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Leaving home

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Homeschoolers are a hidden community, but they’re not invisible.

Each has their own unique experiences, challenges and advantages gained from home education.

"It doesn’t make you any different than anyone else,” said freshman Ely Wynn. “Sometimes they might think you’re superintelligent, and I’m far from that but I’m just a normal person.”

Wynn said that on college, a studying came easier for him, but that entire roommates of homeschoolers, connecting with people on campus wasn’t a problem.

Freshman Ashley Grant was homeschooled from fourth grade on through high school. Her family had moved to a new town two years earlier when Grant's parents wanted to support her and her brother into homeschooled. In their new town, and my dad said I was, but that's another story.

When I came to JBU, there were some other students who I felt like I knew, but that was beneficial in having a smaller group of students.

I’m not a fan of large crowd, but I don’t think that’s necessarily related to homeschooling.

The University learned in a survey the Kresge Dining Hall housed thirty large events in which 250 to 300 people attend-

ded, and the Administrative Dinning Hall held over 220 events. “If you look at the current din-

ing facility, it’s been the same for twenty years when our students utilized the state-of-the-art printmaking, painting and sound and video center,” said David Andrus, professor of visual arts and department chair.

The new facility represents the growth in JBU’s visual arts program, which allows students to major in art and illustration, digital media arts, graphic and web design, or photography. With 240 students and eight faculty members, the visual arts program is the largest undergraduate department on campus. The $26.8 million project transformed the old Engineering Building — part of the historic Cathedral Group — into a top-

tier art facility.

The university also announced Friday that both the newly-remodled and the existing art facility would be named the Windgate Foundation, which gave lead gifts for the renova-

tion of both buildings. “We are grateful for the support of the Windgate Foundation,” Andrus said.

The current art building will be named the Windgate Visual Arts West building and the newly-remodeled facility will be named Windgate Visual Arts East. Friday’s dedication completes the full renovation of iconic Cath-

dral Group.

Originally built in 1956, Windgate Visual Arts East first housed the university library. Most recently, the building housed JBU’s engineering and construction management programs. The exterior of the building, along with the other two buildings of the Cathedral Group, were renovated in 2008.

“Through their generous sup-

port of JBU, the Windgate Foun-

dation has been a critical partner in the transforming mission of JBU of preparing students to honor God and serve others,” said Chip Pollard, JBU president. “We are thankful for this bless-

ing.”

An open house for Windgate Visual Arts East opened last Tuesday. It featured a senior art installation by Kacyla Budke.

**LINDSEY GEIRD** The Thirdfold Advocate

**Students, faculty and community members gather to hear President Chip Pollard dedicate the new visual arts building, Windgate Visual Arts East.**

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Christopher Yuan always knew he was different. Unlike other students and even his own parents, he was not part of the "normal" crowd in high school. And even though the other students might not have been aware of it, they knew they did not fit in. His father was a pastor, and his mother, who is a nurse, knew him as one of their own. They had always been there for him, and he knew he could always count on them. But when Yuan began questioning his sexuality, his parents were shocked. They had always taught him to love and accept all people, regardless of their sexual orientation. And yet, when Yuan came out to them, they were devastated. They did not know how to react. They were afraid of being judged by their community. But they also knew they had to support their son, no matter what. They began attending counseling sessions with him, and they worked through their feelings together. They learned that their love and acceptance were enough to help Yuan find his way. And they knew that they would always be there for him, no matter what.
Introducing app future

The group of seniors who participated in the app’s development includes Akhadov, Sargent, and Sithole. The app was designed to be easily accessible on smartphones, with information typically found on a university’s intranet or website. Students can use the app to access a variety of resources, from course schedules to counseling services. The app’s development was supported by the Institute for Learning and Leadership, which provided funding and resources for the project.

Carnegie concert: Alumna’s dream comes true

Emerson Ayala
Opinion Editor

Endorphins are a great way to start the day!

Emerson Ayala is a junior business major.

Maria’s act of faith and dedication to her family is truly inspiring.

Maria Velazquez is a bright student who is currently pursuing a degree in business.

With more than 100 pages

Freshman Luke DeYoung is the lead author of the book. The book is a collection of essays written by members of the SGA executive board.

Endorphins recycling on campus.

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There are also potential projects for the future. The group plans to conduct surveys of students to gather feedback on the app and its features. The group also hopes to expand the app’s capabilities to include a variety of other resources, such as academic advising and career services. The group plans to continue to develop the app and to seek funding to support further development.

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Sergio, as a junior computer science major, is required to take a variety of courses that may not always be relevant to his major. However, he believes that the app will help him stay informed about important events and resources on campus.

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Steve Beers, vice president for student development, said that the program is a great way to engage students in the university’s culture and traditions. He emphasized that the program is designed to be inclusive and to encourage students from all backgrounds to participate.

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A house divided

Though homeschooling caters to the needs of the child, the truth is that homeschool educators have to buy their own teaching material and supplies.

The cost of a public education is usually low for students, all possible from funding from the government and local taxes that helps with providing textbooks and having no tuition fees. Homeschool parents or even a home can be required to pay school property taxes regardless of whether their children attend public school.

For instance, take a family in which both parents work but one has to stay home to teach the children. Though that parent tries to work from home, homeschooling will end up consuming the majority of their day. At some point there could be a loss of income.

A consideration in favor of public education is that it can provide the student with several extracurricular activities that have been created especially for the grade or age group. Children will most likely interact with their peers more frequently, giving them an opportunity to branch outside the four walls of their home and play with new faces.

Homeschooling, however, takes into account where an individual child is academically and given the best opportunities for the child to understand challenging concepts and excel. The child will spend most of their schooling a person who loves them the most and hopes more than anyone else in the world that they will thrive and excell in life, beginning with schoolwork.

This sort of tailored education is an incredible luxury that homeschooling parents could not have been otherwise offered through homeschooling. Children will most likely interact with their peers more frequently, giving them an opportunity to branch outside the four walls of their home and play with new faces.

Homeschooling should not be taken to the extreme, depriving a child from thriving in society. At the same time parents should not push their children on toward public education and expect the State to raise them.

No matter where a child is educated, if the parent is unfit to teach the child, the child will most likely fail. Parents are called to be models.

The flexibility of classes provides the student with several extracurricular-activities that are still available.

What the child is most likely to learn is that not everyone feels the same way about all subjects.

Letters to the Editor

Missing Salsa Dance explained

In light of the past two articles concerning an expected Salsa dance here at JBU, SAC has been asked to respond.

Over the past couple years, a Salsa dance was held in February. This event was co-sponsored by JBU Club CIF (Council for International Friendship) and Elevate, a division of SAC. The following are reasons why this dance was not planned this year.

First, both of these organizations have completely new student leaders/directors, with CIF’s leaders being new this spring semester. A change in student leadership can shift how an organization operates; in this case, caused a major delay of collaboration between the groups. There was an idea to host a dance in February but before the theme could be decided and collaboration to happen, a major calendar conflict caused the dance to be canceled. During this time SGA was trying to determine a theme for Junior/Senior Banquet. Since neither CIF nor Elevate were able to move forward with a Salsa dance, SCA picked up the theme. We believed this to be a win-win situation and supported SGA in pursing a Salsa dance (not that they needed our permission).

Dances at JBU can be sponsored by any official JBU club or organization. Although SAC has sponsored many dances and will continue to do so (especially the annual Christmas dance), it is important for the JBU community to know they, too, can sponsor a dance. All dances must fit the criteria described in the student handbook, and the sponsoring organization must submit a dance proposal several weeks prior to the dance to be held. By the end of the month it will be important for the JBU community to know they, too, can sponsor a dance.

Also, we SAC, invite you, our peers, to contact us with any concerns, comments or suggestions regarding events planned by BLUE, Elevate and Vibes, all divisions of Student Activities. You can find us on Facebook or email us at one of the emails below.

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Chances are you do. Let your voice be heard. Write for the opinion pages.

To the great hall! Let us feast and fill our bellies!
Muscings of a former homeschooler

Anna Wieman

I am pretty sure that when most people in the "outside" or "real" world think of homeschoolers, they imagine the image in my mind: black pants and shirts, a denim dress, with a horse and firearms running through my head. It was my first time to find out I was homeschooled. My mom was the leader of a major homeschool group in Northwest Arkansas. My first boyfriend was a major homeschooler. My first high school was a large community of homeschoolers. My mom was an active member of a large group of homeschoolers. Almost all of my friends were homeschooled. JBU was my first classroom setting. It was my first time to face a Mac computer, to have a hard deadline, and to get more than my parents' feedback on my writing. I will be even more transparent: I was spoiled and had no desire to write. I spent most of my high school in my parents' office. I was a homeschooled student who was a bit of an extrovert, I recharge by spending time with my parents and siblings. It taught me an opportunity to bond with them. Growing up too quickly. It gave me unique. I was protected from the stereotypes, but it was worth it. Most homeschoolers, myself included, find that learning at home prepares them much better for college. My prayer is that JBU would be an example for the world of how to run a college. She can be reached at esthercarey@jbu.edu

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Talkback with Christopher Yuan

AMERICAN CHRISTIAN, The Threefold Advocate

Congratulations on the release of your book, Out of a Far Country! How has your faith journey been?

Christopher Yuan: I’ve had faith all my life. There was a period of time where I thought I had lost mine. But the only thing we are working on right now is trying to set up a date for them to come on down,” he said.

There are several project Jones has currently in the process of talking to the landlord to see what actions need to be taken to proceed with the idea. “It is a cool thing when you give back to the community while bringing some nightlife to the area,” he said.

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The dystopian tale brought in $251 million in just 10 days, becoming the victor of box office sales and an ever-increasing fan base.

Though the film got a lot of things right, it lacked a few key scenes that were lost in translation leaving true fans wanting more. For those of you who have yet to jump on the bandwagon and read the books, there are spoilers ahead!

From Haymitch’s drunken fall at the Reaping to District 11’s respect for Katniss to Peeta’s gnarly leg amputation, the film that was just over two hours long still left much to be desired. Here are the top five scenes from the book that didn’t make it to the big screen:

1. Haymitch falling offstage at The Reaping
As depicted in the book, after Effie Trinket begins her infamous, “Happy Hunger Games” speech, we are introduced to Haymitch and his drunken stupor as he falls off-stage dramatically at the Reaping. While this adds a little comic relief, it shows a glimpse of the troubled state of District Twelve’s mentor and the effect the Games had on him years later as a grown man.

2. Katniss becoming deaf
After Katniss blew up the Career tribute supplies, the explosion sends her flying in the air and there’s a brief moment where the audience can hear a slight ringing noise. Katniss’ condition is never brought up in the film whereas in the book, blood streams from her ear and leaves her permanently deaf in her left ear. The ability to hear is important for Katniss as it is one of her strengths as she hunts for game, including tributes in the arena. After winning the Games, Katniss regains her hearing after the Capitol provides her with a replacement ear.

3. District 11 supporting Katniss
Instead of including the scene in the book in which District 11 sends a sponsor gift to Katniss containing a loaf of bread, the film opted for District 11 uprising against the government after Rue’s death and starting a riot. In the book, Katniss immediately recognizes the bread from District 11 and says thank you out loud for everyone to hear, especially the Capitol. While the film depicts the power Katniss already possesses over the Capitol, the book sets up the scene to portray the other districts’ willingness to trust her.

4. Peeta’s leg amputation
One of the most powerful parts of the book happens when Katniss and Peeta are airlifted out of the arena and onto the hovercraft in the boy with the bread is taken away from her. Unaware of Peeta’s dramatic leg amputation, Katniss pounds on the glass screaming his name. While the reader is left wondering what Katniss’ true feelings are for Peeta, this scene shows that regardless of whether it was all an act, she cares for him deeply.

5. Katniss and Peeta beyond the Games
As soon as the Capitol train stops, Katniss and Peeta go for a walk and discuss their relationship. He presents her a bouquet of wildflowers as she works hard to look pleased. Peeta finally realizes their so-called relationship was all a routine planned strategically for the Games. The film glosses this scene over whereas in the book we are left with Katniss saying, “The closer we got to District Twelve, the more confused I get.” As the boy with the bread slips away, we get a glimpse from this scene in the book that Catching Fire will be like.
The men’s and women’s tennis teams have a week long break before facing eight teams in eight days. After that they will head to the NAIA Regionals in Oklahoma City.

The men’s team has a record of 3-8 while the women are 1-8. Paul Pautsch, a professional tennis player helping the team this season, said both teams have to work on patience and consistency before Regionals.

Both teams played against the University of the Ozarks (Ark.) on Tuesday afternoon. The men also faced Southwestern Christian in Okla. The women ended the day with three wins out of nine matches. The men ended the night with a team loss against Okla but took Southswestern with a team score of 8-1.

"The players I could see is the most important thing," said sophomore and men’s captain Cameron McLendon. McLendon said senior and student coach Eric Engstrom put up a good fight through the points did not always reflect that in the match.

The Golden Eagles’ 639 was 36 strokes better than the NAIA Top 25, making the conference tournament both a daunting challenge and a golden opportunity for unranked JBU to improve its national ranking.

The golf team will look to get some extra rest before facing the Southern Athletic Conference tournament April 23-24, where they will have to contend with perennial heavyweight Oklahoma Christian and Oklahoma City (No. 1 and No. 2 in the NAIA poll, respectively). The conference tournament will represent the best and best chance for unranked JBU to improve its national ranking.

The SAC has four other teams in the NAIA Top 25, so JBU’s chances are slim. But Pautsch said the men’s team is doing a good job of winning points but they have not consistently that working well.

"They are so close to breaking out," said Pautsch.

Pautsch said the women have “bought into the program” and are having success.

Sophomore Michelle Caneday said she felt the women played well on Tuesday though she wished more matches would have gone their way.

She said freshman Kelli Mower and sophomore Tiffany Price each played close singles matches that were into a third set to break the tie through they both lost.

Pautsch said she was a little frustrate at times but proud of how she played.

"The first set was 6-1 so I’m just glad I was able to pull through for the second set," said Pautsch.

"It’s been a tough season so far so I’m happy to get through," said Pautsch. "Once they do that, they will be able to do anything!"

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SPORTS

Students face ‘Tough Mudder’

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