



# Brevard rallies behind Henry

*Junior environmental studies major Henry Konsker involved in serious motorcycle accident last week*

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For those of you who don't know Henry Konsker, he is a Brevard men's lacrosse player. This is his junior year at Brevard majoring in Environmental Studies.

One week ago, he was involved in a motorcycle accident on Rosman Highway. He was airlifted to Mission Hospital and had to be placed in a medically induced coma to reduce pressure on his brain.

Henry is still in the hospital, and for those who are needing updates, his girlfriend, Xan Hill, gave me a update on his condition as of 9 p.m. yesterday, Aug. 29.

According to Hill, he had a knee surgery scheduled for this morning at 8 a.m. "His pressures are good and he has good energy," Hill said.

Hill said he has a good nurse looking after him. "He is on one less sedation medication and he is now listening to his mountain music!," she said.

Hill also wished to express her appreciation to the Brevard College community.

"I want to say thank you for all the support and prayers that have been coming to Henry, me, and his family," she said. "He is slowly recovering and has a long road ahead of him.

"Thank you to the men's lacrosse team for having my back and all making a point to check up on me and his mom! I have bought bracelets for him and they are currently on the way. Reach out if you would like to donate towards the Go Fund Me!

"Thank you again for all the love and support," Hill said.

*You can reach out to Xan for more information through direct messages on Instagram, xan.hill.12.*



Henry Konsker and his girlfriend Xan Hill.

# Rosman High School to honor Jayden Reynaldo and Layne Jones at tonight's home football game

*The two juniors died in an ATV accident early Sunday morning*

Rosman High School plans to honor the memory of two football players who died early Sunday morning in an accident before the school's home football game tonight, Aug. 30.

The two students, Jayden Reynaldo and Layne Jones, both juniors at the high school and members of the varsity football team, were traveling down Old Wagon Road near Presley Fields Road in Balsam Grove early Sunday morning when they lost control of the ATV they were riding and struck a tree. Both riders succumbed to their injuries and were pronounced dead at the scene.

No other vehicles were involved and there were no signs of intoxication for either of the riders. The vehicle they were riding, a Polaris Sportsman ATV, was not registered or designed for highway use and law enforcement officers said excessive speed was the underlying cause of the accident.

"Thank you for the outpouring of support and kindness shown to our staff and students

following the recent loss of two of our high school students," Transylvania County Schools representative Tessa Brown said in a news release Wednesday.

"In a show of support, there will be an 'orange out' where fans and students are encouraged to wear orange" at tonight's home game, Brown said in the release. "Additionally, the proceeds from the 50-50 raffle will be donated directly to the families of the students."

An email from Brevard College's campus minister Sharad Creasman yesterday also invited members of the college community to remember and honor Reynaldo and Jones by wearing orange today.

"Please join us, the Rosman High School community, Transylvania County Schools, and the greater Transylvania County community as we all stand in solidarity with these families and those who grieve," Creasman said.

On Saturday, Aug. 31 from 11 a.m. to 1:30

p.m. a visitation for Jones will take place at Moody-Connolly Funeral Home followed by a service at 2 p.m. and burial at Oak Grove Baptist Church Cemetery.

On Sunday, Sept. 1 from noon to 1:30 p.m. a visitation for Reynaldo will take place on the RHS football field, followed by a service at 2 p.m. and burial at Blue Ridge Gardens of Memory.

"We ask everyone to be respectful and considerate of the families and students who are still going through the grieving process," Brown said. "By resuming school activities and Friday night's game, Transylvania County Schools aims to provide a sense of normalcy and routine for staff and students during this difficult time."

*For more information on the funeral services, visit Moody-Connolly Funeral Home's website at [moodyconnollyfuneralhome.com](http://moodyconnollyfuneralhome.com).*



Layne Jones (left) and Jayden Reynaldo (right) in their Rosman High School varsity football team jerseys. Both juniors, they died early Sunday morning near Balsam Grove when the ATV they were riding in lost control and struck a tree. They will be honored and remembered at tonight's home football game in Rosman.

# Bored? Take a hike: Literally!

*‘The Land of Waterfalls’ has lots of places to get outside*

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Are you bored of sitting inside your dorm room on weekends? With Brevard having “more than 250 waterfalls,” according to Visit NC, there are plenty of beautiful options for you to choose from to get outside! Below are a few different options of the North Carolina waterfalls to choose from, including one from a popular and beloved movie!

Starting our list off with Moore Cove Falls. Moore Cove Falls is a unique waterfall because you are able to walk under and behind it! The hike to get there is simple and short, with a total of 1.5 miles round trip.

Next I would suggest visiting Rainbow Falls. Rainbow Falls is a waterfall that flows down around 125 feet from the Horsepasture River. The hike to get to Rainbow Falls is considered more of a moderate trail and takes about 30 minutes to complete. In total, it is around 1.5 miles.

Looking Glass Falls is one of the most accessible waterfalls to view because of how close it

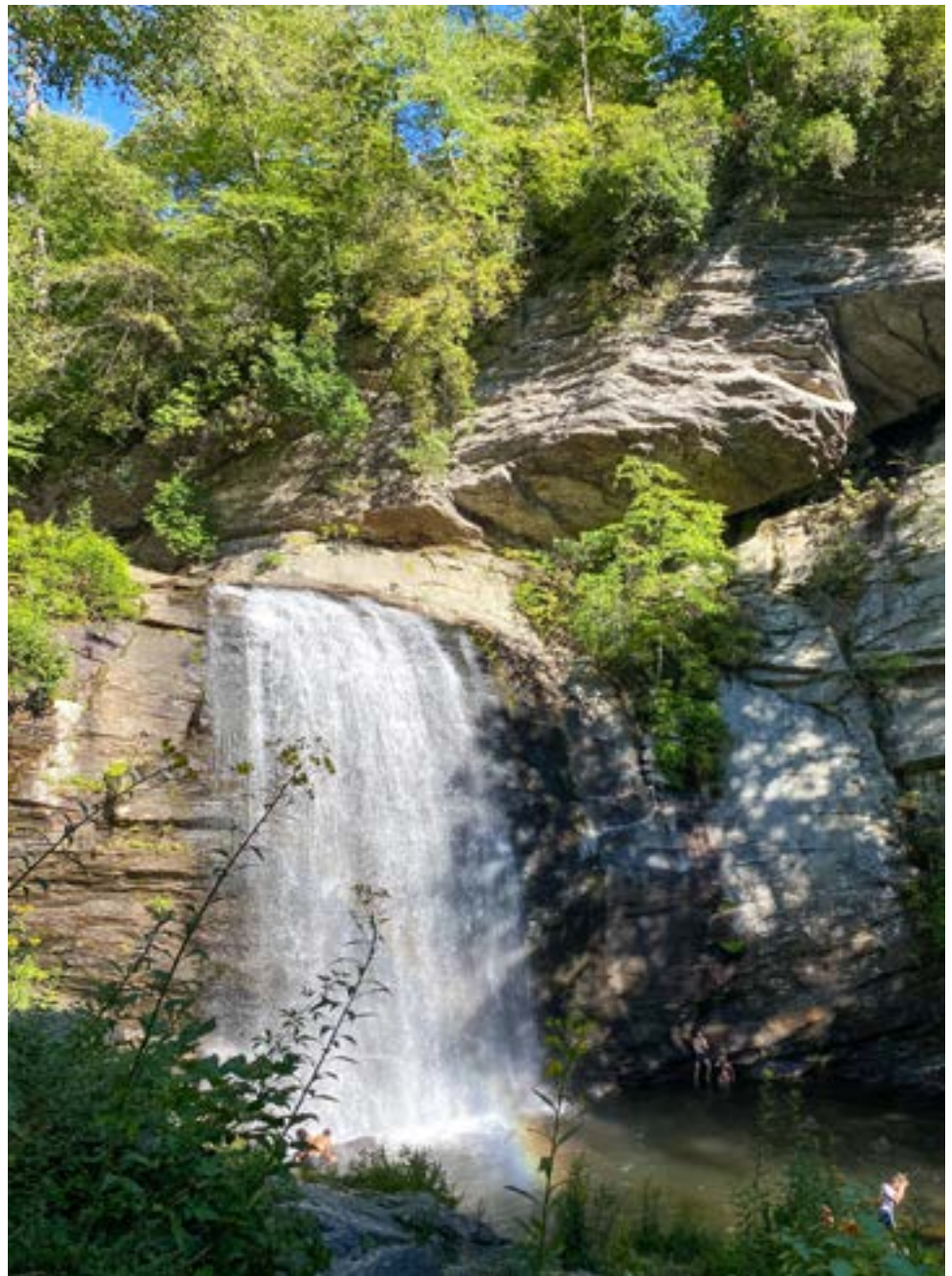
is to the main road of Pisgah National Forest; making it a must see! The waterfall is around 60 feet tall, and can be seen from upclose if you choose to walk to the bottom and swim, (which locals recommend).

Like the Hunger Games movie series? Most people may not know that the arena scenes were filmed in DuPont! In fact, Triple Falls, which is an easy hike from the parking area, was the setting for some of the most iconic scenes in

the movie, including when Katniss finds Peeta hiding among the rocks.

Hiking is a great way to spend any day off from classes. You can get to know and understand the natural areas that surround Brevard. It is also a great way to spend time outdoors, see amazing views, and just relax!

*Suggestions for waterfalls and hikes courtesy of Graham Yelliott.*



Looking Glass Falls is one of the most picturesque waterfalls in the area, and it is conveniently located adjacent to US 276 in Pisgah National Forest, just a few miles from campus. (Photo by Autumn Jones)

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# Welcome Back, Tornados! We're no longer in Kansas, Toto; this is Brevard, North Carolina

**Olivia Hyde**  
Editor in Chief

Good morning, afternoon, goodnight, or any other time you may be reading this. I hope many of you are as excited as I am to be back in school!

If you are new to Brevard and you are having a hard time finding a place to spend your time, I suggest stopping by the BC Club Fair and joining a club!

Are you interested in sports? There are several clubs to choose from like the Climbing Club! You will be able to experience exciting workouts and climbing activities. The BC Climbing Club focuses on cultivating a friendly and inviting community. They host meetings from 7:30 to 9 p.m. every Monday and Friday at the Brevard Rock Gym, giving BC students a fun and engag-

ing opportunity to be part of a collegiate level climbing team. This club is great for new and experienced climbers!

Do you love the outdoors and exploring? Join the Outing Club! This club plans group outdoor adventures like hiking, biking, climbing, and even skiing. This club is great if you like exploring, making friends, or are part of the WLEE program!

Would you like to get more involved with your major? Brevard has a few specialty clubs. If you are a Business Major, try the Business Club. If you are an Environmental Studies major, try the Environmental Stewards Club!

Does your major involve sports training or health? Join the Physical Education and Recreation Club, or the Fellowship Student Athletes (FCA). If you are a History major, try the Pas-

time History Club.

Do you enjoy playing games? Join the Gaming Club! They meet bi weekly on Thursdays and organize a party.

Are you looking to find other members of the LGBTQIAS+ community? Join the Pride Club!

If none of these clubs meet your preferences, there are plenty more to choose from. Can't find a club you like? Start your own!

Either way, going to a club is a great way to make friends. School can be scary, but being a part of a group can help you feel more connected to the school's community. Don't be afraid to put yourself out there! You may find people are friendlier than you think!

I wish everyone luck for these first few weeks of school. Go touch some grass and get outside once a day—it's good for your mental health.



The BC Climbing Club at the Brevard Rock Gym. Meetings take place Monday and Friday starting at 7:30 p.m.



Image of Stanley, Owala, and other trending style water bottles. Image from KMHandmadeBoutiq

# What's this year's school accessory?

## *Here's a hint: You can drink from it...*

**Kailey Ward**  
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As this new school year begins, it's obvious that students are stocking up on school must-haves. Like pencils, notebooks, folders, etc. Noticeably each year there is a school item that becomes the new hottest accessory.

Recently the most noticeable trending item has been water bottles. Water bottles have not only an essential item of hydration but also a statement piece. Putting stickers on your water bottle is now the new trend. You can make it your style but it can also be about the brand.

Last year it was hard to go far without hearing the words Stanley bottle. It didn't take long after a few viral TikToks most students brought one to class. I even found myself getting one as a Christmas gift, and it is pink!

The Stanley Water bottle became popular

due to its ability to keep drinks cool or hot for long periods of time. But, like all trends, they faded in popularity just like the Hydro Flask trend of 2019.

Stanleys are now being replaced with the Owala water bottle. I have seen many students carry them to class so far in the semester. In one of my classes my Stanley was the Wolverine in a sea of Deadpools.

The consumerism around water bottles is looked down upon. I've noticed that the number of students' buying reusable water bottles has increased.

I will admit there is something about having a water bottle design that you enjoy makes you actually want to use it. Staying hydrated is hard enough especially if you have a bottle that doesn't keep your water cold.

Why has the Owala bottle taken over?

When it comes to picking a water bottle there

are many things that make it more accessible. For example, the Owala bottle brand is affordable. This makes it already a perfect choice for a student.

It's really common to spill or have leaky water bottles. The Owala has an innovative cap design where the lid covers an inside straw and drink feature which means no more spills. It is also easy to carry around compared to other water bottles because of the movable handle.

The most important thing when it comes to water bottles is the appearance. The Owala water bottle comes in many colors and themes. The Themes include anything from starwars to Harry Potter.

Though I do not agree with the buying and getting rid of water bottles over time. If there is a bottle perfect for a student it would be the Owala. It is perfect for everyday usage and travel.

# Spotify's top 10 hits

- 1) **Die With A Smile**  
by Lady Gaga and Bruno Mars
- 2) **Taste**  
by Sabrina Carpenter
- 3) **Good Luck, Babe!**  
by Chappell Roan
- 4) **BIRDS OF A FEATHER**  
by Billie Eilish
- 5) **Guess featuring Billie Eilish**  
by Charli xcx and Billie Eilish
- 6) **Too Sweet**  
by Hozier
- 7) **Espresso**  
by Sabrina Carpenter
- 8) **I Had Some Help (Feat. Morgan Wallen)**  
by Post Malone, and Morgan Wallen
- 9) **I Can Do It With a Borken Heart**  
by Taylor Swift
- 10) **Slow It Down**  
by Benson Boone



Sabrina Carpenter

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You're also free to attend Clarion staff meetings Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in MG 118. We'd love to see you there!

# Go touch some grass, it is good for you: Ways to get outside on the BC campus

**Olivia Hyde**  
Editor in Chief

A large proportion of Brevard college students' population consists of student athletes. Therefore they get both mental and physical benefits that come from having fun and working outside.

As a cyclist and an avid nature lover, I always feel better after spending time outside. There are many studies that suggest there are many benefits to spending time outside. It is also how humans spent the majority of our previous existence.

Piedmont Medical Professionals say that spending time outside has many benefits that include. "Outdoor exercise can help ward off seasonal affective disorder (SAD), depression and anxiety because sunshine naturally increases serotonin, a hormone that affects your mood. And exercise itself produces endorphins, another feel-good hormone that boosts your mood and reduces pain." So curb that seasonal depression by trying the on-campus disc golf course.

Trying hard or facing challenges can help with your problem-solving capabilities. This helps build confidence and it is super fun! A good way to do this is to go on a hard hike in Pisgah National Forest which happens to be 15 minutes from campus.

Working out outside and in a public space can be very intimidating. Regardless, it is worth trying, I promise the mental relief of working over pent up anxiety is huge. I love cardio to run or bike out that energy. You also can try this at the school gym during free lift or running on the track.

Finally spending more time outside can connect you to other people. Image one day while doing yoga by the campus stream you see your friend from class. You notice they also have a yoga mate and you can invite them to join you. Then boom you have a new connection with that friend.

I highly recommend trying something outside and touching some grass!



A beautiful cloudy day on the Brevard College campus. (Photo by Olivia Hyde)

# Football is BACK

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Imagine being a top 10 ranked team that goes all the way to Ireland, but loses. That's how we're starting this college football season this year. The Florida State Seminoles played the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets on Saturday Aug 24.

As expected, the Seminoles started off hot. They wanted to use this game to prove to the AP college poll that they deserved to be in the top 4 last year. The game started with the Seminoles scoring and converting a 2 point conversion, and then after about 5 minutes the Seminoles ran into their struggles as a team. It got to the point that the offense wasn't able to separate themselves

from the Georgia Tech defense, but they were able to establish a good offense; passing or running the ball.

The Seminoles' biggest problem was their quarterback efficiency in the opening half. DJ Uiagalelei completed 12-14 passes for 96 yards, with an average -0.1 air yards on those attempts. For the Yellow Jackets, this was familiar territory. Tech defeated a couple of ranked opponents last season with teams such as the Miami Dolphins, and Chapel Hill. Because of that, they knew what was at stake being one of the teams this season that was part of the college football kick-off.

Tech's quarterback, Haynes King, completed 11-16 pass attempts for 146 yards but had no touchdowns. Their touchdowns came from on

the ground J. Haynes had 2 touchdowns with 11 carries and the other touchdown came from Z. Pyron with 1 touchdown with 1 carry. So it was a pretty nice day for their running backs.

On the topic of college football, who's excited for some Tornado Football? On Saturday, Sep 14 at one, the Brevard College Tornados will be kicking off in Brevard, North Carolina against Hampden- Sydney. Last year, the Tornados went to Hampden-Sydney, VA but weren't victorious; the score of that game was 17-31. This year, the Tornados are seeking vengeance, especially with the bitter taste from last year still fresh.

Come support us at Ives-Lemel Family Field, because it will be a movie!

# New bonus for CeeDee Lamb caused quite a stir!

Alex Spangler  
Staff Writer

The elite wide receiver for the Dallas Cowboys, CeeDee Lamb, has reached an agreement on a 4 year deal worth \$136 million, which now makes him the second highest paid non quarterback in the history of the NFL (Adam Shefter and ESPN sources).

CeeDee Lamb purposefully held out from practice during summer and into preseason, trying to reach an agreement with the Cowboys. Due to the constant back and forth with negotiations, trade rumors began to arise in the social media, discussing what possibilities could

happen because it is not everyday a professional misses practice without repercussions.

Because of the rumors, many questions started to arise; How would the Cowboys do without him? Do the Cowboys still have a chance to win the Super Bowl after losing their star player?

The rumors are officially put to rest after Lamb gets the largest bonus to be given to any wide receiver at \$38 million.

Lamb has opened the door for many other receivers who are looking to get paid and expect that top dollar for years to come.



Photo of CeeDee Lamb at Cowboys game  
Image by Tim Heitman-USA TODAY Sports

## 2024 Brevard College Home Football Schedule

*(all games are on a Saturday at Ives-Lemel Family Field)*

Sept. 14, 1 p.m. vs. **Hampden-Sydney** (Youth Day)

Sept. 21, 1 p.m. vs. **Belhaven** (Whiteout Game)

Oct. 12, 6 p.m. vs. **Greensboro** (Homecoming 2024)

Oct. 19, 3:30 p.m. vs. **LaGrange** (Hometown Heroes)

Nov. 2, 12 p.m. vs. **Methodist** (Senior Day)

*For those unable to attend in-person, Brevard College home athletic events will be broadcast live, free-of-charge, on the Brevard College Athletics YouTube Channel at [youtube.com/BrevardCollegeTornados](https://youtube.com/BrevardCollegeTornados)*