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Capsized boat on the Louisiana Coast.

Boat capsized off the coast of Louisiana

Coast Guard boats and aircraft have covered an area larger than the state of Rhode Island to search for 12 people still missing Wednesday, April 14, off the Louisiana coast after their offshore oilfield vessel capsized due to hurricane force winds.

One worker's body was recovered Wednesday, and six people were rescued Tuesday, April 13, after the Seacor Power overturned Tuesday afternoon in the Gulf of Mexico search, interrupted by darkness and bad weather, totaling nearly 40 hours. Coast Guard Capt. Will Watson said earlier that winds were 80 to 90 mph (130 to 145 kph) and waves rose 7 to 9 feet high (2.1 to 2.7 meters) when the lift boat overturned.

The Coast Guard received a distress message from a good samaritan at 4:30 p.m. and issued an urgent marine broadcast that prompted multiple private vessels in the area to respond, saving four people, the agency said. Coast Guard crews

rescued another two people.

One worker was found dead on the surface of the water, Watson said at a news conference Wednesday. When asked about the missing workers' prospects, he said, "We are hopeful. We can't do this work if you're not optimistic, if you're not hopeful."

Shrimp boat captain Aaron Callais said the bad weather started with small, quickly dissipating waterspouts that buffeted his father's boat, the Ramblin' Cajun. "There was nothing we could do. One minute we were facing north, the next south, then east and west," he said. "Things were flying in the cabin."

— Harell Mitchell III

Graduation update

Another graduation update for Brevard College graduates, senior hooding will be taking place on the day of graduation (May 8) during the commencement ceremony. According to the Commencement Team, some aspects of the Baccalaureate ceremony have been taken and incorporated into the graduation ceremony.

Students and their chosen faculty member will complete the hooding process as their name is called and then will proceed to walk across the stage to receive their diploma followed by pictures. Students are reminded that they will be receiving a diploma holder, without the actual diploma inside. Due to the ceremony being "rain or shine", diplomas will be dispersed by mail.

Seniors are also reminded that pinning will be taking place the evening before graduation (May 7) following the commencement rehearsals and the class photo. The first commencement rehearsal for those graduating at 8 a.m. will take place at 4:30 p.m., followed by a class photo. The second rehearsal for those graduating at noon will begin at 5:30 p.m. while senior pinning number one is taking place. The second senior pinning ceremony will take place at 6:30 p.m.

Graduating students are encouraged to keep up with updates from the Brevard College commencement team via email and The Clarion's updates as the semester winds down.

— Margaret Correll



President Biden to remove American troops from Afghanistan

By Eleanor Flannery
Opinion Editor

President Biden announced last Wednesday his plan to withdraw U.S. combat troops from Afghanistan by Sept. 11, an attempt to end a “forever war” started over 20 years ago. Biden’s decision came after, according to AP News, “declaring that the Sept. 11 terror attacks of 20 years ago cannot justify American forces still dying in the nation’s longest war.”

From the New York Times: “Biden’s decision would pull all American troops out of Afghanistan 20 years after President George W. Bush ordered an invasion after the Sept. 11 attacks on New York City and the Pentagon, with the goal to punish Osama bin Laden and his Qaeda followers, who were sheltered in

Afghanistan by their Taliban hosts.”

NATO chief Jens Stoltenberg in Brussels said the alliance agreed to remove about 7,000 forces from Afghanistan, pairing up with Biden’s decision. The U.S. cannot continue to pour resources into an intractable war and expect different results, Biden said. “It is time to end America’s longest war,” Biden said, adding that the U.S. will “not conduct a hasty rush to the exit.”

“We cannot continue the cycle of extending or expanding our military presence in Afghanistan hoping to create the ideal conditions for our withdrawal, expecting a different result,” said Biden, delivering his address from the White House Treaty Room, the same location where President Bush announced the start of the war. “I am now the fourth United States president to preside over an American troop presence in Afghanistan. Two Republicans. Two Democrats. I will not pass this responsibility to a fifth.”

An official on the matter gave a statement, as well, saying, “We will reposition our counterterrorism capabilities retaining significant assets in the region to counter the potential reemergence of a terrorist threat to the homeland from Afghanistan and to hold the Taliban to its commitment to ensure Al Qaeda does not once again threaten the United States or our interests or our allies.”

Roughly 2,400 American troops have died during the time the U.S. has been in Afghanistan, a war costing approximately 2 trillion dollars. Though Biden is hopeful, along with democratic supporters who commended the notion of leaving Afghanistan, Republicans worry the withdrawal could pose a risk to American security.

Brevard College Theater presents She Kills Monsters

By Anna Ervin
Staff Writer

April 15 through 18, Brevard College Theater premiered the play “She Kills Monsters” written by Qui Nguyen and directed by Sydney Berk. Because COVID-19 does not allow for live theater, this show was shot entirely over Zoom beforehand and edited together.

The show follows a girl named Agnes (Emma Harris), a girl who wants nothing more than to blend into the world around her, and her recently deceased sister Tilly (Sarah Hajkowski) who was anything but average. Agnes must play Tilly’s homespun module of Dungeons and Dragons to get closer to understanding who Tilly was and understanding herself, meeting friends and foes along the way. It takes place in both a highschool and game realm.

The cast consisted of many old and new faces from Brevard Theater, including Kristian Michels, Sarah Hajkowski, Emma Harris, Emmy Godino, Michal Phillips, Talley Sugg, Grace Dempsey, Eli Hughes, Greyson Williams, Gabbi Nicholson, Anna Ervin, Scott Douglas, and Gabriel Bernhard. Sydney Berk was brought in as a guest director, and Berk and the cast have been working on this show together since February.

This production of “She Kills Monsters” was an immersive adventure to watch. The dynamic between the real world and the realm of Dungeons and Dragons and the unique medium combined with the talent and skill of the actors and direction of the director created a fun experience with characters that we could not wait to get to know.

Berk encourages those watching to “embrace the fun, step outside your comfort zone, and let your geek flag fly”. This show is a chance to grow through play and look past the labels we are given, like Agnes learns to do.

This play came at a crucial time for those who love theater. It reminds us that we can continue to enjoy doing and seeing what we love; this was a creative production that refused to be limited.

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Rioters arrested in Minnesota

By Kellen McGeroge
Staff Writer

On April 13, 2021, 79 rioters were arrested in Brooklyn Center in Minnesota, after a curfew was put into effect at 10 p.m. Police ended up arresting rioters on the charges of unlawful assembly and inciting a riot. The riot was started as a protest against police for the death of Daunte Wright, who was shot by a police officer in Brooklyn Center.

During the riot, rioters threw rocks and cans at the police officers, which led to many arrests. Following the riots, other metropolitan cities enacted curfews for their cities until 6 a.m. the following day. Col. Matt Langer, a member of the Minnesota State Patrol, held an interview condemning the violence. “The behaviors

we continue to see are unacceptable, and we are not going to tolerate them,” said Langer, “We encourage you to be peaceful and come and exercise your first amendment rights, it is not acceptable and will not be tolerated if you choose to come and do criminal activity and destroy property.”

On Wednesday, the curfew ended at 6 a.m., however, there were still small protests throughout Brooklyn center, with the remaining protestors leaving and the remaining protestors being arrested shortly after. However, 50 more rioters were arrested the second night after the first riot, with things becoming more violent, as many news reporters were forced to seek shelter when multiple shots were fired towards police and national guard. Looters also ran rampant

during the second night with many stores being destroyed and then tagged with graffiti promoting “BLM” and “ACAB”

With so much destruction going on, it is unclear if these riots are truly to gain justice for the death of Daunte Wright or are just being incited while using these events as justification. St. Paul mayor Melvin Carter made it clear that these riots were not for Daunte Wright. “You cannot honor the memory of George Floyd, you cannot honor the memory of Daunte Wright, by wreaking havoc in the communities they called home.” Rioting has continued, but has started to die down, however, it is unclear how long it will take for the cities to recover from these attacks.



Courtesy of NBC News

Protesters of the Daunte Wright shooting in Brooklyn Center.

Clarion cartoonist wins media award



Courtesy of John B. Padgett

Senior history major Sam Hipp received a first place award from the North Carolina College Media Association for cartoons he published in The Clarion in 2020. Awards were announced at the association's virtual conference in February, but actual certificates were not mailed until last week.

Ingenuity Mars helicopter

It is no secret that humans have been trying to find life on other planets. Earth has sent people to the moon and even sent satellites out into space in hopes of finding some form of life or anything else that is mind blowing.

There have been rockets taken off and other rovers sent to the moon. One of the most popular out of recent rovers sent to space is the Perseverance Rover that was sent to Mars.

This rover was the first rover on Mars and now there are five. Attached to the belly of the Perseverance rover is the Ingenuity Mars Helicopter. This helicopter is the first attempt at powered flight on Mars.

NASA plans to test out powered flight with the Ingenuity helicopter over the course of 30 days. Once the rover reaches a suitable "helipad" they will begin the testing. First test will be to hover a few feet off the ground for 20-30 seconds. This will be a big moment to see how it will react in Mars' thin atmosphere.

After this they will start to extend the distance it will hover above the ground and the duration of the flight. Later they will see how it can maneuver through the atmosphere.

Monday, April 19, is when NASA will do the first test flight. This helicopter cost 85 million dollars and is crucial in helping with the mission to find life on Mars. If the tests are successful then we will be able to scan over Mars' surface with ease and cover a lot of ground in a short amount of time compared to the rovers we have right now. This is just one small step to the great technology we have to help find life on Mars.

— Jake Moore



Campus honors and awards

Brevard College's annual honors and awards ceremony commenced on Tuesday, April 20, 2021. Students, faculty and staff were there to celebrate the students who have made an impact on campus, and who now have the awards to show for it.

This is a list of all the award winning students and their respective awards:

- Aia Andonovska, Outstanding English Major
- Monica Avery, Outstanding Psychology Major
- Aaron Bennett, Grace Roy Award
- Bethany Bryan, Dr. Barbara Boerner Emerging Leader Scholarship Award
- Margaret Correll, Editor in Chief of The Clarion and Outstanding English Major
- K'nique Eichelberger, Outstanding Theatre Major (Performance) and Outstanding Music Major
- Christian Ezzell, Mt. Pisgah Award
- Makayla Foster, Outstanding Criminal

- Justice Senior
- Austin Highley, Outstanding Integrated Studies Major
- Madison Hogan, Outstanding Mathematics Senior
- Gabrielle Lachney, WLEE Major Outstanding Senior
- Benjamin Melton, Mt. Pisgah Award
- Jesse Money, Outstanding Physics Senior
- Jasmine Myers, Outstanding Art Major
- Madison Ramsey, Outstanding History Major
- Gabriel Rebollar-Catalan, Outstanding Exercise Science Major
- Sallie Riggan, Outstanding Art Major
- Rebecca Rojas, Sustainable Leadership Award
- Jose Alfredo Sanchez Martinez, Ray Fisher Leadership Award
- Madison Smith, Outstanding Environmental Studies Senior
- Mickayla Smith, Editor of The Chiaroscuro
- Solomon Turner, Outstanding Biology Senior

- Carson Waddell, BORG Highest Academic Achievement Senior
- Destiny Williams, Outstanding Health Science Studies Senior
- Claire Wylie, Outstanding Theatre Major (Design/Tech)

Congratulations to all of the award winners for their outstanding achievements at Brevard College!

— Margaret Correll

Transylvania NAACP holds weekly vigils at courthouse

Join the local NAACP chapter each Monday at the Brevard courthouse from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. rain or shine.

This is our time to bring our community

together, to stand and speak and sing with one voice our commitment to community with an emphasis on unity, to equity and justice for all and to love over hate. Please wear a mask and

follow CDC-recommended precautions.



Food for Thought forum

By Ann Farash
Staff Writer

Food For Thought (FFT) is a collaborative of Brevard College students, staff and faculty discussing social issues and this year's forum is about systemic injustice. Brevardians meet once or twice a month via Zoom previously discussed topics included police reform, the biased brain, economic inequality and others that are recorded and can viewed on the campus Canvas platform.

Professor of History, Jordan Kuck explained how FFT came to be because our country was grappling with issues of historical memory and present day injustice after the murder of George Floyd and the COVID-19 pandemic last summer. Kuck said, "A number of the faculty and staff began to meet virtually to discuss how to respond to all of this on campus. My colleagues and I talked about the urgent need to promote conversation and dialogue on campus." The Zoom format made it convenient to open the forum to the entire Brevard campus. Kuck says that through the forum he has gotten to know his colleagues better and "highlighted for me just how talented and intellectually diverse our campus community is."

The last FFT forum was about teaching controversial topics in the classroom. Professor of Education Betsy Burrows was the facilitator and she said "to change minds you need to be uncomfortable," Burrows teaches a Young Adult Literature class. The class reads one book a week. The topics cover a broad range from police brutality, racism, suicide, mental illness, murder, alcoholism, societal collapse and the chasm of economic divide. These books are serious literature and many are highly acclaimed national award winners. The class is formatted to include everyone in the discussion and each student takes a turn as discussion leader. Burrows is teaching the students to be critical thinkers.

Burrows states that the teacher has to create a safe trustful classroom to discuss topics and polarizing ideas. You have to know your students first. Burrows said that some teachers won't go near any controversial topics, playing it safe. Kuck spoke about the recent suspension of a highschool teacher enacting the George Floyd trial in her classroom.

Burrows said these topics are her curriculum.

And related a powerful anecdote where she was challenged by parents over the assigned reading of "Huckleberry Finn". The parents thought the book was racist, but Burrows convinced them to read the book with their children as a way to talk about race. Burrows gave us tools to further explore the topic in Nels Noddings' book, Teaching Controversial Issues and others recommended the Youtube series Uncomfortable Conversations With A Black Man.

Classroom etiquette consists of being respectful of others' opinions. Defend your point of view in a professional manner with evidence. Manage your emotions. Practice empathy by putting yourself in someone else's shoes. Give time for reflection. And lastly Burrows said, Give each person grace."

The next FFT forum takes place on April 22 at 11:00 a.m. Professor of Ecology and Environmental Studies, Robert Cabin will be discussing Environmental Social Justice. Zoom-in, listen and engage on this last important topic.

Comic Con Greenville, 2021

This past weekend, South Carolina held the annual SC Comic Con in Greenville. The event had hundreds of people dressed in various costumes coming together to celebrate science fiction and fantasy.

There were plenty of booths run by popular writers, voice actors and artists. Many people had the chance to talk and take pictures with their favorite celebrities. The event also held booths for people to sell artwork and posters. Along with that, there were plenty of retro toys, video games and old movies being sold for reasonable prices.

What most people feared about Comic Con this year was COVID-19. It was refreshing to see that visitors and the people running the place were all taking the proper precautions. There wasn't a single person there without a mask, except to eat of course. If this cautious behavior continues, COVID-19 most likely won't even be a problem come next year.

— Jackson Inglis



Amongst the action at Comic-Con in Greenville, SC.

Photo from iOnGreenville

The Oscars 2021 nominations

By Aia Andonovska
Copy Editor

The 2021 Oscars will take place on Sunday, April 25. This year, instead of the Dolby Theatre, the event will be taking place at the Art Deco-Mission Revival railway hub in downtown Los Angeles, California. The Academy Award nominees for this year are as follows:

Best Picture

“The Father”
“Judas and the Black Messiah”
“Mank”
“Minari”
“Nomadland”
“Promising Young Woman”
“Sound of Metal”
“The Trial of the Chicago 7”

Directing

Thomas Vinterberg for “Another Round”
David Fincher for “Mank”
Lee Isaac Chung for “Minari”
Chloe Zhao for “Nomadland”
Emerald Fennell for “Promising Young Woman”

Actress in a Leading Role

Viola Davis, “Ma Rainey’s Black Bottom”
Andra Day, “The United States Vs. Billie Holiday”

Vanessa Kirby, “Pieces Of A Woman”
Frances McDormand, “Nomadland”
Carey Mulligan, “Promising Young Woman”

Actor in a Leading Role

Riz Ahmed, “Sound of Metal”
Chadwick Boseman, “Ma Rainey’s Black Bottom”

Anthony Hopkins, “The Father”
Gary Oldman in “Mank”
Steven Yeun in “Minari”

Actor in a Supporting Role

Sacha Baron Cohen, “The Trial of the Chicago 7”

Daniel Kaluuya, “Judas and the Black Messiah”

Leslie Odom Jr., “One Night in Miami”
Paul Raci, “Sound of Metal”
Lakeith Stanfield, “Judas and the Black Messiah”

Actress in a Supporting Role

Maria Bakalova, “Borat Subsequent

Moviefilm”
Glenn Close, “Hillbilly Elegy”
Olivia Colman, “The Father”
Amanda Seyfried, “Mank”
Yuh-Jung Youn, “Minari”

Writing (Adapted Screenplay)

“Borat Subsequent Moviefilm”
“The Father”
“Nomadland”

“One Night in Miami”

“The White Tiger”

Writing (Original Screenplay)

“Judas and the Black Messiah”
“Minari”
“Promising Young Woman”
“Sound of Metal”
“The Trial of the Chicago 7”

Cinematography

“Judas and the Black Messiah”
“Mank”
“News of the World”
“Nomadland”
“The Trial of the Chicago 7”

Animated Feature Film

“Onward”
“Over the Moon”
“A Shaun the Sheep Movie: Farmageddon”
“Soul”
“Wolfwalkers”

Documentary Feature

“Collective”
“Crip Camp”
“The Mole Agent”
“My Octopus Teacher”
“Time”

Music (Original Score)

“Da 5 Bloods”
“Mank”
“Minari”
“News of the World”
“Soul”

Music (Original Song)

“Fight For You” from “Judas and the Black Messiah” (Music by H.E.R. and Dernst Emile II; Lyric by H.E.R. and Tiara Thomas)

“Hear My Voice” from “The Trial of the Chicago 7” (Music by Daniel Pemberton; Lyric by Daniel Pemberton and Celeste Waite)

“Husavik” from “Eurovision Song Contest: The Story of Fire Saga” (Music and Lyric by Savan Kotecha, Fat Max Gsus and Rickard Gransson)

“Io S (Seen)” from “The Life Ahead (La Vita Davanti a Se)” (Music by Diane Warren; Lyric by Diane Warren and Laura Pausini)

“Speak Now” from “One Night in Miami...” (Music and Lyric by Leslie Odom, Jr. and Sam Ashworth)

Animated Short Film

“Burrow”
“Genius Loci”
“If Anything Happens I Love You”
“Opera”
“Yes-People”

Live Action Short Film

“Feeling Through”
“The Letter Room”
“The Present”



Oscars academy award trophy.

“Two Distant Strangers”
“White Eye”

Documentary Short Subject

“Colette”
“A Concerto Is a Conversation”
“Do Not Split”
“Hunger Ward”
“A Love Song for Latasha”

Film Editing

“The Father”
“Nomadland”
“Promising Young Woman”
“Sound of Metal”
“The Trial of the Chicago 7”

Sound

“Greyhound”
“Mank”
“News of the World”
“Soul”
“Sound of Metal”

International Feature Film

“Another Round,” Denmark
“Better Days,” Hong Kong
“Collective,” Romania
“The Man Who Sold His Skin,” Tunisia
“Quo Vadis, Aida?,” Bosnia and Herzegovina

Costume Design

“Emma”
“Ma Rainey’s Black Bottom”
“Mank”
“Mulan”
“Pinocchio”

Makeup and Hairstyling

“Emma”
“Hillbilly Elegy”
“Ma Rainey’s Black Bottom”
“Mank”

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2021 Oscars nominations

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“Pinocchio”

Production Design

“The Father”

“Ma Rainey’s Black Bottom”

“Mank”

“News of the World”

“Tenet”

Visual Effects

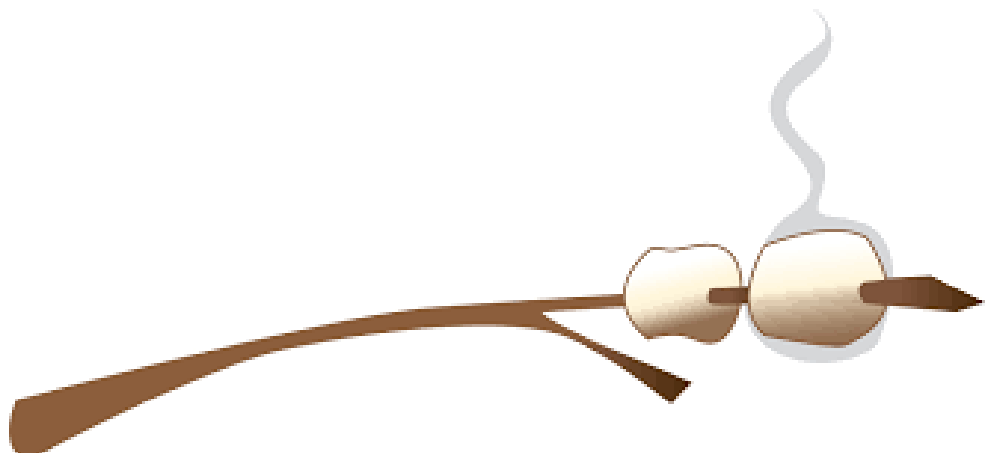
“Love and Monsters”

“The Midnight Sky”

“Mulan”

“The One and Only Ivan”

“Tenet”



Camping in Pisgah

As the weather gets better and better, more outdoor activities are opening up and becoming more enjoyable. At this point in the semester, every night I spend in Beam is a night that I consider wasted.

One of the most appealing aspects of Brevard is the easy access we have to Pisgah National Forest, and for these next few weeks, I plan on taking full advantage of it. How will I do this? Through camping.

For example, last Tuesday a couple of buddies and I were trying to find something new and exciting to do and found ourselves at a loss. We then had the brilliant idea to go camping since our Wednesday class schedules are all fairly light. With little to no planning, we hit the caf, then hopped into our cars heading into Pisgah with little more than a camp chair. We found a site off of yellow gap road, got a fire started, and spent the night talking and staring up at the stars.

This was one of the better nights I have had while at Brevard and is something that I want to make more common. Pisgah is full of beautiful sights and experiences that I think we all need to get out and experience.

Basically, what I am doing here is, trying to inspire whoever reads this to get outside and have a good night with your friends. You will return to campus the next day feeling more rejuvenated and much happier than before. Getting out of the crummy dorms can work wonders for your well-being. Plus, it will help improve your mindset going into the stress of finals. It is an activity that only has positives and is something I will be implementing more into my life.

— Simon Donnaway



Women's tennis team enjoys senior day win

By Margaret Correll
Editor in Chief

Brevard College women's tennis took on Agnes Scott for their senior day home match at the McCoy Tennis Complex. Honoring seniors Kenzie Bowman, Margaret Correll and Jen Cox the day was perfect for gift giving and match play.

After a surprise decoration in the women's locker room and an introductory presentation by men's and women's head coach Brad Jones, the seniors were presented with several gifts including a canvas picture detailing an action shot from years past. Friends, family, students, staff and community members all came out to support the ladies on their long-awaited senior



BC tennis seniors Correll, Bowman and Cox stand with their teammates and coaches in celebration of their final season and senior day match.

day. With formalities out of the way, the women were ready to face off against the Scotties.

The doubles line up saw senior duo Correll and Cox at number one, demolishing their Scottie opponents Jacy Pippin and Fabiola Garcia with a score of 8-1. Third senior Bowman and sophomore Hamrick Perry teamed up at number two doubles against Trestin Artkaxa and Katuska Toral Casti, winning with a score of 8-3. The third doubles was forfeited by Agnes Scott due to lack of players.

The Tornados were up 3-0 going into singles and ready to secure the win for Brevard College.

At number one, Cox had a tough match against Artkaxa, falling short with a score of 4-6, 0-6. For number two, Correll took the match against Pippin, with a score of 6-3, 6-1. At number three singles, Bowman annihilated Garcia with a score of 6-1, 6-0. Lastly, sophomore Brooke Garland took on Casti, winning with a shutout score of 6-0, 6-0. The fifth and sixth matches were forfeited by Agnes Scott due to lack of players.

Overall, the women's tennis team secured the win for Brevard College with a score of 8-1. Both the men's and women's teams will wrap up their 2021 season with a 1 p.m. match on April 24 against Pfeiffer at the McCoy Tennis

Brevard sweeps senior day doubleheader

By Joseph Marvin
Digital Media Director

BREVARD, N.C. – Honoring its 2021 senior class of Brittany Franks, Ali Grace Hartman, Micayla McCoy, and Emily White, the Brevard College softball team (6-8, 5-3 USAS) swept a USA South Conference doubleheader against LaGrange College (3-7, 2-6 USAS) on a sunny Sunday afternoon at the BC Softball Field.

After falling behind early, 3-0 in game one, BC stormed back with 10 unanswered runs to take the first contest by a final of 10-3 as BC's offense accumulated 12 hits behind a complete-game performance from McCoy. Brevard opened up an early 5-0 lead and held off LaGrange by scoring five runs in innings 4-6 to claim the doubleheader sweep with a 10-5 triumph. Hartman earned the complete-game victory in the circle for the Tornados,

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Softball secures two wins against LaGrange

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hurling seven innings surrendering just one earned run with five strikeouts.

GAME ONE – BREVARD 10, LAGRANGE 3

McCoy (3-3) got the ball in the first contest of the Senior Day doubleheader, throwing the 20th complete game of her Tornado career and her 13th victory at BC. The Cullowhee, North Carolina native went all seven innings allowing just five hits and three runs while striking out four batters. The right-hander also contributed offensively, going 2-for-3 with a triple, a run scored, and an RBI.

Senior outfielder Brittany Franks posted a 2-for-4 outing with two runs and two RBI's, while Taylor Hannah also collected a multi-hit performance. Jocelyn Folkers and Hartman logged triples while Autumn Lollis and White notched doubles as all nine of BC's starters collected base hits in the 10-3 victory.

LaGrange struck first in the top of the third with a two-RBI double and a sacrifice fly that gave the Panthers the early advantage, 3-0. The Tornados were able to answer right back, exploding for seven runs in the bottom half of the third frame.

Folkers opened up the third-inning scoring barrage with a stand-up RBI-triple over the right fielder's head that scored Lollis. Hartman followed suit with a two-RBI triple of her own that plated Folkers and White, tying the contest 3-3. Franks added an RBI-single that was followed by an RBI-single and a fielding error that scored Franks and McCoy. Lollis capped off the scoring outburst with a double down the left-field line that scored Serena Rodgers-Luckey, giving the Tornados a four-run cushion, 7-3.

BC used three hits and a pair of LaGrange errors in the bottom of the fourth to extend its lead to a 10-3 margin, as McCoy and the Tornado defense shut down the visitors over the course of the final three innings to secure the victory.

GAME TWO – BREVARD 10, LAGRANGE 5

Hartman (1-3) got the start in the circle for the Tornados in the second game of the afternoon, earning her first win of the 2021 season in her second complete game of the year. The right-handed senior from Lawndale, North Carolina threw seven innings of six-hit ball, allowing just one earned run while scattering five strikeouts in the contest.

Hannah led all Tornado batters with a 3-for-4 performance at the plate, highlighting her afternoon with a bases-clearing, three-RBI triple. Hartman and White each tallied two-

hit performances, as Hartman logged a pair of doubles and two RBI's while White racked up a double and an RBI. Sophomore infielder Katelynn Olive racked up a pair of doubles and three RBI's off the bench for the Tornados to help Brevard pull away.

After sitting down the Panthers 1-2-3 in the top of the first inning, Hartman kickstarted BC's offense with a double that scored White to give the Tornados the early advantage, 1-0.

Brevard loaded the bases with no outs in the bottom of the second inning before a Beth Hyatt infield single doubled BC's advantage. Hannah stepped up to bat and cleared the bases, shooting a line drive through the gap in left-center field, giving the Tornados a 5-0 lead.

A LaGrange RBI-single, two passed balls, and an RBI groundout gave the Panthers new life, as the visitors cut the deficit to a one-run, 5-4 margin after the top of the third inning. BC's senior duo of Hartman and White answered right back in the bottom of the fourth with back-to-back RBI-doubles that extended the Tornado lead to 7-4.

Olive was subbed into the contest in the top of the fifth inning and made an immediate offensive impact in the bottom of the stanza, doubling home Rodgers-Luckey to push BC's lead to a four-run cushion. Olive stepped up in the bottom of the sixth and smacked a two-RBI double to left-center field to break open the contest, giving the Tornados a 10-4 advantage.

The Panthers used a late two-out rally in the top of the seventh to keep themselves in striking distance, as a double followed by a fielding error cut the BC lead to five runs. However, Hartman forced a fly out to center field that secured the senior day doubleheader sweep for Brevard, 10-5.

The Tornados are scheduled to travel to Decatur, Georgia on Wednesday, April 21 to face Agnes Scott College at 4 and 6 p.m.



Courtesy of Victoria Brayman

Ali Grace Hartman earned her first victory of the 2021 season to clinch a Senior Day doubleheader sweep.

Men's soccer honors four seniors in 8-0 exhibition

By Joseph Marvin
Digital Media Director

BREVARD, N.C. – The Brevard College men's soccer team honored its four seniors – Marquis Dickerson, Jose Sanchez, Adam Spencer, and JP Suarti – in a special halftime ceremony on Sunday afternoon at Ives-Lemel Family Field, as the Tornados defeated USC Union in an exhibition matchup 8-0.

Seven different Tornados got on the score sheet, led by freshman forward Ryan Lynch who notched a brace of two goals. All four seniors – Dickerson, Sanchez, Spencer, and Suarti – notched goals in addition to scores by Noah Martin and Ryan Sinkamba. Dickerson and Igor de Silva dished out assists for the Tornados while starting goalkeeper Jack Pruehs combined for a shutout with fellow goalkeepers Otis Kahar and Thiago Leopardi.

BC dominated the exhibition contest from the onset, outshooting USC Union 35-4 while also controlling seven corner kicks.

BC's four-man senior class of Dickerson, Sanchez, Spencer, and Suarti helped lead the 2020-21 BC men's soccer team to the Spring 2021 USA South Conference West Division Championship in addition to a 6-2-1 regular-season record.

Dickerson, a senior defender from Havelock, North Carolina who majors in Exercise Science has appeared in 32 contests and made 29 starts for the Tornados, scoring twice with an assist for five career points while helping anchor the BC defense.

Sanchez, a senior midfielder from Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic who majors in Business and Organizational Leadership has played in 32 games with 10 starts for BC, accumulating a pair of assists in his Tornado career. Sanchez notched a score in Sunday's exhibition matchup vs. USC Union.

Spencer, a senior midfielder from Mooresville, North Carolina who majors in Business and Organizational Leadership has played in 57 matches with 45 starts for Brevard. Spencer has racked up 10 goals and five assists for 25 career points. Spencer's 10 goals are tied for second-most in BC's NCAA-era and his 25 points are tied for third.

Suarti, a senior forward from Mogi das Cruzes, Brazil who majors in Business & Organizational Leadership has scored four goals and dished out two assists for 10 points in his two seasons with the Tornados.



Courtesy of Brianna Rodibaugh

Senior midfielder Jose "Fish" Sanchez put in a goal in BC's 8-0 exhibition win over USC Union.

Brevard is slated to conclude its 2021 Spring campaign on Wednesday when the Tornados host Bob Jones University at 7 p.m.

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Sanders strikes out career-high 11 in doubleheader

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BREVARD, N.C. - Sophomore right-handed pitcher Nathan Sanders struck out a career-high 11 batters as the Brevard College baseball team (9-10, 3-2 USAS) split a USA South Conference doubleheader against Piedmont College (18-11, 5-3 USAS) on Monday afternoon at Gil Coan Field.

Sanders, a native of Franklin, North Carolina, set down 11 Piedmont batters in six impressive innings of work, allowing just one hit while not surrendering an earned run, as the Tornados prevailed with the 4-2 victory.

GAME ONE - BREVARD 4, PIEDMONT 2

Sanders (2-1) got the game one start for the Tornados, tossing six innings of one-hit ball with a career-best 11 strikeouts against a formidable Lion offense, allowing just a pair of runs with none earned.

Sophomore outfielder Zach Allison enjoyed a 2-for-3 day at the plate with a pair of doubles and two RBI's with one run scored. Peter Fumero added a 1-for-2 performance, also driving in a pair of runs while junior outfielder Jack Atkinson had a 2-for-2 day at the plate with a pair of runs scored. Junior infielder Zach Wolfe also added a pair of hits with a double in game one while Macean Metcalf racked up his first collegiate hit.

Sanders held the Piedmont offense in check for the majority of his outing, out-dueling Sam Carpenter (7-2) who went six innings with three earned runs allowed. Huntley Hacker made his first collegiate start in the field for the Tornados, patrolling first base while also nailing down the save attempt on the mound with a hitless seventh inning of work.

After Sanders struck out the side in the top of the first, BC's offense stuck quickly, as Jason Jucker reached on an error to leadoff the bottom half of the frame. BC accumulated three-consecutive base hits, as an Allison RBI-double and a two-RBI single from Fumero gave Brevard an early 3-0 lead.

Sanders proceeded to strike out the side in order in the top of the second to keep the Lion offense at bay. After a pair of K's to begin the top of the third inning, Piedmont was able to plate a pair of runs with a pair of Tornado errors before a pop-up ended the half-inning, as BC clung to a 3-2 advantage.

The Tornados answered right back, as an Atkinson single and stolen base turned into a run when Allison doubled down the right-field line to extend the Brevard lead to a 4-2 margin through three innings.

After a scoreless fourth inning, Piedmont threatened with a runner 90 feet away in the top of the fifth before a Sanders strikeout ended the threat. The Tornados managed to put runners on second and third in the bottom of the fifth before a flyout ended the scoring opportunity, keeping the contest at a 4-2 affair in favor of Brevard.

BC managed to place runners on second and third base with one out in the bottom of the sixth, but a pair of solid defensive plays from Piedmont's third baseman thwarted the scoring opportunity.

Hacker was brought on for the save opportunity with a two-run cushion to work with. The senior right-handed pitcher from Lexington, Kentucky shut down Piedmont in the top of the seventh to clinch the conference victory for the Tornados, 4-2.

GAME TWO - PIEDMONT 9, BREVARD 2

Fumero led the way for the Tornado offense in the second game of the doubleheader, accumulating a 2-for-3 performance with an RBI. Atkinson added an RBI on a sacrifice fly, while Christian Ezzell, Jucker, and Metcalf also logged base hits. Hacker and Jake Moore collected their first collegiate hits in the contest as well.

Trent Anderson (2-3) got the start on the mound for the Tornados, allowing eight hits and five runs in three innings of work with three strikeouts. Five pitchers saw action for the Tornados in game two, including Noah Clay who racked up his first collegiate appearance.

Carter Ballstadt, Jack Bartlewski, and Zach Norman each racked up two-RBI performances in the victory for the Lions, while Peyton Irvin (7-2) earned the win with six innings of six-hit, one earned-run ball.

Following a pair of scoreless innings for both sides, Piedmont racked up five runs on four-consecutive RBI doubles, as Piedmont took a 5-0 advantage.

Brevard answered back with a pair of runs in the bottom of the third when Atkinson brought home a run on a sacrifice fly that was followed by a Fumero RBI-single, trimming the deficit

to a three-run, 5-2 margin.

The Lions would proceed to score four runs total over the next three innings of play, scattering two hits and three Tornado baserunners over the last four innings of action to claim the doubleheader split with a 9-2 conference win.

The Tornados are scheduled to return to action this upcoming weekend when the Tornados travel to LaGrange, Georgia to face LaGrange College. The series is currently slated to begin on Saturday, April 24 at 7 p.m. and conclude with a doubleheader on Sunday, April 25 at 12 and 3 p.m.

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