

# CREEK Week welcomes Freshmen!

By Caroline Hoy  
Co-Editor in Chief

An annual Brevard College tradition for new incoming students is Creek Week. During Creek Week, the peer leaders and RAs work hard to make the new freshman feel welcome.

On Wednesday, Aug 17, the class of 2026 moved into their new rooms on the Brevard College campus. The RAs made sure that the freshman had anything they needed, and the day went by very smoothly.

What would be more Brevard College than having the llamas visiting that night? Outside the Dining Hall during dinner, there were caricatures available and an arts and craft wax mold station where you could decorate the wax mold. Lastly, there were the llamas.

The next morning was kicked off with the peer leaders meeting their students at 8:30 a.m. for breakfast. The whole dining hall was full and had a light and happy atmosphere. After breakfast, all the FYE classes met at the football field for playfair. Playfair was about two hours of ice breaking games with the whole freshman class, peer leaders and RAs. Despite some fear of the unknown in the beginning, everyone ended up having a fun time and meeting many new people.

After playfair and lunch, the FYE classes



Students making new fun hand creations

met up and groups eight through fifteen went to tornado tips. This included many tables of helpful information for incoming students. Groups one through seven went to move a mountain. Move a mountain was different community service projects across Brevard. They ranged from collecting trash out of the French Broad River to taping notes to dum dums

to give to middle and high schoolers on their first day of school.

The next day the FYE sections meet for a fun day of alcohol EDU. There were many stations including driving a bike in between the cones while wearing drunk goggles, basketball with drunk goggles, fighting with soft paddles on a pettleset with drunk goggles, a race with eggs on spoons and bean bag toss with drunk goggles, freeses with drunk googles, dodgeball with drunk goggles and a VR game that simulates someone getting drunk.

Everyone seemed to have tons of fun but some of the RAs were a bit conserved at how good some of the freshmen were at the games. After the alcohol EDU and a lunch break, FYE classes one through seven did the tornado tips from the previous day and FYE classes eight through 15 did move a mountain.

The next day, the returning students moved in while the freshman had the option to explore the outdoors. This included a trip to Sliding Rock or the beach at Lake Lure. That night the annual ice cream social at the President's house was held.

Class of 26's Creek Week finished its last day with Convocation. Everything ended up going wonderfully, and we can't wait for a wonderful year here at Brevard College.

## Letter from the Editors

Hello and welcome back to school everyone! We are so excited to have everyone back.

Our names are Anna Ervin and Caroline Hoy, and we are your Co-Editors in Chief for the year.

Caroline Hoy is a senior Environmental Studies major with a focus on sustainability and a minor in Creative Writing. She is from Charleston, SC, and has been involved in the Clarion for six semesters. Hoy enjoys playing video games, being with friends and going on super long adventures through national parks.

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and moved to Brevard from Sparta, TN. She loves going to Taco Bell, music, sleeping and being with cats. She also has a collection of assorted mugs.

We can't wait to be the best editors there ever were for you, and if you are interested in anything Clarion, don't be afraid to reach out. You'll be hearing from us more soon, and we can't wait to hear from all of you. Enjoy the razzle dazzling issue!

– Anna Ervin and  
Caroline Hoy



Caroline Hoy and Anna Ervin with their literary department awards.

# Free Tutoring is available at Jones Library!

By Sarah Hajkowski  
Copy Editor

With the semester starting up, the Clarion renews our reminder that all students can schedule tutoring sessions at no charge in Jones Library!

Brevard College's Experiential Learning Center, or ELC, is a program based in Jones Library on BC campus. ELC tutors are fellow students who hold regular hours on a posted weekly schedule to tutor their peers in a variety of subjects.

These tutors are a stellar resource for reviewing course content, guidance on writing assignments, and more. Services in the ELC begin Sep. 1 and continue throughout the semester.

Both new and returning students are welcome! All tutors are happy to help and there is an intentional atmosphere free of judgment. To make an appointment with an ELC tutor starting Sept. 1, students can follow a simple set of steps:

1. Any BC student can visit mybrevard.edu and seek out our "ELC & Library" resource.
2. Clicking on this, three blue buttons appear,

including one labeled "Learning Consultants."

3. Students who click this button are brought to a screen with the option to view available tutors and subjects, or schedule an appointment (calling a "Learning Consultation.")

4. Using the second link directs visitors to the BC "wc.online" page where they may register with their Brevard email to make an appointment. From there, you're on your way!

ELC tutoring also features the option to schedule an Online appointment! Several

tutors offer to review your work or drafts as an attachment at your scheduled time and send feedback to your email when completed. Face-to-Face tutoring consultations are also available, to cover all preferences.

Appointments are the best guarantee of connecting with an LC tutor, but walk-ins are also accepted when the tutor is available. Clarion encourages students to take advantage of ELC Tutoring services, starting Sept. 1 downstairs in Jones Library.



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# Campus activities update

By Aaron Butts  
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The first week of campus activities here at Brevard College were a major success! The

Fall 2022 semester was kicked off with a Karaoke Night and free wings, open to all students! As

a participating student that went to that event, it was one of the more upbeat and fun atmospheres that we have had at BC in recent years.

I caught up with the Student Activities Coordinator Chloe Proffitt to get her comments about the event, and if we would do it again in the near future. She said, "This past Wednesday's Karaoke Night was our most successful event we have ever held with 92 people attending. We are definitely looking to do more of these in the future and possibly scheduling it to be an every other week event. It was a lot of fun and I look forward to seeing students excited and engaged for our future events!"

Rockin' Bowl held our monthly Free Bowling

night for Brevard College students last

Thursday, and once again it was a huge hit with all of the students that attended. This particular

event is always one of the most anticipated things done for the students at Brevard College. Hunter Burrow, a Sophomore here at BC went down to the Lanes and was kind enough to

give me a few comments about why he thinks Bowling nights are successful for us. He said, "They seem successful because it's a good place to go and meet and mingle with new people. You get thrown in a lane and you may not know who these people are beside you, but it's pretty cool to meet them and make new friends. Plus \$2.50 draft beer for those of age!"

Definitely be on the lookout next month for Free Bowling Night! Make sure to follow @LifeatBC on Instagram and check the TV's around campus to hear about these and more fun events coming up during the year!

## BC counseling services care

By Sarah Hajkowski  
Copy Editor

Mental health is a vital part of student life today, and Brevard College seeks to support the wellbeing of students with the offer of free, on-campus Counseling Services.

For both new and returning students, a semester of new classes, schedules, friendships and other personal struggles can be a huge source of negative stress. It can be difficult to acknowledge, but mental health is just as important as physical health. Being a student, friend, child, or team member gets harder when we don't feel our best.

Some of us find healthy responses to challenges within ourselves; self-care is a part of shaping a positive mindset. Even so, we don't have to be alone. One evidence-based support for mental health is talking to a professional who is there to help. Thankfully there are such people on Brevard College campus.

Brevard College Counseling Services offers confidential resources to all students who find themselves in need of help. Available both in-person and remotely, free services include individual or potentially group counseling sessions, usually on a weekly basis, Monday through Friday per student and counselor's availability.

Students may take that first step toward counseling either by visiting Counseling Services in-person (located upstairs in Tornado Alley) or sending an email to [counseling@brevard.edu](mailto:counseling@brevard.edu), or Kevin George, II at [georgekt@brevard.edu](mailto:georgekt@brevard.edu).

From here, Counseling Services strives to match students with a Counselor who is a supportive fit, and who will help clients navigate whatever they enter this safe space to talk about. No tough time or transition has to look a certain way in order to deserve outside help. The Clarion encourages all students to be compassionate with their own personal selves, and seek out BC Counseling Services in any situation where they feel they're grappling with too much strain than they can deal with alone.



Photo by Tori Brayman

Students enjoying a new game of volleyball in their free time.

# Brevard College club fair



SGA, BC Intramurals, CAB and Paws for a Cause



Outing Club



The BC Club Fair was held outside Myers Dining hall on Saturday, Aug. 27. Many students both new and old came to sign up for different clubs and organizations. There are many different groups there besides the one pictured here. It really shows how Brevard brings all sorts of different people together.

The Clarion (above)  
Pride Club and Art Club (left)  
Christ Club and FCA (right)



# BC hosts art show!



Photo by Caroline Hoy

Rebakah Alviani standing next to her piece "Unveiled"

The 2022 Faculty Art show was a success! At one point during the night the Spiers Art Gallery was full of people. All the pieces were amazing and just amazing to see. The art show really highlighted Rebekah Alviani, who is the newest of the art professors teaching digital media.

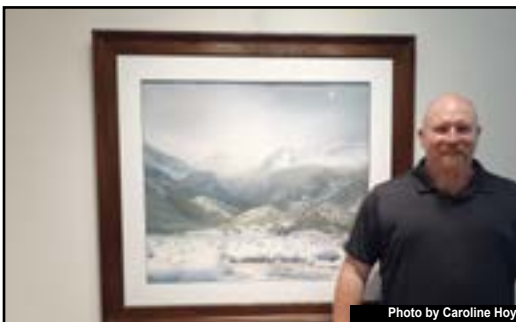


Photo by Caroline Hoy

Ken McLeskey standing next to his piece "Moraine Park, CO"



Photo by Caroline Hoy

Sean Parrish next to his piece "P45"



Photo from Caroline Hoy

Kyle Van Lusk standing next to his piece "Diversions"



# Weekly Horoscopes

By Anna Ervin  
Co-Editor Chief

This week, **Aries**, take the back seat in decision making. You are a strong leader, but that doesn't mean that you get to control every detail. Better things will come together if you work with your group rather than against it.

**Taurus**, you are ready for new things. You've got big plans and big ideas that just need a leap of faith to get started. Don't hesitate to put yourself back out there, especially as school starts again.

**Gemini**, burnout is real, and it is okay to be feeling it right now. However, you have ways to combat this. Don't take on such an overwhelming amount of responsibility at once, and remember to continue to take care of yourself in small ways too, like eating, sleeping, and staying hydrated.

**Cancer**, when you are confronted, don't immediately react. Take some time to think about what you're saying and how it affects them. You have important relationships that benefit from healthy communication.

**Leo**, relationships take a lot of work from both sides. If you feel like your needs aren't being met, talk about it with them. If you don't discuss your issues with the person, they will never have the chance to fix them.

**Virgo**, you are zipping through life right now. It's okay to stop and smell the roses. Not everything needs to be done with haste; don't be in such a rush to move on with your life because you're missing the good parts of now.

**Libra**, it's tempting as school starts to blow the budget on everything you think you need all at once. Don't do this. Get a little thrifty and buy what you actually need over what you want and ask yourself if you're really going to use what you thought you wanted.

**Scorpio**, people are trying to come back into your life, but it's up to you to decide if you'll let them. Look at them not for who you think they could be, but for who they are. Actual action towards change is more important than words.

**Sagittarius**, you may be caught between two

people asking you to pick a side. But really, it's not fair for them to drag you into their disagreements and cause you major stress. If they love you and you love both of them, then they need to work it out without you.

**Capricorn**, life can be happy just as much as it can be sad. If you're feeling down, try to look at the little things you enjoy. Help is also always available, so check your resources.

**Aquarius**, look at who you want to be. Stop pretending you are someone that you're not. You have a very specific set of skills for a reason, and you will always have a purpose without pretending.

**Pisces**, it's understandable to always be on the defensive, but it's not always healthy. When someone comes to you with an issue, try to understand where they're coming from. They are looking for positive ways to help your relationship.

## Cookies Crumbles: #1



- Oreo Ellis

# Let's talk about summer of 2022

By Cat Keenan  
Opinion Editor

This summer was a whirlwind of new fashion trends. Things that haven't seen the light of day since the early 1990's are suddenly making a comeback. Things such as platform shoes and open vests, and we are not that surprised. Let's take a look at some of the trends that came and left pretty swiftly this summer.

Parachute pants gained popularity in the 1980's due to many rappers of thentime wearing them at concerts. Especially with the rise of music video popularity in that same time, they rose quickly to fame. This summer, we saw these have a quick comeback. Due to their easy-breezy durability as well as their similarities to the renowned cargo pants, these were not much of a surprise this summer.

Another popular trend we saw this summer was the rise of wearing baggy shorts. In past

summers, it's always been daisy dukes or other tightly fitted jean shorts that were favored. However, this summer we saw many people fashioning boxer-like shorts as well as long jorts, with some even going all the way to the calves. Mostly paired with small tops or a silk button down, these are still totally in the fashion world with models and influencers alike wearing them.

One certain trend that went viral this summer was the "Clean-Girl Aesthetic". Seen all over TikTok and Instagram, it was no surprise that many girls were desiring this look. Though controversial due to the background of this aesthetic, it was objectively a pretty easily achieved look with a heavy focus on skin and haircare.

French fashion was also a heavy influence

this summer. We saw so many influencers with the go-to Paris black and white, along with the shorter haircuts that have been a staple in French fashion for decades and even claw clips and blocky sunglasses made a comeback. The Paris-look is arguably one of the most aesthetically pleasing of the trends that grew this summer.

This summer we saw so many trends come and go. Summertime is the best time to switch up looks and styles, especially for people who wouldn't usually branch out with any of that. What we saw this summer has definitely set the pace for the rest of the year, and we can't wait to see what it grows into with the upcoming fall fashion trends.

## Brevard College definitely has talent!



Photo by Anna Ervin

The freshman women's soccer waka waka their way into second.



Photo by Anna Ervin

Scott and Nascar duel their way into being the true host of the night.

*The 2022 Talent show was a success. From glowstick dances to host fights, BC brought everything they had to the table. Winners included Zach Burrows in third, the freshman of women's soccer as second place, and Ethan playing the piano owning that first place spot.*



Photo by Anna Ervin

Zach Burrows serenades the audience, earning himself third.



Photo by Anna Ervin

Ethan starts playing blindfolded, and eventually moves onto play without. His beautiful music won everyone over, giving him first place.

# Keeping our Furry Friends Safe: Identifying Dorms with Animals is Crucial during Times of Emergency

By Emme Griffith  
Staff Writer

The dorms of Green residence hall look like your typical dorm building. Most are typical rooms with regular students enjoying the solitude that comes with Green living. If you stand still long enough, you might begin to hear the sounds of Green’s more furry inhabitants.

There are typically two reasons why an animal is allowed to live in campus housing. The first is if the animal is a service animal, meaning it performs a task for a student with a disability. The second reason is if the animal is an Emotional Support Animal, or ESA. Students must fill out documentation in order to be approved to bring an animal onto campus.

Although having a Service animal or ESA is allowed, campus housing does not have a good system in place to keep track of which rooms contain animals in the case of an emergency. As an owner of an ESA myself, I frequently worry about the safety of my dog, Hazel.

In my conversations with a fellow ESA owner in Green, they shared with me that they have similar concerns for their feline companion. Knowing that I was not alone in my worry, I started thinking of ways to solve this common

problem.

One tactic that has been used at other schools is to place a sticker on the door that lets others know that an animal lives in the room. Sometimes the stickers contain information, such as the name and type of animal. Others are much more simplistic, such as a sticker with a paw print. These stickers function as a marker, letting important people and services know that an animal is present.

Although unlikely, emergencies do take place in campus housing. A fairly recent example is when the roof of Jones Hall collapsed during a heavy snowfall in January of 2022. When this happened, I found myself thinking about what would come of Hazel if something were to happen in Green while I was away.

My temporary solution was to make my own sign letting people know that a dog lived in my room. While this helped my fears, I do wish that there was a more official way to identify rooms containing animals. It is important to locate and account for all residents of Brevard college, especially the ones who cannot ask for help.



My ESA, Hazel, who lives with me in Green Hall.



One of the Feline residents of Green Hall.

# A northerner’s perspective on the South

By Savannah Anderson  
Staff Writer

Coming to Brevard all the way from Michigan, I expected a lot of changes. I think it is even fair to assume that I expected just about everyone to have southern accents and talk with a drawl.

What I somehow failed to realize though, was that a lot of students were also coming from different states or even different countries.

As I’m learning about all of the differences in the ways everyone grew up, one thing continuously makes me laugh every time I think about it. When everyone comes from different parts of the world, everyone grew up speaking with different lingo.

Personally, I thought I was well prepared for all the southern terminology I was expecting to hear. All the basic stuff you may hear in movies such as “y’all” or “howdy.” I was not,

however, expecting to hear the words “yonder” and “reckon.”

The first time I heard those words used unironically I started laughing so hard. I was in complete shock that people actually said things like that so casually. To me, words like yonder and reckon would never even cross my mind to say. But to some people who were born in the south, it’s natural for them.

So much is different now that I have had time to settle in and think about all the things that don’t make sense to me. For example, everyone who has grown up near this area is so casual about the mountains. I grew up where there was pretty much nothing but trees and corn.

Seeing the mountain range every single time I look out of the window is such a surreal

experience to me, yet some people have known nothing else in their life.

I keep finding new things every day that are native to Michigan or just more northern states in general, and it is always fascinating to me. So in my personal opinion, ask someone about their hometown. I reckon you may be surprised by how different you could be.



# Pre-season report of the men's soccer team

By Paul Bienefeld  
Staff Writer

For almost two weeks now, the team around head coach Helio D'Anna has been in training. There are some changes. The Tornados start this year in the newly formed USA South Conference for Men's Soccer and have the opportunity to be the first team in history to win that conference.

They were picked to finish third in the Preseason Poll. There are also changes around the 36-player squad and on the coaching staff; 10 new players joined the first team squad.

Coach L is faced with not only getting his team fit, but also integrating the new players. So far he is very satisfied with the training progress and the development of the team. Coach L said, "We are exactly where we need to be. With so many new players we were able to sort out first and second teams, get the new players comfortable and establish the intensity level on a daily basis. Our players show a hunger to be in the sessions at maximum effort but also are enjoying the training and each other."

Coach L sees the size of the squad as the biggest strength. He said, "Our strength first and foremost is in the fact that we are deep



Photo of the BC men's soccer team

everywhere, and our best player is the team. We are showing a willingness to sacrifice some playing time, but allow all these talented players to have looks."

The competitive battle is also evident in training, which is always intense. "We accept the say that the rising tide raises all ships, and we make each other better on a daily basis," said L D'Anna.

There are also new faces in the coaching team: Mario Pinto will take over the role of assistant

coach and will also take care of the second team. The former striker had a common past with

Coach L. "Mario played for me in my previous school and during that time he showed not

only his exceptional technical and playing abilities, but the traits that more often than not turn

players into coaches," said Coach L.

Also new to the coaching team is Matheus Alexander Silva Santos. He completes the Brazilian coaching team and will mainly take care of the goalkeepers. "Matheus

is willing to work hard for the team and do what needs done," said Coach L.

Helio D'Anna is satisfied with the preparation for the season so far and is confident about the start of the season on Sept. 1. We look forward to the season with excitement and will see

what it brings. We wish the BC Tornados every success.

## WSOC open the season at home

By Scott Douglas  
Staff Writer

After a disappointing defeat at Southern Wesleyan in an exhibition match, the women's soccer team aims to get back to winning ways. The Tornados lost two to zero over the weekend, with both goals coming in the first half.

Southern Wesleyan recorded 20 shots against the Tornados, with 11 being on target, which means that the two freshmen goalkeepers, Mackenzie Lozano and Nicole Arroyo, had a lot to deal with in their first college game.

The start of the month of September will mark new beginnings and, most importantly, marks the start of the regular season as the Tornados take on the Guildford Quakers. It will be the first time

the WSOC will play at Ives-Lemel Family Field since Oct 26, 2021, when they played in the first round of the south tournament. They will be looking to put on a great performance in front of their friends and family.

This game holds a lot more weight than the exhibition match that was played this past

Saturday, due to the fact that this will be the game that will help the Tornados get to the postseason

tournament. The WSOC have been successful in making it to the tournament in the last two years, so it is safe to assume that this season's target will be no different.

The last meeting between these two sides was back in 2018, which ended with your Brevard College Tornados coming out as the victors in a two to one contest. Two players remain in the side that managed to defeat the Quakers, Aliyah Vaughan and Emma White. Sallie Riggan and Rebeccah Rojas were both also in the side but now are volunteer assistant coaches. Those four know what it takes to defeat Guildford, but will it be possible for them to lead the tornados to victory tomorrow night?

There is only one way to find out, and that is by showing up to Ives Lemel Family Field at 6 p.m. to cheer on your Brevard College Tornados.

