



# Homecoming 2021

*After a pandemic-limited homecoming in 2020, BC returns to a more traditional celebration this year*



Homecoming court was crowned at a pep rally in Boshamer Thursday night. They are (left to right) Jamarcus Walker as prince, Sara Gray Poss as princess, BC first lady Lynne Joyce, Zachary Brown as jester, Jack Atkinson as king, Chloe Proffitt as queen, and BC president David Joyce. See inside for more coverage of Homecoming 2021.

# Pep rally crowns homecoming court

By Caroline Hoy  
Staff Writer

Homecoming week at Brevard College is filled with a range of fun activities that lead up to a grand game at the end of the week. On Thursday, Oct. 7 at 9:30 p.m. for homecoming week a pep rally was held in the --- gym. The pep rally was to hype everyone up for the big game and announce the homecoming court king, queen, prince and princess.

The pep rally was packed before it even started. The area outside the doors to the gym were almost all full of people excitedly waiting for the pep rally. It's hard to tell the exact number of people there but a guess would be between 150 to 200 students.

The rally started with Chris Center announcing the homecoming king, queen, prince, princess and the brand new BC jester. Unlike the homecoming court, the BC jester is not elected via vote. Zachary Brown was selected to be the jester for being able to always put a smile on other people's faces.

The announcement of the king, queen, prince and princess was next. The students were told that 273 votes had been cast for the court. The winners were Jack Atkinson as king, Chloe Proffitt as queen, Jamarcus Walker as prince and Sara Gray Poss as princess.

Poss was asked about what it felt like to be crowned princess and she said, "The whole experience has been so enjoyable. I felt very honored to be nominated by the student body. I am still ecstatic that I was named princess."

When the homecoming court finished, the mic was taken over by Scott Dougles for the games and hype part of the rally. His voice showed enthusiasm for what he was doing.

The first game was a balloon popping game. Four teams of four were selected to play. The objective of the game was for one team member to stand at one end of the gym and for their teammates to run across the gym and use their bodies to pop the balloons. There were some interesting methods used for balloon popping. The women from the soccer team won the event while football players came in last.

The next game was musical chairs, but instead of using chairs they used shirts that had homecoming written on them. The students were singing along to songs such as Party in the USA and Final Countdown during the game. After a very competitive game. Aaron Butts came out on top. When asked on the mic how he felt after the game he said, "I am tired now."

The final event at the pep rally was the cheering on of all the fall sports teams. Members of the fall sports teams walked out into the hallway and waited to be announced. The following

teams were called in order and came through the gym doors to be cheered on by the bleachers: Cheer, Cross-country, cycling, volleyball, women's soccer, men's soccer, climbing team and football.

Not everyone from the teams came, but they all received a big cheer and applause for how hard they have been working on their sports this semester. After the applause slowed down people started to head out. Even with the masks it was clear that everyone was smiling and had a great time.

Coming in third place is "Spiritual Transition" a steel and wood piece by Shawnaizja Simmons. Second place was won by "Texturescape" a painted and burned wood piece by Sydney Raber. Lastly, coming in first place is "Concept of Home" a wood and steel rod piece by Jodi Wyse.

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## Retirees honored at WLEE's new home

The Wilderness Leadership and Experiential Education program celebrated both old and new on Saturday, cutting the ribbon on their new on-campus home and honoring retiring faculty members John Buford and Clyde Carter.

The program for years was housed in Ross Hall, but when that location became too dangerous in 2016, they moved to temporary

digs in Jones Residence Hall before moving to their new home in the Barn last year.

Buford and Carter retired in 2020, but recognition of their service was delayed because of the pandemic. Buford taught at BC for more than 12 years. Carter taught for more than 30 years, and he was a founding member of the WLEE program in 1996.



The Barn, the new home for the Wilderness Leadership and Experiential Education program, was formally recognized with a ribbon cutting on Saturday. Also honored were recent WLEE faculty retirees John Buford (far left) and Clyde Carter (far right).

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# BC Homecoming celebrated

*Honorees include 2009 national champion cycling team*

The faculty, staff and students of Brevard College were pleased to welcome back alumni to campus after 2020's Homecoming was forced to go virtual due to the pandemic. A week of rain in Western North Carolina didn't stop alumni from coming home to celebrate with one another and attendees spanned from the class of 1945 all the way to 2020.

"The people are what make this place special," said Director of Alumni Affairs Megan Shina. "Having alumni back on campus and allowing the Brevard College family to celebrate the amazing things going on at the college was worth the wait."

The celebration began Friday evening at Oskar Blues Brewery where The Blake Ellege Band treated alumni and attendees to an evening of classic rock and roll. Blake Ellege, a 2014 alumnus, stole the show with his big smile and contagious voice.

Saturday morning's festivities began with the Alumni Association honoring the 2020 and 2021 Distinguished Alumni and Faculty Award recipients and the Athletics Hall of Fame inductees. The award recipients are as followed:

**Wanda Moser '45** – 2020 Distinguished Alumna

**Jo Pumphrey** – 2020 Distinguished Faculty

**Bill Byers '72** – 2020 Distinguished Faculty

**Brian Davison '07** – 2021 Distinguished Alumnus

**Clyde Carter** – 2021 Distinguished Faculty  
**2009 Cycling Team, Mountain Bike National Champions** – Athletics Hall of Fame  
**Jeff Wentworth '80**, Cross Country and Track and Field – Athletics Hall of Fame

Following the award ceremony, alumni and friends gathered to honor President David C. Joyce and First Lady Lynne Joyce with the dedication of a Tornado sculpture located beside the new Field House. Following the unveiling, the Tornado's Football team defeated the Maryville Scots on the Ives-Lemel Family Field in a 31-0 shut-out.

Saturday's programming concluded with the Wilderness Leadership and Experiential Education (WLEE) Program as they performed a ceremonial ribbon cutting for the college's new home for the program in the completely re-designed Barn. Alumni and friends gathered to celebrate the new home of WLEE as well as the retirement of former faculty and program leaders Clyde Carter and Dr. John Buford.

*Save the date for next year's Homecoming to join in on the fun: Oct. 7-9, 2022.*

Honored during BC's Homecoming festivities on Saturday were new members of the college's Athletics Hall of Fame. Left to right: Jeff Wentworth '80 for cross country and track and field (accepted by emeritus faculty member Norm Witek); 2009 national mountain bike championship team members Johanne Tuttle Tyson, Cory Rimmer and Alexis DeCosimo; and cycling coach Thad Walker.

[Watch the entire ceremony on the BC Tornados' YouTube channel.](#)



## Weekly Horoscopes

By Anna Ervin  
Editor in Chief

For **Aries**, this week is a time of new beginnings! Don't be afraid to start a new project, make some new friends, or start a new relationship. You may be reemerging from a stagnant time, so things are about to blossom.

**Taurus**, this week may bring on some big emotions. Don't let this lead to self-destructive behavior. Some things are out of your control, and that's okay.

**Gemini** has choices this week. There are lovely things that surround you, so will you stay planted in safety or take that chance? This week is a good week for you to make those big decisions.

**Cancer**, this week you may find yourself having very high standards for something, leading you to miss the opportunities already in front of you. You may feel hurt or guarded, but you can't let yourself get in the way of the bigger picture.

**Leos**, you've got a week of big healing and spiritual growth. Think good thoughts, especially in matters of the heart. Your cup runneth over; embrace it.

**Virgo**, you're very comfortable where you are this week. This could be to the point of inflexibility and stagnance though. Be a bit more open, and let go of your control before it entangles you.

**Libra**, this may be a hard week for you. Keep in mind what you love most, and you'll pull through. You have a system of support, so don't be afraid to ask for help.

**Scorpio**, change is inevitable, so avoiding it can be counterproductive. Things are happening whether or not you like it, so why not embrace the new era?

This week, **Sagittarius** may be feeling emotionally insecure. Put some others first, and make sure you're treasuring those people in your life. Putting yourself first is good, but make sure you're making room for others to shine too.

**Capricorns**, consider taking it slow this week. You've put a lot on your plate, and if you keep going like this you're going to burn yourself out. It's okay to rest, whether that be napping or doing something for yourself.

**Aquarius**, if you're feeling unsatisfied, it's time to reevaluate your goals. This cycle of dissatisfaction could come to an end, but that needs change on your part. Find things that you're passionate about and really put in the time and effort to be reliable.

**Pisces**, patience is not a virtue if you're being patient forever. Take some action, spark some fires. This week you should consider trying something new, talking with someone new and stop waiting for an opportunity to come directly to you.

## Play Review

# 'Talley's Folly' depicts an enchanting look at taking a chance for what you want

By Anna Ervin  
Editor in Chief

Brevard College Theater presented the production of "Talley's Folly," written by Lanford Wilson and directed by Joe Hernandez, Oct. 8 through 11, starring Emma Harris as Sally Talley and Taylor Sparrow as Matt Friedman. I attended the opening night showing.

The one act show depicts one night in the lives of two unlikely lovers, Sally Talley, the daughter of a Missouri garment factory dynasty and Matt Friedman, a Jewish, left leaning immigrant.

This production successfully conveyed the hope and fear that come with taking a chance on what you want rather than what you feel you are supposed to do.

The first noticeable thing about Brevard College's production was the choice of an all white set and a whimsical background. It was a unique choice I did not initially think would work, but it was really pulled together by the lighting.

The giant moon that overlooked the set was a wonder, and the water-esque motion called to the fluidity of the show. The all white set felt as if there was a new beginning between the characters, even in a run down boathouse.

Emma Harris's depiction of Sally Talley showed the quiet strength of a woman ready to leave a trapped environment, especially in the final argument between Talley and Friedman. You knew what Talley wanted, and you also knew her loyalties. Harris's push and pull of Talley's wants versus duties was evident.

Taylor Sparrow's portrayal of Matt Friedman revealed a charming and witty man that knew what he wanted from the beginning, and was willing to push until he got it. As Friedman says, the show really was a waltz between both characters.

Harris and Sparrow's performance intertwined the lives of characters that present as opposites; there was constant movement and discovery that let the audience fully understand Talley and Friedman's connection.

Overall, this show was an enchanting and intimate experience and a great opening to this season's live theater.

BC Theatre will present William Shakespeare's "The Comedy of Errors" Nov. 18-21.



Photo by Joe Hernandez

BC students Emma Harris and Taylor Sparrow play the roles of Sally Talley and Matt Friedman in BC Theatre's production of "Talley's Folly," by Lanford Wilson. The production, directed by BC theatre professor Joe Hernandez, was staged Oct. 8-11 in the Morrison Playhouse in the Porter Center.

# Juried student art show opens

By Caroline Hoy  
Staff Writer

On Oct 8, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. the opening of the yearly Student Juried Art Show was held in Spiers Art Gallery. At this year's art opening there were a total of 49 pieces and 15 awards.

All the pieces in the gallery this year were amazing as per usual, but only so many awards can be given. Every student was given the opportunity to submit up to three pieces.

There are many awards given out and during the ceremony everyone was super supportive of other students. The ceremony was kept short and simple with a good number of awards given out. Named awards come with a \$100 check and a certificate/ribbon.

The President's Choice Award is given to a piece chosen by President David Joyce and his wife Lynn Joyce. This year is their final year choosing a piece and they choose "H.L.J," an oil on canvas piece by Rachel Byrd.

The Division Chair's Choice, selected by Fine Arts Division Chair Kathryn Gresham,

went to "Texturescape," a painted and burned wood piece by Sydney Raber.

The Alumni Association's Choice this year went to "Concept of Home," a wood and steel rod piece by Jodi Wyse.

The Student Choice award, selected by students coming in and casting a vote for their favorite pieces, this year was a tie between two pieces: "Wishbone," a wood and metal piece by Avery Lockwood and "Concept of Home," a wood and steel rod piece by Jodi Wyse.

The Best of Show Award is chosen by a jury brought in from somewhere else. This year the judge was Alexis Meldrum, curatorial assistant from the Asheville Art Museum. She has worked in many art expositions across the United States. "Flower," a digital illustration by Gunnar Ensign, was chosen.

Of course art pieces were also placed. Six pieces earned an honorable mention and there were also first, second and third place. Honorable mentions earned a certificate/ ribbon and so did first, second and third. But first, second and third also earned cash prizes. First

won \$75, second won \$50 and third won \$25.

The six honorable mentions were: "Junonia" a carved plaster piece by Syney Raber, "Mycelium" a film by Gwyn Jennings, "Wishbone" a wood, chains and metal piece by Avery Lockwood, "H.L.J" a oil on canvas piece by Rachel Byrd, "RGB" an archival ink jet print piece by Brain Seon and "Surprise Room Check" an ink piece by Jules Lusk.

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# Staying in Brevard for fall break?

*If you don't have travel plans, relax: Here are some ways to enjoy your week off right here in Transylvania County*

By Sydney Fox  
Staff Writer

Fall break at BC is now just two days away. For some students during this time they go home and enjoy some family time. Other students are staying on campus or in the area for reasons like sports, work, or you just live here.

If you will be here next week, this article can guide you through some upcoming events that may interest you in your free time. It is fall and the leaves are changing. Brevard and the surrounding areas have a lot to offer during this time.

There is a very well-known bar located within Brevard on King Street called 185 King Street. They offer a lot of live bands to sit and enjoy and as well as some trivia nights (Tickets - 185 King Street | Music, Social Club, and Event Space in Brevard, NC, 2021). They have several events going on next week that may interest you and you can find these events on their website.

Oskar Blues is another well-known place in Brevard and this coming Monday they have their Mountain Music Monday. Here you can

grab a beer (or water) and enjoy some live music with friends. They also have a delicious food truck, go grab some food and sit back and enjoy this coming Monday!

If you are looking for a good scare, Hendersonville has its annual haunted farm. They are open every weekend but hours vary. This is always a good time and gets you in the mood for Halloween! You can find their information on their website including their hours and cancelations (The Haunted Farm, 2021).

Towards the end of fall break, Brevard will be having the Harvest Fest at the Allison Deaver house on the 23rd. This is a family-friendly event that offers a photo booth, games, and many other things (All Events in City, 2021). It is from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm and would be a great way to spend some time with friends and family!

There are a lot of other things to do next week in your free time if you want to. You could even go grab some pumpkins and carve them with friends! Another trend you may be interested in doing for the fall spirit is the ghost photoshoot

or pumpkin head photoshoot with your friends.

Another thing you could do is drive up the parkway and have a little picnic. This time of year is perfect for this, especially with the leaves changing and the temperatures not being too high.

Whatever your plans, we hope all of Brevard College's students enjoy their fall break this year!

## Choral concert tomorrow

The BC choral ensembles will present their fall concert Thursday, Oct. 14, at 7:30 p.m. in the Porter Center.

A central piece of the concert will be Bach's Cantata 150, which is a retelling of Psalm 25, in which the psalmist asks for protection from the trials of life. Other works include "If Ye Love Me" by Thomas Tallis and two folk songs.

The concert is free and open to the public, with seating at 75 percent capacity.



Above: Emeritus faculty members Clyde Carter, Bill Byers and Jo Pumphrey and alumna Wanda Moser received distinguished faculty or alumni awards on Saturday. *Web edition exclusive: Watch [video of the ceremony](#).*



Right: BC President David Joyce, Lynne Joyce and Pisgah pose in front of "Tornado," a new steel sculpture by art professor Kyle Lusk, which was unveiled Saturday in front of the new field house and dedicated to the Joyces for their service to the college. *Web edition exclusive: Watch [video of the unveiling ceremony](#) on the BC Tornado's YouTube channel.*

Below: Members of the 1970 and 1971 classes were recognized in a special reunion luncheon at the President's Home. (Photos courtesy of BC Communications/Victoria Brayman.)

For more photos of Brevard College's Homecoming 2021, visit the college's Flickr page at [www.flickr.com/brevardcollege](http://www.flickr.com/brevardcollege).



# Facebook whistleblower testifies

By Zoey Jaynes  
Arts & Life Editor

Recently, a Facebook employee came forward and released information slamming the social media platform for practices harmful to its users. The “whistleblower” testified before Congress on Oct. 5.

Frances Haugen, a former data scientist, explained that Facebook is aware of the misinformation spread through its servers and of content that harms children, but the company has done nothing to stop this.

Haugen urged Congress for regulations to pressure Facebook to change its platforms. She however did not want to see a total breakdown of the company, implying the impacts of which would be worse.

Haugen greatly emphasized that Facebook targets vulnerable people. “They are aware

of the side effects of the choices they have made around amplification,” she said in her testimony. “They know that algorithmic-based rankings, or engagement-based rankings, keep you on their sites longer. You have longer sessions, you show up more often, and that makes them more money.”

Haugen’s testimony revealed, in essence, that Facebook exploits negative emotions for money.

One of the changes suggested by Haugen was that posts appear in chronological order instead of things with high engagement whether they be negative or positive. She also suggested making users have one more click before being able to post, which she believes would decrease hate speech on the platform.

“A lot of the changes that I’m talking about are not going to make Facebook an unprofitable company; it just won’t be a ludicrously

profitable company like it is today,” Haugen stated. She also explained that Facebook’s data reveals that users disengage with the platform when they are exposed to negativity, so a change like this one might be helpful to the platform.

After the testimony, many senators agreed that there were urgent issues that needed to be addressed. While efforts to control social media have failed in the past, this testimony might just be able to create change. Democratic Sen. Amy Klobuchar explained that tech companies wield a lot of power in government so a change like this will be difficult. “There are lobbyists around every single corner of this building that have been hired by the tech industry,” Klobuchar said. “Facebook and the other tech companies are throwing a bunch of money around this town and people are listening to them.”

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# Tornados volleyball battle for key conference win over Piedmont, 3-1

The Brevard College volleyball team (6-14, 5-4 USAS) earned a hard-fought USA South Conference win, 3-1, over Piedmont University (3-14, 3-6 USAS) on Tuesday evening at the Boshamer Gymnasium.

Kaitlyn Pressley, a versatile sophomore from Brevard, turned in a clutch performance for the Tornados on the offensive end, totaling a game-high 19 kills while adding nine assists. Freshman outside hitter Ashley Hoxit added nine kills with Makenna Parkins totaling seven kills to help pace the Tornado offense. Logan Priddy, a freshman setter from Greensboro, North Carolina, dished out a game-high 25 assists while adding 12 digs on the defensive end for a double-double – the second of her collegiate career. Bailey Lance, a defensive specialist from nearby Mills River, North Carolina, totaled 26 digs to go along with a career-high seven service aces for Brevard.

Piedmont's offense was paced by Jenna Ash, Brianna King, and Jaclyn Sampson, who all totaled 10 kills apiece. Vanessa Manzo dished out 24 assists, while Jessica Bell added 29 digs on the defensive side.

BC was able to jump out to the early 4-0 lead in the first set thanks to a pair of Lance service aces. The Lions were able to battle back, tying the set score on six different occasions before a massive 12-2 Tornado scoring run propelled BC up to a 21-12 advantage. The Tornados wrapped up the first set comfortably, 25-17, sending the match to the second set.

Piedmont was able to flip the script in set number two, battling back from an early deficit to eventually tie the set, 16-16, following a Sampson kill. The Lions took their first lead on a King service ace, as the two sides battled back and forth, leaving the second set tied up at 22 points each. Piedmont used three-straight points on a Tornado attack error, kill, and service ace to claim the second set, 25-22, tying the match up at 1-1.

The Lions used that momentum from the second set to build an early lead by as many as seven points, 14-7. Brevard was able to battle back, however, chipping away at Piedmont's lead before eventually tying the set at 21-21, as consecutive kills by Parkins and Pressley tied the score up. Pressley notched another kill that was followed by a Lion attack error, pushing BC's newfound lead to a 23-21 margin. With the score 23-22 following a Piedmont kill, BC used a Lion attack error followed by a Lance service ace to take a 2-1 match lead after a come-from-behind third set victory, 25-22.



Courtesy of Victoria Brayman

Sophomore Kaitlyn Pressley led the Tornado offensive attack with 19 kills on Tuesday evening.

A fourth set featuring 10 ties and three lead changes ensued, as the Tornados and Lions would jockey back-and-forth. With the score 11-9 in favor of Piedmont, Brevard used five consecutive points to take their first lead of the set, 14-11, behind another pair of Lance service aces. The Lions were able to retake the lead as both sides battled through a pivotal fourth set that the Tornados were able to tie up multiple times. Piedmont held a 21-19 lead before two-consecutive Pressley kills tied the score at 21-all. Ash was able to answer back for the Lions with a kill of her own, putting the set at 22-21 in favor of PU, but the Tornados

were able to come through when it mattered most. Pressley and Parkins answered right back with two straight kills before a Piedmont attack error left Brevard within match point, 24-22. Pressley would drive home her 19th kill of the match off a Priddy assist to wrap up the contest in favor of Brevard, 3-1.

The Tornados will return to action on Saturday, traveling to Montgomery, Alabama for a USA South tri-match against Berea College and host Huntingdon College. Brevard will take on Berea first at 3 p.m. ET before a 5 p.m. ET matchup vs. the Hawks.

## Tornados split matches against Wesleyan, Covenant

**LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN, Ga.** - The volleyball team split a pair of matches in a USA South Conference tri-match hosted by Covenant on Saturday.

The Tornados defeated Wesleyan (1-12, 0-6 USAS,) 3-1, in a neutral site affair to cap off the tri-match. In the first match of the day for the Tornados, host Covenant (12-6, 6-1 USAS) topped BC, 3-0.

Sophomore Kaitlyn Pressley led the Tornados in the four-set victory over Wesleyan with the third triple-double of her collegiate career. The Brevard native registered 23 assists, 12 kills and 11 digs in the all-around performance.

Freshmen Melanie Hoyle slammed home a career-high 15 kills to lead the BC attack, while freshman Ashley Hoxit also delivered 10 kills. Grace Pukas hit double-figures in both assists (14) and digs (10), both season-highs for the

junior from Valrico, Florida.

Brevard served 12 aces, the fifth time this season that the Tornados have registered double-digit aces in a contest. Senior Morgan Graham and sophomore Bailey Lance both hit on four aces to lead the charge. Pukas registered two aces, while Pressley and Hoyle each provided one ace apiece.

BC finished off the first set 25-23 on a set point by Hoxit off an assist from a Pressley. The Tornados then opened up a 16-8 lead on a kill by Pressley off a Pukas assist and cruised from there winning the final two points of the set on serves from Hoyle.

After Wesleyan forced an additional set with a 25-20 third set win, the Tornados wrapped up the match with a 25-18 victory in set four. Lance helped open up a 17-10 lead on a service run that included two aces.



Courtesy of Victoria Brayman

Taylor Jackson III hurled four touchdown passes to lead Brevard in his first career start.

# Tornados shut out Scots 31-0

On a busy Saturday on the campus of Brevard College with Homecoming festivities in full swing, the Brevard College football team (3-3, 3-1 USAS) used a balanced offensive attack and smothering defense to take a dominant 31-0 victory over Maryville College (1-5, 1-3 USAS) on a sunny Saturday afternoon at Ives-Lemel Family Field.

Sophomore quarterback Taylor Jackson III earned the first start of his Tornado career, impressing with 241 total yards (204 passing, 37 rushing), throwing four touchdown passes while going 14-for-24. Three different wide receivers—Luis Alvarez, Brandon Norris, and Zackary Orr—hauled in the last three TDs of Jackson's afternoon, while senior defensive lineman Jerome Bass took a shuffle pass three yards for his first career offensive score. Norris finished with a game-high 77 receiving yards—including a game-long 59-yard touchdown catch—while Orr had 70 yards with a 40-yard touchdown pitch-and-catch. Alvarez scored his first career TD on a 14-yard connection.

Sophomore running back Devonte Murray led the Tornado backfield, as the Murphy, North Carolina native rushed eight times for 69 yards—including a 35-yard scamper and 8.6 yards-per-carry. Deshonte Kirkland added 34 yards rushing while also breaking off a 27-yard burst.

Bass, who caught a touchdown pass and logged the lone kickoff return for the Tornados (17 yards), helped lead a dominant defensive performance for BC. The Red Springs, North Carolina product logged six tackles, wrangled down Maryville signal callers 1½ times, and

broke up a pass while also logging a pair of QB hurries. Senior linebacker Steffon Canady logged a game-high three sacks while also forcing two fumbles and recovering one. The 2019 Scotty Whitelaw Bowl Most Valuable Player led all Tornados with three QB pressures.

Tyler Harrison and Lindin Gault led the Tornados with eight tackles apiece, with Gault setting his new career-high with eight stops and half a sack. Jailin Smith, a freshman defensive back from Roxboro, North Carolina, logged the first start of his collegiate career, tallying six tackles. Junior linebacker Toby Naylor added five tackles and a sack to BC's dominant effort.

Senior placekicker Stamati Damalos hit all three of his extra-point attempts, while splitting the uprights with a 38-yard field goal.

Overall, the Tornados outgained Maryville 362-143, while doubling the Scots in passing yards 204-102 and dominating the rushing attack 158-41. BC's defense forced a total of four turnovers, while its offense kept a clean sheet, not turning the ball over a single time.

Brevard won the toss and deferred to the second half, giving Maryville the ball to start play. The Scots went three-and-out before booting the ball to the Tornado offense. BC was able to get inside the Maryville 25-yard-line, but a Damalos field goal attempt missed to the left.

After another Tornado defensive stop, Murray's 35-yard rush set up Jackson's shuffle pass to Bass, giving the Tornados a 7-0 advantage early.

Maryville was forced to punt for the third-straight possession before an eight-play, 37-yard Brevard drive was capped by Damalos' 38-yard

field goal that gave Brevard a 10-0 lead.

One of the longer Scot drives of the afternoon—a 10-play, 42-yard stretch—was halted on fourth down when Canady sacked Nelson Smith, forcing a fumble. On Maryville's next possession, Dante Anderson jumped a route and picked off Trevor Thomas, as BC's defense forced its second-consecutive turnover.

Both sides traded punts on their ensuing possessions before Jackson found Orr, who dashed through the Maryville defense for a 40-yard touchdown connection to extend BC's margin, 17-0, that it would take into the locker rooms.

Brevard came out in the second half firing, as a 17-yard Bass kickoff return set up the Tornados near midfield. Jackson and Norris, who then sprinted down the near sideline to the house. Norris' score gave BC a 24-0 advantage.

BC put together a seven-play, 60-yard drive that ended with Jackson's fourth touchdown pass of the afternoon—a 14-yard connection with Alvarez in the back of the end zone—that handed BC a 31-0 lead that it wouldn't relinquish.

Brevard's fourth quarter was highlighted by Cole Tomlin, who scooped a fumble on a mishandled punt snap, marking the first career fumble recovery for the freshman from Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina.

The Tornados will now turn their attention to next Saturday, Oct. 16, where Brevard will hit the road for a 4 p.m. kickoff against LaGrange College in LaGrange, Georgia.

# BC, Covenant draw in 110-minute battle

**LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN, Ga.** – The Brevard College women’s soccer team (5-5-3, 3-1-1 USAS) battled it out through a 110-minute double-overtime draw against Covenant College (7-4-2, 3-0-1 USAS) on Saturday evening.

Graduate goalkeeper Rebecca Rojas (4-4-3) made three saves in the shutout performance—the sixth total of her Fall 2021 campaign.

Senior forward Alyssa Hetherington led all Tornados, playing all 110 minutes while taking a team-high three shots—with two finding goal. Sophomore defender Autumn Wright also

took a shot in the contest.

The Scots were able to fire 14 shots away, but only three attempts found the frame of goal. Covenant edged BC in corner kicks, 4-3.

Covenant was led by Kailey Burrell, who took four total shots, while Aiden Strawbridge and Rachel Wall each tallied three. Goalkeeper Lucy Sandhoff made a pair of saves in the shutout.

The Tornados managed a shot and two corner kicks in the first half before taking two total shots, both by Hetherington, in the second stanza. One of BC’s closest opportunities came in the 75th minute, as a Hetherington header bound for goal

was stopped by Sandhoff.

BC took a corner kick in the first overtime, but neither side was able to find the back of the nylon. The hosts took a pair of shots in the second overtime period before a Wright shot attempt went left of the goal, as both teams concluded the 110-minute draw.

The Tornados return to action today for a marquee matchup against Maryville College at 5 p.m. at Ives-Lemel Family Field. Brevard will then host Senior Day on Saturday, October 16 at 2 p.m. vs. Agnes Scott College.

# Cyclists travel to Colorado to compete in National Mountain Bike Championship

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Brevard College’s Cycling team will travel to Durango, Colorado to compete in USA Cycling’s Collegiate Mountain Bike National Competition.

The event will take place Oct. 14–17, at the Purgatory resort located in Durango, Colorado. Events included in the race include Downhill, Dual Slalom, XC, short track, and team Relay.

When asked about the race, Senior Team Member Hannah Dickson said, “I’m really excited for the race—it is going to be challenging, but I think I’m ready for it.” Such challenges Hannah Described include environmental factors, as well as course factors.

Dave Hagen, Director of Cycling Operations at Fort Lewis College and the Technical Director for the event, said, “Racers will be riding on spruced-up versions of legendary courses up at Purgatory. The Cross-Country course is almost identical to the one from the 1990 UCI MTB World Championships and the World Cup Downhill from 2001 has been modernized—both the courses will be very challenging as the National Championship course should be. The entire Short Track, Cross-Country, and Dual Slalom courses will be visible from the base area and will make for some great action.”

Hannah Dickson, in response to being asked about environmental factors in play for the event, said, “The altitude will definitely be a challenge. Last time I rode in Colorado, the high altitude definitely impacted me. Another challenge racers will deal with will be the weather. I checked the weather for Durango, and it is going to be incredibly cold. I even went to D.D. Bullwinkles and bought a puffy this weekend.”

Excitement is high for this upcoming race, coming after an adjusted 2020 season due to



The 2021 Brevard College cycling team

COVID-19. The last Nationals competition held was in 2019. Brevard College did not formally compete in the 2020 season because of the pandemic. Athletes are excited to get back into the swing of things, and junior cycling team member Michaela Gray said, “This past season

has been really fun, and I think nationals will be a fun experience for everyone going.”

The cycling team looks forward to the major race, and students are excited to see how the race goes. “I am excited to see how the team does at nationals,” sophomore Issac Saul said.

## Linebacker receives national honor

Following the first shutout for Brevard College football since the 2014 season, and the first against an NCAA opponent in program history, senior linebacker Steffon Canady was selected to the D3football.com Team of the Week.

Canady, a senior hailing from Glendale, Arizona, was heavily involved in the impressive defensive showing for the Tornados in their 31-0 victory over Maryville College on Homecoming. The linebacker totaled three quarterback sacks, pushing his program-record total to 18 for his Tornado career, while also

forcing a pair of fumbles and recovering one. Canady also tallied five tackles and three quarterback hurries in the victory.

Canady’s three sacks were his highest single-game total since he tied a program record with four sacks in the 2019 Scotty Whitelaw Bowl vs. Carnegie Mellon, where he was named the game’s Most Valuable Player. Through just 21 games in his Tornado career, Canady has racked up 132 tackles, 18 sacks, 29.5 tackles-for-loss, four forced fumbles, and two fumble recoveries.