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Refugee controversy continues

The purpose of the symposium is to explicate. I believe the best way to learn about a different culture is to interact with the stories they tell," Johnson said.

Among the speakers are Laura Barto-Phibbs, Ph.D., who specializes in African-American literature (Vanderbilt University), and Stephen X. Foster, Ph.D., who specializes in Latino literature (Loyola University, New Orleans). The symposium is open to the public and is free of charge.

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Renee Misa, a student at The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in Baltimore, Maryland, said that morphine’s addictive qualities enabled her to continue playing sports even after she broke his wrist playing sports.

"I don’t really feel like it’s a painkiller," she said. "I had no pain."

"I think the number one thing she’s interested in is that people walk the walks not just the talk," Holt said about the nursing program. "The number one thing is that they are a fabulous group of people, that they understand what they are doing and what they are studying," Odell said about the nursing program. "I have really enjoyed having Dr. Cornelius as a professor. She makes class fun and takes the time to get to know her students and understands what they are going through and what is going on in their lives," Holt said.

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**J. Alvin Woos Mayfield for an Evening**

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Once again, Valentine’s Day has arrived. It is not only a day for chocolate, flowers and teddy bears but also for separate awkward dinners. J. Alvin and Mayfield are set to host their annual Valentine’s Banquet on Friday, Feb. 12 at 6 p.m. in the J. Alvin atrium. This shouldn’t be a self-pity day for anyone. Let all these couples do their thing and treat yourself! Take a walk around and you’ll realize that you are not the only single one walking around. In some Latin American countries, Valentine’s Day is not just for couples, but also to celebrate friendship. Get together with your friends and watch some movies or play some video games. You could order food and even play a gift-exchange game. Just enjoy a good day and have an excuse to celebrate with your friends.

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Valentine’s Day is dedicated to all of those couples that are in love, so this is the day to be cheesy and romantic with your girlfriend or boyfriend. There is no shame in shouting to the world the love you have for your significant other. You could go by writing it in the sky or keep it simple with meaningful gifts such as buying a dozen flowers, a book or a vinyl of his or her favorite music.

If you are getting prepared for the upcoming wading celebration, Valentine’s Day is perfect to spend time with your fiancé not only to celebrate the love you have for each other but also the commitment you have for a marriage. You have many plans and you are looking forward to make more moments together. A good gift for this day could be a framed picture of your favorite memory. You could also start proving your cooking skills with a romantic dinner.

**GIFT IDEAS FOR EVERY RELATIONSHIP STAGE**

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Whether you are newlyweds or have been married for 50 years, this is a special day to celebrate and spend time with your spouse. It is always nice to give small surprises like washing the dishes or taking the leaves in the yard. But since it’s Valentine’s Day, get a gift to make this day memorable. Get out of the routine and go somewhere unusual, go to a spa or make a trip to the nearest city. Just the fact of spending this day together with the small details is what makes it such a celebrated day.

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Remember tragedies and mental health

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“The treatment of those with these types of shootings is mental illness.” This is what speaker of the House, Paul Ryan, said a few days after the shooting at a Colorado Planned Parenthood clinic. Ryan was not only referring to this incident but also to previous similar incidents such as the shooting at the premiers of the Dark Knight in Aurora, Colo. Several aspersions to the presidency also drew attention to the issue of mental illness. Mike Huckabee and Ben Carson both agreed that something needed to be done for the mentally ill. Why must our safety be threatened before we take any action? Of course, not all shootings are carried out by the mentally ill. ISIS has also played a part in some of the more recent attacks. It should also be mentioned that neither ISIS nor the mentally ill are responsible for all the shootings, but that is not the point. The point is that mental illness exists.

The United States boasts some of the best doctors in the world. However, these doctors are not typically family physicians. The healthcare of doctors has been slowly falling behind. It is not a bad system, but it could definitely use some improving, especially in the area of mental illness. As a country we have not had a great reputation of being able to properly help the mentally ill. Some of our first solutions involved locking wherever was accused of being mentally ill and then treating them with barbaric-like methods (like lobotomies). It was understandably an extreme way to treat mentally ill victims. However, one more extreme was no better. Disinstitutionalization was born from a noble idea. The idea was centered on not simply locking patients up, but providing them with adequate and appropriate care. However, this turned into a bit of a mess, because several institutions emptied themselves of patients, driving many of them into the streets. Many of these patients made their homes on sidewalks, made their food in dumpsters, and searched for their food in dumpsters. Their unkempt and disruptive appearance have caused several in local communities to see them as a nuisance more than as victims. This has led many local police departments to incarcerate mentally ill victims, which is only a temporary and simple solution to a complex problem. We have a bad tendency to forget tragedies far too quickly, but we have a worse tendency to forget something that does not affect us directly. We should not have to wait for tragedies to draw our attention to a problem that should have had our attention long before.

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Work to make college affordable for all

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Many people will never have the chance to attend college because it is so expensive. This limits the amount of people that will have the opportunity to pursue a career.

Scholarships are not always a solution because applying for scholarships is very competitive. A person cannot simply have good grades, they also have to be a good person outside of school. Moreover, their appearance is a tool of applying for the same scholarship.

Then there are scholarships that are limited for only certain people. Getting even scholarship money to cover all four years of college is like seeing a picture of Michael Jackson before all of his nose jobs: very rare and highly unlikely.

Another option is student loans, which people try to avoid because no one wants to be in debt after college.

There are multiple possible solutions. Ronnie Sanders, who is running for president, keeps saying that he would make college free for everyone. I would really love to see this happen because I think it would allow more people to go to college whereas they would never have been able to afford it before. Free college works in Europe, so maybe we could work in the U.S. This sounds like the perfect idea, but a lot of people are afraid of this because they actually get paid for and even if it would work, Sanders would have to be elected before any of this would be possible.

Instead of receiving free tuition, students should pay an amount that would correlate with how much they would make in their career field. For example, an engineer would pay more for school than an early education major since he would make more than the early education major. This could limit the amount of people that would go into higher paying careers. It could also allow people who don’t pay a lot to go into that field.

Another solution could be lower tuition. I know this is unlikely, but it would be very helpful for people that are struggling to pay for college. Maybe colleges could increase their scholarship fund, allowing students to have more work study hours or pay less than minimum wage. The government minimum wage increase will hopefully help people trying to pay for college. If the increase of minimum wage doesn’t help student’s to pay for college, it will help people save money so that they will have some money saved up to pay their first loan payment. There is no perfect answer on how to make college more affordable, but if we don’t try we may never find a solution to this problem.

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Treatment of people with mental illness was once cruel (above). Despite better facilities and treatment (below) work still needs to be done. Courtesy of WIKIMEDIA

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Tennis teams aim for success at Hendrix

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The first game of the season for John Brown University’s tennis teams could serve as Hendrix’s last chance to win a regular season conference title and last season.

The Golden Eagles would compete against Hendrix College in Athens, Ark. on Feb. 19. The men are coming off of a tough loss against Coe College, while the women are currently on a seven-game winning streak.

“The matches will be played at home. Both of the teams lost their matches—the men by two points and the women by one point and I think they’re the best team we’ve played so far,” said Athletic Trainer Holly Bingham.

Fan Kristen Sanzio expressed confidence for her team in the match. She said that part of what will earn the Golden Eagles victory is not only preparing physically but also preparing mentally for the match.

"The need to be mentally prepared, keep practicing hard and going into it with a strong mind of 'We have the talent and the capability to win.'” said Sanzio. "We need to make sure we stay on point with that."

"The women’s team is unbeatable for their match against Hendrix’s men’s and capitalizing on their weaknesses. "We’re needing to focus on our opponents’ weaknesses and our own strengths," said Senior Clare Holden, a member of the Golden Eagles’ women’s tennis team.

"We need to move our feet and wait for the ball to come to us. I think that’s really important, to go after the ball against Hendrix," said Holden.

Turnov said, "I’m really proud of our team this season." She added, "I’m proud of our team’s commitment to the sport. They know what it takes to succeed and they’re on top of their game."

Athletic department orders drug tests

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All athletes at John Brown University will now have to take a drug test.

For the last two weeks, athletes at John Brown University have taken drug education courses. These courses, required by the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, are a precursor to the mandatory drug testing that will begin in the 2017-2018 school year. But why now?

Athletic trainer Holly Bingham said the requirement came “down from the top,” and that this was the first time the NCAA has made drug testing a mandate for compiling a roster agreement.

Birdsong referred to the information as “an online tutorial program that is designed to introduce the substances banned by the NCAA,” and is available for students through the university’s website.

Bingham said that the online modules are based on seasons of competition. Each year, athletes will have to re-take a module, but will not have to take one if they have not been involved in athletics. Because this is the first time for drug education, athletes are required to do the modules for both their current and previous seasons at once.

Each module is interactively as possible, requiring students to take a quiz to determine their educational needs.

Clare Holden, a member of the tennis team, said she talked about halting at hour 45 minutes to 45 minutes, and when they fail a quiz, they have to retake it.

Tennis player Lauren Saucedo expressed confidence in her team in the match. She said, “During our previous matches against Texas Wesleyan University, on Jan. 16 in Bill George Arena, the program is good, “there’s been an uptick in the number of student athletes who have tested positive for substances banned by the NAIA,” Birdsong said.

"Last year, we had so much confidence in our team," said Senior Austin Fox, a recent transfer from Texas Wesleyan. "Last year, we had so much confidence in our team." Because of this, athletes will take to the courts to square off against Hendrix.

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The Golden Eagles plan to stick to the same formula as the one in their 72-59 victory over Texas Wesleyan on Jan. 9, which is switching up their offense and defense to keep the other team off.

“Texas Wesleyan is really good at getting to the basket and getting to the free-throw line. Hopefully we can take them on and get back to the success we had in the team’s Jan. 16 victory,” said Holden. "For the ladies, a win in Texas Wesleyan would ensure the team a win in the conference. They are currently 6-0 in Sooner Athletic Conference play, but this would help them move up in a consensus where they’re one game back from third place.

Jeff Soderquist, the women’s basketball coach, described Texas Wesleyan as “a tough team to beat.” He said that the Golden Eagles would have one that could be beaten this season, but the team was injured by injuries. However, the Golden Eagles plan to hang tough against the 4-5 team, according to Birdsong.

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Birdsong said that the offensive and defensive switching in the in-game play is something that Birdsong said. "We’ve [also] got to have the strength to keep them off the court. Nobody wants to see them off the court. Regardless of what this game means for the season, the Golden Eagles are currently placing all of their focus on the game at hand.

The matches will be played at 2 p.m. and face their opponents' weaknesses.
Runner pursues excellence in sport and art

Star quarterback denies substance report

"To see an iconic athlete lie about cheating for almost two years reveals that the truth will always come out in one way or another."

He is 100 percent an amazing graphic designer. He is 100 percent an amazing runner. He is not a mediocre person in anything he does. - Thomas Bearden

LUKE MOYER SPORTS COLUMNIST

Human Growth Hormone (HGH) is a performance-enhancing substance that would give athletes an illegal advantage over their competitors. The National Football League banned the usage of HGH in 2011 for all players, but normally did not start testing for drug until 2014. A report by the television group Al-Jazeera broke

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Valentine’s Day around the world

Valentine’s Day is known as the day to celebrate romance and love; however in Latin America, it is not just for couples in love. It is also a time to share love with friends and family.

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Brazil

In Brazil, Feb. 14 falls on or close to the traditional Brazilian Carnival. They have a celebration similar to Valentine’s Day, but it is called Dia Das Namorados, which means Day of the Lovers and it is celebrated on June 12. This is to honor Saint Anthony, the saint of matchmaking and marriage.

On the eve of this day, single women pray to find a good husband or boyfriend to Saint Anthony. Couples celebrate with romantic gifts and decorations. Dancing and music is a big part of the culture and since it is a day to celebrate romance, there are many couples dancing through the streets.

Latin America

In Mexico this day is called Día del Amor y la Amistad which means The day of Love and Friendship. It is common to share flowers, candy and cards with the people you appreciate, and it is the same ways in most Latin countries like Honduras, Nicaragua, Ecuador.

In Guatemala this day is called Día del Cariño which means Affection Day. Countries like Colombia and Bolivia also celebrate love and friendship in the same way with treats, cards and gifts, however Colombia celebrates it on Sept. 20 and Bolivia on Sept. 21.

Japan, South Korea, Taiwan and China

In these Asian countries, Valentine’s Day is dedicated to men. On this day, women who are in a relationship buy chocolate and gifts to their boyfriend or husband as a sign of affection. Traditionally, men who receive anything on Valentine’s Day give a gift in return the following month.

The day, March 14, is called White Day, and it started with giving primarily white gifts, such as white chocolate or white flowers. One month later, on April 14, all those who are single and did not receive anything on Saint Anthony’s Day or White Day celebrate Black Day. Single people and friends go out to eat jajyanmyeon, a traditional Asian dish with a mountain of black noodles.

Western Europe and U.K.

The name Valentine’s Day comes from St. Valentine, a Christian martyr. It developed in early England and was celebrated in the countries of Western Europe in the 19th century, with the discovery of the New World, this celebration spread to the Americas.

Today the U.K. and countries like Spain, France, Germany and the Netherlands celebrate Valentine’s Day with presents for their significant others and romantic gestures. An Italian tradition for the young single girls is to wake up before dawn to spot their future husband. It is believed that the first man they spot would strongly resemble their future husband.