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Downtown attracts new stores

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As Siloam Springs continues to grow, an unusual number of new shops have popped up downtown, on Broadway and Main Street. Main Street Siloam Springs, a non-profit organization which aims to preserve and revitalize downtown, sees this as an important next step in the town's economic development. Though several businesses have moved or closed in last year, Siloam Springs has also enjoyed growth.

"We feel like this is just the beginning," said Morgan Honnold, director of downtown development and promotion for Main Street Siloam Springs. "We're in the middle of a tidal wave that's been accumulating for some time." Downtown now features three new boutiques: Petty Cash, Joli Boutique and Cari's Closet. Kailee Mathews, owner of Petty Cash, has been open just five weeks. Modeled after popular boutiques in Fayetteville, Mathews describes her store as having a "rugged, retro, hip, funky feel," and cites musical influences

in the store's design. "We want it to have an all-new boutique feel," Mathews said. Petty Cash offers all-new clothes and accessories. On the other hand, Cari Lewis, owner of Cari's Closet, aims for class through consignment. "I'm a huge consignment shop lover," Lewis said. "My whole goal for this store was for anyone to be able to buy clothing here." Lewis offers a wide variety of women's fashion and formal wear, as well as some consignment items for men and children and suit rental. Joli Boutique, set to open April

26, hosted an open house during Main Street Siloam's recent Girl's Night Out, an evening event last week used to promote business downtown. Jessica Buckland of Joli Boutique bought the space at the corner of Mt. Olive and Alpine just off of Broadway after working for the contractor who fixed up the building. "This is definitely a lifelong dream of mine that I'm really fortunate to be a part of," Buckland said. "I want to help girls and women feel beautiful in who they are." Though the store is not yet

open, Buckland looks forward to giving back to the community as soon as she opens. If a buyer wants their new clothes to fit even better, they might try Threads, a small alterations shop. Its owner, recently returned from missionary work in Peru and has been sewing for 52 years. She also runs a small thrift store on the side. But it's not just ladies that have new boutiques. Ash & Ember, "A Gentlemen's Store," is a new smoke shop opening right next door to Joli Boutique. See SHOP on page 2

Arties celebrate student creativity



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17 STUDENTS WERE AWARDED WITH ARTIES THIS YEAR: (1) Graphic Designer of the Year- Morgan Ankrom and Hannah Garrett (2) Photographer of the Year- Kate Purdy (3) Illustrator of the Year- Hannah Newsom (4) Fine Artist of the Year- Patrick Symons (5) Digital Illustrator of the Year- Zack Brown (6) Filmmaker of the Year- Marcel Guadron (7) Rookie of the Year- Jocie Morgan (8) Digital Journalist of the Year- Sidney Van Wyk (9) Radio/Web/Broadcast Student of the Year- Amy Perry (10) Columnist of the Year- Matt Bowen and Isaac Weaver (11) Forensics Student of the Year- Justin Burchfiel (12) Best Supporting Actress in a Musical- Ashley Grant (13) Best Supporting Actor in a Musical- Daniel Loganbill (14) Best Leading Actor in a Musical- Seth Burgett (15) Best Leading Actress in a Musical- Amy Perry (16) Best Actress in a Play- Kaitlyn Thompson (17) Best Actor in a Play- Alec Warn

University advises diligence against theft

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Two weeks ago, an emergency alert went out to the John Brown University community: Siloam Springs Police Department is looking for a trespasser fleeing from campus. The Department thinks he was unarmed, had not entered any buildings and had not physically assaulted anyone. Why was he fleeing? He had attempted to commit what is the University's most common crime: petty theft. According to Scott Wanzer, director of Campus Safety, petty theft is the most common crime on campus. In the last three years, there have been 14 reports of on-campus crimes reported by Campus Safety. Of those 14, 12 were burglary. As

spring break approaches, there is an increased risk of petty theft, says Wanzer. "We tend to see a spike [in theft] before breaks," Wanzer said. "Students are going home and ... it's easier to sell or dispose of something at home as opposed to here in Siloam Springs." The incident, which happened on March 6, involved an individual from outside the campus community attempting to steal property from inside a faculty member's unlocked truck in a parking lot. Wanzer said that while outdoor burglaries are a threat, they are rare. "It's probably not something we can eliminate completely," Wanzer said. "The advice that we give constantly year round is to ... lock doors, lock cars and lock bicycles." Of the 12 reported cases of

burglary in the last three years, 11 were in on-campus residence halls. "We do have some things taken in classroom buildings, but [due to] the high concentration of people in residence halls typically you have a greater "We need to be diligent to minimize the risk and exposure" -Scott Wanzer occurrence of petty theft in residence halls," Wanzer said. "Generally the greater exposure

the greater frequency of theft." However, according to André Broquard, director of Student Development, the campus community is fairly trusting. "We have an open campus," Broquard said. "We tend to [be] pretty trusting here and that's good." According to Wanzer, a trusting community should still be careful with their property. "We live in a safe, small community of Siloam Springs and we live in a safer, smaller community of ... the University, but we still have some exposure to some risk," Wanzer said "We need to be diligent to minimize the risk and exposure [to theft] and that goes a long way towards prevention." Broquard said that being diligent to avoid theft, like locking rooms and cars, does not mean that one doesn't trust the

community. "I once had a police officer tell me that locks are for honest people," Broquard said. "A lock is what helps an honest person stay honest." In small communal spaces like the common rooms in Hutch and J. Alvin, Broquard believes students can share certain things with the community without fear of theft. "It's the crime of opportunity," Broquard said. "It's going to be hard for [someone] to carry out a TV; It's more the small items that we need to be watchful for." "The reality is we are all human and so there's temptations [to steal]," Broquard said. "That's why we would encourage [students] to lock your room and car door."

Missionaries in Residence to host garage sale

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John Brown University has a rare ministry: the Missionaries in Residence. To maintain this unique ministry, the International Programs office has implemented a garage sale to help raise funds.

The International Programs office is hopeful that this year’s fundraiser will also bring in enough funds for the missionaries in residence to provide some meals for missionary kids on campus, Shohreh Noorbakhsh, the administrative assistant of the international programs office, said. The missionaries in residence will occasionally cook meals for missionary kids, but money for the supplies is hard to come by.

The missionaries in residence program brings one missionary family to the University for one year while they are in furlough. During this time, the family ministers to the missionary kids on campus,

Billy Stevenson, director of international programs, said.

The ministry began in the 1992-1993 academic year, Noorbakhsh said. She said the international programs office implemented the ministry because the number of missionary kid students began growing on campus. Missionary kids often need encouragement, support, counseling and a home to go to and gather, Noorbakhsh and fundraiser volunteer Kirsten Pearson said.

“This is because of the fact that they are all third culture kids,” Noorbakhsh said. “That is so important because American kids are American kids, international are international. M.K.s are truly a third culture group of students. For the missionaries to connect with them in the areas where they would have needed support is very important to have.”

The missionaries in residence live in a designated house owned by the University.

When the program was first implemented, an anonymous donor gave money to the University for the program. That money takes care of

the missionaries in residence through an endowment fund, Stevenson said.

Maintaining the upkeep of the house is costly though, hence the need for the garage sale fundraiser.

Joy Ernst Kendall, former administrative assistant in the International Programs office, started the garage sale fundraiser around 2007, and since then, there have been at least five garage sale fundraisers, Pearson said.

Noorbakhsh and Pearson said the proceeds of the garage sale go to renovations of and necessities for the house, including appliances and updated furniture.

A lot of the items at the garage sale are donated by University faculty and staff.

“We have been so blessed by the quality and the quantity of things that the JBU family has provided for us for the garage sale,” Noorbakhsh said about this year’s donations.

At the end of the semester, students often throw out unwanted items. Pearson and another volunteer, Franni O’Neal, are known to go

dumpster diving to fetch out some of these items to sell in the garage sale.

“We would clean it up and wash it and take it to the MIR house...A lot of that stuff was really good,” Pearson said.

Students are welcome to donate items to the garage sale. In fact, Noorbakhsh said volunteers are willing to meet students at the missionaries in residence house or elsewhere on campus to pick up the items.

Often the people who purchase things from the garage sale are those who can benefit from the low prices of items, Noorbakhsh said. She views the garage sale as a form of ministry.

“We had a single mother who came, and she had three children, and she was in desperate need for a ceiling fan,” Noorbakhsh said. “We had one, basically new out of a box with all the parts that came with it. Just to watch her, the fact that she really wanted it. She didn’t even have enough money to purchase it for what we had on it. Because it was new, we had it a little bit higher price. And I remember, basically, we

gave it to her for very little. But it was such a ministry to watch that single mom walk out with tears in her eyes.”

Hans and Jane Koebele, the current missionaries in residence, are playing a significant role in the fundraiser this year, Noorbakhsh said. The garage sale takes place prior to their departure from the University.

Volunteers of the fundraiser include O’Neal and her husband Mike, who are former employees of the University, Diane Swysgood, the administrative assistant in the Biblical studies department, and Holly Allen, director of the Child and Family Studies program at the University.

If there are leftover items from the garage sale, they will be donated to other mission groups who are raising money through churches, Noorbakhsh said.

The garage sale will take place Apr. 5 at the missionaries in residence house at 1613 W. Alpine St. in Siloam Springs. It will start early in the day and go as late as people will come.



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Petty Cash, a boutique on Broadway, displays their wares in their shop front.

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But Ash & Ember isn’t the only unusual store in town. Well Spring’s seven-month-old store sells health supplements, health food and do-it-yourself brewing equipment and ingredients.

Well Spring has taken advantage of Benton County’s relatively new “wet” status by encouraging a new culture of home brewing in the community.

“We also hope to serve the community to help meet their health needs,” said Amy Onnen, Well Spring Employee. Well Spring offers a variety of vitamins, essential oils and allergy-friendly foods as well.

Another new shop is Cross

Country Cyclery, a custom bike shop run by David Van Sandt and his wife. Van Sandt builds bikes from scratch and modifies bikes as well, fine-tuning and personalizing them for clients.

“If you can forget about your bike and focus on your ride, we’ve done our job,” he said.

Cross Country Cyclery will also sell accessories and apparel.

Though Cross Country Cyclery recently lost its main competitor on Main Street, Johnny Gray of Vintage Accents finds himself in competition with longtime downtown resident 2 Gals Junk.

Gray, however, isn’t worried. He believes that people who visit downtown are more than willing to visit both antique stores.

The retired firefighter opened the shop in October.

“I always wanted to open a little antique store, and here I am,” he said.

Each new shopkeeper expressed appreciation for Downtown Siloam Springs as a community.

“We’re not doing this to be a national shop, we’re doing this to be a Siloam Springs shop,” said Van Sandt.

Mathews does wish to expand Petty Cash, but agrees with Van Sandt’s assessment of the town.

“We’ve had so much encouragement and support,” she said. “I wouldn’t want to start anywhere but Siloam Springs.”

Sneed brings gospel back

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Skilled vocalist and worship leader, Darris Sneed, is bringing the gospel to the University today--the Gospel Jam Session, that is.

Passionate about what he is speaking about in chapel, Sneed and the band will be staying on campus to lead a Gospel Jam Session in the TV Studio, located in the LRC, from 6-7:15 p.m. tonight. Refreshments will be served. They will also be answering your questions about his talk in chapel or other related topics.

Seeing their son’s gift for singing, Sneed’s parents enrolled him in vocal training and piano lessons at a young age. Sneed uses his voice to connect with people and to draw them to the gospel, something he started doing in his home church while a teenager.

He now is the band director at Cedarville University in Ohio and leads a worship group called Darris Sneed & The Pulse that travels with him when he speaks and sings at events.

His first EP is called Satisfaction and was released in 2012. You can find out more about him and listen to his music on his



Courtesy of Google Images

Darris Sneed sings his signature gospel sound. After visting campus in the fall, Sneed came back today to lead worship in chapel.

“Voices of Immigration” promotes justice for immigrants

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“Voices of Immigration,” an event held last Monday night, attempted to begin dialogue about immigration on campus.

The event focused around the viewing of documentary called “The Dream is Now” about young undocumented college students and graduates.

“It is never the wrong time to push for justice,” said senior Dani Rogg before the event. Rogg is one of the students who planned the event.

After the documentary was shown, Frank Huebert, the director of services and outreach ministries, said the documentary only showed one side of the debate and they hoped future conversations would explore other sides of the issue of immigration.

“This is kind of a conversation starter for us,” Huebert said.

Rogg said the event grew out of a summit, which Rogg and other students attended in January about how to respond to immigration reform from a biblical perspective.

The group has created a Facebook page called

“Exploring Immigration at JBU” which currently has 37 members.

“We want to start talking about this now even if it’s something as laid back as watching a documentary and eating dinner,” Rogg said.

Freshman Naomi Lind, who attended the event, said she was greatly impacted by the stories featured in the documentary.

“Even churches today, there is this concept that we need to get these people out of here,” Lind said. “This really isn’t any of our places to say if they should be here. They are more motivated than some Americans.”

Lind also said she sees a distinct difference between the ‘American Dream’ and the ‘Christian Dream.’

Senior Seth Burgett said it was interesting to see how the documentary connected current immigration concerns to past immigration concerns.

“It was a really good association,” Burgett said.

“People are anti-reform because of a knee-jerk reaction called justice or law when that is so ironic when you look at how these people are treated.”

Senior Abby Fenema said if people do not push for immigration reform, they would be viewed in the same

light as people who were prejudiced against immigrating populations in the past.

“We don’t have as much to lose, yet we are not doing anything about it,” Fenema said in reference to undocumented college students in the film who announced their undocumented statues at the risk of deportation.

For junior Garrett Wiley, immigration must be viewed in light of Matthew 25.

“If we are capable of helping in even the smallest way, we are suppose to,” said Wiley.

EDITORIAL

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AN EXPLANATION OF THREEFOLD POLICY
LETTER FROM THE EDITOR



I realized this week just how many mis-
conceptions there are about The Threefold
Advocate. I would like to take a moment to
clear up a few things about what we do, how
we do it and how you, the reader, can be
involved.

First of all, the Threefold is a student
newspaper that operates independently. This
means the University allows us editorial

control over what we publish. We are a real student paper allowed
to have our own successes and failures, just as other University
students have in their own fields of study. The main difference is
a practicum which engages the public on a weekly basis.

As a student newspaper, people often think we are a public
relations branch of the University. We are not. We report the news
first and foremost, even if it isn't pretty.

Our Op-Ed section, which you are currently looking at, is the
only place in the paper where you will see opinion pieces. The
rest of our paper is dedicated to news coverage. Are we perfect at
this? No, we are a student paper and our small staff is still learn-
ing what it means to be journalists. All the same, our staff does
not necessarily share the opinions published in this section.

The personal columns on these two pages represent only their
writers' opinons. When members of our staff want to share an
opinion, they write their own personal column. When we as a
staff want to express an opinion, we write the editorials seen in
this section of the page.

I know there are more opinions out there than the ones we
publish because I hear them every week when I walk through the
Student Center and read them on social media. Often enough,
the issues discussed are about what people have read in The
Threefold. So, every week, we wait for responses – excited to see
discussions take place.

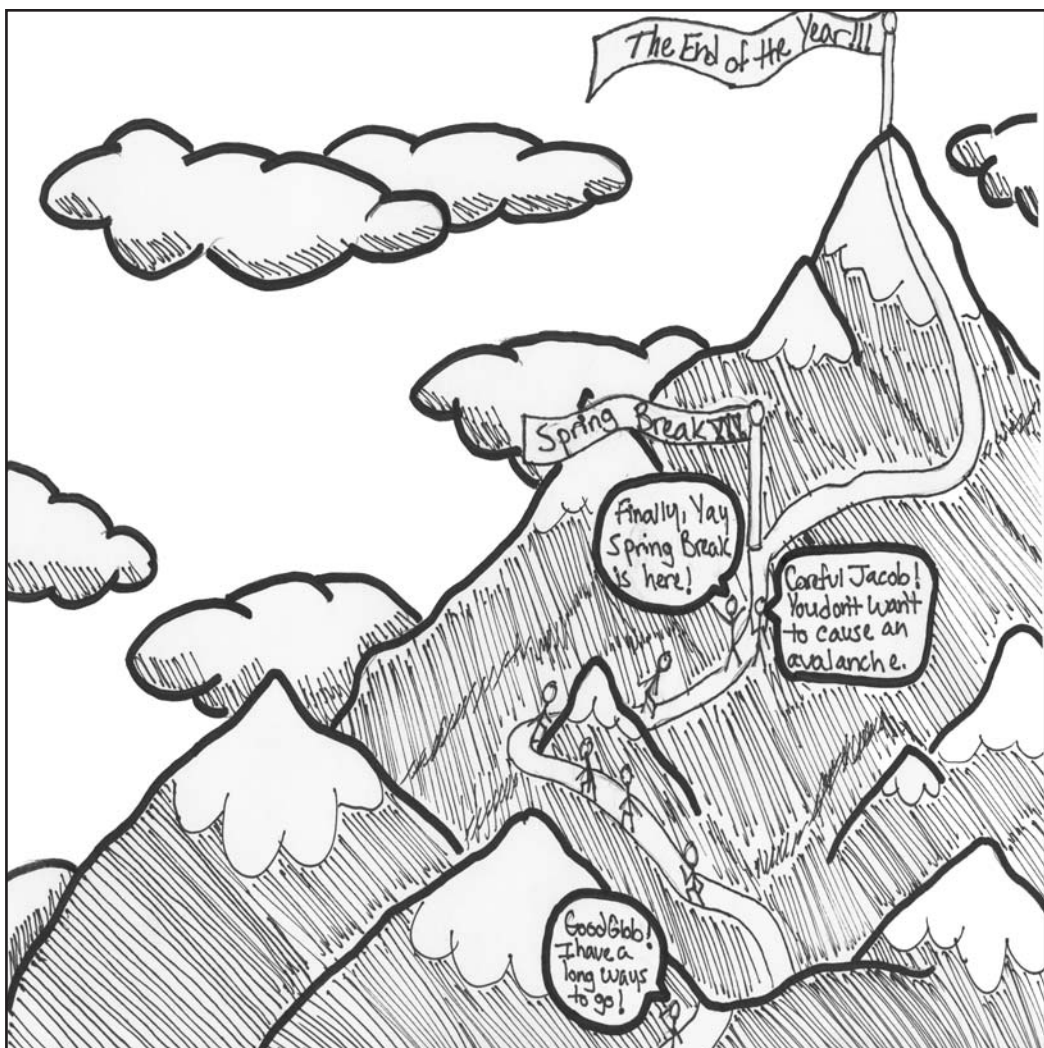
But, every week, we receive little to no feedback. Occasionally
the few columnists who do write in are ridiculed and chastised
behind their backs when what they really desire is open, honest
discourse.

If you think there is something we are not reporting that is im-
portant, tell us. If there is something we are reporting from only
one angle, tell us. If you want to give your opinion about some-
thing we haven't written about, you are more than welcome to do
so. That is why the paper exists: for the readers to be heard.

We work hard to learn our craft and to make The Threefold
Advocate something that represents and informs our read-
ers. When readers go to social media to tear down columnists,
grumble about the lack of reporting on their departments or say
that we are only after controversy, the real purpose of this paper
is lost. As a student newspaper, we must uphold our journalistic
integrity, the right to free speech and the desire to bring truth.

I hope this column (not an article, not an editorial) helps you
as a reader have a richer experience with our paper. Our staff
doesn't want The Threefold to be something you look at and put
away. We want to foster conversation and share information. And
we want you to help.

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Editor-in-Chief



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Hindu community seeks apology



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Hindu community, which
is quite upset over an article
in "The Threefold Advocate",
student newspaper of John
Brown University (JBU),
calling Hindu gods as
"demonic" and Hinduism as
"ugly religion", is still waiting
for an apology.

Universities are meant for
education and research and
should not be in the business
of denigrating religions.
JBU should not shy away
from its responsibility for
this denigrating article by
just saying: "The Threefold
Advocate" is a student
publication and operates with
nearly complete autonomy...

Adviser of "The Threefold
Advocate" is the head
of JBU Department of
Communications, the person
who wrote the article seemed
to be a JBU employee,
and because of absence of
advertisements it is presumably
funded by JBU.

Despite our urging, JBU

President Dr. Charles Pollard
has not apologized to the
perturbed Hindu community
and objectionable article
has not been removed from
"The Threefold Advocate"
online edition. On this issue,
Hindus might contact Higher
Learning Commission of the
North Central Association of
Colleges and Schools, which
has accredited JBU; and
Arkansas State Department of
Education, which has approved
JBU.

It was highly inappropriate
for a publication of about
95 years old educational
institution like JBU, which
was listed as one of America's
Best Colleges by Forbes, to
belittle Hinduism, which is the
oldest and third largest religion
of the world with about one
billion adherents and a rich
philosophical thought. It was
really shocking for the Hindu
community, coming out of
a respectable educational
institution like JBU.

Hindu gods are highly
revered to Hindus and they
consider them divine and
worship them and their
religion is very sacred to them.
JBU, which claimed to be an
educational leader providing
"academic, spiritual and
professional foundation for
world-impacting careers" to
students from across the globe,
should be more sensitive about
the feelings of "others".

The article in March 13
(Issue 18, Volume 79) edition
titled "Rethink yoga" by
Deborah Raiees-Dana, who
was described as "the tutoring
coordinator for Student
Support Services", includes
lines "...yoga is the beautiful
face that the very ugly religion
of Hinduism uses..." and
"...yoga has its roots in the
worship of demonic Hindu
gods." It further says: "There
is more I have left unsaid than
I have said."

What impression will
articles like this make on
JBU's over 2,500 students,
when they go back home after
graduation to 42 US states and
44 countries, with the mission
to "...honor God and serve
others..."?

Existence of many religions
is a sign of God's munificence
and benevolence positively
intended by God. Various
faiths are simply different
human responses to divine
Reality. We are all looking
for the truth and headed in the
same direction. Our actions
should always be for the
benefit of all.

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- Letter to the Editor -

A response to Matt Bowen's column "Homosexuals deserve their rights."

There have been many misrepresentations regarding the Arizona bill SB 1062 (which was recently vetoed by Governor Brewer). The two-page legislation consisted of minor clarifications of the state's Religious Freedom Restoration Act, which has been on the books for 15 years and is modeled on the federal act that passed with big bipartisan majorities in the 1990s and was signed into law by President Bill Clinton. Besides the federal government, 18 states have such statutes and about a dozen other states interpret their state constitutions as extending the same protections. Despite the recent frenzied headlines, there are not even any references to homosexuality in the bill.

This bill was NOT to "allow businesses to turn down homosexuals from shopping or purchasing at their stores." It was NOT about "denying rights to homosexuals." It was to provide an "opt out" via religious conscience for those who felt they could not participate, for example, in a gay wedding by way of providing goods and services for such an event (the marriage of two men or two women is itself the immoral activity that is religiously prohibitive). I think that it is important that the focus is on a particular event being the conscientious objection, rather than a particular person or group of people.

The bill was actually a preventative measure. The cases that have come up relevant to the Arizona debate involve small-business people declining to provide their services to gay couples at their marriage ceremonies. The intent was about providing a defense against lawsuits, and about government overreach in the area of religious freedom.

A religious freedom statute doesn't give anyone the right to do whatever he wants in the name of religion. It simply allows him to make his case in court that a law or a lawsuit substantially burdens his religion, and that there is no compelling governmental interest to justify the burden. The question isn't actually whether businesses run by people opposed to gay marriage on religious grounds should provide their services for gay weddings; it is whether they should be compelled to by government.

Safeguards would need to be put in place to insure that such a law wouldn't be abused. However, let's not follow the media's lead in framing such issues with rhetoric that simply isn't true. Religious liberty matters. Christians shouldn't have to choose between their livelihoods and their religious convictions. Religious freedom is too important for us, and also for society as a whole.

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are meant to continue the dialogue about various issues relevant to the JBU com-
munity. Please write. We want your input.

Consumerism



Kacie Galloway

As I walked to the cafeteria last week, I realized that I was wearing over \$400 worth of clothes and accessories. You read that right: \$400.

I was not even wearing a coat or boots, which can be rather expensive. I was just wearing a shirt, cardigan, jeans, moccasins and a leather purse. Of course, I did not pay full price for any of those items, but if I had, it would add up to over \$400.

When I realized this, I was a little surprised, and to be completely honest, a little disappointed in myself. Although I did not spend the full \$400, I felt like I should have done something more significant than buy clothes with that money.

I started to think about how much I could do with \$400. I

could buy groceries for several months, pay for a couple of textbooks or donate it all to charity. But a little voice in my head told me that I could justify owning those expensive clothes. After all, I will be looking for a job soon, and everyone says I need to dress to impress.

Unfortunately, it is incredibly easy for middle-

will probably not make much more than minimum wage at my first job. But I will still be a major consumer, even though I foresee a lot of trips to Goodwill and several cases of Ramen noodles in my post-undergraduate life.

Yet the ironic part of it is, while I continue to label myself as a poor college student who loves all things

I realized that I was wearing over \$400 worth of clothes and accessories.

class Americans to buy things: clothes, electronics, the list goes on. We live in a consumer culture, and there is really no way out unless we move into the mountains and become hermits or join a hippie commune.

As a student, I know I will have debts upon finishing college, will have to start paying for my own insurance and, if the current economic situations does not improve, I

free, I am still considered one of the wealthiest people in the world. According to globalrichlist.com, I am in the top 1.03 percent of the richest people in the world by income. That means that there are over 6 billion people worse off than me.

So what does this have to do with our consumer culture here at John Brown University, or more generally, here in America?

There have been a few guest speakers in chapel this past month discussing global poverty, like Michael Miller and Tita Evertsz. It is convicting to hear of so many people in need, yet here I am, at my \$30,000 a year private school in my \$400 outfit with \$600 worth of textbooks in my backpack. What can I do to help?

There are many aspects involved in the fight against poverty, but the first step is awareness. If I had not been shown how well-off I am compared to billions of others, I do not think I would be as passionate about curing chronic poverty.

So I encourage everyone to realize how incredibly blessed we are, and if you feel compelled to do something about this problem, spread the word, get involved and fight.

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Make plans, be flexible



Joe Walenciak

I have never heard God speak to me, at least not in an audible voice. But I do go through times in my life when messages hit me clearly and repeatedly. Whether I am listening to a sermon, reading scripture, talking to a friend, listening to music or even watching TV, something begins to get repetitive. I know that God is trying to get my attention. Lately, He has been trying to teach me about the importance of being available.

We teach a lot about planning in business. Planning is a good thing! You envision your plan, develop your plan, discuss your plan, test your plan, revise your plan, and once you think it is good enough, you go out and execute your plan. That makes sense. We like to think that good planning is some kind of guarantee of success, and that if we think about something enough in advance, reality will follow the plan in every detail.

College is a time when we do a lot of planning. We spend years thinking through how our future is going to unfold. We study, prepare ourselves and develop potential career paths and timelines for our futures. Sometimes, this is how we try to negotiate with God. We want to see a plan, evaluate it and maybe even send it back to God for revisions to make it acceptable. We want to know in advance what is going to happen before we actually sign off and go do it.

God, however, has had a pesky tendency to round up fishermen, carpenters, shepherds and a bunch of other people who were just living their lives and surprise them with a radical new purpose. When someone like Moses or Jonah argued back, God basically said, “Just go do

what I told you to do!” In that moment, it was not necessary to stop and approve a plan before acting. What was important was to be available to do the crazy thing that God wanted.

I remember that day back in college when I swore I would never be a teacher. I had no idea what I wanted to do, but I knew that it could not involve speaking in public. The thought was terrifying to me, and I remember laughing in the face of one of my professors who suggested that I might try teaching a class someday. Shortly after that, God allowed me to teach a class and my life was forever changed. I learned that God’s plans are better than mine and that he doesn’t feel compelled to get my approval. The life I’ve had is not the one I thought I wanted, but now I wouldn’t trade it for anything. It all came down to some key moments where God demanded that I make myself available, even though I thought I had a different plan.

Henry Mintzberg said that strategy alternates between intentionality and emergence, just as one foot follows the other. There are times when we can plan and act more purposefully, but then there are the other times when we must contend with things we never anticipated. For a planner like me, the emergent times are challenging, but that is where I have really found God’s purpose for me.

God expects us to act with wisdom and purpose, but sometimes he surprises us with something crazy that redefines our lives. In those moments, we often find our true purpose. I know that is true, because that is my story. So, even when you think you have your future all worked out in your mind, be open to the crazy doors that are opening around you ... and step through with faith and courage. I promise you, you won’t regret it!

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College Spending

- The average college student receives \$750 a month from jobs, parents or other sources.
- Altogether, U.S. college students spend roughly \$11 billion a year on snacks and beverages, and \$3 billion on movies, DVDs, music and video games.
- 84 percent of college students own televisions.
- Nationally, students spend nearly \$5 billion a year on shoes and clothes.

Stats taken from www.stateuniversity.com

Christians called to intolerance



Caleb Taylor

Every day, people all over the country give their input on hot topics, including world religion, homosexuality, abortion, evolution, etc. Many times, a person who gives negative input on any of these issues is quoted as using what is now known as “hate speech” and is labeled as intolerant.

According to many of the stories that we see on the news, society thinks no one can say that another person’s beliefs are wrong, and there is no absolute truth. The most unfortunate thing about this cultural standing is that Christians are buying into it, and

even applying it to Christianity. People in the Christian faith are so worried about being tolerant that they will not tell someone their beliefs are wrong when they do not align with Scripture. One especially relevant topic pertaining to this issue is the way in which Christians today are hesitating from saying that homosexuality is a sin!

Now before any of you take up arms and gets angry with me, let me say that I know homosexuality is a sin just like lying is a sin. I’m not setting a double standard with sins. People are going to struggle with homosexuality, just as they are going to struggle with lying. I’m not referring to struggling with sin while being a believer in Christ. I’m talking about when people live unrepentant lifestyles of sin while still fronting as Christians.

We sit and listen to pastors and chapel speakers talk about how believers living homosexual lifestyles are just on another path, and that homosexuals should not be judged by what they do or who they love. Yet, as believers in Christ, what we should do and what we are commanded to do

in Scripture, is show them that they are living in sin and inform them that they are going to be judged by the living God in the last days. Contrary to what we heard in chapel on Thursday, life IS a courtroom, God IS a Judge and the Bible IS the law.

Life is not like a gymnastics team, even if we pretend that it is. We are so concerned about making everyone happy and are fearful of being seen as judgmental or intolerant that we

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have stopped speaking the truth. We leave people to live in their sin and believe that they are living in Christ. We paint this picture of God as this lovey-dovey “I love everyone so I would never send anyone to hell” god who just looks past sin and would never judge or show wrath.

Contrary to what we are all told and what many of us would like to believe, JESUS WAS NOT AND IS NOT TOLERANT. He himself says in John 14:6, “I am THE way, THE truth, and THE life. No one comes to the Father but through ME.” The gospel of Christ is the ONLY way that we can be saved. There is no alternative lifestyle we can live out that will be acceptable to Christ.

The Gospel of Christ is that we are all dead in our sin, headed for hell and running away from God. Despite our sins and our faults and failures and outright hatred for God, he sent Jesus to die the death that we deserved, taking our punishment on the cross and giving us his righteousness. In response to his free gift, we should surrender our

lives to his lordship and repent of our sins, turning toward God and striving to live in such a way that pleases him. This is the message that believers are to proclaim!

Think about this: if you saw a man walking toward a pit, and if you knew he would die if he were to fall in, what would you do? Would you say, “Hey man, if that’s what makes you happy and if that’s the path you choose, good for you. God loves you!” Is that a loving response—telling the person that what he is doing is safe? NO! You would run after the person, hold him back or scream the danger that you saw him heading toward.

How much do we hate our neighbors and friends and family to not tell them that what they are doing is sin?

A true demonstration of love would be to tell people that they are living in their sin and are in need of the Savior that has rescued us.

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Jammin' the Jazz

with band



KELSEY GULLIVER / Threefold Advocate

Senior Zach Houston plays trombone along with the rest of the brass section of the jazz band.



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Several different scales weave through the air as the John Brown University Jazz Ensemble warms up during a bi-weekly rehearsal. The drum sets a smooth yet punchy tempo and the rest of the instruments—saxophone, trumpet, horn, bass, piano and percussion—follow suit as they get ready to run through their set.

Suddenly Larry Manos, the Band’s director raises a finger: followed by a moment of silence before the whole room is energized with a blast of jazz.

On Tuesdays and Thursdays 15 students gather in the Berry Performing Arts Center to rehearse for regular performances around campus.

According to Manos, only one of the students currently involved is a music major.

“We normally have two to three engineering majors each year,” Manos said.

Manos described the band as a way for students busy with other academic endeavors to still engage their talent.

“Its gives them the opportunity to continue to play,” he said. “I want it be an enjoyable situation.”

Jazz Ensemble is offered each semester as a one-credit-hour class.

Students audition to join the group—all have previous music experience. Some played in jazz bands or marching bands at their high schools.

In the fall, the band prepares for the upcoming basketball season. Also serving as the University’s pep band, they attend each home game, entertaining the audience in between plays and during halftimes.

In the spring after the basketball season ends, the group focuses on putting together a concert. Held in

conjunction with the University Chamber Orchestra, the band plays a selection of jazz pieces.

All of the instruments featured in the band crossover at semester. The current band features: alto saxophones, tenor saxophones, baritone saxophones, trombones, drums, a guitar, a bass and a piano—a standard mix for a jazz ensemble. Manos himself plays the trombone.

Manos described the style of the band as more Big Band.

“We don’t do a lot of free styling or progressive jazz,” he explained. Often popular with professional small jazz ensembles, the size and level of experience of the student group is not conducive to so many loose rules.

Students are allowed to use improvisation during solos

The band was reinstated in 2002 or 2003, according to Manos. The University had had a pep band at some point in the past, but now wanted to incorporate a jazz element.

While the band was previously student-led, this time Manos was asked to lead the group.

His past experience included heading up the band at the Siloam Springs Middle School, and its predecessor, the Siloam Springs Junior High School.

Manos enjoys his time leading the Jazz Ensemble.

“I love Big Band and jazz,” he said. “I love being around students and watching them learn.”

The Jazz Ensemble will play during a spring concert on April 25.

They will also host a jazz session on the Quad during the last week of school.

Manos described how jazz is a different sort of music for students to enjoy.

“It’s more lively, more upbeat—with a lot of fun melodies,” he said.



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Sophomore Asher Perkins practices the guitar during Jazz Ensemble rehearsal.

Erdman bids Mayfield community goodbye

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Sarah Erdman’s phone buzzed displaying a text message from one of her resident assistants. “There’s a guy skinning a cat in the basement,” the text read. It was 2010, Erdman’s first year as the resident director in Mayfield Hall, the only -female dorm at John Brown University. Though this cat situation was unlike anything she’d ever experienced, Erdman wasn’t fazed. Erdman was out of town during the skinning, so she sent her Resident Assistant to investigate the situation. They discovered that a young man found a dead groundhog, not a cat, on the side of the road. He then brought it to the Mayfield basement, skinned it and proceeded to make dinner. Erdman had the RAs send him away and mop up the blood of the departed rodent. Dealing with road kill and its consumers may not be in a typical job description for a woman with her master’s degree, but for Erdman, it’s all in a day’s work. This year is Erdman’s last as the Mayfield resident director. She and her husband Brock are expecting their first child in June and Erdman feels her responsibilities may clash if she remains the resident director after she becomes a mother. Erdman, now 26, lived in Mayfield for three years as a student and four years as the resident director.

Erdman graduated in 2008 with her Bachelor’s degree in biology. In 2009, she married Brock, a former resident of the University’s all-male dorm, J. Alvin Brown Hall. Erdman then completed her Master’s degree in Higher Education at the University, paving the way for her to become the Mayfield resident director. “I realized, one, I wanted to be an RD, but I think more than that I wanted to be the Mayfield RD,” Erdman said. “I really wanted to serve where I grew so much. I love the culture, and I love the girls.” Because her father served as a hall director of men’s residence halls for the first twelve years of her life, Erdman knows all about residence life. “I was the princess with the knights, and they were these cool college guys.” Erdman said, smiling. “When you’re five, that is just the coolest thing ever,” One of Mayfield’s most beloved traditions was founded by Erdman herself; the annual paint war. Mayfield residents break into teams of their respective halls and cover their opponents in paint. Each team has a different paint color, and the team whose color is most prevalent on their opponents’ white t-shirts wins. Erdman was the founder of the paint war. She started it during her first year as the resident director. She said that first paint war is one of her favorite experiences in Mayfield. It was the first big, all-hall event and about 175 girls participated, she said. “It was just so much fun to see people laughing and just having

a good time,” Erdman said. “The beginning of school is always so crazy and hectic, you know, and you just don’t feel like you’re doing a good job. So, I think at that moment I was like, ‘Okay, I can do this. This is fun. I enjoy this.’” Being the resident director for 250 women comes with difficulties as well. “My first year had all the issues of these three other years combined into one,” Erdman said. Erdman had residents who struggled with homosexuality, alcohol, heroin addiction, suicide, mental breakdowns, schizophrenia and theft. Erdman understandably became overwhelmed with all these issues. Since her first year, though, she said she has learned how to deal with tough issues while maintaining her sanity. Hannah Garrett has been an RA in Mayfield for two years. She said Erdman has many qualities that make her a great resident director, among these are responsibility, diligence, and quick decision-making. “Sarah is a great listener,” Garrett said. “You can tell her what’s going, and she will listen without judgment.” Kelsey McIntyre has also been an RA for two years in Mayfield and worked under Erdman. “Sarah has a knack for seeing strengths in people and knowing how they can work together,” McIntyre said. Each hall in Mayfield has two RAs. McIntyre said Erdman’s good judge of character enables her to choose effectively which RAs work together in the halls. Erdman said Mayfield holds



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Sarah Erdman, Mayfield Resident Director since 2010, is retiring after this year.

a special place in her heart, and Mayfield residents agree that the feeling is mutual. Erdman said the committee hiring the new resident director is looking at several great candidates. They hope to have a final decision by May.

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Across

- 4** This country recently ‘lost’ a plane.
- 6** The Threefold offices are located in this building.
- 7** Occurances of this crime on campus spike before breaks.
- 9** What you’ve all been waiting for since the semester began.
- 10** Putin’s favorite peninsula
- 14** Kiss me I’m ____.
- 15** The first games of the baseball season are on this unofficial holiday.
- 16** Only 50 days until ____.

Down

- 1** The first Major tournament of the golf season.
- 2** garagesale
- 3** Dorm whose Resident Director is retiring.
- 5** Everybody’s filling one of these out for March Madness.
- 8** A new, easier to use online _____ tool was recently rolled out.
- 11** One in three Arkansas senior citizen suffer from ____.
- 12** Not chocolate, but still popular.
- 13** JBU monument most likely to pranked.

Golden Eagle Game Day

Lady Eagles face Lyon in round of 32 Tonight - 7 p.m.

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The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics announced the 32 teams that qualified for the 34th Annual NAIA Division I Women’s Basketball National Championship last Wednesday.

The Lady Eagles received a spot and traveled to Kentucky where they will face Lyon College at 7:00 p.m.

This is only the fourth time for the University to make an appearance in program history.

Tonight’s game marks the 26th time that Lyon and JBU have faced each other.

Lyon’s team leaders are sophomore Carina Jackson who leads the team in scoring at 14.9 points per game. Following Jackson is sophomore Taylor Gaedtke with 10.3 points per game and freshman Elliot Taylor at 9.3.

The Lyon Scots won nine of their last ten games and are ranked no. 6 in the nation in three-point basket percentage, no. 10 in points allowed per game, no. 11 in three-point

baskets and no. 14 in total assists.

Golden Eagle senior Sierra Shipley leads her team, ranked no. 10 in the nation for three-point baskets. Shipley averages 16.2 points per game.

Senior Kortni Barenberg leads the Golden Eagles as well, scoring an average of 11.2 points per game.

Barenberg finished 19 games this season with double-digit scores.

The Golden Eagles won eight of their last ten games, leading nationally in three-point baskets made per game and total three-pointers.

Below is the official NAIA Division I Women’s Basketball National Championship bracket which can also be found online at www.NAIA.org.

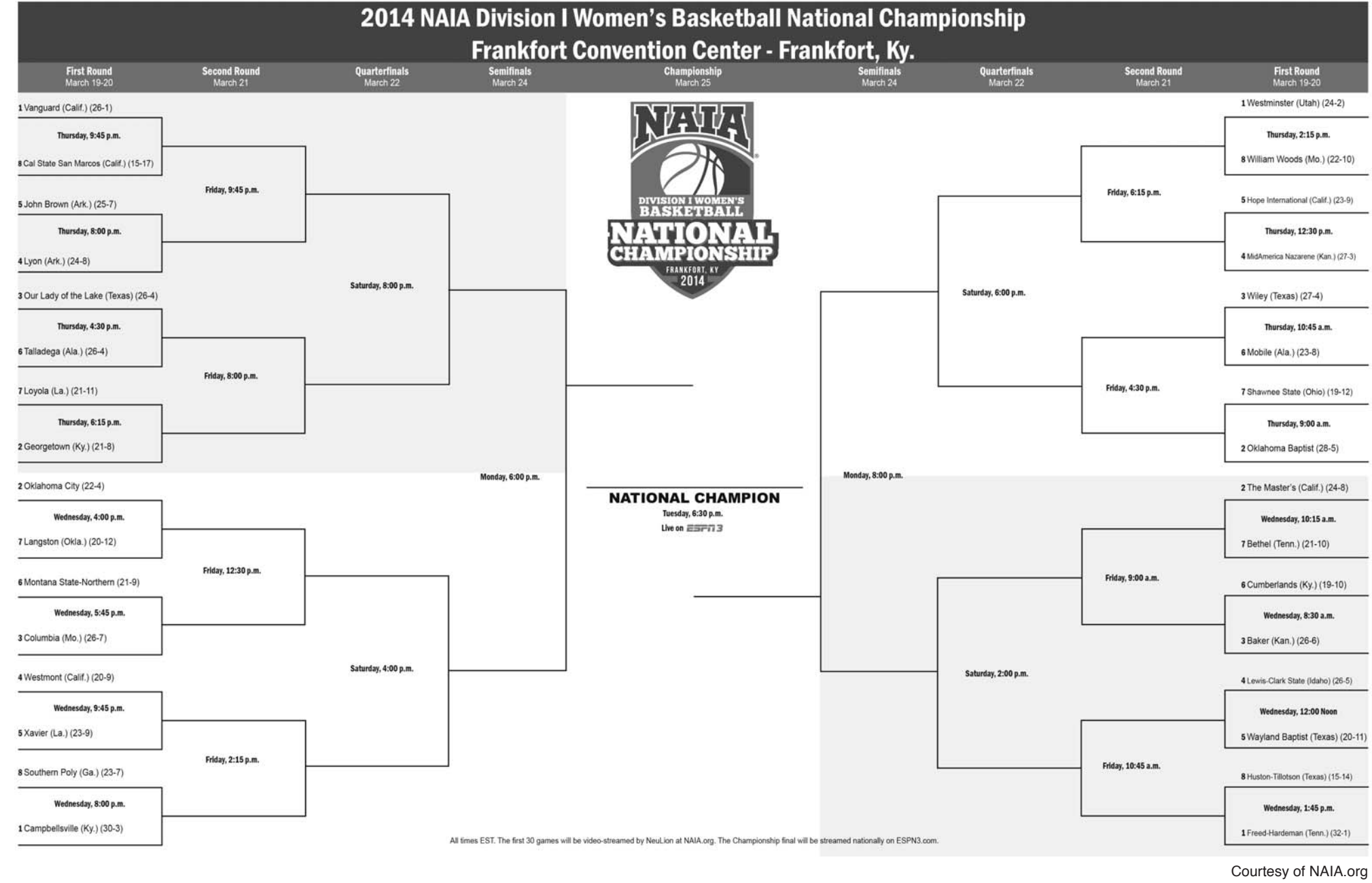
The NAIA will provide live video and statistical coverage of tonight’s game as well as the rest of the 30 National Championship events.

A full overview of both teams’ seasons can be read at www.jbuathletics.com.



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The women’s basketball team reacts to discovering that their team received a spot at the NAIA National Tournament.



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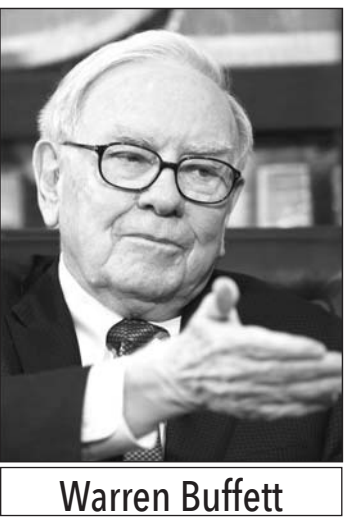
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Billionaire Warren Buffet, alongside his company, Berkshire Hathaway, is offering a \$1 billion prize to anyone who can fill out a perfect March Madness bracket this year. The contest, called the Quicken Loans Billion Dollar Bracket Challenge, opened on March 3.

In order to win, a person must correctly pick the winners of all 63 games in the NCAA men’s college basketball tournament. According to Forbes, Buffett is ranked 4th on Forbes list of top billionaires with an estimated worth of \$58.2 billion. The contest, according to Buffett, is easy to enter and there is no fee. “To quote a commercial from one of my companies, I’d

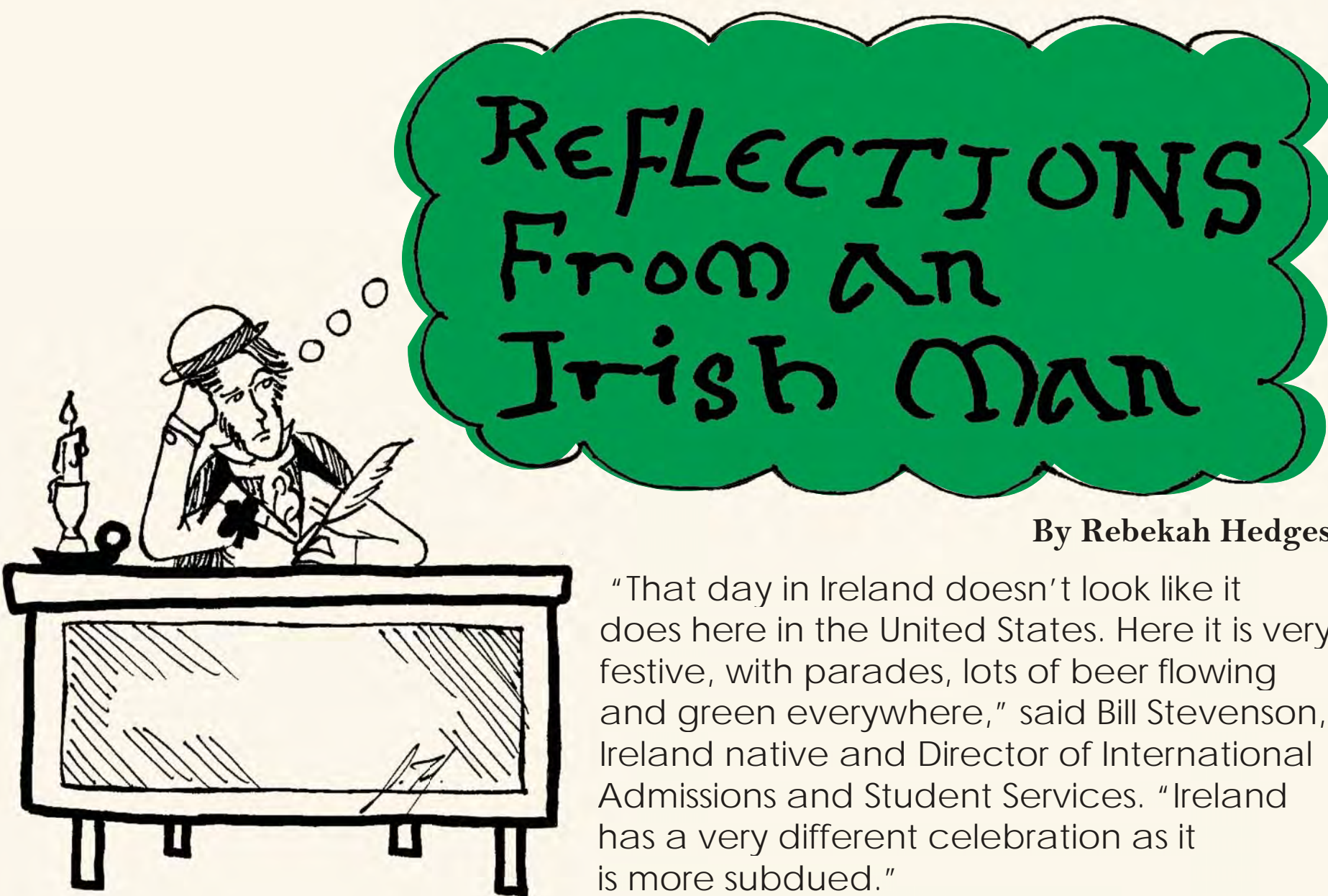
dare to say it’s so easy to enter that even a caveman can do it,” Buffet said in an interview with Forbes contributing writer Kelly Phillips Erb. Registration closed yesterday after 10 million entries. The Washington Post released an article on Monday written by Cindy Boren, “Why you won’t win a billion dollars with Warren Buffett’s bracket challenge.” The article explained that the odds of winning the challenge

are 9.2 quintillion-to-1. According to the official challenge rules on the Quicken Loans Bracket Challenge website, Quicken Loans will offer \$100,000 to the 20 most accurate but still imperfect brackets. If there is a winner, he or she will be notified within fifteen days after the winner determination on April 14.



SPOTLIGHT

The Threefold Advocate



By Rebekah Hedges

“That day in Ireland doesn’t look like it does here in the United States. Here it is very festive, with parades, lots of beer flowing and green everywhere,” said Bill Stevenson, Ireland native and Director of International Admissions and Student Services. “Ireland has a very different celebration as it is more subdued.”

“St. Patrick’s Day is a time when the whole country of Ireland, no matter where you come from, Protestant or Catholic pause and remember St. Patrick all together,” said Stevenson.

He said it traditionally looks like breakfast, lunch and supper with an Ireland theme, lots of potatoes, decorative green and shamrocks. “You find people reading about St. Patrick or his confessions,” said Stevenson.

“A very big part of the Ireland studies program is the study of St. Patrick’s impact in Ireland. We see the site where he established the first church and visit his grave and his writings,” said Stevenson.



ST. PATRICK’S PRAYER

AS I RISE TODAY, MAY THE STRENGTH OF GOD PILOT ME,
THE POWER OF GOD UPHOLD ME,
THE WISDOM OF GOD GUIDE ME,
MAY THE EYE OF GOD LOOK BEFORE ME,
MAY THE EAR OF GOD HEAR ME,
THE WORD OF GOD SPEAK FOR ME.”
MAY THE HAND OF GOD PROTECT ME,
THE WAY OF GOD LIE BEFORE ME,
THE SHIELD OF GOD DEFEND ME,
THE HOST OF GOD SAVE ME.
MAY CHRIST SHIELD ME TODAY,
CHRIST WITH ME, CHRIST BEFORE ME,
CHRIST BEHIND ME, CHRIST IN ME,
CHRIST BENEATH ME, CHRIST ABOVE ME,
CHRIST ON MY RIGHT, CHRIST ON MY LEFT
CHRIST WHEN I LIE DOWN, CHRIST WHEN I SIT,
CHRIST WHEN I STAND,
CHRIST IN THE HEART OF EVERYONE WHO THINKS OF ME
CHRIST IN THE MOUTH OF EVERYONE THAT SPEAKS OF ME,
CHRIST IN THE EYE OF EVERYONE WHO SEES ME,
CHRIST IN EVERY EAR THAT HEARS ME, AMEN.

	C. 387 PATRICK IS BORN IN BRITAIN
	C. 403 PATRICK IS KIDNAPPED AND SENT TO IRELAND AS A SLAVE
	C. 409 PATRICK ESCAPES FROM SLAVERY
	C. 432 PATRICK RETURNS TO IRELAND TO SPREAD THE GOSPEL
	C. 434-435 PATRICK BAPTIZED 12,000 PEOPLE IN 1 DAY
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