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Faith traditions engage Scripture

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Renowned theologians of Catholic, Evangelical and Orthodox affiliations are coming together to discuss a portion of the gospel of John.

Today, John Brown University’s Paradosis Center hosts a conference unlike any other in recent memory, and every student is invited.

The Paradosis Center is an independent research center hosted by the University. The goal of the feature is to bring together Christians from evangelical, Catholic and Eastern Orthodox backgrounds for discussion and dialogue. The center will host a conference called “Engaging the Gospel of John” in Simmons Great Hall starting tonight.

The directors of the Paradosis Center have hoped to do a conference since its formation, but it was first discussed seriously in the spring of 2013. The Center does host the Wilken Colloquium every year at

Baylor University, but this conference is different. “Wilken is an invite-only, closed dialogue,” said Chad Raith, assistant professor of religion and theology at John Brown. “This conference is going to be more deliberate about focusing on similarities and differences.”

Raith is the director of the Center, and is one of the main organizers of this conference. He said he is very excited about what they might accomplish in the next few days.

“We’re not trying to start a dialogue,” Raith said. “There’s already one in place. We’re trying to direct it in a way that best serves the Christian faith.”

In each session of the conference, a prominent scholar, either Catholic, evangelical or Orthodox, will present a paper, followed by two other scholars from different backgrounds who will present responses.

These scholars include R.R. Reno, editor of First Things magazine, Fr. Thomas White, a Dominican priest, Richard Muow, former president of Fuller theological Seminary, and

David Jeffrey, a professor of humanities in the honors college at Baylor University.

the differences between traditions will be explored just as much as the

unique gifts to engaging the gospel of John,” he said. “The dialogue might be high level, but you will see intelligent discussions full of grace and truth that might give you hope for ecumenical dialogue in the future.”

Maxie Burch, chair of the division of biblical studies, sees the conference as an extension of the University’s mission.

“We’re an interdenominational university,” Burch said. “We’re grounded in the protestant tradition, but we teach theology from over the centuries, so we’re open to the idea of there being a great tradition.”

Burch identified the conference as a continuation of the University’s growing tendency to be “on the map.” Something like this conference, he said, would not have happened here 10 years ago.

The conference could have great social and networking implications for the scholars involved as well. Hans Boersma, said the social aspect of the conference is a main focus.

“The unity of the church is an idea that’s very dear to

my heart,” Boersma said. “The best way to make progress is to get to know each other more.”

Boersma sees the singularity of the conference clearly.

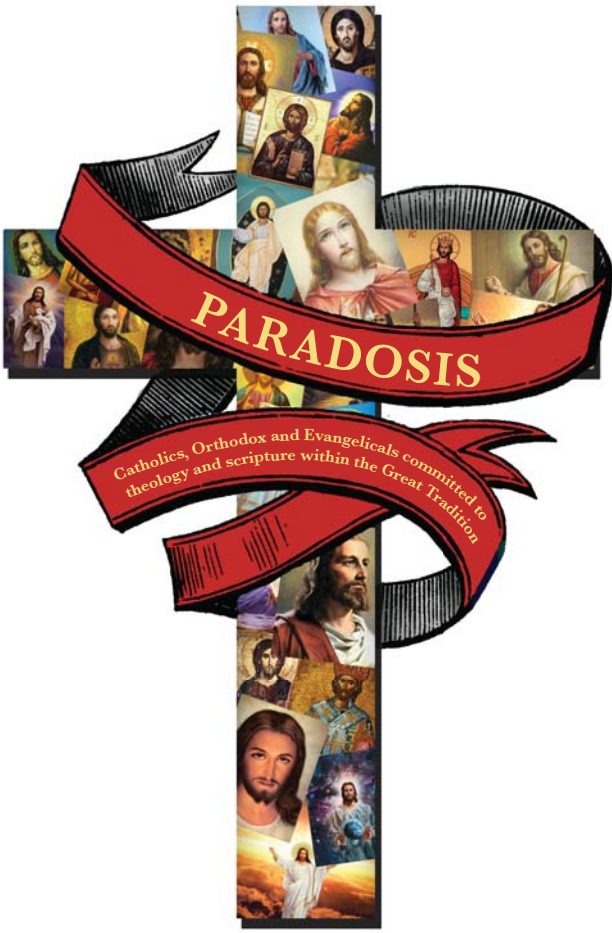
“You only have to look at the names of the people speaking,” he said. “I don’t know if we’ve had a conference with so many prominent speakers.”

Students are highly encouraged to attend the conference. Although it is too late to sign up for the formal dinner tonight, there will be four sessions tomorrow at 9, 10:45, 2 and 3:45, and one more at 9 a.m. on Saturday. Each session will examine a particular section of the book of John.

“This is such a unique opportunity,” Boersma said. “You don’t want to miss this conference.”

Pastors and clergy all over Northwest Arkansas have also been invited. Burch said he hopes that, above all, the dialogue passes on to the next generation.

The event is for students, he said. “Feel welcome. It’s for you.”



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In all, they total 18 scholars, six from each tradition of Christianity. Raith expects that

similarities. “We may see the Jesus as presented in John more deeply as we bring our

Giving Voice features national talents

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Carolyn Claussen, a senior at JBU, has attended five Giving Voice

Giving Voice festival of the arts opened at John Brown University this morning. Over 200 high school students plan to visit the school to participate in writing, drama, photography, printmaking and screen-printing workshops.

Today’s events are for JBU students and the public. Friday’s workshops are for the busloads of high school students coming to visit. Workers in yellow shirts will litter the quad tomorrow and direct JBU’s visitors to their workshop destinations.

Jake Stratman, a professor in the English Department, has directed Giving Voice since 2012 and looks forward to this year’s events.

“Giving Voice has been going on, I’d say, around 10 years,” Stratman said. “My really favorite thing is bringing those 200 high school students on campus and showing them what creativity looks like. I was a high school teacher and we didn’t really have anything like that.”

Giving Voice is completely open to the public.

“I’m inviting anyone who is interested in creativity,” Stratman said. “Those Thursday events are for anyone who’s interested in what creativity looks like in the world of faith.”

Many students travel significant distances to attend Giving Voice events.

“We are not selective in who we ask,” Stratman said. “All types of schools and all types of kids, and I’m just super excited to see it grow.”



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workshops since her senior year of high school.

“The best experience I have had concerning Giving Voice was my first time attending as a senior in high school,” Claussen said. “It was so exciting for me to get the chance to sit in a college classroom and listen to published authors talk about their profession and how they got there.”

“It was instrumental in my decision to become an English major,” Claussen said.

Giving Voice workshops are not just for English, art and musically minded people, though.

“My advice for anyone who’s thinking about going to Giving Voice is to just go,” Claussen said. “Do it.”

“Don’t be afraid to sit in on an event that you wouldn’t expect to enjoy,” Claussen said. “Ask questions. It’s not often one gets the chance to meet with professional writers, poets and musicians in such an opening and welcoming environment.”



Above: Professional skateboarder and musician Josh Harmony recently released his album “Benefit of the Doubt.” **Below, left to right:** Award-winning authors Shannon Polson, Brett Foster and Jessie van Eerden will present workshops throughout event.

Giving Voice also has more to offer than just workshops. JBU students can come hear guest poet Brett Foster speak and guest musician Josh Harmony play in chapel. There will be a talkback Q and A for anyone who has questions for the Giving Voice guests.

After chapel there will be a luncheon for the guest writers and English majors at 11:30. Foster, along with guest writers Jessie van Eerden and Shannon Polson will read their own work at 6 p.m. tonight in the Simmons Great Hall. Harmony will be performing a free concert in the Cathedral at 8 p.m.

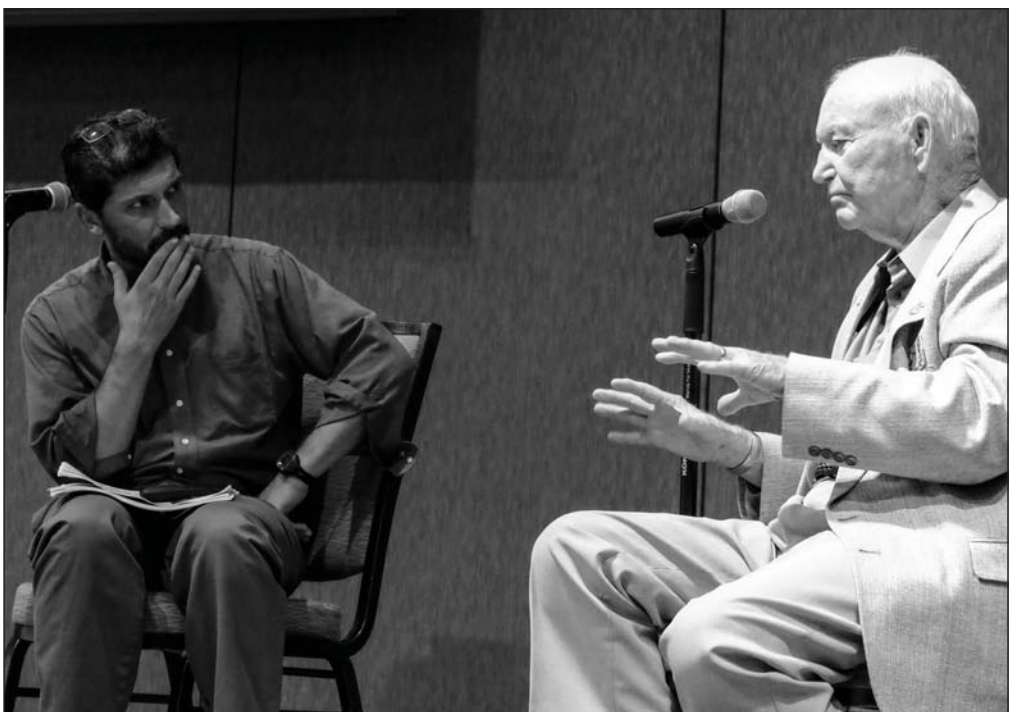


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Purple heart veteran reflects on Korean War

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Korean War veteran Jim Oden shared last week about his life as a soldier during the War. John Brown University professor Preston Jones asked Oden, “What are your memories of the United States entering into the Second World War?” “I was in the eighth grade at that time,” Oden said. “We didn’t have the means of communication you all have today, but we were pounded with a day-by-day hate of the Japanese for what they did to Pearl Harbor.” Oden said it was not until he was in the military and stationed in Japan that his opinion of them changed. Oden agreed with the statement that the people of the United States have never been as united as they were at that time. “Everything was rationed back then: sugar,



Professor Preston Jones listens to Jim Oden's stories about his experiences and memories from the war.

gasoline and butter.” Oden was drafted in October of 1945 and sent to Japan for occupational duty around January or February of 1946. “When I first got to Japan I was assigned to

the 25th entry division, and we were strictly occupational,” Oden said. They would patrol the city of Nikolai in Jeeps from midnight till morning. During this time

the city was under strict supervision. “There was no flags allowed and off the streets by midnight,” Oden said. He commented on the state of the people during his occupation,

“The people themselves were desperate. No doubt about it. They were looking for wood, water, heat, even the animals were desperate.” Oden recalled several stories of odd events that happened to him and his troops. One night, when they were patrolling in their Jeep, they came across what appeared to be a dead, elderly man. When they tried to take him to the hospital, the hospital was hesitant. The doctors informed the troops that when one treats a Japanese person, one is responsible for that person from that moment till even after death. Oden then told the story of his friend Jack Brown. Brown was positioned as an artilleryman. An artilleryman’s job was to go to the frontline and direct where to aim the weapons. “This was a dangerous job, because the enemy was looking to see where the shot came

from,” Oden said. Oden said the men that he worked with “became a family.” Oden’s regime started with 105 people and quickly decreased to 70. Jones asked Oden how he dealt with watching his friends die so rapidly. “I think you just push it back. There was no time to grieve.” He continued to say that even today he still thinks “of little things sometimes.” As the interview drew to a close Oden discussed why he valued his Purple Heart more than any reward. “It is an award I visibly earned myself. It is not a reward you get from someone liking you and writing a nice letter. You have to shed blood for your country,” said Oden. Jones believes it is important to continue talking about veteran stories similar to Oden’s. “I think it is an important part of history,” said Jones.

Breakaway encourages students, ‘be contagious’ with faith

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The buses arrived at New Life Ranch on Friday with blue skies, horses trotting in the pasture, and smiles on the faces of John Brown University’s students. A record breaking 300 students took a weekend away from campus to participate in the annual Breakaway retreat. The weather stayed clear and bright for students to enjoy

activities such as zip-lining in the trees, canoeing in the river and hiking trails into the nature. Students that attended the weekend trip had the opportunity to hear sessions and God’s word from Cary Balzer. Those who came to the retreat enjoyed s’mores around the campfire, fellowship in worship led by students and small group time to discussions with peers. Breakaway director Carlos Sandoval said the goals that he

envisioned and planned for the special weekend were accomplished. “On the team with four directors and Lisa Corry, we wanted to get people involved and find a theme to impact JBU.” “We were able to ask students what they wanted in advance and we understood that JBU wanted and could be even more intentional with spiritual development,” Sandoval said. “Contagious” was the weekends theme, discussing the contagious nature of sin and the cure, the gospel. Sandoval reflected on what he took away from the messages spoken at Breakaway. “We need to be contagious about seeking God,” Sandoval said, “Balzer’s talks were spot on. Because there are times when we don’t realize we are being tempted by sin, but we need to be more aware and avoid it in our lives.” Sandoval said a highlight for him was when Balzer spoke about confession. “I had never considered the importance of confessing our sins to others and being open about it.” He said that he enjoyed the weekend to be able to process with others, have freedom from campus and have fun.



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Breakaway directors announce fun activities and set tone for Breakaway's theme of Contagious.

Sophomore Tara Salee said she needed this weekend to get away and get time away from technology and learn more. “I loved getting to explore and be outside, but more than that be encouraged with the messages,” Salee said. “This weekend made me more open about sharing my struggles. We don’t have to be afraid to talk about sin, God’s grace is bigger than that,” Salee said. “In high school I

used to be ashamed about sharing about my faith. Since coming to JBU I’m so thankful to share and be able to pray in class! This weekend reminded me about being confident about sharing and being a light to others.” Chrissy Bartholomew is a transfer student from the University of Arkansas and said she has loved being in this new and positive environment. “It’s amazing that we go to a school that does events like this! It was

such a cool place to get away,” Bartholomew said. She said she was able to conquer her fears by riding the zip-line. She said she appreciated the theme as it fit perfectly. “I learned that we need to be contagious about God’s truth once coming back to campus. It was a super fun weekend, and it now feels like one big family, as we are all together,” said Bartholomew.



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JBU students enjoy their free time exploring the New Life Ranch grounds during Breakaway last weekend.

Tailwaggers 5K fundraises for animals in need

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An estimated 7.6 million animals each year in the United States enter an animal shelter. According to the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) website, approximately 2.7 million of those are not returned to their owners or adopted and have to be euthanized. Tailwaggers Incorporated aims to significantly decrease the number of animals that are euthanized in shelters in Northwest Arkansas by educating the public on the benefits of neutering and spaying their animals and holding a 5K run to help support their cause. Tina Berrios, now president, started Tailwaggers 10 years ago. “When I first moved here from LA 10 years ago I was a big city

girl.” Berrios said. “I wasn’t used to seeing animals on the streets. I was constantly seeing animals running the street.” She quickly recognized that one of the problems was that the animals were not spayed or neutered. By spaying and neutering pets the population of animals on the street could be controlled. When Tailwaggers first started the shelters where euthanizing 65 percent of the animals. Now, 10 years later, shelters only have to euthanize 16 percent. Getting into the animal shelters was the first step Berrios took to remedy the problem. “Once I got the public in the shelters, people came out of the woodworks to help,” Berrios said, “The organization blossomed into something I never dreamed of.” Tailwaggers also pay for medical treatment for animals, adoption

fees and the transport of animals from one state to the next. “One time a man was murdered, and he left behind four pit bulls that were in bad shape. So we had medical work done for all of them and got them into good homes.” Paying for adoption fees and transportation for future pets becomes pretty expensive. To pay for these expenses, and many more, the Tailwaggers organization sponsors a 5K Run or 1 Mile Walk each year. The event has been taking place for the past four years at Bob Henry Park. Running is not the only activity Berrios says will be happening. “We try to make it like a big party! There’s a bounce house for kids, there will be a granola bar this year, hamburgers, and we will be giving away 57 prizes. Each year we get a little better.” John Brown University faculty member Peggy Wolken is a current



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volunteer for Tailwaggers. Wolken said the experience for her was more than what she could have imagined. “What I found was I was the one being blessed each Saturday when I went to walk the dogs,” Wolken said. “I was the one who looked forward to and was

happy to see each and every dog there. They became a huge blessing in my life.” “The beautiful thing about animals is they love unconditionally. They have so much love to give and when they see you there to take them for a walk all they feel is genuine happiness,” Wolken said.

Tailwaggers will be holding their fourth Annual 5K Run 1Mile Walk Saturday September 27 at Bob Henry at 9 a.m. To get involved a student can register as a runner or walker, or students can sign up to volunteer.

Alcohol rescriptions stir up conversation

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A local Siloam Springs home was trashed last spring, its occupants littering the house with liquor bottles and narcotics before leaving the premises.

John Brown University Athletic Director Robyn Daugherty uncovered the reality of the situation.

“This is all rooted from the All Athletic Meeting I had at the beginning of the year,” Daugherty said. “The goal was to challenge them to think about how what we do affects all of us, as far as making bad decisions.”

She uses the mistakes of the past as learning lessons and as teaching guides.

“At my church we have a prayer chain,” Daugherty said. “At one of the meetings a woman gave a praise report about how she found a nice apartment to stay in. Afterwards I was talking to her and she was telling me how the landlord in the past rented to JBU students, but he had to stop. The last group of JBU students had trashed it with alcohol bottles, drugs, and had overnight guests. This made me sad.”

Daugherty said the situation built a bad reputation for JBU students in the community. The goal was to teach her athletes that their decisions

are bigger than just them.

On campus alcohol is a controversial issue, concerning the John Brown University Community Covenant. The debate concerns whether the covenant is so strict that it causes students, like the ones who trashed the house, when they are out of the eyesight of JBU authorities to binge on bad behavior. Or is it a document that JBU based off of Scripture and rooted in religious traditions to help guide and not restrict?

When asked about the Covenant, Daugherty felt that it is a sound document.

“I have no problems with the Covenant. As Christians and believers we are held to a higher standard,” Daugherty said. “Students don’t understand when they sign the Covenant they are signing their integrity.”

Daugherty said that the Covenant teaches JBU students about integrity and maintaining it.

Daugherty holds an interesting perspective on the restriction of alcohol in the Covenant. Daugherty has seen the effects of drinking as she was raised in a house with an alcoholic.

“I’m sure my dad did not know when he was 14 and had his first drink the effects it would have later on,” Daugherty said. “There is a bigger picture the Covenant is getting at that students can’t see right now because

they are living in it.”

Students who live on and off campus have varying opinions about the document.

“It gives us a common ground to follow,” sophomore Annie Brown said.

“You don’t have to agree with it, but since you chose to come to JBU you should respect it,” junior AnnaClaire Chin said.

Peyton Weaver, a JBU sophomore, said the

that students should not be forced to sign the Covenant and compromise their own integrity if they do not intend to follow it.

Junior Allyssa Westerfield said, “We are a religiously, economically and ethnically diverse campus being forced under a fundamentalist umbrella.”

Junior Cade Blush holds a two-fold opinion on the Covenant and its alcohol restriction.

to drink, the Covenant causes students to become anxious to drink when they graduate.”

Blush is not the only off-campus student who feels the restrictions of the Covenant should not apply to commuters.

Sophomore Chris Ellis, who is 34 years old, believes that the covenant is too strict for students who live off campus. “I believe that there is no problem with drinking socially or just having a beer with my dinner, but that should be my decision to make not the school. The Bible does not say drinking is a sin, it says becoming a drunken fool is wrong.”

Ellis brings up an issue that students question, does the Covenant stand on Scripture alone?

Chad Raith, biblical studies professor at JBU said, “The covenant is pretty clear that the position on alcohol consumption is not a biblical mandate but a ‘prudential’ decision, which means that unlike a clear mandate from Scripture (e.g., do not steal) JBU’s policy on alcohol consumption can be discussed, debated and even changed without JBU necessarily becoming less ‘Christian.’ I think it’s perfectly legitimate to question the position as long as it is done with a spirit that is seeking to move more deeply into the Christian faith.”

“The intent for the University for the Covenant arises from Scriptural principles. Some of the rules look different to people due to cultural differences,” said Chaplin Rod Reed.

Reed commented that the restriction of alcohol has a more biological reason than a spiritual one. “The human brain does not fully develop until the mid-20s, and the last part that develops is judgment. When people consume alcohol the first part of the brain that is affected is the ability to make good judgment.”

Reed said he understands students’ frustrations with the Covenant, but he offers students a different way of viewing the restrictive document. “The Covenant challenges students to something deeper than behavior. Are we willing to set aside our own rights and self-centeredness for the community?”

“American rights to individualism are not biblical and are not a part of our Christian beliefs. The right to individualism is a reflection of American ideas. The Covenant forces us to critique those ideas and our own.”

Brad Gambill, chair of the English Department, said, “the covenant is a dynamic document that we should continue to talk about and make changes to.”

“Are we willing to set aside our own rights and self-centeredness for the community?”

-Rod Reed

alcohol ban positively shapes and forms common thread that go unnoticed in the JBU environment.

“Students do not realize how much it shapes our community,” Weaver said.

JBU junior Alex King has a different opinion.

“The Covenant is suffocating and does not allow us to make our own decisions,” King said. “It encourages a cookie cutter form of Christianity. How faith manifests to everybody looks different and as a result everyone’s relationship with God looks different.”

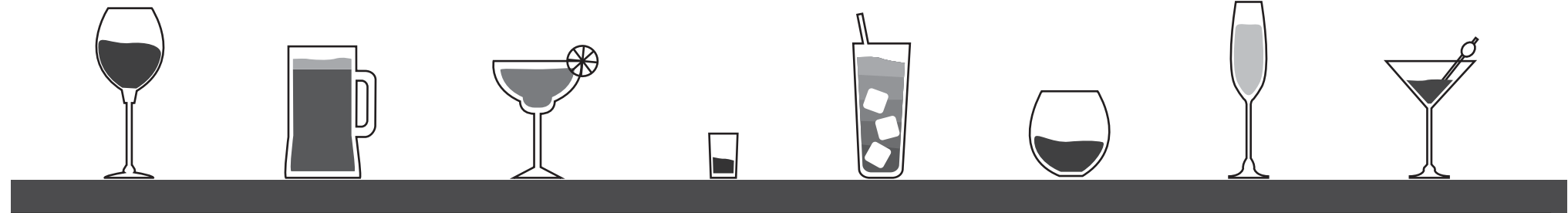
King went on to say

“I agree with the Community Covenant based on my own experience,” Blush said.

Blush attended a public university before coming to JBU. While at the public university he once consumed enough alcohol to be sent to the hospital. JBU’s Covenant has encouraged him to live a healthy life style.

Blush differs with the Covenant on its restriction for those over 21 and living off campus.

“Seniors and those over 21 should be allowed to drink off-campus,” Blush said. “By not allowing students of age



New SGA senators introduced, anticipate ‘positive change’

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In the past the marks of the Student Government Association have been left unseen by a vast majority of students on the John Brown University campus. This fall’s staff brings several new faces, new changes and new rules.

SGA President Brad Johnson spoke about the organization’s vision and goals for the upcoming year. “We want to work efficiently but also be

creative,” said Johnson. “We really want to focus on project completion.”

Many of the projects SGA faces were left half-done or in the beginning stages from years before, such as coinless laundry, extended open dorm hours, a dead day for exam week and expanding the bike program around campus.

In order to accomplish these tasks, SGA’s strategy is to divide and conquer. With various committees within the organization devoted to different projects, Johnson predicts this year’s SGA

will be more successful than in the past.

“I think the committee structure will allow senators to specialize in one area they are passionate about,” said Johnson. “We have a lot of potential and want to be a force for positive change on campus.”

After last week’s election, seven positions in SGA were filled, further diversifying the organization and providing a more accurate representation of the student body.

There are now six

new senators, the Vice President of Elections, position was filled by former Natural Sciences Senator sophomore Gloria Jang.

The newly elected senators include sophomore Julia Theisen for Engineering and Technology Senator, senior Gabriela Flores for Senior Class Senator, freshman Neeya Toleman for Freshman Class senator, freshman Zoe Shafer for Business Senator, freshman Ashley Burns for Education Senator and senior Luke DeYoung for

Natural Sciences Senator.

“I think SGA will be a great opportunity and will be fun,” said new senator Ashley Burns. “And I want to make sure my department has its voice heard on campus.”

Burns discussed the importance of having representation from all areas of campus. “I feel like the more support we have from the different departments, the more we will have from JBU,” said Burns.

The Student Government Association still struggles with

recognition on campus, with many students unaware of the projects and events it works on throughout the year, such as Homecoming, Junior-Senior and club funding. Johnson hopes to change this notion by completing major projects and rebranding SGA this year with the help of the new senators.

“The new senators seem excited and are being proactive,” said Johnson. “They are excited to share their ideas and change JBU for the better.”



Get to know your senators:

Neeya Toleman

Freshman Class Senator
Favorite Candy Bar: KitKat
Hobby: Playing the piano
Favorite Book: Unbroken
Why SGA?: I wanted to get involved at JBU where I would get to know my class better as well and fit my interests.



Gabriela Mejia

Senior Class Senator
Favorite Candy Bar: Chocolate & almonds
Hobbies: Bike rides and watching movies
Why SGA?: It’s good to be a part of something bigger than yourself that gives you the opportunity to be an agent of change and make a meaningful impact at JBU.



Ashley Burns

Education Senator
Favorite Candy Bar: Milky Way
Favorite Book: Divergent
Why SGA?: To help become more involved at JBU and being an education major I would like to be a voice for my department.



The refugee crisis:
Why you should care

In the past four days alone, more than 200,000 people have entered Turkey, fleeing from the violence in Syria. The Zaatari Refugee Camp in Jordan is a temporary home to about 80,000 refugees, with nearly half of them under the age of 12. Unfortunately, this is not atypical, and many more such camps exist in the region.

We often hear about far off conflicts and crises: the Ebola outbreak in West Africa, the horrific violence occurring in the Middle East at the hands of ISIS and even refugees who have been displaced for decades. But how often do we stop and think about the people behind the conflict? How often do we realize that these people have often witnessed violent atrocities, that they are people without homes, separated from loved ones? Do we realize that they are not all incapable, starving people but entrepreneurs and business owners that went from wealth to refugee in a matter of days?

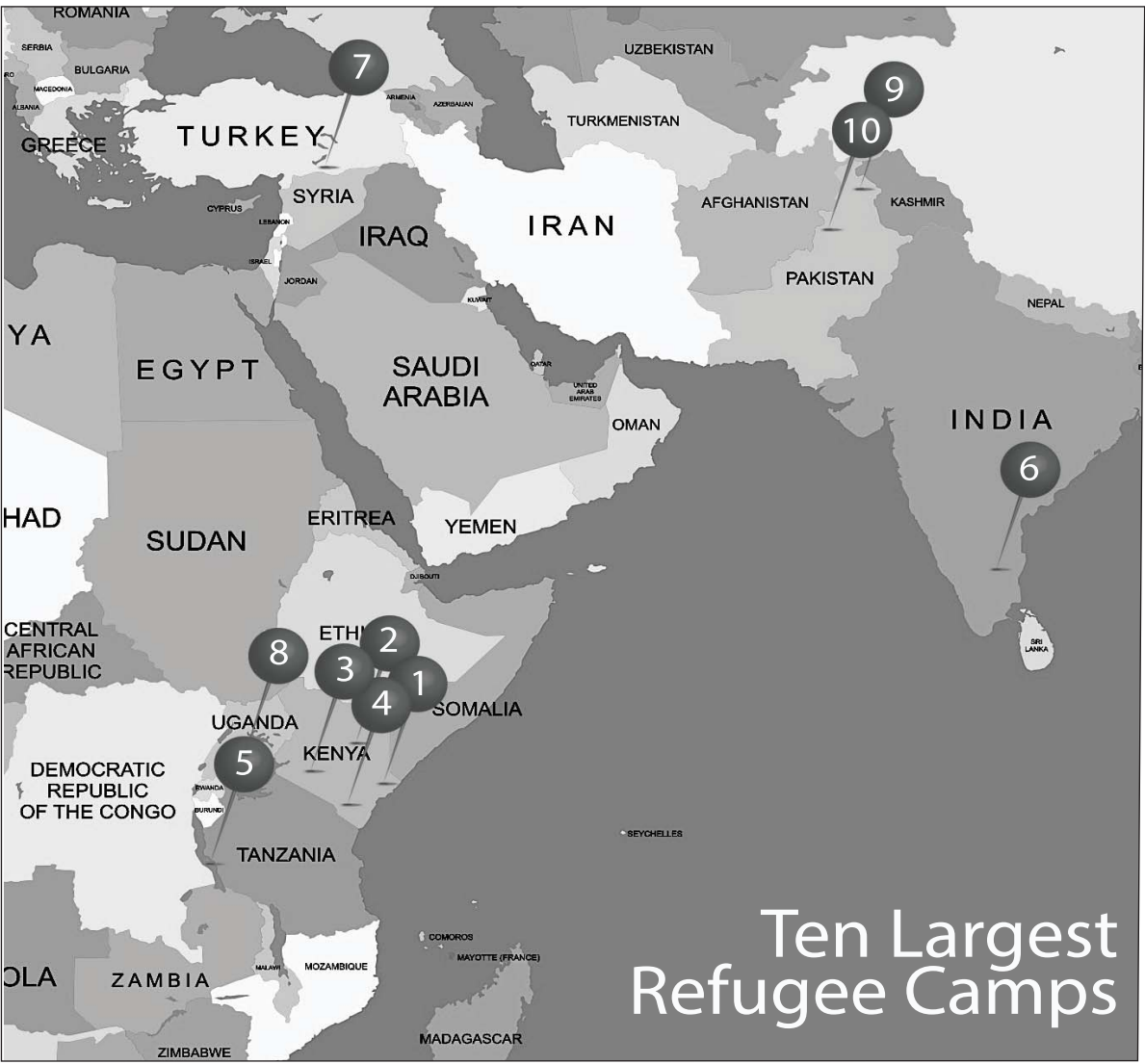
We The Threefold Advocate want you to stop and consider these people. Yes, many of them are far away, but their plight should weigh on your heart. Some refugees even live near us. Their struggle is not that far removed from our lives.

Popular photographer Brandon Stanton, known for his Humans of New York project, has been on a U.N.-sponsored trip the past few weeks, documenting some of the people who live in these refugee camps. His photos have shown that the refugees are people with concerns and needs and dreams, just like us.

As Christians, we are called to care for our neighbors; the widows, the orphans and those less fortunate than ourselves. We are incredibly blessed to live in a peaceful country, with stable jobs and good education. For the majority of people, we do not have to worry about food, or water or safety.

But these people are far less fortunate. In many cases, they have abandoned their entire livelihoods to seek safety. They were people with lives and jobs and homes and security, and all that was taken away from them overnight. Unless you have been in this situation, it is difficult to even comprehend.

We The Threefold Advocate believe we should step up to help these people in whatever way that we can, whether this is donating to the United Nations, giving our time to work with humanitarian organizations or praying for the hundreds of thousands of refugees across the globe.



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The Catholic view of
salvation: a response



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When I began my ministry in Arkansas, I found myself being asked a question that is commonly asked in these parts: Are you saved?

My first reaction was to wonder what was meant by asking me this question. I do believe that I am already saved, as the apostle Paul teaches us in Romans 8:24 and in Ephesians 2:5-8, but I also believe that I am being saved, as Paul teaches us as well in his letters to the Corinthians and Philippians (1 Cor. 1:18, 2 Cor. 2:15, Phil. 2:12). And I strive to keep alive the gift of hope that I will be saved as Paul teaches in his letters to the Romans 5:9-10 and 1 Corinthians 3:12-15.

In Paul’s words, I am working out my salvation everyday in fear and trembling (Phil. 2:12) with the firm hope in the promises of Christ (Rom. 5:2, 2 Tim 2:11-13).

Yet some Christians believe that all they have to do is “accept Christ as their personal Savior,” and it’s done. But Scripture teaches that our final salvation depends on the spiritual state of our lives at the moment of our death. Jesus himself addresses this when he states, “He who endures to the end will be saved” (Matt. 24:13; 25:31–46). Whoever dies in the state of friendship with

God will partake of the glory of heaven (eternal and perfect communion with God).

Therefore, a person who dies in a state of enmity and rebellion against God will not be able to share in God’s divine and eternal glory.

But this is a point often misunderstood: by saying this, I am not denying the perfect and redemptive salvation accomplished by Christ for the entire human race. Rather, I assume in line with Scripture that my participation in what Christ achieved for us all is contingent on my personal response.

It is true that Christ died once and for all and is seated at the right hand of the Father in heaven, but it does not mean that there is no process by which this is applied to us as individuals. Otherwise we would have been saved and justified from all eternity with no need to repent or have faith or anything else. We would have been born saved (past, present and future), with no need to be reborn again through faith and baptism.

life he once had before but with a much greater attitude, an attitude of thanksgiving and of love.

This is why the Catholic Church holds that “the good works of the justified are always the fruit of grace. But at the same time, and without in any way diminishing the totally divine initiative, they are also the fruit of man, justified and internally transformed.

We can therefore say that eternal life is, at one and the same time, grace and the reward given by God for good works and merits. This doctrine results from the interior transformation of man.”

Accepting Jesus Christ is only the first step in our faith journey. Living out that faith is the remainder of our journey. Paul understood this in his letter to the Philippians (2:12) by working out our salvation with fear and trembling, that is, with a sense of awe and seriousness in God’s service. If he believed that salvation was a certain element through faith alone he would not have directed them to work out

“In Paul’s words, I am working out my salvation everyday in fear and trembling with the firm hope in the promises of Christ.”

Yet as we nourish our minds and hearts with God’s divine word, we come to our senses, and in humble attitude and sincerity of heart we repent, we surrender to God’s divine mercy and love and we amend our lives.

We become like the prodigal son, who, after realizing how much he truly lost by leaving his father’s side, came to his senses, returned to his father and was reconciled and able to enjoy the

their salvation; instead he would have merely assured them of their place in heaven.

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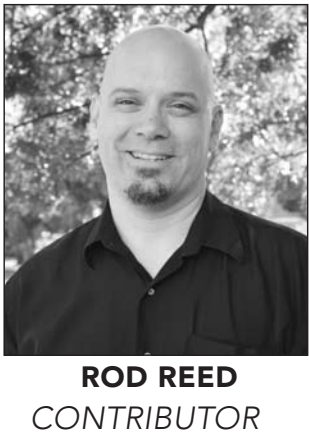
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Is John Brown University a safe place?



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Every semester that I teach the Capstone Seminar in Christian Life class, students write a spiritual biography paper that describes their spiritual journey, including how their time at JBU has influenced their relationship with God. Reading these papers is an incredible privilege as students let me peek inside their private lives and hear them talk honestly about their faith.

It is also a very difficult process that makes me sad sometimes. I'm saddened by the hurt that I read about, the ways in which the sinfulness of this world (our own and others') leaves scars in our lives. But there is something else that makes me sad.

"...community without honest vulnerability is not community."

I'm amazed by the different experiences students have as they try to deal with their struggles. For some, JBU is a place of safety in which they've found friends, professors and staff who have helped them work through a lot of difficult things in life. While they've still dealt with real problems, JBU has been a safe place for these students to struggle or doubt or grieve.

Others tell a different story.

Many of these students feel that they have to hide their struggles so that they will look "right" to other people. Consequently, they often struggle alone with doubt, drinking problems or sexual identity. Many feel very lonely and isolated, and some feel inadequate because they think they don't fit with everyone else on campus. Others get angry because they get tired of the phoniness – their own and others'. They realize that everyone can't have it all together, but they still suffer in silence because they're not sure JBU is a safe place to struggle.

And this makes me sad.

It makes me sad because, as much as we use the word community on campus, if we are somehow communicating that you can't be honest about what is really going on in your life, we aren't living in true community.

It makes me sad because I can't think of a faculty or staff member on campus who doesn't care deeply about students or who wouldn't listen compassionately to them (although there may be some).

It makes me sad because almost every student I know is willing to listen well to friends who are hurting.



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I hear those questions from people in my classes and in my office.

I also know how honored I feel whenever a student comes to my office and cautiously admits, "I think I'm gay" or "I'm so angry at God and I'm not sure I believe in him anymore." Those conversations are some of my favorite because I know that these students are being completely and courageously honest, and being honest with God is the best place to start.

What makes me feel even better is that I hear from students that when they do have the courage to have that conversation with an RD or professor or one of the campus counselors, almost every time they come away from that conversation with a sense of relief. They find someone who cares and is willing to talk compassionately about what is really going on in

life. They find someone who is not looking to get them in trouble, but is most interested in being an example of God's love to them and helping them process the hard things in their lives.

It's hard sometimes to trust those stories though. It's hard to trust that people will be open with you like they have been open with others. When life is hard, and you think that you're the only one on campus who is different, and you're worried about getting in trouble or being a bad Christian, it's hard to trust that people care more about you than about your behavior or your beliefs. When you're in that situation (and you most likely will be at some point) I hope and pray that you will take the risk of honest vulnerability.

I would like to give you one specific task to help prepare you for those times. Please think

about one or two faculty or staff members and one or two friends who you think care enough about you to listen well to the worst thing you could imagine confessing. Think about them now, when times are good because when times are bad, Satan convinces us that no one cares and that you're not worth caring about.

If you're in one of those dark places right now and can't think of someone like that, please come and talk to me, or someone else in the Office of Christian Formation (Tracy Balzer, Lisa Corry or Frank Huebert) or someone in the counseling office. We are glad to listen, and we will listen confidentially. Take the risk of discovering if JBU can be a safe

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Put your phone away



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You are alone, walking leisurely up a sidewalk. Various noises fill in the absence of conversation. You look around and see trees, maybe buildings and cars. Now you turn your attention back to the vantage point ahead of you. A person turns a corner on the right and begins approaching you from a good distance.

After spending four seconds browsing through the same social media statuses from your previous addictive scrolling, you look up to make eye contact with the nearing stranger. To avoid staring you look down at your shoes as if they have suddenly piqued your interest.

The moment of truth comes, and you pass them by and they you. What were you doing?

The occurrence in those few moments is what I call, "brief social mannerisms." I present this situation to you in hopes that you will begin to think about your intentional response to common, everyday interactions.

While entertaining the moment of truth, you may have seen yourself avoiding eye contact, looking at your phone or staring blankly ahead. Maybe you looked up to find the passing stranger occupying themselves with one of the previous actions. Do you care? Do they care? I care, but I don't have the answer.

What I do know is that there is a connection to this disconnect amongst our individualistic and technologically driven culture.

It is understood that change is inevitable in a progressive society, and as such, we change together. The byproducts of our affective response to progress need attention. They are redefining what it means to be relational beings in society. It is true that without the individual, there can be no community, but what kind of community has been grown? How individualistic may we become?

What I am interested in is

providing a setting for you to recognize that your response is intentional, and you have control over it. This sounds like an elementary reminder, but our responses have the potential to envelope seemingly unintentional habits and communication.

I presented the introduction situation to a handful of students to discuss brief social mannerisms. Each agreed that their responses and interactions depend upon their relationship with the person passing, as well as their current situation and mood. Some admitted to being intentional about not speaking or acknowledging the other person in passing.

Although we all do this at some point whether intentional or not, Rissa Willis commented that, "If there were not people around, there would not be a reason to say hello, but since they are in your presence, it feels intentional that they are ignoring you."

Yes, interacting may seem awkward if they are a complete stranger, but it is only because you make it so. A great friend of mine once said, "Situations are only as awkward as you want them to be."

Jacob Clodfedler discussed the possibility of these avoidances in light of personal growth. People may be too shy to make eye contact or to smile.

"The older I get," Clodfedler reflects, "the more comfortable I get because I'm more self confident in who I am and my personality."

Regardless of personality type,

or personal embarrassment of smiling at another, it is sensible to be aware of what impression your response may output. Could the intimidating emotions that arise with passing a stranger stem from another place other than ones personality or self growth?

Jacob Jones observed that, "Technology has given us an excuse to stay in a neutral position."

Taking your phone out and "checking" it when there is no need at the very moment that you could be contributing to the natural social interaction of eye contact seems harmless enough, but is it? No bash on the tool of technology here, just consider how you use it. It is yours to decide.

Each of these explanations are merely opinions expressed in hopes that you will form one of your own whilst becoming more intentional and considerate of your own brief social mannerisms. Whether your encounters are hindered by personality, personal growth, the use of technology or relationship to the person, don't let your new thoughts of intentions or non-intentions bog you down. After all, according to Nadia Bentley, "With short interactions, you don't feel like there is going to be more than a few seconds, so why bother?"

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Summer isn't over



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Summer has officially come to an end, but that doesn't mean we have to say goodbye to the season just yet. It's hold still lingers on, even throughout the coming of fall.

Just open your car door and feel the heat pour out, instantly covering your body in sweat. It's hotter inside, much hotter than the cool autumn air. If you have leather seats, my heart goes out

"Just open your car door and feel the heat pour out, instantly covering your body in sweat."

to you. Take a seat and feel the burn against your thighs and hands.

It's still hot enough to swim without feeling every bone in your body freeze from the chill. The smell of chlorine is strong, especially for those unlucky enough to have to go to an indoor pool. It's a powerful smell, burning your nostrils, but at least you can swim.

Those around you still walk about in flip flops when it's not raining, maybe even when it is. There's no risk of toes getting frostbite or just stiff from the cold. In fact, pair that with shorts and a tank top, even with the chilly air conditioning, and there's a chance you might stay cool.

Those sensitive to the light still need to be careful. They slather the white, smelly joy of sunscreen on their body so they can get that nice, golden tan without fear of turning into a red, hot, crispy critter, turning every movement into incinerating pain.

There's still time to savor

the sweet taste of ice cream or snow cones without feeling out-of-season, as cold foods in cold times are far less than desirable. The snow cone stands are selling as much as they can for the few remaining days of summer. Might as well make money before they have to close shop for a year.

On weekends off, families take the time to gather in the backyard around a nice, fiery grill. The meaty, savory scent of cooking burgers and hotdogs wafts around the yard, making stomachs grumble eagerly and mouths begin to salivate.

At evening and night, the cicadas cry loudly, mixing with the humming strings of the other bugs, like some strange, awful orchestra. Heaven forbid the grasshoppers join in on the medley as well, or else you risk them hopping about around you or, even worse, inside your clothes.

In fact, as autumn takes hold, more and more of those grasshoppers make their way out of the pits of Hell. They're in the grass, on the sidewalks and even haunting your favorite ice cream stores. They're everywhere - just one of the horrors of the end of the season. The chill, another horror, will follow soon after.

Even with the irritations of school, purchasing new books and leaving the sweet freedom of summer behind, the joys of summer still hold on. The season may be coming to an end, but the memories will remain even as fall takes hold.

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Popular clothing line strikes up controversy

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Urban Outfitters recently released an official apology for what resembled a blood-splattered, “Vintage Kent State Sweatshirt.”

The sweatshirt design alluded to the fatal school shootings that occurred in 1970 at Kent State University. Four people were killed in the shootings.

Urban Outfitters said the blood-splatters were merely the faded design from its original shade. Kent State, however, issued a statement that said they condemn the situation as one that “trivializes a loss of life that still hurts their community,” regardless of the company’s official

apology.

Still, Urban Outfitters is no stranger to controversy. The company previously sold shirts that consumers believed to be insensitive to mental illness. They also removed a shirt from the market that has the single word “depression” written on it repeatedly, along with shirts that read “eat less,” and, “nothing tastes as good as skinny feels.”

The Jewish community criticized Urban Outfitters for putting a star on one of their shirts that resembled the Jewish holocaust star and for selling a shirt that featured a Palestinian youth holding an AK-47 with the word “victimized” underneath. Members of the Jewish community saw this as supporting terrorism.

Then, Urban Outfitters was called racist after they pulled a board game that was a remake of Monopoly called “Ghettopoly.” This game had properties entitled, “Cheap Trick

Avenue,” and, “Smitty’s XXX peep show.”

The Kent State sweatshirt was being sold at \$129 before being removed from the collection, according to USA Today. Consumers agreed that creating a sweatshirt that highlights campus violence was in bad taste and makes light of a tragic situation.

Jessica Foley, a senior at John Brown University, analyzed the picture of the sweatshirt in front of her with mouth and eyes wide-open in disbelief.

“There is an amount of honor and respect you need to have towards horrible events that have happened,” Foley said. “Honestly, there were many people hurt by the incident, and if you’re just making it as a fashion statement to have blood splatters on your shirt then it’s just wrong.”

Payton Vondoresten, 26, said when she saw the shirt it made her feel angry. “We’re all

interested in personal gain. They knew it was going to be a controversial shirt and people would buy it,” Vondoresten said. “They dehumanize themselves when they do that. They’re selling someone else’s pain, and it isn’t okay to do that, you know?”

One consumer, Kelly O’Brian, 30, had a slightly different point of view. O’Brian, originally from Arvada, Colo., lost a friend in the 2012 Aurora shooting before moving to Arkansas. She said when she sees retailers selling shirts like this it makes her feel disrespected.

Although both consumers were upset about the kind of merchandise that Urban Outfitters repeatedly chooses to sell, neither one said they would take it so far as to stop shopping at Urban Outfitters.

“It’s tricky. If you start to boycott one thing, you boycott everything,” Vondoresten said.



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Explore Apple’s iOS 8: 8 user-friendly features

1 In-text voice

The technology pendulum has been swinging on the side of ease and efficiency for, well... ever. This is especially true in the phone world, where there are now phone-induced thumb disorders. Whether or not Apple designers found the social commentary/implication stuff of texting-injured thumbs disturbing, and are working towards some broad social change thing, the phone-tech-pendulum is officially swinging towards phoning again...kind of. With iOS 8, you can send your voice in a text. Apple’s instructions: “Simply touch and hold the new microphone button to record your message. Then swipe to send it.” Apple also advises, “Simply hold your iPhone to your ear and listen like it’s a phone call.” English majors of the future will be writing grad school entrance papers about how weird and meta that all is.

2 Group message solutions

This is probably the feature iPhone users will love universally, without exception. Apple has given absolute control of group messages to users. You can now add people, kick people out, turn on the “Do not disturb” setting to catch up with the conversation later, and, finally, leave the conversation completely. Props to Apple for meeting user-demand on this one.

3 iCloud drive

Google Drive now has some stiff competition, though you’ll pay if you want more than 5GB of storage. Apple has pricing tiers set at 20, 200 and 500GB, with a 1TB option available as well. Note that Google offers 15GB of storage for free (with tiered plans available), though Apple’s version is way prettier (duh). There are pros and cons, but this will probably steal a ton of competition from Google. Good move, Apple.

4 Better notifications

All of your notifications are now interactive and multi-task capable. Say you get an email or a meeting notification while watching Alexander Payne’s newest film. You can deal with the notification without missing a scene. Third party apps will support this slick feature once those developers update (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram). All part of Apple’s user-pampering design. Nice.

5 Home button double-tap

Double-click the home button for the already familiar “multitasking interface.” There, Apple has added a handy bar at the top of the screen displaying the faces of recent contacts (assuming they all have pictures). It’s not a huge feature, but it’s one of those luxury type add-ons that Apple is really good at coming up with. It’s like the difference between cloth and leather automotive interiors.

6...and 7 Bionic/cyborg/the-future-is-coming-and-fast-at-that apps

Apple is leaping over the line blurring technological extensions (phones) and our own, close, physical bodies. Apple’s new health apps track sleep, nutrition, vitals (needles and tubes not included) and body measurements. There is a ton of new stuff in this area, and you’ll be able to share data with your doctor. Considering how the doctoring community feels about WebMD, this may not be the most intuitive feature. That said, there is also a medical emergency card listing

medications, known allergies and emergency contacts.

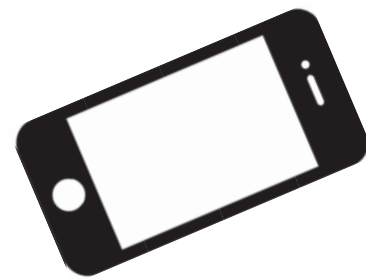
Will Apple health apps perform better than the competition? Too early to tell. I can guarantee they’ll be prettier, which will be enough for most users. There’s a theme for Apple...

The social commentary/implications here ask questions like, “Does the ability to check our bodies like the weather lead to sound minds or hyper-self-conscious body image/health anxiety?” Social media and looking at others all the time already cause over self-consciousness. Do we need to always watch our vitals too?

8 Developer options

The best update is one most users won’t ever see directly. Apple has put out a line of tools they’ve dubbed “kits” and a new programming language called Swift. Developers will use these to dream up new content for Apple’s health functions, your camera, photos and even home apps. Anticipate home security, smart thermostats and other devices of that ilk.

If you want to project out really far into the future, you might one day be able to use Siri to cook popcorn in the iWave Micro, while trying to mute someone’s way-too-young-to-be-playing-Call-of-Duty child coming in way too hot acoustically speaking out of your flat screen.



In any case, iOS 8 offers a great opportunity to take and eat the Apple apple this fall. Enjoy.

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT PRESENTS:



Ryan Nichols

YEAR: SOPHOMORE

MAJOR: BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

HOMETOWN: PEA RIDGE, ARK.

FUN FACT: FAMILY IS CURRENTLY EXILED FROM AUSTRIA

WHAT’S YOUR FAVORITE WORD? CHAD-POLE

Student musician strives to uplift

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After two attempted musical groups fizzled away, sophomore Caleb Garrett’s musical prowess is finally paying off. Starting his musical career as a hobby, Garrett evolved his hobby into a living passion.

He began playing the fiddle at the age of 10, and over time, picked up the guitar and mandolin. However, it wasn’t until this past year that his self-titled country band, “Caleb Garrett,” finally started taking off.

With a sound that ranges from 1940s country to modern southern rock, “Caleb Garrett” is a platform for music ministry. Lyrically, the band tells stories of real life struggles, Garrett states, because “even Christians need to hear what real life sounds like sometimes.” The track “Something Timeless,” from his album with the same name, tells a story of Garrett’s grandfather and how he joined the Christianity.

Uplifting stories such as these are the features in the band’s lyrics. They want to “help people through what

they’re going through” and show a realistic side to human behavior. When “Caleb Garrett” had their first show, they had a low turnout with only a handful of arrivals. They powered through to a second show where the “place was full before [they] left.” Their dedication paid off when their third show took place at the Tontitown Grape Festival, where they opened up for a national country act, Granger Smith, entertaining a crowd of 3,000 people. Austin Rider, a good friend of Garrett, attested that one of the main reasons Garrett started the band “is because of his walk with Christ.” He believes that anyone can use music as a ministry to get others through struggles and obstacles they may face in life. “Caleb Garrett” wants to remind their listeners that “someone out there feels the same way you do.” The band uses their spotlight as a position for storytelling and as a service to fellow Christians.

As far as future plans for the band, Garrett stated that he would “roll with it and thank God because without him [he] wouldn’t be doing any of this.”



Photo submitted by CALEB GARRETT

Sophomore student Caleb Garrett’s passion for music has allowed him to create an outlet based on his walk with Christ. Garrett hopes to minister to his listeners, helping them understand that they are never alone.

To hear music from “Caleb Garrett”, visit www.calebgarrettmusic.com

Poppin’ Tags in Siloam Springs

Written by: Colleen Cornett

Macklemore’s Grammy Award-winning song “Thrift Shop,” released in 2012, sparked a continuously rising popularity for shopping at thrift stores. Though it’s a small-town, Siloam Springs is home to many thrift stores that sell apparel, accessories, handbags, shoes and more. Whether you’re on a tight budget or simply enjoy the vintage feel of buying from re-sell shops, these six local thrift stores are a must-see.

The Salvation Army
1971 Hwy 412 E
Hours: Not available

Cari’s Closet
205 A East Main St.
Hours: Tues - Friday,
12:00 pm until 6:00 pm;
Sat, 10:00 until 4:00

Goodwill
1001 S Mount Olive St
Hours: Mon-Sat 9 am -
8 pm; Sun 10 am - 6 pm

New Beginnings
321 W Tulsa St
Hours: Tue - Thu 10
am - 5 pm; Fri 10 am
- 2 pm

Twice Blessed
815 S Mt Olive St
Hours: Tue - Fri:
10:00 am - 6:00 pm;
Sat: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Amandromeda
116 N Broadway St
Hours: Wed-Fri, 11 am - 5:30
pm; Sat, 10 am - 2 pm; Sun-
Tues, Closed

GET TO KNOW:

FRESHMEN

VOLLEYBALL

PLAYERS

Submitted by CLAYTON LYON



NAME: Bailei Brown
POSITION: Right side
FROM: Siloam Springs, AR
FAV. VOLLEYBALL PLAYER: Destinee Hooker
FUN FACT: I had open heart surgery
FAV. QUOTE: Isaiah 41:10
WHAT MADE YOU DECIDE TO GO TO JBU? Volleyball and the people



NAME: Alysia Arnold
POSITION: Setter
FROM: Waynesville, MO
FAV. VOLLEYBALL PLAYER: Kerri Walsh
FUN FACT: I broke my leg playing softball
FAV. QUOTE: Romans 8:38-39
WHAT MADE YOU DECIDE TO GO TO JBU? Volleyball and everyone was friendly



NAME: Beth Brankle
POSITION: DS
FROM: Siloam Springs, AR
FAV. VOLLEYBALL PLAYER: Misty May
FUN FACT: I broke my leg playing softball
FAV. QUOTE: Philippians 3:14
WHAT MADE YOU DECIDE TO GO TO JBU? Volleyball and close to home

Social media impacts family dynamics

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The hash tag “Why I Stayed” on Twitter places Ray and Janay Rice’s case of domestic violence on spotlight for the second time this year. Public awareness about the topic has raised questions on whether social media sets an appropriate platform to discussing family conflicts.

Questions started to rise after a video was released last week of the Baltimore Raven’s running back assaulting his fiancée, Janay Palmer, in an elevator. After Palmer was unconscious, Rice dragged her body out of the elevator.

In July when the NFL first viewed the video, Rice received the normal punishment for being arrested for beating his wife: a two-game suspension.

After the appearance of the video, the NFL suspended Rice indefinitely. The Ravens also released the football player.

A few hours after Ray’s suspension, Janay shared on her Twitter account the pain that media has been causing to her family.

“Reality is a nightmare in itself,” Rice said, after the decision of the NFL was made public.

The case raised controversy since the statement released by her would directly blame media as the initiator of their problems provoking Rice’s suspension.

People within the John Brown University community have expressed their thoughts on the topic. Residents were asked about their feelings regarding how the portrayal of domestic violence through the media has a positive or negative impact on people’s actions.

Senior Joseph Pelegreen defined the way media addresses family conflicts as both positive and negative. Pelegreen said that even though social media is used in a positive way on these matters, most of the people don’t take it seriously.

Pelegreen said that he believes what starts as a concerning issue ends up in a series of worthless gossips. They just “make fun of it.” On the other hand, Pelegreen pointed out that once domestic violence problems are revealed publicly, it becomes a



Courtesy of CBS SPORTS
Baltimore Ravens player Ray Rice and his wife Janay Palmer, explain the domestic abuse that was seen in a video recently released. Palmer stands by her husband in spite of allegations.

priority and people “start rising up about it.”

Social media has the power to raise awareness in a constructive way among the audience. But the question about how media affects the victims or how the victims are perceived afterwards still looms.

Freshman Millie Cooper agrees that it is a positive thing to portray family conflicts on social media. Cooper also showed her concern about the ones affected. Social media

is giving the victims an identity.

“You can also hurt those people who were exposed,” Cooper said. “[Whenever] people see them, they are going to think about that.”

Dana Snodgrass, an English tutor at John Brown University, showed contrasting optimism about the way social media is being used and how people themselves need to be more discreet. As an educator, Snodgrass knows the impact that media has on the

audience and how they react to certain cues.

“People should be careful to not tell who they are,” Snodgrass said. “They should share their stories anonymously.”

Snodgrass expressed his fear for the victims who share their stories through the media without realizing that their lives might be in danger.

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New volleyball coach encourages family culture

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Ken Carver has it bad--the coaching bug.

Carver is the new women’s volleyball coach at John Brown University.

He graduated from Malone University with a degree in biology and went immediately into a resident director position at Indiana Wesleyan for four years. After working in the residence halls, he transitioned to another position to become the first full-time Intramural Sports Director.

“In the course of doing that, I had gotten to know the volleyball coaches there and was asked to come on staff,” Carver said. “Then after three years, I was really bit by the coaching bug and wanted to try it out as my own head coach.”

From Indiana Wesleyan, Carver went to a part-time coaching position at Trinity International University outside of Chicago. After ten months at Trinity, he coached at Mid-America Nazarene for three years and finally went on to coach at Howard Payne University in Brownwood, Texas for eight years.

“First and foremost it’s all about relationships, and that comes out of my student development



Submitted by CLAYTON LYON
Coach Ken Carver discusses agenda for practice. Carver is now the new women’s volleyball coach at John Brown.

background,” Carver said. “I’m a part of an athletic department and a bigger campus university that places that emphasis on getting to know your students beyond just whatever that little sphere/ niche is so that you can do life with them.”

Carver isn’t just interested in winning games and developing good athletes. He is concerned with the relational health of his teams as well as how athletics works alongside the rest of the University.

Vanessa Uhrhahn, outside hitter for the team, talked about what Carver offers.

“What the team appreciates most is

his encouragement,” Uhrhahn said. “We all leave practices and games feeling motivated and valued. He focuses first on the team being a family and everything else follows.”

With Coach Carver here, the student body as a whole can expect a closer experience to the athletic program, as well as more club teams.

“The other major component of my job is to really help grow the club sports program here,” Carver said.

Carver also offered praise for the JBU coaching staff, our athletic director Robin Smith and the University president Chip Pollard.

“I was just really, really impressed with [Robin], her leadership and the vision she has for our department, as well as when I was able to meet with Dr. Pollard—some of the bigger picture he has, as it relates to how athletics integrates into campus,” Carver said.

Currently the volleyball team is 10-4, and Carver anticipates a great season.

All of the University’s losses have come from teams that are either nationally ranked or have received votes towards the national poll.

“They’re just top notch,” Carver said of his players. “Beyond volleyball, their character, their work ethic, their

coach ability...they’ve worked really hard.”

Carver saw this at the game against Wiley College.

“The very last point we had against Wiley was a scramble/defensive-hustle play,” Carver said. “A lot of teams would have stopped playing somewhere through the rally and said, ‘Well okay, we’ve given our best effort; we’re either getting the point or we’re not.’”

Our team got the point.

“The defensive tenacity, the persevering spirit that they’re not going to give up, definitely is a hallmark of our team.”

That tenacity is also something the team is working on.

“Goals that we are working toward this season: faster offense, aggressive serving and consistent passing percentages,” Uhrhahn said. “We want to win, of course, but what matters, win or lose, is that we play our game: our tempo, our aggressiveness, our focus. Our goal is that we do not let the other team dictate how we play. And, above all, use the gifts we have been given to play to the glory of God.”

Sept. 19th the volleyball team won their first conference game against Mid-America Christian in Oklahoma.

ATHLETE

OF THE

WEEK



MARCOS GUTIERREZ
Men’s Cross Country

Gutierrez was named Arvest Bank’s Athlete of the Week Sept. 8-14. In the Platinum Buffalo Invitational, Gutierrez placed 1st with a time of 27:08. The Golden Eagles won first place, beating Ozarks and Hendrix.

Men’s soccer clenches 4th consecutive win

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The John Brown University men entered Saturday’s game against the Benedictine Ravens riding a wave of three straight wins.

The game started quickly when the Ravens attempted a shot just one minute, 10 seconds into the play. Defender Logan Hellinghausen blocked the shot, setting a high standard for the back line that would hold throughout the game.

Golden Eagle midfielder Darwin Silva answered the Ravens with a return strike at the four minute mark. Though the Ravens’ keeper frustrated the shot, the Eagles had found an opening. In the next minute, forward Marco Cardona turned an answer from the Ravens around, slicing the Benedictine defense with a pass to midfielder Eli Simonsen. Simonsen then fed the ball to midfielder Martin Gonzalez, who sent in a meteor from twenty eight yards out. His shot rang the crossbar to bounce off Ravens’ goalie Taylor Vinnage and into the net.

The game continued at the same fast pace,



The men’s soccer team celebrates after Martin Gonzalez, assisted by Eli Simonsen, scores the winning goal. The Golden Eagles beat the Ravens 1-0 marking their fourth consecutive win.

and despite some close Raven attempts, the Golden Eagle defense held thanks to keeper Adam Holt and great play by Hellinghausen, Daniel Marulanda and Will Simonds all recording

blocks for the Eagles’ back line. The Ravens couldn’t find a weakness in the Eagle defense even when adding keeper Vinnage to a final-minutes set piece. For the win, forward Zeke Zumbro credits the

Eagles’ team mentality and defense, “Our team’s defense has been extremely well organized and disciplined, which has helped us move the ball forward knowing that our defense will cover up our

turnovers on offense. In the game, we did a good job of dealing with the long ball over the top of our back line. A ton of credit has to go to Adam and the back four for staying organized the entire game.”

Both soccer teams travel to Bethany, Okla. for their first SAC matchup against Southwestern Christian on Saturday.

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Golden Eagles fall to undefeated Ravens



Casey O’Brien maneuvers from an opposing player in last Saturday’s match. The team lost the game 2-0.

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John Brown University freshman Sarah Frey opened Saturday’s game against Benedictine with an early shot just two minutes in. Seven minutes later, sophomore Savannah Beth would send her own strike at the Raven’s keeper, setting an aggressive pace.

“I thought the first half went really well,” Senior Casey O’Brien said of her team’s initial forty five minutes. “We prepared for this team tactically, which helped us to win and possess the ball a lot. I thought we competed with them and created a lot of opportunities in the attack.”

The Golden Eagles’ defense held throughout the first half and kept the

Ravens’ scoreless with junior Kristen Morency making four saves and the back line holding strong.

However, the Ravens came out swinging to start the second half, sending one shot wide and forcing Morency to make another save within the opening three and a half minutes. Morency would go on to save a total of eight goals--her record so far this season.

JBU matched the Ravens’ pace with O’Brien, Braydi Frederick, Lauren Tonkovich and Sara Lachance all sending strikes at the Ravens’ keeper. The defense held until the fifteen minute mark when the Ravens knocked a shot off the crossbar that the referees would rule a goal. From there, Benedictine controlled the game and would score again four

minutes later to increase their game-winning lead to 2-0.

“This was a great match up, and Benedictine is a quality opponent,” Coach Kathleen Paulsen said of the game. “I thought we had moments in the first and second half where we were brilliant in the game, both defensively and offensively. Overall, I thought we executed our game plan well. But there was a five minute spell in there after their first goal, where we took a pause, and that moment really hurt us as they capitalized in that moment. We will learn from it, we will grow from it and we will move forward as a team.”

The women travel to play Southwestern Christian in Bethany, OK next week.

LIVIN’ THE FANTASY

This Week’s Fantasy Football Picks
By: Nathan Marquardt, Jacob Hoskins, Nate Mace

WAIVER WIRE PICKS

Kirk Cousins (QB)

Donald Brown (RB)

Cody Parkey (K)

BE WARY OF THESE GUYS

John Brown (WR)

Brandon Marshall (WR)

Le’Veon Bell (RB)

Courtesy of GOOGLE IMAGES

Tweets This Week

“Great win JBU men’s soccer! Stay strong and keep playing together boys! #goJBU”
@GingerichEric

“Quote of the night as 1 ate frosting another the brownie “takes teamwork to make the dream work #goJBU”
@schochler34

“Incredible weekend spent with an incredible team! Blessed to have such great teammates and brothers #goJBU #squad”
@daniel_lauer14

#GOJBU

Upcoming Home Games

Tuesday, Sept. 30
@7:00 p.m: Volleyball vs. St. Gregory’s

Wednesday, Oct. 1
@5:30 p.m: Women’s Soccer vs. Oklahoma City
@7:30 p.m: Men’s Soccer vs. Oklahoma City

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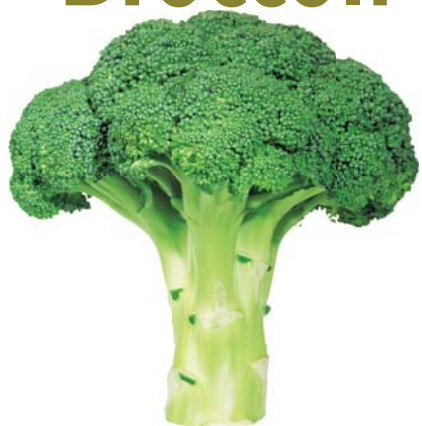


Fighting fall allergies

Surprising foods that bring relief

The air gets crisper as the heat disappears, and the trees begin shedding their red-hued leaves. The fall season brings plenty of change to the surroundings, including a new batch of allergies. According to an article from PollenTec.com, Arkansas has high levels of weed, pollen and mold spores in the fall, making it one of the most allergy-prone states. On Monday, ClickOnDetroit.com posted an article that shared a list of foods that can help fight your fall allergies. If the basic allergy medicines aren't cutting it for you, try adding some of these foods to your diet:

Broccoli



High in vitamin C, a natural allergy reliever

Avocados



Avocados contain a wide variety of carotenoids, a natural anti-inflammatory

Carrots



The beta-carotene in carrots are great for fighting off ragweed

Kale



Rich in carotenoids, which are full of Vitamin A

Olives



Full of healthy fats and immune-boosting properties

Bell Peppers



Packed with vitamin C and immunity-supporting carotenoids

Red Grapes



Full of resveratrol, an antioxidant that helps reduce inflammation

Fish



The omega-3 fatty acids found in fish contain essential oils for fighting inflammation

Pumpkin



Rich in allergy-fighting vitamin A

