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Trustees develop relationships with students

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Recently, the Board of Trustees met on campus to attend several meetings, dedicate the new fountain and meet with a select group of student over breakfast to get to know them better.
The Board is currently comprised of 30 members, 15 of which are alumni. The remaining 15 are connected to the University in various ways. Bridging the gap between the students and the Board has been a long-time goal of the University and the Board. They have done other activities in the past to get to know the students. But this past weekend, they wanted to focus on getting to know them on a more personal level. Student Development coordinated the conversational



The Board of Trustee officially dedicates the new fountain during their last visit to the University. During their visit, they also spent time getting to know students on a more personal level over a special breakfast.

breakfast on Saturday for the Board’s visit in an effort to bring students from a variety of years and majors to sit down and connect with the Board. Two to three students were paired with one Board member to talk about the students’ studies, their time at the University and their aspirations after graduation. “Meeting with students, and seeing firsthand how each of their lives grow both spiritually and academically is a real treat for the Board,” said Michael Kairis, a University Board member. At the beginning of the

breakfast, students introduced themselves to their Board members and shared their insights of the University, what they loved most about it or what they felt it could improve on. The Board said they would take what the students had to say for future action. By the end of the breakfast, several tables closed their time together in praying for each other, the University and the possibility of doing more events like this in the future. Andre Broquard, dean of students, was one of the coordinators of the breakfast and handpicked which students would sit with Board members. He knew the students well and knew which members of the Board with whom they would best fit.

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Changes in Spy vs. Spy bring greater turnout

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After a week of paranoia and a quick burst of all out chaos, Andrea Boss emerged the victor of last year’s Spy vs. Spy competition. The last 10 or so spies had fallen in a giant shootout on the quad and only two remained. They had an alliance together to split the reward, so they shot at each other for bragging rights. This year’s Spy vs. Spy competition, in its fourth day, is the largest competition ever on campus. Rachel Bannert, co-Director of Student Events and Activities (SEA), said this year’s competition started with 237 participants, up from last year’s 153. “This year we moved Spy vs. Spy earlier; last year it was right before finals and so we got a lot of pushback from people saying “This is so crazy, I’m so busy and I don’t have time to be paranoid,”” said Bannert. Responding to the stress

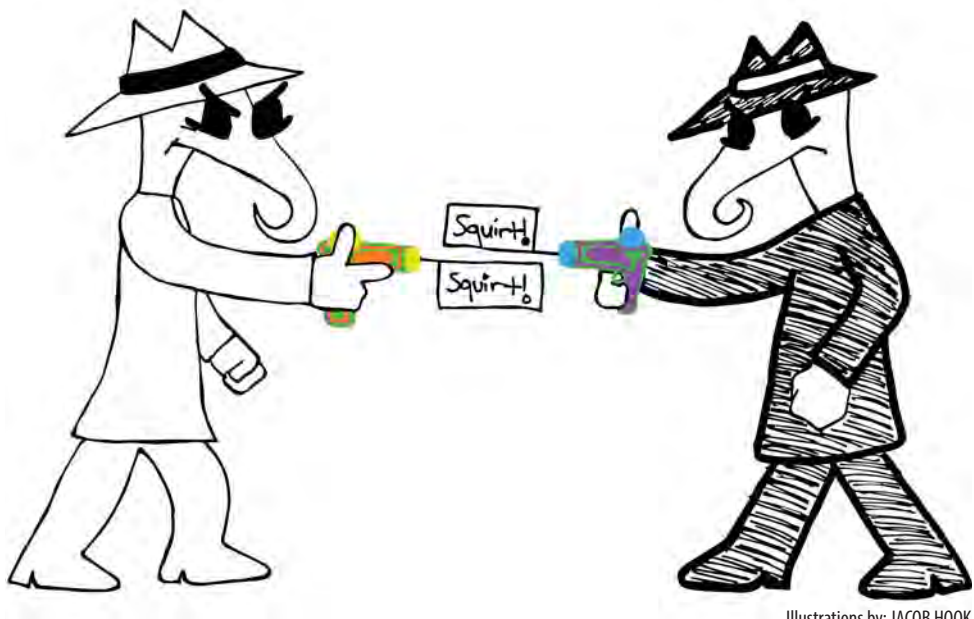
on competitors last year, SEA decided to change when Spy vs. Spy would take place and believe the increase in numbers is partially because of this change. This year, the winner will not be a repeat, as Andrea Boss decided not to participate. “It’s like, might as well go out

on top,” said Boss. “Doing it once and winning was fulfilling, [but a] second time I don’t know if I want to handle the paranoia.”

Even though enrollment is ostensibly higher than last year’s due to earlier scheduling, Boss said last year the paranoia of Spy vs. Spy didn’t prevent her from

exercising good study habits. “Actually Spy vs. Spy made me spend a lot of time in the library because it is a safe place, so I studied in there a lot,” said

competition promotes unity on campus. “It makes you go and meet people you’ve never met before and makes you go to places you usually don’t go,” said Boss. Bannert also said that Spy vs. Spy can bring people at the University that don’t know each other together and that It is a way to get to know people you wouldn’t normally know. For Bannert, the competition also has a unique demographic that it reaches compared to other campus-wide activities during the school year. “One of the things that i really love about Spy vs. Spy is a lot of people come up to me and say [they] never do things on campus and that this is the one thing that they do,” said Bannert. “Spy vs spy gets people involved who normally wouldn’t be involved because its not a whole lot of commitment for one or two days of fun.”



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Conference brings greater learning opportunities

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The Graduate Counseling program at John Brown University will host its first-ever Family Therapy Conference Friday. The conference is designed to bring in professionals as well as students in training programs to provide continuing education in the different areas of counseling education, John Carmack, chair of the University’s division of Graduate Counseling, said. “JBU’s Graduate Counseling program is the largest Master (of Arts) level training program in the state of Arkansas, with over 230 students currently enrolled in either our M.S. in marriage and family therapy, clinical mental health counseling

or school counseling majors,” Carmack said. These three majors pave the way for students to meet the requirements to become licensed by the state as marriage and family therapists, licensed professional counselors or licensed school counselors, respectively. Students can add a specialty in play therapy as an emphasis to any degree, as well as go through a yearlong program that ensures certification as a registered play therapist, Carmack said. Nick Cornett and Chuck Romig are faculty members in the graduate program and are the specialists in the play therapy

program. A 3,000 square-foot building was built last year to be used for

Carmack will be speaking on the American Counseling Association’s 2014 Code of Ethics publication, as all licenses are required to follow this code. Romig will join Carmack in speaking on ethics, but will focus more on “values in counseling profession,” Carmack said. Cornett will speak on family play therapy in his talk “Family Play as an X-Ray: Revealing and Healing Broken Bonds.” “Working with young children and their families together in therapy is a passion of mine,” Cornett said. “Typically, when families with children experience issues that might lead them to seek assistance through counseling,



most practitioners will work with just the children or just the adults.” Families often focus on only one member needing therapy, Cornett said. If whole families are to be involved in the therapy of an individual or group, play therapy will be more effective than talk-based, he said. Cornett’s presentation will present the research of the benefits of using family-centered treatment and practical ways counselors can use effective play therapy in these situations. An expected 175 participants from Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri will be at the conference, which will be held at the Simmons Great Hall on the University campus.

“It Takes Two” aims to change dating scene

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Listening to The Next Big Thing contestant, Golden Ash, and earning free coffee for the first 50 people, students packed into the second floor of Pour Jon’s to attend the “It Takes Two” event.

The event was organized by a group of seven John Brown University students from the Marriage and Family Living class to create awareness attempting to break the myths of dating all across campus.

“It was to bring people together, to get to know each other and break the mold of dating,” Meghan Cushman, a part of the class, said.

The night included a talk from Meghan Cushman, a sophomore family and human services major, and sign ups for group dating.

Cushman, in her speech, challenged the audience on their perceptions of dating.

As such, Cushman described the term “frugaling,” which originated from the University professor Nick Ogle.

Ogle’s housemate was hanging out with a girl all the time but they never made it official, Cushman retold.

“Ogle got so frustrating with the whole thing that he finally said, ‘They’re... frugaling!’ Frugal being a word to describe someone who is careful with money...spending just little but never fully committing to something,” Cushman said.

She also said that a myth they are trying to bust is that two people of the opposite sex can’t eat together or talk with each other without everyone around them assuming they are in a relationship.

“You can go on a date with someone without ever thinking of marriage or even about having an official relationship. Going on a date is to get to know someone, and people outside of JBU do this all the time!”

Cushman believes for the mindset at JBU to change,

two things should happen: friends are mature and not jumping to conclusions, and the guy and girl are confident and do not second guess when they are hanging out.

In her response to the event, senior Laura Nelson said that it was helpful to define the terms.

“I’m looking to start to do the things they talked about with my friends,” Nelson

said. “I already like having dinner with them without it meaning anything more.”

Nelson also agreed that the setting was really comfortable.

“It was a good idea to have Golden Ash. They played love songs that warmed up the room,” said senior Seth Kaye.

The lead singer of Golden Ash, Steve Sullivant, approved of the preparation with free

food and venue. However, he felt the speech could be more focused and planned.

The group will also be collecting surveys to pair two women and two men or two couples up on a group blind date.

Sign- ups will continue in Walker Student Center until Friday.



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Kaytlin Li and Laura Nelson enjoy refreshments and live music at “It Takes Two.” The event was designed with a relaxed, fun atmosphere.



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Meghan Cushman speaks on the dating scene at the University. Cushman hoped to “break the mold of dating” with the activities at the event, encouraging a more casual attitude between men and women and condemning the practice of “frugaling.”

Workshop caters to creative writers of all majors

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Sigma Tau Delta, the English Honor Society at John Brown University, hosted a workshop in order to promote creative writing on campus. The workshop, which took place on Tuesday, April 8, featured three sessions from 2-4 p.m. The event aimed to reach out to those who would like to

learn more about writing, but are not usually able to take the creative writing classes offered in the English department.

“[Sigma Tau Delta] attempts to promote literacy, literature, and creative writing on the JBU campus,” senior Sarah Hubbard, an English Education major, said. “We would love for students to attend and learn more about creative writing, telling your story, publishing, and writing in general.”

The workshop featured three sessions: “The Magic

Circle: What Your Story Is Missing” taught by junior Hannah Wright, “Writing Is Not Scary, I Promise” taught by senior Seth Burgett, and a publishing workshop taught by Brad Gambill, associate professor of English.

“We really want students to realize . . . anyone can write, and creative writing can take almost any forms,” Hubbard said.

Wright used an interactive teaching style to help the attendees make their fiction more plausible through world-

building and story-shaping, and Burgett’s session emphasized that anyone can write, regardless of their background or ability.

As Burgett mentioned in the workshop, “The only difference between writers and normal people is that writers actually write things.”

Both Wright and Burgett also recommended techniques to help writers begin the writing process.

Senior Rissa Willis attended the workshop and said that she found it very helpful.

“Seth had some good recommendations like, don’t just stare at a blank page, actually write things, and once you start writing, don’t start backspacing things,” Willis said. “I’ve done some writing in the past, but it’s been a while. Writing is kind of hard to get back into for me, so I kind of hoped that the workshop might help because [writing] is fun. It was actually really helpful. I’m really glad they did [the workshop] and I hope they keep doing it.”



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Web journalist gives talk on future of online media

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The media industry today is not the same as it was 20 years ago. But it is not dying; it is changing, according to CBS News digital journalist Lindsey Boerma who spoke at the University last week. Boerma told students what it was like to work in the changing field media landscape

as well as what journalism will look like for average consumers in the future. “Newspaper reporters are a dying breed, as we know them,” said Boerma. Boerma currently works in the Washington D.C. area covering a variety of stories primarily for web. All of her stories are originally written and packaged for the web, though some are later repackaged for a television audience. “What’s interesting about web content is that no one really

knows what to do with it yet,” Boerma said. She said most news groups are mainly posting “watered down versions of the news” or stories deemed “not good enough” for a regular evening broadcast or Sunday morning print edition. She believes digital journalism is beginning to develop its own brand and form. Boerma, who also covered the 2012 presidential primaries, said developments on stories are hourly, and audience feedback is much more intimate and dynamic.

“It keeps us accountable,” she said. Citizen journalism and sources gathered through social media are making the journalism process easier. It is still up to journalists to sort through the information and fact check, especially since gathering the information is often much easier than it was even 15 years ago, according to Boerma.

Two growing movements in digital journalism are niche news media and sponsored content. Boerma sees sponsored content especially as a “gray area” in the emerging news media landscape. Currently, 69 percent of news media revenue is generated from advertisement, stated an annual report released by the Pew Research Center.

Digital advertising as a whole has greatly increased with the greatest increase in video advertisement, but sponsored content has also been steadily increasing since 2009, according to the same study.

Boerma worries media consumers may not always understand what is and is not sponsored content. “I’m not sure how to get past that because we need the money,” she said.

In regards to bloggers, Boerma believes they can be a good source of information and readers should support bloggers they feel speak to them. But that does not mean readers should not be careful because many are not vetted by any kind of editor or fact-checker.

“Be wary,” she said. “There comes a time when their content becomes good enough that it does become vetted.”

She further explained that popular blogs are often ‘picked up’ by established news media sites and then they become monitored in a greater fashion.

She has a similar opinion of niche news media. Boerma believes at the moment niche media may threaten well-rounded news, especially the old model of local evening newscasts, which was largely non-political.

“People who have not lived in multiple places are going to be more apt to go to places that feed into what they already

believe,” Boerma said. She said growing up in central Illinois then moving to the East Coast has made this very obvious simply in where people from both of these regions go to get their news.

While niche media and other “gray area” news media is made not only possible but also more likely in the Internet age, “what the Internet provides trumps that,” Boerma said.

Internet multimedia news coverage will only increase in the future, according to current employment trends in the news industry. Pew Research Center looked at 30 main news media groups and found an average of 102 jobs per outlet focusing on digital journalism. At the same time, newsrooms have lost over 18 thousand jobs as an industry since 2000.

“You gotta go wall-to-wall journalism,” Boerma told the Communication students during her talk. “It’s everything.”

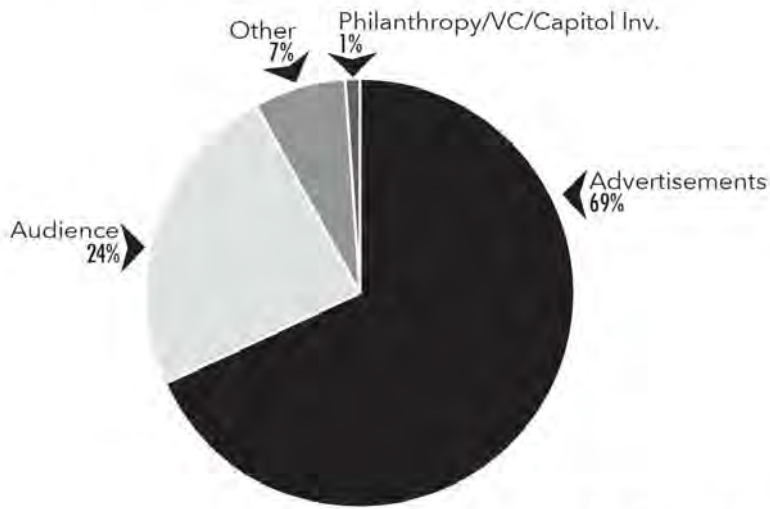


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Journalist Lindsey Boerma visited the University last week. Boerma works in online journalism in Washington, D.C.

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Student government seniors share experiences, advice

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With graduation fast approaching, the seniors on the SGA Officer Team were asked to share their thoughts and experiences from their years as students. Looking back at their time at John Brown University, the seniors of the Student Government Association began to get sentimental.

“The people. I will definitely miss the people the most,” Sophie Shafer, the Student Government Association’s Vice President of Communication, said. “I’ve made great

friendships here. Some of them are the best friends I have made.”

SGA President Elizabeth Mathers agreed with Shafer about missing the people of JBU.

“Students, professors, faculty and staff. I will miss them the most,” Mathers said

Both Shafer and Mathers have learned from their experiences serving in SGA. Shafer, who has been in SGA since her freshman year, wanted to encourage students to get involved.

“Here at JBU, we have a huge emphasis on community and getting involved,” Shafer said. “It helps you get out of your comfort zone as well as help others.”

Mathers gave similar advice to underclassmen.

“Find something you are passionate about and get plugged

in,” Mathers said. “It can help you make friends and provides an outlet for school.”

Shafer also advised students to be patient and not jump to conclusions when they dislike the way things are going.

“Being on SGA, we had to address miscommunication and upset students,” Shafer said. Often, students might not realize why a decision was made or why a policy could not be changed.

“By serving on SGA, we got to ask why and once you know the reasons behind decisions it is easier not to get upset,” Shafer said.

“The faculty and staff really do want the best for students and the University, which is really encouraging,” Mathers added.

Serving on SGA also gave

the officers fond memories.

“My favorite experience has been planning the Junior Senior Banquet,” said Shafer. “It’s nice to see something physically come together and get people excited since most of our projects are long term and we can’t see immediate results.”

Mathers’ favorite part of SGA was when she was able to attend the Board of Trustees’ retreat in Branson, Mo. last year.

“I enjoyed spending time with the Board members, getting to know them in a more relaxed setting and seeing their passion,” Mathers said.

For the upcoming SGA team, whose elections will be announced next week, the seniors encouraged officers and senators to focus on teamwork

and time management.

“Make a calendar for the year and set realistic goals,” said Mathers. “Share the workload too, even if it involves an area you aren’t gifted in. It can be a learning experience.”

“Really spend time to get to know each other,” Shafer added. “Get to know each others’ passions, ideas and personalities so you can work well as a team.”

After graduation, both Shafer and Mathers will be taking some time off from school to work and prepare for graduate schools. Mathers plans on pursuing a degree in mental health counseling and Shafer wants to continue studying graphic design.

Mayfield group fosters discipline in community

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Mayfield, the oldest, largest and exclusively girls’ dorm on campus houses over 200 girls each year.

Within the Mayfield community is the lesser-known community, the Spiritual Development Ambassadors, led by Natalie Caron, a sophomore majoring in family and human services. Allie Miller, the assistant resident director at the time, started the group two years ago. Miller handed it off to Natalie this year with the freedom to expand it and make it her own. About 10 girls, representing all six halls meet together each Monday night to intentionally pray for each other

and Mayfield through requests submitted in the upstairs prayer room boxes. As well as starting worship nights in the Mayfield lobby, they are also responsible for the “word of the week” notes, taking turns each writing a verse and an encouragement to post in the hall bathrooms each week.

Another way the group invests in Mayfield is through hosting Spiritual Discipline Saturdays in the basement once a month for brunch, worship and discussion time. Each time, a new topic is selected by members and a student or faculty member is asked to come and share insight about living that

discipline. Speakers from the year include Gateway professor and coordinator of student success Austin Robertson, on the theme of service, and director of the Leaders Scholars Institute Rebecca

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-Natalie Caron

Rothfuss, about Sabbath. Allie Miller also returned to speak a continuation on the topic of contentment after her talk at the Gathering the previous Sunday.

Though a somewhat anonymous group, it is taking

on the tasks of sponsoring such events, serving the girls of Mayfield with the aim of humility and consistency in their service.

“It’s been a really good way for me to learn how to serve selflessly, to serve Him when no one is watching,” said Caron on her leadership “behind the scenes.” “Though naturally I’m a follower, through this I’ve learned how to step up as a leader and also being intentional with prayer for other people.”

This Saturday, the team is hosting a girls retreat in the basement entitled “From duty to desire: delighting in God” in the Mayfield basement from

noon to 5 p.m. Guest speaker Dianne Christensen, one Mayfield resident’s mother, will be sharing, addressing questions such as: “Do you feel like you disappoint God more than you delight Him? Is your spiritual life more characterized by duty and discipline than a deep love relationship?”

The retreat is free and includes brunch, worship time, crafts, a photo booth, games, a chocolate fountain and pizza for dinner.

“The intention of this time of fellowship is to recognize through fun activities the gifts and personalities God has given each of us and use them to glorify Him as well,” Caron said.

The group requests students sign up beforehand, and all Mayfield girls are welcome to attend throughout the afternoon.

Cyber peepers

A NEW WAY OF INVADING PEOPLE’S PRIVACY

Peeping Toms have a new advantage that their predecessors did not have access to: technology.

With photo and video capabilities on nearly all cell phones, voyeurism has become significantly easier. Photos can be snapped and within minutes uploaded to the internet. “Upskirting” and “downblousing” are the new trends in voyeurism used to describe secretly videoing or photographing unsuspecting victims under the skirt or down the blouse.

We The Threefold Advocate view such behavior as highly offensive. Unlike the Peeping Toms of the past, these lurkers have the resources to publicize their footage more than ever before. Lurking has gone public.

“I think there’s a fear among people that you could have an ‘upskirt’ photo taken of you and never realize it. Your crotch could be on the Internet and you may never know about it,” said Executive Director Emily May of ihollaback.org, a website encouraging women to post images and stories of harassers.

The issue came to court on March 5 after charges were brought against Michael Robertson, 32, who was arrested in 2010 for recording upskirt videos and photos on his cell phone of women on a public trolley. Complaints were filed and Robertson was caught after pointing his cell phone under the dress of a female officer.

The court ruled that because the women Robertson photographed were not nude or partially nude, he was not in violation of the law.

In response, Massachusetts lawmakers and prosecutors revised the law.

According to Justice Margot Botsford of the state Supreme Judicial Court, “A female passenger on a MBTA (Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority) trolley who is wearing a skirt, dress, or the like covering these parts of her body is not a person who is ‘partially nude,’ no matter what is or is not underneath the skirt by way of underwear or other clothing.”

Massachusetts lawmakers have promptly recognized that high-tech peeping is a psychologically damaging crime, an act described by policy expert at the Washington-based National Center for Victims of Crime Ilse Knecht as, “a combination of a kind sexual assault and stalking. It is very harmful.”

We The Threefold Advocate applaud the Massachusetts lawmakers for their swift actions to protect their citizens from voyeurism and hope that other states follow suit. We believe that all citizens have not only a right to life and liberty but to a right of privacy – even in public places.



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Registration week

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Acknowledge sin, know God’s grace

Enter the issue of homosexuality. Now, with the depths of our sin and the heights of God’s grace at the forefront of our minds, let us delve into this extremely important and divisive issue.

Scripture is quite clear: sexual activity – both physical and mental – outside of a marriage between a man and woman, is sin. Whether it is activity with/about the same or opposite sex, it is sin. Additionally, our sinfulness is natural. The doctrine of original sin means that we are born sinners, and that sin is natural for us. Therefore, sexual sinners – along with all others – stand condemned.

sin. We may even struggle for a time with believing that what God calls sin is really sin (such as acting on same-sex attraction). And that’s okay. Sanctification is a process, not an event. Perfectly following Jesus is impossible – we just imperfectly walk with him along the way.

However, imperfectly following Jesus is different than purposefully following our sinful desires. If we come to the point where we are intentionally and habitually living in sin, or we deliberately call righteous what Christ calls sin, we are no longer following Jesus and must repent. A Christian

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The holiness and justice of God demands it: sin cannot be forgotten, only punished.

Enter grace. On the cross, Christ took our justly deserved condemnation upon himself – the entirety of the condemnation for our sin, including all sexual sin. The wrath of God against the sin of the world was poured out on Jesus at the cross. And he offers us grace, if only we follow him. It is offered to heterosexuals and homosexuals alike. What a sweet, beautiful and undeserved gift!

Rejoice, JBU!

And now, after realizing and receiving such immense grace, following Jesus is our greatest pleasure. Because of his unmerited love towards us, we love him back (1 John 4:19), and slowly and imperfectly walk with him. As Christians, we follow Jesus now, not our old (though constantly present) sinful desires. We have replaced our slavery to sin with adoption into the family of God.

But following Jesus is hard. Our natural sinful desires – including the desire for sexual activity outside of a marriage between a man and woman – must be denied. We will struggle with and stumble into

is a sinner saved by grace, following Jesus in new life. Habitual and willful sin or disbelief is not new life. If we will not ultimately turn from our sins and follow Jesus, submitting to his Lordship, we are not Christians.

This is the Christian life: denying our sin, and clinging more and more to his grace. It is a hard and difficult journey, but it is the purpose of our lives. We cannot focus only on sin, or only on grace, but both. By grace we leave behind ourselves, say goodbye to our sinful desires and run after Jesus together, to the family and eternal inheritance we don’t deserve. It’s a hard path, but we have a wonderful guide, whom we forever shall worship in awe of his amazing grace, which overcomes our sin.

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How entitled are millenials?



The idea of child support and what it means for children just reached a whole new level. One New Jersey teen stretched the bonds of what child support means, and to whom it can be paid to, when she sued her parents for financial support. Once Rachel Canning, an 18-year-old high school senior, discovered that her parents were no longer paying the tuition for her private high school education after she had moved out, she decided to take them to court. Canning sued her parents for her high school and college tuition and her current living expenses and court costs, stating that her parents abandoned her and forced her to move out of the house two days before her 18th birthday. She further stated that she is not emancipated and relies on her parents for financial support. She lived with her best friend's family while the case was in

Canning sued her parents for her high school and college tuition, her current living expenses and court costs, stating that her parents abandoned her and forced her to move out of the house two days before her 18th birthday.

court and her best friend's father, a high-powered lawyer, funded the case. Canning's parents defended themselves and said that they did not kick their daughter out of the house; she chose to move out after they would no longer accept her disrespectfulness to curfew, her refusal to do chores and her refusal to break up with her boyfriend who was a



Rachel Canning during her hearing at the Morris County Courthouse. Canning demanded private school and college tuition, child support of \$654 per week and payment of her legal bills.

bad influence. The two parties went to court where a judge decided that Canning did not have enough to stand on to win her entire lawsuit. He denied her claim for high school tuition and living expenses, stating that this case

parents have released a statement on why Canning suddenly moved back in with her parents or why she dropped her case. Most major news sources, Fox, USA Today and CNN, picked this story up quickly as this was the first lawsuit of its kind; therefore, this case would establish what would be done in cases like this in the future. All three news sources were objective in their reporting and tried to get statements from both sides. They looked for the reason behind the case and what this case would mean for other teens. USA Today was the most accurate and up-to-date news source and was one of the first newspapers to break the news of the dismissal of the case. They focused on why Canning chose to sue her parents, what accusations developed in court and the judge's ruling and reasoning behind it. The biggest piece missing from these articles is a statement from Canning and her parents. After the dismissal of the case, both parties and their lawyers

clammed up and didn't release any other information other than to say that Canning had moved back in with her parents. It causes us to wonder if there is more going on it that household than came up in court. Allegations of abuse came up in court but were quickly dismissed. We may also wonder if the pressure of this case and the international coverage was too much for Canning to handle on her own. Maybe what seemed like a good idea at the time, backed up financially by her best friend's father, became too much for an 18-year-old to handle. This case also begs the question, what does this mean for other teens who feel entitled to have their financial needs taken care of while not living underneath their parents' roof and abiding by their rules? The judge presiding over this case was very clear that he did not believe that teens should be suing their parents over this issue because it would limit the power a parent had over their children

and their actions. It would turn parenting into a democracy and possibly prevent parents from standing up to their kids and laying down the law. God provided us with parents to help us grow in our relationship with Him and to teach us about life and how to stick to the right path. One of the Ten Commandments is even focused on honoring our parents. Not all parents are good ones, but God put them in our lives for a reason, and suing them because we do not agree with how they are parenting is not a good solution to the problem. Respect the position they hold in your life, even if you do not respect all of the decisions they make.

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Trust God, seek out the darkest places



Over spring break, I made new friendships with some amazing JBU students, learned that banging isn't against covenant when it's a board game and had my heart's content of soul food and barbecue. I also had the opportunity to meet significant leaders who have taken part in civil rights, community development, and do all of it out of their love for God. If you haven't guessed it already, I went to Jackson, Miss. to visit the Spencer Perkins Center with John Brown University for break. This wasn't exactly what I would call the most sought after spring break option. Our small posse of eight students seemed to reveal this. Who really chooses their spring break destination based on the location's bad rap for racism and long-standing segregation? It's easy to point out all of the problems in Jackson. Yet on our trip we were challenged not to look just at the negatives of the city, but to see things as they could be; we were looking for positive things. We were given the opportunity to dream alongside the leaders at SPC



The JBU Mississippi mission trip team with "Big John," the grandson of John Perkins – founder of the Spencer Perkins Center.

to see the possibilities in the city. We were even given the opportunity to help make one of those dreams become a reality. Vacant lots and houses are a common site in Jackson. Many would use these to prove Jackson's hopeless state, but the SPC saw the many possibilities that these lots offered. We had the opportunity to help clean up an abandoned house the SPC had purchased and was turning into a barbershop. It was exciting to see this ugly house, then envision it as a vibrant barbershop that could be used to strengthen and rehabilitate the community. As all of this was happening, I was reading Isaiah 6. In the

chapter, God described the people as ignorant of who he was. Because of that, he would destroy the land completely, declaring that "the forsaken places are many in the midst of the land. And though a tenth remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak, whose stump remains when it is felled' The holy seed is its stump" (v.12b-13). While that passage may seem kind of confusing, essentially God was saying he was going to destroy the land and burn everything. This is definitely one of those depressing Old Testament passages that can make God a little difficult to understand. However, God also

said something else: he said that a "tenth" would remain in the land. I believe God was talking about a 'remnant' or a preserved group of believers. God planned to use this small group of faithful people to help create a new community that glorifies him. Similarly, the tree stump left after the burning would allow for something new and beautiful, since it was described as a seed. As I read this, I realized there were a lot of similarities between Jackson and Israel. In Jackson, even though there was no fire, much of the city has been abandoned and is seen as hopeless. Yet there is still a percentage of the city that loves

the Lord and is dedicated to seeing change in their city. These are people like the Perkins. They are helping create new birth in the city, as they renew abandoned houses. On a daily basis, I know I get caught up in schoolwork. I tend to see things as they are, instead of imagining how God could impact the communities I'm in. It's easy to envision my life after college with me landing the best job, living in a great neighborhood and enjoying the many blessings God's offered us. Yet I also think it's true that there are many blessings we aren't even aware of, but they require us to dream, to see things differently, and to trust that God will provide. This is something that requires us to daily change our perspective to trusting in God and seeing where He can use us. It requires us to seek out the darkest places. I believe it's also a call to envision our lives differently after college. One of the most significant things I saw in Jackson was Christians who are choosing to trust God. While I was able to see obvious needs and opportunities to serve while in Jackson, there's no doubt that trust and faith in God can apply to our lives no matter where we're at.

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LIFESTYLES

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THE NEXT BIG THING

THE 2014 ALBUM REVIEWED



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1. The floating vocal harmonies and shimmering guitar work keep this song feeling alive. The chorus seems anticlimactic but the verses and bridge do not disappoint. Mixing problems aside the song makes you want to stick around.
2. Simple and classical Jacqueline’s voice has a tone that takes me back to the first days of smooth rock. The band fits nicely with her voice with solid guitar work, well constructed cajon rhythms, and lovely strings. The song definitely merits the listeners attention.
3. The song begs the listener to get lost in the gorgeous piano work and beautiful harmonies. A beautiful marriage of music and lyrics. Keep an eye on Golden Ash the Christian Music Industry could use their creativity and artistry.
4. Unimpressive vocally, musically, and lyrically. The words sound like they were borrowed from a medley of Hillsong lyrics. Pretty forgettable.
5. Like Civil Wars but completely original. The first note sends shivers down your spine and the music takes you on a journey to fluid strings. Let the words wash over you and get lost in this song. Possibly my favorite song out of the bunch.
6. The old school keys get the heart pumping and your fists ready to start pumping but you’ll find your hands back in your pockets a minute or two into the song. The climax comes too late to save a song that started with so much potential to stand out. It sounds like they ran out of runway to take off.
7. I thank God for the gift He’s given Jeh-Sea Wells. It’s been a long time since we last heard an unpolished, gritty, burning voice in rock and roll and it’s here in JBU. The slowly burning guitar, dusty vocals, and evocative lyrics keep the listener constantly on the edge of their seat. The final howl sends shivers down your spine and makes your heart race. Perfect.



- 1) Can’t Stay Anchorage
- 2) I’ll Walk with You Jacqueline Tally
- 3) No One Has Before Golden Ash
- 4) Revive My Heart Alex Davis
- 5) Rushing Waters Lisa Hopper
- 6) War People in the Fight
- 7) And If The Sun Is Real Jeh-Sea Wells



Contributor
Isaac Weaver

- 1) First song has the potential to be great. It feels like a classic driving song, however the mixing and post-production take a substantial amount away from it. Drums are very overwhelming, and the volume levels of everything else, vocals included, fluctuate tragically. The artists were great. Post-production team, a lot of room for improvement.
- 2) Jaq gives us crisp, popping vocals. The instruments accentuate her style great. As a metal-head, I was even moved by this. It just hits you right in the chest and doesn’t let up.
- 3) It starts off a little slow, but I love the harmonizations and the sheer haunting piano work. You have to stick with this song, but the building and crescendo more than reward you.
- 4) Sloppy all around. This song muddled about from start to finish like a bicycle with square wheels. More direction, tightening, and vocal strength needed.
- 5) Elegant instrumental work, and a fantastic voice. However, the vocals slightly over-powered the instruments. With a proper touch-up, this song has no limit.
- 6) Initially i was excited, I thought that this was going to be “postal service meets praise and worship.” However the comparison might not be fair. The crescendo, arrived way too late to save the song and wake up the listener.
- 7) My expectations were high, and they were surpassed. Wells’ voice delivers the un-polished, un-apologetic, grit of humanity. Basically, he’s the guy every guy that plays guitar wants to sound like, but can’t. Stiff competition with Jaq for favorite song on the album.

Klotz to retire in May

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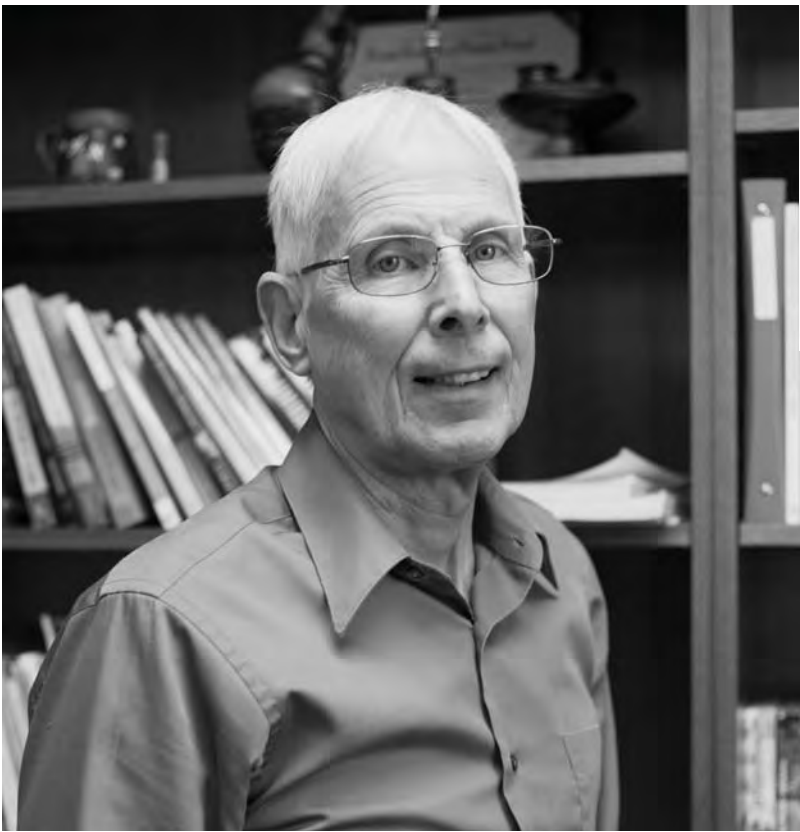
Almost two decades of teaching Intercultural Studies has left Ed Klotz with much more than just a few memories of John Brown University.

Before teaching full time, Klotz served with his family in Africa with an organization called SIM, which used to stand for Sudan Interior Mission, but not simply stands for Serving in Mission. Klotz was with the mission organization for 22 years total, serving in Nigeria, Liberia and Eritrea.

18 years after returning to JBU specifically to teach Intercultural Studies, Klotz is retiring.

Klotz has a longstanding relationship with the people of JBU.

“I was a student here as well,” Klotz said. “I transferred here from a community college and attended here from 1965 to 1968.”



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fighting. I had three male students who gave the report on that group, and when they came to class all they had on was their underwear and a flap. They had painted their chest in the color that the Indians paint themselves. They gave their feprot in front of the class dressed that way. It was hilarious, but it caught everyone’s attention.”

Klotz also recalls some of his favorite classes being Intercultural Communications and Perspectives.

“In intercultural Communications there is a lot of variety to it, and I get to teach a lot of concepts. It seems basic, but if you know some of those basic ideas about the different values, it will save you an awful lot of trouble, tension and frustration,” Klotz said. “When you know your own strengths and values, then when you go to another country you will understand them better and it saves a lot of frustration.”

Klotz also explained the significance of the Perspectives class, and how it shows students how the Lord is working in the world today and how they can fit into that plan.

“It is not necessarily showing them in a way that means they should go overseas as a full time mission worker, but that there is a different variety of roles they can have.”

After this semester, Dr. Klotz will be retiring, however, Mrs. Klotz will still be working in the library.

“I may do a little adjunct work in the fall,” Klotz said. “I will be doing a lot of hobby work with some woodworking, and I may end up helping out with some international students. That’s all in the air. I will definitely still be around.”



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Robertson remembers amazing Race

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He stood as another passenger in LAX Airport chaos, and overcome by the reality of the year-long trip of a lifetime, which he was now committed to. This day, Jan. 1, 2010, Austin Robertson had more thought of what he was leaving behind than any anticipation of the adventure ahead.

This journey would be an extended team mission trip throughout 12 different countries around the world. It was no typical happy New Years for Robertson, as he held his boarding pass in hand with mixed emotion. To where, he knew, but exactly how drastically the next 12 months would impact his life was uncertain.

This was the beginning, the starting line. This was the World Race.

After first a week of team training in New Zealand, in the following three months he and fellow teammates traveled to Australia, the Philippines and Malaysia as they worked alongside various missions organizations.

Prior to departure, in his personal World Race blog he wrote, “We will be meeting these people ‘right where they are,’ and that means far more than just physically meeting them in their country. Therefore, I expect that my heart will break for them, and I hope it does. It’ll be through that brokenness that Christ will be able to use me to share his love for them. May I not forget that I was lost once too.”

The month of May brought them to Thailand, Robertson’s favorite and most memorable experience of the whole Race tour. It was here they were touched by their time with the girls of “Remember Nhu,” a communal home and school for girls ages 7-17 from poor rural families who would have likely otherwise sold them into the sex slave trade.

The World Race continued as his team journeyed throughout Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda where they experienced the poverty and culture firsthand in small mud huts with natives who shared conversations of Christ and His people.

In September, Race teams from various parts of the world

all reconvened in Ireland for a week together before his team’s final three month’s assignments throughout Ukraine, Romania and Moldova.

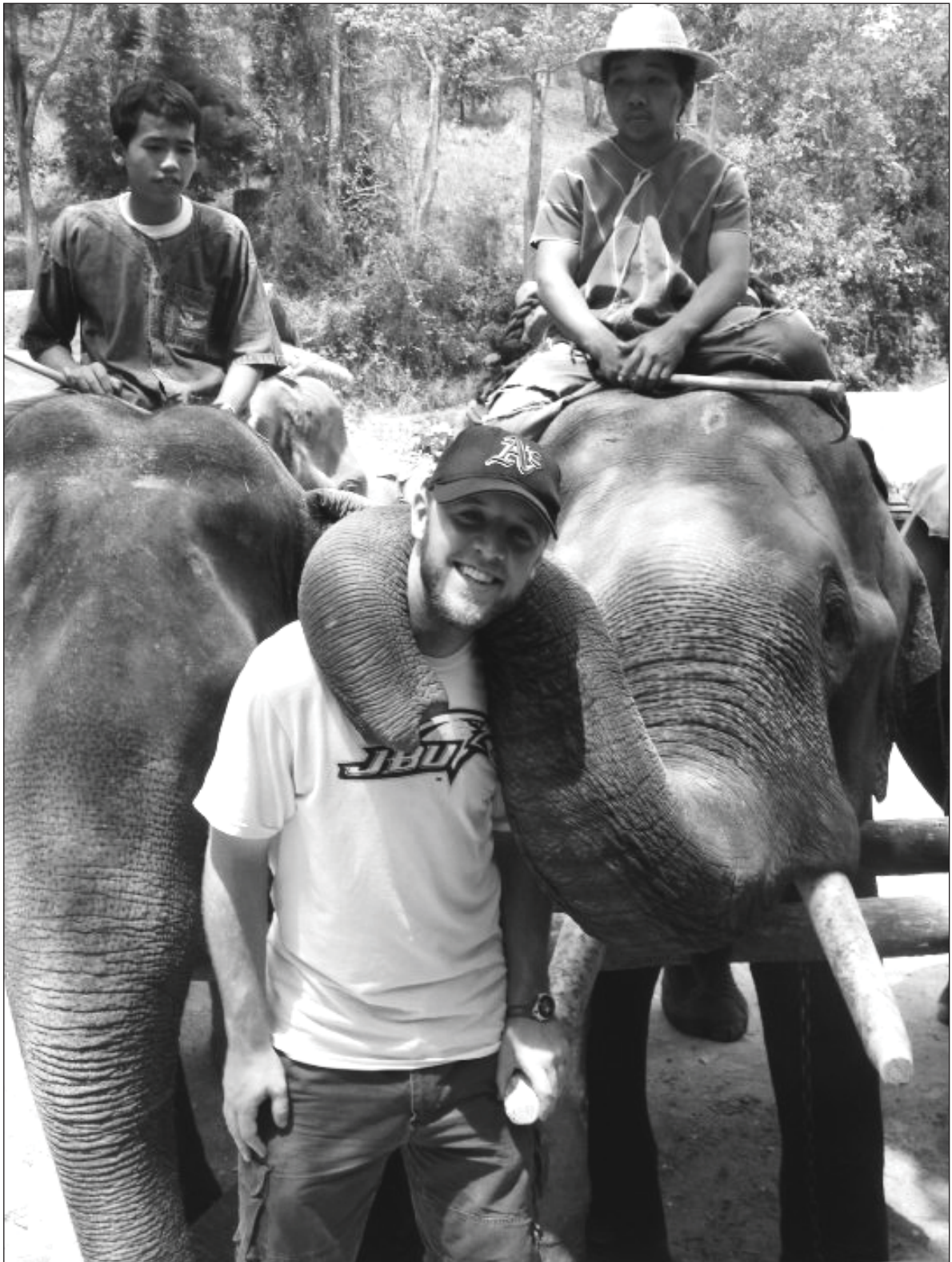
The adventure of travel and joy of cultivated relationships within teams and groups was also met by the reality of personal sacrifice, hardship and discomfort. Several cases of malaria and typhoid among teammates made their time in Kenya challenging. Robertson specifically remembers a 15-hour long bus ride traveling a bumpy dirt road, scrap metal in place of windows as dust filled the humid air and clothes of passengers. Before arrival, they discovered that a group of their teammates had been robbed at gunpoint, which required a change of plans to help establish new U.S. passports.

Yet, they still made time for recreation they would not soon forget, which included elephant riding, petting tigers, white water rafting down the Nile River and zip-lining through the jungle. Each experience during their stay in countries provided new and memorable tastes of each culture. Robertson recalls eating duck embryo in Philippines known as “balut,” and indulging in “the latest catch” mystery meat offered by locals in smaller fishing villages.

After the extent such life-changing experiences as teams were often physically, emotionally and spiritually tested, “The hardest adjustment culturally was actually coming back here to the United States again...[this trip] has changed what I think about day to day; it changes the way in which I see the value of daily work, even when I’m not on a mission trip...I see the eternal value in the work that I’m a part of. It’s helped me live a much more purposeful life here and the way lives are being lived around the world...it’s increased the way I know the way others are living simultaneously around the world.”

This perspective spurs his teaching through the challenge of David Platt’s “Radical”: “taking back Christianity from the American Dream” with his Gateway class this year.

The course, entitled “Every tribe, tongue and nation” he began teaching in Aug. 2012. “I chose our Gateway topic because I want students to have more of an idea of what the Lord is doing all over the



Submitted by Austin Robertson

world, not just here in the states... and that we’re called to be part of that work,” he said.

This May he will also be accompanying some education, biology, and family and human students for a month long trip to Uganda.

Prior to The World Race, Robertson spent two years as a residence hall director at John Brown University and completed a Master’s degree in ministry with an emphasis in higher education. Today he is also Coordinator of Student Success in addition to organizing events for commuter students and Gateway teaching.

And time with students isn’t limited by office hours; he

becomes personally involved in their lives, such as through bonfires for fellowship and food and camping with his Gateway class to Devil’s Den State Park.

Matt Abbott, a junior this year and mentor for Robertson’s class, said, “I’ve appreciated seeing Austin’s heart for people to become engaged in God’s global kingdom through their specific purpose.”

“He’s sincere and genuine with a diligent work ethic in all he does. And through that, he easily throws himself into everything, which serves the campus well,” said Frank Huebert.

Concluding his trip in Nov. 2011, after traveling around the

world, working with 20 different ministries throughout 12 countries and a total estimated 66 hours of flying, Robertson blogged, “This is something that’s going to continue long after the Race for me...we follow a God who redeems, who refines, and who removes...a God who is looking to do this through people [during] their time on earth. That is my desire, and I’m honored that he’s making me more like his Son and preparing me for the highest calling a person can have in their life...a Kingdom builder.”



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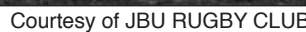
"Thank you to all who have supported us. We could not have done this without you!"
-JBU Rugby Club Facebook



The JBU men's rugby club traveled to Los Angeles and placed 3rd in the Pac-West Championship. Above, the men gathered for a picture at Jack Kemp Stadium where the weekend's games were held.

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On the JBU Rugby Football Club Facebook page, the team said, "Thank you to all who have supported us, we could not have done this without you! JBU Rugby: Christ Over All!"



John Brown University and Santa Rosa Junior College are pictured in the scrum Saturday. JBU lost the game 10-35, then faced Pepperdine on Sunday.

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In order to be eligible for the award, student-athletes must be a junior or senior academically and maintain a 3.5 or higher grade-

Rogers, also a junior, is majoring in sports medicine and

Rogers is ranked no. 29 in the nation in three-point baskets and no. 37 in shooting from behind the arc.




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Top 5 March Madness Moments

Stephen F. Austin's Miracle Four-Point Play




Up by 4 points with less than 10 seconds left, Virginia Commonwealth did the one thing they should have avoided at all costs: they fouled a Stephen F. Austin player. SFA made a free throw to tie the game and ended up winning in overtime.

The Aaron Harrison Show




After shocking undefeated Wichita State in the third round, Kentucky ran off three straight razor-thin victories thanks to freshman Aaron Harrison. In wins over Louisville, Michigan and Wisconsin, Harrison hit game winning three-pointers in the last minute to propel the Wildcats into the championship game. Kentucky ended up losing to Connecticut.

Dayton's Run to the Elite Eight




The University of Dayton wasn't supposed to beat their in-state rival Ohio State in the first round, but they did, then knocked off perennial powerhouse Syracuse and red hot Stanford before losing to first seed Florida in the Elite Eight. Even though the 11-seeded Flyers failed to make it to the Final Four, their run made them tournament darlings.

Charge Call Ends Vols Comeback



In the Sweet Sixteen, down by eight points with two minutes left, Tennessee seemed to be down-and-out. Then, they started an incredible comeback with a series of Michigan turnovers and a quick 7 points. Down by one point with 9.6 seconds left, the Volunteers had possession and a chance to complete an impossible victory with a basket. Then, Jarnell Stokes drove towards the basket and collided with Wolverines senior Jordan Morgan. The resulting charge call ended Tennessee's comeback bid and effectively handed the Wolverines the win in the most controversial call of the tournament.

Clock Runs Out on North Carolina



After Iowa State took a two point lead in their third round matchup with 2 seconds left, North Carolina quickly inbounded the ball and took a timeout. But while they were planning a play, the Tarheels were informed that the officials had not recognized the timeout call until time had run out, meaning the Cyclones had won in a controversial finish.

March Madness Bracket

Florida

Pittsburgh

Florida

VCU

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UCLA

Tulsa

Ohio State

Dayton

Dayton

Syracuse

Stanford

Stanford

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ATHLETE -OF-THE- WEEK

TAYLOR RUSSELL

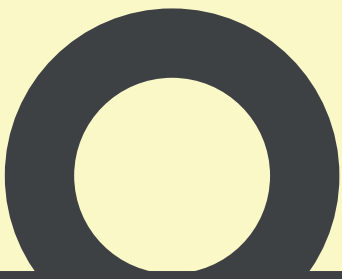
WOMEN'S TENNIS

Russell, a freshman from Gentry, Ark., had a strong comeback performace in the fourth flight on April 1 with a 10-4 win against Southwestern. Russell partnered with freshman Amanda Wilkerson for a win over Oklahoma Baptist as well.



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- ☒
- Farmer's Market**
Saturdays @ 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at City Park (corner of University and Mt. Olive Street)
- ☒
- Next Big Thing**
April 12th @ 7 p.m. in the Cathedral of the Ozarks
- ☒
- Spring Fling Volleyball Tournament**
April 12th @ 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in the Walton Lifetime Health Complex
- ☐
- Dog Days**
April 12th @ 1-3 p.m. in Walker Student Center 1st floor
- ☐
- Hope in Life** hosted by Great Abandon Dance Ministry
April 25th and 26th @ 8: p.m. in the Cathedral of the Ozarks
- ☐
- Spring Concert**
April 24th @ 7:30 p.m. in the Berry Performing Arts Center
- ☐
- Dogwood Festival**
April 25-27 at the intersection of University and Mt. Olive Street
- ☐
- Portfolio Show**
April 25th 4:30-8:30 p.m. in Simmons Great Hall
- ☐
- Jr/Sr Banquet**
April 26th @ 6-10 p.m. at the Cypress Barn
- ☐
- Midnight Breakfast**
May 6th @ 9-11 p.m. in the Cafeteria

