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## Night for Life to share Abby Johnson's story

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Abby Johnson now lives in Texas with her husband and seven children.  
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### Jewel Schuurmans

STAFF WRITER

Former Planned Parenthood clinic director Abby Johnson will speak at Night for Life, the pro-life fundraising event sponsored by Piedmont Women's Center on the campus of Bob Jones University. The event will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 5.

Kelly Ross, CEO of Piedmont Women's Center, a Greenville pregnancy medical clinic, said the annual fundraising event has traditionally been a banquet, but this year they chose to rent a facility on Bob Jones University campus in order to expand the number of people who could hear the pro-life message.

"This generation has never known a world without abortion being legal," Ross said.

She said ultrasound technology and the study of

embryos are more advanced today than in 1973 when Roe v. Wade was passed into law.

"We want to be a part of helping the next generation understand that life begins at conception and every life is worthy of protection . . . no matter how it's created," Ross said.

The fundraiser's keynote speaker Abby Johnson has shared her story through the 2019 movie *Unplanned*, which BJU screened this January.

During her eight years working at Planned Parenthood, the primary abortion provider in America, and her promotion to clinic director, Johnson struggled with her misgivings about the organization's motivations.

According to *plannedparenthood.com*, "In-clinic abortion is a very safe, simple and

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## THE WEEK

### Music Teachers National Association Benefit Concert

On March 2, the BJU MTNA Collegiate Chapter will host a benefit concert in War Memorial Chapel at 5 p.m. to raise money for Miracle Hill Boys' Shelter. Donations are appreciated.

### College Up Close

The student body will host visiting high school students for College Up Close on March .

### Student-Led Chapel

Students will lead chapel on Friday, March 6. Be sure to head to the FMA.

### Philoctetes

*Philoctetes* will be performed at Omega Lake at 7:30 p.m., March 5-7, weather permitting. In case of inclement weather, the performance will be moved to Performance Hall. For more information, see Vicki Olachea's article on page six.

## Jeremiah Dew presents *One Voice*

### Daniel Quigley

STAFF WRITER

BJU graduate Jeremiah Dew, known by the stage name JDew, will return to campus on Feb. 29 to perform his one-man-show, "One Voice: A Black History Narrative."

The performance is a multimedia theatre production that walks the audience through African American history by portraying figures such as the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Muhammad Ali and showing video vignettes of important African American figures in South Carolina.

The proceeds from the tickets, which cost \$8, will go to Homes of Hope, a local charity that builds low income housing and aids men struggling with addictions during their recovery.

During the show's theatrical portions, Dew embodies



Jeremiah Dew graduated from BJU with a degree in mass media in 2007. Photo: Brian French

African Americans from history, using excerpts from their writings and words to tell their stories.

Other men Dew portrays are James Weldon Johnson,

using his poem "The Creation," Frederick Douglass and excerpts from his autobiography and President Barack Obama and his "Yes, We Can" speech.

The show also includes

video "vignettes" throughout the show, detailing the lives of African Americans in South Carolina during times

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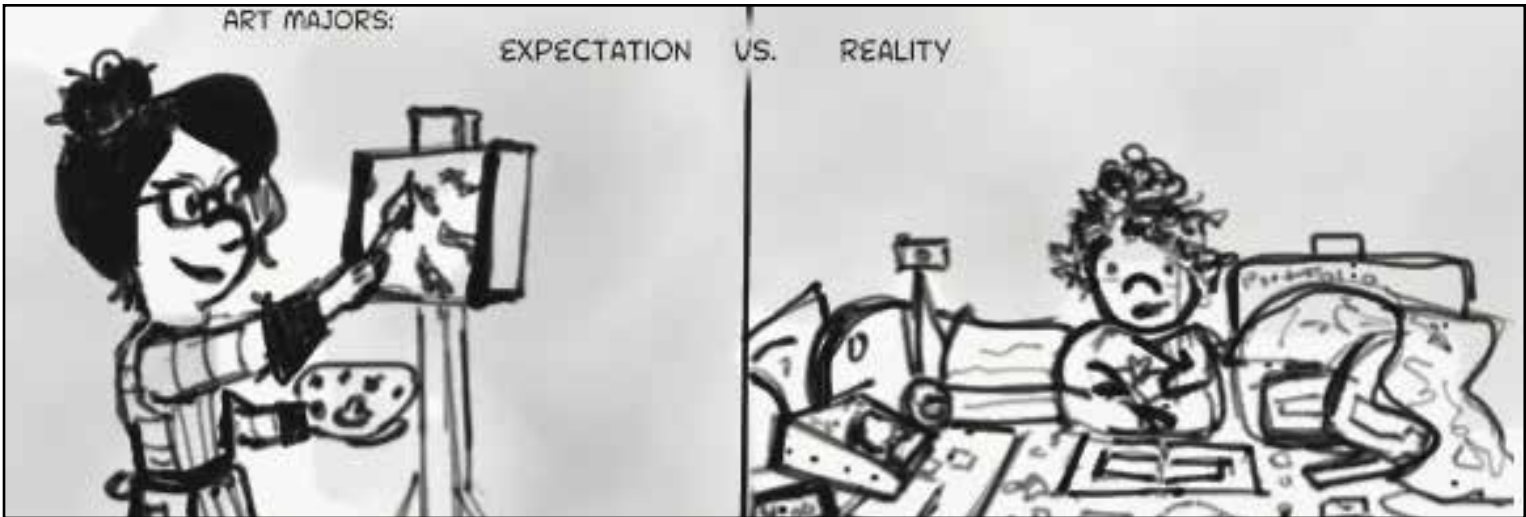
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Katie French  
STAFF WRITER

With pro-life activists speaking up now more than ever and our BJU community raising money to purchase a Save the Storks bus for the Carolina Pregnancy Center in Spartanburg to provide women free ultrasounds, the idea that humans are "fearfully and wonderfully made" (Ps. 139:14) is on the forefront of many people's minds.

However, even though we think about this phrase with regard to babies at conception, I think it often begins to slip from our minds after that point has passed.

We think about all of the intricate parts of a baby in its

*The Collegian Editorial*

## Success is a journey

How does one become one of the foremost experts on public restrooms? Is there a specialized degree program at a decorated design school?

While there is no direct path, Dr. Jo-Anne Richard of the Royal College of Art in London attained just such a feat when her thesis paper on public restrooms evolved into a thriving consultancy firm for restroom design.

Who can imagine what number of unique positions and careers exist for graduates in the working world? Yet high school graduates and college students still stress themselves to no end over their choice of major, minor or concentration. Yes, some careers, such as nursing, do require a specific academic path. But many careers, such as designing public restrooms, do not require a particular path.

Some students are trapped by assumptions of a perfect path to the exact career they desire, but it is rarely that simple.

According to an article by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, only 27% of college graduates have a career in a field related to

their area of study. Yet 62% hold a position that requires a degree. In other words, there are a multiplicity of graduates who could not hold the job they do without a degree—even in another field. This should encourage all those who don't see God's plan for them, because this statistic suggests that our majors do not have to define who we will be.

When sitting under the teaching of Jesus Christ Himself, Peter never even caught a glimmer of the goals that God would have for him. Jonah never expected Nineveh would be on his travel itinerary, and David the shepherd didn't realize he would be used to bring peace to Israel.

Even if God hasn't shown clear and specific academic or vocational direction, who are we to live in fear of uncertainty? God has never been uncertain of what our lives hold. It is in times of fear and uncertainty that our faith (or lack thereof) is made evident.

We cannot predict the future, but we can seek God's will in everyday decisions and take every opportunity for growth that He offers us.

mother's womb, but it is quite likely that we will think less about these things as a child grows older.

God calls us to value life, but are we really doing that if we are not constantly keeping in mind that every human is "fearfully and wonderfully made?"

I'm not only talking about

you and your family and friends. I'm also talking about that stranger on the sidewalk whom you've never met.

Having a brother with special needs, specifically Down Syndrome, I am constantly reminded of the truth that we are all "fearfully and wonderfully made."

As my brother, Drew, has

grown to be a teenager of 15 years, his character has been the primary evidence of this. Drew is one of the most polite and genuinely caring people you will ever meet. He holds doors, greets people, gives hugs. His joy permeates. He encourages. He

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## TALKBACK

### What was the best part of Bible Conference?

**Jared Daulton**  
SENIOR

The fundraising, preaching and exceeding of our \$150,000 goal reminded me that God is always faithful in meeting our needs.

**Molly Jorgensen**  
SOPHOMORE

I was able to strengthen and creat new friendships because of my opportunities to serve through music and ushering.

**Kyle Wilson**  
SOPHOMORE

Seeing the way God tested the faith of our student body to provide for the fundraiser and how He did above and beyond.

**Anne Smith**  
SOPHOMORE

The student body's enthusiasm for the fundraiser and the incredible goal we were able to reach.

Photo: Robby Jorgensen

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cheers people on.

As his sibling, I can honestly say that he is the glue of our family. He embodies characteristics that, to be quite honest, the rest of us don't have.

My mom will attest to the fact that out of the three of her kids, he has complained the least and said thank you the most. He also consistently wants our family to come together as a team, working together on something until the

task is completed.

The other thing I will note is that Drew acts without worrying about what others think of him, a tendency that the rest of us are very prone to.

In church, he will sing out boldly, even if he is not entirely

sure of the tune and lyrics of the hymn he is singing. He will go out of his way to help someone or to reach out to someone who needs a friend.

As Drew's sibling, his actions convict me.

His life encourages me to

acknowledge that people are "fearfully and wonderfully made" beyond their time in the womb and convicts me of how important it is to love everyone around you at any season of their life as individuals made in God's image.

# Greenville's 101 Espresso Bar offers specialty coffees, unique atmosphere

Katie French

STAFF WRITER

101 Espresso Bar is a tiny coffee and pastry shop that sits in a tall, skinny, gray brick building.

The shop lures in many local customers and has even seen a barista from Hawaii come all the way to Greenville for the sole purpose of visiting 101.

The company was founded in May 2017 by a Greek couple after an unsuccessful attempt

at real estate and was sold to Brian Pickenpack and Jonathan Ksor in September 2018.

Pickenpack said the overall vision of the company is to provide customers with delicious "dessert coffee" and gourmet pastries in a comfortable atmosphere.

"We're trying to create a mom-and-pop atmosphere," Pickenpack said.

101 brews Panamanian and Guatemalan coffee and uses both light and dark roasts. The current favorite

menu item is any beverage with vanilla flavoring.

Pickenpack said customers like it because it provides a soothing taste but can also be combined with more sugary flavoring to spice it up a bit.

As far as food and pastries are concerned, Pickenpack uses mixes for a few of the items but has come up with the recipe for his signature dessert, the oatmeal supreme cookie, himself.

101 also serves bagels and a couple savory menu items,



101 Espresso Bar is located on Wade Hampton Boulevard just a few minutes from campus. Photo: Chris Harmony



101 Espresso Bar offers a variety of seasonal drinks. Photo: Chris Harmony

including chicken salad and a Greek savory pastry called spanakopita, which was inspired by the original owners.

As the seasons change throughout the year, Pickenpack adjusts the menu. In winter months, customers can expect a variety of breads, while in summer months, they can choose from various cupcake flavors.

Beverages fluctuate with seasons as well, giving customers unique flavor options including Nutella, York Peppermint Patty and vanilla with horchata.

"101 is like home away from home, [and] the building is the trademark," Pickenpack said.

The building, which was originally constructed as a liquor store, has two stories and a crane on the ceiling of the top story that was once used to lift down liquor cases.

Customers can make their way to the second story of the building by a spiral staircase; from there, they can get a nice view of the outskirts of downtown Greenville.

Art from local artists hangs on the walls and plants and other greenery add ambiance to the space.

101 Espresso Bar is located at 101 Wade Hampton Blvd. in Greenville and is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

## Honoring Black History Month

KATHERINE JOHNSON

"Like what you do, and then you will do your best."

Katherine Johnson (1918-2020) was a mathematician for NASA. Her work was vital to the success of the early crewed space flights.





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of struggle.

Ron Pyle, head of the theatre department, said the show is inspiring. "Many of these people overcame tremendous obstacles to achieve great things," Pyle said.

Pyle taught Dew while he attended BJU. Later, Dew approached Pyle with the idea for "One Voice."

"It was all his idea," Pyle said. "I just gave him acting suggestions."

After getting Pyle's suggestions and direction, Dew premiered his show at the Warehouse Theatre in Greenville in 2007.

Since then, he's performed versions of the show at colleges and for corporate functions at companies such as Verizon Wireless and Michelin North America. He continues to perform it on stage one to two times a year.

Pyle said he wanted Dew to return this year to celebrate Black History Month in the theatre department.

"It's just a good way to remind everybody about the importance of the contributions of African Americans into American culture," Pyle said.

Pyle said he thinks BJU students should attend the program because many may not be aware of African American contributions to the U.S.

"I know I'm not as aware as I could be," Pyle said.

Pyle said he thinks the program is very informative for those who aren't African Americans.

"It's also moving to see the progress that has been made, even though we still have a long way to go in racial relations in this country," Pyle said.

Pyle also said the performance is not focused on politics. "This is not a political

program," Pyle said. "I think this transcends politics."

When setting up this specific performance, Pyle asked Dew to suggest a charity to give the proceeds to, and Dew chose the charity Homes of Hope, of which he is on the board. Homes of Hope has a Gospel emphasis in their Christian-staffed ministry.

Local ministries that work with disadvantaged youths will bring groups to see the performance on campus.

"We feel like that's also an important part of what we're trying to do through the program: to have some sort of even small impact in the community," Pyle said.

After graduating from BJU, Dew has been involved in communities across South Carolina, emceeing at the Greenville Drive from 2007 to 2016 and hyping up attendees at Clemson University basketball games.

# Teach the World video conference to connect ministries with students

Olivia Thomas

STAFF WRITER

The Teach the World video conference event today from 6 to 9 p.m. will connect Bob Jones University students with unique teaching and outreach opportunities in China, Guam, Japan, Zambia and Poland.

Sponsored by the University Educators Association and the School of Education at BJU, the Teach the World event will begin with a key address held in the Seminary building, with breakout sessions to follow held in the Seminary and Alumni Building.

While many students think of typical American classrooms filled with wooden desks and whiteboards when they think of teaching opportunities, there are many other nontraditional opportunities available around the world.

Small technologically advanced classrooms, large outdoor classrooms, orphanages and many other institutions all need students willing to step out of their comfort zones and into other countries.

Dr. Julie Hartman is the chair of the Division of Educational, Child and Family Studies and is one of the organizers of the Teach the World event. Hartman said her division works to serve and prepare students to work in other countries not just as teachers

but also as missionaries.

"My students in this division are very interested in global opportunities," Hartman said. "They don't believe in separating outreach and service to children."

The need for teachers and educators in international Christian schools is large and growing. But the Teach the World event is not just for education majors. The event is open to students of any major interested in exploring international opportunities.

"It's always good to explore possibilities, because that is why we're here at the University," Hartman said. "What is my potential, what is God calling me to do and what opportunities are out there for me? It's time for us to think beyond our little corner of the planet."

The Teach the World event will begin with a key address by Dr. Jim Bennet, an adjunct professor of global learning and innovation at BJU, who has spent 27 years working in higher education with a focus on international learning.

Following the key address, there are five different breakout sessions for students to choose from. The sessions introduce students to Wuhan Yangtze International School in China, Genesis Preschool in Poland, MeySen Academy in Japan, Harvest Christian Academy in Guam and Faith Children's Village Amano

Academy in Zambia. The video chat format allows attendees to hear from and speak to staff from each location, allowing them to hear firsthand what it is like to work and teach in each country's unique cultural environment.

The varied cultural settings of each country create many different opportunities



Kenneth Driscoll, pictured above, has worked with Dr. Brain Carruthers and Dr. Julie Hartman to coordinate Teach the World.

Photo: Charles Billiu

for students to serve others in positions that relate to their major. Students who go to work in other countries may also find opportunities to use their major in ways they may not have thought of before.

Kenneth Driscoll, the operations coordinator for the

School of Education, said the faculty want to encourage students to think outside the box when it comes to using their major, whatever their major may be and wherever the Lord may lead them.

"There are these unique opportunities where students

can serve the Lord," Driscoll said. "A lot of people have a passion for teaching, whether or not they're education majors. We like to make a meaningful impact in people's lives, and this is a fantastic way to make an impact."

## Happy 5th Birthday



**Ruby Manville**

JUNIOR

"My mom was born on April Fool's, so she knows what it's like to get teased for her birthday. The doctor offered to prolong labor, and my mom was like, 'Absolutely not, I will make this girl love her birthday.' So I was born on Feb. 29, and I think I have the coolest birthday in the world."

**Andrew Ahren**

FRESHMAN

"I have enjoyed my four years on this earth! Usually we celebrate on both days, so it's pretty cool. I don't like how there is no 29th because it feels like it's not my birthday, so it does feel a little weird."



Interviews contributed by Jewel Schuurmans



# bible CONFERENCE

## recap

by Andrew Schmidt

This year's Bible Conference at Bob Jones University focused on God's unchanging character and His role as the ultimate source of all comfort under the theme, "The God of All Comfort."

The conference was held from Tuesday evening, Feb. 18 through Friday evening, Feb. 21, featuring morning, afternoon and evening services.

Guest speakers at the conference included Marty Heron, Morris Gleiser, Cary Schmidt, Carol Anne Clemons and Cheyenne Cottrell. BJU's Chancellor Bob Jones III and President Steve Pettit also spoke during the conference.

Services focused on a variety of topics under the umbrella of "The God of All Comfort," including God's character, His provision for His children, working difficult circumstances for His will and our identity in Him through Christ.

Students said they learned a lot from the conference on how to deal with hard trials in life. "God knows what's best even if we don't think it is," sophomore George Chambers said.



Pushing Curfew was hosted by Dillion Frazier with guests Dr. Dan Olinger and Miss Jane Smith.  
Photo: Charles Billiu



Josh Ortiz plays on the mini-golf course hosted by the Ironside dormitory.  
Photo: Chris Harmony

Others said they also learned how God uses trials for His glory, sometimes beyond our comprehension. "We should find joy in our trials," junior Megan Balsbaugh said, "because God uses them to shape us and equip us to reach others."

Kayla Burget, junior, said her major takeaway from the conference was about God's goodness through trials. "God is always much better than you perceive," she said. "Comfort and conflict go hand-in-hand."

Matt Mason, Bible language and literature graduate student, said this was his favorite Bible Conference yet. "True comfort is always deeper than real pain," he said.

During this year's Bible Conference, Bob Jones University also followed its tradition of raising funds for a cause through offerings as well as a variety of creative fundraisers.

The University chose to raise money to buy a bus from Save the Storks, a nonprofit pro-life and evangelistic organization, to donate to the Carolina Pregnancy Center in Spartanburg.

The Stork buses provide free ultrasounds, pregnancy tests, STI testing and more. These mobile medical units are frequently parked outside abortion clinics to reach expectant mothers and help convince them of the value of their unborn child's life.

Save the Storks emphasizes presenting a platform for sharing the Gospel through exemplifying God's love for the unborn and thus exhibiting his love for all human life. To aid in this, Save the Storks also offers confidential

biblical counseling.

The BJU student body became heavily invested in this cause in 2019 and hoped to raise funds for the organization in a future Bible conference after Save the Storks President Paul Isaacs spoke about his organization and its mission in chapel at BJU last year.

President Pettit agreed and announced that the 2020 Bible Conference fundraiser would be to raise money to buy a Stork bus.

Isaacs visited BJU during the conference last week and extended his gratitude to the BJU student body, faculty, staff and alumni for their enthusiasm in supporting this cause.

The University sought to raise \$150,000 to buy a Save the Storks bus for the Greenville-Spartanburg area.

The student body exceeded this goal by over \$35,000 with a total of \$185,520.03 raised as of Friday night of the conference. The additional funds will be used to help the Carolina Pregnancy Center pay for ultrasound equipment for the bus.

Fundraisers this year included multiple edible offerings such as the traditional Johnson Burgers from the Johnson men's residence hall, Broke Dogs from Brokenshire, Smith Steaks from Smith and Sunday Smoothies from the women's residence hall Nell Sunday.

Other fundraisers include an escape room, speed dating and the "Pushing Curfew" variety show on Friday night after the end of the conference.



The black and white image of the bus was turned to color as funds were donated to the Bible Conference offering.  
Photo: Chris Harmony

## Top 5 BIBLE CONFERENCE FUNDRAISERS



*Usher Auction*

**\$16,463.61**

*Alpha Omega Delta  
Fundraiser (Biking)*



**\$15,000.00**



*Men's and Women's Dorms*

**\$14,693.18**

*William Jennings Bryan  
Fundraiser (Manual Labor)*



**\$3,905.00**



*Nu Alpha Phi  
Fundraiser (Stickers,  
Pins and Ice Cream)*

**\$1,160.79**



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common procedure."

But after witnessing the abortion of a 13-week-old baby, Johnson left Planned Parenthood for good and has helped over 430 abortion workers leave the industry through her ministry And Then There Were None, according to abbyjohnson.org.

In a 2019 court testimony supporting SB9, the Kentucky fetal heartbeat bill, Johnson said abortion can never be safe.

"In order for an abortion to be deemed successful, an individual and unique human being with a beating heart must die," Johnson said. "That can never be safe for that individual human life."

Two more women will also give their testimonies at Night for Life.

Cameron will share her story about creating an adoption plan for her unborn baby, and Lisa will speak about the trauma of her abortion and the recovery process she underwent at Piedmont Women's Center.

BJU students will be volunteering at the event to greet

guests, give directions and pass out cookies to guests as they exit.

Lynn Snow, BJU grad and Piedmont Women's Center Special Events Volunteer Coordinator, said more students signed up to volunteer than the maximum of 40 needed for the event.

Snow said BJU student volunteers represent the

University well by their attitudes in service.

"[Piedmont Women's Center] has always appreciated the willingness and excitement level of the students from Bob Jones University," Snow said.

The event is free, and BJU students are encouraged to attend. Students can register on the Piedmont Women's Center website.

# BJU Theatre Department, ROTC, Health Science Association work together to produce *Philoctetes*

Vicki Olachea

STAFF WRITER

The BJU Theatre Department is collaborating with the Health Sciences Association and the BJU ROTC program to produce *Philoctetes*, a Greek play with a modern twist.

*Philoctetes* is the story of a hero archer in the Trojan War who is bitten by a sacred snake whose venom causes incredible pain. His fellow soldiers abandon him for nine years until an oracle sends them back to retrieve the hero's sacred bow.

The play, a thesis project for second year graduate students Beth Adkins and Harrison Miller, was written by Sophocles 2,500 years ago for Greek soldiers.

But the modern translation selected by Adkins and Miller was done by Bryan Doerries, author of *Theater of War* and

co-founder of Theater of War Productions.

*Philoctetes* is one of many Greek plays Doerries' company uses to reach military personnel and their families confronting difficult topics such as mental health, social justice, domestic violence and death.

More information on Theater of War Productions and its topics is available at theaterofwar.com.

A common feature of Doerries' productions is a "talkback" held after the play. During the talkback, audience members discuss the themes of the play and what they meant personally.

Miller, who is directing the play, is proud to follow in the tradition by offering a talkback after *Philoctetes* on its theme of chronic pain.

Miller said a theatre faculty member mentioned the play

to Dr. Hannah Bengé, faculty adviser to the HSA. Bengé jumped at the chance to provide a panel for the talkback. The panel will feature doctors, a chaplain and students who will speak on chronic pain from their professional or personal experiences.

To Adkins, stage manager and technical director of *Philoctetes*, the play and following talkback make the perfect bridge between two communities—those who have trouble communicating their chronic pain and those who have trouble understanding it.

The panel will feature faculty members of BJU's Division of Health Sciences including Dr. Hannah Bengé on Thursday, Dr. Jessica Minor and Dr. Marc Chetta on Friday and Dr. Bernard Kadio on Saturday. Chaplain Steven Brown will add a military perspective. Students who suffer from chronic pain will also speak, and the audience will be given their opportunity as well.

Adkins is also working with ROTC personnel to choreograph military cadences. A cadence will be the preshow to *Philoctetes*.

According to Adkins, the play's military focus pushes the phrase "no man left behind" to its ultimate limit.

Social media promotion for *Philoctetes* features the hashtag #willyoustay. Adkins said this is a direct challenge to the audience, referencing



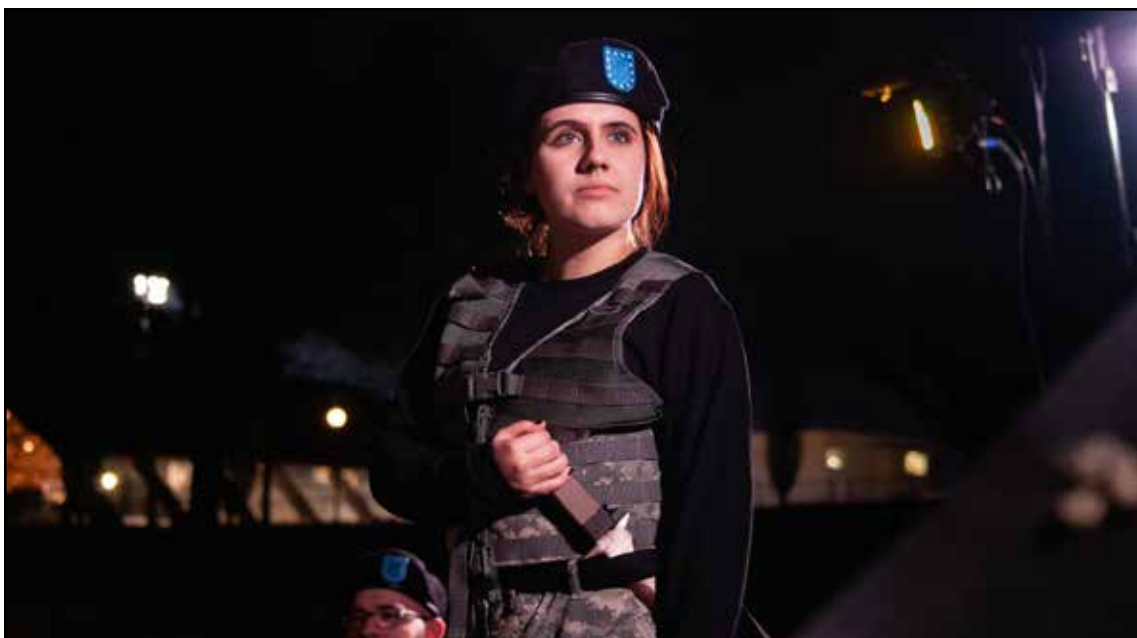
Adesuwa Awo-Osagie is part of the chorus in *Philoctetes*.

Photo: Lindsay Shaleen



*Philoctetes* is intended to help soldiers deal with traumatic experiences.

Photo: Lindsay Shaleen



Kayley Baker is a junior theatre major. Photo: Lindsay Shaleen

the difficulty of experiencing the play's theme live.

Wilbur Mauk, first year theatre graduate student playing the show's titular main character, said the audience will share the plight of the soldiers in the play who must sit in a room with a man in intense—and vocal—pain.

According to Miller, *Philoctetes* holds an important message for the BJU community, which includes many who deal with chronic pain.

"This play deals honestly with suffering," Miller said. "But it is also hopeful in its message about reconciliation—but also honest about

what reconciliation looks like."

Miller and Adkins chose *Philoctetes* as their thesis project because of their passion for building a community that gives a voice to those who go unheard.

"There's something going on in the world that is happening whether you want it to or not," Miller said. "And you need to sit down and listen to this story."

The play will be performed at 7:30 p.m. March 5 to 7 at Omega Lake. In the case of inclement weather, it will move to Performance Hall. Tickets can be purchased at [bju.universitytickets.com](http://bju.universitytickets.com) for \$8.



Sam Stephens will play the role of Odysseus, a character who uses his cunning to accomplish his mission.

Photo: Lindsay Shaleen



# Ten graduating seniors honored at BJU's basketball senior night

Anna Grace Casillas  
STAFF WRITER

The Bruins basketball teams celebrated their graduating seniors at their last regular season home games on Saturday, Feb. 22.

The men's team honored five graduating players—Jayson Barnhart, Nate Ellenwood, Jon Allen, Cam McKennedy and Zachary Orr.

The women's team honored four senior players—Kylee Leffew, Rachel Clark, Madison Shupe and Jana Lehman. In addition, women's team manager and senior Brianna Walker was also honored.

Each player has a different story behind joining the Bruins teams.

Both Kylee Leffew, a middle school education major, and Rachel Clark, a biblical counseling major, attended the Bruins summer basketball camps in high school.

Coach LeViere offered a position to Clark during the camp but told Leffew that she was not yet playing at college level. However, after training during her junior and senior years of high school, Leffew made the team her freshman year, with LeViere telling her that he planned on taking her from the start but wanted to push her to her highest potential.

Zach Orr, a business administration major, played his

first two seasons at Erskine College, but he said the college was not the best fit for him. After talking to Coach Uwarow, he transferred to BJU in the fall of 2018 and began playing for the Bruins.

The graduating seniors have experienced both wins and losses in their time on the Bruins teams.

The men's best record came in the 2017-2018 season, ending 22-11 overall. The team won their second straight regional championship but fell to Randall University in the NCAA DII national championship.

The women's best season was last year, as they finished with a 14-16 record overall and a 7-2 conference record.

Reflecting on the ups and downs of her college career, Leffew said she has learned perseverance.

"Losing is hard, and not winning regionals and nationals is hard and having a bad game personally is hard," she said. "However, I have to learn from my mistakes and move on—the same goes for life."

Nate Ellenwood, a sport management major, has also experienced victories and

defeats in his time playing for the Bruins.

Ellenwood, one of the team's leading scorers and the Most Outstanding Player in the 2017-18 season, sat out his junior year after tearing his Achilles on a mission trip to Ireland with the golf team.

After coming back from injury, Ellenwood has remained a consistent starter for the team this season and has scored more than 300 points.

Ellenwood said his basketball career has taught him the importance of friendships, especially after the injury his junior year.

"My teammates have become some of my greatest friends," he said. "I was also able to meet my girlfriend through my time on the Bruins."

Jayson Barnhart, a graduate student studying sports administration and coaching, became the all-time leading scorer in the men's basketball team history on Feb. 8, when he scored his 1,618th point.

According to Bruins head coach Burton Uwarow, Barnhart has been a leader for the team throughout his entire career.



Kylee Leffew has been on the Bruins women's basketball team for four years. Photo: Prince Sarnicula

## BRUINS HIGHLIGHT



Krystal McCalla

**MAJOR:**  
Christian Ministries

**CLASSIFICATION:**  
Freshman

**SPORT:**  
Track & Field

**FUN FACT:**  
She used to take ballet

## HEALTH & wellness TIPS

with Melanie Schell



### Are you a label reader?

If you're accustomed to reading the nutrition label on foods that you buy, you may have noticed some changes recently. If you're not a label reader, it's a good practice to start! (But that's a discussion for another week!)

One of the most significant changes to the label is the addition of "added sugars" under the carbohydrate heading. By looking at this number, you can

quickly see how much extra sugar has been added to a product, besides the sugar that may be naturally in the food.

Previously when you saw the line "total sugars," there was no way to easily tell what was natural and what was added. This change is a small victory for consumers as it gives us a new way to make smarter choices in the foods we eat.



# Students craft personalized degrees with interdisciplinary studies major

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Students interested in two or three fields could study multiple majors, but if they want to learn how to make several majors work together, they may want to consider majoring in interdisciplinary studies.

According to BJU's website, BJU's interdisciplinary studies' program allows you to combine two or more disciplines to form a major unique to you.

This is different from double majoring or majoring and minoring, since a student is able to create a schedule that blends two disciplines together.

This flexibility does not go unchecked, though, according to Dr. Doug Garland, the interdisciplinary studies adviser.

Garland said students

minored in music, but this did not allow her to focus on the main part of music she was interested in.

When she switched to interdisciplinary studies, she was able to take voice specific classes and sidestep some additional theory classes that would not be as beneficial to her specific study.

"You do organize your own checksheet, so it's not like you're doing necessarily all the classes that would be required [of each major]," Duke said.

Duke said that one reason interdisciplinary studies was a better choice for her than double majoring was the credit load reduction. "I didn't have to try to double major in two things in their entirety," Duke said.

If Duke had double majored in both zoo and wildlife studies (48 credit hours) and voice performance (69 credit hours), she would have had a combined total of 117 credit hours. This would not have allowed Duke to graduate in the timeframe she wanted to.

Because interdisciplinary studies can combine several focuses into one major, it can be especially beneficial for Christians; for example, it's the perfect major to combine religious studies with secular studies. If someone wanted to become a nutritionist but also wanted to

be able to counsel their patients from a biblical perspective, they could combine the majors of nutrition and biblical counseling.

This is exactly what Kendra Schmitt decided to do. "My goal is to become a dietetic technician, which is more nutrition [and] health science than it is counseling, as biblical counseling," Schmitt said. "But even in secular nutrition jobs, they like their employees to have counseling background so they can help counsel their patients and clients."

If a student is interested in majoring in interdisciplinary studies, he or she must complete 30 credits (usually before or around the beginning of a student's sophomore year) while maintaining a 3.0 GPA.



Kendra Schmidt intends to pursue a career as a nutritionist.

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Doug Garland, the adviser for the interdisciplinary studies major, said that the major has two required classes: introduction to interdisciplinary studies and the interdisciplinary studies capstone.

Introduction to interdisciplinary studies teaches students how to combine majors effectively, and the students by the end of the class must submit a proposal for a potential capstone project.

This capstone project is due the second semester of the student's senior year. In this project, they must show how they combined their majors and how it will be useful in their future career.

This major requires direction and responsibility on the students' part.

Amber Stutz combined the majors business, criminal justice and behavioral sciences because she has an interest in working with victims of sex trafficking.

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in college. Their field had multi-faceted problems that could not be solved by someone who was an expert in just a singular study.

Other members of the BJU mission team told the group that BJU may have a solution to this problem the missionaries were speaking about; BJU was implementing an interdisciplinary studies program.

"I was like, 'Wow, that's great! This looks like just what I'm looking for,'" Stutz said. "So, I came back to the University and inquired about it and started the program."

Stutz said you must be hardworking and self-motivated because interdisciplinary studies is a self-propelled major; because of that, there are high expectations to reach.



Amber Stutz plans to use her unique degree to help victims of sex trafficking.

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Rebecca Duke has combined zoo and wildlife studies with voice performance.

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must get their class schedules approved in advance. "[The students] choose their disciplines, and they choose courses," said Garland. "They have to get a couple of faculty members to sign off on what they've done."

For Rebecca Duke, one of six current interdisciplinary studies majors, this flexibility was majorly beneficial when she chose to combine the disciplines of zoo and wildlife biology and voice performance.

Duke hopes to be a veterinarian but decided to combine her zoo and wildlife biology studies with vocal performance.

She was advised to study something unique so she could stand out on her application to veterinary schools.

She originally majored in zoo and wildlife studies and

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