and red blood cells will be affected.

Ladies, this is really important for you to consider. Your needs are twice that of guys, who easily meet their needs simply because of food volume.

Iron is available in plants, but animal meat (beef, pork, chicken and fish) contains the best iron.

Consider these facts to maximize your absorption of iron—foods rich in vitamin C will enhance absorption, while foods rich in polyphenols (like tea and chocolate) tend to block absorption.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS TIP

By Melanie Schell



Stephens' brothers to perform in student body play



Isaac and Sam Stephens performed in the Bruin Nation Talent Show. Photo: Derek

ANDREW SCHMIDT and
CHRISTINA LAIRD

This semester's student body play on Friday, April 26, will tell a simple story of college life at BJU. The play will be filled with humor and musical numbers, Tori Conover, women's student body president, said.

Brothers Isaac and Sam Stephens, BJU graduate students and performers of the "BJU Muses," wrote a majority of this year's student body play.

The brothers placed second in the Bruin Nation Talent show as the

"BJU Muses." Their act included several original parodies of familiar Disney songs that presented a comedic take on the life of a BJU student.

Conover said she also contributed to the script and that the cast helped add a lot of humor. "The cast adds to [the play] their senses of humor and funny lines as we rehearse," she said.

The Stephens brothers will be performing in the play alongside the rest of the cast. The cast consists of mostly students and one "well-loved faculty

member," according to Conover.

The rest of the cast remains a secret to the general student body until the performance itself.

The play will poke fun at some of the humorous and interesting areas of life at BJU. "[There will be] lots of jokes about BJU traditions, stereotypes and recent happenings, just like all good student body plays," Conover said.

Similar to previous programs, this semester's play will contain several songs adapted from familiar Disney melodies. "If you know the Stephens brothers from the BJU Talent Show, you [can] probably guess it will be witty and full of parody," Conover said.

The Stephens brothers explained that they wanted to combine what people liked about their talent show act with what students have seemed to enjoy about student body plays in the past.

The brothers explained that everyone worked hard to make sure that the play is enjoyable for not just those involved but also those watching. "It's very much something we're hoping to give to the students as a fun experience," Sam Stephens said. "Every decision was made with the students in mind, wondering what would make this the most meaningful thing for them."

Laura DePace, sophomore health sciences major, said she looks forward to the play each year. "I love how creative and funny it is," she said. "And how they poke a little fun at the school."

Jonah Lawson, junior business administration major, said that the play last year was very entertaining. "You could tell they put a lot of thought into it," Lawson said.

Sam Stephens explained that he and his brother have both had a lifelong interest in the performing arts, starting when their father filmed home movies with them growing up.

Both brothers have a great interest in theater and music and have been involved in the fine arts at BJU in several capacities.

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