Growth means change and change involves risk, stepping from the known to the unknown.
In the past, The Commoner has always been organized according to topic or discipline. This year, in response to the multiple changes that have taken place throughout the year, I decided to organize the book chronologically. The sections are ordered on a natural timeline, beginning with summer and ending with spring. Events are organized chronologically within each section as well.

In the background of each spread is also the progression of a tree, beginning with roots in the first section and eventually sprouting into a mature tree by the end of the book. This is to represent the growth we undergo not only between the beginning and end of the year, but between Freshman Initiation and Graduation as well. We are constantly changing and growing with each decision we make, and that process is something I want this book to capture.

Maybe you will make all the right choices, ask all the right questions, know all the right people. Or, maybe you will learn the hard way that life involves making wise decisions and requires that you balance your time, classes, friends, and activities. But whatever the process, I hope you find as I have that the ability to look back at what you’ve learned over the years is invaluable.

~Britney Lynne, Editor in Chief
SuTTlTTWr

Summber [4]

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The beginning of a new school year provides countless opportunities for fresh starts. Whether it’s making new friends, trying new classes, getting involved in new clubs, or the chance to learn from a new professor, it is at this point that roots are formed for the rest of the school year. And how deep those roots go will determine the shape the rest of the school year will take.
Summer Retreats

Philip Kohler gives the PCI retreat two thumbs up.

Ben Norquist relaxes while the PCI leaders are hard at play.

Kelly Shannon, Summer Nielson, and Justus Stout show off their table manners during a breakout session.

Freshmen - 2013

Rachel Abbott        Kelley Adams        Adam Ambrosetti        Cathy Anderson        Kristin Anthony        Lindsey Armstrong
The PCI retreat was a chance for all Practical Christian Involvement leaders to come together. During the retreat, they had several workshops about the technical side of leadership followed by break out sessions about what it means to be a leader and what that looks like for each of the different clubs. Leaders were given a chance to write club mission statements, discuss their goals, and determine the directions they want their club to go over the next year. The retreat was a great time for everyone to hear about what the other clubs were doing and to be encouraging to each other. Ben Norquist also announced that they would start work groups which meet once every other week during the upcoming semester to talk about their struggles, read Scripture, and to pray together.

On August 21st, Orientation Group Leaders arrived at Cumberland Springs Bible camp with their flashlights, sleeping bags, Bibles, and servant’s hearts in tow. Then they had a schedule walk-through with Mrs. Kim Tuttle, followed by a row of icebreaker games such as: chatter bugs, bingo icebreaker, alliterative introductions, name chain, and seating plan. These games required the OGLs to learn about each other in fun and creative ways. Then, after supper, Dr. Hollingsworth spoke on hospitality before everyone separated into their groups for prayer and discussion. The next morning, Dr. Liz Moseley spoke to all the OGLs before they packed up to head back to Bryan to welcome the incoming freshmen. This year there were a total of 25 groups such as the Vicious Kiwis, So Long and Thanks for All the Fish, Knights of Ni, Cluster of Awesomeness, and the Soaring Elephants.

Photos provided by PCI

Jared Arthur  Rachel Bailey  Logan Baker  Kayla Barnes  Sam Barnette
Arriving at college is a step in life that intimidates most incoming freshmen. What's it going to be like? Will my roommate or roommates like me? Who will I sit with at lunch? These questions run through a freshman’s mind constantly. Tori Woodson has some of the same feelings. It can be weird and nerve-racking thinking about everything to prepare for one’s first semester at college. Upon arriving on campus, Tori comes to a realization and says, “Woah, I’m actually going to live here!”

Somewhat anxious about her roommates, Tori didn’t know what to expect living in a three person dorm. By the end of the semester though, her roommates are pretty much like her sisters. She later says, ‘God put me with these girls, and He knew what He was doing!’
Sophomore Rob Franklin hangs out in a tree, waiting for his Orientation Group to arrive.

The freshmen are welcomed to Bryan by enjoying snow cones, blow-up games and other recreational activities.

Freshman Mallory Watson plays the slingshot game to try to get points for her Orientation Group!

Junior Seth Dukes makes snow cones provided by SGA.

Photos Provided by: David Belser and Jenifer Manzo
Freshman Maddie Doucet and sophomore Sarah Becker pose for a picture on the hot afternoon.

Senior Bailey Payne smiles while in line for her burger and hot dog.

It's the Blob! The Blob was a main event at the All College Picnic. Students lined up to watch or be bounced off of the inflatable into the deep algae of the water. Freshman Kate Offutt had the record for being bounced the highest.

Freshmen-2013

Randy Bright  Alex Brown  Séan Bunker  Morgan Burnette  Thomas Burton  Emily Caldwell
All College Picnic

The All College Picnic is a chance for the entire student body and faculty to get together at the beginning of the year to hang out in an informal setting. The picnic was held at Fort Bluff Bible Camp. Every year students and teachers alike head up the mountain to have a day off and to get to know incoming students. Recreational options included playing mini golf, volleyball, basketball, swimming, the Blob, and a water slide.
After the initial excitement of a new school year wears off, everyone begins to establish a routine. And though the temptation to become complacent may arise from being in such a position, a feeling of consistency is necessary for growth. It is at this point we begin to cultivate friendships, form habits and construct opinions. Roots have been established, and the process of visible growth begins.
"The great thing in the world is not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are moving."

~Oliver Wendell Holmes
You are walking down the hall of your dorm, just like you do every day, and pass one door near the front of your dorm. You know that it’s the RD’s place, unless you’re a freshman, then you have no idea who lives there. The resident directors, RDs, run the dorms. They are the people who watch over everyone and, of course, direct the RAs, or resident assistants. What do we know about the life of our RD? For most of us, not a lot. Here are some questions about our beloved RDs just to get to know a few things about being a resident director and how they came to be so.
Myra Goza: Arnold

"I was in Residence Life at another institution and saw the opening at Bryan—I had been on campus before and I liked what the college stood for. I did not attend Bryan, but I graduated from the University of Montevallo. Montevallo AL in 1984."

Kristina Anderson: Robinson

"I started out in Arnold for my first year, then I went to Robinson for the next two. I really love hanging out with the girls in the dorm and loving them like Christ," says Kristina. This is the last year for Kristina as a Resident Director at Bryan College. She will be moving on to new horizons, working for an organization called Hope for Opelousas that tutors students in schools amongst other fun activities. "I feel a great peace in moving forward into the future and I am excited about the change."

Karle Harpest: Huston

*How did you become a RD?* "I was a Resident Assistant for three years at Cedarville University and I absolutely loved the ministry of being so deeply involved with other students. I loved having the opportunity to pour into other people, and encourage/challenge them in their walk with Christ. I saw the job opening on ACSD. I applied, had a phone interview, an on-campus interview and then got offered the job!"

Matthew Williams: Long

"While the resident director position is not your 'normal' job, the position comes about like any other job. You apply for it and have a series of interviews with the Dean of Students, Vice President of Student Life, other RDs, RAs and Student Life personnel and students. Having experience as an RA can definitely help someone that is looking for an RD position, but I wouldn’t say that it’s necessary. I would most definitely call the resident director position a 'full-time' job, though a lot of people think otherwise because it doesn’t fit into the 'normal' job model."

Tim Shetter: Woodlee-Ewing

"April of 2010 will complete my 17th year at Bryan (1st year working foodservice, 4 full time years as a student, 2 part-time years as a student, 10 years on staff)."

Photos provided by: Maddie Doucet
This year 15 of 29 Resident Assistants are in their first year of serving. When asked how they hope to grow during their time as an RA, these students gave answers varying from Deryk Rankin's response of "I was hoping I would pass 6'1" and be as tall as Michael Jordan," to Emily McKeehan's answer of "I hope to learn what it means to be a true servant." One answer, however, was repeated on several occasions: the hope to learn to love like Christ. Third year RA, Ben Young says that while serving as an RA, God has taught him "how to love people better." As seen through the lives of the RAs, the Lord clearly is working through the Resident Assistants here at Bryan.
Resident Assistants

Learning how to be Christ's Hands and Feet

The 2009-2010 RAs and RDs

Ryan Smith (Woodlee), Ashley Maye, Kirsten Amling, and Heather Laskin (Arnold), Danielle Wilson (Robinson), Paul "Tacky" Middlekauf, JT Nelson, and Matt Williams (Woodlee)

Photos provided by: Maddie Doucet, Matt Williams and Myra Goza

Kathryn Garrett  Shelby Garrett  Sally Giles  Hannah Glupker  Carlton Goss
Practical Christian Involvement
Practically Showing God's Love To The Community.

PCI provides an avenue for students to take concepts they have learned in the classroom and to put them into action. Some of the groups include Testify, Acts II Show Christ, Pals, and RIDE, LIFEclub, Lifeblood, Senior Adult Ministry, Tutoring, and Evangelism Team. Testify and Acts II show Christ spread the word by acting and through dramas, whereas Pals and RIDE are programs that help kids by providing strong role models. Pals is a group of students that reach out to local children in need of a big brother or sister figure. RIDE is an organization in Cleveland, Tennessee that helps handicapped kids through rehabilitative riding. Riding horses helps them loosen up their muscles and teaches them not only how to ride a horse, but how to control the horses and become stronger while doing so.
Students help this little girl ride a horse for the first time at the RIDE program.

The PALB team takes their pale to the Tennessee Aquarium and out to lunch.

Senior Melissa Longoria and her PAL.

Photos provided by PCI and Madeline Doucet.
I must admit, at first I was not even going to give SIFE a second thought. But once there, I realized that there were abundant opportunities for anyone; even a floundering freshman such as myself. From helping Mongolian veterinarians to recycling paper to interacting with high school students, SIFE has a place for any field of study. SIFE has affected me the most by showing me there are more venues for gaining professional experience than what I could envision alone. Working with this team and their ideas has expanded all I thought I could accomplish within my major.

Anna LiCausi
SIFE Member
I have grown so much through my involvement with SIFE! As a transfer student to Bryan College, it has given me a place within the Bryan College community, allowing me to connect with faculty, staff and fellow students. It has caused me to develop interpersonal skills and to communicate more effectively, and I have learned more about myself and others while being given opportunities to exercise my strengths. I've grown close to my fellow SIFE members as we have faced deadlines and worked together to accomplish projects for Bryan College and the Dayton community.

Bonnie Fowler
Executive Vice President
Bryan College SIFE

Recycling
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Every member of SGA, from the freshman class to the executive office representatives, after a corporate SGA meeting. Below (left): Senior Tori Stewart and Freshman Liz Vest listen to the discussion of the dissolution of Ministry Council. Below (right): Junior Evan Johnson and Senior Andrew Davis also partake in the discussion.

On Sunday, January 31, 2010, Senate representatives met to discuss a proposed motion regarding Senate Bill 1, concerning the dissolution of Ministry Council. After an hour and a half of lengthy conversation, they made their decision. Beginning the 2011 semester, neither the position of Ministry to Men and Women nor any of the Executive Ministry Cabinet will exist.

"Worst case scenario: Ministry Council is permanently dissolved," said Andrew Davis, 2009-2010 Co-Vice-President of Ministry Council. "Best case scenario: its free to become everything it was meant to be."

-Krissy Proctor, Triangle Vol.

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At first, SGA Sophomore Class came together with many ups and downs. Due to the elected president's withdrawal from school, Jessica Tameler, then vice-president of the Sophomore Class, constitutionally had to take the president position. This left her former position empty. Jessica says, "Luckily, God blessed us with finding James Holland to take on my role, and he jumped right into the middle of the Homecoming Banquet plans."

"I agreed seeing how it wasn't likely they were going to find someone before banquet and someone needed to stand up so I did," says James.

When things finally started coming together, there were some struggles along the way. "When I first started, I had the tendency to micro-manage James. But throughout the semester, we grew together and found a balance between our leadership styles," says Jessica.

In the end, the Sophomore class is grateful for the amazing friendships they have formed with one another, the respect they have gained, and for the leaps and bounds that they have grown during this time of challenge. James says, "I know that when the time comes to rise to the occasion, I can and I will."

Photos provided by: Callie Dawkins, Jenifer Manzo and Triangle
"I joined the Worldview team because I enjoyed my Worldview classes at Bryan a lot, and desired to work with teenagers. I wish that someone had taught me about worldview when I was in high school and wanted to be a part of a team that did that. I have grown enormously in my time on the Worldview Team. Public speaking, leading small groups, and connecting with students well are all areas that I have learned and grown in. I also feel that my spiritual walk has deepened as I have been on the team."

-Elizabeth Van Erem
"I love interacting with the students and watching as they connect with the ideas we are talking about."
-Elizabeth Van Erem
"Honestly, more than anything else, being an editor has taught me persistence. Being an editor means you’re one of the last sets of eyes to go over a story. The production nights can go pretty late sometimes and the responsibility rests on you to make sure the facts are exactly right, the quotes are correct, the story is clear and applicable to the readers. The big challenge for me is just to keep going sometimes. But, if you stay at it persistently, the results are going to be worth the time you put into it and that gives you a really good feeling inside."
-Sophomore Billy Findley (Sports Editor)

"Journalists are essentially storytellers. That is why I love being in journalism. I love listening to people, because every person has a story. People are surprising; their spontaneous; their unpredictable. Just when I think that this person will have nothing to say, they speak with wisdom. I’m always learning in journalism. More than learning the inverted triangle format of a story, I’m learning how to better communicate with people. What makes a person tick? What are they passionate about? When I interview, these are the questions I want to find out. Stories are more than lines of facts; stories are about people. To find out these answers, it’s more than just asking questions; it’s asking the right questions. This is the most important lesson I’m learning. What are the right questions?"
-Junior Kait Kopeski (Assistant Editor)
The 2009-2010 Commoner staff was unique in several ways. Junior Britney Weber was chosen as Editor-in-Chief with only one semester of yearbook experience. Six of the seven students on staff were girls, with sophomore Chris Leary as the only guy on the team. Also, three of the editors are freshman (Maddie Doucet, Kelley Adams, and Callie Dawkins) with no experience in yearbook. Another challenge was having only one photographer on staff, Maddie Doucet.

Despite the challenges of a limited and inexperienced staff, the yearbook has been fun for each member—from getting to know the yearbook advisor, John Carpenter, to the relationships built among the team.

"Even though there have been several obstacles we have had to overcome as a new team with little experience, it has been exciting to be able to look at the yearbook from new perspectives and come up with different ideas," said Britney Weber.
The Commoner

Let's Make This Book Perfect

Top to Bottom: Britney Weber, Desirae Hicks, Maddie Doucet, Kelley Adams,

Photographs provided by: Maddie Doucet

Christina Morgan Joey Morgan Amy Morris Kristen Mounce Johannes Muller
When Mrs. Kimberly Keck started teaching at Bryan three years ago, Women's Chorus had a total number of 18 members. Mrs. Keck watched the choir steadily grow over the years till last semester, fall 2009, numbered a total of 32 women. However, the choir lost seven girls due to some members needing to fulfill other class requirements in order to graduate. While the voices of Women's Chorus may change with the seasons, their impact on the listeners around them will always be the same.
Chambers, Chorale & Women's Chorus
Voices Uplifted

Lindsay Nelson
Josiah Newport
Casey Northrup
Markus Oettig
Katharine Offutt
Of all the actors and actresses who had been involved with the Hilltop Players, none of them have been involved more than Justin Winters. He's played a part in almost every play that's been put on since he's been at Bryan.

"Before I came to Bryan, I had nearly no theater experience," Winters said. "Since becoming a Hilltop Player I have had the opportunity to work with every bit of the theater."

Justin said all the plays he has been in have been so rewarding but it can be very difficult at times for him. For example, the fall of 2009 was when the Hilltop Players put on a play called "The Crucible" in which Justin’s character had to act drastically towards one of the other characters.

For the first time in Hilltop Players Justin Winters was given the chance to write his own play and direct it. Not only that, but he had to design and build his own set. Justin said, "If it weren't for the Hilltop Players, I wouldn't have the experience to produce this play whatsoever." This absurdist play he worked so long and hard on was performed February 19 and 20, 2010 in Brock Hall and was called "The Complete Books of Charles, or, Have You Seen the Place?"
"Sir, the Players are Ready"

During the years of the Hilltop Players, there has been so much growth in the players and the director, Mr. Belisle. Bernie Belisle has been in charge of the Hilltop Players since 1993. In his 17 year journey as a director, he has faced many challenges but has also grown as a director.

"When I first arrived I felt that I had come from the frying pan and had been thrown into the fire," Belisle said. "But it was what I wanted to do – build a program from a good foundation that had already been established."

During the time he has been at Bryan, Mr. Belisle says the Lord has been his coworker. He also says, "God has sent many talented and committed students my way."

Molly Gehring, a senior, has a minor in theater. However, she has also been involved in six plays during her time with the Hilltop Players.

"Before I came to college, I had never done any theater outside of Christmas pageants," Gehring said. "During my years in the Hilltop Players, I have grown as an actress, director, and tech worker."

Gehring, One of the highlights in working with the Hilltops Player is the experience and bond that she develops with her fellow actors who help her out in all the plays.

"We are like a family," she said. "There is something so wonderful about a cast of actors supporting each other, growing close, and enjoying shared experience on and off stage."

There is a lot of growth in the Hilltop Players and any new member coming into the theater is welcome to join. However, according to senior Justin Winters, being a Hilltop player requires, above all else, dedication.

"I don't care how much talent you think you have or don't have," Winters says, "Theater is not about gifted actors; it's about stories that change the world. If you want to impact the world and glorify God from a stage, I suggest that you immerse yourself in dedication."
Clubs

Sophomores Vincent Smith, Senior Tori Stewart, Freshman Laura Maye, Liz Yest, Anna Stewart, Sophomores Susan Wright, Olivia Smith, and Juniors Justus Strut and Natalie Henry

Journal Club

Freshmen-2013

Krissy Proctor    Katie Ratliff    Mandi Reynolds    Ann-Marie Riley    Lauren Roberson    Lindsey Robinson
Photos provided by: Maddie Doucet

Pablo Rodriguesz  Cat Rogers  Julia Royer  Amber Savage  Angela Schimpf
For the first time in years, the women's soccer team advanced to the Appalachian Athletic Conference for the championship. Sophomore midfielder Cynthia Wade said that the team started playing better as they unified throughout the season and learned how to accommodate each other's playing style. "We are a good team and have the ability and talent to play well," said Wade. "It just depends on how we use it in a game."

Head Coach Mark Sauve said the women have learned to play with confidence and have the desire to work for each other. The women's team finished third in the AAC for the regular season.
Junior Lindsey Cresap stands patiently as she waits for the ref to make up his mind.

Senior Steph Wade takes control of the ball.

Senior Summer Nelson.

Senior Steph Wade.

Photos provided by Maddie Doucet

Mariana Sterne
Anna Stewart
Shawnda Stewart
Jon Stone
Katlyn Storey
Volleyball is an incredibly mental sport and it is hard not to get down on yourself when you make a mistake. This year with the help of Jessica Etress, fellow defensive teammate, we realized that we should not be afraid to make a mistake if we are truly playing for the Lord. As long as we are playing as hard as we can and giving our all for Christ, that is the only thing that matters. Growing spiritually and understanding that God does not expect perfection or love us less when we make mistakes helped me grow more emotionally stable. I am so grateful to Coach Sayles and Bryan College for providing me with an awesome opportunity to play a sport that I love. Upon realizing how lucky I am, it made me want to work that much harder in school, in the weight room, on the court, and in God's word so I do not waste this opportunity.

Before each match, Coach Sayles does a devotion with us which allows us to connect on a deeper level. Also, every practice we shared prayer requests with each other and continued to keep each other updated on the circumstances. It is hard not to grow together since we literally spend every minute with each other during fall semester, instead of a bunch of individual players who got thrown on a team together, it feels like we are sisters and have known each other forever. There is never a dull moment when we are together; there is always laughter somewhere.

-Sophomore Jessica Jones
Milligan W:3-2
S. Virginia W:3-1
Shorter L:1-3
Cumberlands W:3-0
SCAD L:0-3
Lindenwood L:0-3
Missouri Baptist W:3-2
Columbia L:0-3
Milligan W:3-1
Montreat W:3-2
UVA-Wise W:3-0
Bluefield W:3-0
Union W:3-2
Reinhardt W:3-0
King L:0-3
Virginia Intermont W:3-0
Covenant W:3-1
Mount Vernon Naz. L:1-3
Bethel L:0-3
Walsh L:1-3
Roberts Wesleyan W:3-0
Covenant W:3-2
TN Wesleyan W:3-0
Indiana E W:3-2
Lindsey-Wilson L:0-3
Marian L:1-3
Asbury W:3-1
Union L:1-3
Virginia Intermont W:3-0
Reinhardt W:3-0
TN Wesleyan W:3-0
Bluefield W:3-0
UVA-Wise W:3-0
Birmingham Southern L:0-3
Montreat W:3-1
Milligan W:3-0
Virginia Intermont W:3-0
Reinhardt W:3-2
Montreat W:3-0
Union L:1-3
Asbury W:3-0
Bluefield W:3-0
King L:1-3
Northwestern W:3-2
Northwestern W:3-2
Southeastern W:3-0
Mount Vernon L:3-2
King W:3-2
Campbellsville L:1-3
Over the past four years, I have gotten a little faster and become stronger physically, but the real growth I have seen in myself is in my discipline and love for the sport. It was great coming in as Coach's first freshman girl on the team and looking forward to the next four years. Now, it is wonderful to look back at that time and think about our accomplishments as a team and all the fun we have had. Also, I have seen how my leadership has grown. The leadership skills I learned from the team have helped me in the leadership roles I hold now in ministry. Finally, I would like to share this bit of wisdom that Coach Stoker has burned into our brains. "Live in the moment." In our running, our morning pool workouts, our races, he always wanted us to be in the moment. He didn't want us looking to the finish of the race or the end of the workout because then we weren't really focused in the present. Instead, he wanted us to focus on where we were and what we were doing in the moment we were doing it to improve the quality of what we were doing. It improved my running. It has also improved the quality of life in the relationships I have and the ministries I am involved in.

-Senior Bailey Payne
Since the beginning of my involvement with cross country, I’ve grown in terms of commitment and dedication. Being a runner takes up a lot of time at this level and it takes a lot of work. Time is the biggest struggle by far. Not only do you have to figure out when you have time to do homework or have a social life, you have to find the time to do all the little things that make a difference in your performance, like stretching, icing, and going to bed early, just to name a few. At this point I am still growing, learning and getting stronger every day. My running hasn’t culminated at this point which is perfect because it gives me a drive to keep getting better.

-Junior Bryson Harper
The boys Varsity Soccer team did remarkably well this year, starting out as the underdogs and coming out on top. The coach challenged the team mentally and physically, especially when it came to conditioning.
University of the Cumberlands (L-0-2)
Asbury College (W-2-0)
Belhaven University (L-0-2)
Cedarville University (L-1-2)
University of Rio Grande (L-0-3)
Union College (W-4-1)
Milligan College (L-0-1)
Tennessee Wesleyan College (W-5-3)
Brescia University (W-1-0)
Covenant College (W-1-0)
Virginia Intermont College (W-6-0)
Reinhardt College (L-1-0)
Montreat College (4-1)
Bluefield College (W-3-0)
Alabama-Huntsville (canceled)
King College (L-2-3)
Bluefield College (W-3-2)
Union College (W-1-0)
Montreat College (W-2-1)
Southern Polytechnic State Uni. (L-1-0)

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Junior Seth Flores uses fancy footwork to steal the ball from Covenant.
Dr. Daryl Charles is the newest faculty member of the Christian Studies Department. Before joining the faculty at Bryan, Dr. Charles was Associate Professor of Christian Studies and Senior Fellow, Center for Politics and Religion at Union University in Jackson, Tennessee. In 2007-2008, he was the William E. Simon Visiting Fellow in Religion and Public Life, James Madison Program, Department of Politics at Princeton University.

Dr. Charles’ educational degrees include a B.S. in Health Education from West Chester State University, a Certificate in Germanistik from the University of Siegen (Germany), an M.A. in Religious Studies from Southern California College, and his Ph.D. in Hermeneutics with concentration in biblical literature and theology, philosophical hermeneutics from Westminster Theological Seminary.
The same God who said, “Let there be light,” is the same God who says, “You are righteous.” The entire earthly life of the Christian is that cosmic microsecond between God’s pronouncement and its perfect implementation. God’s word never returns to him void. It happens, and it will happen in you.
-Dr. Jud Davis

I have always liked the following from the Roman historian Tacitus: "The desire for safety stands against every great and noble enterprise."
-Dr. Boling

Speaking of growth in the practical ministry area of preaching. Erasmus said, "If we can take elephants and teach them to dance, we ought to be able to teach preachers how to preach," I would add to that quote, "We also ought to be able to take Bryan College students and teach them how to teach and/or preach!"
-Dr. Scott Jones

“When God wants to do an impossible task, He takes an impossible man and crushes him.”
-Alan Redpath

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I never intended to study Spanish beyond what was needed for my general education linguistics requirements, and I certainly never expected to leave Bryan speaking Spanish. In fact, as a freshman, I thought language learning was rather boring. Yet, somehow it has happened, and I credit it largely to the Spanish department and all of the fantastic (and difficult) classes I have taken under Dr. Pascucci.

One of my favorite Spanish classes has been Latin American Literature. It was pretty great getting to take a class about literature and Latin American culture with all of the teaching, reading, and assignments in Spanish. Our small class would put into practice the Spanish we had learned to discuss the literary qualities, meanings, and worldview implications of the works we read as we sipped the coffee that Dr. Pascucci brought us.

-Junior Jami Heagen
I took Dr. Barnett's Weather Studies class last fall. I have to say, this has got to be one of the most fun science lab courses here at Bryan! We not only learned about weather systems and how they work (which means that now I can look at any weather map and figure out what's coming our way), but we also got to launch a high-altitude research balloon and collect information about the weather and capture images of our planet from REALLY high up... like 92,000 feet up! We launched the balloon from south-central Tennessee and found it about 200 feet up a tree about an hour north of Bryan in Harriman. It was a really fun adventure, and made me actually enjoy science for once!

-David Beisner

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Dr. Bill Harle, assistant professor of English, has been teaching at Bryan for 5 years.

Pam Davis, instructor in English, has been working at Bryan full time for a year. She previously worked at Bryan part time for 2 years.

Dr. Beth Impsett, professor of English, has been teaching at Bryan for 10 years.

Dr. Whit Jones, professor of English, has been teaching at Bryan for 10 years.

Sophomores - 2012

Hannah Flemming  James Folsom  Luke Foshee  Rob Franklin  Steve Franklin  Leonard Gikonyo
Classes are hard, then you die.

Beginning with Mr. Dwight Ryther and continuing through the current faculty, the English Department has sought to encourage students in its charge toward excellence.

There have been six significant changes in the department of English this year.

We have added additional courses in different areas of study to the program.

We have added an award of excellence for research writing in honor of Dr. Richard Cornelius. The award is given to the senior English major who, in the opinion of the English faculty, has written the best senior thesis for the year.

We have seen an increase in the membership and activity of the Sigma Tau Delta, the college chapter of the International English Honor society.

In addition to the regular classes required for a major in English, the Department has added two areas of concentration toward which students may work for a minor in English—teaching English to speakers of other languages and creative writing.

We have added a travel abroad program to complement a number of the courses taught in the department. Following graduation, members of the class will travel to Italy to visit the places they studied in the three courses they took during the term.

The English Department withdrew from the Humanities Division and joined with the Language Department to form a new division: The Division of Literature and Modern Languages of which I am Chairman.

-Dr. Ray Legg

English at Bryan consists of more than the appropriate use of semicolons, knowledge of the Petrarchan sonnet, and the ability to reach universal truth through the mastery of story. English at Bryan is a culture created by the dynamic personalities that teach the classes. Each professor has unique traits that endear them to the students—from Dr. Legg’s masquerade of pessimism (“Life is hard, and then you die”), to Dr. Impson’s incredible influence (not impact) on students’ precision in language. English students have seen heated battles between Mr. Harle and Dr. Jones over the appropriate use of triangles in literature, and have laughed at Dr. Jones’ frequent hilarious, including (but not limited to) his monkey call, and the Beat Covenant rap. In short, the English Department is as classic as Pam Davis’ “epic grading music” Pandora playlist.

-Junior Elijah Ammen
Dr. Ketchersid's and Dr. Traylor's respective classroom instruction has always been exceptional, and I am honored to say that their contribution to my education has often extended beyond the classroom. Realizing that they will soon be leaving Bryan, I will remember each as a concerned teacher, wise mentor, and good friend.

~ Junior Caleb Young
On January 18th-22nd Poly Gov students attended a Federal Seminar class in Washington, D.C. led by Dr. Travis Ricketts. There they went to the National Association of Evangelical's Christian Student Leadership Conference which introduced students to a variety of issues on domestic policy and international justice. Students heard controversial speakers from Congress, the White House, Non-governmental organizations and met the men and women who are influential in our country. The remaining of the trip was spent touring the White House, the Holocaust Memorial Museum and the United States House of Representatives Chambers. Not only were students challenged to think critically about their political positions, they were challenged to do something with the talents God gave them. Students walked more than they ever wanted to but they walked away with a taste of our country's capital.
AKA: The Department of Miscommunication

As I review my four years of being a Communications major, I see that one of my favorite times with the department took place the morning before graduation day when the Communication professors took all of the graduating Communication majors to the Dayton Coffee Shop downtown for breakfast. It was a sweet time of reflection, looking ahead, and just plain down to earth conversation. Our professors showed us by their actions and their words that they care about us, they want to support us, and they have confidence in our potential. They gave me some of the best encouragement I've ever received during my college career just during that one breakfast.

-Senior Lindsay McKissick
Mr. Michael Palmer, associate professor of Communication Studies

Mr. Palmer and Dr. Hollingsworth performing a duet for the faculty talent show.

Dr. Randy Hollingsworth, professor of Communication Studies

Mr. John Carpenter, Triangle/Commoner advisor

Mr. Chris Clark, assistant professor of Communication Studies

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Luke Lillard
Alyssia Lindsay
DJ Lisch
Brian Livingston
Rachel Lowdermilk
On March 19-20 the symposium Christianity & Psychology: Five Views, was held. The symposium was conversations about the various ways christians can relate their faith to psychology. There were five views that were discussed on Friday and Saturday.

Eric Johnson led the introduction during chapel on Friday morning in which he pointed out that each of them had a great deal to offer despite their differences of opinion. The lectures began that Friday night and continued through Saturday afternoon.
The Psychology Department has been a department of Bryan College since 1972 and is currently led by Dr. Steven Bradshaw.

It is with regret that I announce the resignation of Dr. Liz Moseley as Director of Counseling Services. For seven years Dr. Moseley has been a counselor, teacher, mentor, and friend to students and to her colleagues here at Bryan. She has been fully immersed in student life in countless ways; in addition to counseling and teaching she has been involved in new student orientation, taught women’s self defense classes, initiated the Secret Struggles of Women program, and coordinated disability services. With grace she has performed these and many other responsibilities with biblical insight, a heart for the gospel, and a sacrificial love for others.

With our love and deepest regards we wish her success as she assumes her new responsibilities on the faculty at Cleveland State Community College. -Dr. Peter Held

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Kelly Miller  Carli Milligan  Anna Morgan  Kara Leigh Mulennix  Amy Mulloy
Exercise and Health Science

Headlines from the 2009/2010 season:

Mens' Baseball advances to AAC Tournament

Courtney Knowles is the First Cheerleading Signee

Buffington Sets 5k Record

Lady Lions [soccer] Advance to Championship!

Amber Smith Leads Bryan Volleyball Post-Season Awards

Lions [soccer] Win AAC Championship!
Learning to Teach

Being an Elementary Education major at Bryan is great. Freshman year classes did not consist entirely of general education classes. I got to take classes that dealt specifically with my major. The professors are one of the best parts of being an education major. Mrs. Saynes was my Introduction to Teaching professor and my advisor and she was always available to meet with me and help me with whatever I needed. Dr. DeGeorge was my Educational Psychology professor and even though it was a two hour night class, it was fun to go to because of him. I have learned so much this year, including educational theories and various classroom management strategies and tips to use. I would advise anyone who is thinking about becoming an education major to go for it. Bryan’s education department will not disappoint.

-Freshman Kayla Barnes
Most people would never think of being a math major, I certainly didn’t. I hated math in high school. So what changed my mind? I learned from Dr. Simpson and Dr. Lestmann that math isn’t just about solving impossible problems or finding answers that have no meaning in the ‘real world’. Math can teach us about many different things in life. Dr. Lestmann taught us that math influenced many different philosophies that people still hold to today and Dr. Simpson shows us how God’s understanding is infinite. But math isn’t always serious and "boring", I mean who else gets to hear Dr. Simpson laugh every minute during a one hour class? Or hear Dr. Lestmann tell his corny jokes every day? Math is fun and exciting...You’ll come over to our side eventually.

-Junior Elizabeth Beard

As you could probably guess, math isn’t one of the more popular majors here. I was even told the other day that math is Satan’s pasttime and that I was essentially having satanic worship whenever I did my homework. While I've found myself agreeing with that statement during those instances of pulling my hair out over calculus, I still believe that majoring in math has its perks.

The math department does win the award for having the most huggable professor, Dr. Simpson. We also have Dr. Lestmann, the king of corny jokes. For what we lose in the boring content category, we definitely make up for having the most fun with our professors. It’s also kind of funny how every time you tell someone you’re a math major, they usually respond, "I’m so sorry." Math majors always get a lot of empathy points.

So everything considered, math is one of the best majors to be in. And gentlemen, it’s always nice to know how to help a pretty girl with her math homework. After all, what else do nerds have to offer?

-Freshman Kelly Findley

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Tom Davis: Director of Public Information

"Probably the biggest help Bryan has been in my personal growth is the support that’s available (OK, call it ‘community’). There always has been someone who’s willing to listen, help sort things out, encourage, or prod me to take the next step. Professional challenges have stretched me in areas where I needed stretching. Accommodating supervisors have allowed me to become involved in community service efforts that have taught me much about how to deal with success and failure. Watching God at work on this campus has been another constant reminder that, regardless of our plans, He is in control!"

Faith Ammen: Promotion & Media Coordinator/Adjunct EHS Instructor (Stage Movement)

"I joined the staff and faculty team just seven months after I graduated from Bryan. Life as a full time employee is very different than being a student. I could no longer just waltz into the cafeteria for a Diet Coke or go back to my dorm room for a post-lunch nap. But some things stayed the same--Community remains a priority as staff and faculty dissolve the distance between the student body that is the norm at other colleges and use that closeness to make wiser decisions for the school that are based on a relational knowledge of the students. Making people a priority is a characteristic of Bryan life that I will keep with me for the rest of my life."

Kim Tuttle: Special Events Coordinator

"The relationships fostered by faculty and staff - several of whom are now my peers - during my time at Bryan was so influential that I prayed for years for the opportunity to work here. So here I am - giving to current students what was so graciously given to me! I have the opportunity to exercise my gifts and passions (mentoring, encouraging, teaching, exhorting) in my relationships with the students and fellow faculty and staff! What a blessing!! Now, as I move in to the position of Resident Director, I have the pleasure...and challenge - of investing directly into the spiritual, mental, social, and emotional lives of Bryan students!"
The staff at Bryan College work continually and vigorously throughout the year. As the backbone of the college, they humbly commit their wholehearted time and effort into the aspects that the college needs in order to properly function. The staff is an extemporary example of Christ’s love and servant hood.
Tutors

Junior Heather Jones has been an administrative assistant for the Academic Support Center for two years. She began as a tutor, but decided it wasn’t for her. However, during her time as a writing tutor, she learned a lot about writing and is very glad for the experience she gained being in a tutoring position and for the interaction with the students which helped her communication skills.
How can I help you, today?

"The Academic Support Center at Bryan College exists to provide a place for peer collaboration, tutoring, and general assistance," said Pam Davis, instructor in English.

When it was first developed, the Academic Support Center was called the Writing Center, with only English majors helping students edit their papers and the English Department supporting the center. However, seeing the need for academic support in other areas, the center developed into the Academic Support Center, in the summer of 2009. During that summer, instead of having a small office in the Bryan College Library, they made it become half of the library's first floor. The space was transformed to create space for an office, a large open workspace, computer kiosks, multimedia stations, and a conference room. Also, Professor of English Bill Harle directed the center and Pam Davis, instructor in English, became director of the Writing Center. This opportunity led not only to available help in writing, but also in History, Bible, Spanish, Greek, Hebrew, French, Mathematics, and the Sciences.
Ambassadors

Juniors-2011

Drew Abercrombie  Matt Albin  Kirsten Amling  Elijah Ammen  Benjamin Andrews  Erin Anthony
Admissions

Welcoming New Faces Everyday

Showie Bray has been an ambassador for a year; she wanted to become an ambassador because of her love for Ms. Kim and showing people around the school. Through being an ambassador she has grown as a person because she has had to learn to adjust to different types of people when giving tours.

“I think my job is very important. I get to be the first contact future students have with current students. I mostly answer questions and show people around.” said Bray about her impact on the students who are interested in coming here.

Admission Advisors

When you are interested in coming to Bryan and you come here to visit for the first time, you will most likely be greeted with a warm smile by Kim Tuttle, who works for Admission Department. And not just her, but the rest of the staff of the admissions and ambassadors as well. The Ambassadors are students who work for Admissions, giving tours to the students and families who are interested in Bryan College.

The Admission staff and Ambassadors have done an excellent job with the enrollment for Bryan: this year there were a total of 741 students attending Bryan- 251 of them were freshman. At the end of this year, they hoped to reach a total of 300 incoming freshman and transfers. Nearly 350 freshmen are enrolled for Bryan in the fall of 2010. Michael Nichols, director of Admissions, is glad that more students are coming. Nichols said, “The Vision 2020 Strategic Plan of the college established a number of strategic goals that direct the functions and responsibilities of campus offices. Among them is the goal to reach 1200 traditional students by 2020. The growth of the new incoming class is consistent with the mission and vision of the institution.”

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Freshman Talent Show
Class of '13 Specialty: Singing

Freshmen Brian Dicks
Amy Morris, and Junior
Chad Byers

Freshmen Anna Stewart and Emily Bleising

Freshmen Brian Huff

Freshmen TK King

Freshman Marianna Stern

Juniors-2011

Julie Barnett  Keith Bauer  Elizabeth Beard  Elizabeth Benscoter  Bryan Boling  Caitlin Boronow
What defines talent? Is it a natural ability? A unique quirk? A practiced skill? Or, is it the ability to evoke laughter for the purpose of drawing together a group of people?

On Saturday, November 21, over two hundred students watched as freshmen displayed talents from the unusual to the adept at the Freshman Talent Show, organized by Freshman Class Vice President Amy Morris. Eighteen acts performed in the show, over half of which involved singing.

“This show is going to be different from previous years in that there is much more singing, but still a wide range of talent. However, the genres vary, and the freshmen have done a great job with the order and layout of the overall show,” said Tim Shetter, who was one of the staff members approving the auditions.

Acts varied from singing, to juggling, to dancing, to improv, and incorporated upperclassmen as well as freshmen, and even family members.
Intramurals
Playing Just to Have Fun

Winning Teams:
Volleyball - Coed Team 12  Mens Team 6
Football - Seniors
Basketball - Mens Faculty/Staff  Ladies Mulloy
Foosball - Tim Shetter and Trent Snyder
Ping Pong - Adam Forgey
Pool - Kemonte Keese
Frisbee - Disciples
Soccer - Freekick

Flag Football
Sydney and Piper Tuner and Rose Morgan cheer on the teams

Junior Evan Johnson

Rashad Clements  Carrie Cook  Brooke Corbett  Emily Crist  Savannah Crowder  Jared Cummings
Volleyball

Soccer

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Joshua Davis  Dani Dean  Janette Delozier  Seth Dukes  Ruth Ebel
It’s the first banquet of the year. It sets the stage for those to come. This year’s Great Gatsby themed Homecoming Banquet was one of most fun to get dressed up for and attend. The sophomore class SGA did a phenomenal job on decorating the cafeteria to make it appear as if you were attending one of the Great Gatsby’s parties. There were multiple stages to take pictures by and extraordinary artwork depicting scenes from the novel everywhere. This banquet was more laid-back and casual than the others throughout the year.
A Simplicity of Heart is its Own Admission Ticket.
This year, we chose our spirit week themes by polling class SGAs to determine which themes they would like to see us use. After assimilating that list into our own list, we narrowed down and voted on the themes that we thought would make for the most interesting week. We then incorporated each of the classes into the spirit week process by farming out one day of spirit week to each class. They used the theme for the day and determined what lunch time activity would be done. We then decided that, instead of doing a long list of evening activities when everyone is so busy, we decided to simply do one big culminating event the last day of Spirit Week—our closing ceremonies. While planning and coordinating something like this is always complicated and bit stressful, overall, I really enjoyed the experience. I hope the school enjoyed participating just as much as I enjoyed planning it.

-Senior Olivia Pool
Juniors
Danielle Wilson
and
Elijah Ammen

Seniors
Hannah Camp and Matt Noel

Sophomores
Lydia Steel
and Brian
Livingston

Juniors
Rachel
Solid
and Kyle
Van
Gorkom

Seniors
Hannah
Hamrick
and
Andrew
Sweeney

Freshmen
Anna
Stewart and
Jonathan
Warner

Juniors-2011

Lauren Hess
Rachel Hewitt
Melanie Goggans
Lauren Holt
Jason Hundley
Emily Hurlbut
A Royal Weekend
Homecoming Court Takes Center Stage

Last year on October 2-4, Bryan College held its annual homecoming event. Over 600 alumni from all over the country journeyed back to campus for the event which included everything from banquets and a bonfire to a ceremonial walk down Bryan's soon-to-be new entrance way. Included in the homecoming events were tournaments in soccer, basketball, and baseball.

"This year we had the biggest crowd we ever had for a homecoming" Alumni Director David Tromanhauser said.

Homecoming Court took place at half time during the soccer game. It was led by seniors Joseph Maughon and Lindsay McKissick, the king and queen of the court.

Homecoming featured all the traditional elements including the Golden Grad Ceremony for the class of '59, the 25th anniversary banquet for the class of '84, and the banquet for the first year alumni, the class of '09. In addition to these traditional elements were also a few new features to the Homecoming event.

There was a tailgate lunch served Saturday afternoon for students to have lunch with alumni. Also, a massive bonfire event Saturday evening with s'mores and live music from three of Bryan's student bands.

Joseph and Lindsay was a great pick for king and queen because they have so much in common. Both of them work as senate for SGA their junior years and been great friends during their college years. Both of them had something great to say each other. Joseph said, 'She's hilarious and she's a good friend, and I was really happy for her that she was elected as queen. She definitely deserved it.' And Lindsay said, "I've learned to enjoy his company and to return his sarcasm. I'm gonna miss that kid."
Freshman Brian Huff has been active in a home school drama co-op growing up. His growth in this show was being on a strict work ethic. He said, "We worked from 7 to 10 every day, and the last week or two we worked from 6 to 11. In high school I had never been exposed to that kind of rehearsal schedule and I think that's really helped me become a better actor."

Junior Rob Hargraves played the main character named John Proctor. He said he has gowned into this play by the experience of new emotions on his character. "I experienced the anguish of being a hypocrite who despises hypocrisy- a man consumed by the desire to do good, and yet tormented by the darkness of his own heart," he said.
In the Fall of 2009, the Hilltop Players put on a play, The Crucible. The Crucible, by Arthur Miller, was also performed by the Hilltop Players in 1997. Mr. Bernie Belisle who was the director of the play said the reason he wanted to perform again was because "the audiences and the student body has changed significantly since that time and I felt it was time to challenge both audience and student participants with the message once again."

Freshman Mariana Sterne, (right) has had experience in theatre since middle school. In The Crucible, she was given the chance to play a very important character named Abigail Williams. Mariana said, "Playing Abigail Williams in The Crucible was definitely a growing experience for me, both as an actor and a person."
Masters of Persuasion

Juniors 2011

Ashley Maye  Kelsey McCormick  Natalie McGeehe  Emily McKehean  Andrew McPeak  Andrea Milligan
Competitive communicators duke it out for credit

Dorm Wars. Gunshots in a Crowded Room. Ramenfest. The Legend. Since 2004, Professor of Communication Studies Dr. Randy Hollingsworth’s persuasive communication classes have split into groups and conducted campus-wide activities to learn how to plan, implement and evaluate a persuasive campaign. To receive the best grade, the group must persuade the largest amount of students to participate in their campaign.

Persuasive communication projects are a “collaborative learning” experience for the students, according to Hollingsworth. It teaches them teamwork and gives them “field experience” in the art of persuasion. The project, assigned at the beginning of the semester, is a short-term campaign lasting three weeks. Hollingsworth said that the purpose of the project is to teach students how to persuade. They must persuade him to approve the project, and they must obtain permission from the proper channels such as the Office of Student Life and Student Government Association.

The group then broadcasts its idea through posters, email or chapel announcements. This year OSL took down some of the Ramenfest posters which said BYOB—bring your own bowl. Gunshots in a Crowded Room’s band name was debated because of the recent shootings at other colleges. But, Hollingsworth said that the administration has given his students multiple praises over the years for the projects.

“When done well, small group communication projects help us to provide more opportunities for student interaction that we would otherwise be unable to create with our own limited manpower.” Senior Olivia Pool, vice president of on-campus events said.

A popular event continued from last year’s persuasive communication project was Dorm Wars. Juniors Josh Davis and Zach Harrison, sophomores Savannah Stroud, Olivia Smith and Tim Baldi, and freshman Lynette Musser conducted this year’s Dorm Wars. “We played off the intense loyalty many people have for their dorm and facilitated a high-action game where they could defend and conquer dorms,” Stroud said.

Students dressed up according to the theme for their dorm and attacked other dorms’ residents with shaving cream-filled balloons. Stroud said that it was stressful because they did not have enough referees for the game, but it was fun to watch.

-Sophomore Ericka Simpson

Superlatives from Yearbook Distribution Event

Q: Most likely to be found playing Rock Band at Walmart
A: Chad Byers

Q: Most likely to cancel a quiz or test
A: Mr. Palmer

Q: Most likely to be quoted in the Triangle
A: Dr. Turner

Q: Most likely to show up late for class
A: Mr. Palmer

Q: Most likely to have a cell phone go off in class
A: Justin Morton

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Junior Jen Manzo, Dani Wilson, Chad Byers, and Elijah Ammer

Justin Morton    Jennifer Nelson    JT Nelson    Scott Newton    Megan O'Rourke
Fall Musical Showcase

The Fall Musical Showcase was held November 6th. Featured were our choral groups involving over 100 singers, our music faculty, senior music major Kim McKennett (playing Brahms' piano concerto), and guest tenor Dan Snyder all singing a variety of popular music from Broadway and opera.
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Rodrigo Pigatto  Jordan Pilgrim  Cami Plaisted  Lauren Pratt  Micah Price
"Without continual growth and progress, such words as improvement, achievement, and success have no meaning."

-Benjamin Franklin
Winter is generally thought to be a time of death—the leaves have fallen, leaving the trees bare and skeletal, the flowers have all buried themselves beneath the frozen ground, and the birds are nestled deep within the confines of jail-like trees, all eagerly awaiting the arrival of warmer weather.

But for students, winter is the time of true growth. Everyone is stretched as new challenges arise, bringing with them new life, and a plethora of new obstacles threaten to mature students in every area of their lives. They begin to bloom as each trial pushes them towards completion.

James 1:2-4 says, “Dear brothers and sisters, when trouble comes your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy. For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. So let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be perfect and complete, needing nothing.”
In planning the Christmas banquet, the senior SGA found out that when working together as a team things get accomplished. Senior class vice president Garrett McIntyre said, "It was a eureka moment, like, hey we can actually do this and set things in motion for the rest of the year." Years before, McIntyre was not a huge fan of SGA. However, when talking to a mentor he realized that instead of complaining he should do something about it. Over the past year the senior SGA became more intentional about the disconnect of the whole school in their planning of events and supporting other clubs. They evolved as a team in the planning process and continued to grow throughout the school year. For any future planners of the Christmas banquet McIntyre advises that they should definitely be ready to role with the punches and to use the skills of your team.

Christmas Banquet
Black Tie White Christmas

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Hilary Tullberg  Liz Van Erem  Kyle Van Gorkom  Audrey Vordenbaum  Adam Wearle
"Your first repertoire is always the hardest. Once you get that out of the way, you never quite avoid nerves, but it gets a lot better. Have confidence, walk with purpose, and look your audience in the eye, or right above their heads. If you look confident, they'll feel confident in your ability to perform and enjoy your performance. Remember you are performing for your peers and friends and everyone wants you to succeed."

-Senior Molly Gehring
"In preparation for a repertoire performance, the performer should be sure to know their music well. Not only should they know the correct notes to sing, or the right lyrics, but they should also have an understanding of the story of the musical piece so that they can communicate the story behind the song effectively through their expressions and movements. There are many things to think about when performing, but the key to a successful performance is to focus on the music."

-Junior Patrick Roberts
Let's Get Ready to Rumble

As the crowd gets pumped up for the night ahead, students enjoy the free t-shirts, drinks, and food, and participate in the night's activities. What is going on? It's Midnight Madness and the basketball teams put up a show for the students to enjoy and to celebrate the upcoming season.

Coach Rekoske who has been the basketball coach for 6 years said Midnight Madness has been going on since before he started coaching at Bryan. He is glad that he is able to keep Midnight Madness around because of 3 reasons: "Reason one is to introduce the basketball players. Reason two is to help the players get pumped up for the season. And the last reason is to get the student and involved." Coach Rekoske loves that so many students come out and support the team.
Midnight Madness

Junior Derek Batch

Junior Keith Bauer jumping over Senior Hilary Tipton

Junior Erika Gebel

Photos provided by Jon Manzo
Men's Basketball

Varsity Game Results:

Tennessee Temple W(73-55)
Johnson Bible College W(101-63)
Fisk University W(77-53)
Lee University L(69-79)
Tennessee Temple W(66-64)
Reinhardt College W(74-55)
Union College L(68-69)
Kentucky Wesleyan University L(57-71)
Covenant College W(73-36)
Tennessee Wesleyan W(84-82)
Southeastern Bible College W(84-77)
Lee University L(62-72)
Tennessee Tech University L(44-97)
Maryville College L(82-85)
Pensacola Christian W(72-40)
Milligan College W(61-46)
Virginia Intermont College W(71-47)
Montreat College W(77-57)
Bluefield College W(58-39)
UVA-Wise L(64-72)
Reinhardt College L(63-75)
Union College L(49-59)
Tennessee Wesleyan W(71-57)
Milligan College W(69-54)
Montreat College W(70-60)
Virginia Intermont College W(81-48)
Bluefield College L(50-52)
UVA-Wise W(85-69)
Reinhardt College L(61-68)

Seniors 2010

Allyson Adams  Soraya Andalib  Amy Barnett  Lisa Barker  Caleb Beasley  Joy Berner
Lion's Tie for First
Place in AAC for First
Time Since 2000

In their final game of the season, the Lions basketball team defeated the University of Virginia College at Wise 85-69 Saturday night, Feb. 20. This victory places the team in a four-way tie for first place in the AAC. This is the first time the men's varsity basketball team has achieved this status since 2000.

UVA-Wise was one game ahead of Bryan going into the game, but, after what Head Coach Ron Rekoske said was one of the best team efforts he's seen in his six years of coaching at Bryan, the Lions closed the season not only in a tie for first place but with the best overall record in the conference.

"This win justifies a season full of hard work," said junior forward Keith Bauer.

With just over two minutes left in the game, the Lions extended their lead to 21 points and went on to finish with an 85-69 victory.

Junior forward Scott Newton finished the game with a career high 32 points and 10 rebounds.

Junior guard/forward Derek Batt finished with a career high 21 points, and junior point guard Jemond Craig tied his career high of eight assists.

"We set our goals at the beginning of the season, and, one game at a time, we achieved those goals," said McCall.

Bryan's post-season tournament begins this Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. here at Bryan. While the competition will be fierce, both Rekoske and the rest of the team have high expectations.

-Junior Billy Findley
The Bryan College Lady Lion’s basketball team rebounded from an 18-point halftime deficit to beat Tennessee Wesleyan College (Athens) at the Dec. 5 home game.

During the first half, the team did not play strong like they practiced, according to Head Coach Jamy Bechler. “We allowed the other team to get shots instead of staying in control,” said junior small-forward Jessica Southern.

At the end of the first half, Wesleyan nearly doubled the lion’s score 23-41.

However, the team’s post-play and defense picked up during the second half, according to Southern.

The team definitely did not quit, said Bechler. The Lions refocused during the second half and came from behind.

The lady lions came back to win the game 70-59. “It was a shocking feeling,” said Bechler, “the girls are a strong team, but coming from such a loss to winning so easily was surreal.”

This game was a huge victory because the Lady Lions have been competing with Wesleyan all year, said Bechler. None of the members on the team had beaten Wesleyan before Saturday’s game.

“The comeback shows what kind of team we have,” said Southern.

-Sophomore Tim Baldi

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**Seniors - 2010**

Caddy Cadillac  Hannah Camp  Carolyn Candland  Rachel Carr  Becky Claflin  Seth Crocker

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"I'll Be Home for Christmas," "Come on, Ring Those Bells," and "Be Born in Me" were my favorite songs.

-Kyle Thomas

"C'mon Ring Those Bells" was my favorite song.

-Alexis Landry

Matthew Dee  Megelles Devaney  Ashley Felker  Sarah Ferrante  Katie Garrison  Trent Gay
"Playing with the Flute Ensemble is something I look forward to every week. We come up with some challenging pieces and work hard to practice and perfect the music, and in the end we walk off of the stage feeling like we've accomplished something."

-Annalyn Ebersole
Note the Creativity

The smells of coffee and cinnamon rolls greeted everyone who walked in the door of Harmony House on the evening of Dec. 3. But good luck finding a place to stand, let alone sit.

From about 8 to 10 p.m., the coffee shop in downtown Dayton was overflowing with Bryan College students attending Singer Songwriter. The annual Bryan event, which hosted performers of all classes, was held off-campus for the first time this year.

“We’ve always tried to go for a coffee-house feel on campus,” said senior Elijah Ammen, vice president of off-campus events, “so this year...we thought, ‘Why not have it at a coffee house?’” Ammen said the main goal of Singer Songwriter was to provide students with a place to relax and enjoy themselves while drinking coffee and hearing good music from classmates.

Freshman James Pevahouse opened the night by singing and playing acoustic guitar, which was the main instrument of 10 out of the 15 performances. Guitarists included seniors Abe Roberts and John Moore, junior Kelly Shannon and Olivia Downey, freshman T.K. King and sophomores Stephen Bryan, Kyle Thomas, Adam Coker, Luke Lillard and Jesse Murray.
Piano was the main instrument of other songwriters. Juniors Josh Jones and Alicia Schulze played the piano alone while junior Cami Plaisted played the piano and was accompanied by sophomore Cynthia Wade on the violin.

Freshman Emily Blaising performed with the most unique instrument, the ukulele, while freshman Josiah Newport accompanied on the guitar.

Though there were a few technical issues, this did nothing to stop students from enjoying the night of music and community, and each performance was met with applause and cheering.

And it was the new venue that did the trick, according to senior Lindsay McKissick. She said that while past Singer Songwriter events have been held in Rudd Auditorium or the Lions Den of Latimer Student Center, the intimacy of a place like Harmony House created an atmosphere of "life-giving community."

"We throw the word 'community' around so often, but that was quality community," said McKissick, who has attended Singer Songwriter every year since she has been at Bryan.

Amen estimated that the crowd that packed into Harmony House numbered close to 200 students with a few off-campus visitors as well.

"It facilitated community across classes and sub-groups," McKissick said. "At Harmony House, we were all squished together, and it was beautiful."

-Junior Emily McKeehan
Things I wish someone had told me:

‘Do not go home every weekend during your first semester-even if you are dating someone from back home, you will miss out on too many things. I also wish someone would’ve told me as a freshman to save all my class cuts for the week of Thanksgiving Break, so I could’ve skipped the whole week.

Get involved in campus life! Have fun in the dorms—getting to know people from all around the world. Go to SGA events even if you think you are too cool. Go on at least one Break for Change trip during your years at Bryan. Get to know a faculty member on a personal level—and develop a mentor type relationship. Realize that the churches in the Dayton/Rhea County area are probably going to be different than your church back home, but get used to it and stop complaining. Go to Pocket Wilderness—even if you aren’t an outdoor person. Choose your friends wisely, and choose ones that will uplift you and make you want to be more like Christ. If you are not a morning person, then don’t schedule 8:00am classes every day of the week and expect to do well. Don’t procrastinate!’

Graduation was a bittersweet time for me, and the thing I remember most about it was all of my friends, and previous Bryan Alums that came back to celebrate this special day with me, and yelling all my nicknames as I walked across the stage and received my diploma.

-Josh Storic
"I have grown in pretty much every way during my time at Bryan. Through classes, friends, retreats, and experiences I have realized that all of the artificial boxes I had drawn around different aspects of myself were just that, artificial. True life in Christ affects, colors, permeates every aspect in life. My time at Bryan has taught me a lot about the importance of relationships, as well. Dr. Bradshaw always reminds students that the most valuable lessons he learned as a student at Bryan came from the time he spent with friends, outside the classroom. This is the true testing ground where I learned more about living Christianly than any discussion class could ever teach me. In four years I learned invaluable lessons about honesty, good communication, and grace. These times could be incredibly painful, but I am more than grateful for them and the relationships which survived them.

Hold loosely to your plans. God has a funny and wonderful way of turning one's world upside down at a moment's notice. Have faith that He will be faithful and that everything He works will be for your good and His glory.

Remember that the experiences you will remember most will be with your friends, make the kind of friends who will challenge and encourage you. They will sustain you during those crazy times of trial (aka hell week).

Graduation was great...totally a surreal feeling standing in that line waiting to come out and be seated, all of us standing there in our caps and gowns. I knew that I was done at Bryan, but did not want to leave. I miss it and the community (much as we all ridicule the over-use of that word) which has been a vital part of making me who I am. I am so glad that I went to Bryan!

-Carolyn Candland

Photos provided by: Carolyn Candland and Josh Storle and their family and friends
Defining Our True Identities

It started out last semester as a project for their Social Psychology class. Students were asked to create a slide show containing secrets from Frank Warren’s PostSecret website.

According to Warren’s website, PostSecret.com is a web-based “gallery of postcard-sized images posted anonymously to unveil a secret.” In other words, as Warren says on his site, these postcards are “shared confessions in art form.”

Now, seniors John Wang and Erica Smith and juniors Lauren Pratt and Rachel Hewitt have decided to take last semester’s project even further with their Research and Design project: Masked No More.

Smith said that they wanted to do a project that was similar to Frank Warren’s PostSecret website to get students talking about the secrets they hold.

“Sharing your masks is the first step in the healing process,” said Smith. “Masked No More is just getting people to think about if they even have masks they are hiding behind.”
Masked No More was designed to facilitate discussion among peers and to promote authenticity amidst the student body.

“We want students to see that they aren’t the only ones struggling with different issues. And it’s so much less intimidating sharing secrets anonymously,” said Smith.

On Monday, April 19th at 4:45 p.m. in the Spoede Lounge, students and faculty held a prayer vigil to pray over the campus, asking God for healing and strength.

In James 5:13-18, James writes of the power of confessing your sins to each other and praying over one another’s struggles: “The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.” (James 5:16)

Cards were displayed on posters in Spoede Lounge April 14-21 in an effort to encourage students by showing them they are not alone in their struggles.
We have a Dream to Help the Community

This year, Testify's ministry team spent MLK Day serving together! In the morning, half of us raked leaves for St. Bridget's Church, the other half went to the hospital and did some landscaping work there. We then set out for Wears Valley Ranch in Sevierville, TN, where we picked up fallen tree limbs and did a presentation for the children there. As a performing arts ministry, it was neat to see the members of Testify get so excited about serving the Lord in a different way on MLK day. We definitely learned two things: 1. Serving together builds a team like almost nothing else, 2. Don't park your van in the mud after a rainstorm. It just might get stuck.

-Sophomore Carlin Nasiatka
January 18 of this year was the fifth year PCI staff put together the event MLK Day in which Bryan College honors Martin Luther King junior by helping the community outside of Bryan. This service project involved king, cleaning, picking up trash, pulling down trees, helping senior citizen, and more. This year there were a total of 74 projects that were all spread out around Tennessee. One group, the PCI group Testify went all the way to Wear Valley Ranch in Sevierville, TN. After students volunteer for each project, they have said they feel great because they can see on the people's faces at the help that it is a real blessing and that it is a blessing to them to see that and to hear them say thanks for the help.

We left in the morning and went to the home of a former Bryan professor, Miss Kantzer to help her with her yard. She was very gracious and friendly and my friend and I washed windows, raked and bagged leaves, and helped her weed her adorable little wild flower garden in the back. With kindness she got right down on the ground with us and pulled and cut roots. As we scrapped mud from our tennis shoes and prepared to leave we stopped to pray for her. She invited us to come back anytime and watch movies in her basement. It was awesome and I can't wait for next year!

-Angela Schimpf
"You've got to do your own growing, no matter how tall your grandfather was."

Irish Saying.

It is so easy to become caught up in the "rush and hurry" trying to figure out your life and to reach that next stage where everything will magically right itself and plans will suddenly seem to become attainable. But life is not meant to be lived with both eyes firmly locked on the future at all times. It is only when we look back over what we have learned and accomplished that we mature.
Spring
On Earth as it is in Heaven

We really wanted Engage to enrich conversations about how we’re called to be salt and light in the world. We want our students to cultivate a rich way of living in the larger culture that compels the world to consider the Gospel. The Bryan community responded really well to our guest, Andy Crouch, who joined us as our keynote speaker. Engage is a part of an ongoing series in kingdom living, alternating every other year with the missions conference.

-Ben Norquist
"I'd rather have 30 minutes of wonderful than a lifetime of nothin' special."

When I first saw the cast list with my name next to M'Lynn Eatenton, I was completely floored. Being a freshman in the Dessert Theater production was a HUGE honor. I was able to learn and grow from interacting and working with experienced actresses such as Molly Gehring and Ali Ibsen. Mr. Belisle was always very encouraging, especially as the role of M'Lynn was full of emotion and maturity that I haven't experienced in my own life yet. Although the rehearsals were long and tiring at times, and I cried for real on more than one occasion, being in Steel Magnolias was truly one of the best experiences of my freshman year.

-Freshman Alexis Landry
Baseball

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Christopher Clark  Carl Davis  Pamela Davis  Steven DeGeorge  Brian Eisenback
Lions Aim High in Track and Field

We see them out running nearly every day, whether it is warm or cold, sunny, raining or snowing. Sometimes even twice a day. They put hours into training their bodies, toning their muscles and refining their movements. P90X is a common phrase in their vocabulary. Nearly every weekend they trade extra sleep for long bus rides. Ice baths and ice wraps are routine. Even in the summer they receive emails outlining the workouts they are to complete.

All because they love running.

It’s no wonder with this high level of dedication that the Bryan College Track & Field team continues to set records.

Redshirt freshman Alyssia Lindsay set school records in the women’s 1,500 and 800-meter runs. Friday afternoon Lindsay ran a personal best of 2:27.70 in the 800-meter. In her 1,500-meter run the following day she took sixth in section five at 5:02.33, according to the Lion’s website.

“[Lindsay] has come a long way in a short time and has a bright future,” said head coach Rodney Stoker.
Senior Josh Bradley took second out of 120 in the men's 800-meter run with a season best of 51.89. Bradley's time qualifies him for the NAIA outdoor Track & Field Championship at the end of May.

Junior Zach Buffington also finished with a qualifying time for the championship while setting a school record for the 10,000 meter with a time of 32:02.90.

Freshman Jason McLeod won the fourth section of the men's 1,500 meter run with a personal best of 4:03.64. McLeod also ran a personal best the previous evening in the men's 5,000 meter with a time of 15:42.26.

'Buffington's 10k record was impressive and his fitness and confidence are at an all-time high. McLeod] continues to improve and set the tone for our freshmen athletes," said Stoker.

'We can only benefit from aiming high," said Stoker.
"You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates."

Deuteronomy 6:4-9
Freshman Callie Dawkins decorates a banner displaying the theme verse.

Senior Chris 'Beez' spends some of his time in the art and media room.

The sunrise hike is always a favorite for students willing to wake up early.

2010’s Day of Prayer focused on the importance of rest, relaxation, and just taking a break from the routine of the week. SGA’s Ministry Council wanted to make this day a restful Sabbath that students could take advantage. The Sunrise hike took place at about six o’clock in the morning. It was good to start of this day being out in nature and wondering at the marvelous creation at sunrise. Both the fall and Spring Day of Prayer Chapel speakers, Graham Hill from Student Life Camps and Mark Carpenter Director of the Lighthouse Counseling Center for the City Church of Chattanooga, did extemporary in bringing the theme together. Other things were offered to students throughout the day. Some of these things were art rooms, music rooms, prayer walks, sporting events like Frisbee, tennis, and bocce ball, Communion, bon fires, and board games. Also, an interesting aspect of this day was twenty-four hour scripture reading and prayer. Overall, Day of Prayer was a success bringing students a day that they could have had a chance to focus on the Lord and take a break from the stressful schedule of the semester.

Some of the women’s volleyball team enjoying s’mores at the campfire in the Triangle.

Photos provided by Callie Dawkins
Throughout the semester, Hannah Jernigan and I did a lot of extra traveling. We went on weekend trips to Barcelona, which is absolutely an amazing city. Another weekend we went into Paris and two other girls joined us. We also got the chance to go to Austria and Slovenia. In Italy we went to Verona, the home of Romeo and Juliet, Venice, Florence, Rome, we attended an AC Milan game in Milan, and Trieste. Udine wasn't too far, that was where we attended church. On Spring Break a group of us flew down to Catania, which is in Sicily. We traveled around Sicily for about four days and then took a train up to the Naples area. There we met up with our RD, Jesse, and his friends and over the course of 3 days went to Positano, Capri, the Amalfi Coast, Sorrento, and Pompeii. Looking back I think that the area around Naples was the most beautiful of all of Italy.

The best time of the trip was the very last weekend that we had to go explore. Hannah and I were supposed to be in Berlin Friday afternoon but because of the volcano in Iceland our flight was cancelled, so we got on a train and headed to Slovenia for a few days. We ended up on Lake Bled which was absolutely gorgeous set in the middle of the Alps. The amazing part of the trip was the two guys that we met in our hostel. As we sat in the living room of our hostel we were finishing up our paper for our New Testament Literature and Interpretation class for Dr. Davis. Little did we know that the two guys were going to ask us what we were writing and that we would sit and talk with them about Christ for the next five or six hours. After everything that happened that weekend, from a volcano erupting to our flights being cancelled, we realized that we were not in control of anything, and God will get us to the places he wants in order to use us whether we plan on it or not.

- Sophomore Kristin Divito
"The best lesson that I learned while being abroad was that when you do what you are MADE to do, share the Gospel with those who are lost, you are given a joy that nothing else in this lifetime can bring you."

-Sophomore Kristin DeVito
Semester Abroad Continued (Italy Semester)

Staff

Myra Goza  Alice Gray  Janis Green  Karie Harpest  Peter Held  Elizabeth Haxson
Spring 2008: Junior Robert Ethan Hargraves auditioned his freshman year for the musical "Man of La Mancha," which requires a minimum of 12 male actors and two large choruses. Only five males showed up to the auditions, and two of them had technically graduated, according to Hargraves. The musical never made it to the stage that year.

Spring 2010: Hargraves once again auditioned for "Man of La Mancha" and landed a lead role as a character who doubles as both the manservant and Sancho Panza. The timing was right for the musical because the right number of males auditioned with the talent to perform it.

"The musical is played out as a play within a play, with Cervantes and his manservant acting out the story of Don Quixote to their fellow prisoners," Hargraves said.

Don Quixote tries to "right all wrongs" and views the other characters in the best possible light, according to Mr. Bernie Belisle. When he encounters a prostitute at an inn, he calls her his "honorable lady." Even though she is not, she becomes how he views her because of his influence.

Belisle said that he has always liked the musical because of its redemptive message. It is about the "power of seeing people in the best possible light despite their depravity."

"I kind of compare it to how God sees us," Belisle said, "He sees the good in us. He sees the possibilities in us even though we are fallen creatures."

-Sophomore Ericka Simpson
"Being in San Diego was a time of serving and a time of being served. We weren't there to just serve other people - as if we have something great to offer them that they can't get somewhere else. We were there to develop relationships with the people in San Diego. We were there to live out the church - to live out the love we have been given by Christ - to the people that we met. A lot of our time was spent hanging out with people and doing life with them. I learned how to approach people differently than I do now - to approach them in love without expectations or judgments. Some of the homeless people I talked to were just as giving and loving to us as we were to them. The greatest lesson I learned was how to love and be loved."

-Junior Hannah Fleming
Broad Street Film Festival

Gowns, Cameras, Action!

The hour is waning. All those months of writing, planning, filming, editing and sweating will hopefully pay off for Bryan film majors anxious to see the results of their latest films at the Broad Street Film Festival in Chattanooga, April 22-24. According to the film makers and those planning the event, the festival should be a dandy.

"I think there are a lot of reasons to be excited about this because there are such a great variety of films coming from Bryan this year," senior Phillip Johnston said.

Last year, Bryan broke with tradition and featured films not only produced by the Bryan College film department but also by students of Covenant College (Lookout Mt., Ga.). This year, the festival alterations are even more significant.

First and foremost of these alterations is that the festival is no longer going to be a Bryan College event. Rather it is hosted by a separate non-profit organization funded by the Community Foundation of Greater Chattanooga and will be featuring films not just from two schools this year but three (possibly four counting UTC): Bryan College, Covenant College and Southern Adventist University (Collegedale, Tenn.). Southern Adventist has had an established film program for the last 10 years, according to Bryan Assistant Professor of Communication Studies Chris Clark.

Another noteworthy change is that the films will be shown on the big screens at the Carmike Majestic 12 movie theater in Chattanooga. This is a tremendous change from last year’s venue at the Bijou.

"This is the biggest step the film culture has taken in presenting its work to the Chattanooga community at large," Johnston said. "It’s great for the filmmakers and the students.”

The film festival is a three-day event which begins with the showing of the films in the Majestic theater on Thursday, April 22. All the viewings are open to the public. The second day, film students will get the privilege of meeting and listening to independent film director Scott Teems, director and writer of the film "That Evening Sun.” And of course, the awards ceremony will take place the final day of the festival at the grand Tivoli Theater in Chattanooga.

The awards ceremony will include many of the same elements included in last year’s awards night, according to Clark, with multiple school bands performing, clips shown of the films, the awards and speeches and lots of tuxedos and fancy gowns. There will also be three new awards offered for this ceremony including awards for Best Documentary, Best Original Screenplay and Best Music Video.

There was also a professional master of ceremonies hired for the event as well.
Night on the Riviera

And a Midnight Cruise

Freshman Class officers and SGA Events Council have combined their planning abilities for "A Night on the Riviera" spring banquet and cruise scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 27.

SGA’s Events Council wanted to bring back the midnight cruise because of its popularity last year, according to Vice President of Off Campus Events Elijah Ammen. When the weekend of the 27th became available, they checked with freshman SGA and coordinated to have the banquet and cruise on the same night.

This is the first time two large events like this have been planned for one night, according to freshman Vice President Amy Morris.

The banquet will begin at 6 p.m. with “A Night on the Riviera.”

“We want people to see and smell the river,” said Morris. The decorations and atmosphere will create an outdoor European restaurant atmosphere.

“We plan on this banquet being classier than ordinary banquets,” said freshman Treasurer Kelly Findley. People will be able to focus on table conversation instead of the stage events.

At 10:30 p.m. after the banquet, students will begin boarding the midnight cruise, according to Ammen. The ship will leave the dock at 11 p.m. and return at 1 a.m.

There will be a wider range of activities on the two-hour cruise this year. According to Ammen, the cruise will have all the same activities that students enjoyed on last year’s cruise, in addition to a video game arcade, card games and karaoke.

-Sophomore Tim Baldi
Over Spring break, the Spring Chorale road tripped to Chicago where they enjoyed Chicago deep dish pizza, witnessed the birth of a calf, walked through Millennial Park, and sang for various audiences.
The goal of every Junior Senior Banquet is to honor the Senior Class, and this was the driving goal we tried to focus on as we went through each aspect of the planning process.

We accomplished this goal by trying to focus on the personality of the senior class as we planned the trip. Each class has its own personality, and as juniors, we have had the past three years to get to know the senior class and learn what things they are passionate about as well what things they don't particularly care for. Each location was chosen for a specific reason as a nod to the seniors.

An event like Junior Senior is bound to stretch any team of college students. It been my persuasion during the time I've spent on SGA that leadership done properly is really just another way of expressing servanthood, and the amount of time and effort that goes into planning and executing Junior Senior really culminates into a grand and unique opportunity to serve. So many different details have to be taken into account. But I couldn't have chosen a better team of eight people to work with, and we learned so much about relying on one another to make sure that, as one unit, we were the most responsible stewards of the task that we could be.

-Junior class President Melanie Goggans
Above: Senior Nate Rogers, Juniors Lauren Pratt and Jandi Heagen, Seniors Ali Ibsen, Elizabeth Yates, and Josh Bogle
Right: A group of students pose in front of the beautiful scenery before going up into the Sun Sphere.
Below: After eating in Knoxville, the students went to Pigeon Forge to Wonderworks. Inside, there were cool games and rides that the students could use, such as an imaginary earthquake ride and a 360 degree bicycle.

Photos provided by: Callie Dawkins
Saturday morning, May 1, 2010, cars begin to quickly leave the Bryan hill with great anticipation of Jacksonville, Florida. Others left the night before to get a head start on soaking up the sun. I was among the latter group. The arrival to the beach Saturday afternoon greeted us with the fresh smell of the ocean, the smooth feel of the sand, and a perfect breeze. Needless to say, I, along with the others, became instantly relaxed.

Sunday morning, we gathered for a time of worship; there was nothing quite as breathtaking to me as worshipping the vast Creator while viewing the seemingly endless ocean. Our days were spent enjoying the sand and the sun and occasionally we took a break and shopped! One night we gathered for a delicious meal at the home of Hannah Hamrick, and I must say this night provided quite the bonding time for us all!

On our final evening we gathered for a banquet and quality pictures. Jacksonville will now be instilled in my heart as a place where memories were made, friendships were strengthened, and an understanding that our Father’s love would be a bond which would last forever.

-Senior Emily Slitzler
IcLean, Pamela Sirrt Adams, with their theme, "year of pranks."

Photos provided by: Jenni Irwin

Senior class SGA (Trent Gay, Joseph Maughon, Chris Tuttle, Allison McLean, Pamela Simpson, Ally Adams, and Jenni Irwin) with their theme drink of the year: Relax Dranke.

Casey Bryant, Joy Berner, Garrett McIntyre, Trent Gay, Carolyn Candland, and Pamela Simpson playing a round of Samuel Warrior.

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The Class of 2010
Graduation

A Time of Joy and a Time of Sadness

Saturday, May 8, 2010 was the class of 2010 graduation. The seniors walked up on stage with a smile on their faces, knowing they are finally done. These "Survivors" use to be a big class, their freshman year there were around 190 students, but now only 77. The class of 2010 is known for two thing: winning flag football and losing Sprit Week.

This day is a very emotional day for a lot of people. The seniors are realizing that their time is done at Bryan College, and that they are leaving all their friends behind.

Aimee Crotts, an English Literature major, said "it's been a long road, so I'm glad that the end is finally here. I'm not certain what I'm doing next, but I'm happy that it won't include homework!" Aimee is going to miss the most at is all the friends that she made, and the environment of love and trust she have grown to cherish. I have gwon as a person from the encouragement to use my mind in my faith, to think things through to their logical conclusions and not just accept anything at face value.

"My favorite memory at Bryan was my first trip to Pocket. It was a pizza picnic my first week here, with my orientation group. It was a great time... good food, making new friends, finding snakes and skipping stones."

Stephanie Huskey, who majored in Computer Science with a double minor in Creative Writing and Mathematics said, "I'm excited that I'm about to graduate, but scared at the same time. One chapter of my life is coming to a close just as another chapter is starting. Its both terrifying and thrilling to see what else God has for me in this world."

"My fondest memory at Bryan came to me just recently. My best friend recently died less than a month. And when she passed away. It was thanks to the love, comfort and support of all my friends that I was able to make it through that difficult time."

After graduation, Stephanie wants to become a Graphic Designer and do freelance work in various areas as well as fulfill one of her longstanding dreams of writing a book and possibly getting published. "Bryan has challenged me in several ways to draw closer to God and become a better person. I've always been a bit of a loner, but Bryan has showed me the value of community and true lasting friendships. And that what I going to miss about Bryan the loving community environment."
Year In Review

Highlights of '09-'10

- TLC's "Jon & Kate Plus 8" breaks up
- Lost airs the final seasons
- Obama passes the healthcare reform bill
- Tiger Woods allegedly cheats on wife
- Michael Jackson dies
- Earthquake devastates country of Haiti
- Kanye West crashes Taylor Swift's VMA speech
- 24 airs final season
Dear Heather...
Congratulations!
We are so proud of you and your accomplishments!
God has been gracious to you over the years and we look forward to the plans He has for you in the future.

God bless you!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Robert & Bethany

Make me know Thy ways O Lord. Teach me Thy paths. Lead me in Thy truth and Teach me.

For Thou art the God of my salvation. For Thee I wait all the day.

Ps 25:4-5
Great accomplishments have small beginnings.

**Kimberly McKennett**

2010

I will praise, worship, and serve thee, oh God, with all that I am. Your praise shall continually be in my heart.

**Perfect practice makes perfect.**

"We are what we repeatedly do, excellence then is not an act, but a habit." Aristotle
Words cannot possibly express how proud we are of you and your accomplishments! You are an amazing young woman full of compassion and courage. May God bless you in all you do, forever and ever!

You have reached for the stars and taken them captive with your heart. The world is yours to explore and give your love to in making it a better place for all. We are blessed to call you Daughter!!!!!

Megan Michele Devaney

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3Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves. Do you not realize that Christ Jesus is in you—unless, of course, you fail the test? 4And I trust that you will discover that we have not failed the test. Now we pray to God that you will not do anything wrong. Not that people will see that we have stood the test but that you will do what is right even though we may seem to have failed. 5For we cannot do anything against the truth, but only for the truth. 6We are glad whenever we are weak but you are strong; and our prayer is for your perfection. 7This is why I write these things when I am absent, that when I come I may not have to be harsh in my use of authority—the authority the Lord gave me for building you up, not for tearing you down. 8Finally, brothers, good-by.

Aim for perfection, listen to my appeal, be of one mind, live in peace.

And the God of love and peace will be with you.

2 Corinthians 3:5-11 (NIV)
Garrett McIntyre

From the moment you came into this world you were full of curiosity, energy, and a passion for life. God has woven you with your own sense of purpose and direction as well as blessing you with a tender, caring, and courageous heart. He knows the plans He has for you. We have been encouragers and enjoying the chapters as they unfold. Although you will never pass this way again, we know that you will cherish the memories and look forward to what is ahead. Live fully, love boldly, and trust God completely as you continue to become the man God has uniquely designed you to be.

Proverbs 3:5-6

We love you!

Dad, Mom and Heather
Andrew,
You are our precious gift from God. Watching you mature into a strong, godly young man has been one of life’s greatest joys.

We love you!
Mom and Dad

I am blessed to call you my brother and friend! So proud of you!
Love, Jenn

The father (and mother) of a righteous man have great joy;
He who has a wise son delights in him.
Proverbs 23:24

Congratulations, Amelia

We could not be more proud of you. You are a wonderful daughter and now friend. We love you!

Love, Dad and Mom

"But these are written that ye might believe that Jesus is Christ, the son of God and that ye may have life through His name."

- John 20:31

Thanks for being such a great big sister, Amelia! We are very happy for you!
Love, Zeph, Marius, Isabelle, Cassie, Fiona, Luke, Cecily, Marion, Nicholas and Thalia.
CONGRATULATIONS!

When you were born the wonder was "What will he grow up to be?"

The journey to graduation day has been challenging, your persistence, your academic achievement, in spite of adversity, makes you "THE MAN" that you are....Your desire to build God's kingdom; to be light in a dark world, makes me proud. I know that your dad is looking down from heaven... "THAT'S MY BOY!"

I can't think of a person who knows you that has not been blessed by you... I know you will touch many lives in the future. Love you and praying for you, Momma

Bro, we talk often about how we came from a unique source, there are things that only you and I will know, and or get about each other. Looking at this picture, I can't help but think about how you have come to exemplify, for me, the best parts of "the man." Love you, Josh

Timmy, I remember when you used to say you were never going to college, and here you are graduating. I love you, Timmy, I'm so proud to be your lil sis! You have always been there to pick me up when I was way too short to see what was going on. God couldn't have blessed me with better brothers than you and josh.

Congrats, bro! Love, Smalls
"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men."
Colossians 3:23

It was 9:29 a.m. on October 13, 1987 in Dallas, Texas when God gave us our second bouncing baby boy. You joined your big sister, Hannah, big brother, Cle, and later younger brother, Micah. As you have grown into the young man you are today, it is most evident to us of your utmost desire to serve our Lord Jesus Christ. We look forward toward seeing in what capacity God will continue to use you. Keep striving toward being that "man after God's own heart." We are so very proud of you and love you very much, "Nathaniel der Weise." Congratulations!!! God bless you on your next adventure in life.

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Memory’s scroll. That’s what a yearbook should be-a chance to look back at everything the year has encompassed, remembering both the good and the bad, the fun and the boring. It should be something we can show our kids, our friends, our parents, our families; snapshots of our lives together during the past year. It should be something that reminds us of the lessons we learned and how we’ve grown.

From the sprouting tree on the background of each page, to the stories of students and faculty, to the progressive bar of students on each page- all was designed to represent the growth of each student throughout their college years. For all the friends we’ve made, the professors we’ve sat under, the memories we’ve lived- this is what grows us and this is what shapes us into who we are- and this is what we should remember.

So here’s to growth, here’s to the ability to look back on some of the best years of our lives, here’s to people who stretch us, who challenge us, who teach us in the name of love. Here’s to remembering.
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