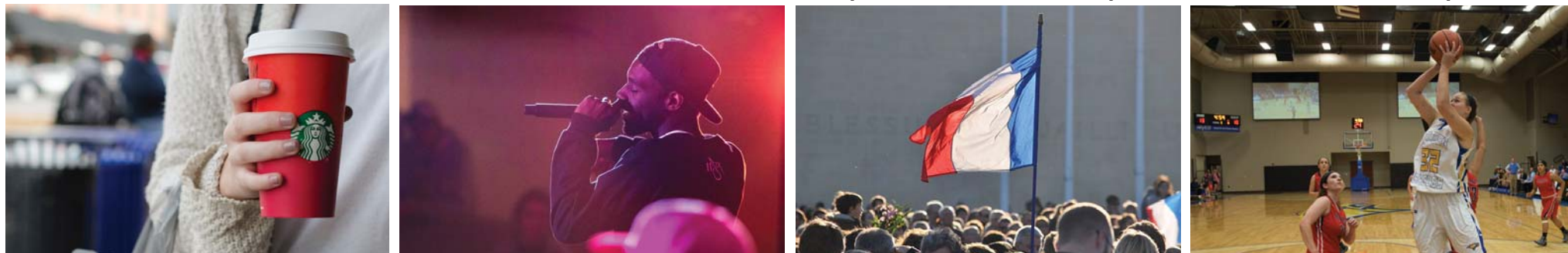


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Students rebuke governors’ plan

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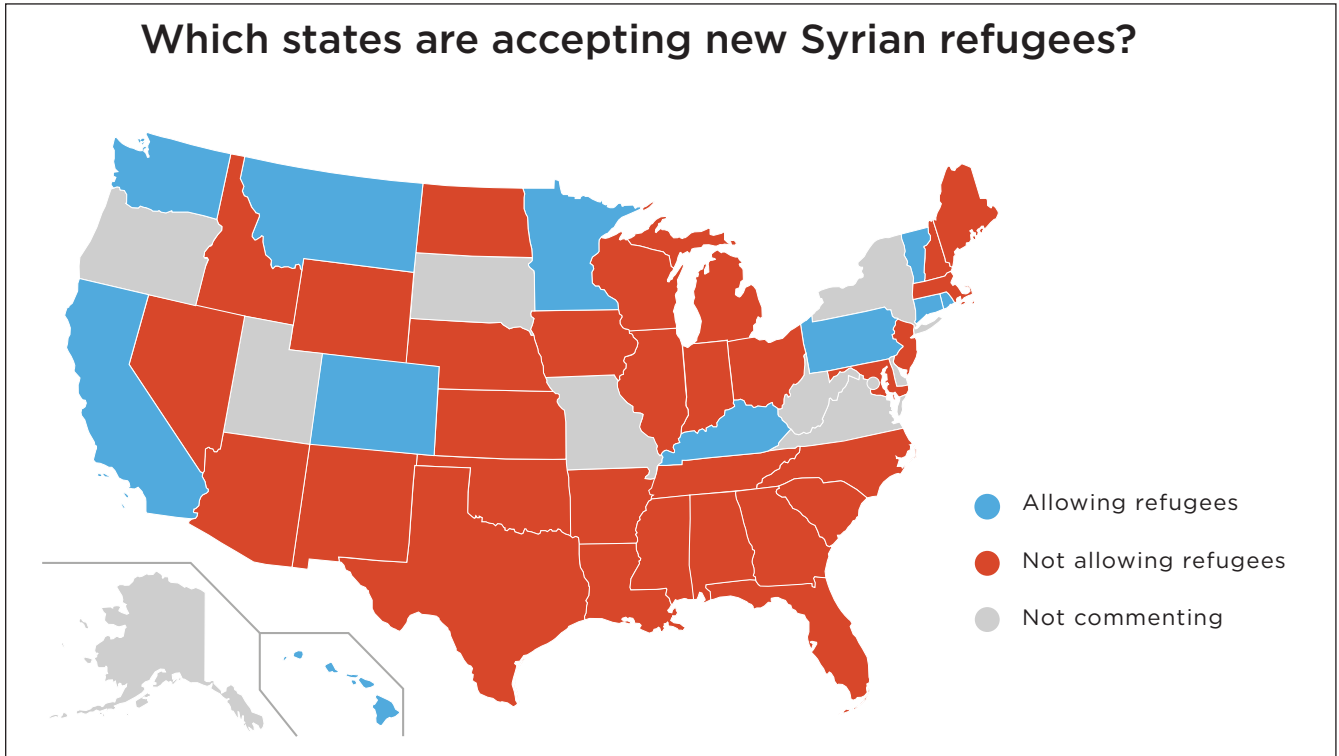
At least 31 state governors seek to prevent Syrian refugees from settling in their states, according to national news reports.

The governors reacted to Friday’s attacks in Paris by issuing executive orders and sending requests to federal officials, including President Obama, to deny resettlement of refugees within their states. House Speaker Paul Ryan has also expressed his opposition to taking in refugees. Such actions ignited debates as

Andrew Heldenbrand, John Brown University sophomore, prayed that state leaders can overcome fear and do the right thing.

“We are supposed to approach threats with courage and love, not use fear as an excuse to deprive the needy of care,” Heldenbrand said. “How can we claim that our country has some kind of higher ideology when we run and hide at the first sign of danger? I’m ashamed of these governors,” he said, referring to his birth state, Indiana, and current state of residence.

Many of the governors believe that relocating



“As governor, I oppose any facility or installation in Arkansas being used as a Syrian refugee center.”

- Gov. Asa Hutchinson

communication major, said Christians are called to help the needy, even when doing so could be risky. “Fear should never take precedent over compassion. Christ calls us to help those in need, and that’s not just when we feel it is safe or convenient for us,” Weaver said.

former University student, shared Heldenbrand and Weaver’s sentiments. “People are dying needlessly,” Wisniewski said. “We are no better than terrorist organizations when we perpetuate the violence, and when we allow those who are abused and most affected by these violent ideologies to remain in a

hostile environment while we ‘love from afar...’ We have become part of the terror itself...Let’s remember our Christian and American ideals. Let’s be the light in the dark. Lord have mercy on us all.”

Gov. Asa Hutchinson of Arkansas is one of the governors who is attempting to block Syrian refugees

from resettling in his state. He issued a statement about the refugees on Monday.

“As governor, I oppose any facility or installation in Arkansas being used as a Syrian refugee center. Many of the Syrian refugees

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Missouri community encourages peace



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Traci Wilson-Kleekamp, one of the event leaders, encouraged participants to fight injustice and discrimination.

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COLUMBIA, MO. – Under cloudy skies and a brisk wind, community members, faculty and students participated in a Peace Walk to show their support for the students at the University of Missouri.

In Peace Park, on the edge of Mizzou’s campus, about 300 walkers

gathered in support on Sunday, Nov. 15. Among the predominantly white crowd were families with children and pets, pastors, LGBT supporters, parents and students with hands wrapped around Starbucks cups. A few carried signs, and others wore shirts that read “Black Studies Matter.” They huddled together, casually sharing their stories where, just days before, protesters had marched, chanted and sung songs to express their frustration with the racism on the University of Missouri campus.

“We believe the students did an amazing thing, and this is our way of supporting them and encouraging the conversation,” said Angela Speck, chair of the Diversity Enhancement Community and a professor of chemistry and astronomy at Mizzou.

Speck helped coordinate the Peace Walk at Mizzou. She wanted to involve the faculty and community in the conversation of race and what was happening on the campus.

“One of the issues that the students pointed out was the need for an increase in diversity among the curriculum. This is something the faculty can do,” Speck said.

Mizzou student Anna Wright said, “It’s been a pretty crazy week. There have been a lot of injustices happening on our campus, and I don’t think we’re unique in that. I think that it’s a problem on every single college campus across the country, and it’s a good thing that we have student activists who are speaking out against this problem.”

While John Brown University students have not participated in solidarity walks or demonstrations with Mizzou, the school is committed “to diversity and inclusiveness...based on the person and work of Jesus Christ which fulfills the covenant that God made with Abraham...” according to the University.

Hannah Shaffer, junior illustration major, hopes

that Mizzou and other schools dealing with issues of racism on campus can make changes.

“I think progress is being made, and I hope a solution can be found quickly for the sake of the students,” Shaffer said.

“This semester University students have had several opportunities to participate in conversations about the effects of racism and how Christians should engage the topic and work to create more inclusive communities,” Marquita Smith, associate professor and chair of the diversity committee at John Brown said.

Salina Adolph, senior and MOSAIC vice president said, “The students at Mizzou aren’t protesting without a reason. They’re just asking to be heard.”

Missouri’s flagship

university, which enrolls more than 35,000 students—7 percent of which are Black—has been in a racial uproar, with Black students accusing the university’s administration of handling racial problems on campus with negligence. The issues ranged from being called the n-word to general mistreatment on campus of them and faculty of color.

When the president of the university system, Tim Wolfe, refused to acknowledge the students’ issues, the organization Concerned Student 1950 petitioned for his resignation. After multiple protests, it was graduate student Jonathan Butler’s hunger strike that pushed Wolfe to resign and Chancellor Loftin to take a lower position.

The Concerned Student 1950 group at Mizzou

submitted a list of demands to the university that would enhance the inclusiveness of minorities on campus.

“There are so many people who want to help, but they have never been activists before. This walk is a way for faculty and the community to express their solidarity during this time,” Speck said.

While Speck intended for the walk to be for the faculty, she was excited when several community members and alumni joined them.

Bob Stewart, a Mizzou alum who serves as a local pastor in Columbia, participated in the peace walk.

“I came to the walk today because of all the events that have been

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Peace walk participants crossed the field where protesters had camped out days before and celebrated after the news of university President Tim Wolfe’s resignation.

Students raise money for Syrian crisis

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The recent response on campus to the Syrian refugee crisis has inspired increased activism through fundraising and

World Vision will use these funds to provide food, medical care, emergency supplies and clean water to refugees in Lebanon, Jordan, Iraq, Syria and Serbia, according to their website. The events were set in motion by the involvement of students on campus. Melissa Hall's Family

"Here's a group of 20 people who are putting some energy behind raising awareness."
-Frank Huebert

the possibility of a spring trip to help refugees in the United States. Two events helped to increase awareness for the crisis: Stories from Syria, which gave an overview of the crisis, and a special offering in chapel for World Vision to help Syrian refugees. Following World Awareness Week, more is being done to help the growing crisis in Europe, the Middle East and America. On Monday and Tuesday following World Awareness Week, there was a bake sale in Walker Student Center. And on Nov. 14 Songs for Syria was held at Cafe on Broadway to raise support for Syria. The proceeds of these two events also went to the World Vision collection. Rod Reed, University chaplain, said \$1,841.27 was collected in chapel. The bake sale brought in \$337.40, and Songs for Syria, \$88, for a total of \$2,266.67.

Law class organized Stories for Syria and the bake sale. Awareness and advocacy continues to grow through these events and a Prayer series which took place on Nov. 15 in Walker. Students from this class also promoted a petition to help people contact their congress and the president, asking them to honor the plan and allow the 100,000 refugees into the United States. Leah Guy, who helped organize some of the Syrian support events, said that at least 250 people contacted their government officials. Frank Huebert, director of service and outreach ministries, praised Hall's class for increasing awareness around campus on this topic. "Here's a group of 20 people who are putting some energy behind raising awareness," Huebert said. "I would say before the last two or three weeks, I've heard JBU students talking about Syria, and



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Donations for Syria were collected at Cafe on Broadway during the Songs For Syria event on Saturday Nov. 14. A total of \$88 was raised at this event with donations from University students and community; bringing the grand total of support from the University to \$2,266.67.

I've heard some responses here and there, but as this class came on board, you really start to hear people say, 'Oh, okay, yeah, I'll take some time to really think about this and educate myself.'" Though faculty and students are encouraged by the increased education on campus, there is still the feeling that there is more to do. "John Brown is not a particularly activist-oriented campus. One of the reasons that I'm really encouraged by this response is that I feel that we have room to grow in this area of being more aware and involved in the world's issues," Reed said. "I'm encouraged and I feel there's more that could and should be done." Frank Huebert is

exploring the possibility of organizing a short-term mission trip over spring break next year. He does not yet know definitively where the trip will be going, but it is likely that students will be ministering to the refugee populations in either Dallas, Texas or Atlanta, Georgia. Huebert is still looking for faculty members willing to lead the trip, but he said he feels certain that the trip will end up happening. "We're following up on some leads, particularly with JBU alumni working in that field. Right now, one of the key things we're waiting is an invitation from one of these existing refugee organizations stateside," Huebert said.



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Molly Devine and Jordan Swartzendruber sing at Cafe on Broadway for the Songs For Syria event to raise awareness about the Syrian refugee crisis.

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happening lately, and to become more informed on the issue," Stewart said. Stewart recalled attending classes when the campus and community was still segregated. "I did not notice as much, but my friends from Chicago were very aware of the racial tensions. I remember them coming to me and sharing their experiences on campus that shocked them," Stewart said. Rebecca Graves, the librarian at Mizzou, said she was impressed with the bravery of the students who protested. She said their protesting shed light on racial issues on campus that she did not know existed, and the stories of her colleagues being mistreated and discriminated against horrified her. "I am here to support the students, because I am proud and amazed at what they have done. This walk is an opportunity for us to do something positive." As the protesters walked through the campus chanting songs, they carried Black Lives Matter posters and wore shirts reading 'Black Studies Matter.' At the end of the peaceful demonstration, the group gathered at the Black Cultural Center where the coordinators of the event ended by charging the protesters to continue to give voice to issues of race discrimination and injustices. News of the protests



KLARA JOHANNESSEN/TheThreefoldAdvocate
Nina Hampton, middle, and friends wait for the peace walk to begin in Columbia, Mo. Hampton said, "This is a chance to practice what we preach. I didn't even fathom the white practice and am now educating myself by reading books and listening to everyone I can. I wish everybody else would be willing to learn well."

spread among higher education institutions. Universities began showing their support by embracing the hashtag #WeStandbyMizzou. The University of Arkansas in Little Rock responded by holding a Blackout event, where students dressed in black and prayed in solidarity for Mizzou. "Mizzou has become a beacon for other universities in so many ways. Many times as minorities on predominately white campuses we see issues, and we endure difficulties, but very rarely do we stand up and fight effectively and get the results that we desire," said Kristen Smith, who is the president of Profound, an organization that promotes the studies of the liberal arts for minorities at University of Arkansas in Little Rock.



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The peace walk winds through the Mizzou campus on its way to the university's Black Cultural Center on Nov. 15.

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are fleeing violence in their own country but Europe, Asia, or Africa are logically the best places for resettlement or for temporary asylum," he said. "Syria is a war torn country and the United States will support our European friends in fighting ISIL in Syria and elsewhere; however, this is not the right strategy for the United States to become a permanent place for relocation. Again, I oppose Arkansas being used as such a relocation center." Most of the Syrian refugees have gone to Europe and its surrounding countries. The United States accepted 1,854 refugees through September, and President Obama's administration has plans to increase that number to 100,000 by 2017, according to USA Today. Governors are calling to close their borders to refugees because of the possibility that refugees seeking sanctuary in the U.S. might include people with terrorist ties.

Leah Guy, senior psychology major, said the problems are complex and it is difficult to know which solution is best. "We ought to take our national security so seriously. ISIS is scary and capable of doing incredible damage. But the vast majority of Syrian refugees are attempting to flee ISIS," Guy said. "What happened in Paris is an inexpressible tragedy because the result is not only that hundreds of Parisians were killed and wounded, but thousands of desperate Syrians were also denied asylum. Those Syrians are the primary victims, and it is horrific to think that we are punishing them by associating them with the very people who have bombed their homes and killed their children," she said. Guy said she observed her Facebook friends changed their profile picture when the Paris attacks happened, but was frustrated that more than 220,000 people have died in Syria over the last four years and their pictures hadn't changed for those tragedies.

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US must stand against ISIS

Terror attacks prove need for change

In the aftermath of the terror attacks overseas, many people expressed their horror and grief for the residents of Paris, France. However, many did not mention the attacks that killed 43 and wounded hundreds of others in Beirut.

The media flocked to cover the explosions and deaths in Paris. Facebook allowed users to put a French flag filter over their profile pictures to express their support for the grieving country. It also allowed users to check in as “safe” in Paris. But Beirut was forgotten.

We The Threefold Advocate are saddened at the lack of coverage of these other terrorist attacks by the media. The events in Paris, while more deadly, are no more important than those in Beirut. We should support the people of Beirut just as we support the people of Paris in this horrible time.

Some say Paris received more attention because many more people were killed. Others say it is because France is a Western nation rather than one in the Middle East. “There is a troubling tribal, or racial, component to familiarity: People tend to perk up when they see themselves in the victims,” explained one article from The Atlantic. Sadly, this is all too true.

In countries where war is a regular problem, we grow desensitized to their problems. After hearing about land mines in Iraq and Ebola in Sierra Leone for so many months or years, we often forget how devastating these problems are. But when terror strikes a peaceful, Western country, we panic. That could have been us, we say. We do not see ourselves in the brown or black-skinned foreigners, and that is wrong.

We are all humans who deserve empathy. We should not desensitize ourselves to the violence in faraway nations. Instead, we should lend our support to those suffering from war. And by support, we do not mean changing your profile picture. Active, honest love must be shown to these countries. Simply saying a prayer is not enough.

We The Threefold encourage students to do all they can to help these grieving nations. Send money, actively encourage government support and, most importantly, we must dedicate our resources to destroying the evil that is responsible.

Our government must do its part to stop ISIS from doing this again. It cannot cower in fear and refuse to aid victims of war. We cannot reject refugees, as many state governors are trying to do. We must do the right thing, even if it is not easy.

The only way this can happen though is if we use our power as American voters to elect people who are dedicated to this cause. In this election season and time of turmoil, it is important to not waste our opportunity to do what we can to help those who need it most.

The United States is an incredibly blessed nation, and we should do our best to help those who need it.

Racial protests inspire change

Missouri president’s resignation is not enough

Protests at the University of Missouri have sparked nationwide conversations concerning the treatment of minorities on college campuses.

In early November one student went on a hunger strike. Several African-American students on the football team also responded by refusing to play unless the president resigned. The president became the focal point of the issue because of his lack of action.

The move to not have the football game was a great risk to their university, because it would have cost their university \$1 million, according to ABC News.

As a result the president resigned on Monday, Nov. 9 and the chancellor of the University has also stepped down. Protests have continued even though the initial demand has been met because there is still much work to be done.

We The Threefold Advocate believe that the University of Missouri must now take concrete steps in order to end the current tension. Students have issued demands to the university on steps that need to be taken, which the University is currently reviewing and have responded to eight of them, according to the Huffington Post.

We The Threefold believe that the University board and minority students need to also have a conversation about each demand that has not yet been addressed.

We understand that some people believe that the issue is mostly solved because the president has resigned. However, the change in leadership is only going to give the opportunity for change to be made. The changing of the president himself will not fix the problem.

Therefore We The Threefold believe that the list of demands should be discussed by members of the board and students. Having these discussions will allow for more concrete changes.

Mizzou gives hope



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Wow, the scenery at University of Missouri is beautiful! Their buildings reach to the sky with traditional red brick lining the sides of massive walls. The beauty of this place is antique, vintage or something from an earlier America. They have a late 17th century cathedral anchored between two of the three or four student centers. All the grass is cut in the same direction with the same length. The bright green of the grass is contrasted with the gray stone buildings that sit on top of it.

The students are walking politely on the pavement, smiling and meeting each other’s light colored eyes. The sunlight is dancing on their faces as they stroll to class in the student center, into the university’s mall of a bookstore. It is actually quite hard to believe on such a peaceful campus, students of color were carelessly called the N-word and silenced like children.

Being able to visit Mizzou during this transformative time of their history was nothing less than powerful. I identify with what the students of color are struggling to accomplish on their campus, because though the Mizzou is bigger than John Brown University by population, JBU and Mizzou have the same demographics. Each have a predominately white student body with a minority that is formed by African Americans and Hispanics.



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Faculty, community members and students at the University of Missouri organized a peace walk through campus to stand in solidarity with students who were protesting earlier in the week.

It was a breath of fresh air to meet students who had my experiences and were doing something to change their environment. Mizzou is not an isolated incident, but a narrative of what minorities at predominately white universities across this nation are living through. I wish I could count on one hand how many times I have walked into Walker and have been looked at like an unknown species. I wish I could count on one hand how many students have told me there is no need for MOSAIC. I wish I didn’t run out of fingers when I count every racist comment that has been made to me since I was a freshman. I wish I could count on one hand the negative experiences of the students of color on this campus I hear on a weekly basis. I cannot.

Mizzou is an encouragement that change can happen when we speak up. When we break our uncomfortable silence and stand up for our right to be treated as any other student.

We deserve for administrations to listen our issues with a genuine ear and respond to them with deliberate action.

The only thing that separates JBU from Mizzou is population size.

I stand by the students of Mizzou and their choice to protest and charge their school to be better. I am proud to see students of color pushing against the racial tensions that are prevalent on predominately white campuses by throwing a grenade through their silence. I pray that I and other students of color, who are in this same narrative, will not be afraid to do what is necessary to make their community more inclusive and accepting to all races. Even if it means going on a hunger strike.

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Traci Wilson-Kleekamp, event organizer, led chants and songs with the crowd at beginning of the march.

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Stop criticizing the pain of others

Mourn tragedy, mourn Paris



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Forgive my lack of tact in my emotional ramblings, but here it goes.

I will attempt to set aside my personal feelings for Paris and the part of my family that lives there so that I can go about this rant with a full heart but a clear mind.

Immediately following the terror attacks in Paris, the world saw an influx of support for the City of Lights and the country that contains it. In a rare moment of solidarity, people from across the globe were connected through grief and anger.

Following that, however, the world started seeing a rise in social media posts asking people why they thought Paris was so important when other, equally horrifying things were happening in the world. I thought this was a fair point, although I disagree

with the reasoning behind it.

After the events of 9/11, planet Earth was moved in a way that it hadn't been moved in a long time, the great United States of America experienced true heartbreak and vulnerability. In that moment, the Middle East and Central Africa were already unstable and going through trying times, yet the news was a broken record: America is crying.

Now, no one would have ever *dared* say that grief for the U.S. was misplaced at that time. This is because it wasn't. I try not to speak in absolutes, something Star Wars taught me, but there is *never* a wrong time to care. About a country, or about people. Never. Jesus taught us to love, not criticize others for loving the wrong people.

I imagine the blame for the Western world's unawareness of events beyond the Paris attacks needs to be shifted somewhere, then, since people thrive on accusations, myself included. I'm tempted to say that most of the news sources that the greater number of Americans use are biased in their reporting, and that attacks in their hemisphere bring in more ratings. The Middle East doesn't draw ratings anymore, unless the US wins the war. This brings me to my next point. (Thanks for hanging in so far—you really don't have to.)

I think the frequency of horrible events in the East



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Multiple locations in Paris were attacked by ISIS on Thursday, Nov. 13 leaving 129 were left dead and more than 350 wounded.

is part of the reason that the world has grown numb to them, despite the best efforts of many. Unfortunately, we are used to them. But when something happens in the West, it shatters everyone's sense of security. People experience a sliver of fear and wake up to the darkness of our times. This brings us together and makes us stronger.

I will say it again, there is *never* a wrong time or place to

care. Pray for Paris, for Beirut, for Syria, for North Korea, for Ukraine, for the World. Don't criticize others for aiming their love towards a specific group. This world needs more light, who are we to say who gets to shine it and where?

My heart aches at the sight of everything that is wrong with our world, but is lifted by the solidarity of the masses in times like these.

Be like Christ and love.

Pray for the ones who go through the fire, and pray for the ones lighting it. There will never be a bad time to care.

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Focus on world issues not cup design



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Oh no. Oh no, no, no, no, no. Why? Why does this matter? Why do Christians care about the graphic design choices of a coffee corporation? Why is *this* the battle that we want to fight? Oh good heavens, it doesn't matter! This controversy isn't even a controversy: it's an embarrassment.

For those unfamiliar, an uproar from the evangelical

community arose from Starbucks taking a minimalist approach to a design for their Christmas cups. Instead of sporting the usual geometric mess that Starbucks enjoys, gold triangles everywhere; you'd think they were sponsored by

on this campus who thinks this is a legitimate concern. There are plenty of good reasons to be angry at Starbucks, and this is not one of them. Come on. How petty do Christians look if this is the sort of thing that we're getting in a tizz

them! If they want to make their cups look stupid, what's that to us? What upsets me is that this is what we're going to get mad about.

How many more problems do we have in the world? The Church, not Fundamentalists

our baristas into wishing us a merry Christmas, our brothers and sisters are suffering all around us and beyond.

Stop. Stop it now. Stop being upset about graphic design. Stop worrying about the price of gas. Stop whining about the food in the cafeteria. Because, listen to me; we've got bigger problems. Be grateful that you can eat. Be thankful that you have a car. Start worrying about the fact that there are currently around 3 million children in abusive homes right now.

Come on. We can do better than this. Let us honor Christ by our motivations.

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“While we try to manipulate our baristas into wishing us a merry Christmas, our brothers and sisters are suffering all around us and beyond.”

the Legend of Zelda, Starbucks opted to paint their cups plain red. For some reason, this ticked Christians off, making Starbucks receive accusations of being anti-Christmas and anti-Christ.

I don't think there's anybody

about? How seriously are we meant to be taken if this is what we want to try to fight.

It's a graphic design choice! They aren't scribbling pentagrams on the side. Starbucks is just going with the flow of minimalism. Let

or Catholics or Evangelicals or Orthodox, but the body of Christ. How much does the Church have to deal with? While we're quibbling over our lattes and red cups, people starve on the street. While we try to manipulate

Promote healthy and diverse body images



MEGAN CHAPIN
STAFF WRITER

“It's pretty clear I ain't a size two” is a lyric from the song All About That Bass by Meghan Trainor. In today's society, the size and look of a women's body is a popular topic.

There are people that post pictures on social media that say stuff like “men like meat where dogs like bones.” This

implies that the only way to get a man that will treat you right is to be heavier set. Whereas if a women was skinny, she would only attract men that wanted her for her body.

The size or shape of a women's body should not affect the type of man she attracts. A man should care more about her soul than what she looks like.

I do not think it is right to make songs that promote a certain body type over another. Being overweight, is not the only size a person should be. Women come in all shapes and sizes.

Depending on a woman's shape, she will carry her weight. Someone with a pear shape figure might hold a majority of their weight in their lower body, whereas a person that is apple shaped may hold most of their weight in the upper part of their body.

Dove started to promote the “True Beauty” campaign.

It include different types of women in the campaign. It have heavier-set women, women of color, and even skinnier women. The goal of the campaign is to show how women look without Photoshop or a ton of makeup.

In contrast, Victoria Secret

Porn does this too. Men watch porn and expect women to look and perform in a certain way. This hurts the way that men view women and their sex life. The more porn they watch, the less sex drive they have. Porn promotes the idea that women are just for sex. I

confidence. We need to show them everyday how wonderful they look. We need to lift them up!

It is not up for us to decide what the perfect woman should look like. God made us in his image and that should be enough for us. If we tell someone they are the ideal size or shape, then are we questioning God's design? We need to focus more on the beauty in her attitude and soul.

P!nk said it best in her song Perfect, “Pretty, pretty, please, don't you ever, ever feel like you're less than perfect.”

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“It is not up for us to decide what the perfect woman should look like.”

keeps promoting women as sex objects. The ideal woman is someone that is a size double zero with big boobs. I do not know about you, but that type of woman is rarely seen. They even have a fashion show around this time of the year where the models wear outrageous lingerie outfits to prompt sex and to boost the sales of Victoria's Secret merchandise.

saw the coolest shirt on campus and it said “Porn kills love.”

I think it is best for men, women and children to learn that a women looks amazing no matter what her size is. However, this is something hard for younger girls to grasp. They are constantly comparing themselves to the Kardashians and to the women they see on TV or on social media.

We need to raise women's



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sit down with local artist Jasper Logan

Either it was the tippity tapping of the symbols or the resounding vibrations of the bass that kept heads bobbing, bodies swaying and hands lifting at the Jasper Logan concert last Friday night. J. Alvin welcomed this up and coming rap artist who is originally from Chicago. Logan shared his story of becoming a rapper and the two dudes who helped make his recently released EP, *Underneath the Diamonds*, happen.

How did you start rapping?

I was 12 years old. My best friend's dad rapped at our church one day, and it completely blew my mind. I didn't know the two things existed in terms of Christian rap being a Christian and rapping.

Who is your musical inspiration?

Kanye West's *The College Dropout* inspired me. It really hit home. It sonically was amazing especially with the soul samples. His content was right after 50 cent just dropped so it was a cultural shift in hip-hop. He was the first example that you don't have to be a hard-core gangster rap guy to make it in hip-hop. Cross movement let me know that you can be really good and do Christian rap. Lecrae taught me how you can be missional when you go to places. The whole

116 movement was very missional and he ministered the gospel when he would go places.

What is your inspiration?

Life inspires me, and capturing moments is something that I try to do well. My music is all about life, family, friends and things that I've experienced. Stories also inspire me.

What is your musical or writing style?

Real, authentic and different. There's a saying, "The blues is catastrophe lyrically experienced." I want to communicate that. I talk about my parents divorce, us getting evicted and moving to the city and how those negative things affected me.

What do you want listeners to get from your music?

Hope. I want them to

be inspired and say, "If he can get through it, I can too." To not give up.

Would you want to pursue this as a career?

I would if I could keep some things. I'm about to have a baby. I want to make sure that I have enough time with her and my wife. If music doesn't interfere with those things, then I would love to pursue it full-time. I want to make a difference in the world and peoples lives as much as I can. If I have the freedom to do that with my music, then I'm all for it.

Describe your current EP, *Underneath the Diamonds*.

It is my way of saying those pressures that we feel, that come from the hardships of life... create something beautiful underneath. God uses them and we have to do the work of looking past



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the surface and look at what's underneath.

Favorite song on this album?

Every Night, which is the last song on the album. It just feels good, especially with piano. It has a Michael Jackson feel. It talks about where I'm at currently in hip-hop and where I'd like to go. Like the last verse, I'm willing to go all out for it.

Cory Nelson (right) created most of the music and Alan Thomas (right) helped with designing and managing Logan.

Why is music so important?

Thomas: Music is one of those things that is a safe place. You can get lost in it and nothing can go wrong in that moment. It's a universal language. Everyone speaks it to some degree. Even if you don't know how to speak it, everyone listens to it.

Nelson: For me on the creative side, there are only so many notes. There are 13 in a chromatic octave and so many beat that everyone in the world has access to. On the creative

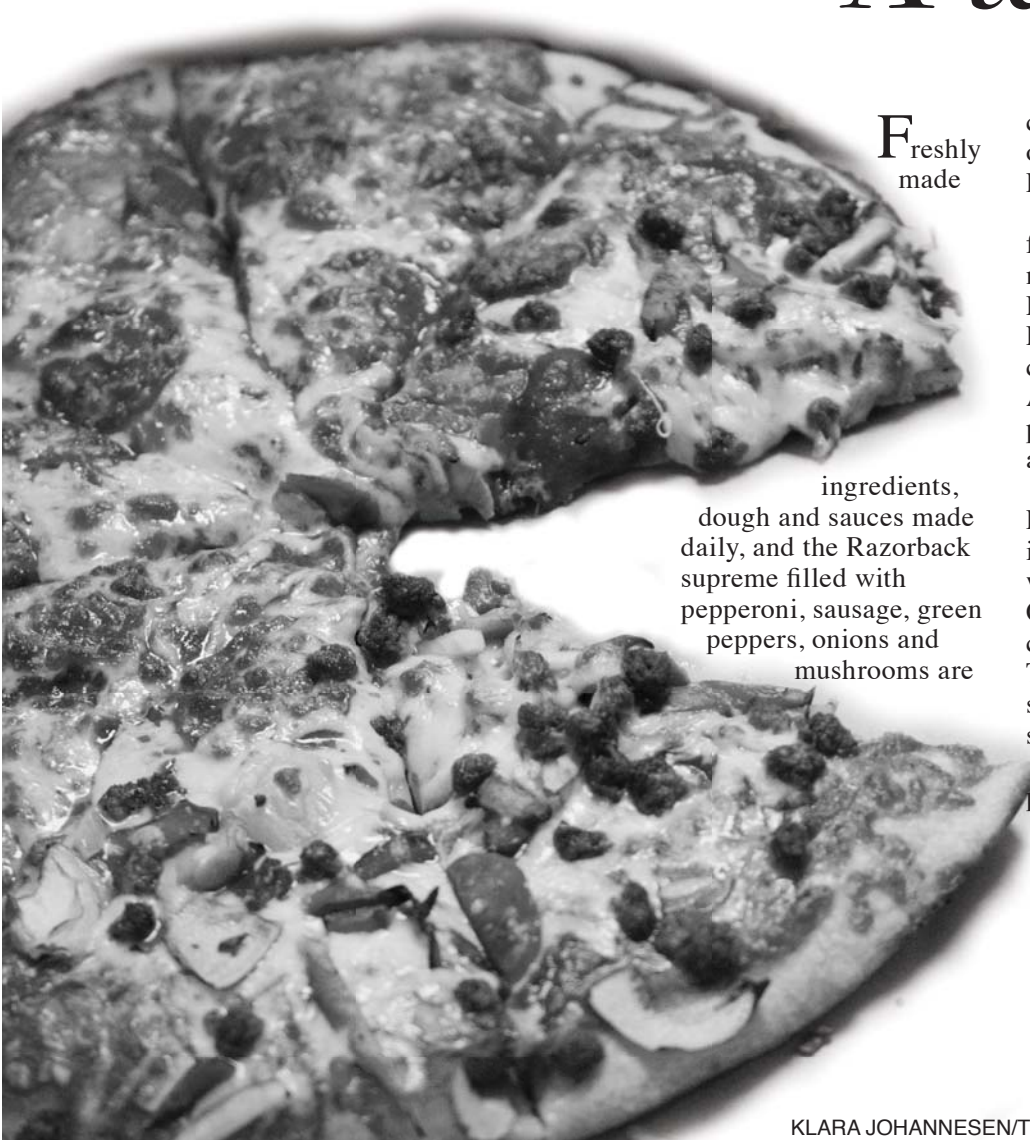
side, you're taking a very limited amount of building blocks and say, "Let's see the different ways we can arrange those things." I'm making songs that never existed before with the same tools that everyone has.

To hear Logan's new album, get the album on iTunes or listen on Spotify.

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Razorback Pizza: A taste of Arkansas

by Megan Chapin



Freshly made

ingredients, dough and sauces made daily, and the Razorback supreme filled with pepperoni, sausage, green peppers, onions and mushrooms are

characteristics of the restaurant Razorback Pizza.

Located in a gas station for years and now in a new building on North Lincoln St. in Siloam, Razorback Pizza food chain can only be found in Arkansas. The Razorback pizza makes their pizza and restaurant unique.

Along with the Razorback supreme is the super supreme with the difference of Canadian bacon, extra cheese and black olives. There is also a Razorback sandwich which has ham, salami and cheese.

The other popular pizza is the Hawg Wild,

which has pepperoni, sausage, Canadian bacon and cheese that oozes off the sides of the pizza.

Razorback pizza brings different kinds of people, as well as regular customers.

I ask one customer, when he comes in, if he wants his usual and then I go get it, Dunlap said.

"It is a good family environment," Dunlap said. "The owner is also the manager and he helps out a lot with cooking and has a hands-on approach to running the establishment rather than just running it from an office."

The staff is very

welcoming, greets customers with a friendly smile and delivers pizza out in a timely manner.

It is also a good place to go on game day. The walls are covered with Razorback décor.

Razorback pizza is a place that has a sense of community. Bring either your family or friends, grab a pizza and watch the Razorbacks play; everyone will be cheering on the U of A football team.

The cost is downsides. It is definitely not a place for a non-Razorback fan.

Overall the food is good, the service is nice and it's a great place to support the Razorbacks.

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Corrections

In Issue 9 of The Threefold Advocate, Mama Carmen's was spelled incorrectly.

Golden Eagles search for victory in Classic



Forward **Brooke Barker** looks to score against Arlington Baptist University. The Golden Eagles take on College of the Ozarks on Friday at 8 p.m. and Philander Smith College on Saturday at 3 p.m. in Bill George Arena.

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The women’s basketball team will host three teams in the Bill George Arena this weekend.

The Golden Eagles will play in the John Brown Classic, which will take place this Friday and Saturday. The team is happy to play at the University again and looks to make the arena their home.

“It’s a good point for us to start getting comfortable at home and start playing some good games,” guard Courtney Fine said about the Classic.

This Golden Eagles team is a young one—eight of the 11 members of the active roster are freshmen or sophomores. However, their youth doesn’t seem to phase them.

“Even though we’re young, we’re really athletic and can push the ball up and down the floor a little bit more than we have in the past,” forward Brooke Barker, one of only two seniors on the active roster, said. “We score in transition a lot, so I’m excited for our potential as a team.”

The young team will compete against College of the Ozarks and Philander Smith College during the Classic. Oklahoma City

University will also play at the Classic this weekend, but won’t compete against the Golden Eagles. Fine said that she and her teammates are off to a great start and are ready to get going.

“I think we have a lot of room to grow,” Fine

their chances at success.

“Just getting them calm and not getting them stressed out at the beginning of the game [is important],” she said.

While members of the current team have faced College of the Ozarks in

run our offense well.”

“We just want to focus, run our stuff and be efficient,” she said. “Also, limiting turnovers ... we need to make sure that we talk a lot and communicate.”

While they are playing Philander Smith for the first time, the Golden Eagles are experienced in playing against College of the Ozarks. Though they are a NAIA Division II school, one level down from the University, Barker described College of the Ozarks as a scrappy team that will make them rely on defense. The team is prepared to do what it takes defensively to shut them down.

“We usually play man-on-man defense,” guard Kodee Powell said. “Sometimes we play zone. It usually just depends on if College of the Ozarks is big or fast.”

“Blocking out is going to be a big thing, along with guarding their shooters,” Barker said. “We just want to focus, run our stuff and be efficient.”

The Golden Eagles are ultimately excited and confident to take on these teams this weekend.

“I expect for us to play hard,” Powell said. “I hope there’s a lot of fans that come out and watch us give it our all. I’m expecting two wins to come out of it.”



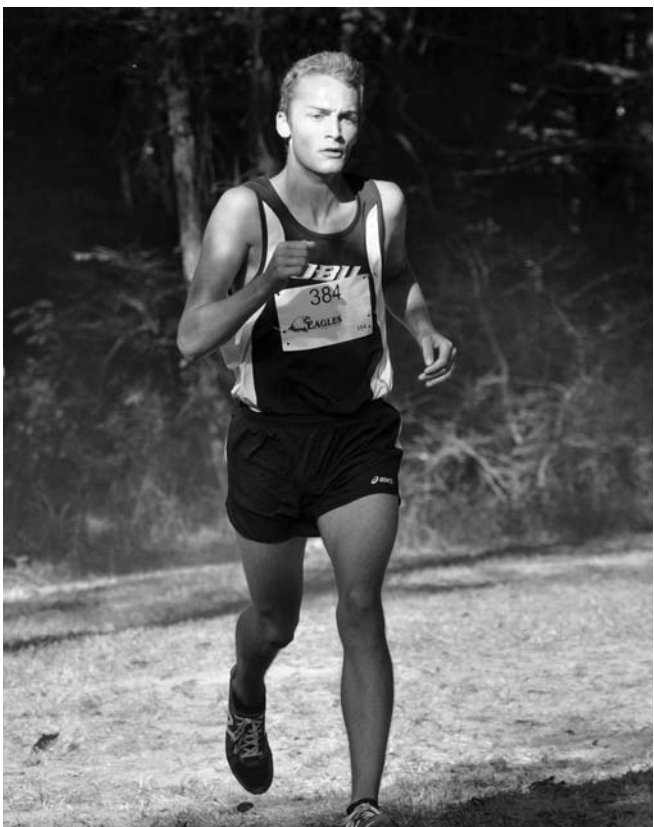
Guard **Courtney Fine** shoots a triple against Arlington Baptist University. Two wins would move the Golden Eagles to 5-1 on the season.

said. “We’ll be pretty good once we get it all rolling.”

The Golden Eagles have an opportunity to continue this progress this weekend in their two games. Barker pointed out that the younger players could definitely help

the past, none of them have faced Philander Smith University. Regardless of how either team plays, the Golden Eagles are planning on winning both games by, as Barker said, “Just making sure we

Uzelac races to Nationals



Courtesy of JBU ATHLETICS

Freshman cross country runner Josh Uzelac will compete in the NAIA National Championship in Charlotte, N.C. on Saturday. Uzelac earned his bid to Nationals when he placed 12th overall at the Sooner Athletic Conference Championship on Nov. 7 in Shawnee, Okla. He is John Brown University’s sole representative.

Golden Eagles earn SEC All-Conference awards

Now that their seasons have come to an end, many athletes at the University have been recognized for their exceptional performance by the Sooner Athletic Conference.

Volleyball

Alyssa Arnold, Libby Blasingame, Beth Brankle, Audrey Dearien, Molli Pugh

Men’s Soccer

Guilherme Barbosa, Giovanni Bejarano, Adam Holt, Douglas Oliveira (Defensive Player of the Year), Will Simonds, Collin Smith, Ryan Williams

Women’s Soccer

Sara Frey, Sara Lachance, Jastin Redman (Freshman of the Year), Aspen Robinson, Samantha Weber, Julie Whitlow

The Tweet Beat

David Cameron @AddMinOne Nov. 13
“What a game!!! JBU Women’s BBall win 83-72 over Friends @JBUathletics #goJBU”

Hannah Poor @1hpoor Nov. 13
“Thanks to everyone who came out to our game. The support was incredible and we so appreciate you. #WeSoarTogether #goJBU”

Austin Fox @Austin_Fox14 Nov. 17
“GAMEDAY it’s like Christmas for college basketball today so tune in and watch your JBU Eagles as we take on C of O today in Branson #goJBU”

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1 p.m.

PHILANDER SMITH COLLEGE
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A graphic illustration featuring the black silhouettes of four people walking from left to right. The background is divided into three horizontal bands: a red band at the top, a white band in the middle, and a grey band at the bottom. The figures are walking on the grey band. The first figure on the left is a woman carrying a child on her back. The second figure is a man. The third figure is a woman carrying a child on her back. The fourth figure is a man carrying a bag.

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- Elizabeth Jones
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- Frank Huebert
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- Leah Guy
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- Julie Snively
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